

matter of some urgency, and I trust that in this case the period will be one of six months and not a longer period.

The MARQUESS OF SALISBURY said: My Lords, the period which the Royal Commission will take is a matter for the Commission. Her Majesty's Government desire, as much as the noble Lord, that it shall be as rapid and efficient as possible in its work. With regard to the other question, perhaps the noble Lord will allow me to let him know exactly what will be included within the terms of reference when I am able to do so. I will certainly bear in mind the point that he has made.

Lord CONESFORD (Con.) said: My Lords, may I ask my noble friend whether, in settling the terms of reference of the Royal Commission, he will consider the advisability of making them wide enough to enable the Royal Commission to compare, not only professional earnings as between different professions, but professional earnings with non-professional earnings? The MARQUESS OF SALISBURY said there had to be some limitation of the terms of reference, even of a Royal Commission.

Viscount ALEXANDER OF HILLSBOROUGH said: My Lords, on this important matter we should be glad to know the date by which we may have the terms of reference and (although this is a question we may then ask) how long the Royal Commission will sit. This is such an extraordinary announcement that we should be informed of these terms of reference as soon as possible.

The MARQUESS OF SALISBURY said: My Lords, I can assure the noble Viscount that we will let him know as soon as we are in a position to do so.

Antidote to Nerve Gases

Mr. S. AWBERRY (Bristol, Central, Lab.) asked the Minister of Supply what experiments had been made at the Chemical Defence Station, Salisbury Plain, on the use of atropine as an antidote to nerve gases; what was the purpose of these; to what extent volunteers were used for the experiments; and what proposals he had for issuing this drug to soldiers to be used for self-injection. Mr. W. J. TAYLOR, the Parliamentary Secretary, replied that comprehensive experiments had been carried out over a number of years by the Chemical Defence Experimental Establishment to assess the value of atropine as an antidote against nerve gases and to determine the tolerance of effective dosages by men. The results of these trials, which included experiments with volunteers, had been published in the scientific press from time to time. No decision had yet been taken to issue this drug to soldiers for self-injection.

Benefit for Respiratory Disease

Dr. BARNET STROSS (Stoke-on-Trent, Central, Lab.) asked the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance whether he would pay benefit under the Industrial Injuries Act to those who suffered from respiratory disease as a result of living in areas where the atmosphere was heavily contaminated by commercial processes. Mr. J. BOYD-CARPENTER replied on February 18 that the proposal, which raised wide questions, went far beyond the provisions of the Industrial Injuries Act, 1946.

Alcoholic Psychosis

Mr. SOMERVILLE HASTINGS (Barking, Lab.) asked the Minister of Health on February 22 for an estimate of the number of cases of mental disease admitted into hospitals under his direction during 1955 in which alcohol was the principal or contributory cause, respectively. Mr. D. VOSPER stated that during 1955 there were 1,053 admissions to mental hospitals which were recorded as principally due to alcoholic psychosis or alcoholism. No estimate could be made of the number of admissions to mental hospitals in which alcohol was a contributory cause.

Homicide Bill

The House of Lords accepted without a division, but not without dissent, the Homicide Bill on second reading on February 21. The MARQUESS OF SALISBURY, for the Government, said it was hoped the House would not wish to make any drastic amendments, but any that were proposed would be considered on their merits, and the Government were free to accept any which they considered would be an improvement in the Bill. Lord GODDARD, the Lord Chief Justice, indicated during the debate that he would call attention in committee to some drafting difficulties; and Lord SILKIN expressed the Opposition's hope that it would be possible to "improve" the Bill along the road to complete abolition of capital punishment.

Lung Cancer

Mr. SOMERVILLE HASTINGS (Barking, Lab.) asked the Minister what communication he had received from the Standing Medical Advisory Committee or the Central Health Services Council as to the relationship between cigarette smoking and cancer of the lung, and as to any action to be taken accordingly. Mr. VOSPER replied that at their meetings in December last these bodies repeated the advice already given to his predecessor. Like him, he proposed to ensure that the public were kept informed of all relevant information as and when it became available.

