

collecting fewer than the total number of items on their prescription forms. Mrs. Jeger said that it was happening frequently. There were chemists in the London area who found it happening about once a week. They were being put in an impossible position, and were sending prescription forms to the executive council marked "Not Supplied." Why did the Minister not know about these things? Mr. WALKER-SMITH said that Ministers and Departments were normally quickly told when things were thought to have been going wrong. He had not received any evidence, by letter or otherwise, to this effect. If Mrs. Jeger had any evidence he would consider it with the greatest care. Dr. EDITH SUMMERSKILL asked if anyone in the Department had asked chemists in the London area whether this was so or not. Mr. WALKER-SMITH: I do not think it would be appropriate to carry out a sort of roving inquiry unless they started with the firm base of some evidence supplied by somebody.

### Senior Registrars

Mr. KENNETH ROBINSON (St. Pancras, North, Lab.) asked the Minister of Health, on March 10, when he expected to meet the Joint Consultants Committee to discuss the senior registrar problem. Mr. D. WALKER-SMITH: Tuesday, March 25.

Mr. ROBINSON asked the Minister if he would, if necessary, impose his own solution. Mr. WALKER-SMITH said he would not like to go into discussions of that sort on any assumption other than that reason would prevail, and that they would get a proper and reasonable solution harmoniously in agreement together.

Mr. J. CRONIN (Loughborough, Lab.) asked the Minister why he had made it a condition for relieving the difficulties of senior registrars that the medical profession should agree to the setting up of a number of new special posts, not previously provided for in the Health Service, in which the duties were similar to those of consultants, whereas the salary and status were substantially inferior to those of consultants. Mr. WALKER-SMITH: No such condition has been made. Mr. CRONIN said the medical profession would be glad to hear that. Did the Minister appreciate the awkwardness that arose when his representatives said one thing and he said another? Mr. WALKER-SMITH: I cannot accept that statement. My representatives have not said anything contrary to what I have said in the House. I ask Mr. Cronin to believe that we really would get on better if we were able to have these discussions with the committee, rather than that he should interpret on a basis of hearsay what he thinks is going on.

Mr. CRONIN asked on how many occasions representatives of the department had had meetings with the Joint Consultants Committee during the last two years to discuss the difficulties of senior registrars in the Health Service; and what had been the obstacles to reaching agreement. Mr. WALKER-SMITH: There have been 10 meetings at which the general question of hospital medical staffing, including the senior registrar aspect, has been discussed. As I am to meet the Joint Committee I would prefer not to make any statement on the discussions at this stage.

### Training of Psychiatrists

Mr. KENNETH ROBINSON asked the Minister if he would initiate discussions with the teaching hospitals, the Royal Colleges, and the Institute of Psychiatry on the urgent need to train more psychiatrists. Mr. WALKER-SMITH replied that the question whether there was a need for more training posts in psychiatry and other specialties would shortly be discussed with representatives of the profession. Mr. ROBINSON said he was glad to hear that answer. The key to the serious shortage of psychiatrists lay in the teaching hospitals. Some initiative had to be taken, probably by the Minister and the department, to get over the highly conservative medical curriculum. Mr. WALKER-SMITH said the intake of senior registrars graded in psychiatry was actually larger than in any other specialty, and had recently been further increased. There had also been a substantial

increase in the number of registrars, to the extent of 39%, between 1953 and 1956.

