

practitioners (although they would not themselves be performing the task in the first stage) so that they would be well informed to deal with any requests for advice from their patients. Already 105 local health authorities in England and Wales had applied for approval of their plans.

**Synthetic Detergents.**—The recommendations of the committee on synthetic detergents are being studied. The committee's report will be published as soon as possible.

**Cyprus Hospital.**—Part of the new hospital at Paphos will be in use by mid-March. Since the earthquake in September, 1953, patients have been accommodated in temporary tented accommodation, which has provided a continuous hospital service.

## Medico-Legal

### ACTION AGAINST GLASGOW DOCTOR FAILS

[FROM OUR MEDICO-LEGAL CORRESPONDENT]

In November, 1951, Dr. John McDiarmuid Hanley, of Glasgow, was giving his patient, Mrs. Jemina Galloway, a course of penicillin injections when the needle broke while he was withdrawing it. A series of operations failed to remove the broken fragment from the patient's abdomen.

Mrs. Galloway brought an action for £2,500 damages against Dr. Hanley, alleging that he had been negligent in allowing the needle to break. Dr. Hanley's defence was that the needle was of a suitable type, that he had previously given more than 2,000 similar injections, that in this case he had followed the usual and proper technique, and that the needle, as not uncommonly happens, had broken accidentally while he was withdrawing it without any want of care on his part.

In July, 1954, the case was heard before Lord Patrick and a jury, who found unanimously in favour of Dr. Hanley, but on appeal to the First Division the court on the ground of misdirection sent the case back for a new trial.

This took place before Lord Strachan and a jury and lasted for four days. In his summing-up on February 16, 1956,<sup>1</sup> Lord Strachan directed the jury that the doctor could be liable in damages only if they were satisfied that the needle broke as a result of his fault. The mere fact that the needle broke and was left in Mrs. Galloway's body did not entitle her to an award of damages, however much they might sympathize with her, and they must bear in mind the possibility that accidents might happen. They had to decide whether the doctor failed to take the care which was required of him—that was, to act with ordinary and reasonable care and skill. Mrs. Galloway had to prove that there was a practice of doing what she alleged, that the doctor had not adopted that practice, and that the length of needle which he used was one which no professional man of ordinary skill would have used if acting with ordinary care. All these things must be proved to establish liability.

The jury unanimously found in favour of Dr. Hanley.

The Medical and Dental Defence Union of Scotland acted for Dr. Hanley.

### EXTRAVENOUS INJECTION

In an action tried at the Liverpool Court of Passage on December 19, 1955, Mrs. Catherine Prout alleged that Dr. I. P. Crowley, a house-physician at the Walton Hospital, Liverpool, had been negligent in the performance of an intravenous injection of "ferrivenin" in June, 1952, and claimed damages from Dr. Crowley and from the North Liverpool Hospital Management Committee.

The plaintiff, a married woman of 53, was being treated as an in-patient for anaemia, and on three previous occasions Dr. Crowley had successfully injected ferrivenin into a vein of the antecubital fossa of the right arm. On the fourth occasion a small quantity of the substance

entered the tissues surrounding the vein, causing an abscess to develop, which subsequently required the patient's readmission to hospital for treatment.

In her evidence the plaintiff said that at the beginning of the injection she had felt a terrible pain in her arm and that Dr. Crowley had persisted in the injection despite her continued complaints of pain. Cross-examined by Miss Rose Heilbron, Q.C., for Dr. Crowley, the plaintiff said that she had not watched the injection or seen what the doctor was doing, and based her allegation on the fact that, when she complained of pain, Dr. Crowley had said, "I'll have to let the whole lot go now."

