

not enough. Between these two may be one or more intermediaries whose life history and the conditions which influence it may be of paramount importance in spreading or controlling the disease. In the remainder and greater part of the book the agent, the host, and the mode of transmission of some individual diseases are shortly described, while the geographical distribution is discussed in more detail. There are several maps—some not too easy to elucidate—to show the incidence or spread of particular diseases or outbreaks of disease.

To the non-medical scientific worker this book will be useful as a reference volume of medical geography where he can easily find what facts are known about the incidence of various diseases in the part of the world in which he is interested. It is doubtful if the physician will find it of much value, for he will probably require more information about matters only cursorily dealt with, or he will want to go into the medical geography in more detail.

ALAN ROOK.

PROGRESS IN PSYCHIATRY

Recent Progress in Psychiatry. Volume 3. *The Journal of Mental Science.* Edited by G. W. T. H. Fleming and A. Walk. With the assistance of L. C. Cook, P. K. McCowan, M. Partridge, F. L. Golla, A. Meyer, W. Linford Rees, W. Warren, T. F. Main, R. M. Norman, and B. W. Richards. (Pp. 397; illustrated. 42s.) London: J. and A. Churchill Ltd. 1959.

This is the third of a series of specially written articles summarizing recent progress in psychiatry, the two previous volumes appearing in 1944 and 1950 respectively. The first two set a very high standard indeed, which this volume unfortunately does not live up to. Most of the important recent advances in psychological medicine have been in treatment. And often these have been of a quite empirical nature, though together they have recently constituted a revolution in psychiatric treatment. Unfortunately, this book has little at all to say about recent work related to any of these advances. E.C.T., insulin, and all the mass of work on the new tranquillizing drugs have been completely ignored. There is also nothing about psycho-analysis, group methods of treatment, or even about the uses of psychotherapy in general. Chapters on advances in the treatment of children and old people are also absent. Excellent articles, however, do appear on psychological testing, psychiatric genetics, and the biochemistry of the nervous system. But, again, much too much space has been wasted on topics about which very little is really known at the present time, such as the enzymatic basis of certain psychoses and the psychiatry of crime.

This book has been very useful in the past, and was again being eagerly awaited because of the generally high quality of its articles and the practical help it has given to the clinician. But the delay in the appearance of this third volume and its contents have both proved disappointing. One can only hope for better next time.

WILLIAM SARGANT.

A Synopsis of Skin Diseases, by Bethel Solomons, jun. (293 pp., 30s.), a newcomer to the synopsis series published by John Wright and Sons, Ltd., Bristol, is written as a short reference book for the practitioner, for those needing to revise the subject rapidly, and for the student preparing for his final examination. A table giving the concentrations of over 800 substances which can be used in patch testing, a short formulary, and a very full index are included.

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BOOKS RECEIVED

Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received.

Pediatric Neurosurgery. Edited by Ira Jackson, M.D., M.Sc., F.A.C.S., F.A.C.A., and Raymond K. Thompson, M.D., F.A.C.S. With 24 contributors. (Pp. 564+xvi; illustrated. £6 5s.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1959.

Biochemistry of Blood in Health and Disease. By I. Newton Kugelmass, M.D., Ph.D., Sc.D. (Pp. 543+ix; illustrated. £6 6s.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1959.

Night Vision. By Gaetan E. Jayle, Albert G. Ourgaud, L. F. Baisinger, M.D., and William John Holmes, M.D. (Pp. 408+xiv; illustrated. £5 8s.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1959.

Essentials of Orthopaedics. By Philip Wiles, M.S.(Lond.), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.A.C.S. Third edition. (Pp. 576+xiii; illustrated. 70s.) London: J. and A. Churchill, Ltd. 1959.

Doctor's Weekend. By Hubert Bagster. (Pp. 191. 15s.) London: Andre Deutsch. 1960.

Surgery of Repair as Applied to Hand Injuries. By B. K. Rank, C.M.G., M.S.(Melbourne), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.R.A.C.S., and A. R. Wakefield, M.S.(Melbourne), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.R.A.C.S. Second edition. (Pp. 284+xiv; illustrated. 45s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1960.

