

In his summing-up, Mr. Justice Gould said that the jury had to decide whether the defendants were negligent in expressing the belief that Mr. Quie was of unsound mind. Had they exercised reasonable care in making inquiries and in coming to their conclusions as a result of their examination of Mr. Quie and the information they had received? It was for the jury to consider whether these three medical men, not one of whom had any financial interest in the matter, had been negligent or acted in bad faith in this matter or not.

The jury, after an absence of one hour, returned unanimous verdicts in favour of the three doctors.

FINED FOR FORGERY

[FROM OUR MEDICO-LEGAL CORRESPONDENT]

Reginald Morgan Ford, of Bedminster, Bristol, after obtaining a Swedish diploma in chiropody and physiotherapy, set up in practice as a physiotherapist in Bristol. He then entered Bristol University as a medical student, but a year later was expelled for breaches of discipline. He thereupon erased the central portion of a letter he had received from the General Medical Council, and inserted in its place a paragraph saying that he was a graduate in medicine and held the Bristol University degrees of M.B. and Ch.B.

Armed with this letter Ford got employment with several local doctors, and finally became locumtenent to Dr. W. B. Williams, of Knowle, during an illness. It was only when Dr. Williams decided to keep him on as assistant and wrote to the Bristol Executive Council that it was discovered that Ford's name was not on the *Medical Register*. Ford at first asserted that his name had been left out by mistake, but when taxed a second time by Dr. Williams admitted the truth.

Ford was indicted at Bristol Quarter Sessions for forging a letter from the chief clerk to the General Medical Council purporting to show that he was a qualified doctor. Sentencing¹ him to a fine of £100, the Recorder said that it was an exceptional case with startling mitigating features. Ford had possessed sufficient skill to satisfy those who had become his patients, and had been careful during his employment as assistant not in any way to abuse the professional position he had wrongly assumed. Apart from the bad example, he did not appear to have done any harm. He was given three months in which to pay the fine.

OPERATION ON WRONG KNEE

Damages of £40 and costs were awarded to a 5-year-old boy by Judge Allan Walmsley at Blackpool county court on March 30 for pain and suffering caused after a surgical registrar at Blackpool Victoria Hospital had operated by mistake on the wrong knee to remove a broken needle. The boy, Anthony John Sargeant, of Newcastle-under-Lyme, was awarded damages against the Blackpool and Fylde Hospital Management Committee.

The plaintiff's case was that he was admitted to the hospital with a piece of broken sewing-machine needle in his left knee. The surgeon, Mr. F. Galea, was apparently misled by the little boy and operated on the right knee. The mistake was realized, and after another operation the needle was removed from the other knee. There was no complaint of permanent disability to the right knee, but negligence was admitted by the hospital.

The boy's mother said the surgeon had told her he had made an incision into the boy's right knee because the boy insisted that that was where pain was. Later she took the boy to her own doctor, and on both wounds there was yellow pus. He could only walk stiff-legged. After visiting the doctor on about six occasions the boy was discharged. Following the first visit the doctor told her to keep the boy off his feet for fourteen days. She admitted that when the stitches were removed at the hospital there was no sign of sepsis on either of the wounds.

¹ *Bristol Evening News*, April 4, 1955.

Mr. William Lamont, consultant orthopaedic surgeon, said that having examined the boy he was not satisfied that the knee had been septic, because the sores on the knees were not thick and did not indicate previous infection. The scars would always be visible but not noticeable. Mr. Lamont added that the needle had penetrated just under the surface of the skin. A 1½-in. (3.8-cm.) incision was necessary to remove it, but it was not necessary to cut beyond ½ in. (1.2 cm.) deep.

Summing up, Judge Walmsley said the boy must have suffered additional pain by having a second operation and must have suffered handicap in moving about and playing. He also had the further handicap of a second scar. There appeared to have been a clerical error at the hospital which had an effect on the mistake. The judge stressed, however, that the mistake should not reflect on the surgeon's professional skill or competence, but he should have examined the radiograph with more "scrutinous care."