Dr. Crowley gave evidence describing his technique, and said that on this occasion the patient complained of pain after he had injected about 1 ml. He had realized that the point of the needle had come out of the vein and at once withdrew the needle and ordered poultices to be applied to the arm. Dr. S. D. McAusland, giving expert evidence for the plaintiff, said that he had given over 120,000 intravenous injections but had never had a case where an adverse reaction had occurred. He agreed that extravascular injections could occur even if good care was taken. Mr. J. B. Oldham, called by the defence, said that it was not always easy to ensure that the point of the needle remained in the vein and that the escape of an irritant solution into the surrounding tissues had happened to him on a number of occasions and, he thought, to practically everyone of experience.

In his judgment, the Presiding Judge, Mr. G. Glynn Blackledge, Q.C., said he was satisfied that the extravascular injection of a small quantity of solution could happen without any negligence on the part of the operator. He held that Dr. Crowley had followed the correct technique and had stopped the injection as soon as he realized that the point of the needle was outside the vein. He found no evidence of negligence on the part of Dr. Crowley, and accordingly gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

The Medical Defence Union instructed Messrs. Hempsons, solicitors, to act for Dr. Crowley.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

Dr. E. O. Field has been elected to a Lectureship in Medical Studies at St. Edmund Hall.

Dr. G. N. C. Crawford has been reappointed Demonstrator in Human Anatomy from October 1, 1956, to September 30, 1961.

### UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Dr. L. H. H. May has been reappointed a Health Service Officer with tenure from May 1, 1956, for five years.

In Congregation on January 28 the following degrees were conferred:

M.B., B.Chir.—\*J. F. H. Keighley, \*S. M. Madeloff, \*D. J. Roberts, D. J. Bartlett, \*D. W. T. Roberts, \*P. G. A. Bloomer, \*M. P. Sherwood, \*F. L. Cole.

M.B.—A. E. Boyo, \*J. H. Li, Lloyd-Thomas, \*W. J. E. McKee, \*D. J. Moorhouse, B. W. G. Orr, A. H. Bottomley, \*F. Heyes, S. Priestman, \*P. J. E. Hubbard, \*N. H. Moynihan, \*Joyce F. Baroa, \*N. L. Burrell, D. King-Price.

\*By proxy.

### UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

The degree of M.S. was awarded by the Senate on January 25 to A. R. Anscombe and P. A. Ring.

Professor J. M. Mackintosh has been renominated as one of the representatives of the University on the Court of Governors of the London School of Economics and Political Science for the year ending December 31, 1956.

Professor L. S. Penrose, F.R.S., has been appointed representative of the University at the first International Congress of Human Genetics to be held at Copenhagen from August 1 to 6, 1956.

The following have been recognized as teachers of the University in the subjects indicated in parentheses: *St. Bartholomew's*

<sup>1</sup> *Scotsman*, February 17, 1956.

*Hospital Medical College*, Dr. A. B. Anderson (Chemical Pathology). *Westminster Medical School*, Dr. R. I. S. Bayliss (Medicine). *Middlesex Hospital Medical School*, Dr. F. Hobbiger (Pharmacology). *St. Mary's Hospital Medical School*, Dr. A. S. Breathnach (Anatomy). *University College*, Dr. O. C. J. Lippold (Physiology). Dr. R. S. Snell has been granted probationary recognition for two years from December, 1955, as a teacher of anatomy at King's College, and Mr. J. S. Tomkinson probationary recognition for one year from December, 1955, as a teacher of obstetrics and gynaecology at Guy's Hospital Medical School.

#### UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

Professor E. Brodie Hughes has been elected an honorary member of the Sociedad de Neurologia y Neurocirurgia of Montevideo.

Professor J. M. Smellie will represent the University at the eighth International Congress of Paediatrics at Copenhagen from July 22 to 27, 1956, and Professor Solly Zuckerman, F.R.S., at the fifth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences at Philadelphia from September 1 to 9, 1956.

Mr. D. M. Morrissey has been appointed part-time Lecturer in Surgery from October 1, 1955.

In Congregation on December 16, 1955, the following degrees were conferred:

M.D.—C. G. Berry, D. L. Crombie.

Ch.M.—J. A. Mantle.