The Human Spine in Health and Disease. Anatomicopathologic Studies. By Georg Schmorl, M.D. *Clinicoradiologic Aspects.* By Herbert Junghanns, M.D. First American edition, translated and edited by Stefan P. Wilk, M.D., and Lowell S. Goin, M.D. (Pp. 285+xii; illustrated. \$21.) New York and London: Grune and Stratton. 1959.

La Colelitiasi et alia Hepatologica. Atti del Primo Symposium Internazionale di Epatologia, Chianciano-Terme, June 28-29, 1958. By 30 contributors. (Pp. 637; illustrated.) Edizioni Chianciano. 1959.

Miscellaneous Notes. By F. Parkes Weber, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.S.A. Fifth series. (Pp. 21. 5s.) London: H. K. Lewis and Co., Ltd. 1960.

L'Apparato Joideo: Anatomia, Fisiopatologia e Clinica (Ricerche ed Osservazioni Personali). By Lorenzo Marcucci. Collana di Monografie de "L'Ateneo Parmense" No. 3 (Pp. 165; illustrated.) Parma: Edizioni "L'Ateneo Parmense." 1959.

Physiology of the Retina and the Visual Pathway. By G. S. Brindley, M.A., M.D. (Pp. 298+xi; illustrated. 35s.) London: Edward Arnold (Publishers) Ltd. 1960.

Toxic Aliphatic Fluorine Compounds. By F. L. M. Pattison, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.I.C., F.C.I.C. (Pp. 227+xi; illustrated. 18s.) Amsterdam, London, New York, Princeton: Elsevier Publishing Co. 1959.

Postvaccinal Perivenous Encephalitis. A Pathological Anatomical Study on the Place of Postvaccinal Perivenous Encephalitis in the Group Encephalitides (The Disease of Turnbull-Luesch-Bastiaanse). By Ernst de Vries. (Pp. 181+vii; illustrated. 38s.) Amsterdam, London, New York, Princeton: Elsevier Publishing Co. 1960.

La Malattia di Ebstein. By Giulio Sotgiu, with Sergio Lenzi, Marlo Facci, and Marco Foscarni. (Pp. 133; illustrated. L. 3,500.) Bologna: Cappelli. 1959.

Culture and Mental Health. Cross-Cultural Studies. Edited by Marvin K. Opler. (Pp. 533+xxi. 61s.) New York and London: The Macmillan Company. 1959.

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Instructional Course Lectures. Volume XVI. 1959. (Pp. 335; illustrated. £6.) St. Louis: C. V. Mosby Co. London: Henry Kimpton. 1959.

A Short History of Nursing. By W. R. Bett, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.R.S.L., F.S.A.Scot. Illustrated by Mona Moore. (Pp. 125. 12s. 6d.) London: Faber and Faber, Ltd. 1960.

The Equality of Women. By the Right Honourable the Lord Denning, Q.C. *Eleanor Rathbone Memorial Lecture.* (Pp. 16. 3s. 6d.) Liverpool: University Press. 1960.

Arthritis. Medical Treatment and Home Care. By John H. Bland, M.D. Illustrated by George Daly. (Pp. 208+xix; illustrated. 34s. 6d.) New York and London: The Macmillan Company. 1960.

The general rule is that one is vicariously liable for acts done in the course of employment by one's servant, but not for such acts done by an independent contractor. The difference between servant and independent contractor is often expressed as the difference between a contract of service and a contract for services. One is liable for injuries caused by one's chauffeur, but not for injuries caused by one's taxi-driver. However, in cases concerning the liability of a hospital for its doctors, the courts have in many cases been able to avoid this difficult distinction by finding that the hospital authority itself undertook a duty of care towards the patient: the hospital did not discharge this duty simply by providing a reasonably competent staff; the duty was only discharged if reasonably careful and proper treatment was given.

In the present case the college's medical officer received an annual fee of £260 plus the N.H.S. capitation fees for the boys and the staff for his part-time duties. It was argued by the defence that this was a contract for services and not a contract of services. The court avoided deciding this point by holding that the college in its prospectus, which formed part of the contract between parents and the college, had held itself out as providing medical attention in addition to education, the medical attention being covered by fees which were stated to include treatment in the sick bay. Treatment in the sick bay was not limited to treatment by the sister. Therefore, if Dr. Thomas had been negligent, the college would be liable.

