

ACUTE INFLAMMATION

- Reaction of the tissues to an irritant.

Caused by - Bacteria, injury, chemicals, heat, cold.

Local s/s - Redness, - increased blood supply (hyperaemia)  
Heat.

Swelling - escaping of fluid from capillaries.

Pain + loss of function.

Excaemia/s Malaise + headache (in severe inflam.)

Anorexia. | Dr. by Rest + immobilization.

Hot dry skin.

Warmth (inc'd bl. supply to combat infection)

Cyanosis > P.

Thromb. s/s ~ incision + drains.

Res. Results.

1. Resolution (natural, defences, overcome by violent wog)

2. Suppuration (abscess of pus)

3. Spread of infection to lymphatics - lymphangitis

- lymph glands - lymphadenitis

- may deteriorate to Septicaemia s/s Intermittent pyrexia

Poisoning, normal in morning) + rigors. Blood culture.

Dr. of Excaemia.

R.I.B.

Analgesics

Seepious fluids.

Gen. nursing care.

PAIN.

"Abnormal stimulation of sensory nerve endings, a symptom of disease."

To relieve pain: 1. Rest eg. limb-splints, etc. - support foot for sore ankle.  
pleuritic pain - strap chest.

Headache - R.I.B. avoid glass.

2. Warmth - plaster poultice or warm wool.

3. Active pressure - change position (eg. backache)  
Bed cradle or pressure from bedclothes.

4. Cold compresses - linen soaked in ice water (head, ankle)

Evaporating lotion (S.V.M.) (phlebitis)

If does not subside - inform Doc. (by orders)

Analgesics: Aspirin gr 16-15, APC gr 300, codein 60-80 + - not habit forming - Eng. 60.

severe pain: Dextrofetamine - powerful anal. + antispasmodic (colic pains sp. such as) 50-750 mg.  
mg. every 4 hrs.

Morphine - anal. narcotic gr 1/8-1/3 Phyzepitone 5-10 mg. M. synthetic prep. rare. Demerol gr 1/6-1/3

If pain chronic - Physio Directed by Doc. - massage, infra red, radiant heat, thiatherapy, spec. baths  
(waste)

RHEUMATIC  
FEVER.

2.

Follows haemolytic strept. inf. in throat.

Sym. Painful joints, pyrexia + profuse persp.

Lifting pains + swelling in affected joints.

Pyrexia -  $101$  -  $102^{\circ}$  + Increased pulse.

Tongue, anaesthesia, constipation, malaise.

Throating.

Sometimes Erythema Nodosum - circ. red patches on legs.

Rheumatic nodules around joints.

Pallor + anaemia.

Raised L.S.R. - Normal 1-10 mm. R.F. 30 + over +

Comritis. Laryngitis esp. endo.

Treatment. 1. Bed - absolute rest - 1 pillow - rest heart prevent comp's.

2. Well ventilated rooms.

3. Bed cradle, comf. mattress + airing.

4. Support feet - sandbags, padded board.

5. Care of skin - at least once daily sponge patient.

q.f.h. care of pressure areas.

T.O.S mouth, toiletts - p.c. may need to change b. + comb hair - free from matting / tight clothes frequently.

6. Bladder - test + F.B.C. for first few days - bowels.

7. Copious nourishing fluids, → light diet, → encourage liberal diet.

8. Urine - 4 hrly. T.P.R. - S.P.

9. F.B.C. during acute stage.

10. Combs - apply warmth - warm wool - liniment Meth. Sal. - (warm L.S.R. + hands)

11. Nurse feeds during early, acute stages, but p. encouraged to help themselves when improve  
2 nurses to be in attendance when lifting, washing, etc.

Specific tr. Doc. orders salicylates - Sod. q.s. 15-30.

Acetyl Sal. (Aspirin) q.s. 10-20.

C<sub>a</sub> Aspirin.

Bartoline - unsatisfactory results.

After-care imp. in children - long convalescence - 6-12 months.

Avert to Spec. schools when strenuous games, etc. avoided - educated for suitable occupation - no exertion.

Iron for any anaemia (suppression of bone marrow)

Note: Spare time to read to him, tell stories, etc. play games with him - snakes and ladders.

Acute CARDITIS.Myocarditis:

Causes: Rh. T., Diphtheria, Pneumonia & Sc. T.

S.T.S. —  
Tachycardia,  
Extra-systole.

Jr. —  
Also, rest - fully rouse.  
Good G.N.C.

Ir. cause: Danger of sudden death during inf.

Pericarditis:

Causes: Rh. T., Pneum., Typhoid Th. Dry or with EFFUSION

S.T.S. —  
Pain behind sternum, aggravated by cough, movement, deep breathing  
If effusion present - dyspnoea, restlessness.  
O/E fullness over precordium.

X-Ray shows presence of fluid - watery or paroxysmal - rheumatic - intermittent pyrexia

Jr. RIB. + Good G.N.C.

Ir. of underlying cause.

Aspiration + drainage of fluid.

Ocas. (due to Th.) may go on for years!

Comp's: Fibrosis of adherent peric. to pleura when healing.

Calcification of peric. - Surg. tr. - peel off pericardium.

Endocarditis: Bacterial, or Simple (Rh. T., Sc. T., & Lehorca)

S.T.S. —  
Tachycardia (persists after rec. from Rh.-T.)

O/E murmurs on auscultation (involvement of mitral valve)

Jr. prolonged P.R.

A.P. improves - allowed up - child. sent to spec. schools, Adults sedentary job

Comp's: mitral incompr. or stenosis.

Aortic T. ib. & C.C.F.

Subacute bact. endoc. - only subacute effect of mitral valve

CARDITIS.

Subacute bacterial endocarditis: (existing & lesion)

Valvular lesions (usually Rhs. int. origin)

Causes: Strep. viridans? Vegetations on mitral valve become inflamed, oft. break away & form small emboli.  
Sys. onset gradual (malaise)  
anorexia.

Pyrexia (100 - 101°)

Rapid pulse.

Café au-lait complexion / due to breaking up of some R.B.C.s

Petechial spots (Blood spots - small blue ones!)

Osslet's nodes (painful swelling of fingertips)

Cardiac asthma. (parox. dyspnoea exp. nocte)

Diag.: confirmed by blood culture for org.

In. nursed in bright cheerful surroundings.

Good G.N.C.

Spec. drug - P. (500,000 B.I.) for at least 29 days also Strep. G. 1 Daily.

Treatment of symptoms: attacks of cardiac asthma - Morphia gr. 1/6 - 1/4 (no Adren. - pills)

Styptics to buy local haem. - Snake venom, adrenaline-local.

Good diet.

IRON - (as tend to become anaemic.)

Any throat surgery or dentals should have P. as preventative. If of  
S. ex. bact. endoc. esp. if has mitral stenosis. 3 days avant + devant.

Acute Bact. Endocarditis (strep. haemolyticus, staph., pneumo.) but due to  
any virulent bacterium in bl. str. Result - gen. septicemia  
P. mentally ill - heart valves elevate if untr. + mort. rate high.

In. antib.'s as early as poss.

Good G.N.C.

PULSE.

Wave expression - best felt where artery passes over a bone.

Observations : Rate - 60-80 adults normal, 90-132 children.

Rhythm - regular

Volume - "good" - not easily compressed.

Abnormalities of Rate:

Tachycardia: Physiological - re. ex. of h. & exercise of excitement.

Pathological - shock, haemorrhage and cardiac disease - endo, myo, CCF (weak) anemias, thyrotoxicosis.

Bradyarrhythmic Tachycardia may last several minutes or several hours extra systole - do not originate in auricles. Ir. cause (q.s.)

Bradycardia : < 60. Phys: rest, trained athletes.

Path: 1. Increased intra-cranial pressure.  
2. Mumps and jaundice.  
3. Heart block - partial, oblique in. - complete - Dig. overdose.

Hoff-Adams Syndrome:

Ir. if due to Dig. - disc. drug.

Damage of heart muscle - no br. - P. regulates life - no protection. Adrenalin and ephedrine if stim. nec. esp. in S-A. syndrome.

(P. une., inf. fit - dif. from epileptic as pulse slows down to 6 b.p.m.).

Ir. R. 1.13. ad. + septa, sometimes into cardiac muscle. ) Death

Abnorm. of Rhythm:

Coupling - regular irregularity

Auricular Fibrillation: Irregular irregularly - 300-400 auricle beats p.m., but Bundle of His is able only to transmit 120-140 beats conducted to ventricles - some strong + others weak. Apical beat rate (as weak not felt at pulse) faster than pulse beat.

Causes (R. 7.?) 1. Mitral stenosis usually ab. in origin.