M.B., Ch.B.—E. Anthony, G. Atkins, J. E. Backhouse, B. Baker, J. Bennett, J. A. Binnie, A. H. Brittain, Brenda M. Browne, Nancy G. Campbell, R. H. Cawley, M. J. Daly, J. B. Davies, H. R. Dobson, J. D. Earp, R. I. Froment, H. Gorlah, Daphne E. Mahabir, M. E. T. D. R. Maigrot, S. Middleburgh, D. W. Millard, Helen W. Rogers, M. G. Saunders, L. W. Smith, M. P. Taylor.

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College held on February 9 with Sir Harry Platt, President, in the chair, it was reported that Viscount Crockshank had been elected a trustee of the Hunterian Collection.

The Hallett Prize was awarded to T. N. Shanmugalingam, of Ceylon, and Handcock Prizes to J. G. Cruickshank (University College Hospital Medical School) and P. J. Stiles (Guy's Hospital Medical School).

Diplomas of Fellowship in the Faculty of Anaesthetists were granted to the following successful candidates:

Isabel B. Schooling, Sheila M. Parker, C. R. Jolly, A. H. Phillips, A. J. Merrifield, T. M. Young, A. J. Sims, R. I. Keen, Patricia M. Lumb, Freda E. Prince-White, R. P. Wise, J. L. Anderson, B. E. G. D'Bras, T. Thomson, M. G. Rolfe, N. Laurie Smith, J. C. S. Ainley-Walker, Daphne Burkinshaw, E. J. Delaney, L. Kaufman, M. Marshall, Yee Kit Poon, D. G. R. Wright, B. J. Brandstater, R. J. Genever, O. H. French, A. C. Webster.

Diplomas in Industrial Health and Public Health were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, to the successful candidates whose names were printed in the report of the meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of London in the *Journal* of February 18 (p. 406).

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH

At a quarterly meeting of the College held on February 7, with the President, Sir Stanley Davidson, in the chair, the following were elected Members of the College:

G. L. Montgomery, A. Kenaedy, J. H. F. Brotherston, K. K. Nayak, J. G. Cowley, H. A. S. Joseph, S. Zacharias, J. B. Barr, H. Khosla, M. J. Raymond, J. F. Hare, A. H. Kitchin, R. Pirrie, N. A. Shaikh, P. C. Sikand, A. L. Minhas, J. O'Neill, F. G. Roux, M. G. Williams, R. A. Main, M. L. Suri, D. Glajchen, I. B. Hales, M. Hallowell, P. E. Soysa, B. T. Dave, V. G. Wills, E. Chigier, J. E. Adams, J. T. Hughes, S. Sivasithamparam, S. L. Bhargava, S. Janardhana, R. A. W. Ratcliff, F. M. Naricvala.

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND

At a meeting of the College held on February 3, with the President, Dr. F. J. O'Donnell, in the chair, C. F. Brennan, Joan M. MacCarthy, and N. J. O'Doherty were admitted as Licentiate and Members of the College.

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.—N. J. Choksey, Marie T. Hyde, Mary P. Kent, A. J. M. X. Kerrigan, M. L. Magotra, Elinor D. U. Powell

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—P. Coleman, W. W. Deacon, N. Mark, G. A. Walsh, M. W. Abrams, J. B. La Grange.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND VITAL STATISTICS

Summary for British Isles for week ending February 18 (No. 7) and corresponding week 1955.

