

## COMING EVENTS

**Biochemical Society**—Details of the 572nd meeting, 15-16 December, London, and the 573rd meeting, 4-6 January 1968, Hull, are now available from the Society, 7 Warwick Court, High Holborn, London WC1R 5DP. (Tel 01-242 1076.)

**Nutrition Society**—Details of two forthcoming meetings, 15 and 16 December, London, are now available from Dr M R Turner, Department of Physiology and Biochemistry, the University, Southampton SO9 3TU.

**University of Glasgow**—Course on terminal care, 23-27 January, Glasgow. Details from the Enrolment Secretary, Department of Extramural and Adult Education, 57/61 Oakfield Avenue, Glasgow G12 8LW. (Tel 041-229 8855 ext 394.)

**Charing Cross Hospital Postgraduate Medical Centre**—Details of the programme December-January are now available from Mr Harold B Holden, FRCS, Postgraduate Medical Centre, Charing Cross Hospital, Fulham Palace Road, London W6 8RF. (Tel 01-748 2050 ext 3037.)

**South Essex Postgraduate Medical Centre**—Details of the programme January-March 1978 are now available from the Centre, Basildon Hospital, Nether Mayne, Basildon, Essex SS16 5NL. (Tel 0268 3911 ext 3360.)

**British Nuclear Medicine Society**—6th Annual Scientific Meeting and 2nd Nuclear Medicine Congress of the European Society of Nuclear Medicine, 17-19 April 1978, London. Details from Dr M N Maisey, Nuclear Medicine Department, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT. (Tel 01-407 7600.)

**International Symposium on New Trends in the Optimisation of the Working Environment**—16-19 May 1978, Istanbul. Details from the International Labour Office, CH-1211 Geneva 22, Switzerland.

**Society for Drug Research**—Details and copies of the programmes of two forthcoming meetings are now available from Mrs J Young, Society for Drug Research, c/o Institute of Biology, 41 Queen's Gate, London SW7 5HU. (Tel 01-589 9076.)

**International Union Against Cancer**—Details of the 1977-8 calendar of international meetings are now available from the Union, Conseil-Général 3, 1205 Geneva, Switzerland. (Telex 289724.)

## 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 November

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Professor Ruth Bowden: Embryology of human skin.  
INSTITUTE OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY—4.30 pm, David Painton: Blood pressure in pregnancy.

## Tuesday, 29 November

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr K Grice: Transdermal water loss.

## Wednesday, 30 November

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY (QUEEN SQUARE)—Sandoz Foundation lectures, 6 pm, Dr A D Malcolm: Cardiac factor in the genesis of strokes. 7 pm, Professor J M Ledingham: Hypertension and the brain.  
INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—6 pm, Mr A W F Lettini: The rheumatoid elbow. 7 pm, Professor L Kessel: The rheumatoid shoulder.  
INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr A D Cox: Interviewing techniques.  
KING'S FUND COLLEGE—At 21 Palace Court, London W2, 8 pm, Professor Philip Rhodes: Impressions of medicine in Britain and Australia.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—5 pm, Gordon-Watson lecture by Mr J R Cobbett: The plastic surgeon and the microscope.  
ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL—5 pm, Dr R B McConnell: Genetics of gastrointestinal cancer.  
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 pm, medical consilium: Growing points in endocrinology. The mechanism of action of thyroid hormones: physiological and clinical puzzles.

## Thursday, 1 December

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY—At Royal College of Surgeons of England, 5.30 pm, Professor J S Calnan: Reconstruction of irradiated tissue.  
ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Aleck Bourne lecture by Dr J Robinson: Experimental fetal growth retardation.

## Friday, 2 December

ONCOLOGY CLUB—At Royal Marsden Hospital, 6.30 pm, Dr Terry Priestman: Gastrointestinal cancer. (Non members welcome.)  
ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL—5 pm, Dr D L Wingate: The neurohumoral control of propulsion.

## BMA NOTICES

## Diary of Central Meetings

NOVEMBER	
30 Wed	BMA Council Executive, 10 am.
DECEMBER	
1 Thurs	Central Committee for Hospital Medical Services, 10 am.
1 Thurs	General Purposes Subcommittee (GMSC), 10.30 am.
2 Fri	Executive Subcommittee (CCCM), 10.30 am.
8 Thurs	New Charter Working Group (GMSC), 10 am.
8 Thurs	Journal Committee 2.15 pm.
13 Tues	Scottish General Medical Services Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.30 am.
14 Wed	Finance and General Purposes Committee, 10 am.
14 Wed	Negotiating Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
14 Wed	Armed Forces Committee, 10.30 am.
15 Thurs	General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
15 Thurs	General Purposes Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10.30 am.
16 Fri	Scottish Hospital Junior Staff Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 2.30 pm.
19 Mon	Negotiating Subcommittee (CCCM), 10.30 am.
21 Wed	BMA Council Executive, 10 am.