### Radioactivity of Tobacco

Mr. F. BESWICK (Uxbridge, Lab.) asked the Minister of Health, as representing the Lord President of the Council, what research by the Medical Research Council had been done into the radioactive properties of the tobacco plant and tobacco ash, and with what result. Sir M. STODDART-SCOTT (Ripon, Con.) had a similar question. Mr. WALKER-SMITH said that measurements of the radioactive content of tobacco, tobacco ash, and tobacco smoke had been carried out under the auspices of the Medical Research Council. There was no evidence that the radioactive content of the tobacco plant was in any significant manner different from that in other forms of vegetable life. Very little radioactivity could be detected in tobacco smoke, since the greater part of the radioactivity in the plant remained in the ash. The Lord President was advised that the dose of radiation to the lungs from this source, even in heavy smokers, was so small that it was unlikely to be a factor of any importance in the causation of cancer of the lung. Mr. BESWICK said that a certain amount of work had been done to disprove some of the conclusions that had been drawn. Government research departments had stated that the radioactivity of the tobacco plant was higher than that of any other vegetation. It absorbed more readily the chemical radioactive material in modern fertilizers. Although this was not sufficient itself to cause lung cancer, it was superimposed on the background of other radioactive properties in smog and other conditions of modern life. Was it not worth while going into the matter again? Mr. WALKER-SMITH said that neither complacency nor contradiction was involved. Measurements of the radioactivity in various forms of tobacco were taken under M.R.C. auspices by research workers in the department of medical physics at Leeds University in 1953. The results had been confirmed by other research groups, including Professor Mayneord's group at the Institute of Cancer Research.

### Dismissed Surgeon

Mr. CRONIN asked the Minister of Health if he would reinstate Mr. Alexander Howard Barber, a consultant surgeon, who was dismissed from the National Health Service on April 30, 1952, having regard to the circumstances that he was recently awarded in the High Court £7,437 damages against the Manchester Regional Hospital Board for wrongful dismissal and granted a declaration that the Minister had acted wrongfully and in breach of statutory duty in not hearing his appeal against the dismissal. Mr. WALKER-SMITH: I have no power to do so.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN

#### SCHOOL OF PHYSIC, TRINITY COLLEGE

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

M.D.—A. D. H. Browne.  
DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—Part II: F. King, N. A. J. Mullen.

### UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

Dr. A. B. Wayte has been recognized as a teacher of radiotherapy at Guy's Hospital Medical School; Dr. David Sutton as a teacher of radiology at the Institute of Neurology; and Dr. Hans Kalmus as a teacher of biology at University College.

### UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

FINAL M.B., CH.B.—M. G. Addy, A. A. Codd, J. C. G. Cole, J. S. Edmondson, R. R. Gibbins, D. H. Howton, O. Lartey, J. G. Meadows, K. J. Roper, G. A. Russell, R. F. Weeks, R. C. Williams. In Group I, completing the examination: C. N. Bruton. In Group II only: J. E. Aslett, Yvonne E. J. Marot, V. P. Nagpal, M. P. Patel. In Section I: J. E. Aslett, M. B. Clark, Joan D. Clay, P. T. Gardner, G. D. Henley, Daphne M. O'Connor, A. H. Ogden, P. C. Power, Anne P. Simon.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON

At the quarterly comitia of the College held on January 30, with the President, Dr. Robert Platt, in the chair, Dr. G. E. S. Ward was re-elected College representative on the Council of the Queen's Institute of District Nursing and Professor A. A. Moncrieff on the Central Midwives Board. Dr. Donald Hunter and Professor G. M. Wilson were elected College representatives on the Joint Formulary Committee; Dr. E. R. Boland, Dr. J. B. Harman, and Dr. T. C. Hunt on the Central Medical Recruitment Committee for 1958-9; and Sir John Charles to the Health Congress of the Royal Society of Health to be held at Eastbourne from April 28 to May 2, 1958.

## Licences

Licences to practise were conferred upon the following 106 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.