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	1956					1955				
	Eng. & Wales	London	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire	Eng. & Wales	London	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire
Diphtheria ..	9	1	5	0	4	16	0	6	0	1
Dysentery ..	1,568	190	200	8	2	1,145	55	285	4	1
Encephalitis, acute ..	2	0		0		3	0	0	0	
Enteric fever: Typhoid ..	0	0	1	0		4	0	0	0	
Paratyphoid ..	7	0	0	0		3	0	3	0	
Food-poisoning ..	88	9		0		112	16		0	
Infective enteritis or diarrhoea under 2 years ..				10	16				12	15
Measles* ..	3,152	61	95	19	111	19,976	2402	236	648	68
Meningococcal infection ..	36	3	13	3	1	43	8	19	5	
Ophthalmia neonatorum ..	28	0		0		48	11	1	0	
Pneumonia† ..	1,187	69	381	23	3	1,020	80	267	47	3
Poliomyelitis, acute: Paralytic ..	12	0	1	4	1	13	2	1	2	0
Non-paralytic ..	6	1								
Puerperal fever‡ ..	238	36	2	1		213	52	8	1	
Scarlet fever ..	850	28	91	47	22	682	28	75	52	27
Tuberculosis: Respiratory ..	664	86	118	15		713	68	128	28	
Non-respiratory ..	73	6	15	4		116	7	17	8	
Whooping-cough ..	1,235	64	105	99	176	1,910	151	192	42	27

DEATHS in Great Towns	1956					1955				
	Eng. & Wales	London	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire	Eng. & Wales	London	Scot.	N. Ire.	Eire
Diphtheria ..	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dysentery ..	1	0		0		0	0		0	
Encephalitis, acute ..		0		0		0				0
Enteric fever ..	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	
Infective enteritis or diarrhoea under 2 years ..	3	0	1	1	1	12	0	3	0	2
Influenza ..	97	13	18	1	2	82	19	7	0	5
Measles ..		0	0	0	0		1	1	1	0
Meningococcal infection ..		1	0				0	0		
Pneumonia ..	602	83	58	12	14	357	73	32	17	14
Poliomyelitis, acute ..	4	0		0		1	0		0	
Scarlet fever ..		0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis: Respiratory ..	97	{ 13 0 }	{ 10 2 }	{ 2 0 }	{ 7 1 }	104	{ 17 1 }	{ 19 0 }	{ 4 1 }	{ 4 0 }
Non-respiratory ..										
Whooping-cough ..	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Deaths 0-1 year ..	266	30	32	11	20	247	32	38	11	18
Deaths (excluding stillbirths) ..	7,946	1,124	809	130	238	6,894	1,085	788	181	219
LIVE BIRTHS ..	7,737	1,171	887	187	349	7,051	1,044	927	211	360
STILLBIRTHS ..	219	17	25			185	22	27		

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

† Includes primary and influenza pneumonia.

‡ Includes puerperal pyrexia.

group, optical group, low temperature group, and the acoustics group. Membership of these groups is open to those working in related specialist fields.

**Ethel Maude Townend Charity**—Dr. ETHEL MAUDE TOWNEND, who died last Christmas Day (see *Journal*, January 14, p. 118), has left about £50,000 to form a trust for "necessitous members of the medical and other professions." Dr. Townend was one of the first women doctors to practise in Hull.

**Dublin University**—The honorary M.D. is to be conferred on Dr. E. R. BOLAND, dean of the medical and dental schools at Guy's Hospital, London, and the honorary M.Ch. on Professor A. K. HENRY, professor of anatomy at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

**Department of Health for Scotland**—Mr. JOHN ANDERSON, deputy secretary of the Scottish Home Department, has been appointed secretary of the Department of Health for Scotland in succession to Mr. H. R. SMITH.

**Dr. E. J. C. Hewitt**, physician superintendent of Rosslynlee and Haddington Mental Hospitals, Midlothian, has been appointed a medical commissioner of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

**Sir Basil Gibson**, chairman of the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board, is to receive the honorary LL.D. of Sheffield University at the annual degree congregation on June 30.

**Dr. Donald Paterson**, formerly physician at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, and now practising in Vancouver, is visiting Britain in April to attend the annual meeting of the British Paediatric Association. He expects to arrive at Liverpool on April 2, and his address in London will be Dorset House, Gloucester Place, N.W.1.

## COMING EVENTS

**Haemophilia Society**—Sir LIONEL WHITBY will give the presidential address at the annual general meeting on March 18 at 3.30 p.m. at St. Pancras Town Hall, Euston Road, London, N.W.1. Doctors interested in the problems of haemophilics will be welcome.

