married and or single names, and addresses, first resident post held and date, to the honorary secretaries of the club, at the Manchester Royal Infirmary, together with similar details of any new applicants known to them so that a complete list can be compiled in preparation for the next dinner to be held in October 1979. Membership of the club is automatic—there is no entrance fee and no subscription.

Equipment for the disabled

Home Management is the third of the new Equipment for the Disabled booklets to be published in the 4th edition. Completely revised and expanded, it shows standard consumer goods, simple home-made aids, and specially designed equipment. It also contains guidelines for selecting equipment and in planning kitchen layouts and suggests solutions to some home management problems. The booklet gives brief details of the items shown, together with manufacturers’ and suppliers’ addresses, price, and export availability. It is intended for use by professional workers caring for disabled people, but disabled housewives may themselves find useful information. Equipment for the Disabled is at 2 Foredown Drive, Portsadle, Brighton; the price of booklets is £1.50, postage extra.

University applications

Applications so far for university places in October 1977 show a 9.5% increase over 1976, with a rise in the proportion of places in education, mechanical engineering, agriculture and forestry, business management, and accounting; a slight increase in applications for medicine; and a decrease in the proportion of applications for geography, psychology, sociology, and history.

London Medical Orchestra

The London Medical Orchestra will resume rehearsals in Christ Church School, Cosway Street, London NW1 at 7:00 pm on Tuesday 11 January. Second flute, 2nd bassoon, and all extra string players are required. Full particulars from Mrs A P Mason, 102 Hamilton Terrace, London NW8: 01-286 4367.

People in the News

Dr M G P Stoker has been elected Foreign Secretary of the Royal Society in succession to Sir Kingsley Dunham.

COMING EVENTS

Medical Commission on Accident Prevention—Symposium on “Fitness to work—health and accidents,” 18 January, London. Details from the Commission, 50 Old Brompton Road, London SW7 3EA. (Tel 01-584 9240.)

Royal College of Radiologists—Details of meetings to be held on 21 and 22 January, London, and are now available from the College, 28 Portland Place, London W1N 4DE. (Tel 01-636 4432/3.)

Institute of Religion and Medicine—Conference “Degeneration or a positive contribution? The Needs of the Elderly and Infirm,” 27 January, London. Details from the Organising Secretary, IRM, St Mary Abchurch Vestry, Abchurch Lane, London EC4N 7BA. (Tel 01-626 0306.)

University of Dundee—Course on “Medical education: the design and implementation of a medical course,” 6-26 February, Dundee. Details from the Development Officer, University of Dundee, Dundee.


Birmingham Medical Institute—Symposium “The causes and prevention of human handicap,” 25 February, Birmingham. Details from the Birmingham Medical Institute, 36 Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham 15. (Tel 021-454 5007.)

West Middlesex Hospital—Study day on international travel and disease, 25 February, Isleworth. Details from postgraduate secretary, Postgraduate Medical Centre, West Middlesex Hospital, Isleworth, Middlesex TW7 6AF. (Tel 01-560 2121 ext 294.)

Institute of Mental Subnormality—Details of the education programme for 1977 are now available from the Institute, Wolverhampton Road, Kidderminster, Worcs DY10 3PP. (Tel Kidderminster 850251.)

University College London—Details of the Freud Memorial Lectures in Psychoanalysis for the Spring Term are now available from the Secretary, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

Monday, 10 January

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—5.30 pm, St Martin’s Lane, London SW1. Lecture by Professor D R Hill: The regional distribution of retinal circulation.

Wednesday, 12 January

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY—Sandoz Foundation advanced lectures, 6 pm, Dr N J London: The structure of normal nerve fibre. 7 pm, Professor P K Thomas: Classification of peripheral neurological disorders.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL—5 pm, Professor J R Batchelor: HLA and disease associations.

Thursday, 13 January

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—5 pm, St Martin’s Lane, London. Lecture by Professor A C Brodal: The science of pinning the neck of the femur.

BMA NOTICES

Diary of Central Meetings

JANUARY

12 Wed and 13 Thurs Council, 10 am.
14 Fri General Committee for Community Medicine, 10 am.
16 Thurs Joint Consultants Committee (Royal College of Psychiatrists, 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1), 9.30 am.
20 Thurs General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
27 Thurs organisation Committee, 10 am.

Division Meetings to be Held

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

Aldershot and Farnham—at Frimley Park Hospital, Thursday, 13 January, 7.30 pm, divisional evening supplement to Divisional Business Committee, appointed by Professor A C Brodal.

Barnet and Finchley—at Barnet General Hospital, Wednesday, 12 January, 8.30 am, joint meeting of the Barnet Finchley Dental Association and Dentists’ Health Committee, under the chairmanship of Dr C L Lesser. “Demarcation disputes in ear nose and throat.”

Blackpool—at Savoy Hotel, Wednesday, 12 January, 7.30 pm, dinner/lecture, speaker Dr A K Herod: “A modern gynaecological problem—the anatomy of chronic disorders.” * (Guests are invited.)

Bradford and District—at Bradford Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, 12 January, 8.30 pm, meeting. Speaker Dr Norman Croman.

Bromley—at Farnborough Hospital, Tuesday, 11 January, 8.15 for 9.30 pm, Dr Roy Goulding: “Poisoning—Tavistock Tavern.”

Ealing—at King Edward Memorial Hospital, Thursday, 13 January, 8.15 pm, Dr Michael Tooke: “Anaemia of chronic disorders.”

East Norfolk and Norwich—at Norwich and Norfolk Hospital, Wednesday, 12 January, 7.30 pm. Norwich and District Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society invites members to a lecture by Professor J S Cameron: “Poisoning—accident or suicide or murder?”

Gloucestershire—at Gloucestershire Royal Hospital, Saturday, 15 January, 7.30 pm, joint meeting of customs officers, veterinary surgeons, senior police officers, port officials, and public health inspectors, Dr J E Robinson: “Rabies.” * (Followed by buffet supper.)

Huddersfield—at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, Monday, 13 January, 8.15 pm, Dr D H J Hardham: “Professionalism and industrial unionism.”

Lincoln—at Lincoln Medical Centre, Tuesday, 14 January, 8.15 pm, Dr A D Smith: “The role of the hospital and community in the treatment of mental illness.”

West Berkshire—at Royal Berkshire Hospital, Wednesday, 12 January, 8.30 pm, Mr A R Richards: “Hot ophthalmology.” (Wives are welcome.)

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

LONDON

MD—Elizabeth J Heathcote, Parveen J Kumar.
LIVERPOOL

Appointments—I Taylor, W D George (senior lecturers, clinical, in surgery).
LEEDS

MD—S G Tan.

APPPOINTMENTS

BIRMINGHAM AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Dr P P Mayer (consultant physician in geriatric medicine).

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—The following consultants have been appointed: Mr O J A Gilmore (surgery); Dr A C G T Conn (general practice); Dr J J G Gawley, Dr D M Park (neurologists); Mr A M T Parisi (urologist); Dr F W Murphy (area medical officer); Dr P A Sims (district community physician).

WYCOMBE AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Dr J M Haggart (consultant in community medicine).

Corrections

Postural proteinuria and lipid nephrosis of 58 years’ duration

Dr M L Simmehoff reported an error occurred in the short report by Dr M L Simmehoff (25 December, p 1540). In the paragraph of the case report the serum calcium concentration should read “2.2 mmol (4.4 mg/l).”

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