The Duke of Edinburgh, who had no medical training, agreed to serve as CMA President in 1959. In turn, Dr. E. Kirk Lyon of Ontario would have a unique role in CMA history because he became the first doctor to serve in the newly created role of Deputy President. As Prince Philip’s Deputy, Dr. Lyon handled his presidential duties in Canada. “A reception was held in Toronto,” Dr. H.E. MacDermot wrote in *One Hundred Years of Medicine in Canada (1867-1967)*, “and the new President turned over to his Deputy, Dr. Lyon, the badge of office and charged him to represent him well in all CMA affairs.”