Health Service Cost

Mr. ARTHUR LEWIS (West Ham, North, Lab.) asked what was the total cost of the Health Service in 1950 and at the latest convenient stated date respectively; and, taking the pound sterling as having a purchasing value of 20s. in 1950, what was the relative purchasing value of the current National Health charge compared with 1950, after allowing for the depreciation of the purchasing value of the pound sterling. Mr. VOSPER told him that the total cost of the Health Service in 1949-50 was about £450m., of which £345m. was met by the Exchequer. The corresponding figures estimated for 1957-8 were about £690m. and £550m. respectively. The equivalent of these latter figures in terms of the purchasing value of the pound in 1949-50 (measured by the estimated change in the Consumer Price Index between 1949-50 and December, 1956) were about £515m. and £410m.

Whitehaven Hospital.—The Minister of Health has authorized the regional hospital board to proceed with the site works for the new hospital at Whitehaven. The total estimated cost of the hospital is £2,500,000, and plans for the first stage are nearing completion.

Hospital Confinements.—During 1955 the number of institutional confinements in England and Wales was 440,857, which was 64.75% of the total.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

The following have been reappointed University Demonstrators from October 1, 1957, to September 30, 1962, in the subjects indicated in parentheses: Dr. R. Barer (Human Anatomy), Dr. J. M. Walker (Pharmacology), Dr. E. M. Vaughan Williams (Pharmacology), Dr. D. S. Parsons (Biochemistry), Dr. D. J. C. Cunningham (Physiology).

Dr. D. St. C. Roberts has been reappointed Clinical Tutor in Ophthalmology and Dr. G. M. Ardran radiologist at the Nuffield Institute for Medical Research, both from October 1, 1957, to September 30, 1962.

In Congregation on January 24 the following degrees were conferred:

B.M.—G. R. Pate, D. A. Wheelwright, D. W. Boyd, P. Owen-Lloyd, Jennifer L. Murray, H. M. Williams (in absence).

UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS

The following candidates have been approved at the examination indicated:

M.B., B.S.—I. M. Aitkenhead, L. R. Butler-Manuel, D. C. Crawford, R. A. Haddow, P. Hossen, M. J. Illingworth, *D. W. Jervis, J. L. Maddison, J. P. M. Penney, D. J. Sutherland, *T. T. Thompson, H. E. G. Thomson, Mrs. Elinor M. Whyte.
*In absentia.

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

On January 7 the degree of M.D. was conferred, *in absentia*, on the following candidates: *D. I. Buchanan, *M. B. Divertie, J. M. Smith, *C. M. Wylie.

The following degrees were conferred on January 12:

M.D.—¹Mary G. Coyle, *Margaret M. Kerr, *R. Lannigan, *C. J. Mackinlay, *R. G. Whitelaw.

M.B., Ch.B.—A. V. Anderson, A. Auld, Evelyn F. Barclay, H. Bart-Planze, J. Caplan, B. C. Colvin, A. H. Frame, S. MacF. Garrett, D. S. Gilchrist, H. K. Gooding, J. C. Gray, A. Hare, Moira B. M. Hendry, T. P. Howat, Christine M. Hyslop, Anne P. Johnstone, J. Lee, J. W. Little, W. MacDonald, R. E. McIntosh, G. D. Mackenzie, D. G. Muirhead, A. M. Orr, T. Orr, M. C. G. Rennie, A. E. Roberts, A. P. Scott, R. G. Stark, Helen J. Stewart, P. M. Stoker-Murphy, Seana R. Sutherland, G. J. Thomson, R. J. Wylie, W. J. Young.

¹With high commendation. *With commendation.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON

At the quarterly comitia of the College held on January 31, with the President, Sir Russell Brain, in the chair, the death on December 20, 1956, at St. Thomas's Hospital, of the Treasurer of the College, Professor W. G. Barnard, was recorded with deep regret.

Dr. E. R. Boland, Dr. J. B. Harman, and Dr. T. C. Hunt were reappointed College representatives on the Central Medical Recruitment Committee, Dr. Janet Vaughan on the Advisory Board on Nursing Education of the Royal College of Nursing. Dr. Neville Goodman was appointed College representative at the Health Congress of the Royal Society of Health to be held at Folkestone from April 30 to May 3, 1957.