2. Myocard. degens.

3. Untreated thyrotoxicosis.

Imp. to h. p. c. h. failure early. Ig. R. 1.8. Digitalis -  $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ G.

Sinuadine hydrochl. (only in selected cases - where no h. failure) q.s. - 9.

Digoxin - 0.25 - 0.75 mg.

## PULSE

Sinus Arrhythmia: common, but no sig. in children (rare in adult)

↑ insp. - expiration.

Extra Systole: - p.m. beat.

I thought to originate in ventricles - not serious in healthy heart, but in unhealthy caused by smoking, strong tea + coffee)

### Anom.:s of Pulse:

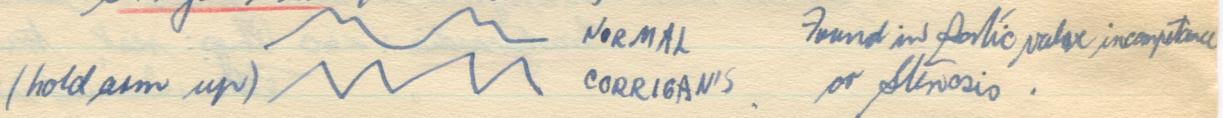
Weak: severe dehydration (weak + rapid)

shock, haem., heart failure, impending death.

Strong: HT.

full, bounding pulse in ↑ intra-cranial pressure.

Corrigan's Pulse (Water hammer)



Found inortic valve incompetence or Stenosis.

Sydenham's chorea - more common in children.

Rhe. disord. of central cortex - same comp.: as Rh. T. - cardiac crises. Common in highly strung, and intelligent children.

S.T.S. - fitful, purposeless movements - aggravated by being reprimanded. excitable, cry easily.

grinaces & lack of facial control.

May have generalised muscle activity, sometimes violent. - worse if touched. Tachycardia + sometimes pyrexia.

Anorexia, sprallor.

1. Nursed in quiet room - well ventilated.
- All unnec. noise - excitement to be avoided.

Good C. N. C.

Difficult to feed (rubber spoon on feeding cup, etc.)

Spec. Drug: Aspirin + often Phenobarbitone.

Conv.: graduated exercise as conv. improver.

Allowed out of bed when p. normal + no fitful movements.

Long conv. advisable.

Also occurs in pregnancy - sometimes had it as children, but may not have - P. recrds, when child born.

ACUTE OTITIS MEDIA. inf. from throat - tonsils or Eustachian tubes.

Symptoms Throbbing pain.

Deafness - loss of function.

Drum swollen and bulging.

P.T.O., anorexia.

Hot dry skin, etc.

Post. Results Resolution.

Rupture of drum (discharge from ear)

Mastoiditis.

Meningitis.

R.I.B., fluids, antibiotics

ear toilet, myringotomy.

Treatment

CHRONIC OTITIS MEDIA.

## NARCOTICS

Morphine gr.  $\frac{1}{16}$  -  $\frac{1}{4}$  - analgesic + sedative (narcosis)

Umnopon: gr.  $\frac{1}{3}$  :

Phenacetin, aspirin) 10-15 mg.

Paraldehyde - basal narcotic - for restlessness, delirium.

5-10 cc oral. I.M., Rectally, 5-8 dr. orally.

+++ Barbiturate Poisoning - drowsy or comatose (effects resp. sys.)

Respiratory slow + shallow.

If cons. - pupils small, if unconsc. - dilated

If uncons. - die from resp. failure + circulatory failure - no B.P., weak pulse.

If p. survives for few days may get hyperpyrexia - heat reg. center paralysis.

May (if uncons.) die from hypostatic pneumonia.

St. Stomach washout w/ warm water, in Dextrose 7%.

Megamidate - 10cc's every 5 min until 200 c.c.'s given (1 course mg/hour)

Dantazol (PicROTOxin - if too much given - convulsions)

Change position from side to side.

Or if cyanosed - mask.

Spec. Drug: Megamidate.

Dantazol - 1cc. I.V. for every 10cc. of Megamidate.

Methadone 70 > B.P.

May use PicROTOxin 5 or 20cc. I.M.

As p. recovers - given X.P. to cover hypostatic pneum.

"FINALS REV."INSOMNIA.

External causes: noise, bright lights, excessive coldness or heat.

internal - due to path. - Physical: pain: fever: gen. discomf. (bed). Haemorrhage: hunger: thirst: full tum., or bladder.

Mental: excitement, worry & anxiety - personal, domestic, financial; habitual.

Initial Insomnia: cannot get off. No sleep (Chloral, Amytal)

Intermediate " : 2-3 hours sleep, wake up. (Sodium Amytal)

Terminal Insomnia - sleep 4-5 hours, but wake up early (Buto-barbitone, Somnol gr 1/2-3)

S.: ensure quietness and darkness.

admit new p's to bed near door - no squeaking shoes.

treat coughs - warm, dry sinks - mictur.

wake up snoring, shut mouths.

comfort to p. - shake pillows, tidy bed, alter position, etc.

Offer warm milk or tea; bp or urinal.

ask if worried & encourage to talk.

Relieve pain - position; relieve pressure; warmth; cold, compression.

If all else fails - resort to Doc. - Hypnotic sleep: Chloral H. gr. 20 or C.P.B. Sedative calm.

Barbiturates - Phenobarbital - Luminal - i.v. i.d.s.

Sodium Phenobarb - 1. gr. - 1/3 nocti - faster than oral.

Pento-barbitone - Nembutal - gr. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  - 3

Quinal barbitone - Seconal - gr. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  - 3.

Amylo-barbitone - Aminal - gr. 3 - 7.

Barbitone - Medinal - gr. 5 - 10.

Buto-barbitone - Somnol -

Old folks (esp. broncho-pneum. &c.) appreciate 1/2 brandy or whisky to settle.

1 gr. for each year  
of life for kids.

CHRONIC HEART DISEASES.MITRAL STENOSIS.

S.S. - Dyspnoea on exertion.  
Slight haemoptysis.  
malat flasks.

Sequel to C.C.T.

Mild degree - regulation of life - avoid strain and exertion.

Severe form - surgery in selected cases - Ablabotomy - under hypothermia

C.C.F.

Causes: mitral stenosis.  
auricular fibrillation.  
coronary thrombosis.  
HT (result of)

Occurs when L. ventricle fails + venous return to heart impeded.

S.S. dyspnoea on exertion + inability to lie flat in bed.  
cough - worse at night.  
enlarged, tender liver.

Dyspepsia - due to disorder of blood supply.  
May get ascites (high pressure ventricle or tricus)  
Uriguria.

Oedema of ankles + legs.

Insomnia.

Hypnosis.

Rest - Orthopnoic (upright) position.

In well ventilated room.

Bed table ('pillow) if wants to lean forward.

Sandbag or bulboard at feet to prevent slipping.

Rubber mattress + bed cradle - softer within easy reach.

Do not allow him to do much for himself - 2 nurses.

Daily sponge - hourly mouth + back toilet - gen. care.

Restlessness - sedation (when all nursing measures fail!)

\ chloral, morphine gr. 1/6

Light, easily digested meals (fluids between meals) for indigestion.

For dyspnoea, Plastline for liver pain.

Spec. Drugs. Digitalis - gr. 1/2 - 1 T.D.S. slow rate - inc's filling time

Digoxin 0.25 mg. - 0.75 mg. strengthens beat.

Gen. circ. improved.

Aminophylline 2 gr. T.D.S. improves H. supply to heart itself.

C.E.F.Decongestion

Restrict intake &amp; salt.

Diuretics - Mercapto-2cc. i.m. Trial dose 1cc. (Mannitol, Mannitol 10-20g.)

- Ammonium Chloride q.i.d. x 2 &amp; hours apart.

- Thiazides 1-3cc.

? Mechanical drainage - paracentesis, abdominal, acu puncture

lethargy: TPR, 4 hourly pulse (auric. fib. also apex beat chart)  
F.B.C. ; treatment.

3ts. of dig. poit dose - bradycardia + coupling.

vomiting, decreased urinary output.

Grad. allowed up, then home if home conditions favourable. Avoid stairs &amp; exertion.

May continue on digitalis, reporting to Doc.

Venesection (10-15 ap. improves cond.) in C.E.F.

DISEASES of BLOODVESSELSArterial DegenerationArteriosclerosis -Atherosclerosis: causes: advancing years, overweight people get it earlier.Complications: HT.

haemorrhage / rupture of art. - C.V.A.)

thrombosis (cerebral, coronary)

cerebral oedem.

Gangrene, disease of blood supply.

Varicose Diseases.

