

went on; and there was some evidence that smoking by parents might increase the risk of respiratory illness in infants in their first year of life.

### Professor of Mental Health, Belfast

Dr. G. W. Fenton has been appointed to the chair of mental health, Queen's University of Belfast. Dr. Fenton, who is 44, was educated at Ballymena Academy and Queen's University of Belfast, where he graduated in 1954. After house appointments in Belfast, Glasgow, and London, Dr. Fenton became research assistant in the academic department of psychiatry at the Middlesex Hospital, and in 1964 was appointed lecturer. In 1967 he became senior lecturer in the Institute of Psychiatry and consultant psychiatrist and neurophysiologist at the Bethlem Royal and Maudsley hospitals. Dr. Fenton gained his D.P.M. in 1957, M.R.C.P. (Edinburgh) in 1960, M.R.C.P. (London) in 1963, and M.R.C. Psych. in 1971. In 1974 he was elected F.R.C.P. (Edinburgh).

### Reciprocal Health Agreements

Britain now has reciprocal agreements for urgent medical treatment of foreign visitors on the same terms as their own nationals with Austria, Bulgaria, Denmark, Federal Germany, Gibraltar, Malta, Norway, Romania, Sweden, the U.S.S.R., and Yugoslavia. A similar agreement covers the countries of the E.E.C. British citizens in New Zealand are entitled to free treatment. Listing these agreements last week in a written Parliamentary answer, Dr. David Owen said that comprehensive information about the medical services in other countries was not readily available.

### Speaking and Reading

*Speaking and Reading* is the latest Family Doctor booklet, published this week (price 20p). In it Dr. Hunter Diack gives a clear account of the way in which babies learn to speak and read and how their parents can help them.

### COMING EVENTS

**Charing Cross Hospital (Fulham).**—Day symposium "Anticonvulsants and Their Complications," 28 May. Details from The Postgraduate Medical Centre, Charing Cross Hospital, Fulham Palace Road, London W6 8RF.

**Royal Society of Medicine.**—Day symposium "The Doctor's Responsibilities in 1975," 29 May, London. Details from Conference Secretary, Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE. (Tel. 01-580 2070).

**9th International Congress on Clinical Chemistry.**—13-18 July, Toronto. Details from Dr. F. H. Sims, Division of Clinical Chemistry, Women's College Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

**Medical Association of South Africa.**—Golden jubilee congress, 14-18 July, Witwatersrand University, Johannesburg. Details from the secretariat, Jubilee Medical Congress, P.O. Box 10102, Johannesburg, South Africa 2000.

**Charing Cross Hospital (Fulham).**—Surgical weekend, 6-8 June. Details from Postgraduate Medical Centre, Charing Cross Hospital (Fulham), Fulham Palace Road, London W6 8RF. (Tel. 01-748 2050 ext. 2980).

**Royal Postgraduate Medical School.**—Under the auspices of the British Cardiac Society, day symposium "Ischaemic Heart Disease—Prospects for Prevention," 11 June, Royal College of Physicians of England. Details from Dr. B. Lewis

and Dr. Celia Oakley, Royal Postgraduate Medical School, London W12 0HS. (Tel. 01-743 2030).

**National Children's Bureau.**—Day conference on "An Exercise in Co-operation," 19 June, London. Details from Voluntary Council for Handicapped Children, National Children's Bureau, 8 Wakley Street, Islington, London EC1V 7QE. (Tel. 01-278 9441-7).

### SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

*For attending lectures marked \* a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institution concerned.*

#### Monday, 19 May

**INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.**—4.30 p.m., Mr. R. K. Blach: Oculocutaneous Disease.

#### Tuesday, 20 May

**ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL COLLEGE.**—5 p.m., Professor A. J. Zuckermann: Progress in Viral Hepatitis. **ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.**—4 p.m., Professor D. S. Baldwin (New York): Lupus Nephritis.

#### Wednesday, 21 May

**INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.**—5.30 p.m., Dr. D. H. Bennett: A Closer Look at the "New" Long-stay Patient.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.**—5.35 p.m., Croonian lecture by Dr. W. N. Mann: Biliary Cirrhosis—an Appraisal.

**ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.**—2 p.m., Dr. N. G. Daker: Chromosome Banding Techniques and their Relevance to Clinical Diagnosis. **ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.**—5 p.m., meeting of the Comparative Medicine Section: Control of Rabies.

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.**—5 p.m., first Cow & Gate lecture by Dr. F. C. Battaglia (U.S.A.): Placental Transfer and Fetal Metabolism.

#### Thursday, 22 May

**CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL (FULHAM).**—1 p.m., Mr. M. G. Elder: Prostaglandins in Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

**NUTRITION SOCIETY.**—At Middlesex Hospital Medical School, 6 p.m., colloquium: Food and Nutrition Research.

**ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.**—5.15 p.m., Professor Melville Kerr: The McMaster Experiment in Medical Education.

**UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.**—At Royal Infirmary, 5 p.m., Honyman Gillespie lecture by Dr. A. M. Geddes: Imported Infections—Diagnosis and Treatment.

#### Friday, 23 May

**ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.**—11 a.m., Mr. J. H. Steyn: Carcinoma of the Bladder.

**SCOTTISH RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY.**—At Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, 7.30 p.m., 15th McGibbon memorial lecture by Dr. R. M. Marquis: Radiology and the Natural History of Heart Disease.

### B.M.A. NOTICES

#### Diary of Central Meetings

MAY	
21 Wed.	Occupational Health Committee, 10.30 a.m.
21 Wed.	Diseases of the Chest Group Committee, 2 p.m.
22 Thurs.	A.R.M. Agenda Committee, 10 a.m.
22 Thurs.	Central Committee for Hospital Medical Services, 10 a.m.
22 Thurs.	E.E.C. Subcommittee (H.J.S. Group Council), 10.30 a.m.
22 Thurs.	Postgraduate and Training Subcommittee (H.J.S. Group Council), 2 p.m.
28 Wed.	Committee on the E.E.C., 2 p.m.
28 Wed.	Finance Committee, 2 p.m.
29 Thurs.	Ad Hoc Committee on Doctors and Social Work, 10.30 a.m.
29 Thurs.	Annual Meetings Subcommittee (General Purposes Committee), 10.30 a.m.
29 Thurs.	Scottish Council (at 7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh), 10.45 a.m.

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3 Tues.	Council, 2.30 p.m.
4 Wed.	Council, 9.30 a.m.
5 Thurs.	General Purposes Subcommittee (G.M.S.), 10.30 a.m.
7 Sat.	Welsh Council (at Hotel Metropole, Llandrindod Wells), 2.30 p.m.
11 Wed. and 12 Thurs.	Annual Conference of Representatives of Local Medical Committees, 10 a.m.

### Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

*Members proposing to attend meetings marked\* are asked to notify in advance the honorary secretary concerned.*

**Darlington and Northallerton Division.**—Tuesday, 20 May, 8 p.m., visit to Gulbenkian Museum, Durham City, for members and spouses. Followed by buffet supper at County Hotel, Durham.\*

**Eastbourne Division.**—At the Lamb Inn, Wednesday, 21 May, 7.30 p.m., meeting to discuss motions for the A.R.M.

**Lewisham Division.**—At Lewisham Hospital, Friday, 23 May, 8.15 for 8.45 p.m., a.g.m.

**Portsmouth and South-east Hampshire Division.**—At St. Mary's Hospital, Wednesday, 21 May, 7.30 p.m., clinical meeting.\*

**Roehampton Division.**—At Watneys Brewery, Mortlake, Monday, 19 May, 8.30 p.m., a.g.m.

**Rotherham Division.**—Starting from Oakwood Hall Hospital, Thursday, 22 May, 6 p.m., visit to new South Yorkshire Police Headquarters, Sheffield.\*

**South-east Essex Division.**—At Southend General Hospital, Wednesday, 21 May, 8 p.m., a.g.m.

**Waltham Forest Division.**—At education centre, Whipps Cross Hospital, Wednesday, 21 May, 8.30 p.m., Professor P. J. Lawther: "Pollution." (Buffet supper 7.30 p.m.)\*

**West Dorset Division.**—At postgraduate centre, Dorchester, Tuesday, 20 May, 8.15 p.m., B.M.A. lecture by Dr. P. S. B. Fowler: "Premyxoedema—a Cause of Preventable Coronary Artery Disease."

**Worcester and Bromsgrove Branch.**—At Raven Hotel, Droitwich, Wednesday, 21 May, 9 a.m., visit to Chelsea Flower Show.

### UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

#### EDINBURGH

Sir Melville Arnott has been awarded an honorary D.Sc., which he will receive on 9 July.

#### BIRMINGHAM

*Appointments.*—Mr. C. Price (senior lecturer oral surgery and oral medicine).

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH

At a quarterly meeting held on Thursday, 1 May with the president, Dr. J. W. Crofton, in the chair, the following were elected Members: T. T. Baird, K. M. Laurence.

### APPOINTMENTS

**HAMPSHIRE AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING).**—Mr. J. M. Kelly (consultant surgeon).

**NORTH-EAST THAMES R.H.A.**—Dr. Jacqueline Currey (consultant in rheumatology and rehabilitation).

### Corrections

#### Anorexia Nervosa

The weight at which the menarche occurs was given in our leading article on Hormone Patterns in Anorexia Nervosa (12 April, p. 52) as  $47.5 \pm 0.8$  kg. This should have read  $47.8 \pm 0.5$  kg.

#### Overseas Advertisement

We regret that in a recent advertisement for a doctor for an overseas oil company (3 May, p. xlv) we inadvertently printed a wording which is unacceptable to the Race Relations Board. We apologize for this error.

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