Licences

Licences to practise were conferred upon the following 84 candidates who have passed the final examination in medicine, surgery, and midwifery of the Conjoint Board and who have complied with the by-laws of the College:

K. A. Anderson, E. L. R. Andrews, M. V. R. Appa Rao, J. B. G. Arthur, P. Atkins, S. E. August-Moffatt, A. G. Barrow, E. E. Bassey, G. P. E. Beane, P. G. Benson, G. T. Birchall, A. J. Blakeman, J. J. B. Brand, T. J. Carter, J. V. F. Cato, A. M. A. Clark, C. Cook, E. J. Coomey, Mary Corbett, Barbara C. Dean, I. E. Doney, J. I. Edwards, M. W. Everitt, K. Finney, A. F. Fleming, M. E. Glover, W. I. M. Goodrick, C. J. Goodwill, Z. Grahovac, B. J. G. Greenhill, Jean A. Hagger, D. W. Hall, T. L. R. Hall, Rosalie M. Harrison-Bloom, Veira F. A. Hauxwell, L. P. J. Holt, Y. E. Hsia, C. M. Jadwat, P. Knight, Audrey M. Lake, C. W. Landon, Patricia O. Lane, Jean C. Le Riche, I. Lewis, W. J. Lush, I. McColl, C. A. G. Mackenzie, K. P. Mehta, A. H. Miller, C. P. Monty, D. R. Morgan, E. B. Morgan, B. R. P. Murray, Norma G. Newbury, Lotte T. Newman, J. D. J. Parker, P. C. C. Pitt, D. R. Potter, Sheila M. Power, Edna O. S. Renwick, R. B. Roberts, David S. Robertson, Donald S. Robertson, Charmian A. Russell, R. de K. G. Samuel, T. D. Sayer, J. H. Scotson, Mary P. Shepherd, I. D. Simpson, J. F. Tattersfield, S. G. Taylor, J. G. Teall, J. A. P. Trafford, J. Tudor, Joyce Warner, C. Wastell, B. Weinstein, W. M. Weir, P. S. Welch, P. B. Whatmore, S. R. Williams, Susan M. Wilson, T. Woodward, A. J. Zuckerman.

Diplomas

Diplomas in Laryngology and Otolaryngology, in Anaesthetics, in Psychological Medicine, in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, in Pathology, and in Medical Radiotherapy were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Surgeons of England, to the successful candidates whose names are printed below in the report of the meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of England held on January 10.

Diplomas in Medical Radiodiagnosis were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Surgeons of England, to B. W. A. Leeming and to the other successful candidates whose names are printed below in the report of the meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of England held on January 10.

The following diplomas were granted jointly with the Royal College of Surgeons of England:

DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.—Uda S. Ellis, C. G. Gallagher.
DIPLOMA IN INDUSTRIAL HEALTH.—D. R. Belletty, D. E. Marchant, R. G. Orr, J. S. Robertson, F. G. M. Seager, O. P. Verma.
DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.—H. Banerjee, E. E. Bowen, Seonaid C. Cameron, J. C. Chakrabarti, D. M. Dignes La Touche, C. P. A. Dupont, C. B. Higgin, C. D. Hopkins, W. G. J. Hughes, I. Khan, Audrey J. Lacey, Hilda E. McNamara, R. K. Mukhopadhyay, W. L. Palmer, Brenda K. Rimmer, M. Ryan, S. W. Smith, R. A. Stenhouse, I. O. Taylor, R. W. Watton, P. A. C. Wright.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College held on January 10, with Sir Harry Platt, President, in the chair, Mr. A. C. McEarchern (Adelaide) was awarded a Hunterian Professorship.

A diploma of Fellowship was granted to W. G. Lucas.

The following diplomas were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London:

DIPLOMA IN LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLARYNGOLOGY.—M. A. K. Afridi, J. A. Coombes, J. T. Dunn, J. A. Fajemisin, T. Fazleabas, Hla Saw Khine, C. M. Jain, J. McKenzie, A. G. May, N. R. Sarkar, S. Sarkar, P. A. Shah, E. G. Weyhausen, M. Y. Wipat.

