

Medical News

Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry.—The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry celebrated its 25th anniversary last week by publishing a booklet describing the history and work of the association and by holding a reception which was attended by the Minister of Health, Mr. IAIN MACLEOD, and his Parliamentary Secretary, Miss PAT HORNSBY-SMITH. Mr. J. F. BOUCHER, the president of the A.B.P.I., made a short speech at the reception, introducing the Minister. Mr. MACLEOD said that when he heard that the A.B.P.I. was holding its reception in the Great Hall of B.M.A. House he thought of his own position as being rather like Daniel accepting an invitation to be chief guest in the lions' den. Referring to the resentment which some people felt about Treasury control and investigations, Mr. Macleod said that such investigations were inseparable from a national health service. An industry of the importance and with the achievements of the British pharmaceutical industry had no need to fear these investigations. He himself was very conscious of the contribution the industry made to the life and health of the nation.

Ceremony at Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre.—On January 4 portraits of Lord Nuffield and the late Mr. G. R. Girdlestone, F.R.C.S., were unveiled at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre, Oxford, by the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Mr. A. H. SMITH, and Professor J. TRUETA (in the absence of Lord Nuffield). Speaking at the ceremony, Sir ROBERT MCCARRISON said that, not long after qualifying, Mr. Girdlestone had injured himself in a motor-cycle accident, and after this he decided to devote his life to the care of cripples. His work extended steadily, but by 1930 the huts of the orthopaedic centre were beginning to deteriorate. Lord Nuffield had then provided money to rebuild the hospital, and it was reopened in 1933 as the Wingfield-Morris Orthopaedic Hospital. Mr. Girdlestone always had a feeling of mission in life; he had not only got the hospital going but had imprinted on it his own spirit of service, friendliness, and happiness. Professor TRUETA said that Lord Nuffield and Mr. Girdlestone had met early in their lives. Although different in temperament and ideals, between them they had been able to make the hospital what it was to-day. The portrait of Lord Nuffield, by John Whalley, was presented by Lady Nuffield. Mr. Girdlestone's portrait, painted from a photograph by Frank Eastman, was subscribed for by patients and friends.

E.B.S. at Work.—The Emergency Bed Service invites all hospital admission officers in the Greater London area to visit the service's operations room at Fielden House, 28, London Bridge Street, London, S.E.1, to study its work. An appointment should be made by telephone (HOP 7181).

Sir Allen Daley has been elected chairman of the National Association for Maternal and Child Welfare.

COMING EVENTS

Liverpool Medical Dinner.—The annual dinner for past and present medical students of Liverpool University will be held on February 3 at the Bluecoat Hall, Bluecoat Chambers, at 7.30 for 8 p.m. Mr. A. A. GEMMELL, P.R.C.O.G., will be the guest of honour. Tickets (21s.) from H. DINNICK, Medical School, Liverpool.

Hunterian Oration.—Sir CECIL WAKELEY, Bt., will deliver the Hunterian Oration at 4 p.m. on February 14 at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields. He will speak on "Hunter and Surgical Research."

Fourteenth International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry.—The congress, which covers organic chemistry, will be held in Zurich from July 21 to 27. All those wishing to participate are asked to notify the secretary-general, XIVth International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry, Zurich, 1, Switzerland, not later than February 15.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

A fee is charged or a ticket is required for attending lectures marked ●. Application should be made first to the institution concerned.

Saturday, January 22

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS.—10 a.m., clinical demonstration by Mr. D. Trevor.

Monday, January 24

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. E. Stengel: lecture-demonstration.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.—8.30 p.m., discussion to be introduced by Mr. D. MacG. Jackson and Dr. W. M. Levitt: Burns and their Treatment.

Tuesday, January 25

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Dr. Janet Vaughan: Radiation Effects on Bone.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. G. C. Wells: Lupus Erythematosus.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Wright-Fleming Theatre, 5 p.m., Dr. J. D. S. Flew: Induction of Labour.

Wednesday, January 26

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE: SECTION OF PSYCHIATRY.—8 p.m., Dr. M. S. Jones: Concept of a Therapeutic Community.

HARVEIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON.—8.15 p.m., annual general meeting. Presidential Address by Dr. R. Cove-Smith: Fitness, Facts and Fallacies.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. J. O. Oliver: Pathology of Lupus Erythematosus.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Professor F. C. Ormerod: Types of Deafness.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Dr. C. E. Dukes: Pathology of Calculous Disease.

