

assist those whose first language is Welsh. The Secretary of State for Wales has decided that "consent to treatment" forms will in future be printed bilingually, and it is suggested that signs and notices, and publications—where practicable and in response to demand—should be printed in both English and Welsh. Facilities should also be provided for hospital patients who wish to listen to Welsh broadcasting services, and to attend activities conducted in Welsh. Hospitals and clinics should have a Welsh speaking member of staff in attendance to answer oral inquiries, particularly those from the young or the elderly who may have difficulty in speaking and understanding English.

Health Education

The role of general practitioners in health education is to be considered by a working party with representatives from the Health Education Council, the Royal College of General Practitioners, and the Scottish Health Education Unit. The working party wants to collect information on the extent to which general practitioners already promote health education in their practices. Any doctor who would like to give details of his own experience is asked to contact the chief medical officer of the Health Education Council, Dr. A. J. Dalzell-Ward, at 78 New Oxford St., London WC1A 1AH.

Teachers of General Practice

Professor J. A. Forbes has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the Association of University Teachers of General Practice and Dr. J. G. R. Howie its secretary. Other members are Professor J. S. McCormick, Dr. D. Metcalfe, Professor D. C. Morrell, and Dr. J. S. K. Stevenson.

Snake Bite Treatment

Dr. Alistair Reid, in the Department of Tropical Medicine, University of Liverpool, has received a grant from the Medical Research Council of £26 509 for a three-year study of the effect of viper venoms. The study is to cover the adder, the only naturally occurring venomous snake in Britain, and the saw-scaled or carpet viper, said to be the most dangerous snake in the world to man and found in tropical regions of the Middle East, Africa, and India.

The work will be done in collaboration with the Ahmadu Bello University in Northern Nigeria.

Prisons and Prisoners

The Howard League for Penal Reform has issued the text of three lectures given under its sponsorship. Two of the lectures deal with sentencing; the lengths of sentences, how these are decided, and whether magistrates should have the power to imprison are among the points discussed. In the third, the author questions whether penal measures achieve the desired effect and what alternatives to prison could be satisfactory. *Sentencing*, Sir Kenneth Younger, 20p. *Control of Sentencing: the balance between the judge and the executive*, Lord Justice Scarman, 20p. *The Future Use of Prison*, Martin Wright, 15p. All obtainable from Howard League for Penal Reform, 125 Kennington Park Road, London SE11 4JP.

COMING EVENTS

Institute for the Study and Treatment of Delinquency.—Day seminar, "The Treatment of Offenders—Has Psychiatry Failed?" 9 April, Bedford. Fee £1.50. Details and application forms from the secretary, I.S.T.D., 8 Bourdon Street, London W1X 9HX. (Tel. 01-629 0622.)

Royal College of Physicians of London.—Teach-in, "Laboratory Diagnosis of Haemolytic Anaemia," 8 April, 8 p.m. For details see advertisement on page viii.

British Academy of Psychopharmacology.—Annual scientific meeting, 9-10 April, Royal Society of Medicine, London. Details from the academy's honorary secretary, Dr. D. Wheatley, 325 Staines Road, Twickenham, TW2 5AX.

Postgraduate Medical Week.—15-18 April, Sheffield University, organized jointly with Wellcome Foundation. Details from Mr. B. Saunders, Wellcome Foundation, P.O. Box 129, 183 Euston Road, London NW1 2BP. (Tel. 01-387 4477.)

Institute of Sports Medicine.—Symposium, "Medical Aspects of Violence in Sport—with particular reference to Head Injuries," 18 April, Savile Row, London W.1. Details from the secretary I.S.M., Ling House, 10 Nottingham Place, London W1M 4AX. (Tel. 01-486 1303.)

"Endocrinology in Obstetrics and Gynaecology."—Day teaching course, 24 April, St. Thomas's Hospital. Fee £3. Details and application forms from Dr. M. G. Brush, Department of Gynaecology, St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School, London SE1 7EH. (Tel. 01-928 9292, extn. 2462.)

Leeds University.—Day seminar, "Audio Visual Teaching Methods in Radiology," 25 April. Fee £5. Details from the director of special courses, Department of Adult Education and Extramural Studies, Leeds University, Leeds LS2 9JT. (Tel. 0532 35036.)

British Diabetic Association (Professional Services Section).—Spring meeting, 25 April, Southampton University. Fee £3. Details from Mr. B. Davies, B.D.A., 3-6 Alfred Place, London WC1E 7EE. (Tel. 01-636 7355.)

Institute of Urology.—Day seminar, "Medical and Surgical Aspects of Acute Renal Failure," 26 April. For details see advertisement on page viii.

North of England Otolaryngological Society.—Spring meeting, 26 April, Beaumont Hospital, Lancaster. Details from the honorary secretary, Mr. C. Diamond, E.N.T. Department, General Hospital, Westgate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 6BE.

European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.—Annual meeting, 26-28 May, Rome, organized by the Italian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. Details from the secretariat of the meeting, 111 Patologia Medica, Policlinico Umberto I, 00100 Rome, Italy.