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—D. A. L. Ashforth, Anne Bewley, P. Borg, Brigid M. J. Brennan, J. F. Burdon, J. K. A. Burn, Rhoda M. R. Burt, G. H. Bush, M. P. Cardew, W. B. Chamberlain, J. Chari, Elizabeth F. H. Clarke, E. M. Coates, R. A. Davidson, W. MacF. Davidson, D. S. Dick, Diana F. J. Duncan, Barbara C. Edwards, L. Essex, J. N. T. Evans, Phillida M. Frost, M. R. Golin, Joyce Y. Graham, J. O. Hancock, Maureen E. Hardeman, Margaret A. Hayes, Catherine Henderson, June R. Hill, Mary G. C. A. Hunter, Ruth Hutchinson, D. S. Hutton, Mary C. Irvine, J. M. James, W. H. James, Elsie Jaques, S. G. Jones, Lila Kalappa, A. N. Kalra, A. McL. Keil, R. Kelly, F. M. Kinsman, Margaret A. Lawrence, Julia I. Leitch, A. B. Lodge, Joyce B. Longmore, Krystyna M. Lubomirska, G. W. Macnab, A. S. Manavalan, G. C. Mansfield, M. B. Marshall, Renate M. Meyer, N. K. Misra, D. D. Moir, A. Moore, D. K. Mukherji, M. Muneeruddin, Sandra Murdoch, D. B. Murray, K. L. Naidoo, R. C. Nainby-Luxmoore, F. Nimri, G. K. Nixon, J. S. Ogilvie, R. C. Oliva, J. G. Opie, B. G. Pirie, Caroline R. F. Port, C. H. Pryor, Marion G. Ralston, Margaret E. Riddoch, E. D. T. Ross, H. N. Sadhu, G. Screech, B. C. Sengupta, J. G. Sheehy, F. B. Singleton, A. J. Slim, W. D. A. Smith, Isobel Speirs, Joan M. M. Sutherland, R. C. Taylor, E. M. Thomas, R. V. L. Thomas, R. A. Truesdell, M. Urshan, L. Walker, D. A. Walsley, P. T. Watters, K. P. Williams, E. G. Wilson.

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—P. J. F. Aaronicks, P. T. Annesley, Elizabeth Arkie, J. C. Barker, A. C. Barry, A. A. Bartholomew, Marie L. S. Beesley, S. McC. Cannicott, N. S. Capstick, Cho-Man Chung, Brigid M. R. Clark, M. J. Craft, P. J. Dally, R. Davidson, J. E. Dessart, M. Evans, R. B. Finn, D. Gough, A. M. Gregory, Isobel H. Hunter, D. C. W. Jenkins, R. E. Lovelace, A. McClelland, J. S. Madden, R. Morzan, A. Orwin, Shera Samarawera, G. Stroh, J. D. Waldman, E. D. West, V. O. Williams, M. E. Y. York-Moore.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIO-DIAGNOSIS.—A. T. Abdel-Messieh, W. M. C. Allen, A. E. Ambrose, S. N. Banerjee, S. Banerji, J. H. Comfy, F. H. Doyle, G. J. H. Everard, T. B. Forrest, D. G. Garrow, N. Halazonetis, M. J. Harman, A. H. Isaacson, D. C. James, B. Lall, S. Nissanga, A. A. Potasnick, W. T. Rothman, T. Selvarajah, F. W. G. Snell, S. A. Sobhan, J. A. M. F. Veiga-Pires, A. C. Young.

DIPLOMA IN TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.—B. K. Basu, R. L. Bell, J. P. Crowdy, E. J. F. De Oliveira, D. S. R. Gunawardane, S. T. Hasan, J. G. P. Power, W. T. Richardson, R. R. Sidesky, R. C. Watson.

DIPLOMA IN PATHOLOGY.—H. N. Dutta, S. Hameed, J. T. Hughes, A. J. Lewis, J. G. Paranjpe, R. A. Rimington.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIOTHERAPY.—I. G. Emmanuel, W. E. Freeman, N. Gupta, H. Horwitz, S. F. Huq, Elizabeth M. Kingsley Pillers, R. Li. Morgan, D. L. Phillips, T. K. Rithuparnan, A. D. Shetty, H. D. Suit.

