**B.M.A. Film Index.**—The catalogue of the Association's film library is now available in the form of a card index. It comprises 166 cards, with guide cards. Each card gives a brief synopsis of a film, an appraisal, and an indication of the type of audience for which the film is suitable. In addition, the titles of 153 other films still available from the film library are listed. As new films are added to the Library, supplementary cards, up to twenty in number, will be issued free of charge to all holders of the index. The price of the index is 15s. (post free), and a cardboard container for it is available at 4s. The index and container are obtainable on application to the Secretary of the Association, B.M.A. House.

United Hospitals Choir.—This choir, previously known as the United Hospitals' Festival Choir, is pursuing a new policy. Most of the large teaching hospitals have formed their own music societies, so the choir now intends to provide mainly for those medical and hospital personnel in London with no facilities of this sort—for example, those working in the smaller hospitals and general medical and dental practitioners and their staffs. A good proportion of the choir's membership continues to be drawn, however, from among the students and nurses of the big hospitals. Musically it has been decided not to concentrate so exclusively on a small handful of over-exploited favourites. A recent performance of Mozart's Requiem Mass has encouraged the choir to prepare choral and orchestral works by Purcell, Britten, Schubert, and Handel. The first concert will take place in October. The choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 10 p.m. at a school in Soho. Further details may be obtained from the secretary, Miss J. MAGRATH, 18, West Side, Clapham Common, London, S.W.4.

Index Ophthalmologicus.—A new edition of the Index Ophthalmologicus, which includes a world list of ophthalmologists, will be issued on the occasion of the Eighteenth International Congress of Ophthalmology in Brussels next year. Any ophthalmologist in Great Britain or Northern Ireland who is not a member of the Faculty of Ophthalmologists or of the Ophthalmological Society of the United Kingdom, and who wishes to have his name included in the list, is asked to communicate with the hon, secretary, Ophthalmological Society of the United Kingdom, 45, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, before July 31.

M.R.C.O.G.—At a council meeting of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists on May 25 the following were admitted members: D. C. Aird, G. B. Batchelor, R. A. T. Boland, G. D. D. Cable, M. I. Cassimjee, J. S. W. Chambers, P. K. Choudhuri, C. A. B. Clemetson, K. I. Digwood, A. Freier, W. J. Garrett, W. Gault, W. Gavin, L. Goldman, C. J. Goosen, B. Kirsch, M. A. Lakeman, E. W. Lillie, H. H. McCrostie, J. G. Markus, A. E. B. Matthews, T. T. E. Michael, A. B. Miller, A. K. Mitra, J. M. B. Muirhead, A. C. C. Pinion, L. J. Rice, R. Richards, T. J. Ryan, G. J. W. Stump, S. M. Thanevela, K. F. G. Wilson, and

London University.—At the Foundation Day ceremony on November 22 Sir Charles Lovatt Evans, F.R.S., formerly Jodrell professor of physiology at University College, London, and now an emeritus professor of the University, is to receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. The title of university reader in histochemistry has been conferred on Dr. A. G. E. PEARSE in respect of his post at the Postgraduate Medical School of London.

Aviation Medicine Award.—Colonel J. P. STAPP, a physician of the U.S. Army Air Force, has received the first Liljencrantz Medal, an annual award for outstanding research into medical aspects of acceleration and high altitude flight. The medal, presented by the Pfizer Laboratories, was awarded by the U.S. Aero Medical Association. Colonel Stapp rode a rocket-powered sled in which he decelerated from 632 m.p.h. to a full stop in 1.4 seconds, thus subjecting himself to a force 40 times greater than the pull of gravity.

### COMING EVENTS

Symposium on Mucoproteins.—Joint meeting of the Association of Clinical Biochemists and the Biochemical Society, June 29, 11 a.m., Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle upon

Institute of Dermatology.—Course for general practitioners, particularly for those working in dermatological clinics, September 16 to 20. Apply before July 8 to the dean, Institute of Dermatology, St. John's Hospital, Lisle Street, London, W.C.2.

Autoradiographic Techniques.—Short courses for biologists at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, July 22-26. Details from the Isotope School, Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, near Didcot, Berks. Fee £10 (excluding accommodation).