Varicosity - valves inadequate.

Phlebitis

Venous thrombosis - embolus.

Aneurism - due to trauma or infection (syphilis - tertiary stage)

1) surgical only effective M.

GANGRENE.

11-4-57.

Death of tissue - by impairment of blood supply.

- causes
1. Obstruction of an att.
  2. clot obstructing lumen.
  3. Arteriosclerosis. - Mönckeberg's disease - lime coating
  4. Pressure eg. - tight splint.  
- crushing injury.

- pressure from lying in bed - bed sore.

5. Buerger's Disease - Thrombo-Angitis Obliterans. confined to men 15-60 yrs. s.t.s. cramps-like pains in calf after exercise.

Intermittent claudication - limping.

6. Raynaud's Disease - spasm of arteries, usually in arms, confined to females & overstim. of sympathetic nervous system constricts arteries.

7. Diabetes - (Diabetes susceptible to attack).

- tissues de-vitalised (less resistant) by sugar.

8. Frost bite.

9. Chemicals - corrosives, = catabolic.

10. Ergot (weed, grows on rye) contracts

11. Infective gangrene - Gas gangrene - B. Welchii - hab. soil thru abrasion

lumbuckles - Sub.cut. gangrene - STAPH!??

Boil - round hair follicle - "

Gangrenous appx.

DRY GANGRENE:

Gradual onset of impairment of blood supply (art. chab. etc.).

shivers, changes to yellow, blue, black.

S.t.s. severe pain.

- tissues dry  
red line of demarcation.

- spreads slowly

Jr. Keep cool - expose to air, ice packs.  
Elevation to assist venous return.

Protect from injury, keep dry (sometimes powder ordered)

Harm  $>$  demand for O<sub>2</sub> - cool it may estab. co-lab. circ.

Amputation not urgent.

## GANGRENE

Wet gangrene: sudden interference w/ blood supply.  
 rapid spread, blisters on skin - break drain.  
 colour - bluer than black, line of demarc. doesn't last long - spreads.  
 amputations urgent.  
 frostbite - pack's snow-thaw slowly or cause gangrene.  
Buerger's or Raynaud's Diseases. Nicotine fluid.  
 Sympathectomy poss. (<sup>lumbar for Buerger's</sup>  <sub>cervical for Raynaud's</sub>)

## CONJUNCTIVITIS.

1. Trauma - F.B.  
     - injury (burns) or blow.
2. Bacteria
3. excessive light - snow blindness (glare - sun, sun, snow)  
     - exposure to ultra-violet light.
4. S. pain not very severe - discomfort - gritty sensation - blinking.  
     redness swelling of lids.  
     excessive discharge - depends on cause (muco-purulent or watery)  
     photophobia.
5. Diagnosis - swab to Lab.  
     Eye irrig.  
     Appropriate drug - eg. antib.'s - P. or Sulpha's.  
     Do not cover eye.  
     If inf. severe - isolation nursing esp. for children.

## Uphthalmia Neonatorum - Gonococcus - corneal ulcer - rare today.

- purulent discharge - red swollen lids.
- Fr. urgent - swabs to Lab.  
     irrigation of excess discharge.  
     Penicillin drops - dapsept m. for 1/2 hour.  
         then drops every 5 m. for 2 hours.  
         " " " 1/2 hr. for 2 hours.

Then time increased to 4 hourly after 12 hours.

- Fr. satisfactory - improvement in first 12 hours - 24 hours clears up.  
Scars - conjunctivitis - corneal ulcer (scarring, then blindness)

RESPIRATION.

adults 16-22 obs. 24-36.

Infections - toxæmia, etc.  $\rightarrow$  R i also shock + haemorrhage.Cheyne-Stokes Respir. with amœba in brain

- impending death, uræmic coma, cerebral comp.- resp. centre compressed

Sighing Respir.: long deep inaps., short exhalation.

- haem- + hyperglycaemic (diab.) coma.

Stridorous Respir.: noisy resp.; cerebral compression, CVA, haem or bld injuries.Stridor: spasm of glottis - grating sensation during resp's  
Laryngismus stridulus.Grunting Respir.: pneum., due to pleurisy.Shallow: shock + haemorrhage.ANTI-COAGS.GANGRENE

Princol - 25 mg. orally T.D.S.

Ronicol - " "

Block sympathetic ganglion.

- Med for intermittent claudicans, Raynaud's &amp; Buerger's.

1<sup>st</sup>. as emerg. in clotting of art. (occur coron. art.)

- Retinal &amp; Femoral arteries - 200 mgm.

DISEASES OF CORON. ART.

1. Angina Pectoris (of effort)
2. Coronary Thrombosis (occlusion or infarct) } both due to degenerative condit.

1. ANGINA PECTORIS.

Sts. Pain precordially (decent sternum) ext radiati down L. arm following exertions. Pain relieved by rest P. pale + anxious, pulse increased.

Dr. of attack. - rest

- vasodilators - NITRITES

Amyl nitrite - 5 m. inhaled (ampoules)

Glyceryl Nitrate (Nitrostat) gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. (Sixty doses per bottle) Spent residue

Nitrate - Daily - 10-20 mgms.

Advice Avoid all exertion.

- heavy meals before retiring

void all sources of irritation (people)

- extremes of temperature (cold shock)

If overweight - reduce.

Prognosis Should live quiet life - prog. fair, but coronary occlusion possible.

### CORONARY OCCLUSION.

S.T.S. severe precordial crushing pain - continuous - not relieved by rest.  
 P. shocked & collapsed, pulse rapid, respi's shallow.  
 Skin pale, cold & clammy; B.P. low.  
 Death may occur in a few minutes.  
 Next day (if alive) leucocytosis,  
 slight pyrexia.

Diag. by E.C.G.

Treatment R.I.B - whatever comf. position.

Morphia gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  -  $\frac{1}{2}$  for pain.

Anti-co-ag - Heparin - I.V. - 5-10,000 "

then Dindavan 100 mg. - 4 hourly or T.D.S. for 3 days then reduce.  
 Prothrombin time taken daily when on anti-coags.

G.G.N.C. improv. - 6 weeks & I.B.

Tendency to recur weeks, months, or years later. Same as Ang. Pee. -  
 forbidden to drive vehicles lead fairly active life providing no strenuous work.  
 Weight normal should be.

Caution

### APPENDICITIS.

Causes: abscess, gangrene, rupture - peritonitis

Appendix.

PERITONITIS. | Perit.-peritoneal mem. lining abdo + covering org.'s)

General peritonitis  $\triangleq$  Ruptured org. - appen.-perf. duod. ulcer, G.B., etc.  $\stackrel{?}{\text{Spread of}}$   
infection from any abdo. org. or via  $\stackrel{?}{\text{blood stream}}$

4/ Penetrating wounds via abdo. wall.

S<sub>ts</sub>. acute gen. perit.

abdo. pain - severe

pyrexia - on onset  $\rightarrow$  pulse.

$\rightarrow$  ing. abdo. distension.

rigidity of abdo. muscles.

P. lies on back  $\Rightarrow$  legs drawn up.

Vomiting - persistent + copious (not of dehydration)

Dehydration - sunken bright eyes.

Auscultation - no bowel sounds (on patient)

Dr. When diag. confirmed etc., analgesic given.

- Prepared for operation - 1. Rehfaulube to keep tum empty + aspirated.
- 2. Urine tested for albumin + chlorides.
- 3. Shave. !!
- 4. I.V. prepared - N/S + Desotose usual
- 5. Anaesthetic consent form.
- 6. Pre-med.

LAPAROTOMY - cause of perit. removed + any free fluid sucked up.  
Drainage tube inserted. RPAC: flat-head on one side.

$\rightarrow$   $\frac{1}{2}$  hly BP,  $\frac{1}{2}$  hly P + colour noted.

When conc.: get p. to cough - hold abdo. for him (or her) -  
put. collapse if swallow mucus) then sit up with pillows. Sponge hands and  
face - swab face to cold water - change out of op. coat. Ryles' tube left in +  
aspirated  $\frac{1}{2}$  hly - measured + charted.

Analgesics as soon as complaints of pain or discomf.

- Umnopon  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Petrol. 100 mg.; Morphia  $\frac{1}{16}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$  - split 4-6 hly P.R.N.

Antibiotics - Skint., Terra + P.

Leg movements + breathing exercises.

When aspx. reduced to minimum, bowel sounds return +  
passes flatus. Stethos. tube removed + oral fluids. When these tolerated I.V.  
discontinued. 3<sup>rd</sup> day: 1-2 glyc. Suprs. Skew grad. light diet introduced  
then normal. Allowed up 3-4 days.