Vital Statistics

Influenza in Armed Forces

The only notable outbreaks of influenza so far this winter have been in Service units. An outbreak of virus A influenza has occurred in the R.A.F. at Halton, Bucks, and small outbreaks are reported from Army units at Chelsea and Wellington Barracks, at the Tower of London, and in two training units at Rhyl, Flintshire. Virus isolated so far has been of the Dutch 1956 group.

Week Ending February 16

The notifications of infectious diseases in England and Wales during the week included: scarlet fever 830, whooping-cough 3,163, diphtheria 2, measles 19,710, acute pneumonia 676, acute poliomyelitis 37, dysentery 1,274, paratyphoid fever 6, and typhoid fever 1.

Infectious Diseases

In England and Wales during the week ending February 9 the largest rises in the notifications of infectious diseases were 3,744 for measles, from 13,008 to 16,752, 193 for dysentery, from 1,097 to 1,290, and 59 for acute pneumonia, from 661 to 720; the only large fall was 154 for whooping-cough, from 3,302 to 3,148.

The largest increases in the incidence of measles were 501 in Lancashire, from 2,937 to 3,438, 382 in London, from 971 to 1,353, 348 in Durham, from 1,088 to 1,436, 343 in Essex, from 1,113 to 1,456, 231 in Northumberland, from 734 to 965, 197 in Surrey, from 525 to 722, 175 in Yorkshire West Riding, from 755 to 930, 151 in Middlesex, from 501 to 652, 146 in Gloucestershire, from 220 to 366, and 135 in Staffordshire, from 386 to 521. The largest fluctuations in the trends of whooping-cough were a fall of 90 in Kent, from 250 to 160, and a rise of 45 in Sussex, from 55 to 100. The notifications of scarlet fever numbered 869, 4 more than in the

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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.

Friday, March 1

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY.—At Surgery Theatre, Medical School, 5.15 p.m., Faculty of Medicine Lecture by Dr. H. M. Sinclair: Dietary Fat and Human Disease.

Monday, March 4

MARLBOROUGH DAY HOSPITAL.—8.15 p.m., Mr. M. M. Simmons, M.A., and Dr. D. R. Davis: The Intelligent Offender: His Treatment in an Approved School.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON: DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY.—At Physiology Theatre, Gower Street, W.C., 5 p.m., public lecture by Dr. G. J. Popják: Biochemistry of Fatty Acids and Cholesterol—Biological Oxidation of Fatty Acids.

UNITED HOSPITALS CATHOLIC SOCIETY.—At 13, Devonshire Place, W., 6.15 p.m., Mr. L. H. W. Williams: Abortion.

Tuesday, March 5

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. B. E. D. Cooke: Disorders of Buccal Mucosa.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—3.45 p.m., Erasmus Wilson Demonstration by Dr. A. J. M. Reese: Atheroma.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Wright-Fleming Institute Theatre, 5 p.m., Mr. R. M. Feroze: Dysfunctional Uterine Haemorrhage.

WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. G. C. Knight: Diagnosis of Cerebral Tumours.

Wednesday, March 6

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. R. W. Riddell: Problems of Therapy in Fungus Diseases.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. B. G. B. Lucas: Man and His Ventilation.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Mr. G. F. Murnaghan: Congenital Hydronephrosis.

MIDLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At 154, Great Charles Street, Birmingham, 8.15 p.m., Dr. C. G. Parsons: General Practitioner and the Chesty Child.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Litchfield Lecture by Dr. P. H. Wood: Pulmonary Hypertension.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—2 p.m., Dr. R. E. B. Hudson: The Heart Septa.

ROYAL FACULTY OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW.—5 p.m., Finlayson Lecture by Mr. D. W. Currie: Results of Twenty-one Years of Surgical Treatment of Cancer of the Cervix.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HYGIENE.—3.30 p.m., Dr. B. G. C. Ackner: Emotional Aspects of Bodily Complaints.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF HEALTH.—2.30 p.m., symposium by Professor A. C. Frazer and Dr. H. M. Sinclair: Composition and Nutritive Value of Flour.