The Medical Defence Union instructed Messrs. Hempsons, solicitors, to act for Mr. Galea.

DANGEROUS DRIVING CONVICTION

[FROM OUR MEDICO-LEGAL CORRESPONDENT]

Defending himself on summonses² for dangerous driving contrary to s. 11 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, and for exceeding the 30 m.p.h. speed limit, Dr. P. J. Moriarty, of Bradford, suggested to the magistrates that as he was driving a midwife in his car to an urgent case his car had become an ambulance and that accordingly he was privileged under the Highway Code to exceed the speed limit like the police, firemen, and ambulance drivers. The evidence was that Dr. Moriarty had received an urgent evening call and was taking a district midwife with him to the case. His car was followed by two police officers along a road at 35 to 47 m.p.h. through two lots of traffic lights into another road, where it overtook two lines of traffic in some places and went through traffic lights at a road junction with its headlights flashing at 40 m.p.h., so that a woman who was crossing the road had to run to avoid being knocked down. After the clerk to the justices had pointed out that any privileges which police, firemen, or ambulance drivers might have under the Highway Code must be exercised consistently with safe driving, the chairman said that he disagreed with the suggestion that Dr. Moriarty's car had become for the time being an ambulance. The case of dangerous driving was found proved and a fine of £25 imposed, and a further fine of £5 was imposed for exceeding the speed limit.

Dr. Moriarty indicated that he would consider an appeal.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

The Gotch Memorial Prize for 1955 has been awarded to George Jamieson Ross McHardy, B.A., of Brasenose College.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

In Congregation on January 22 the following medical degrees were conferred:

M.B., B.Chir.—J. T. N. Williams, J. H. C. Hunt, J. B. Pond, J. D. Ellis, *R. A. Carpenter, *P. A. Eckstein.
M.B.—J. N. Godlee, *P. J. D. Kirk, *I. McL. Flowers, *T. D. Carter, L. H. Blonstein, G. J. M. Milton-Thompson, C. B. Mortimer, G. C. Spackman, *A. H. Labrum, *J. N. Bodger, *C. F. Ridley, J. W. Blaxill, L. H. Hurrell, J. N. Rea, *D. H. Cameron, *R. Schram, Claudia M. B. Grigson.

*By proxy.

UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN

SCHOOL OF PHYSIC, TRINITY COLLEGE

The following candidates have been awarded the Diploma in Gynaecology and Obstetrics:

S. K. Chattopadhyay, N. J. Choksey, Rosalie J. Gollan, Sister Mary Hyacinthe, M. A. J. Khan, E. S. Linton, S. Malhotra, P. O'Shea, H. B. Perera, Olga M. Rampersaud, A. Rosin, B. Saha, Ma Khin Aye Si, Eunice S. Simon, M. El K. A. Tarshouby.

² *Yorkshire Observer*, March 26, 1955.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

Mr. A. C. H. Bell has been appointed part-time Director of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the Westminster Medical School from October 1, 1954.

The following have been recognized as teachers of the University in the subjects indicated in parentheses: *University College Hospital Medical School*: Dr. R. E. Bonham Carter (Children's Diseases); Dr. R. W. Cope (Anaesthetics); Mr. B. J. Harries (Surgery); Dr. R. F. Tredgold (Mental Diseases (Psychological Medicine)). *King's College Hospital Medical School*: Dr. B. S. Cardell (Pathology). *Westminster Medical School*: Mr. C. E. Drew and Mr. J. P. Reidy (Surgery); Dr. R. D. Tonkin (Medicine).

Dr. P. D. Samman has been granted probationary recognition as a teacher of dermatology at Westminster Medical School for two years from February, 1955.

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

The following candidates have satisfied the examiners at the examination indicated:

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—*Part II*: H. L. English, P. A. L. Scott, B. F. Whitehead. *Part I*: L. Grimshaw, E. Howarth, D. F. Potter, K. E. Schmidt, Mrs. Irene Waga.