PERITONITIS.

Drainage tube shortened daily & removed 3<sup>rd</sup> day if no drainage.  
Sutures out - 9-10<sup>th</sup> day.

Chart: F.B.C.

B.P. + P. chart first 12 hours; T.P.R.  
Sr. chart.

ComplicationsParalytic Ileus

Formation of Adhesions causing ac. int. obstr. later.

Pul. collapse - in first 24 hours.

Bronchial pneumonia first 2-3 days.

Few. thromb. (Pul. embolism - 7-10 days)

Retention of urine.

Flatulence.

Wound infection & Burst abdomen.

Anticoag.

Prinsel & Dicoumarol.

ACUTE INTESTINALOBSTRUCTION

- "obstruction to flow of intestinal contents"

Causes of Acute - 1. Adhesions - acute peritonitis symptoms (bet. coils of intestine)  
bands compress section of intestine.

2. Strangulated hernia - inguinal,  
- femoral  
- umbilical (rare)

3. Volvulus - twisting - commonest near sigmoid colon.

4. Bolus of badly masticated food, esp. fruit - orange - dried fruit.

5. Hallstones - block humor.

6. Intrussusception.

Sub-acute - mostly in large intestine -

7. Ad. closing - chronic, sub-acute ca.

8. Diverticulitis.

9. Impacted feces.

10. Ileative Colitis

biliary pain in abdo.

Nomiting - sturr. cont. then bile stained - then fecal.

Abdominal distension.

Absolute constipation - no feces, no flatus.

Dehydration - dry skin + tongue - weak, rapid pulse.

B.P. +  $T^{\circ}$  subnormal - thin - oliguria / Dis. from circ. failure  
- shock to cardiac

S+5. - No. Int. Ust.

AC. INT. OBST.

- Ir.
- Analgesics - Path. (anti-spasms.)
  - Replace fluid + salts.
  - Remove cause of obstruction - Laparotomy.
  - Post操 care - as for peritonitis.

Rubber tube removed when stoma aspir. char and bowel sounds return. Antibiotics - Stv. + Terra (B. coli).

CHR. INT. OBST.

Aetiol. Malig. growth of L.I. + Hirschsprung's disease - congenital disease - interference  
c. sympathetic nerve supply + dilation of colon (megacolon)

S.S. → ing. constipation + abdom. distension.

Pain, aggravated by aperients and food.

Nausea + indigestion.

Hosp. → Barium enema - Sigmoidoscopy - lump in abdo.

Bar meal + follow through.

X-Ray chest.

Growth removed by surgery if possible (palliative colostomy). Inoperable if any deposit. If operable - hemi-colectomy + anastomosis. If S.S. of acute obstruction occur w. has temporary emergency colostomy performed until inflamn. of colon subsides in 3-4 weeks. P. then better prepared for hemi-colectomy.

W. colostomy washout, sulphathadine or Terramycin to sterilize colon. Investigation of condition - Anaemia treated, exams. of urinary tract, blood urea, chest X-Rays to exclude secondaries. When condition suitable resection of colon + colostomy closed.

ACUTE DIVERTICULITIS: small pockets in abdomen may be impacted and may cause acute infection and obstruction. Lower part of colon usually affected.

Ir. Non nec. unless becomes infected.

- Acute attacks of pain - RIB + fluid diet. Lubricant (paraffin) helpfull

Between attacks diet should be non-irritating + low in roughage

Up. may be nec. in severe cases.

ADD. PERIN. RESECTION OF COLOSTUM for Ca - permanent colostomy. Explain op. to p. beforehand and help to accept it. V/Gauge + hint or little grès - spec. well-fitting colostomy belt. Diet important - some foods cause colon to become overactive. If constip. No. sometimes washout necessary. Doc. orders - if constip. > 3 days.

PARALYTIC  
TRENS.

causes S+S similar to those of A.I.O., only no severe, sticky pain.

Dr. Miller & Abbott's tube to aspirate intestinal contents until bowel sounds return then fluids by mouth.

S+S. 1. Persistent vomiting

(or Ryles, sometimes)

M.-A. tube or Bantin's (Nangendien's)

2. Abdominal distention (acute)

1. Morphine.

3. Pain.

2. I.V.

4. Dehydration

loss of mouth.

5. Shallow, painful respir.

Blood chemistry and F.B.C. until B sounds return, distention less + flatus passed.  
Surgery may be necessary.

INFUSUSCEPTION

22 S.I. in colo.

Inagination of ileum into colon, usually, but may be rectal or colonic  
usually in boys 6-12 months. - screams + pain + draws up legs - intermittent  
pain - pallor + shocked. Anxious look on face after attack. "Red-currant jelly"  
stools - mucus + blood in int. it. Maybe vomiting later. sausage-like mass  
palpable in abdo. during attack.

Dr. urgent, as int. may become gangrenous.

APPAROTOMY - reduction or resection if colon gangrenous.

Hydrostatic method - if treated early - weak Ba soln. used P.R. X Ray safe

Dihydrations if anti. for a while - give fluids IVly at  
sub-cut. or via bone marrow. - Darrow's Soln. } contain Sodium Bicarbonate  
Hartmann's Soln. } Sodium Lactate  
Bartmann's Soln. } Barium Bicarbonate.

Small amounts of glucose fluid few hours later unless there are any  
complications, like gangrene or dehydration (48 hrs. sub-cut. fluids)

Glucose fluids repeated 2 hourly until tolerated, then increased.

Bethidol 10 mg. for pain (6 months.)

Adults may also get it - result of Ca.

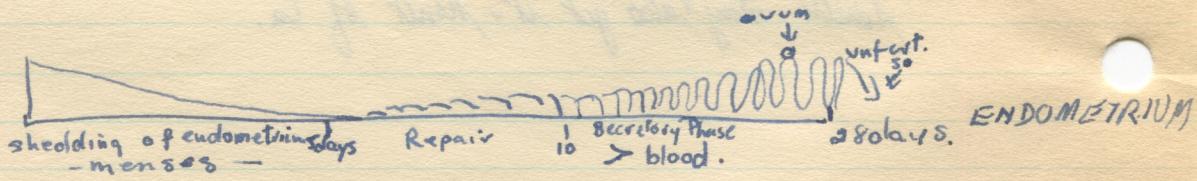
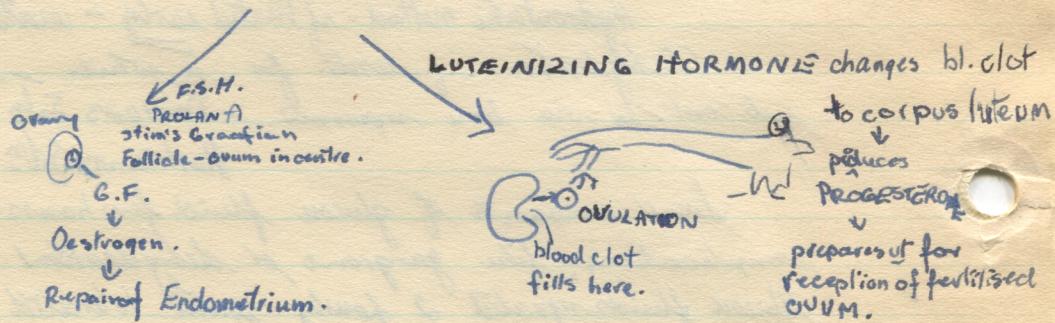
STRANGULATED

- HERNIA.
- S.S. :  
 - colicky abdo. pain.  
 Vomiting - copious - slow. conti.  $\rightarrow$  bile  $\rightarrow$  faecal.  
 Abdom. distension.  
 No peristalsis, no flatus just constipation.  
 Dehydration later.  
 Lump over inguinal area (if ing. hernia) - cannot be reduced - no cough impulse - hard, painful & tender swelling.
- Fr. :  
 Reffers tube + aspirate.  
 Blood to Path. - i.v. Saline + Dextrose.  
 Analgesic.  
 Anaesth. consent form.  
 Pre-med. then  $\rightarrow$  round the corner.  
 Anastomosis if gut gangrenous, otherwise just pushed back into abdo (patient's) at op.

MENSTRUAL CYCLE

series of changes taking place in female repro. system at regular intervals occurring from puberty to menopause.

ANT. LORE  $\rightarrow$  PITUITARY GLAND.

COMMON DISORD'S OF M.

- Amenorrhoea : preq., menopause, An., Severe debil. dis., endocrin. disorder, pathol., Jr. cause.
- Dysmenorr.: Cystorrhagia.
- Menorrhagia, Metrorrhagia :

See Gynaec. Notes,

COUGH.

noisy, forced expiration caused by some irritation of the resp. tract.