Shirley A. P. Abell, J. R. Allan, D. L. Aspinall, K. A. Barlow, R. D. S. Barnes, A. M. Barrie-Adshhead, Elizabeth S. Bates, Mary E. Braithwaite, D. J. Burgess, J. F. Cam, Jean A. Cam, A. R. O. Chinery, W. R. Chisholm-Batten, A. Chynoweth, M. Li. Clark, C. J. Clemenson, G. B. Cornford, D. Cowap, A. Cox, Sheila M. Creegan, Jane M. Critchley, C. W. Currian, G. A. W. Dove, J. K. Duff, Una M. Dugan, T. F. Dunham, M. K. Dunstan, P. Eckhart, H. J. Edwards, R. W. Elsdon-Dew, H. C. Evans, P. A. Evans, D. R. Firth, Judith A. G. Fletcher, Mehroo Forbes, C. J. Ford, G. Hamlet, L. D. Heap, J. Hellewell, L. W. H. Hide, D. I. R. Highton, Jillian M. Home, B. Howarth, Rosemary J. Huntley, P. W. James, B. F. Johnson, J. M. Li. Jones, J. E. Keithley, Mary B. Kelly, B. S. Kennett, J. R. Lane, Patricia A. Last, J. M. Laurent, G. I. M. McLellan, Jean L. McNair, S. A. F. O. McNamara, C. K. Manuel, B. S. Mather, H. Meindok, Lilianna Melzak, J. C. Merrington, P. V. Meswani, A. B. J. Miller-Williams, Gillian R. Montague, D. T. Morris, P. M. Morris, V. P. Nagpal, T. W. Otway, K. M. Patel, G. R. Peachey, B. M. Phillips, Sheila P. I. C. Phillips, Alina T. Piesowicz, H. D. W. Plowright, Betty L. Priestley, A. K. Ritchie, J. Rivlis, P. A. Robson, B. A. Ross, V. Rudralingam, R. M. I. Shacksnovis, Nina Shotts, J. O. Sibthorpe, N. A. Simmons, K. M. Simpson, D. S. Smith, E. O. Sofowora, J. K. Stonham, Gillian Strube, R. H. Sun, P. T. H. Tay, Diana Thornton, R. E. Tonge, D. G. Tranter, J. V. Trauter, Rita C. Travers, Pamela Walton, P. J. Whitfield, D. M. L. Williams, G. Williams, Julia M. Winter, P. J. Wise, B. J. P. Wright, J. E. C. Wright, R. J. Young, I. I. Zayid.

## Diplomas

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

DIPLOMA IN INDUSTRIAL HEALTH.—H. D. R. Zscherpel.  
DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIOTHERAPY.—R. Diaz Perches.

Diplomas in Laryngology and Otolaryngology, in Anaesthetics, in Medical Radiodiagnosis, in Psychological Medicine, in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, in Pathology, in Public Health, and in Child Health 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 9.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College held on January 9, with Sir James Paterson Ross, President, in the chair, the deaths of Sir Thomas Dunhill (Honorary Fellow) and Viscount Waverley (Hunterian Trustee) were reported and noted with deep regret.

A diploma of Fellowship was granted to A. B. Cassie, and a diploma of Membership to V. P. Nagpal.

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

DIPLOMA IN LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLARYNGOLOGY.—P. Abbey, R. Ahmad, Z. H. Alvi, J. Bihari, T. Cartmill, R. R. A. Coles, B. R. Das, M. J. D'Cruz, J. L. Godden, J. Hall-Jones, M. Horowitz, Y. P. Kapur, G. M. Khan, F. W. Kwok, I. Narain, N. B. Parvathiah, J. Potter, L. N. Prasad, R. Prasad, I. P. C. Robertson, D. S. Sardana.