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

CH.M.—L. F. Tinckler.
DIPLOMA IN RADIOLOGY (RADIODIAGNOSIS).—*Part I*: R. S. Miller, F. P. Peach, V. Rogers, M. C. Winter.

DIPLOMA IN RADIOLOGY (RADIOTHERAPY).—*Part I*: B. Lall, S. H. M. Zaidi.

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

Dr. J. R. Fountain has been appointed Senior Registrar and Tutor in General Medicine and Mr. F. G. Smiddy Senior Registrar and Tutor in General Surgery at the United Leeds Hospitals for an initial period from a date to be decided until March 31, 1956.

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

Dr. W. Whitaker has been appointed full-time Senior Lecturer in Medicine and Mr. D. H. Randall and Mr. D. J. Robertson part-time Clinical Teachers in Surgery.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College held on January 13, with Sir Harry Platt, President, in the chair, the deaths of Sir Arthur Keith (Past Conservator of the Museum and Master of the Buckston Browne Farm) and Mr. R. J. Willan (Past Member of Council) were reported and the Council unanimously adopted resolutions of condolence.

A Moynihan Lectureship was awarded to Professor H. Olivecrona, of Stockholm.

Diplomas of Fellowship of the Faculty of Anaesthetists were granted to Sheila McC. Wilson and A. H. Kasasian.

Diplomas were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, as follows:

DIPLOMA IN LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLGY.—S. E. M. Bates, C. Chowdhary, A. R. N. Dhanji, D. A. T. Farrar, G. F. Fennell, A. N. Griffith, G. M. Homan, B. Jha, M. S. Khan, P. M. Kothary, M. V. Kurian, J. T. Lees, J. A. M. Martin, N. G. McGuire, J. R. Purvis, D. Russell, J. R. Samuel, S. D. Sethi, T. M. Srinivasan, M. M. Wain, W. M. K. Wijetunga.

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—Catherine K. Adam, R. D. Allan, H. B. Aronson, A. C. Ashton, L. M. V. Attygalle, P. S. Barclay, K. W. Baruch, K. Biss, J. A. Blundell, Janet C. Brash, June E. Brett, H. D. Browne, Mavis Buck, Fodla B. K. Burnell, Anthea M. Bushby, P. R. Chalk, Peggy J. Clark-Roberts, Sheila R. Clarke, J. A. Cluver, I. McL. Cochran, A. R. Cohen, Phyllis Connor C. M. Conway, H. M. C. Corfield, L. G. B. Cumpston, P. N. Cunliffe, Muriel D. Dalby, Margaret C. D. Daniel, W. R. Daniel, E. J. D'Arcy, J. Davenport, J. W. Desmond, J. D. Dickson, Maria T. D'Oon Asensi, B. A. Dowdell, H. D. Doyle, Winifred B. Drew, Beatrice M. Evans, Rosemary A. Faull, L. Feldman, P. Flintan, B. G. Francis, J. E. S. Gould, Elizabeth Green, J. Greenan, N. R. Gupta, S. J. Halkett, I. M. Hallack, G. G. Harrison, H. I. Heffernan, R. S. T. Hey, J. D. Holdsworth, Thelma B. Hoyle, Elaine V. Hulse, Molly C. Jacklin, J. R. E. Jenkins, E. G. R. Jones, K. Kennedy, A. R. Kerr, A. Kilpatrick, D. W. King, M. Lauchlan, Lucy T. Lee, Heather J. Lopert, Dorothy J. Lucas, G. F. Lynam, I. Macphail, Esme D. Martin, P. M. Mehta, Catherine H. McK. Mellen, Morag J. R. Millar, W. More, B. D. Morison, Annie Mortell, S. M. MacD. O'Brien-Moran, Helen B. O'Hea, R. H. Oram, Buddug Phillips, A. P. Poole, Freda E. Prince-White, T. C. Probyn, K. R. Rama Rao, Stella J. E. Randall, M. V. Rao, J. T. Russell, Yvonne K. Russell, D. K. Sen, Margaret H. N. Smith, B. Solomon, Jean P. Spalding, H. Stabile, H. W. Stanley, A. Thorogood, J. N. Thorpe, F. Turrettini, C. H. van Hasselt, I. R. Verner, N. A. Vincent, Betty R. Warltier, A. N. E. Watt, R. P. Wise, W. S. Wren, T. M. Young.

DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMOLOGY.—C. Chowdhary.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIOLOGY.—J. W. Logan.

DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.—J. A. Kay.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND VITAL STATISTICS

Summary for British Isles for week ending April 2 (No. 13) and corresponding week 1954.

Figures of cases are for the countries shown and London administrative county. Figures of deaths and births are for the 160 great towns in England and Wales (London included), London administrative county, the 17 principal towns in Scotland, the 10 principal towns in Northern Ireland, and the 14 principal towns in Eire.

A blank space denotes disease not notifiable or no return available. The table is based on information supplied by the Registrars-General of England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland, and Eire, the Ministry of Health and Local Government of N. Ireland, and the Department of Health of Eire.

CASES in Countries and London	1955					1954				
	Eng. & Wales	Land.	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire	Eng. & Wales	Land.	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire
Diphtheria ..	9	1	3	0		22	1	11	1	1
Dysentery ..	1,869	120	417	26	3	1,642	266	438	3	5
Encephalitis, acute..	4	0		0		6	0			
Enteric fever:										
Typhoid ..	2	0	0	0		1	0	4	0	1
Paratyphoid ..	17	4	2	0		11	2	1	1	0
Food-poisoning ..	186	14		0		178	18		0	
Infective enteritis or diarrhoea under 2 years ..				14	12				7	26
Measles* ..	32,324	4103	505	498	125	2,330	45	161	55	498
Meningococcal infection ..	41	1	13	1	3	39	5	17	2	2
Ophthalmia neonatorum ..	43	2	8	0		30	5	5	0	
Pneumonia† ..	1,050	72	338	18	27	529	29	250	12	2
Poliomyelitis, acute:										
Paralytic ..	5	2				14	0			
Non-paralytic ..	1	1	3	0		7	0		2	1
Puerperal fever§ ..	224	41	17	1		245	42	16	0	
Scarlet fever ..	822	49	97	55	29	1,474	76	153	40	43
Tuberculosis:										
Respiratory ..	704	75	133	15		777	85	144	34	
Non-respiratory ..	78	1	25	5		103	7	19	5	
Whooping-cough ..	1,849	156	115	43	36	2,546	105	400	45	42

DEATHS in Great Towns	1955					1954				
	Eng. & Wales	Land.	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire	Eng. & Wales	Land.	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire
Diphtheria ..	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery ..	0	0		0		0	0		0	
Encephalitis, acute..		0			0			0		0
Enteric fever ..	1	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	
Infective enteritis or diarrhoea under 2 years ..	7	0	2	1	2	11	1	0	2	0
Influenza ..	59	5	2	1	9	6	1	0	0	0
Measles ..		0	0	0	1			0	0	1
Meningococcal infection ..		1	0					0	0	
Pneumonia ..	398	60	30	19	22	235	28	25	9	7
Poliomyelitis, acute	1	0		0	0	0	0			0
Scarlet fever ..		0	0	0	0			0	0	0
Tuberculosis:										
Respiratory ..	89	15	21	2	10	99	10	6	5	8
Non-respiratory ..		1	1	0	0		2	0	0	0
Whooping-cough ..	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
Deaths 0-1 year ..	239	35	34	3	11	212	17	26	8	30
Deaths (excluding stillbirths) ..	6,840	1025	703	153	266	5,438	720	721	125	211
LIVE BIRTHS ..	8,129	1181	1009	236	478	8,231	1227	982	217	448
STILLBIRTHS ..	189	32	23			218	23	26		

* Measles not notifiable in Scotland, whence returns are approximate.

