

OBITUARY

DR. CHARLES IVAN JUNKIN

An Appreciation

THE DEATH of Dr. Charles Ivan Junkin, after a prolonged period of ill-health, came as a sad blow to his many friends and colleagues throughout the medical profession. His death on September 17 closed the career of another of that dwindling band of pioneer anaesthetists.

Dr. Junkin was born in Fenelon Falls, where he attended Public School. Later he moved to Toronto, where he received his Senior Matriculation from



Harbord Collegiate in 1915. He promptly enlisted in the 43rd Battery of the Canadian Field Artillery and proceeded overseas. He served throughout the war, attaining officer's rank, and surviving severe wounds. On returning from

the war, he entered the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. He became a member of AΩA in 1923 and received his M.B. degree in 1924.

He took post-graduate training in Buffalo in 1924-25 and at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, in 1926-27. He commenced general practice in Toronto and joined the staff in Anaesthesia of the Hospital for Sick Children in 1927. He combined general practice and anaesthesia and many of his anaesthetics were administered in the patient's homes. In 1943 he became a certificated specialist in Anaesthesia of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons. Finally, he was able to relinquish general practice in 1945 and concentrate on his main interest, paediatric anaesthesia.

In 1951 he was appointed Anaesthetist-in-Chief at the Hospital for Sick Children and became a member of the Medical Advisory Board. He was the Chairman of the Board from 1958 to 1960. He was Consultant Anaesthetist to the Toronto General Hospital and to the Princess Margaret Hospital. He enjoyed teaching and was appointed Assistant and then Associate in the Department of Anaesthesia, University of Toronto. During his career, he published many scientific papers and belonged to numerous medical and anaesthetic societies.

His leisure-time activities included oil painting and colour photography. In both these fields he was talented and proficient.

He is sadly missed by all. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his widow, the former Helen Howe, and their four children, Edward of Calgary, John, Marion, and Mrs. R. Anderson of Toronto.