Textbooks Not Final

But had the doctor been negligent? The case against him was that he had let his patient out of bed too soon, had treated the case too lightly as a mild one, and had departed from orthodox treatment. His answer was that the treatment was prescribed with the individual needs of the patient as a potential epileptic in mind.

Mr. Justice Streatfeild stated first the well-established principle that a doctor is not expected to be a miracle-worker but only to show the diligence, skill, and knowledge to be reasonably expected of an ordinary practitioner. He then referred to the matter of departing from orthodox treatment. If one particular textbook were to be followed slavishly, he said, no doctor could escape liability unless he kept his patient in bed until all signs of bile pigment disappeared from the urine and stools. Mr. Justice Streatfeild made it quite clear that, although a practitioner must be guided by the general standards of medical learning of his time, he must not be frightened to depart from the "textbook treatment" in proper cases. As *The Times* reports it:

"Textbook writers, or writers of articles, were writing of a subject generally. They were not writing of a particular patient and it was common ground between all the doctors that something must be left to the judgment of the doctor on the spot, who did not have to treat a case of infective hepatitis only, but had a particular patient, Peter Holland, to treat. Dr. Thomas had to bear the whole picture in mind. A general practitioner was entitled to use his common sense, his experience, and his judgment so far as it fitted the particular case. It would be a sorry day for the medical profession if it were said that no doctor or surgeon ought to depart one tittle from that which he saw written in the textbooks. Indeed, one might go the other way and say that if a doctor did not do so he might be negligent."

In the court's opinion, not only was there no negligence in this case, but there had been no mistake at the first stage.

FRAUDULENT HYPNOTIST

[FROM OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT]

In the Coventry County Court on February 12 a married woman obtained an order for the return of £53 paid as fees to a hypnotist, Victor Vinmar, of Upper Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin (*Birmingham Post*, February 13). The judge stigmatized the treatment given for nervous disorder as bogus, and the conduct of the treatment highly suspect. The

plaintiff, who first met Vinmar as a result of an advertisement he had placed in a local paper, said that he assaulted her, and vainly tried to induce her to remove her clothes while she was under hypnosis. Vinmar did not defend the action or appear.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

Dr. John Badenoch, Director of Clinical Studies, has been appointed representative of the University on the council of St. Luke's Homes Ltd., until February 18, 1961, in place of Dr. F. G. Hobson, who has resigned.

The board of the Faculty of Medicine has co-opted Dr. A. M. Cooke for the statutory period of two years from the first day of Hilary Term, 1960.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Dr. E. H. R. Ford has been appointed a University Lecturer in the Department of Anatomy for three years from October 1, 1960, and the Hon. R. H. Adrian, M.B., B.Chir., a University Lecturer in the Department of Physiology for three years from January 1, 1961.

In Congregation on February 6 the degree of M.B. was conferred, by proxy, on D. M. C. Forster.

Dr. Marthe L. Vogt, F.R.S., has been elected into a Supernumerary Fellowship of Girton College, with tenure from April 1, 1960.

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

The following appointments are announced: Dr. A. H. C. Sinclair-Gieben, as Senior Lecturer in Mental Health; Dr. N. G. Fraser, as Lecturer in Mental Health; and Dr. John Findlay, to a Terminable Lectureship in Anatomy.

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

Dr. R. H. Girdwood, Reader in the Department of Medicine, has been admitted to membership of the Faculty of Medicine.

Dr. E. A. Harris has resigned his appointment as Lecturer in the Department of Medicine.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

Dr. Hermann Lehmann, Senior Lecturer in Chemical Pathology at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, has been appointed to the University Readership in Chemical Pathology tenable at that College.

The title of Reader in Chemical Pathology in the University has been conferred on Dr. G. R. Webster in respect of his post at Guy's Hospital Medical School.

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

Professor C. F. V. Smout has been appointed representative of the university on the governing bodies of Prince Henry's Grammar School and Prince Henry's Exhibition Foundation, Evesham.