† Includes primary and influenzal pneumonia.

§ Includes puerperal pyrexia.

COMING EVENTS

The Montreal Conference.—"Medical Aspects of Traffic Accidents," May 4 and 5. Invitations and details from Dr. HAROLD ELLIOTT, Queen Mary Veterans Hospital, 4565, Queen Mary Road, Montreal.

International Hospital Federation.—The Ninth International Hospital Congress will be held at Lucerne from May 29 to June 3. The central theme will be "The Mental Well-being of Patients in the General Hospital." Details from the Federation, 10, Old Jewry, London, E.C.2.

Canadian Neurological Society.—The seventh annual meeting will be held in Toronto, June 16-19. Visiting physicians and scientists are welcome at scientific sessions. Details from office of the secretary, 730, Medical Arts Building, Toronto.

NEW ISSUES

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases.—The new issue (Vol. 14, No. 1) is now available. The contents include:

HEBERDEN ORATION. Robert M. Stecher.
CARDIAC CHANGES IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS. Nils Egelius, Olle Göhle, Eric Jonsson, and Fredrik Wahlgren.
HUMAN SKIN COLLAGEN FROM DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS BEFORE AND AFTER COLLAGENASE DIGESTION. Madeline E. Keech.
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS: DYE RETENTION STUDIES AND COMPARISON OF DYE AND RADIOACTIVELY LABELLED RED CELL METHODS FOR MEASUREMENT OF BLOOD VOLUME. Allan St. John Dixon, Savitri Ramcharan, and Marion W. Ropes.
NATURE OF ANAEMIA IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS. I. METABOLISM OF IRON. L. M. H. Roy, W. R. M. Alexander, and J. J. R. Duthie.
ACTION OF HYPOPHYSAL GROWTH AND THYROTROPIC HORMONES IN THYROIDECTOMIZED RATS. E. Salgado.
ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS. F. Dudley Hart. With an Appendix by N. F. MacLagan.
THERAPY OF "FELTY'S SYNDROME." Philip Ellman, Leon Cudkowicz, and J. Stanley Elwood.
A SIMPLE POSTURE METER. R. Harris.

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British Heart Journal.—The next issue (Vol. 12, No. 2) is now available. The contents include:

PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS WITH PULMONARY HYPERTENSION. William Whitaker, Donald Heath, and James W. Brown.
CALIBRATION OF AN ELECTRONIC PHONOCARDIOGRAPH. By A. W. Sloan and J. R. Greer.
THE EARLY DIASTOLIC SOUND OF CONSTRICTIVE PERICARDITIS. Patrick Mounsey.
THE RESTING HYPERVENTILATION OF CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE. R. J. Shephard.
THE BLOOD FLOW IN THE RIGHT ATRIUM AND SUPERIOR VENA CAVA IN TRICUSPID INCOMPETENCE. Oskar Müller and John Shillingford.
A PHOTOMETRIC METHOD FOR ESTIMATING THE OXYGEN SATURATION OF SMALL BLOOD SAMPLES. L. Molyneux and E. A. Pask.
SOME VARIATIONS IN THE SHAPE OF THE PRESSURE CURVE IN THE HUMAN RIGHT VENTRICLE. Peter Harris.
SECONDARY TUMOURS OF THE HEART AND PERICARDIUM. Robert B. Goudie.
THE ELECTROCARDIOGRAM IN PRIMARY ENDOCARDIAL FIBROELASTOSIS. Peter Vlad, Richard D. Rowe, and John D. Keith.
AORTIC VALVULAR STENOSIS WITH COARCTATION OF THE AORTA. D. E. Smith and M. B. Matthews.
THROMBOSIS OF THE MAIN PULMONARY ARTERIES. Oscar Magidson and George Jacobson.
THE INTRACARDIAC ELECTROGRAM AS AN AID IN CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION. D. Emslie-Smith.
THE ATRIAL PRESSURE TRACING IN CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE. R. J. Shephard.
THE RESULTS OF VALVOTOMY FOR SIMPLE PULMONARY STENOSIS. Maurice Campbell and Sir Russell Brock.
UPPER ATRIO-VENTRICULAR NODAL BEATS PRECIPITATED BY VENTRICULAR EXTRASYSTOLES WITH RETROGRADE CONDUCTION. A. Schott.
PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS WITH AN ABNORMAL AORTIC VALVE. R. E. Bonham-Carter, C. H. M. Walker, R. Daley, M. B. Matthews, and W. E. Medd.

