

## A Tribute to the Evergreen Editor Dr. O. P. Kapoor

We all know Dr. O. P. Kapoor as a phenomenon. The great teacher that he is, the great clinician that he is, the enchanting human being that he is, and the fantastic editor that he has been for the Bombay Hospital Journal.

Dr. Kapoor has been at the helm of affairs of the Bombay Hospital Journal for decades. Ever since I joined the Bombay Hospital, I have seen him coming to the journal office on Tuesdays and Thursdays, sitting with Dr. Ramesh Mehta who has been his long-term associate at the journal office; scanning through manuscripts, talking to people to submit new manuscripts, suggesting revisions, and getting issue after issue ready for publication. During his reign, the journal became very popular and he introduced columns such as evergreen symptoms, clinical signs, and a general practitioners' section. I personally feel that the general practitioner section is unique to the Bombay Hospital Journal which directly addresses to the practical issues faced by the family physicians.

Another facet of OPK is about his untiring efforts at free medical teachings. He's been at it for over six decades and it is absolutely fascinating to see hundreds of young medical graduates and family physicians attend these courses year after year, to witness master performances. I have enjoyed listening to these with admiration and once or twice have relished sharing the stage with him, where he insisted that I appear in my white coat!

As you see in the accompanying photograph, when it became clear that he wishes to quit the editorial position and that I was to take the mantle on, I approached him on more than one occasions and believe me, got pearls of wisdom from him. Having been an editor of the national neurology journal of India, I have spent many years in the editorial process, but I must say that OPK gave me some completely different dimensions which I will try to incorporate in further issues of the journal.

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While he may have officially retired from the journal, he has promised to stay in touch and keep helping as and when necessary. We are all at the Bombay Hospital journal wish him health and request him to continue being there for the journal.

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