**London Medical Orchestra and the United Hospital Festival Choir**—Concert of music by Handel and Haydn on March 27 at 8.15 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton Road, London, S.W.3. Admission by programme (3s. 6d.) at the door.

**Middle East Medical Assembly**—The sixth Assembly will be held at the American University of Beirut, April 7-9. The programme will include a symposium on cancer. Details from Dr. VIRGIL C. SCOTT, American University of Beirut, Lebanon.

## NEW ISSUES

**Archives of Disease in Childhood**—The new issue (Vol. 31, No. 155) is now available. The contents include:

- EPILEPSY AND CEREBRAL PALSY. Brian H. Kirman.
- ATTACKS OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS IN ASSOCIATION WITH FUSED CERVICAL VERTEBRAE. R. S. Illingworth.
- NEPHRITIS IN CHILDHOOD. Norman S. Clark.
- FIBROCYSTIC DISEASE OF THE PANCREAS IN THE NEWBORN. Albert E. Claireaux.
- FIBROCYSTIC DISEASE OF THE PANCREAS PRESENTING WITH ACUTE SALT DEPLETION. John Rendle-Short.
- A CHEMICAL STUDY OF MUCIN IN FIBROCYSTIC DISEASE OF THE PANCREAS. Charlotte Anderson and Mavis Freeman.
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- THE PATTERN OF THE ELECTROLYTE EXCRETION IN THE URINE OF BABIES BORN TO DIABETIC MOTHERS. Thomas Stapleton.
- THIRTY-THREE CASES OF SUBDURAL EFFUSION IN INFANCY. E. Herzberger, Y. Rotem, and J. Braham.
- BILATERAL WILMS' NEPHROBLASTOMA. Gerald B. Doyle.
- HARLEQUIN FOETUS. I. Kessel and F. C. Friedlander.
- RUPTURE OF THE STOMACH IN THE NEWBORN DUE TO CONGENITAL DEFECTS IN THE GASTRIC MUSCULATURE. P. C. MacGillivray, A. M. Stewart, and A. MacFarlane.
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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.

### Monday, March 12

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Dr. B. G. C. Ackner: Psychiatric Aspects of Epilepsy.

### Tuesday, March 13

CHELSEA CLINICAL SOCIETY.—At Rembrandt Hotel, S.W., 8.30 p.m., discussion to be opened by Sir Gerald Kelly: Art and Anatomy.  
INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. H. S. Williams: Physical Principles of Radiation Physics.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Oliver-Sharpey Lecture by Dr. A. C. Frazer: Studies on Intestinal Absorption in Man.  
ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Wright-Fleming Institute, 5 p.m., Mr. A. W. Bourne: How the Uterus Acts in Labour.  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—4.30 p.m., 21st Biennial Sydney Ringer Memorial Lecture by Professor C. Rimington, F.R.S.: Biosynthesis of Haemoglobin.  
WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. J. N. Milnes: neurological demonstration.

### Wednesday, March 14

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. H. Haber: Benign Ectodermal Tumours of the Skin.  
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. F. P. Lee Lander: Bronchiectasis: Medical Treatment and Prognosis.  
INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Mr. A. Clifford Morson: Non-tuberculous Infections of the Urinary Tract.  
LONDON UNIVERSITY.—At St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School, 5 p.m., special university lecture in pharmacology by Professor O. Schaumann (Innsbruck): Some New Aspects of the Action of Morphine-like Analgesics.  
OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Litchfield Lecture by Professor C. F. W. Illingworth: Pituitary Radon Implants in the Treatment of Late Cancer of the Breast.  
ROYAL FACULTY OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW.—5 p.m., Mr. T. O. Howie: Present-day Treatment of Carcinoma of the Larynx.  
ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HYGIENE.—3.30 p.m., Mr. A. Marsh: Progress Towards Clean Air (illustrated).  
ROYAL MEDICAL SOCIETY, EDINBURGH.—8 p.m., annual extraordinary general meeting.  
ROYAL SOCIETY OF HEALTH.—2.30 p.m., discussion: Prevention of Break-up of Families. Papers by Dr. K. Soddy and Mr. David Jones.  
ST. MARYLEBONE HOSPITAL FOR PSYCHIATRY AND CHILD GUIDANCE.—5 p.m., Dr. W. Lester: Rash, Scratch, and Itch.