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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, April 23

KENT PAEDIATRIC AND CHILD HEALTH SOCIETY.—At Queen's Head Hotel, Maidstone, 3 p.m., eighth annual general meeting.

Monday, April 25

● HUNTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Talbot Restaurant, 64, London Wall, E.C., 7 for 7.30 p.m., annual general (dinner) meeting. Professor E. N. da C. Andrade, F.R.S.: Isotopes.
MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.—8.30 p.m., Second Lettsomian Lecture by Dr. J. G. Scadding: Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
NATIONAL SPASTICS SOCIETY.—At Old Council Hall, Bromley Road, Beckenham, 8 p.m., Dr. and Mrs. K. Bobath: Working Methods of Treatment in the Field of Cerebral Palsy.

Tuesday, April 26

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—3.45 p.m., Arnott Demonstration by Professor R. J. Last: Form and Structure of Muscles.
ROYAL STATISTICAL SOCIETY: STUDY CIRCLE ON MEDICAL STATISTICS.—At Westminster Medical School, 6 p.m., Dr. J. N. Morris: Some Hypotheses on Coronary Artery Disease.
WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., neurological demonstration by Dr. B. G. Parsons-Smith.

Wednesday, April 27

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE: SECTION OF PSYCHIATRY.—At Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, 8 p.m., clinical meeting.
LONDON ASSOCIATION OF THE MEDICAL WOMEN'S FEDERATION.—At Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine, 8.30 p.m., short papers and discussion: Some Obstetric Problems in General Practice. Short papers by Dr. Dorothy M. Parkin: The Rh Factor; Dr. Helen Payling Wright: Thrombosis; Miss Josephine Barnes: Toxaemia.
MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.—8.30 p.m., Third Lettsomian Lecture by Dr. J. G. Scadding: Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
OSLER CLUB OF LONDON.—At 1, Wimpole Street, W., 8.15 p.m., meeting in honour of Antheleme Brillat-Savarin (born April 1, 1755). J. I. M. Jones, D.Sc.: Savour, Science, and Brillat-Savarin. Discussion, Professor S. J. Cowell and Mr. L. R. Ring.
ROYAL SOCIETY OF ARTS.—2.30 p.m., Peter Le Neve Foster Lecture by Sir Basil Henriques, J.P.: Detection and Prevention of Anti-social Behaviour in Young Persons.
ST. MARYLEBONE HOSPITAL FOR PSYCHIATRY AND CHILD GUIDANCE.—5.30 p.m., Dr. A. F. McGlashan: Principles in Psychotherapy.
SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: FOOD GROUP.—At the Town Hall, Bournemouth, 10 a.m., joint meeting with Royal Sanitary Institute. Subject: Contribution of Processing Techniques to the Nutritional Value of Food. Professor J. Yudkin: Normal Processing Techniques; Dr. A. J. Amos, Ph.D.: Fortification.

