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Ears, Noses, Throats and Irish Independence

Mr Robbie Woods, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork



Sir Robert Woods



Oliver St John Gogarty

Sir Robert Woods, the first surgeon in Ireland to specialise solely in ENT, had an illustrious career which included presidency of the Royal College of Surgeons and receiving a knighthood. He became politicised during the Great War, being elected a Unionist Member of Parliament, and was involved in Anglo-Irish negotiations during secession. Woods' protégé, Oliver St John Gogarty, not only established a successful ENT practice, but became a renowned author and poet, and was famous for his flamboyant theatrics in the operating room. He was a staunch Republican and Sinn Féiner who became a Senator in the fledgling Irish Free State.

All Welcome, particularly students