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—F. D. Adrianvala, Eleanor K. Althorp, Edna W. Anthony, N. K. Ashurst, Roma M. Bedford, A. Berry, Jane I. K. Binnie, H. L. Blake, Margaret A. E. Boyce, J. H. Breed, R. A. Butler, P. H. Byles, Joan M. Byrne, P. S. Chau, J. M. Clark, R. J. Clark, W. H. Cochrane, G. F. Conway, S. K. Coombes, H. B. Coulter, Bridget M. Cowley, H. J. L. Craig, J. P. Czyniecki, M. A. de Valero Willis, B. J. Dolan, R. R. Evans, A. D. J. Farquharson, M. E. Fielding, G. Flowers, H. J. Freedman, B. L. Gupta, V. G. Gurjar, C. Gyaw, R. W. Hall, D. D. Hart, D. F. Hogan, Margaret C. Holderness, W. G. Holland, Ann Horsburgh, T. H. Howells, Ayesha S. Ishrat Husain, M. O. N. Iyengar, T. E. Jones, V. R. Jones, Kathleen E. Kennedy, J. C. Kennedy Smith, J. D. Kinnell, R. J. Knight, H. P. Lacey, R. G. Lacey, A. Lagowski, G. L. F. Lau, P. D. Lawler, J. L. Layng, Phyllis L. Liddle, G. J. M. Lincoln, J. V. McCooley, P. W. McCormick, S. W. McGowan, N. N. Madan, R. E. W. Manley, R. R. Manning, Maung U. Win, T. W. P. Millar, J. S. Miller, Mary H. Miller, D. R. Morgan, Ada C. Morrison, Joyce Newman, B. A. Nixon, K. Parbhoo, T. F. J. Parker, A. S. Paton, P. A. P. Pompa, Diana Ratcliffe, D. D. G. Simpson, C. Singh, H. Siomowitz, J. A. Stainton-Ellis, K. D. Stephenson, C. R. Sulochana, N. S. Thomas, J. S. Tozer, Patricia A. Topham, S. R. Umrigar, R. D. Unkles, S. Vanikiet, F. H. Walter, Elizabeth M. B. Watson, A. I. Weinreich, J. M. S. Whiting, D. C. M. Wilcox, P. F. Willis, J. E. York, Freda Young.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIO-DIAGNOSIS.—D. A. Alderson, K. Ashcroft, K. Aung, W. R. Barrow, D. C. Bernstein, M. P. Bhalla, S. Bissvass, H. J. Bloch, R. Cable, D. F. Cantwell, G. Cohen, I. D. Davies, M. L. Dyson, R. F. Fouché, J. Fraser, R. W. Galloway, J. J. Gately, K. Grainger, I. Isherwood, N. Joffe, Brigid Keane, J. T. Lamb, J. Lees, J. J. D. Lobo,

A. B. McGregor, M. R. H. Mahmood, R. C. Michell, N. L. Mills, I. Movsas, N. D. C. O'Connell, Irmgard Patton, J. J. Prior, K. D. Reddy, P. Reichman, B. Ridgway, J. H. Rustage, A. Sardar, H. M. Saxton, S. N. Sender, M. P. Shannon, E. Sheville, M. J. Strachan, H. M. Strathern, D. F. Street, G. Sullivan, S. N. B. Talwate, S. Taneja, R. P. Vass, P. Ward, W. L. Wong.

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—G. H. Armitage, Grace Bainbridge, A. H. Borowitz, A. M. Bradfield, S. W. G. Caseley, M. R. Chaudhry, A. B. Cooper, F. H. Corbitt, J. McK. Davie, R. N. Davis, J. Erulkar, G. W. Fenton, A. Gage, M. E. Grant, I. Hadfield, L. Harris, P. Hays, G. A. Heasman, Mary K. P. Henderson, W. Leggat, K. Loucas, N. C. Low, S. M. Macentee, N. K. Macrae-Gibson, W. K. Marshall, Pamela G. L. W. Mason, W. J. Nicholson, V. R. Ntsekhe, P. M. J. O'Brien, J. R. Palmer, Barbara Petrovskaia, A. Pick, E. W. Poole, J. H. Price, J. R. Roy, Barbara J. Salisbury, G. H. Scott, J. C. Scott, K. Singh, W. B. Spry, J. S. Stead, A. A. Sugerman, S. S. Syalce, W. D. Wilson, W. Wollen.

DIPLOMA IN TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.—H. F. McElligott, U. Sahay, T. Tharmaratnam.

DIPLOMA IN PATHOLOGY.—B. B. Beeson, P. W. J. Bosman, S. M. Deoras, G. Garrett, Barbara E. Grahame, I. J. Hunter, F. Kurrein, C. J. McDonald, J. Ward.