NOTTINGHAM MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—8.30 p.m., Mr. J. H. Kellgren: Rheumatism.

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: FOOD GROUP.—At Chemical Society, Burlington House, W., 6.30 p.m., meeting of Nutrition Panel. Mr. E. M. Learmonth, M.Sc., F.R.I.C.: Soya in the Field of Nutrition.

Thursday, January 27

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Professor C. H. Gray: Chemistry of the Porphyrins.

GLASGOW UNIVERSITY MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Glasgow University Union, 7 p.m., Debate with Royal Medical Society.

LIVERPOOL MEDICAL INSTITUTION.—8 p.m., Dr. A. S. Woodcock: Diagnosis of Gynaecological Conditions by the Examination of Smears; Dr. D. G. Miller: Diagnosis of Carcinoma of the Lung by Examination of the Sputum; Dr. J. H. Pettit: Histological Study of "Leucoplakia Vulvae."

LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Medical Society of London, 8.30 p.m., Dr. Macdonald Critchley: The Body Image.

RENAL ASSOCIATION.—At the Ciba Foundation, 4.30 p.m., Mr. D. Innes Williams and Dr. R. Pugh: Renal Hypoplasias; Dr. S. W. Stanbury and Dr. M. D. Milne: Base Losing Nephritis.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian Lecture by Mr. H. B. Stallard: Retinoblastoma Treated by Radon Seeds and Radium Disks.

ROYAL MEDICAL SOCIETY, Edinburgh.—At Glasgow, 8 p.m., debate with Glasgow University Medico-Chirurgical Society. Motion: That the Resident is the Cinderella of the National Health Service.

ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY.—At Physiology Department, Medical School, Small's Wynd, Dundee, 5 p.m., Dr. J. W. Smith: Postural Mechanism of Joints.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5 p.m., Dr. J. H. Paterson: neurology demonstration.

SOCIETY FOR ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY: WESTERN SECTION.—At Bristol University, 7 p.m., Dr. E. Windle Taylor: Recent Advances in the Bacteriological Examination of Water.

Friday, January 28

●INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., clinical demonstration by Dr. S. C. Gold: Lupus Erythematosus.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., clinical demonstration by Mr. V. C. Thompson: Tumours of the Lung I.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—3.30 p.m., Mr. Maxwell P. Ellis: Ulcers of the Mouth and Pharynx.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—(1) 2 p.m., Mr. B. McN. Truscott: Carcinoma of the Female Breast. (2) 4 p.m., Dr. H. S. Banks: Question and Answer on Common Infectious Diseases.

●ROYAL FACULTY OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW.—5 p.m., Dr. E. McC. McGirt: Radioactive Isotopes.

ROYAL MEDICAL SOCIETY, Edinburgh.—8 p.m., Dissertation by Mr. A. A. Russell: Medicine and Atomic Warfare.

ROYAL MICROSCOPICAL SOCIETY.—At King's College, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 6 p.m., Dr. Geoffrey Bourne, D.Phil.: The Living Cell.

Saturday, January 29

●UNITED NATIONS STUDENT ASSOCIATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 2 to 7 p.m., conference on World Health.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Lawler.—On January 6, 1955, to Sylvia D. Lawler, M.D., wife of L. J. Lawler, 34, Wolsey Road, London, N., a son—Anthony John.

Suchett-Kaye.—On December 29, 1954, to Dr. Beryl (formerly White), wife of A. I. Suchett-Kaye, M.D., M.R.C.P., a son—Richard St. John Clarence.

Tucker.—On January 5, 1955, at the Rubislaw Nursing Home, Aberdeen, to Helen (formerly Rennie), wife of Dr. Hugh M. Tucker, Urquhart Villa, Lossiemouth, Morayshire, a sister for Malcolm, Gillie, and Mandy.

Sally Ann Richardson.

Warren Browne.—On January 8, 1955, at King's College Hospital, London, S.E., to Muriel, M.B., Ch.B. (formerly James), wife of Dr. D. Warren Browne, of Cowes, Isle of Wight, a daughter.

DEATHS

Devitt.—On December 26, 1954, at Hermanus, Natal, South Africa. Denys Christian Devitt, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.F.A. R.C.S., formerly of Northwood, and Ruislip, Middlesex, aged 48.