pattern. The conclusions are based on a total of 532 questionnaires completed at nine centres in England and Scotland, each being paired with a control subject of similar age, sex, and marital status. Other investigations carried out on large series of arthritic patients in Great Britain and abroad may usefully be compared with this national undertaking.

COMING EVENTS

Wessex Rahere Club.—The Spring Dinner of the Wessex Rahere Club will take place at the Castle Hotel, Taunton, on April 18. Further details may be obtained from the hon. secretary, Mr. A. Daunt Bateman, 3, The Circus, Bath.

British Association of Physical Medicine.—Annual meeting at University College Hospital Medical School, Gower Street, London, W.C.1, on April 17-18, 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Lunch available each day (5s. 6d.). Annual dinner at Royal College of Surgeons on the Friday (tickets 35s.). Tickets must be applied for by April 4.

The Biochemical Society.—The 317th Meeting of the Biochemical Society will be a joint meeting with the Société Belge de Biochimie and will be held in the Faculty of Medical Science, 115, Boulevard du Waterloo, Brussels, at 9 a.m. on April 11, when scientific papers will be read.

NEW ISSUES

Thorax.—The next issue (Vol. 8, No. 1) will be available in a week's time. The contents include:


Certain Unusual Radiographic Appearances in the Chest of Coal Miners suffering from Rheumatoid Arthritis. Anthony Caplan.


A Practical Measure of the Maximum Ventilatory Capacity in Health and Disease. M. C. S. Kennedy.

Published quarterly; annual subscription £2 2s., single copy 12s. 6d.

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases.—The next issue (Vol. 12, No. 1) will be available in a week's time. The contents include:


Clinical Studies of Phenylbutazone (Butazolidine) and Butabarbital in Rheumatoid Arthritis, Rheumatoid Spinal Stiffness, and Gout. E. G. Kidd, N. M. and C. B. Proctor.


Naphthoquinone in the Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis. L. J. Berford.


Issued quarterly; annual subscription £2 2s., single copy 12s. 6d.

These journals are obtainable from the Publishing Manager, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

A fee is charged or a ticket is required for attending lectures marked . Application should be made first to the institution concerned.

Saturday, March 30

HUNTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Talbot Restaurant, 7.45 p.m., dinner meeting, subject and report of Professor S. G. Symon, Dr. Robert Forbes, and Mr. D. C. Norris; Professional Pitfalls.

ROYAL EYE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m., Dr. T. H. Whittington: Myopia and the Care of the Blind Patient.

Tuesday, March 31

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. D. F. O'Neill: Diagnosis and Management of Stress Disorders of the Skin.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5.30 p.m., Hunterian Lecture by Professor F. A. Henley: Gastricomy with Replacement.

Wednesday, April 1

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—At St. Paul's Hospital, W.C.1, 4.30 for 5 p.m., Dr. W. N. Mascal: Diagnosis and Treatment of Gonochoera.

APPOINTMENTS

Collins, Michael Joseph, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., Deputy Medical Officer of Health, County Borough of Doncaster.

Elizabethan Regional Hospital Board.—R. Lindsay, M.B., Ch.B., Anaesthetic Registrar, Norfolk and Norwich Hospital; Alice M. Creamer, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., D.P.M., Registrar in Psychiatry, Fulbourn Mental Hospital and Psychiatric Department, Addenbrooke's Hospital; J. Littlejohn, L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., Registrar in Psychiatry, Fulbourn Mental Hospital; P. A. Cruikshank, M.B., B.S., Registrar, East Suffolk General Hospital and Ipswich Borough General Hospital; D. J. Brewer, M.B., B.S., Medical Registrar, Football Hospital, Ipswich; F. H. Cima, M.B., B.S., Medical Registrar, North Camberwell Hospital and Camborne Hospital, Wisbech.

Hull, T. S., M.D., D.P.H., D.O.Best.R.C.O.G., County Medical Officer of Health and School Medical Officer, Shropshire County Council.

Marr, Arthur David, M.B., F.R.C.S., Deputy Medical Superintendent (Senior General Hospital Medical Officer), Prudhoe and Monkton Hospital, Northumberland.
