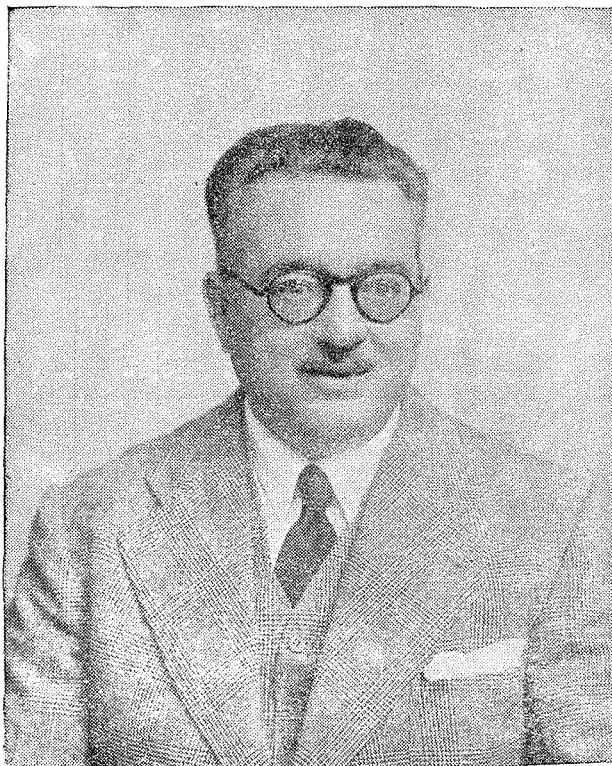


PROF. JOSEPH ELLUL

Prof. Joseph Ellul was born at Cospicua on the 30th March 1888. He received his early education at the Government Elementary School of his birth-place and subsequently at the Seminary, Floriana. He matriculated in 1906 passing with honours and obtaining 3rd place in Order of Merit. Throughout his University career he showed great assiduity and diligence and was one of the only two students who

Professors of Medicine and of Midwifery and Gynaecology. He was Medical Officer in charge of the X-Ray department for a period of three years. In 1917 he was elected to the post of Clinical Assistant to the Professor of Midwifery and Gynaecology at the University which post he held under the late Prof. G. Debono for five years. In 1922 he was elected to the newly established post of Junior Accou-



obtained the Degree of Bachelor of Science in 1909. He graduated as Doctor of Medicine in 1919 having been second in Order of Merit.

Soon after his graduation he was appointed Civil Surgeon at Fort Delimara on the outbreak of the First World War and later on in the same year became Assistant Resident Medical Officer at the Central Civil Hospital where he assisted

cheur at the Central Civil Hospital, becoming Senior Accoucheur in 1930 when he was given the Chair of Midwifery and Gynaecology and appointed lecturer in Pediatrics. He represented the Malta Branch of the British Medical Association at the International Congress held in London in 1933 to commemorate the Centenary of the British Medical Association and in 1934 was elected Fellow of the Royal Col-

lege of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, being the first Maltese doctor to hold this coveted degree.

With a laudable desire to better his already outstanding knowledge, Professor Ellul went abroad during the period 1925-28 and studied under the foremost specialists in Europe — under Prof. Bruni in Naples; under Pestalozza in Rome, and with Mangiagalli in Milan — to mention but a few. He attended the Broca Hospital and the clinics of Salpetriere and Baudelocque of Paris. He went to London and studied in Queen Charlotte's Hospital, Chelsea Hospital for Women, and the Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond Street amongst others. His studies took him to various clinics in Berlin, Vienna and Stockholm.

Amidst all the activities of a life mainly devoted to the service of medical science, Prof. Ellul could still find time to devote to the political welfare of his country. He was Chairman of the Executive of the Labour Party under the leadership of the Hon. Dr. Boffa for many years and represented Labour in the General Assembly. Under the present Constitution he was elected a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

In 1951 he relinquished the post of Professor in the University on attaining the age limit. His long and fruitful career has been rewarded with several distinctions: he was made a Chevalier of the Sovereign Order of the Knights of Malta and an Officer of the British Empire.