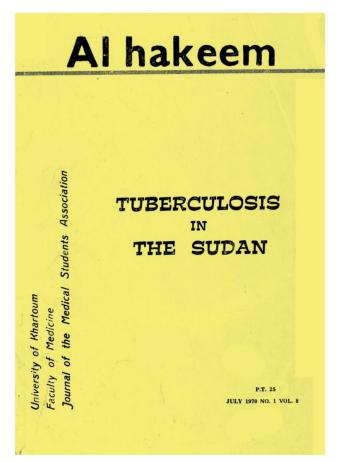
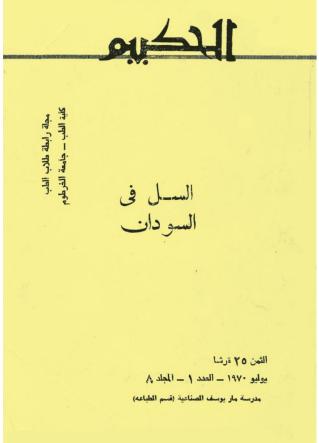
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EDITORIAL



(Thou knowest my unskilfulness and my infirmity: teach me and heal me).

Dear reader.

Since the early days of my admittance to the Faculty of Medicine I have been longing for the editorship of AL HA-KEEM which was in those days a pure medical staff journal with some slices of medical students writings scattered here and there in some issues.

I longed for this post intending to explore some new tracks and to invent and establish a typical medical students journal 'Fortunately, I found that most of the topics delivered in the seminar "Tuberculosis in the Sudan" were presented by students, and this saved me a lot of fight for starting a change!

The seminar was prepared by the Medical Students Association and confered successfully by student Ahmed IbrahimMukhtar — the vice president at that time. Though I did not receive all the papers delivered in that seminar, these topics presented in this issue deal with most of the problems of T. B. in the Sudan and can easily give a pass — sign for those who may look further on this problem.

Dear reader,

It stands as a great coincidence that the advisory staff member of AL HAKEEM, Dr. M. Khogali has been chosen by the Ministry of Health as a head of a committee for T. B. researches in Eastern Sudan. I hope what AL HAKEEM presents now will be of help to that committee in its here — and — there look for facts, references and researches.

Dear reader,

Last year the Faculty of Medicine lost two of its eminent professors to whom Medicine in the Sudan is — and shall be—indebted for ever. The first one was Sir M. F. Nicholls, Professor of Surgery who died in Khartoum on the 25th of August 69.

The scond was a colossus who could subjugate Medicine, Arts, Languages and history along his worthful life and shall remain for ever as a father of psychiatry in the Sudan. That was our father and professor Tigani El Mahi.

In the last summer vacation we lost a third professor who was the leader and director of Preventive Medicine in the Sudan Professor Anis M. A. El Shami.

Grieving for forms that departed long ago I beseach may God rest their souls and soothe the unapathied hearts of their families, Colleagues and Students.

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M. O. I. SWAR. EDITOR.