The title of University Research Fellow has been given to the following during the tenure of their present awards on appointments or for the period of their stay in the University: Dr. E. Marley (Nuffield Research Fellow), in the Department of Experimental Psychiatry, and Dr. C. Chlouverakis, Dr. Margaret T. England (Endowment Fund Research Fellow in the Department of Medicine), Dr. M. G. Fitzgerald (Endowment Fund Research Fellow in the General Hospital, Birmingham), Dr. C. T. Flear (Beit Research Fellow), Dr. D. J. Fone (Research Associate in the General Hospital, Birmingham), Dr. W. A. Hudson and Dr. Annette B. Rawson (Senior Registrars, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham), Dr. D. J. O'Sullivan (Senior Registrar, General Hospital, Birmingham), and Dr. H. C. White (Senior Registrar in the Department of Psychological Medicine, United Birmingham Hospitals), all in the Department of Medicine.

The following appointments are announced: Sir Arthur Thomson, Senior Fellow in Medical History, from January 1, 1960; Dr. R. F. Fletcher, Lecturer in the Department of Medicine, from October 1, 1960; Dr. J. D. Blainey, part-time Lecturer in the Department of Experimental Pathology (Metabolic Diseases) for the period he holds his present post of Consultant Physician to the United Birmingham Hospitals; Mr. N. E. Winstone, temporary Lecturer in the Department of Surgery, from December 1, 1959, to September 30, 1960; Mr. J. A. Williams, Lecturer in the Department of Surgery, from October 1,

1960; Dr. H. G. Clarke, temporary Lecturer in the Department of Physiology, from January 1 to December 31, 1960.

Mr. G. T. Watts, Lecturer in Surgery, resigned from his appointment on February 14, 1960.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College held on February 11, with Sir James Pate-son Ross, President, in the chair, Professor John Bruce, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, was admitted to the Honorary Fellowship. Professor Carl Semb, of Oslo, was elected to the Honorary Fellowship.

Sir Cecil Wakeley and Sir Harry Platt (Past Presidents), Sir Zachary Cope, Mr. W. A. Innes, and Mr. C. R. Coleman were elected Members of the Court of Patrons.

Dr. Cuthbert Dukes was appointed the Thomas Vicary Lecturer for 1960.

A Hunterian Professorship was awarded to Mr. P. M. Weston, of the West Indies.

Dr. Bertram Cohen was appointed the first Nuffield Research Professor of Dental Science in the College, and Dr. G. V. R. Born Vandervell Professor of Pharmacology.

The following were elected to the Fellowship *ad eundem*: Isabella Forshall, P. G. Cutlack Martin, G. E. Moloney, A. W. Kay.

The Honorary Medal of the College was awarded to Sir Cecil Wakeley, Past President.

The Hallett Prize was awarded to J. C. Doyle, of the University of Melbourne, and Miss I. S. S. Rajah, of the University of Ceylon. Handcock Prizes were awarded to Stephen Jeremy McDonald, of Charing Cross Hospital Medical School, and to David Robert Harvey, of Guy's Hospital Medical School.

Diplomas of Fellowship in the Faculty of Anaesthetists were granted as follows:

K. W. Dodd, G. B. Burchell, I. M. Brown, T. K. Hardy, N. H. Eve, M. R. Milne, W. Braude, W. S. Dykes, J. N. Thorpe, I. W. Davidson, S. R. Umrigar, R. D. McC. Davie, N. H. Jafry, F. W. McCormick, Mary F. West, Catherine K. Adam, G. Clarke, D. T. McClements, Marie M. Simpson, W. I. Coibek, Winifred E. Elesh, C. J. R. Elliott, J. P. N. Hicks, A. B. Lodge, W. N. C. McCleery, N. McLeod, D. D. Moir, E. D. T. Ross, P. A. Tsol-A-Sue, D. M. Davies, G. C. Fisk, Dorothy E. Harris, D. D. Hart, P. I. W. Knell, I. M. J. Mair, R. R. Manning, Isobel Speirs, L. T. Wijeyaratne, F. B. N. Clarke, A. T. R. Fuller, C. F. Hider, B. A. Lyder, Maung U Win, J. H. Stevens, T. H. Taylor, R. J. G. Thom-on.

