Society for Psychosomatic Research—21st annual meeting. "The coming age of psychosomatics." 21-22 November, London. Details from Dr Peter Mellett, Horton Hospital, Epson, Surrey KT19 8ZP. (Tel Epson 29696, ext 280.)

The 20th annual congress—25-27 November, London. Details from the Co-ordinator of Studies, St Christopher’s Hospice, 51-53 Lawrie Park Road, Sydenham, London SE26 6DZ. (Tel 01-778 9787.)

"Family with a mentally handicapped member"—Symposium, 25 November, Southport. Details from Dr R P Arya, Greaves Hall Farm, Arnside, Silverdale, Southport, Merseyside PR8 9BP. (Tel 0704 27451.)

Institute for the Study and Treatment of Delinquency—Weekend discussion course, 25-27 November, Bedgebury. Details from the Institute, 34 Surrey Street, Croydon, Surrey CR0 1RJ. (Tel 01-680 2086.)

Association for the Study of Medical Education—Joint meeting with the Society for Research in Higher Education "Approaches to curriculum design and evaluation: the medical experience," 30 November, London. Details from Mrs M Clothier, BHAL Centre for Health and Medical Education, Royal Marsden Hospital, Vatsivaston Square, London WC1H 9JP. (Tel 01-388 7976.)

International Study Group for Steroid Receptors—VII meeting, 5-7 December, New York. Details from Professor C Conti, Istituto di Patologia Medica II, Policlinico Umberto I, Rome, Italy.

Tumour Ultrasound '77—International symposium, 5-7 December, London. Details from Dr Ralph McCreary, Department of Nuclear Medicine and Ultrasound, Royal Marsden Hospital, Downs Road, Sutton, Surrey. (Tel 01-642 6011.)

New York Academy of Sciences—Conference "Primary health care in industrialized nations," 18-19 December, New York. Details from Conference Department, New York Academy of Sciences, 2 East 63rd Street, New York, New York 10021, USA. (Tel 212 886 0230.)

"Paediatric nephrology: nephrotic syndrome, current concepts in diagnosis and management"—Meeting 4-7 January, 1978, Miami. Details from Comprehensive Children’s Kidney Center, Department of Pediatrics, University of Miami, School of Medicine, PO Box 520875, Boca Raton, Amnesty, Miami, Florida 33152, USA.


Institute of Dermatology—Advanced seminar in dermatology "Recent advances in immunity of skin diseases," 17-21 April, 1978, London. Details from the dean, Institute of Dermatology, St John’s Hospital for Diseases of the Skin, Lisle Street, Chelsea, London WC2H 7BJ. (Tel 01-437 8383.)

Centre for Postgraduate Psychiatry—Details and copies of the programme for October and November are available from the Centre, Uclufule Clinic, Queen Elizabeth Road, Musley, Birmingham. (Tel 021 449 4481.)

University of Dundee—Details and copies of the programme of postgraduate medical education for the winter term, 1978-79, available from Mr Hamish Watson, Postgraduate Dean, Ninewells Hospital and Medical School, Dundee DD1 9SY. (Tel 0382 6011.)

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

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

Tuesday, 18 October

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr I Sarkany: "Physiology of itching." INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY QUEEN SQUARE—5.30 pm, Professor J C Gautier (Paris): Cerebral embolism. WESTMINSTER MEDICAL SCHOOL—6.15 pm, Mr E M Thomas: surgical conference: The diabetic foot.

Wednesday, 19 October


Thursday, 20 October

LONDON HOSPITAL MEDICAL COLLEGE—5.30 pm, Professor H D Smith: "The place Trade Unions occupy in the NHS today, their anticipated role in the future, with particular reference to the implications this may have for the medical profession." Members of adjoining divisions are invited.

APPOINTMENTS

CITY AND EAST LONDON AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY MEDICAL SCHOOL. — Dr M R Bliss (consultant psychiatrist).

Waste Treatment—Dr D Z T Slattery (consultant psychiatrist) with a special interest in the elderly.

North West RHA—Dr R Moore (consultant psychiatrist).

Corrections

Industrial action

The first resolution of the Kingston, Richmond, and Epsom Division in the letter from Dr E G Colen (27 August, p 583) should read: "(1) That under no circumstances would doctors be willing to withdraw any of their services under the NHS. For, 2, against the rent.

Prospective trial of oestrogen and calcium in postmenopausal women

In the paper by A Horsman and others (24 September, p 789) the following sentence was omitted: "In the trial, calcium was administered as calcium galactogluconate kindly provided by Sandoz Laboratories."

Ruptile tip in cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma

We regret that an error occurred in the short report by Dr P J Johnson and others (1 October, p 899). In the second paragraph of Patients, methods, and results the third sentence should not have included a reference to a figure.

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