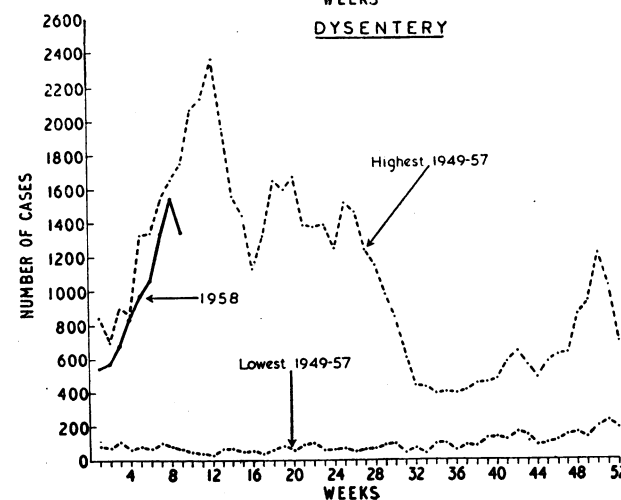
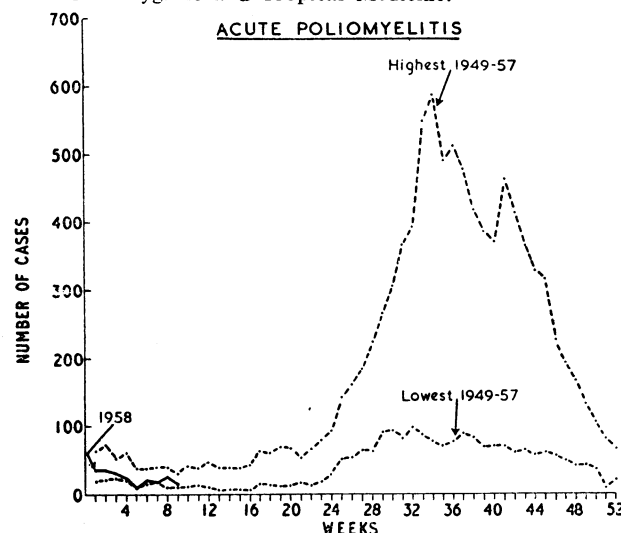
DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.—Mary M. M. Boyd, M. J. Catton, M. L. Graeme, B. Hussain, P. V. Krishnamurti, C. L. Milburn, S. K. Sen, Tin U, E. J. Wright.

DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.—D. J. Clark.

## Vital Statistics

## Graphs of Infectious Diseases

The graphs below show the uncorrected numbers of cases of certain diseases notified weekly in England and Wales. Highest and lowest figures reported in each week during the years 1949-57 are shown thus ----, the figures for 1958 thus ———. Except for the curves showing notifications in 1958, the graphs were prepared at the Department of Medical Statistics and Epidemiology, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.



## COMING EVENTS

**Drug Action.**—Symposium on "Quantitative Methods in Human Pharmacology and Therapeutics," March 24 and 25, at the Wellcome Building, Euston Road, London, N.W.1. Arranged by the Co-ordinating Committee for Symposia on Drug Action. Details from Dr. D. R. LAURENCE, University College Hospital Medical School, University Street, London, W.C.1.

**Mental Health Research Fund.**—The seventh annual meeting will be held on March 25 at the Royal Society of Medicine, London. The business meeting at 4 p.m. will be followed at 5 p.m. by a public meeting.

**Lister Festival Dinner.**—At the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2, March 28, at 7.15 for 7.45 p.m. Tickets (50s. inclusive) from Mr. W. F. DAVIS at the college.

**Institute of Dermatology.**—Semi-permanent exhibition from March 31 to April 25, on "Moniliasis."

**Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland.**—Annual meeting, April 10-12, in Belfast. Details from the association, 47, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2.

**Radiation Hazards.**—Course for medical officers of health, April 10-12, at the Royal Society of Arts, 10, John Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C.2. The course has been arranged by the Services Group of the Society of Medical Officers of Health, Tavistock House South, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

**Refresher Course.**—For general practitioners at the Southern Hospital, Dartford, Kent, on each Friday from April 11 to June 20, at 2.45 p.m. Details from Dr. J. C. HOGARTH at the hospital.

**"Mental Health in the Public Health Field."**—Residential course for M.O.H.s at Lupton Hall, Leeds, April 11-19. A few vacancies remain. Apply to northern secretary, National Association for Mental Health, 9, Mount Preston, Leeds, 2.

**Institute of Psychiatry.**—Lecture and demonstration courses for postgraduate students in psychiatry, commencing April 14, at the Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, London, S.E.5. Details from the hospital.

**Ophthalmological Society of the U.K.**—Annual congress, April 17-19, in Cardiff. Details from the society, 47, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2.

**Biochemical Society.**—Annual general meeting, April 18 (10.45 a.m.) and 19, at University College, Gower Street, London, W.C.1. Details from Dr. C. E. DALGLIESH, Postgraduate Medical School of London, Ducane Road, London, W.12.