Diplomas in Medical Radiotherapy were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, to D. S. Andrew and K. D. Reddy.

ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

The following have been elected office-bearers of the College from May 25, 1960, to 1962: *President*, Dr. T. M. Greenaway; *Vice-Presidents*, Dr. F. R. Home, Dr. H. M. Rennie, Dr. E. H. Roche; *Censor-in-Chief*, Dr. K. B. Noad; *Honorary Treasurer*, Dr. G. B. D. Hall; *Honorary Secretary*, Dr. L. Harris.

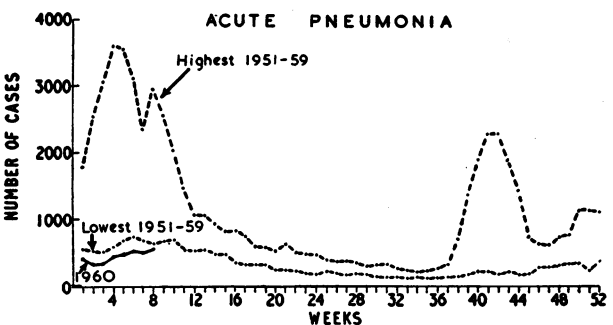
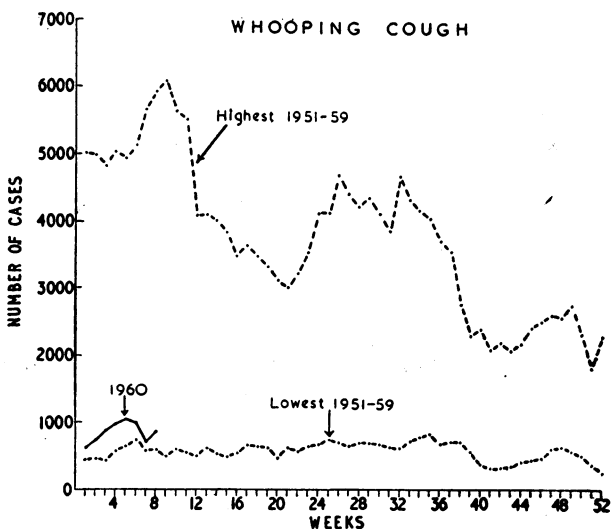
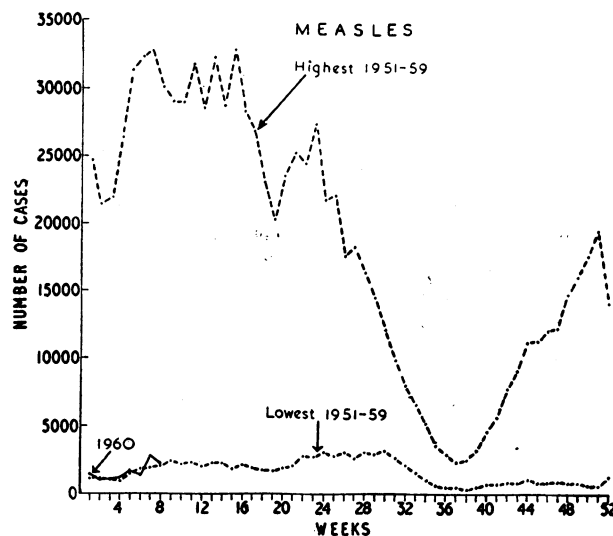
Vital Statistics

Diphtheria in Belgium

A rise in the incidence and mortality of diphtheria was experienced by most European countries during the early years of the second world war. In Belgium the number of cases rose steadily from 2,311 in 1940 to a maximum of 16,157 in 1943, and the number of deaths increased from 403 to 892. The incidence then fell, notifications reaching a minimum of 512 cases in 1951, with 53 deaths. In subsequent years the number of notifications increased, and over 600 cases were notified annually in the four years 1953-6, although the mortality fell and only 20 deaths were registered in 1956. In 1957 a further rise in incidence occurred, 879 cases being notified, and in 1958 the figure went up to 1,312. There were 45 deaths in 1957 and 34 in 1958. The numbers of children immunized have fluctuated considerably, the totals for the three years 1956-8 being 31,688, 77,584 and 53,809. In the various areas of the country there have been large annual variations in the numbers immunized—e.g., in Limbourg 12,990 children were immunized in 1955 but only 470 in 1958. In a letter to members of the medical profession the Minister of Health of the Belgian Government has expressed concern about the rise in notification of diphtheria and has stressed the need for immunization (*Arch. Belges Méd. soc.*, 1959, 17, 671).

