

COMING EVENTS

BMA Lambeth and Southwark Division—Annual symposium on "Are our children getting modern care or are we out of date?" 26 February, London. Details from Dr E M Rosser, 6 Drummond Road, London SE16 4BU. (Tel 01-237 7180.)

Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology—Symposium on "Mental illness in pregnancy and the puerperium," 2 March, London. Details from the symposium secretary, Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, Goldhawk Road, London W6 0XG. (Tel 01-748 6802 ext 355.)

Brookwood Hospital—MRCPsych (prelim) and DPM (parts A and B) weekend revision course, 17-19 March, Woking. For details see advertisement at p x.

National Conference on High Blood Pressure Control—2-4 April, Los Angeles. Details from Conference Headquarters, National Conference on High Blood Pressure Control, 1501 Wilson Boulevard, 6th Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22209, USA.

"Light for low vision"—Symposium organised by the Illuminating Engineering Society and the Partially Sighted Society, 4 April, London. Details from the secretary, Lighting Division of the Chartered Institution of Building Services, 49 Cadogan Square, London SW1X 0JB. (Tel 01-235 7671.)

National Society for Clean Air—Workshop on "The role of planning in the control of environmental pollution," 5-6 April, Bristol. Details from the Society, 136 North Street, Brighton BN1 1RG. (Tel Brighton 26313.)

British Institute of Radiology—Joint meeting incorporating British Institute of Radiology 36th annual congress, 13-14 April, London. Details from the General Secretary, British Institute of Radiology, 32 Welbeck Street, London W1M 7PG.

International Symposium on the CNS Complications of Malignant Disease—16-19 April, Southampton. Details from Mr A J Hayes, Symposium Secretariat, Wessex Oncology Service, Royal South Hants Hospital, Southampton SO9 4PE.

Royal Postgraduate Medical School—Details of three courses, "European cardiology at the Hammersmith," 17-21 April, "Clinical respiratory physiology: basic mechanisms and applications in disease," 2-5 May, and "Basic science course," 5-16 June, are now available from the Deputy Secretary's Office (SSC), Royal Postgraduate Medical School, Hammersmith Hospital, Duane Road, London W12 0HS. (Tel 01-743 2030 ext 351.)

Winnicott Memorial Fund—Conference on "The beginnings of life: is a new formula needed in the maternity services?" 21 April, London. Details from the Winnicott Memorial Fund, British Psycho-Analytical Society, 120 Corringway, London W5 3HA.

Tenovus Institute for Cancer Research—Workshop on "Glucocorticoid action and leukaemia," 27-28 April 1978, Cardiff. Details from Dr P A Bell, Tenovus Institute for Cancer Research, the Heath, Cardiff CF4 4XX. (Tel 0222 755944 ext 2484.)

Instructional course in hand surgery—27-29 April, Windsor. Details from Mr Stewart H Harrison, FRCS, 1 Dorset Road, Windsor, Berks SL4 3BA.

Symposium on "Disorders of growth"—8-10 May, Jerusalem. Details from Symposium on Disorders of Growth, Alyn Hospital, POB 9117, Jerusalem, Israel.

British Industrial and Scientific Film Association—17th British Sponsored Film Festival, 9-12 May 1978, Birmingham. Details from BISFA, 26 D'Arbury Street, London W1V 3FH. (Tel 01-439 8441/2.)

10th International Stomach Symposium—10-12 May 1978, Berlin. Details from Priv Doz Dr H G Beger, European Association for Gastro-camera Diagnosis, Chirurgische Universitätsklinik, FU Berlin, Spandauer Damm 130, 1000 Berlin 19, Germany.

9th International Symposium on Chromatography and Electrophoresis—15-17 May, Italy. Details from Dr Alberto Frigerio, Istituto di Ricerche Farmacologiche Mario Negri, Via Eritrea 62, 20157 Milan, Italy.

New York Academy of Sciences—Conference "The origins of modern biochemistry: a retrospect on proteins," 31 May-2 June, New York. Details from the Conference Department of the Academy, 2 East 63rd Street, New York 10021, USA.

1st World Congress of Coloproctology and 11th World Congress of Gastroenterology—1-3 and 5-9 June 1978, Madrid. Details from Calle Londres 41, Madrid 28, Spain.

11th International Symposium for Gnotobiology—6-10 June, Ulm, Federal Republic of Germany. Details from Conference Secretariat of the 11th International Symposium for Gnotobiology, c/o Department of Clinical Physiology, Oberer Eselsberg, M 24, 309, D-7900 Ulm (Donau), Federal Republic of Germany.

Manchester Medical Society—Copies of the February programme are now available from the Society, the University, Manchester M13 9PL. (Tel 061-273 6048.)

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.*

Sunday, 5 February

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY—10.15 am* Sunday morning seminar for general practitioners. Mr G Buchanan: Mouth and throat cancer.