**Postgraduate Course.**—For N.H.S. principals, April 28 to May 10 at the Welsh National School of Medicine. Details from the secretary of the school, 34, Newport Road, Cardiff.

## 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 17

● **HUNTERIAN SOCIETY.**—At Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, E.C., 7 for 7.30 p.m., Third Dinner Meeting. 8.30 p.m., discussion to be opened by Dr. J. A. Dudgeon and Dr. W. H. Kelleher: Poliomyelitis.  
**POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.**—(1) 9.30 p.m., Professor A. K. Basu (Calcutta): Clinico-Pathological Study of Cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis Treated by Antibiotics and Pulmonary Resection. (2) 4 p.m., Dr. K. G. Lowe: Acute Renal Failure.  
**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON: DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY.**—At Physiology Theatre, Gower Street, W.C., 5 p.m., public lecture by Dr. J. D. Judah: Oxidative Phosphorylation—(2) Interpretations and Mechanisms.

## Tuesday, March 18

**B.B.C. TELEVISION.**—9.30 p.m., "Your Life in Their Hands," No. 6.—The Ever-Lessening Shadow, from Sully Hospital, Glamorgan.  
**HEATHERWOOD ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL.**—8.30 p.m., Mr. G. P. Arden: Radioactive Isotopes in Orthopaedic Surgery.  
**INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.**—5.30 p.m., Dr. I. Friedmann: Microscopical Anatomy of the Ear.  
**INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.**—5.30 p.m., Professor N. F. MacLagan: Biochemistry of Coma. (Postponed from March 4.)  
**WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.**—5.30 p.m., Mr. K. I. Nissen: Orthopaedic Aid for Spastic States.

## Wednesday, March 19

**EUGENICS SOCIETY.**—At Royal Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, W., 5.30 p.m., symposium: New Human Demands in Industry. Speakers, Mr. A. Rodger, The Hon. Michael Layton, Mr. R. Peddie, and Dr. K. Hutton, D.Phil.  
**FACULTY OF ANAESTHETISTS: ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.**—4 p.m., Joseph Clover Lecture by Professor W. D. M. Paton, F.R.S.: Mechanisms of Transmission in the Central Nervous System.  
**HARVEIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON.**—8.15 p.m., Harveian Lecture by Professor Robert Kark (Illinois): Bright's Disease Then and Now.  
**INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.**—5 p.m., Mr. E. F. Chin: Indications for and Results of Surgery in Funnel Chest and Congenital Sternal Prominence.  
**INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.**—4.30 for 5 p.m., Mr. J. D. Fergusson: Control of Advanced Cancer.  
**MIDLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY.**—At Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham, 8.15 p.m., clinical meeting.  
**POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.**—2 p.m., Dr. R. Winston Evans: Certain Aspects of the Pathology of Ovarian Tumours.  
**ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HYGIENE.**—3.30 p.m., Dr. A. C. Boyle: Role of the Disk in Backache.  
**WILLESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.**—At Department of Physiological Medicine, 8.45 p.m., Mr. T. Holmes Sellors: Surgery of the Oesophagus.