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 1951-9 are shown thus -----, the figures for 1960 thus ———. Except for the curves showing notifications in 1960, the graphs were prepared at the Department of Medical Statistics and Epidemiology, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.



Influenza in England and Wales

There is no laboratory or other evidence that influenza is prevalent in Britain. During the week ended February 27 the number of deaths in England and Wales from influenza (56) was a little higher than in the previous week (42). The

BRITISH JOURNAL OF OPHTHALMOLOGY.—Issued monthly (£6 annually). The new issue (Vol. 44, No. 1) includes:

- Ocular Complications in Sickle-Cell Haemoglobin C Disease.** Stewart Munro and Colin Walker.
Subconjunctival Administration of Soframycin in the Treatment of Corneal Infections. D. Ainslie and J. E. Cairns.
Some Biochemical Changes in Naphthalene Cataract. D. Salmony.
Diffuse Infiltrating Retinoblastoma. P. B. Schofield.
Intra-Ocular Gnathostomiasis. Ko Gyi.
Injection Technique for Studying Retinal Blood Vessels. H. R. Hausler and T. M. Sibay.
Iris Hole following Concussion Injury. J. D. Abrams.
Paralysis of Accommodation with Recovery after 5 Years. R. W. Stephenson.
Secondary Glaucoma after Occlusion of the Central Retinal Artery. J. S. Gupta.
Metastatic Carcinoma of Choroid. D. Stenhouse Stewart.
Patwardhan's Cross-Action Iris Retractor. D. G. Patwardhan.
Apparatus for the Diagnosis and Recording of Diplopia. E. C. Cowan.
Correspondence.
Book Review.
Notes.

BRITISH JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE AND SOCIAL MEDICINE.—Issued quarterly (£3 annually). The new issue (Vol. 13, No. 4) includes:

- Statistical Analysis of Suicide and Other Mortality Rates of Students.** R. G. Carpenter.
Variability in Answers to a Questionnaire on Respiratory Symptoms. A. S. Fairbairn, C. H. Wood, and C. M. Fletcher.
Respiratory Tuberculosis in the Birmingham Region. P. G. Arblaster, K. W. Cross, and V. H. Springett.
Geographical Distribution of Disease. G. M. Howe.
Bronchitis in the Insured Population of Northern Ireland. C. W. Kidd and A. T. Park.
Social Class Distribution of Respiratory Tuberculosis Notifications in Northern Ireland, 1949-53. J. D. Merrett.
Secular Pattern of Congenital Oesophageal Atresia. G. Knox.
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BRITISH JOURNAL OF VENEREAL DISEASES.—Issued quarterly (£3 annually). The new issue (Vol. 35, No. 4) includes:

- Reactions to Antibiotics.** R. R. Willcox.
Genital Neoplasms. C. D. Collins.
Treatment of Non-gonococcal Urethritis with Sigmamycin. W. Leach.
Neuropathological Findings in a Case of Juvenile General Paresis Treated with Penicillin. R. M. Norman, H. Ulrich, and W. A. Heaton-Ward.
Serological Tests in Long-standing Congenital Syphilis. J. Eng.
Studies of the Incidence of T. Pallidum Immobilizing Antibody in Rabbit Immune Sera against Various Types of Micro-organisms and Viruses. H. A. Nielsen and M. Metzger.
Female Consorts of Men with Non-gonococcal Urethritis. N. Rosedale.
Treatment of Gonorrhoea with P.A.M. and Probenecid. A. L. Hilton.
Treatment of Non-gonococcal Urethritis. G. Jelinek.
Treatment of Male Gonorrhoea with a Chlorotetracycline-Sulphonamide Combination. G. M. Thomson.
Increasing Failure Rate After Using the Same Preparation and Dosage of Penicillin in the Treatment of Gonorrhoea. H. Gjessing.
Synnematin B in the Treatment of Syphilis and Gonorrhoea. B. Schwimmer and N. D. Henderson.
Donovanosis Treated with Erythromycin Parenterally. S. Ghosh and R. Ghosh.
Treatment of Non-specific Urethritis with Tri-acetyl-oleandomycin (Evramycin) Parenterally. G. W. Csonka.
Treatment of Non-gonococcal Urethritis with Tri-acetyl-oleandomycin. R. R. Willcox.
Studies of Granuloma Inguinale. IV. J. Goldberg.
Mucocoele of Male Urethra. J. O. Doyle.
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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 14

