In Memoriam

IT was with a keen sense of personal loss, that his many friends read, on October fourth, of the sudden passing of Dr. John William Denoon of Gold Coast, West Africa.

Dr. Denoon, the son of the late Rev. Dr. A. H. and Mrs. Denoon, was born at Saltsprings, Nova Scotia, on July 2nd., 1903. He received his early education at Antigonish, and Lethbridge, Alberta. In 1921, he entered Toronto University, where, following his pre-medical work, he completed two years of his medical course. The next two years were spent in the Flin Flon, and Fort Churchill districts, where he did pioneer work, adding to his already wide knowledge of human nature, as well as gaining considerable experience in practical medicine. In September 1928, he resumed his medical studies, enrolling at Dalhousie, where, in 1931, he received his degree.

Possessing a charming personality, a keen wit, and that most happy faculty of making friends, he quickly became an outstanding figure on the Campus, and in the Clinic Rooms. Taking a very active part in all student activities, he was prominent in the Dalhousie Medical Society, Sodales Debating Society, and, in his final year, was President of the Students' Council. His internships were spent at the Victoria General, the Grace, and the Children's Hospitals.

The summer following his graduation, he spent as Medical Officer, on the C.G.S. "Arras", and in the Fall of the same year he was awarded an I.O.D.E. Scholarship, enabling him to pursue post-graduate work in London. For two years his time was spent in English Hospitals, chiefly the Warrington Infirmary, where he was Senior Resident. Being interested in the study of Tropical Diseases, he joined the Royal Army Medical Corps, and was stationed on the Gold Coast, West Africa, where he carried on work among the natives.

While on furlough, during the Fall and Winter of 1935-36, Dr. Denoon, and his wife, who was Miss Rhoda Kitto, of London, visited the Maritimes and Alberta, where his mother and sister reside. While in this country, he spoke with keenest enjoyment of his work in Africa, and manifested an eagerness to return there.

To his family, the Dalhousie Medical Journal extends its warmest sympathy in their personal loss, and feels that in his untimely death the Medical Profession has lost a most promising member.