VS.57.

Husky  
Loud+ painful.  
.. but not painful.  
Loud-worse in winter.  
Short, painful -  
pain on one side  
due to pleurisy

Persistant.

Persistant.  
Persistant-aggravated  
by change of posture  
Persistant.  
Loud, brassy (hissing)

Paroxysmal coughs  
then whoops!  
<sup>(vomits)</sup>  
Soft cough-

Loud dry.

Laryngitis  
Tracheitis  
acute bronchitis  
chronic bronchitis.  
Pneum: Lobar.

Broncho.  
tb. of Lung.

Ca of Lung.  
Bronchiectasis.

Lung Abscess.  
Aortic Aneurism-pressing  
on laryngeal nerve or trachea.

Whooping Cough

Paralysis of Vocal Cords  
or Resp. muscles.

Nervous Cough.

non-productive.

non-prod., then prod. i.e. muco-purulent sputum, then mucous.

non-prod., then muco-purulent.

productive - mucoid + frothy.

Non-prod.- then rusty sputum becomes  
muco-purulent then mucoid.productive from onset - muco-purulent,  
streaks of br. red. blood.Non-prod. at first then muco-purulent  
- haemorrhagic discs - haemoptysis.

Non-prod. at first- then h. stained sp. (haemoptysis).

Copious sputum (poss. 15-20 cyp. daily) - foul  
smelling, muco-purulent, may have haemoptysis.Non-prod. at first, later purulent & foul-smelling.  
No sputum!

Productive - thick mucoid sputum.

Non-productive.

Dry

WHOOPING COUGH

infectious - haemophylis pertussis. Incubation period. Bordet-Geng.

sts. Early - common cold - cough fails to clear up.

Ptyrexia, anorexia, marked malaise, irritability.

Characteristic cough - 20-30 without breath scyanosis + dripping from mouth.  
- and after inspiration屏气, with whoop, then vomits.

Cmpx. Broncho-pneum. - may be fatal in children under 2 years.

In: Isolate - go nc.

Support during attack.

Feed after attack.

U.R.T. diseasesCORYZA

virus - R.I.B. if poss. 28 hours. - spreads easily - tr. depends on severity + occupation  
S.S. - headache - A.P.C. - sore throat - gangle or tr. on right side if severe (???)  
Comp's.: ac. laryngitis ac. tracheitis ac. bronchitis.

AC. LARYNGITIS

S.S. - husky voice or aphonia.  
soft husky coughs.  
Jr. T.B.C. inhalations  
warm atmosphere.  
Keep indoors + rest voice.

AC. TRACHEITIS

S.S. - pyrexia.  
cough - becomes productive, mucus-purulent sputum.  
pain in trachea.  
Jr. R.I.B., T.B.C. inhalations  
warm drinks + light diet.  
Antibiotics if condition severe.

AC. BRONCHITIS (also caused by measles, whooping cough, + inhalation of irritant gases + smoke)

S.S. - cough - becomes prod. - mucus-pur., mucoid then thickens up.

Pyrexia, > rest., anaesthesia.

Pain behind sternum. (precordial type)

Jr. R.I.B. in warm atmosphere.

T.B.C. inhalations, steam kettle for baby.

Soothing liniments during non-prod. stage. Lin. Selin Zi (in warm water + sipped)

When prod. Pot. Iodide or Specacuantha.

Comp's. bronchospasmodia.

AC. TONSILLITIS Haemolytic streptococcus.

S.S. - sore throat - most noticeable when swallowing.

Tonsils - red + swollen - beads of pus on tonsil.

Toxaemia - Pyrexia,  $101-103^{\circ}$ , tachycardia, malaise, anaesthesia, headache,  
skin hot + dry, and parotids enlarged.

Swab taken of secretions on tonsil. Pain may be referred to ear.

AC. TONSILLITIS  
(cont.)1. R.I.B. isolation.

Light diet.

Antibiotics - org. sensitive e.g. P.

Warm gargles - A.P.C. (soothing effect)  
C.G.N.C.Lymph. Peritonsillar abscess - lump in throat - severe pain, maybe rigors.  
Grossly enlarged tonsil + visible abscess.2. surg. drainage - L.A. - cocaine spray  
Mouth washes + gargle after.  
Antibiotics.If s.v.s. not v. severe + abscess not ins. large ice collar + plastic bag.  
Sequel in 4 weeks poss. Ph. Fever + Acute Nephritis.AC. OTITIS MEDIA

(see page)

AC. PHARYNGITIS when it's absent ~ any org. (inc. haem. str. inf) present.3. similar to acute tonsillitisCHRONIC INTESTINALOBSTRUCTIONPatol. Malig. growth of c.i. + Hirschprung's disease - congenital cond. interference w/ sympathetic nerve supply + dilation of colon (megacolon)S.t.s. → ing. constipation + abdom. distens.Pain - aggravated by aperients and food.  
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ACUTE

DIVERTICULITIS

- small pockets in abdomen  may be impacted and may cause acute infection and obstruction..

Treatment: None nec. unless infected, then R.I.B. + fluid diet + lubricant (paraffin) helpful.

Diet nonirritating + low in roughage during attacks.

Up. nec. in several cases.

Abdominal - perineal resection of Rectum for Ca - permanent colostomy.  
Explain op. beforehand, and helps to accept it. Vas/6 + lint or  
tulle gras - spec. well-fitting colostomy belt. Diet important - some  
foods cause colostomy to become overactive. If constip., etc., sometimes  
washout necessary - Doc. orders - if constip. more than 3 days.

PNEUMONIAS

Lobar - local lobe - more common in young adults.

Broncho - scattered areas. - young or elderly.

Aetiol. - pneumococcus - primary pneumonia. & inf.

Symptoms - sudden onset - rigors, shivering

pyrexia.

> resp.'s - short + grunting.

pain on affected side of chest - aggravated by cough or deep breathing  
pulse rate increased

cough - non-prod., then "rusty" sputum.

headache + malaise, anorexia.

M urinary output diminished, skin hot + dry.

Nerves, tongue fibrilla day time.

Diag. confirmed by X-ray. + sputum culture.

Increased leukocytes - up to 30,000 (n. 3,000 per ml.)

Treatment: R.I.B. upright position - well ventilated room.

Bedclothes light and comfortably warm.

Fluids and extra glucose, nourishing light diet.

Plastine to affected side to relieve pain.

If cyanosed - more than one lung done - O<sub>2</sub> (mask or tent)

Daily sponge - back TDS - avoid unnecessary movement (short acute illness government should be avoided)

open of mouth qah during day

Insomnia + restlessness. - hyperpyrexia - tepid sponge to V.T°

Mild aperient if constip. causing discomfort

PNEUMONIAS - LOBAR (cont.) Specific treatment: Antibiotic, usually P.

Sedatives - Trinal Barbitone (Econal)  
Bromides.

No Morphia (respiratory depressant) but may be nec. if in gr. pain or agony.  
Linctus for non-prod. coughs.

Absorptorant (Ammon. carb. or Pot. Iod) when coughs prod.

3-4 days T° normal and gen. condition improves.

End of week p. quite well again & allowed up to 7-10 days.

Complications Acute heart failure.

Pleurisy c. effusion.

Empyema.

Lung abscess.

One attack makes man susceptible.

BRONCHO-PNEUMONIA - common in very young and elderly. Primary in ch., but always secondary in adults - Tb., staph., Str. viridans, haem. influenzae, virus.

Complication of measles, whooping cough, typhoid, acute bronchitis, inhalation of droplets - anaesth. (hypostatic pneumonia)

Pathology scattered areas of inflamn. throughout both lungs.

S.t.S. gradual onset - malaise, anorexia.

cough productive - muco-purulent or maybe streaked w. br. red blood.  
> respi. + > pulse rate.

Pyrexia, 101-103° (F.) cyanosis marked in infants.

Diagnosis confirmed by X-Ray + sputum C+S.

Inj. same as for lobar pneum.

Infants nursed in O<sub>2</sub> tents + occasionally necessary for adults.

No sharp pain - pleura O.K.

Comp. - heart failure

lung abscess.

Sequel in children - bronchiectasis in later life.

ATYPICAL (VIRUS) PNEUMONIA: symptoms similar to Broncho-Pneumonia, but diagnostic signs by X-Ray, auscultation, Path. do not show same changes as Br. Pne.

Nursing care the same.

Antibiotic - Durcomycin.

Recovery slow (no X-P - no response)

PEPTIC

ULCER. in lining of stomach or duodenum.