## 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, June 17

● Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.—3 p.m., Professor W. C. W. Nixon: Disordered Uterine Action. 4.30 p.m., Professor J. Walker: Foetal Anoxi®
LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY: FACULTY OF MEDICINE.—At Surgery Theatre, Old Medical School, 5.15 p.m., Professor E. Sachs (Washington): Sir Victor Horsley—Pioneer of Neurosurgery.

Postoradduate Medical School of London.—4 p.m., Dr. William Evans: Pulmonary Heart Disease.

#### Tuesday, June 18

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY .- 5.30 p.m., Dr. H. T. H. Wilson: Erythro-

SOUTH-WEST LONDON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Bolingbroke Hospital, Wandsworth Common, S.W., 8.30 p.m., Dr. J. C. McI. Matheson: Prisons.

# Wednesday, June 19

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY .- 5.30 p.m., Dr. A. Tickner: Epidermal

Proteins.
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. R. V. Gibson: Pulmonary Heart Disease.

#### Thursday, June 20

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Hypnotherapy Group.—At Royal Society of Medicine. 8 p.m., Brains Trust. Question Master, Mr. E. E. Wookey, L.D.S.; Members, Drs. George Newbold, Denys Kelsey, Gordon Davies, and Gordon Ambrose. Institute of Neurology.—5.30 p.m., Professor Kendall B. Corbin (U.S.A.): Analysis of 100 Cases of Protruded Cervical Disks with Compression of a Single Root.
London Jewish Hospital Medical Society.—At Medical Society of London, 8.30 p.m., annual general meeting; Dr. A. Freedman: Some Aspects of Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis.
North-east London Clinical Society.—At Prince of Wales's General Hospital, Tottenham, N., 2.30 p.m., summer meeting.
Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre.—At Wingfield-Morris Orthopaedic Hospital, 8.30 p.m., Mr. H. Jackson Burrows: West Indian Orthopaedics from the Touchline.
Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.—7.30 p.m., annual general meeting. Talk by Dr. A. J. Haddow: Work of the Virus Research Institute at Entebbe.

# Friday, June 21

●INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.-5.30 p.m., Dr. F. R. Bettley: clinical demonstration.

DISTRIBUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. Philip Ellman: clinical demonstration.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—10 a.m., Mr. G. H. MacNab: Intestinal Obstruction in the Neonatal Period. 4 p.m., Dr. M. Thompson: Principles and Practice in the Management of Rheumatoid

ROYAL SOCIETY OF HEALTH.—At Guildhall, Cambridge, 10.30 a.m., Dr. A. G. Kitchell, Ph.D.: Nature of the Agents which Attack Food: With Special Reference to Meat; Mr. W. M. Whiteman, M.A.: Caravan Users and Their Needs.

St. Mary's Hospital Medical School,—At Wright-Fleming Institute Theatre, 5 p.m., Sir Heneage Ogilvie: Shock.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

#### DEATHS

- Bulleid.—On May 26, 1957, at Guy's Hospital, London, S.E., Arthur Bulleid, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.D.S.

  Gaffuey.—On May 24, 1957, at his home, Ashleworth, Gloucester, Edward James Gaffney, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.D.S., late of Streatham, London, S.W., aged 80.

  James.—On May 26, 1957, at South Perth, Western Australia, Geoffrey Alfred James, M.D., D.C.H., aged 37.

  Jones.—On May 27, 1957, at Wrexham War Memorial Hospital, Gladys-Mary Thurlow Jones, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Glanrhyd, Llanelltyd, Dolgelley, Merionethshire.
- Mary Thurlow Jones, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Glanrhyd, Lianelltyd, Dolgelley, Merionethshire.

  Mulligan.—On May 22, 1957, at Golden Acre, Wyndham Road, Walkford, Hants, Ulick John Gordon Mulligan, M.B., B.Ch.
  Ponton.—On May 25, 1957, John Alfred William Ponton, M.D., of "Sunnymeade," Bude, Cornwall.

  Rossiter.—On May 27, 1957, at "The Hawthorns," Sea View Road. Sunderland. Co. Durham, Charles Benjamin Rossiter, M.D., F.R.C.S.Ed., late of Auckland, New Zealand.

  Routledge.—On May 25, 1957, at Huddersfield, Yorks, Agnes Petrina Routledge, M.B., Ch.B., of Port William, Wigtownshire, aged 61.