SOCIETY FOR ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY: BIOLOGICAL METHODS GROUP.—At the Feathers, Tudor Street, E.C., 6.30 p.m., discussion to be introduced by Dr. A. Spinks, Ph.D.: Experimental Assessment of Tranquillizers.

WELSH NATIONAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.—At Reardon-Smith Lecture Theatre, Park Place, Cardiff, 8 p.m., Sixth William Sheen Memorial Lecture by Sir Harry Platt, P.R.C.S.: Backache-Sciatica Problem.

Thursday, March 7

FACULTY OF HOMOEOPATHY.—5 p.m., Dr. A. E. Strigner: Similarity and the Synergistic Action Observed Between Hypnosis and Homoeopathy.

LIVERPOOL MEDICAL INSTITUTION.—At Liverpool University, 5.15 p.m., Joint History of Medicine Lecture by Mr. J. B. Oldham: Two Centuries Ago.

MIDLAND THORACIC SOCIETY.—At Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, 7.30 p.m., Dr. W. W. Jones: Pneumoconiosis.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY: THAMES VALLEY SECTION.—At Reading University, 5.15 p.m., joint meeting with Reading University Chemical Society. Professor E. J. King: Use of Enzymes in Medical Chemistry.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—5 p.m., symposium: Psychiatry as an Aid to Dermatology.

Friday, March 8

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. P. J. Hare: clinical demonstration.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Air Commodore C. A. Rumball: Some Problems in Cardio-respiratory Assessment.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—3.30 p.m., Mr. A. Radcliffe: Nasal Catarrh.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—10 a.m., Mr. S. H. Wass: Present Position of Surgery in the Treatment of Ulcerative Colitis.

ROYAL MEDICAL SOCIETY, EDINBURGH.—8 p.m., Valedictory Address by the Senior President.

Saturday, March 9

KENT PAEDIATRIC AND CHILD HEALTH SOCIETY.—At Royal Star Hotel, Maidstone, 3 p.m., Presidential Address by Mr. Richard Church: The Humble Layman.

ST. STEPHEN'S HOSPITAL.—At Rheumatism Unit, Fulham Road, S.W., March 9 and 10, 10 a.m. each day, concentrated week-end course in the "Rheumatic Diseases."

Sunday, March 10

NORTHAMPTON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—8 p.m., Dr. D. Evan Bedford: Common Errors in the Diagnosis of Heart Disease.

APPOINTMENTS

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

DEATHS

Body.—On January 28, 1957, Thomas Munn Body, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.L., J.P., of 22, The Grove, Marton-in-Cleveland, Yorks, aged 80.

Daniel.—On January 27, 1957, at Essex House, Chard, Somerset, Francis Rennie Daniel, M.C., M.B., Ch.B.

Hillery.—On January 20, 1957, at the Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton, Derbyshire, Maureen Elizabeth Hillery, L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S., of 24, Princes Street, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham, aged 29.

Kerby.—On January 28, 1957, at Victoria Hospital, Blackpool, Lancs, Clement Carlyon Kerby, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., late of Truro, Cornwall.

Lloyd.—On January 28, 1957, at Mayday Hospital, George William Lloyd, M.D., of 151, Brigstock Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, aged 74.

Preston.—On January 31, 1957, John Alexander Preston, M.D., of Dromore, Maresfield, Sussex.

Sunderland.—On January 29, 1957, at Runcion House, Haverhill, Suffolk, Edward Benjamin Sunderland, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Walker.—On January 25, 1957, Harry Bertram Walker, M.C., M.B., F.R.C.S., of 34, The Avenue, Minehead, Somerset.

Watt.—On February 1, 1957, at Drumduan, Royal Esplanade, Margate, Kent, Arthur John Watt, M.B., Ch.B., formerly of Reading, Berks, aged 75.

Wharton.—On January 29, 1957, Effie Adela Wharton, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Buckhurst Cottage, Withyham, Sussex.