Chronic ulcer. Predisposing factors

- a. irregular meals - badly medicated (transport drivers)
- b. worry.
- c. alcohol.
- d. heavy stroking on empty stomach.

S+S.GastricDuodenal.

Pain - immediately after meals

Vomiting relieves pain

Appetite poor - afraid to eat

lose weight

Constipation

Anaemic - pale

Short periods of remission

2-3 hours later

Food + alkalines (<sup>McLean's Rule</sup> Mag. Trisit.) relieves it.

Fairly good - (hunger pains)

lose weight.

Constipation.

Anaemic - pale.

Long periods of remission of s. + S.

Diagnosis by Ba meal - X-Ray.

E.T.M.

All night secretion test (Ryle's tube noct - esp. during night)

Gastroscopy (G.U.)

Occult blood - faeces.

Medical Tr. Rest. - General - phys - R.I.B., mental worries investigated.

Sedation - Pb gr. 1/2, 1.D.S.

local - Diet - now - irritating

- now - stimulating

- easily digested

- nourishing

Basis of diet - 2-3 O, with daily  
1<sup>st</sup> meal - 5-6 mls 2 hourly.

2<sup>nd</sup> .. - egg custard, jelly, jellied custards b+b, poached eggs, rice & veg. + punted fruit

3<sup>rd</sup> .. - steamed fish, minced chicken etc & veg. + fruit, with pud, sieved cereal.

4<sup>th</sup> .. - roast meat - minced if no teeth - fairly liberal diet, NO FRIED

NO condiments - pepper, mustard, + spices,

cooked cheese, pickled herring., grog or fagg

PEPTIC ULCER

(cont.)

Drugs - alkalines - Peps. McLean's A, Mag. Trisit.

Antispasmodic - belladonna.

Nutacin.

Guide to progress - less pain, X-Rays (Lubet) no occult blood or complications.

Surgical Treatment

Indications - when medical tx. fails

int'r. of some of complications. - a. perforation (gas + fluid abd.)

b. pyloric stenosis (duod.)  
duod. scarring } c. Hour-glass contraction of stomach

d. Haematemesis - severe.

e. Malignancy? (G.U.)

f. Gastro-colic fistula.

Surgery -

Gastrectomy - total or partial.

leisure of perforation.

Gastro-entrostomy.

Vagotomy (C's aut. of HCl.)

PERFORATED G.D. ULCER. S+S.

Pain in epigastrium - severe sudden onset.

Rigidity of abdom. muscles (rectus abdominis)

Vomiting.

Shock - pallor, sweating, rapid pulse, ↓BP.

I.V. Hospital - soon as diag. confirmed - Morphine.

Gastric aspiration - Ryle's - to keep stomach empty.

Prepared for theatre - Anaesths. consent - urine F.W.T.

Blood - X-type + Hb.

LAPAROTOMY - see into perft.

R.P.A.O - Aspirations hourly, measure &amp; note colour.

I.V. Therapy - Dextrose (2litres)

If gas. asc. reduced - grad. fluids orally, when tolerated - I.V. discontinued

HAEMATEMESIS. causes: prof'd gas. ulcer.

Ca.

Varices of Oesophagus, CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER.

Banti's Disease (abnorm. arrangement of Portal Vein - muddled)

Injury - to vessels. or tum.

Swallowed blood (from throat)

GASTRIC ULCER Haematemesis: Blood usually coffee ground appearance + clotting.

Shock - depends on amount vomited.

Reassure patient + stay with him

Send for Doc. (synaphically - don't spill - remain c.c.c.)

Remove traces of blood - cover w/ towel.

Lower head of bed - Don't overheat 'c H.W.B.'s

Elevate foot of bed.

Swab mouth.

Hypo. tray ready (for Doc. to suggest Morphine)

Observations: 1/4 hrly pulse + 1/4 hrly B.P. - guide to condition - rec. or delete

Vomitus - any further bleeding.

P. may be kept at body T, avoid overheating (blood drawn from vital centres)

Blood - grouped + L-matched - transf. may be nec. ↓ B.P + ↑ P.

If low Hb - but bleeding stopped, transf. indicated.

Lang. for persistent bleeding → P's life in danger (partial gastrectomy)

Further management - B.P. + P + observ. chart.

2 hourly milk feeds.

If no further bleeding - light gastric diet.

Given extra iron + Vitamin C.

PERF. DUOD. ULCER S.T.S.: Shock + internal haemorrhage.

- Melaena - altered blood - black.

Tr. as for haematemesis.

PYLORIC

Causes: Rptd. ulceration of lining of duodenum.

Symptoms: Ca of pylorus.

Long. in children.

S.T.S.: disten. of stomach because of retained food.

Projectile vomiting - large amt of undigested food - 1 or 2 per day.

Constipation

Epigastric discomfort + pain

Loss of weight and dehydration

Dx: by Ba meal, history + exam. of vomitus.

PYLORIC STENOSIS  
(contd.)

Ir. partial gastrectomy or gastro-enterostomy.  
Hospital at least 1 week beforehand. Investigations of gen. health.  
Stomach washed daily, after aspiration. I.V.  
To Theatre in Ryde tube + Anaesth. General form.  
R.P.A.O. for any abdo. op. /

Ca STOMACH.

S.S. (stom. surrounded by lymph glands)  
Dyspepsia - continuous pain, aggravated by food.  
Loss of weight.  
Vomiting (may contain blood).  
Anaemia - macrocytic.

Diagnosis confirmed by 1. Ba meal - abnormal movement of stomach.  
2. F.T.M. - achlorhydria + blood.  
3. Gastroscopy.

Ir. Total Gastrectomy, removal of all neighbouring lymph glands.  
Mortality rate high - usually before 2 yrs.

GASTRO-COLIC FISTULA

- faecal vomiting.  
Diag confirmed by Ba meal.

Ir. surg. closure of fistula.

When p.'s on respiration - blood (expiratory) should be noted for chlorides & electrolyte (?) content. Given, added Pot. Chlor. + Ac. Acid.

CHEST COMP's IN FIRST 12 HOURS : Pulmonary collapse.

Retention of u. ,

Paralytic Ileus

Ac. dilat. of stomach.

Abdom. disten. and flatulence.

Hypostatic Pneumonia (int. of droplets - anal. - no movement)

7-16 days later pulmonary or femoral embolism.

present by moving legs and deep breathing exercises.

THROMBOSIS. - post op. comp. S.T.S. pain in legs.

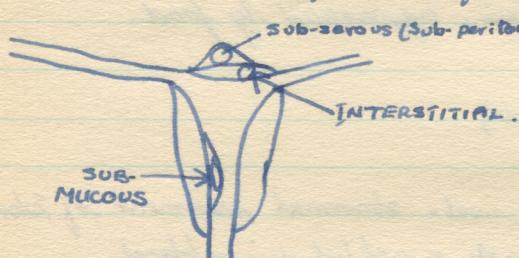
temp. subnormal.

tenderness of calf muscles.

Treatment: Anticoag's (daily prothrombin time)  
Graduated exercises.

### FIBROIDS.

fibromyoma = tumour of ut. of fibrous and muscular tissue.



Sub-serous (sub-peritoneal)

INTERSTITIAL.

SUB-MUCOUS

Symptoms: pressure symptoms (freq., ret., incontinence)  
menorrhagia (excessive menstrual loss)  
may cause abortions  
obstructive to labour.  
may undergo thalig. changes - carcinoma - rare.

Treatment: depends on patient's age and position of fibroid.

1. Myomectomy (sub-serous type)
2. Sub-total hysterectomy for cases when haemorrhaging and after menopause, or if per. life in danger from haemorrhage.

### CORNEAL ULCER.

causes: injury - abrasion .

complic. of conjunctivitis (entropion)

S.T.S. severe pain aggravated by light.

photophobia .

discharge redness (conjunctivitis)

Diagnosis confirmed by instilling 1m. Fluorescein - green patches.

Swab to Lab. for organisms.

Treatment: - Rest - shade eye from light - pad.

Irrigation - Boracic lotion, N/S.

Antibiotic - e.g. P. or Albulin (S/cetamole)

Poss. cauterization (e.g. carbolic - blotting paper + pointed orange stick)

If ulcer is in line of vision - site becomes opaque + may cause blindness. Pus may result in anterior chamber - Hypopyon - drained.

PLEURISY.

infl. of pleura - reaction to irritant, assoc. c pneum., pulmonary Tb, Ca<sup>v</sup> unknown causes

Dry pleurisy - S+S. Sharp pain - worse on deep inspiration or coughing.  
Pyrexia and leucæmia.

Tr. Plaster or analgesics.

