Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and King's College Hospital Medical School-Symposium "Real-time ultrasound in obstetrics," 22 May, London. Details from symposium secretary, Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, Goldhawk Road, London W6. (Tel 01-748 6802, ext 355.)

Medico-pharmaceutical Forum-International meeting on "Successes, failures and hopes in cancer chemotherapy," 30-31 May, London. Details from Mrs F M Paxton, Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE. (Tel 01-580 2070.)

International Symposium on Chemical Toxicology of Food-8-10 June, Details from organising secretariat, Centro Studi dell'Alimentazione, Nutrition Foundation of Italy, Via S Pietro all'Orto 17, 20121 Milan, Italy.

V International Congress on Hormonal Steroids-30 October-4 November 1978, New Delhi. Details from Dr K R Laumas, Department of Reproductive Biology, All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi 110016, India.

British Council-Details of Course 846 on "Radioisotopic and labelled reagent microanalytical methods used in medical research and clinical diagnosis," 19 November-8 December, London, and Course 847 on "Computerised tomography of the whole body and ultrasound as used in clinical diagnosis," 19 November-1 December, London, are now available from the Director, Courses Department, British Council, 65 Davies Street, London W1Y 2AA. (Tel 01-499 8011.)

First Pakistan Congress of Obstetrics and **Gynaecology**—22-26 November, Lahore. Details from Dr Saad Rana, Secretary Organising Committee, Lady Willingdon Hospital, Lahore, Pakistan.

Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland-Annual meeting to be held jointly with the West German Society of Anaesthetists, 29 November-1 December, Wembley. Details from the Association, Room 475/478 Tavistock House South, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9LG. (Tel 01-378 4782.)

4th Asian Congress of Pediatric Surgery 6-8 December 1978, Bangkok. Details from Dr Sriwongse Havanonda, General Secretary, 4th Congress of the Asian Association of Pediatric Surgeons, Children's Hospital, Bangkok 4, Thailand.

International Federation of Manual Medicine -Congress, 18-22 April 1979, Baden-Baden. Details from Dr Neumann, Buehlertalstr 45, D 7580 Beuhl, West Germany.

International Association for Suicide Prevention-10th International Conference on Suicide Prevention and Crisis Intervention, 17-20 June 1979, Ottawa. Details from Dr Richard Fox, Severalls Hospital, Colchester, Essex.

World Congress Food-borne Infections and Intoxications—25-29 June 1979, Berlin. Details from German Convention Service, Kongressorganisation Walter E Stohrer OHG, Joachimstaler Strasse 17, D-1000 Berlin 15, Germany.

## SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

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

## Monday, 13 March

Institute of Dermatology—4.30 pm, Dr R A J Eady: Wound healing.

Arout College of Surgeons of England—4.30 pm, Arnott demonstration by Dr D N Landon: Peripheral nerve structure. 6 pm, Mr J B M Roberts: Pros-tatectomy.\*

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE—At Mill Lane Lecture Rooms, 5 pm, inaugural lecture by Professor Thomas Sherwood: In praise of science in radiology.

# Tuesday, 14 March

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—6 pm, Mr H T John: Cold injuries to the extremities.\*

WESTMINSTER MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Professor J P Blandy: Urethral injuries.

#### Wednesday, 15 March

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE MIDLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY SECTION—Joint meeting with the Birmingham Division BMA, 7.15 pm supper,\* 8.15 pm, Professor W H Trethowan: The art of madness.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY-4.30 pm, Dr M M Black: Cutaneous amyloidosis.

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—5 pm, Mr D Wainwright: Congenital flat foot. 7 pm, Professor T Duckworth: Knock knees.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—3 pm, Joseph Clover lecture by Professor W W Mapleson: From Clover to computer: towards programmed anaesthesia. 5.15 pm, Mrs M W Ghilchik: Management of carcinoma of the breast.\*

WILLESDEN HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY—At Willesden General Hospital, 8.30 pm, Sir Douglas Black: Recent advances in renal disease.

#### Thursday, 16 March

King's College Hospital Medical School.—4.30 pm, 28th Thomas Percy Legg memorial lecture by Professor L P le Quesne: Disturbances of gastric emptying.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—6 pm, Mr J Spivey: Osteosarcoma.\*

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE—At Department of Genetics, 4.30 pm, Dr H Arst: Control of gene expression in Aspergillus nidulans.

## Friday, 17 March

Institute of Laryngology and Otology—5.30 pm, Mr J C M Currie: Fractures at the base of the skull. ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—6 pm, Mr L E Edwards: Bladder tumours.\*

### **BMA NOTICES**

#### Central Meetings

MARCH		

15 Wed General Purposes Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2 pm. General Medical Services Committee, 10 am. Journal Committee, 2.15 pm. Executive Subcommittee (CCCM), 10.30 16 Thurs 16 Thurs 17 Fri

Board of Science and Education, 10.30 am. Consulting Pathologists Group Committee, 17 Fri 22 Wed 10 am

22 Wed 23 Thurs Consulting Pathologists Group, 2 pm. Negotiating Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10

Manpower Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2 pm. Council, 10 am.