- GUY'S HOSPITAL.**—At Physiology Theatre, 5.30 p.m., endocrine demonstration. Dr. G. A. Thomas: Disorders of Testicular Function.
INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Professor D. Denny-Brown (Boston, U.S.A.): Nature of Brief Recurrent Cerebrovascular Episodes.
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Professor E. Zaimis: Neurochemical Pharmacology.

Tuesday, March 15

- LEEDS NEUROLOGICAL SCIENCES COLLOQUIUM, 1959-1960.**—At Littlewood Hall, General Infirmary at Leeds, 5.15 p.m., Professor O. L. Zangwill: Asymmetry of Cerebral Hemisphere Function.
OSLER CLUB OF LONDON.—At National Hospital, Queen Square, W.C., 8.15 p.m., Dr. Macdonald Critchley: History of the Hospital and the Square.
SOUTH-WEST LONDON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Bolingbroke Hospital, 8.30 p.m., Dr. G. T. Stewart: Fats in Food, Blood, and Arteries.
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—4.30 p.m., Sydney Ringer Memorial Lecture by Professor M. Maizels: Salt and Water Balance in Cells.
WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. E. H. Larkin: Organic Dementia.

Wednesday, March 16

- CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP.**—At Royal Commonwealth Society, Northumberland Avenue, W.C. (Craven Street entrance), 8.15 p.m., Mr. Arnold S. Aldis: Keeping Faith with the Patient.

FACULTY OF ANAESTHETISTS: ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—4 p.m., Joseph Clover Lecture by Dr. J. A. Lee: Joseph Clover and the Contributions of Surgery to Anaesthesia.

HARVEIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON. 11, Chandos Street, W.—8.15 p.m., Harveian Lecture by Professor J. Waldenström (Sweden): Aspects of Gamma Globulin Pathology.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. A. Tickner: Biochemistry of Psoriasis.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Mr. Donald Barlow: Pathology, Treatment, and Complications of Achalasia.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Mr. H. K. Vernon: Cancer of the Kidneys.

LISTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Lecture Theatre, King's College Hospital Medical School, 8.30 p.m., Presidential Address by Professor C. H. Gray.

MIDLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At General Hospital, 8.15 p.m., clinical meeting.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m. Dr. B. E. C. Nordin: Metabolic Bone Disease.

WILKESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Department of Physical Medicine, 8.30 p.m., Mr. A. Dickson Wright: Some Momentous Operations.

Thursday, March 17

BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY.—8 p.m., subject: Reduction of Radiation Hazards in the Use of Radium and Similar Sources. Papers by Dr. F. Ellis, Mr. R. E. Ellis, B.Sc., and Drs. N. G. Trott, Ph.D., and K. W. Taylor, Ph.D.

LIVERPOOL SOCIETY OF ANAESTHETISTS.—At Liverpool Medical Institution, 8 p.m., joint meeting with Liverpool Medical Institution. Symposium: Hypothermia in Cardiac Surgery. Speakers, Professor T. C. Gray, Dr. Charles McKendrick, Mr. L. J. Temple, Dr. J. C. Richardson, and Dr. I. C. Geddes.

LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Selby's, 6, Hanover Street, W., 6.45 p.m., annual dinner dance.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian Lecture by Professor A. E. Jones: Supervoltage X-ray Therapy of Intracranial Tumours.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.—At Royal Army Medical College, Millbank, S.W., 7.30 p.m., laboratory meeting.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5 p.m., Sir Paul Mallinson: postgraduate demonstration in psychiatry.