Effusion - S+S. dull ache  
dyspnoea  
C/L dullness on percussion.  
X-Ray - fluid level  
Tr. if large amount - aspirated.  
if small - will be absorbed.

Empyema - pus in fluid.

CARCINOMA OF

Middle age - S+S more common in men.

LUNG + BRONCHUS.

S+S. non-productive coughs - later blood-stained sputum.  
inflammation of part of lung (bronchopneumonia)  
Pleurisy -> loss of weight.  
Secondaries of the brain or liver.

Diagnosis - X-Ray, Bronchoscopy.

Tr. Pneumectomy (if no secondaries)

If non-S+S symptoms - aspiration, analgesics, etc.  
Deep X-Ray may help a little.

ULCERATIVECOLITIS

Inflamm. of lining of colon with ulcers or mucous lining.

Course: assoc. w. worry - psychological factors, assoc. c debility.

S+S. Frequent stools - loose, with blood, mucus & pus.

Abdominal pain.

Tenesmus (straining with empty rectum - painful)

Pale - anaemia.

Loss of weight -

Pyrexia + sweating.

Diag. by - Sigmoidoscopy (ulcer begins sigmoid) to exclude Ca. Ba enema (+X-Ray - smooth-penetrable colon)

Tr. Rest - low residue diet. Transfusion for anaemia. Opium for pain - Tincture of Opium m.10-75

Investig. of home life & working conditions & improvement where possible.

Frq. p.s recr. + remissions may occur months later - always danger of recurrence.

Colectomy + ileostomy done when condition builds up (colon may undergo malignant changes).

BRONCHIECTASIS Art. (no cartilaginous rings - muscular walls in bronchioles) Scarring in bronchial tree due to bronchopneumonia - in childhood.

Infection in affected area of lung occurs - sometimes chronic.  
Resistance to acute infections lowered - bronchi. pneum.

Symptoms - may be absent for years.

1. cough - aggravated by change of position.
2. copious sputum (10-20 ozs daily) - malodorous.
3. clubbed fingers - (c chronic 'child' conditions)
4. breathlessness, dyspnoea & cyanosis.
5. general debility.

Prognosis - poor, unless surgically assisted.

Complications - lack of resistance to pulmonary infections.  
haemoptysis.

cerebral embolism (bl. or pros.)

Amyloid disease - watery degeneration of liver or lung -  
- result of long inflam. disease (TB).

Diag. confirmed by Bronchogram - X-Ray. Lipiodol - iodine & poppyseed oil introduced via Magill's to larynx, through bronchoscope, or injected into larynx between thyroid and cricoid cartilage (depends on Doc.)

t. A. necessary to depress cough reflex - Doseicaine 2%, cocaine, Tylocaine  
Dye introduced in X-Ray Dept - during intro. of dye position changed  
so dye passes into whole of bronchial tree - then X-rayed.

Bronchoscopy - also done - aid to diagnosis  
and to remove any plugs of mucus blocking tubes.

Treatment - New health investigated & improved.

Good nourishing diet.

Any infection foci removed (teeth)

Postural drainage - esp. in morn.

Sputum & Path. to exclude Pathogenic organisms, then  
sensitivity test if any organisms, then antibiotic.

Surgery when possible (if one lung only)

- Lobectomy (if, lobe)
- Pneumonectomy (1. lung)

THYROIDS.

Endocrine gland - minute sacs lined with cuboid epithelium. Each sac filled w. colloid, contains Thyroxin hormone (65% iodine) - controls path of metabolism - changes taking place between food + cells - mental + physical development.

Hypothyroidism.

Child: cretinism - no phys. or mental development. Treatable if found before 6 months - Thyroid extract orally - gr.  $\frac{1}{10}$  -  $\frac{1}{15}$  for baby.

Adult: Myxedema - everything slows up - weight, skin thickens, bags under eyes, hair thins out, slow speech, and croaky voice, mentally dull, irritable & depressed.

Diagnosis by B.M.R - consideration of weight, height, at rest & heat of O<sub>2</sub> resp'd. - rate L in myxedema. May be given radio-active iodine - amount of radio-active material excreted measured.

Dr. Thyroid gland extract gr. 1-3 dose daily - for duration of life. Change in p. dramatic.

Hyperthyroidism:

Increased metabolic rate - active, excitable, good appetite, but loss of weight. Often assoc. w. Thyrotoxicosis (toxic effects on whole of body) primary (no previous lesion) in younger people

secondary - goitre, adenoma in older people.

S.T.S. thin, but good appetite.

emotionally unstable & excitable.

Exophthalmos (pad of fat behind eyes increased)

Fine tremor of fingers when hands outstretched.

Skin moist - don't like warm temperatures.

Tachycardia.

Tatique - faint.

Tendered gland in Exophthalmic Goitre.

Diagnosis confirmed by B.M.R or Radio-active iodine test.

Secondary Th. - S. not so marked.

Lambs heart failure

Atrial fibrillation.

Thyroid crisis - Atrie. Fib., Hyperpyrexia, P. dys. ill.

## THYROIDS (contd)

Hyperthyroidism:

Tr. - medical to depress gland's activity.

P. admitted to Hospital (B.O.H.) and R.I.B. 'ed.  
Phenobarb.

Then 1. Lugol's Iodine 5-10 m. in milk T.D.S.

2. Methyl-Thiouracil 0.1-2 G. Daily for year (may cause agranulocytosis)

3. Neo-mercazole 10-15 mgm. T.D.S.

Nourishing diet, extra protein + vitamins.

Usually medical treatment for 12 months (drugs taken home) - When med. treatment fails - surg.!

Partial Thyroidectomy (anything up to 3/4)

Indication for - Thyrotoxicosis - unresponsive to med. tr.

nodular thyroid gland.

retrosternal goitre (main stn dyspnoea)

Ca.

Prep. of Thyrotoxicosis (others o.k.) - Admitted few weeks avant for pre-ops. part

- rest & sedation - usually Phenobarb 0.2-1 G.D.

special drugs - Thiouracil, Neomercazole or Lugol's

Nourishing diet.

Lehart S.P. (true indications of rati)

Post-ops. care, spec. obsrv's

signs of haem. - back of neck (triches here)

respirations - haemostoma - constricts trachea.

pulse 160/bpm & R.P. 12/min.

T° taken 3 hourly for 12 hours (thyroid crisis auric fib. hyperpyrexia)

New. post-ops. care (gauge bands, fecu, etc.)

Sometimes - depends on surgeon - 60 minims of Lugol's Iodine in  
10 mls. N.I.S. P.R. drip immediately after (prevents development of thyroid crisis)

Wounds - Drainage tube out in 24 hours.

Alternate clip out 2nd day - remainder out 3rd day.

Lugol's Iodine 5-10 ml. T.D.S - may be continued for 7-10 days post-ops.

Murky voice sometimes occurs - steam inhalations T.B.C. given.

O.O. Bed 3rd day.

Breathing + leg exercises.

Post-op. comp's

1. Haemorrhage - ecternal or haematoma.
2. Oedema of glottis rare.
3. Thyroid crisis (exaggerated form of thyrotoxicosis - auricular fibrillation, tachycardia, hyperpyrexia, excitability/delirium)

Dr. of Thyroid Crisis - sudden outpouring of Thyroxin into blood

Lugol's Iodine - i.v. (dripr & N/S)

Digoxin - i.v.

Liquid Sponging - 2 hourly.

Sedation (barbiturates.)

4. Tetany - due to removal of too much of parathyroids. Painful contractions of hands and feet (blood calcium reduced - necessary for relaxations - i.v. Calcium Gluconate)

5. Myxoedema - too much thyroid removed - giving test. of Thyroid Ca. Thyroid - Radio-active iodine successful sometimes.

DISEASES OF RECTUMy H.A.M.S.

Haemorrhoids - varicosity of haemorrhoidal plexus veins.

Act. 1. Constipation.

2. presence on various return in stools - pregnancy, tumours, Ca.

3. leishmaniasis of liver

4. familial tendency.

S.t.s. pain during defecation.

Blood - br. red/capillary bleeding - during or immediately after defecation

pruritis ani - itching of skin round anus.

Congr's - prolapse - strangulation  $\rightarrow$  sloughing + infection.

anaemia.

Dr. Relieve constipation & cause if poss. - Paraffin.

Inject Phenol (carbolic) in oil.

Haemorrhoidectomy - Enemas R. Washout. - Paraffin & low residue diet

for 3-4 days avant.

Post-op. care: 1. Haemorrhage - ext. Thrombostatic tube - internal - gen. s.t.s.

R.P.A.O - B.P.V.P.

Analgesics freq. for 24-48 hrs. - Peth., or Morph. q.d.s. prn.