## **Division Meetings**

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

Aldershot and Farnham—At Cambridge Military Hospital, Wednesday, 15 March, 7 pm, spring clinical meeting.\*

Barking and Havering—At Harold Wood Hospital, Thursday, 16 March, 7.30 for 8.30 pm, buffet supper followed by Mr Cyril Murkin: "Furs." (Guests are

Barnet and Finchley—At Barnet General Hospital, Tuesday, 14 March, 8.15 pm, agm.

Birmingham—At Birmingham Medical Institute, Wednesday, 15 March, 8.15 pm, joint meeting with Midland Medical Society, Professor W H Trethowan: "The art of madness." (Preceded by buffet supper 7.15 pm.\*)

Brighton and Cuckfield—At Brighton General Hospital, Wednesday, 15 March, 8.30 pm, combined meeting with Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, Dr Marcia Wilkinson: "Migraine—cause and treatment." (Preceded by buffet supper 7 for 7.30 pm.\*)

Chesterfield—At "The Olde House," Loundsley Green, Monday, 13 March, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner.\* (Members of West Derbyshire Division invited.)

**Derby**—At Kingsway Hospital, Thursday, 16 March, 8.30 pm, agm.

Ealing—At King Edward Memorial Hospital, Tuesday, 14 March, 8 pm, general meeting to discuss disposal of old hospital buildings.

East Kent—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Canterbury, Thursday, 16 March, 8.30 pm, joint meeting with Kent Branch, Royal College of Nursing, on "Independent medicine." (Coffee from 8 pm, guests are invited.)

East Surrey—At Redhill General Hospital, Tuesday, 14 March, 7.30 pm, chairman's meeting.\*

Edgware and Hendon—At Hendon Hall Hotel, Tuesday, 14 March, 8.30 pm, Mr J Gibson Moore: "Fluorescine angiography as an aid to medicine," and Mr T C Barras: "Nelson's eye." (Guests are very welcome.)

Hastings—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Tuesday, 14 March, 8.15 pm, Dr D G Nancekievill: "Motor

racing medicine—prevention and cure." (Preceded by buffet supper 7.15 pm.\*)

Ipswich—At Ipswich Hospital, Thursday, 16 March, 7.15 pm, joint meeting with Ipswich branch of the British Dental Association, buffet supper followed by talk by Dr J K Oates: "Oro-genital transmission of disease."\*

Kesteven—At King's Hotel, Grantham, Thursday, 16 March, 7.30 pm, joint meeting with Lincolnshire and District division of the British Veterinary Association, speakers Professor D C Hughes and Dr J B Wilkinson: "Zoonoses—some patterns of disease in animals and man."\* (Buffet provided.)

Kingston Richmond Epsom—At Burford Bridge Hotel, Wednesday, 15 March, 7 for 7.30 pm, joint dinner meeting with Central Veterinary Society, speaker Mr Philip Wadsworth: "The history of Sotheby Parke Bernet."\* (Guests are invited.)

Lancaster—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Monay, 13 March, 8 pm, general meeting.

Redbridge and Stratford—At Ilford Postgraduate Centre, Tuesday, 14 March, 7.30 for 8 pm, Mr M E J Hackett: "Scope of plastic surgery." (Guests are invited.)

Rugby—At Hospital of St Cross, Thursday, 16 March, lunch time, agm.\* Salop—At Hadley Castle, Tuesday, 14 March, 7.45 for 8 pm, conducted tour of GKN Sankey works.\* Sandwell—At Hallam Hospital, Tuesday, 14 March, 8.30 pm, agm.

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Sefton—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Southport, Wednesday, 15 March, 8 for 8.30 pm, buffet supper followed by Dr Francis Pigott: "The doctors' dilemma—pay and professionalism."\*

Wakefield—At Stoneleigh Hotel, Thursday, 16 March, 7.30 for 8 pm, dinner lecture, speaker Ralph Lawrence.\*

West Derbyshire—At Newholme Hospital, Wednesday, 15 March, 8.30 pm, Dr A H Bhoomkar: "Alternatives to drug treatment in the management of middle class neurosis."

#### Regional Meetings

Merseyside Regional Hospital Junior Staff Committee—At Liverpool Medical Institution, Tuesday, 14 March, 8 pm.

Northern Regional Council—At Hexham General Hospital, Monday, 13 March, 7.30 pm.

## UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Appointments—Mr D Charlesworth (reader in surgery); Dr D Coakley (senior lecturer in geriatric medicine); Dr J R Humpherson (senior lecturer in anatomy); Dr Derek Davies (senior lecturer in clinical endocrinology in the Department of Medicine); Dr J M H Rees (senior lecturer in pharmacology); Dr J C Atherton (senior lecturer in physiology); Dr E Szabadi (senior lecturer in psychiatry).

# **CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS**

NORTH-WESTERN RHA—The following consultants have been appointed—Dr W Carswell, Dr L A Tuckwell (obstetrics and gynaecology); Dr V K Khanna (anaesthetics).

Manchester Area Health Authority (Teaching)—Dr J G Chang (consultant haematologist).

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