obstetrics and gynaecology. At the discretion of the council the fellowship may be extended for the coefficient year. Applications must be made by 15 May and details are obtainable from the section officer, R.S.M., 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE. (Tel. 01-580 2070.)

New Journals

Two new specialist medical journals have started publication in 1972; Clinical Endocrinology, published quarterly by Blackwell Scientific Publications, and Age and Ageing, published quarterly for the British Geriatrics Society and the British Society for Research on Ageing by Bailliere Tindall.

People in the News

Sir Brian Windemere, vice-chancellor of London University, and formerly dean of the faculty of medicine, has been named as chairman of the inquiry into the leak poisoning at the Rio Tinto smelter at Avonmouth.

COMING EVENTS

"Threatened Gangrene."—Advanced discussion group for consultants and senior registrars, 6 March, 6 p.m., Royal College of Surgeons of England. Fee £1.25 (including supper). Applications, by 1 March, to the secretary of the college, 35-65 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PN (Tel. 01-405 3474).

Royal College of Physicians of London.—(1) Milroy lecture by Dr. A. G. Shaper, 9 March; (2) Goulstonian lecture by Dr. J. S. Cameron, 14 March. For details see advertisements on page xxv.

Glasgow Royal Infirmary Club.—Dinner, 11 March, 6.30 for 7 p.m., boardroom. Guest speaker, Lord Birsay. Tickets and details from Mr. William Reid, Royal Infirmary, Glasgow C4. (Tel. 041-552 3535.)

British Association of Manipulative Medicine.—Annual symposium, "Pain and the Intervertebral Joint," 12 March, Wellcome Auditorium, 182 Euston Road, London N.W.1. Details from the honorary secretary, Dr. A. G. Bog, 63 Clapham Common Northside, London SW4 9SB. (Tel. 01-228 0732.)

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, 28 February

Institute of Laryngology and Otology.—5.30 p.m., Combined staff consultation clinical meeting. Royal Society of Medicine.—5.30 p.m., Odontological Society commemoration lecture by Professor E. P. Young, F.D.S., F.R.C.S., F.D.S. Eng., M.D., Ethnological, and Artistic Aspects of Betel Nut Chewing.

Tuesday, 29 February

Association of Clinical Biochemists.—At Royal Society of Medicine, London W1, 5.30 p.m., Dr. P. Astrup; Some Developments in Medical Acidosis.

Institute of Dermatology.—4.30 p.m., Dr. J. A. L. Watt (consultant dermatologist, St. Bartholomew's Hospital); Drug Dependence—A Pharmacological Analysis.

London University.—At University College, Gower Street, W.C.I, 5.30 p.m., Professor W. F. Bottomley, London, W.C.1; On Seeing with Both Eyes, a Neuroanatomist's View.

St. Bartholomew's Hospital.—5 p.m., Professor P. J. Lachmann; Role of Complement in Rheuma
toid Arthritis.

Wednesday, 1 March

Dundee University.—5 p.m., Mr. N. S. Rice: Vascular Diseases of the Skin. Institute of Diseases of the Chest.—5 p.m., Dr. J. A. Lyon (Dean, University of Edinburgh); Myocardial Insufficiency in Congenital Heart Disease. Institute of Neurology.—5 p.m., Dr. P. T. Luscombe; Biochemical Considerations in Drug Therapy. Oxford Neurological Society.—7 p.m., Professor Hannah Steinberg: Extrapolation from Animals to Man in Psychopharmacology, including Drug Dependence. Institute of Urology.—5 p.m., Dr. T. Sherwood: Radiological Surgery of the Tract Disease. Oxford University.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Prof. Dr. L. A. Hodgkin: A Critique of Recent Advances in the Area of Hodgkin's Disease. Royal Free Hospital.—5.15 p.m., Dr. A. Leaf (Surgery): Endurance in Cell Volume Regulation and Cell Survival. Royal Postgraduate Medical School.—11.45 a.m., Clinical Symposium: The Treatment of Acute Leukaemia: Dr. M. R. Attar, St. Mary's Hospital; Dr. M. P. Askonas, Western General Hospital; Dr. P. H. Smith, Queen's Hospital, Burton; Dr. E. J. M. C. Nance, St. Peter's Hospital. Royal Society.—4.30 p.m., F. Ferris (consultant surgeon, St. Bartholomew's Hospital); Function and Architecture of Visual Cortex.*

Thursday, 2 March

Royal College of Surgeons of England.—5.30 p.m., Otolaryngology lecture by Professor P. Alexander: Immunological Aspects of Malignant Disease. Royal Postgraduate Medical School.—5 p.m., Rhetoromahology demonstration by Dr. R. W. Watts, Dr. J. Chayen, Dr. Lucile Bittensky: (1) Crystal Lattice Defects; (2) Hyposphathasite phosphoribosyltransferase Enzyme Deficiency. Royal Society.—4.30 p.m., Ferrier lecture by Dr. D. H. Hambly (consultant urologist, St. Bartholomew's Hospital); Functional and Structural Effects on the Cortex of Cats and Monkeys.

Friday, 3 March

Institute of Neurology.—5.30 p.m., Dr. D. Hubel (consultant neurologist, Oxford General Hospital); Visual Perception of Cortical Cells in the Cat and Monkey. Institute of Ophthalmology.—At Institute of Ophthalmology, W.C.I, 5 p.m., Dr. D. Hubel (Harvard): Visual Perception of Cortical Cells in the Cat and Monkey.

Saturday, 4 March

Mediterranean Medical Society. Edinburgh Branch.—2.30 p.m., Symposium: Asthma and the Mite.

Sunday, 5 March

Endocrine Medical Society.—At Edgeware General Hospital, London, W.3, 2 p.m., T. E. P.I. ngtion: Hyperlipoproteinemia.*

CORRECTIONS

Next Step in Scotland

The Scottish Council did not agree that "that separation would strengthen the profession's political armory," as stated in the leading article on the subject of rural health care (Br. Med. J. 1.5799, 580, p. 462). The sentence should have read: "Indeed, it was argued in the Scottish Council that separation would strengthen the profession's political armory because the new 'line-management' nature of the reorganized Service would make a combined role difficult to sustain." We apologize for this error.

Christmas Quiz—de Musset's Sign and St. Thomas's Hospital

The question to answer 4(b) in the Christmas Quiz (2 December, p. 800) should have read: "(b) The to-and-fro motion of the entire head due to forceful pulsations in aortic insufficiency." Retinal arteriolar pulsation was a feature added subsequently to the original description of de Musset's sign. Question 5(f) should have read: "What hospital moved in 1871?" and the answer should have been "St. Thomas's Hospital to Lambeth." 1 Friedberg, C. K., in Diseases of the Heart, p. 114, Philadelphia and London, Saunders, 1966.

The late Dr. R. E. O'Neal

In the obituary notice (12 February, p. 450) instead of "Royal Eye Hospital" the words "Royal Free Hospital" were inadvertently printed in the second and third paragraphs.

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