### Thursday, March 15

EDINBURGH CLINICAL CLUB.—At Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, 8 p.m., Mr. W. Selby Tulloch: Male Subfertility.  
NORTH WESTERN TUBERCULOSIS SOCIETY.—At Manchester Royal Infirmary, 5 p.m., Dr. M. R. Geake: Total Unilateral Bronchiectasis; Dr. T. M. Wilson: Preliminary Communication on Nupasal in Pulmonary Tuberculosis.  
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Colonel W. R. M. Drew: Some Recent Advances in Tropical Medicine.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Oliver-Sharpey Lecture by Dr. A. C. Frazer: Studies on Intestinal Absorption in Man.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—3.45 p.m., Erasmus Wilson Demonstration by Dr. L. W. Proger: Pneumatosis of the Intestine.  
ROYAL EYE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m., Dr. T. H. Whittington: Aspects of Refraction Work—Care and Treatment of the Squinting Child.  
ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.—At Royal Army Medical College, S.W., 7.30 p.m., laboratory meeting.  
ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5 p.m., Dr. D. Curran: post-graduate demonstration in psychiatry.

### Friday, March 16

FACULTY OF RADIOLOGISTS.—At Royal College of Surgeons of England, 5.15 p.m., Radiodiagnosis Section Meeting. Subject: Review of Trans-splenic Portal Venography in the Investigation of Portal Hypertension.  
Dr. R. E. Steiner: Radiological Aspects; Dr. Sheila P. V. Sherlock: Clinical Aspects; Professor R. Milnes Walker: Surgical Aspects.  
● INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. F. R. Bettley: clinical demonstration.  
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. N. Lloyd Rusby and Mr. T. Holmes Sellors: clinical demonstration.  
ROYAL MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY OF GLASGOW.—At Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, 8.30 p.m., symposium by Dr. A. Slessor, Dr. T. N. Fraser and Dr. A. Girdwood Fergusson: Present Status of Cortisone Therapy.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

### BIRTHS

**Genge**.—On February 24, 1956, at Mayday Hospital Maternity Wing, Croydon, to Joan, wife of Donald S. Genge, M.B., B.Chir., a daughter.  
**Gilbert**.—On February 23, 1956, in London, to Daphne (formerly Hynard), wife of Peter Gilbert, M.B., B.S., a son—Timothy.  
**Hoskins**.—On February 23, 1956, in Aberdeen, to Philomena (formerly Guérin), wife of Osmond Hoskins, M.B., M.R.C.P.Ed., a son—William.  
**Spencer-Smith**.—On February 17, 1956, to Elizabeth (formerly Fraser), wife of John Spencer-Smith, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., a brother for Susan.

### DEATHS

**Dickson**.—On February 13, 1956, at Willesden General Hospital, William Muir Dickson, M.B., F.R.C.S.  
**Draper**.—On February 11, 1956, Robert Athelstan Draper, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Park House, Cumberley, late of Holly Lodge, York.  
**Duff**.—On February 1, 1956, at Howick, near Auckland, New Zealand, Howarth Duff, M.B., Ch.B., formerly of Northwich, Cheshire.  
**Franklin**.—On February 12, 1956, at 53, Oakwood Avenue, Beckenham, Kent, Vincent Michael Franklin, M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., aged 46.  
**Gallagher**.—On February 10, 1956, William Richard Gorringer Gallagher, M.B., B.Ch., of 45, Spa Road, Weymouth, Dorset, aged 55.