Remove pack 3 days later (if dry) or olive oil enema through drain tube, then daily saline bath + bath after defecations.

DISEASES OF RECTUM.

HAEMORRHOIDS (cont.) Stricture of anus may occur pass Mack's dilators - stop p. Saken home & him for 2-3 weeks. Prevented by dilating orifice daily with gloved finger or dilators.

Low residue diet.

Oil. Paraffin min T.D.S - 1<sup>st</sup> day on + normal diet after 2<sup>nd</sup> day.

ANAL FISSURE break in mucous lining of anus - small haem. causes by dragging down also caused by constipation.

S.V.S. during + after defecation. (spasm of sphincter)

Treatment constip. & paraffin min T.D.S. until cured, then till fissure closed.

Local sedative - Prococaine supr. or enem - relieves spasm of sphincter.

Surgical excision of fissure

Pre + post op. similar to haemorrhoids.

FISTULA IN ANO. abnormal canal between lining of anus + skin.

Caused by infection of anus - rectal abscess or haem. infected.

S.V.S. discharge of pus, mucus from anus at opening - pain on defecation.

Treatment excision of fistula - cavity heals slowly from granulation surface.

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RECTAL ABSCESS. in rectum itself, sub-mucous, Ischio-rectal or sub-cutaneous.

Cause - infection from haemorrhoids.

Ischio-Rectal often Tb's.

S.V.S. - pain - worse on movement or defecation.

swelling + inflam. - tenderness side of anus.

Treatment incisions drainage poss. nec. to occur long time to clear up.

Cancer Rectum

common site - more common in elderly males.

S.S. 1<sup>st</sup> alteration of bowel habits (constipation, alternating & diarrhoea or very constipated)  
2<sup>nd</sup> bleeding P.R.

3<sup>rd</sup> Mucus in stools

Later - 4<sup>th</sup> Pain (rectal S. - pressure or metastases.)

5. obstruction.

6. secondary deposits

Confirmation by Rectal examn. -

} Complications -

- glands of pelvic or liver.

1. gloved finger.

2. proctoscopy.

3. sigmoidoscopy - biopsy.

Inoperable if extensive secondaries.

Operable - excision of Rectum. Abcl. Perin. Excis. & pann. Colos. -

Prep. of Patient

1. Investig. of general health.

2. Chest X-Ray (exclude metas.)

3. F.B. Exam - Hb. & Blood urea.

4. Urine exam - Urea bone. Test.

5. Any septic foci - teeth - removed or treated.

6. Blood grouped & X-matched.

7. P. shown breathing & leg exercises.

8. Op. carefully explained (colostomy)

9. Shave - Chest & knees (waist to knees at back)

10. If Anaemic - blood transf.; always during op.

P. goes to O.T. i.e. Self-nt. catheter & keeps bladder empty.

Some surgeons order Ryles' tube to control vomiting if occurs.

Pre-med. & anaesth. form.

Patient care. 3 wounds - Perineal (dive. cavity) drain tube & pack.

Abdominal (mid-line)

Colostomy orifice

P. may be shocked on return to ward - transf. in progress -

R.P.A.O - B.P. + P., colour, hum. observed.

Drainage tube for perineal wound may be connected to bottle at bedside. When conscious sponge hands & face with pillows & post op. analgesic. Baths for 48 hours - drain & QH or continuous.

Ryles' tube int sometimes - aspirated & charted.

C. RECTUM.Colostomy post. op. care - Abd. Perin. Resec.

Dipad should be changed daily although colos. may not work for 24-48 hours. Abdominal wound protected by waterproof dressing or fecal matter from colostomy may infect it. Amt. of drainage measured. If a gauge pack in - half may be removed in 24 hrs (Doc. does) & remainder gradually removed over 1-2 days. If wound closed after op. daily dressing only required & removal of D/tube when no further drainage.

Colostomy - Vaseline smeared on lint  placed over colos. (hole in middle for discharge) covered with gauze + wool pad, then binder. & soon as colos. acts + no nausea or vomiting - diet  $\geq$  d gradually & amt. of roughage depends on actions of colos. Aim - 3 actions daily (N/S or Dextrose, then light diet). Show p. how to manage own colostomy & give advice regarding diet - i.e. if freq. - reduce roughage,  $\downarrow$  constipation relieved by  $\uparrow$  ing. roughage. P. allowed up 3-4 days after - depends on gen. condition. During time in bed - breathing + leg exercises (prevent venous thrombosis).

Hosp. 3-4 weeks - if satisfactory recovery. Uccas. peritoneal cavity may take several weeks to close - depends on manner in which wound closed up. Before discharge fitted w/ spec. belt - (protect concave cover - belt holds dressing in place) Bags very little use - for ileostomy.

Colostomy Washout may be necessary occasionally (Some surgeons think may be controlled by diet - may sometimes order daily). Done w/ clean water or saline.

Return to normal activities, providing gen. cond. good.  
- 2 surgeons do op. - one perineal and one abdominal.

Complications of op. - dead stock.

Hemorrhage

Paralytic Ileus

Pulmonary collapse, Br. Pneum.

Femoral thrombosis - Pul. Embolism.

Retention of urine.

Wound infection.

PROLAPSE OF RECTUM Int. faecal infants & elderly adults may be assoc. w/ poor muscle tone.

Minor - small protrusion of mucus lining through anus.

Severe - 3-4" of lining protruding.

Jr. - impt. muscle tone - adequate diet & exercise.

child shouldn't defaecate on bedpan or toilet seat. (?)

Adult - aperients for constipation.

Mayo op. - excise part of rectum and anastomosis of sigmoid colon. Possibly pushed back.

### UNPERFORATED ANUS.

Meconium passed by newborn babies in first 24 hours - black Varroa stool. If susp. of obstruction - Ex'd.

Jr. plastic surg. - repair - colostomy may be nec. till plastic surg. possible. Rare.

### VOMITING.

Symptoms - controlled by vomiting centre in medulla.

Reflex Vomiting - aggravated by food, pain - Gastritis

Gastric ulcer - relieved by vomiting stomach contents - haematemesis  
coffee grounds.

Peptic stenosis - more than 1 meal - projectile.

acute dilatation of stomach - post op. discolored watery smell anti-<sup>effortless</sup> continuing

### Disease of other organs.

Intestines - Int. Irritation - stomach, bile then faecal.

Appendicitis - once or twice

Peritonitis if V. persistent.

G.B., esp. if biliary colic, or Renal colic.

Stimulation of vomiting centre: cerebral abscess or tumours (meningitis) not related to food.

Stimulation of higher centre: fear, anxiety, hysteria.

Ear - semi-circular canal when travelling - Meniere's Syndrome.

Infants - first swallowing,

Rapid feeding.

Nervousness.

Inf. of stomach, pyloric stenosis (strang. hernia)

(Apomorphine)

SCABIES

skin disease caused by itch-mite - *acarus scabiei*.  - burrows under skin to lay eggs - crawls out & dies. Itching caused by larva - in between finger clefts, elbows, backs of knees, wrist - irritation causes dermatitis - confirmed with magnifying glass - see them - can be picked up with pin-point.

Tr. infections - spread by direct contact or clothing.

Soak P. in warm bath and scrub w/ soft brush & soft soap from neck down.

Dry & paint w/ Bengay - benzoin 30%.

All contacts treated same way (family)

Clothing disinfected.

IMPETIGO

CONTAGIOSA - skin condition caused by strept. & staph.

Appears as blisters - vesicle then pustule. Forms a crust - "lemon yellow" colour on a very inflamed skin. Commonly occurs on the face, but can occur elsewhere. Children commonly. Assoc. w/ pediculosis capitis.

Tr. Isolation

Remove crust - soak off w/ boracic lotion, cataplasma or starch poultice  
Antibiotic - P. spray, Bacitracin, Duronylin - G.V. (unsightly)

General

TONSILECTOMY

Indications enlarged & syph.; freq. attacks of l' ill. (chr. infection)

Pre-ops. if a virulent infection source of antibiotic (org. sens.)

Astrospine (pre-med.)

Post-ops. care semi-prone position from Theatre c. head low  
same position in bed - pillow & stomach.

Ublo's - Melony B.P., colour, swallowing movements (freq. - bleeding)

If haem. - sit up, remove clot, swab mouth & cold water  
ice to suck, reassure.

Direct pressure to bleeding site & swab on holder.

Notify Doc.

Analgesic given - Nephritis or Peths. 15mg for 4 years.

A.P.C. gargle & swallow before meals, soft nourishing foods.

Name 3-4 days

If adrenoids - breathing exercises - nasal breathing - co-ops. from mother,