Thursday, April 28

HONYMAN GILLESPIE LECTURE.—At University New Buildings, Edinburgh, 5 p.m., Professor G. J. Romanes: Motor Cells of the Spinal Cord.
LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Medical Society of London, 8.30 p.m., Dr. I. R. Marre: Common Skin Diseases.
LONDON UNIVERSITY.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., special university lecture in pathology by Professor R. J. Dubos (Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research): Micro-environment of Inflammation or Metchnikoff Revisited.
NUFFIELD ORTHOPAEDIC CENTRE.—At Wingfield-Morris Orthopaedic Hospital, 8.30 p.m., Mr. R. G. Taylor: Brown-Séquard Syndrome following Trauma.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian Lecture by Professor W. T. Cooke: Nutritional and Metabolic Factors in the Aetiology and Treatment of Regional Ileitis.
ROYAL SOCIETY.—4.30 p.m., Bakerian Lecture by Professor M. L. E. Oliphant, F.R.S. (Australia): Acceleration of Charged Particles to Very High Energies.
ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY.—At Physiology Department, Medical School, Small's Wynd, Dundee, 5 p.m., Dr. W. Feldberg: A New Experimental Approach to the Pharmacology of the Central Nervous System.
SURREY INTER-HOSPITAL PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION.—At Netherne Hospital, Coudsdon, Surrey, 8 p.m., clinical meeting. Papers by Dr. I. C. White, Dr. J. P. S. Robertson, and Dr. R. K. Freudenberg.

Friday, April 29

CAMBRIDGE MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Addenbrooke's Hospital, 3 p.m., Dr. J. D. Spillane: Neurology in General Practice.
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., clinical demonstration by Dr. J. G. Scadding.
INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLGY.—3.30 p.m., Mr. J. C. Ballantyne: Use of Hearing-aids.
MEDICAL SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF VENEREAL DISEASES.—At 11, Chandos Street, W., 7.30 p.m., short papers by Surgeon Lieutenant P. R. Oliver, R.N., Dr. G. W. Czinka, and Dr. R. S. Morton.
ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Wright-Fleming Theatre, 5 p.m., Mr. I. M. Jackson: Ectopic Gestation.
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON: DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACOLOGY.—At Physiology Theatre, Gower Street, W.C., 5.15 p.m., Cushny Memorial Lecture by Dr. S. E. Dicker: Renal Clearances in Mammalian Kidneys.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Carter.—On April 7, 1955, to June, wife of Dr. J. K. Carter, Redhill County Hospital, Surrey, a daughter—Heather.
Clarke.—On April 14, 1955, at Gosforth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Catherine, wife of Mr. Patrick Clarke, F.R.C.S., a son.
MacLeod.—On April 14, 1955, at Nuffield House, Guy's Hospital, London, S.E., to Joan, wife of Dr. Ian S. MacLeod, a son—Hamish.
Turner Warwick.—On March 25, 1955, to Margaret (formerly Harvey Moore), M.R.C.P., wife of Richard Trevor Turner Warwick, F.R.C.S., M.R.C.P., a sister for Gillian—Lynne Frances.
Vowles.—On April 9, 1955, at Cardiff, to Mary, wife of Mr. Keith Vowles, M.B., F.R.C.S., a daughter—Susan Jane.
Wilkinson.—On April 12, 1955, at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, London, W., to Patricia (formerly Piper), wife of Dr. A. P. H. Wilkinson, a brother for Timothy and Robin—Nicholas Simon John.

MARRIAGES

Davis—Liddle.—On April 2, 1955, at Beverley Minster, Yorks, Leslie Russell Davis, M.D., of the Royal Free Hospital, London, W.C., to Margaret Jean Liddle, S.R.N., of Cottingham, Yorkshire.
Trigg—Jordan.—On April 16, 1955, at St. Barnabas' Church, Dulwich Village, London, S.E., Kenneth H. Trigg, M.B., B.S., of Surbiton, Surrey, to Sylvia Jordan, M.B., B.S., of Herne Hill, London, S.E.

DEATHS

Barbour.—On April 12, 1955, at 97, Allevyn Park, Dulwich, London, S.E., Thomas Barbour, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., aged 75.
Mitchell.—On April 9, 1955, at The Mount, Topcliffe, near Thirsk, Yorks, Talbot Carter Mitchell, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 78.
Roche.—On April 7, 1955, Alfred Reginald Roche, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of 13, North Park Avenue, Leeds, Yorks, aged 79.