Monday, 6 February

INSTITUTE OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY—At Queen Charlotte's Hospital, 4.30 pm, Professor R Hurley: Rubella vaccination.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR BIOLOGICAL STANDARDS AND CONTROL—At the Royal Society, 4.30 pm, first Sir Henry Dale Lecture by Dr J L Gowan: Policy in medical research.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS—Black Marsh lecture by Professor F Esher: Unsuccessful adaptation to stress as a cause of psychiatric symptomatology that includes mental defect.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—6 pm, College evening on malignant melanoma.*

Tuesday, 7 February

KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—8 pm, fourth annual Marjory Warren memorial lecture by Sir Douglas Black: Some problems of old age.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON—1.20 pm, Professor Sir Andrew Huxley: University College and the rebirth of British physiology.

Wednesday, 8 February

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr M Thompson: Enzyme studies in normal and inflamed skin.

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY (QUEEN SQUARE)—Sandoz Foundation advanced lectures, 6 pm, Professor O L Zangwill: Asymmetry of cerebral hemispheric function. 7 pm, Dr Maria Wyke: Interhemispheric integration in man.

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—5 and 7 pm, Mr A Catterall: Congenital dislocation of the hip—I and II.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr D C James: On not being able to do psychotherapy.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 pm, Dr Roger Williams: Bleeding in patients with liver disease.

Thursday, 9 February

MEDICOLEGAL SOCIETY—At Royal Society of Medicine, 8.15 pm, Chief Superintendent E G Sansom: The growth and problems of the British transport police.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PATHOLOGISTS—At Royal College of Physicians, 5.30 pm, 29th Kettle memorial lecture by Dr C I Levene: Atherosclerosis—disease of old age or infancy?

Friday, 10 February

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY—5.30 pm, Dr L Sinclair: House dust and other allergies in childhood.

KENT POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL CENTRE AT CANTERBURY—8.30 pm, Mr R M Feroze: The tyranny of sexual liberation.

BMA NOTICES

Central Meetings

- FEBRUARY
- 7 Tues Scottish Committee for Community Medicine (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh, EH3 7QP), 10.30 am.
 - 8 Wed Executive Committee of Council, 10 am.
 - 8 Wed Manpower Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2.30 pm.
 - 9 Thurs Central Committee for Hospital Medical Services, 10 am.
 - 10 Fri Central Committee for Community Medicine, 10 am.
 - 10 Fri Scottish Committee for Hospital Medical Services (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh, EH3 7QP), 10.45 am.
 - 15 Wed Negotiating Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
 - 15 Wed Occupational Health Committee, 10.30 am.
 - 16 Thurs General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
 - 16 Thurs General Purposes Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10.30 am.
 - 21 Tues Scottish Joint Consultants Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh, EH3 7QP), 10.15 am.

Division Meetings

*Members proposing to attend meetings marked * are asked to notify in advance the honorary secretary concerned.*

Cambridge and Isle of Ely—At Addenbrooke's Hospital, Thursday, 9 February, 7.30 pm, buffet supper,* agm, and talk by Mr Sanderson on "Medical finances in an inflationary period."

Durham—At Dryburn Hospital, Monday, 6 February, 8.30 pm, Mr Norman McLeod: "A Dryburn martyr." (Preceded by buffet supper, 7 for 7.30 pm.)*

East Yorkshire—At Town Docks Museum, Hull, Wednesday, 8 February, 7.30 pm, Dr G Jilkes: "Whaling ships."

Enfield—At the Cherry Tree, Southgate, Saturday, 11 February, 6.45 for 7.15 pm, annual dinner dance.*

Halifax—At Royal Halifax Infirmary, Thursday, 9 February, 7.30 pm, social evening for members and guests.*

Lancaster—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Wednesday, 8 February, 8 pm, buffet social.* (Guests are invited.)

Manchester—At Boyd House, Monday, 6 February, 8 for 8.30 pm, open meeting, Dr Francis Pigott: "Thirty years on."* Tuesday, 7 February, 8 for 8.30 pm, scientific meeting, Mr David Markham: "Prostaglandins and their role in pain and inflammation."*

South Bedfordshire—At Luton and Dunstable Hospital, Wednesday, 8 February, 8 pm, joint meeting with Law Society, speaker Leslie Clark-Wilson: "Overland to Australia."

Tameside—At Tameside General Hospital, Tuesday, 7 February, 12.30 pm, reconvened agm.

West Berkshire—At Royal Berkshire Hospital, Wednesday, 8 February, 7.30 pm, dinner/lecture, speaker Miss M Pereira: "The art of tracemanship."* (Wives are welcome.)

Wirral—At Clatterbridge Hospital, Thursday, 9 February, 8 pm, agm.

Regional Meetings

North-western Regional Committee for Community Medicine—At Department of Community Medicine, Manchester University, Thursday, 9 February, 3.30 pm.

Yorkshire Regional Committee for Hospital Medical Services—At Maternity Hospital, Pontefract, Monday, 6 February, 2.30 pm.

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