WEST LONDON MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Nurses' Hall, West London Hospital, 7.30 for 8 p.m., dinner meeting. Mr. P. D. Trevor-Roper: Influence of Eye Disease on Pictorial Art.

Friday, March 18

ANGLO-GERMAN MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Ciba Foundation, 41, Portland Place, W., 8 p.m., annual general meeting.

INSTITUTE OF ALMONERS.—At William Beveridge Hall, Senate House, London University, W.C., 5.30 p.m., Dr. D. Stafford-Clark: The Doctor, the Patient, and the Public.

● **INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.**—5.30 p.m., Dr. R. H. Meara: clinical demonstration.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. J. C. Batten: clinical demonstration.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—3.30 p.m., clinical discussion for general practitioners. Dr. Norman Hulbert: Vertigo—Differential Diagnosis.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—(1) 10 a.m., Mr. R. G. Pulvertaft: Advances in Hand Surgery. (2) 4 p.m., Dr. J. A. Fraser Roberts: Medical Genetics. VI.

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: FINE CHEMICALS GROUP.—At School of Pharmacy, Brunswick Square, W.C., 6.30 p.m., joint meeting with Society for Analytical Chemistry. Mr. R. M. Pearson, A.R.I.C., and Dr. I. D. P. Wootton: Techniques of Automatic Analysis.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

- Durham.**—On March 6, 1960, at Ryde Nursing-home, Isle of Wight, to Mabel (formerly Lewis), and Surgeon Commander P. D. A. Durham, R.N., a sister for Anthony and Jonathan—Katharine Eve.
Horton.—To Drs. Eric and Thalia Horton (by adoption) a son—Charles Richard.

DEATHS

- Allan.**—On February 11, 1960, at "Hillside," Beacon Lane, Grantham, Lincs, John Balfour Allan, M.B., Ch.B.Ed.
Anderson.—On February 12, 1960, in Birmingham, Rupert George Anderson, M.D., D.P.M., of 25, Coval Road, East Sheen, London, S.W.
Austin-Beveridge.—On February 6, 1960, at Bexhill, Helen Austin-Beveridge, M.B., B.S., of 13, Old Manor Close, Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex.
Brodie.—On February 10, 1960, at Melbourne, Australia, Robert Charles Espinasse Brodie, F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.A.C.P.
Eglinton.—On February 13, 1960, at Cranhill House, Street, Somerset, John Henry Cox Eglinton, L.M.S.S.A., aged 66.
Harland.—On February 10, 1960, at Foxdale, Isle of Man, George Blenkhorn Harland, M.D., D.P.H., late Indian Medical Service.
Henry.—On February 12, 1960, at 61, Overstrand Mansions, London, S.W., Sydney Alexander Henry, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., D.P.H., D.T.M.
Jones.—On February 9, 1960, at his home, Torryburn, Brompton Avenue, Rhos-on-Sea, Owen Thomas Jones, M.B.E., L.R.C.P.&S.Ed.
Longford.—On February 10, 1960, at his home, Rainham, Kent, William Ulic Desmond Longford, L.R.C.P.&S.
Morrison.—On February 8, 1960, at Lewis Hospital, Stornoway, Malcolm Falconer Morrison, M.B., Ch.B.Ed., D.T.M.&H., late of the Nigerian Colonial Medical Service.
Pandalai.—On February 5, 1960, Krishnan Gopinath Pandalai, F.R.C.S.
Parry.—On February 7, 1960, at Warwick, Peter Parry, M.B., Ch.B., aged 45.
Paterson.—On February 11, 1960, at Gorse Patch, Runfold, Farnham, Surrey, Surgeon Captain Adrian Charles Paterson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
Russell.—On February 12, 1960, at 34, Tooting Bec Gardens, London, S.W., Charles Mowbray Russell, M.B.E., M.B., Ch.B.
Taylor.—On February 15, 1960, at 17, Kent Terrace, London, N.W., James Mabery Taylor, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
Thomson.—On February 10, 1960, at Westcroft, Dartford, Kent, David Maitland Thomson, M.B., B.S., aged 50.
Urquhart.—On February 8, 1960, at Denbigh, John Argyle Urquhart, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.