## Thursday, March 20

**BRISTOL UNIVERSITY.**—At Large Physics Lecture Theatre, Royal Fort, 8.30 p.m., Patrick Watson Williams Memorial Lecture by Mr. T. E. Cawthorne: Facial Palsy.  
**BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY.**—8 p.m., Presidential Address by Dr. L. F. Lamerton, M.Sc., Ph.D.: Examination of the Clinical and Experimental Data Relating to Possible Hazard to the Individual of Small Doses of Radiation.  
**FOUNTAIN HOSPITAL.**—5.30 p.m., subject: Neural Malformations. Papers by Dr. J. W. Millen and Dr. D. H. M. Woolam: Experimental Production of Malformations of the Brain; Dr. L. Crome: Gross Neural Malformations in Mental Defectives.  
**HILL END HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.**—8.45 p.m., Sir James Paterson Ross.  
**HYPNOTHERAPY GROUP.**—At Royal Society of Medicine, 8 p.m., annual general meeting. Discussion to be opened by Dr. T. F. Main and Dr. D. E. R. Kelsey: Agoraphobia.  
**LIVERPOOL MEDICAL INSTITUTION.**—3 p.m., Dr. P. H. Whitaker and others: radiological demonstration.  
**LONDON ASSOCIATION OF THE MEDICAL WOMEN'S FEDERATION.**—At Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine, 8 for 8.30 p.m., annual general meeting. Discussion: The Problems of Young Married Medical Women.  
**LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.**—At Medical Society of London, 8.30 p.m., Sir Reginald Watson-Jones: Physical and Psychological Problems in Orthopaedic Cases.  
**MANCHESTER MEDICAL SOCIETY: SECTION OF ANAESTHETICS.**—At Staff House, Manchester University, 7.45 for 8 p.m., Dr. J. A. Lee: Some Experiences with Extradural Analgesia.  
**NORTH-EAST LONDON CLINICAL SOCIETY.**—At Prince of Wales's General Hospital, Tottenham, N., 2.30 p.m., meeting.  
**ROYAL EYE HOSPITAL.**—5.15 p.m., Dr. T. H. Whittington: Ophthalmic Lenses and Their Effects.  
**ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.**—At Royal Army Medical College, Millbank, S.W., 7.30 p.m., laboratory meeting.  
● **WEST LONDON MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.**—At Star and Garter Hotel, Putney Bridge, W., 7.30 for 8 p.m., dinner meeting. Mr. A. Dickson Wright: Famous Operations in History.  
**WEST OF ENGLAND CHILD HEALTH GROUP.**—At Ham Green Isolation Hospital and Sanatorium, Pill, near Bristol, 6.30 p.m., clinical meeting, by invitation of Dr. J. Macrae.

## Friday, March 21

**FACULTY OF RADIOLOGISTS.**—At Royal College of Surgeons of England, 4.45 p.m., Dr. J. F. Loutit, Dr. A. S. McLean, and Dr. J. D. Abbott: Medical Problems Associated with Applied Atomic Energy.  
**INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.**—5 p.m., Dr. F. H. Scadding: clinical demonstration.  
**INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.**—3.30 p.m., clinical discussion for general practitioners. Mr. G. H. Howells: Cancer of the Larynx.  
**LEICESTER CHRISTIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.**—At Leicester Royal Infirmary, 8.30 for 8.45 p.m., Dr. E. F. Griffith: Psychotherapy and Marital Disharmony.  
**ROYAL INSTITUTION.**—9 p.m., Woodhull Lecture by Professor C. D. Darlington, D.Sc., F.R.S.: Control of Evolution in Man.  
**ROYAL MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY OF GLASGOW.**—At Stobhill Hospital, Springfield, Glasgow, 8.30 p.m., clinical night.

## Saturday, March 22

**LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.**—At Savoy Hotel, 6.45 p.m. to 1 a.m., annual dinner dance.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

## BIRTHS

**Alexander.**—On February 17, 1958, at the City General Hospital, Sheffield, to Susan Lillas (formerly Munro), and Conel Alexander, M.B., M.R.C.P., a daughter.  
**Evans.**—On February 4, 1958, at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, E.C., to Muriel, wife of Robert J. Evans, M.D., a son—Miles Liddiard.  
**Evans.**—On February 23, 1958, at Morfa, New Park Road, Holyhead, Anglesey, to Dr. Joan Evans (formerly Wilson), and Dr. Emrys Evans, a brother for David and Philip.

## DEATHS

**Smith.**—On February 21, 1958, in hospital, Reginald Hubert Smith, F.R.C.S.Ed., D.L.O., of Mawden, Wood End Lane, Stalybridge, Cheshire, aged 57.  
**Sprunt.**—On February 15, 1958, at 35, Castle Terrace, Berwick-on-Tweed, William Rodger Sprunt, T.D., M.B., Ch.B., aged 63.  
**Wilkes.**—On February 12, 1958, in the Birmingham General Hospital, Addie Wilkes, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of 41, Birmingham Road, Great Barr, Staffs, late of Pelsall, Staffs.