Gairdner Foundation, Toronto, Canada
Dr. R. R. A. Coombs, F.R.S., one of the Editors-in-Chief of the International Archives of Allergy and Applied Immunology, Founder Member of the Collegium Internationale Allergologicum, has been awarded a 1965 International Prize of the Foundation, for distinguished medical achievement. Other recipients of this year’s prize are: J. W. Conn, Ann Arbor, Mich., D. J. McCarthy, Philadelphia, Pa., C. P. Le Blond, Montreal, Canada, C. E. Dent, London, England and Sir Horace Smirk, Dunedin, New Zealand.

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Working Group on the effect of weather and climate on asthma and bronchitis.
Topics to be discussed by the Working Group will include:
(1) Incidence of asthma and bronchitis in different areas in relation to weather and climate; (2) Effect of different meteorological parameters on asthma and bronchitis and the respiratory tracts in general; (3) Climatotherapeutic methods used for treatment of asthmatic and bronchitic patients; (4) Medical terminology in human biometeorology with special reference to asthma and bronchitis.

Details regarding the Working Group can be obtained from the Chairman of the Group, Dr. J. A. Crocket, Asthma Clinic, Knightswood Hospital, Glasgow. V. 3. (Great Britain). Contributions are invited and summaries of papers should be submitted as soon as possible. General information regarding the Congress can be obtained from the Secretary, Dr. S. W. Tromp, Hofbrouckerlaan 54, Oegstgeest, Leiden (The Netherlands).

Obituary
Prof. John R. Squire †
Professor John R. Squire, Leith professor of experimental pathology at Birmingham University, member of the Collegium Internationale Allergologicum, died suddenly in London on January 6th, 1966, at the age of 50. He was director designate of the Medical Research Council’s new Northwick Park’s Research Centre. His untimely death is an irreparable loss to medical research.