## Division Meetings to be Held

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

**Birmingham**—At Birmingham Medical Institute, Wednesday, 30 November, 7.15 pm buffet supper, 8.15 pm Dr R G Murray: "The corridors of power."\*

**Bury**—At Bury General Hospital, Saturday, 3 December, 7.30 for 8 pm, Chairman's cocktail party.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Darlington and Northallerton Divisions**—At Scotch Corner Hotel, Friday, 2 December, 7.45 for 8.30 pm, joint Jubilee dinner dance.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Dewsbury**—At 16 Oxford Road, Friday, 2 December, 8.30 pm, wine and cheese party.\*

**East Hertfordshire**—At Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, Wednesday, 30 November, 8 pm, meeting to elect representative to ARM.

**East Surrey**—At Redhill General Hospital, Tuesday, 29 November, 7.30 pm, dinner lecture, speaker Dr Lawrence Dulake: "More recent doctor's tale."\* (Guests are invited.)

**Furness**—At Netherwood Hotel, Friday, 2 December, 8 for 8.30 pm, annual dinner dance.\*

**Grimby**—At Winter Gardens, Thursday, 1 December, 9 pm, annual BMA ball.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Guildford**—At Bramley Grange Hotel, Wednesday, 30 November, 7.30 pm, supper meeting, speaker Mr D J Shields.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Leicester and Rutland**—At Grand Hotel, Saturday, 3 December, 7.30 for 8 pm, joint dinner dance with Leicester Medical Society.\*

**North and South Camden**—At Jack Straws Castle, Thursday, 1 December, 7.30 for 8.15 pm, pre-Christmas dinner.\* (Guests are welcome.)

**Scunthorpe**—At Lansdowne House, Thursday, 1 December, 8 for 8.30 pm, annual dinner dance.\* (Guests are invited.)

**South-east Essex**—At Garon's No 1 Banqueting Suite, Friday, 2 December, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner dance.\*

**Stockport**—At Alma Lodge Hotel, Wednesday, 30 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner dance.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Wakefield**—At Stoneleigh Hotel, Tuesday, 29 November, 7.30 pm, dinner lecture, speaker Dr Tim Healey.\* (Guests are welcome.)

## UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

GLASGOW  
MD—B C Campbell, S L Galbraith, Joyce M Watson.

LONDON

MD—N McI Johnson.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At an ordinary meeting of the Council held on 10 November with the president, Mr Reginald Murley, in the chair, the re-election of Lord Brock and the election of Sir Hedley Atkins as chairman and deputy chairman, respectively, of the Board of Trustees of the Hunterian Collection was noted.

The Hallett Prize was awarded to Timothy R Terry and the Begley Prize was awarded to Bertil E Damato.

A diploma of Fellowship was granted to Aylwyn Mannell.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH

At a quarterly meeting of the College held on 3 November with the president, Dr R F Robertson, in the chair, Dr P F Bartley was elected Fellow of the College.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

At the annual meeting held on 7 November the following office-bearers were elected: Professor T Gibson (president); Dr Gavin B Shaw (visitor); Dr Norman MacKay (honorary secretary); Mr Colin MacKay (honorary treasurer); Sir Charles Illingworth (honorary librarian); Sir Robert Wright (representative on the GMC); Professor James Ireland (representative on the General Dental Council); Dr C D Forbes, Dr H Conway, Professor M C Macnaughton, Dr R B Wilson, Dr R Hume, Dr Brian O'Williams, Mr H I Tankel, Mr C W Imrie (councillors).

## APPOINTMENTS

BIRMINGHAM AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—The following consultant anaesthetists have been appointed—Dr R A Bond, Dr T V Campkin.

HAMPSHIRE AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Mr T Guerrier (consultant ENT surgeon).

HOSPITALS FOR SICK CHILDREN—Dr J Payan (consultant physician with special expertise in electromyography).

NORTH-EAST THAMES RHA—The following consultants have been appointed—Dr B Klassnik (psychiatrist with a special interest in psychogeriatrics); Mr J V Harvey Kemble (plastic surgery).

## Corrections

## Return to normal of Argyll-Robertson pupils after treatment

We regret that an error occurred in this paper by Dr F M Lanigan-O'Keefe (5 November, p 1191). There should have been no hyphen in the phrase "Argyll Robertson pupils."

## Work of community physicians

In the letter from Dr G D Duncan (5 November, p 1226) the opening sentence should read: "The Central Committee for Community Medicine, with the participation of the Faculty of Community Medicine and the Society of Community Medicine, recently set up . . ."

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