International Conference on Prostaglandins.—26-30 May, Florence. Details from Dr. G. C. Folco, Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, Milan University, Via Andrea Del Sarto 21, 20129 Milan, Italy.

Royal Society.—Copies and details of the programme of meetings, April-June, are obtainable from the society, 6 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG. (Tel. 01-839 5561, extn. 278.) All interested in the subjects are welcome.

Exeter Postgraduate Medical Centre.—Copies and details of the programme, April-June, are obtainable from the clinical tutor, at the centre, Barrack Road, Exeter, Devon. (Tel. Exeter 70018.)

South Essex Postgraduate Medical Centre.—Copies and details of the programme, May-July, are obtainable from the secretary of the centre, at Basildon Hospital, Nether Mayne, Basildon, Essex SS16 5NL. (Tel. 0268 3911, extn. 360.)

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

For attending lectures marked * a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institution concerned.

Wednesday, 2 April

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, HAMPSTEAD.—5 p.m., lecture by Dr. E. J. Holborow.

WELSH NATIONAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.—5.30 p.m., William Sheen memorial lecture by Mr. R. V. Cooke: Inspiration and Performance.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

CAMBRIDGE

M.D.—J. J. Cogswell, R. T. D. Oliver, R. P. L. Waldram, C. P. Warlow.

LONDON

The title of professor of health service studies has been conferred on Dr. R. M. Acheson in respect of his post at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

The title of professor of medical oncology has been conferred on Dr. K. D. Bagshawe in respect of his post at the Charing Cross Hospital Medical School.

The title of reader in oral anatomy has been conferred on Dr. A. F. Hayward in respect of his post at the Royal Dental Hospital, London School of Dental Surgery.

M.D.—F. E. Boulton, J. B. Eastwood, A. W. Grogono.

M.S.—R. B. A. Adey, W. H. F. Thomson.

Ph.D.—*In the Faculty of Medicine:* J. M. Armstrong, D. T. De Vore, P. Ebdon, A. Halim, W. Harvey, Sarah R. Hemingway, R. A. Hutton, A. A. Khalil, Joan C. Mushin, P. J. Parkinson, H. Salih, J. P. P. Tyler, R. A. F. Whitelocke.

M.Phil.—*In the Faculty of Medicine:* Elizabeth J. Pegg.

BRISTOL

Ph.D.—*In the Faculty of Medicine:* T. J. David, R. Nadaraja.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At the ordinary meeting of the council held on 13 March, with Sir Rodney Smith, president, in the chair, Professor Guan-Bee Ong, of Hong Kong, and Dr. Arnold Naimark, of Winnipeg, were nominated Sir Arthur Sims Commonwealth travelling professors for 1976.

Mr. P. Shridhar was awarded a Proffit studentship for cancer research.

The Hallett prize was awarded to J. N. L. Simson.

The Handcock prize was awarded to J. Squire.

The Macgloghlin scholarships were awarded to I. F. Cunliffe and C. G. Ley.

Diplomas of fellowship were granted to Dr. D. A. Lloyd, Dr. D. A. Ramsden, and Dr. P. R. G. Turnbull.

F.F.A.R.C.S.—J. M. Hutchinson, P. N. Booth, Miriam A. McKenna, Naomi S. Byles, Ah Loi Lee, Marian Barry, J. T. O'B. Cranfield, R. B. Plummer, R. M. Bowen-Wright, G. R. G. Purcell, M. P. Corbey, R. C. Johnson, Anna-Maria Rollin, D. J. Glover, P. J. Simpson, E. J. Kershaw, Carol McGuinness, Elizabeth Green, Janette J. Brown, I. A. F. Haggag, I. J. Davis, B. R. Manawadu, Margaret J. S. Robertson, G. Lambert, Elizabeth H. Lovie, K. H. P. Singh, M. A. Walker, Daphne M. W. Waters, D. J. Allan, M. H. Arif, D. I. Grieve, M. T. Miller, P. B. Taylor, F. D. Tom P. A. Tom, Gillian D. Adey, Geraldine Hill, Glenys M. Hitchings, Eileen L. Horsman, Caroline E. Morrison, Kalpana Nandi, Sonja B. Pearce, I. Y. Pearson, G. J. Arthurs, J. W. Dowdall, P. M. Finch, B. P. Guratsky, R. A. Jones, P. G. P. Lawler, Mary E. M. Leigh, R. A. Lewis, Marjory Lothian, A. M. McKeag, J. A. Martyn, C. G. Odlin, W. G. Park, P. J. H. Read, A. H. Seymour, D. Simmons, Margaret C. Stockwell, D. C. Wilson, Christine A. Abercrombie, N. R. Bennett, M. D. R. Bexton, P. D. M. Costen, K. H. Craddock, D. J. Dye, R. M. Flowerdew, Jennifer A. Goy, Rowena L. Hallsworth, P. H. P. Harris, Susan M. Hylton, M. F. M. James, T. D. McCubbin, A. D. McLaren, Pamela S. Melding, Felicity J. Pickford, W. A. C. Scott, Christine R. Sweeney, P. G. N. Thornton, Susan J. Wiltshire, T. J. Winning, Patricia Y. P. Lee, P. J. Madden.

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