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stringency to alter this policy as this would be to the detriment of their main function, which is to ensure that they can act quickly when they find the opportunity to create change and development." Nevertheless, the trustees allocated £2 million to long-term research of this kind. Another £1 million was used to finance research fellowships.

The report is pessimistic about the outlook for fundamental research, pointing out that when funds are short projects with potential immediate practical value tend to be given higher priority than "those centres of the highest quality which, due to their originality, are so in advance of their time.'

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund, a North American non-profit foundation, announced last week that it had endowed the first chair in clinical pharmacology in the United States at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

New Professors at Guy's

Dr. M. H. Lessof has been appointed to the chair of medicine tenable at Guy's Hospital Medical School. Dr. Lessof, who is 46,



received his medical education at King's College, Cambridge, and Guy's Hospital, London, graduating in 1947 becoming and M.R.C.P London in 1949. He has worked at the rheumatism unit of the Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow, the Hopkins Johns

Hospital, Baltimore, and Guy's Hospital, London, where he was appointed clinical immunologist in 1967 and physician with charge of the endocrine department in 1969. Dr. Lessof obtained his M.D. in 1956 and was elected F.R.C.P. in 1969. His main research interests are concerned with methods of modifying allergic and immune reactions, and he is associate editor of Conybeare's Textbook of Medicine.

Mr. Ian McColl has been appointed to the chair of surgery tenable at Guy's Hospital Medical School. Mr. McColl, aged 38, graduated M.B., B.S. London in 1957. He

become F.R.C.S. England, and F.R.C.S. Edinburgh in 1962, and M.S. London in 1966. After house appointments at Guv's and a junior lectureship in the departments of anatomy and physiology he became junior registrar at St. Bartholomew's Hospital and later



resident surgical officer at Putney Hospital, as well as working part-time at the Hospital for Sick Children and St. Mark's and St. Peter's Hospitals. He returned to Guy's where he was senior registrar, 1962-4, and then lec-

turer on the surgical unit. With the Moynihan fellowship of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, he went to Harvard Medical School in 1967, the year he was appointed reader in surgery at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College. He became sub-dean of the medical college in 1969 Mr. McColl's interests include gastrointestinal endoscopy, preoperative psychological assessment of patients undergoing peptic ulcer surgery, and the pharmacology of intestinal absorption. He is honorary secretary of the British Society of Gastroenterology.

Hospital Complaints

The Committee on Hospital Complaints Procedure (10 April, p. 118) would like "anyone with knowledge or experience of the hospital service" to write to the secretary of the committee at the Department of Health and Social Security, Alexander Fleming House, London S.E.1., giving any information, comments, or suggestions which they think may be of value to the work of the committee.

Darling Medal for Achievements in Malariology

The Darling Foundation Committee of the World Health Organization, on the advice of the Expert Committee on Malaria, has recommended to the executive board of W.H.O. that the twelfth Darling medal and prize should be awarded jointly ex aequo to Professor L. J. Bruce-Chwatt, director of the Ross Institute, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and to Professor Augusto Coradetti of the Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome, for their outstanding achievements in the field of study and control of malaria. The presentation of the awards will take place at the World Health Assembly in Geneva this month.

People in the News

During his recent visit to Chile Dr. R. E. Kelly (10 April, p. 118) was made an honorary member of the Faculty of Medicine in the University of Chile.

Sir Brian Windeyer, emeritus professor of radiology (therapeutics), has been elected vice-chancellor of London University from 1 September for the university year 1971-2.

COMING EVENTS

Royal College of Physicians of London.— Clinical physiology session, "Acid Base Meta-bolism," 8 June. For details see advertisement on page xxi.

International Bronchoesophagological Society. —13th Congress, 10-13 July, Lyon. Details from Professor J. P. Haguenauer, Clinique O.R.L., Hôpital Edouard-Herriot, Place d'Arsonval, 69-Lyon 3e, France.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institution concerned.

Monday 7

Monday, 7 June

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. W. C. Noble: Introduction to Statistics.
INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., clinicopathological conference.

NATIONAL BIRTHDAY TRUST FUND.—At Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, 5 p.m., Dame Juliet Rhys Williams memorial lecture by Professor Ian Donald: Newer Objectives in Obstetric Care.

Tuesday, 8 June

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INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. R. Marks: Sebaceous Glands.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.—12 noon, Dr. F. C. Dohan (Pennsylvania, U.S.A.): Cereal Grains—a Pathogenic Factor Common to Coeliac Disease and Schizophrenia.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS: SOUTH LONDON FACULTY.—At the College, 8.15 p.m., Dr. M. K. Thompson: Areas of Deficient Knowledge in Old-age.

Wednesday, 9 June

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INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.—5.30 p.m., Clinicopathological presentation by Professor M. Shepherd and Dr. S. Strich.
OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Dr. H. Jick (U.S.A.): Intensive Drug Surveillance in Hospital.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS.—At Hammersmith Hospital, 8.30 pm., meeting of London and Northern Counties Faculties, Dr. Clifford Kay: Oral Contraceptive Study.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURSEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian lecture by Professor K. Hardinge: Congenital Anterior Bowing of the Tibia—Significance of Different Types.

Thursday, 10 June

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ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—(1) At
Institute of Ophthalmology, 3.30 pm. EdridgeGreen lecture by Dr. C. M. H. Pedler: Retinal
Ultrastructure and the Signal Pathway. (2) At the
college, 5 p.m., Gordon-Taylor lecture by Mr.
R. S. Handley: Gordon-Taylor, Breast Cancer
and the Middlesex Hospital.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5.15 p.m.,
Mr. F. M. Sullivan: Drugs and Congenital

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British Postgraduate Medical Federation.—At
Royal College of Physicians of London, 5.30 p.m.,
Gonadotrophen.

Royal College of Pranchimont (Liège): Human
Royal College.

SOMMUNION TO SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH.

5 p.m., Chiene memorial lecture by Professor M
Balasegaram: Modern Concepts in Surgery of
Liver Trauma,

Friday, 11 June

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDOR 5 p.m., Bradshaw lecture by Professor N. Ashton: The Eye in Malignant Hypertension. ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—11 a Mr. D. M. Jackson: Surgery of Burns. LONDON.—essor N. H.

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ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

At a ceremony held on 25 May with the president, Professor E. M. McGirr, in the chair, the Honorary Fellowship of the college was conferred on the following.

Fellowship of the Conteger of Surgeons of England; Lord Rosenheim, president of the Royal College of Physicians of London; Sir Isaac Wolfson, F.R.S., chairman of the Wolfson

CORRECTION

VIRAL HEPATITIS AND THE E.S.R.

In the letter by Dr. J. Vahrman (22 May, p. 466) in the paragraph under Table I the patients' ages were incorrectly given as "between 18 and 19 years old." The sentence should have read "About two-thirds of the patients were between 18 and 29 years old."

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