active material is removed when the final charge of fuel is taken out for re-use. Since the residual radioactivity of the structure will decrease over a period of years, the dismantling will be mainly a matter of economic judgement. The risk to health is considered to be manageable.

Child Poisoning

More children were poisoned in the borough of Birkenhead, Liverpool, last year than at any time since 1963 according to figures produced at a recent meeting of the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board. The Board has written to the Department of Health proposing a national campaign aimed at reducing this risk.

British Postgraduate Medical Federation

Mr. A. J. Heriot has been appointed part-time regional postgraduate dean to the South-East Metropolitan Region and part-time assistant director on the staff of the Postgraduate Medical Federation, from 1 July 1973, in succession to Dr. A. A. G. Lewis. Mr. Heriot will be on the staff of the central office of the Federation at 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ, and will also have an office at the south-east Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board at Randolph House, 46/48 Wellesley Road, Croydon, Surrey.

Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

This Act comes into force in full on 1 July 1973 and repeals the Dangerous Drugs Acts of 1965 and 1967 and the Drugs (Prevention of Misuse) Act 1964. While the major provisions of the foregoing Acts are incorporated into the new one certain major changes in drug control have been made.

M.R.C. Social and Applied Psychology Unit

The Medical Research Council has appointed Peter B. War, Ph.D., as director of its social and applied psychology unit in the University Department of Psychology, Sheffield. He succeeds Professor H. Kay, who gave up the honorary directorship of the unit on taking up his appointment as Vice-chancellor of Exeter University.

Laboratory Animals

The Royal College of Surgeons has published notes for guidance of research workers on the use of laboratory animals, which it hopes may be of particular use to newcomers in the field. Copies of the Notes can be obtained on request from the Secretary, The Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35-43 Lincoln’s Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PN.

Summer Arts Festival, Westminster Hospital

Westminster Hospital and Medical School is holding its sixth Summer Arts Festival from 20-29 June. Films, painting and poetry demonstrations, classical jazz music, poetry readings, and wine tasting are among the events planned. A weekend trip to Dieppe and Normandy for £10 is a major attraction. Details can be obtained from the secretary, Mr. Malcolm Brenner, Westminster Hospital Medical School, Horseferry Road, London SW1.

"Know Your Own Mind"

A 30-page booklet on how the mind works, what can go wrong with it, and a definition of mental health by Professor H. J. Walton is published by Family Doctor. It is available from chemists price 15p or direct from Family Doctor Publications, 47/51 Chalton Street, London NW1 1HT, price 17p.

Order of St. John of Jerusalem

Those recently appointed to, or promoted in, the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem include the following members of the medical profession: Mr. A. Knight, Asst. Chief Medical Officer, Addenbrooke’s; Mr. J. Millman, Asst. Chief Medical Officer, Finchampstead; Drs. E. C. Foin, H. J. Bradley, and W. B. Davies. As Associate Commander (Brother): Dato Sri Haji Megat Khas.

COMING EVENTS

Polish Medical Association.—Annual dance, 2 June, 7.30 p.m., White Eagle Club, London W1.


Indian Medical Service Annual Dinner.—22 June, East India, Sports and Public Schools Club, London SW1. Applications to the secretary, Dr. P. H. Addis, President. Details from Dr. W. M. Dubs, 40 Devonshire Place, London WIN 2EA. (Tel. 01-486 6181.)

Institute of Urology.—Day symposium, "Genito-urinary Tuberculosis," 23 June. For details see advertisement on page xv.

Welsh National School of Medicine.—Day workshop, "Ferritin Immunoassay," 26 June. Details from Dr. M. Worwood, Department of Haematology, University Hospital of Wales, Heath Park, Cardiff CF4 4XW.

Cambridge Graduates Medical Club.—Annual dinner, 29 June, 7 p.m., Darwin College. Details of the dinner and of the club membership are obtainable from the secretary, Mr. J. O. Robinson, 149 Harley Street, London WIN 1HG. (Tel. 01-935 4444.)

8th International Conference on Health Education.—8-14 July, Versailles and Paris, organized by the French Council for Health Education. Details from the secretary of the conference, 20 rue Greuze, 75 Paris 16e, France.

4th International Meeting of Endocrinology, Marseille.—"Regulation of the Adipose Tissue Mass," 10-13 July. Details from Dr. J. Boyer, Clinique Endocrinologique, Hopital de la Conception, 144 Rue Saint-Pierre, 13005 Marseille, France.

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.

Tuesday, 29 May

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL COLLEGE.—5 p.m., Mr. R. H. Franklin: Carcinoma of Upper Intestinal Tract. ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH.—5 p.m., Ballentine lecture by Professor V. A. McKusick: Heritable Disorders of Connective Tissue.

Wednesday, 30 May

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Dr. R. G. Edwards: Studies on Human Ovulation and Pre-implantation Development.