

possible, inviting them to apply. By July about 80 000 other people will be getting the mobility allowance, and those who are not in the first age group will be getting a leaflet. The use of the scheme is, however, voluntary and disabled people can spend their allowance in any other way they please.

New professor of haematology

Dr G D Pegrum, consultant and reader in haematology at Charing Cross Hospital



Medical School, has been appointed to the chair of haematology at Westminster Medical School. Dr Pegrum graduated MB from the University of London in 1955, proceeding MD in 1965; he was elected FRCPath in 1975 and recently FRCP. Apart from a spell

as pathologist at the RAF Hospital, Nocton Hall, Lincoln, in 1957, his junior appointments were all at Charing Cross Hospital. Dr Pegrum's clinical interests are in leukaemia, myeloproliferative disorders, and transplantation, and he is joint author (with R A Parkins) of *The Basis of Clinical Diagnosis* (1974).

COMING EVENTS

Hospital for Sick Children—Seminar on "Seizure Disorders in Singapore," 29 June, London. Details from Dr G Pampiglione at the Hospital, Great Ormond Street, London WC1N 3JH. (Tel 01-405 9200.)

Association for the Study of Medical Education—Annual meeting, 28-29 September, London. Details from the ASME office, 150b Perth Road, Dundee DD1 4EA. (Tel 0382 26801.)

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center—Medical oncology course, 16-19 October, New York. Details from the Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021, USA.

Memorial Oncology Course—16-19 October, New York. Details from Dr Charles W Young, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021, USA. (Tel 212 794-7940.)

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh—Parts I and II examinations for the Diploma of Fellowship will be held from 27 October to about 3 November in Kuala Lumpur and from 7 November to about 15 November in Hong Kong. Applications for admission and further information from the Secretary to the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh EH8 9DW, the Administrative Assistant, Board on Postgraduate Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya, Malaysia, or Professor G B Ong, Department of Surgery, University of Hong Kong. Closing date for applications 28 July 1978.

British Council—Course 842 on "Planning for early childhood education (2-5 years)" 25 March-6 April 1979, Nottingham. Details from Courses Department, British Council, 65 Davies Street, London W1 2AA. Application forms must be received in London by 15 November.

"The epidermis in disease"—International symposium, 18-20 April 1979, Cardiff. Details from Dr R Marks, Department of Medicine, Welsh National School of Medicine, Heath Park, Cardiff CF4 4XN, or Professor E Christophers, Hautklinik der Christian-Albrechts, Schittenhelmstrasse 7, D-2300 Kiel, Germany.

King's Fund Centre—Details of the programme to the end of December are now available from the Centre, 126 Albert Street, London NW1 7NF. (Tel 01-267 6111.)

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, 26 June

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr Y M Clayton: Therapy of fungal infections.

Thursday, 29 June

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—7.30 pm, Sixth History of Psychiatry lecture by Patricia Aldridge: Hospitals, madhouses, and asylums. Cycles in the care of the insane.*

Friday, 30 June

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH—4 pm, Mason Brown Memorial lecture by Mr James A Ross: Congenital abnormalities in adult surgery.

BMA NOTICES

Central Meetings

JUNE

24 Sat	Hospital Junior Staff Conference, 10.15 am.
26 Mon	Medical Academic Staff Conference, 10.30 am.
26 Mon	Annual Conference of Hospital Medical Staffs, 2 pm.
27 Tues	Annual Conference of Hospital Medical Staffs, 9.15 am.
27 Tues	Negotiating Subcommittee (CCCM), 10.30 am.
28 Wed	Annual Conference of Representatives of Local Medical Committees, 10 am.
29 Thurs	Annual Conference of Representatives of Local Medical Committees, 9 am.
30 Fri	Board of Science and Education, 10.30 am.
30 Fri	Executive Subcommittee (CCCM), 1.30 am.

JULY

1 Sat	Annual Conference of Community Medicine, 10 am.
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Division Meetings

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

Bexley—At Queen Mary's Hospital, Sidcup, Wednesday, 28 June, 8.30 pm, agm.

Bromley—At 138 Croydon Road, Wednesday, 28 June, 8.30 pm, meeting to discuss ARM agenda and brief representative.

Dukeries—At Mansfield General Hospital, Wednesday, 28 June, 8 pm, agm.

Lancaster—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Monday, 26 June, 8 pm, agm.

Leicestershire and Rutland—At Leicester Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, 28 June, 8 pm, agm.

Sefton—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Southport, Wednesday, 28 June, 8 pm, meeting to discuss agenda for ARM.

Solihull—At Packwood House, Hockley Heath, Wednesday, 28 June, 6.15 pm, tour of house. At Forest Hotel, Dorridge, 7.30 pm, agm followed by dinner.* (Husbands and wives welcome.)

South-west Wales—At Boar's Head Hotel, Carmarthen, Thursday, 29 June, meeting to discuss agenda for ARM.

Stockton—At North Tees General Hospital, Monday, 26 June, 7 pm, agm.

Wakefield—At Pontefract Postgraduate Centre, Monday, 26 June, 8 pm, meeting to discuss agenda for ARM.

Regional Meetings

Lothian Area Hospital Consultants and Specialists Committee—At BMA Scottish House, Monday, 26 June, 7.30 pm.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

ROYAL COLLEGES OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At an ordinary meeting of the Council held on 8 June with the president, Mr R S Murley, in the chair, the Mitchiner Medal for 1978 was awarded to Brigadier H S Moor and the H J Windsor Prize for 1978 was awarded to Mr P M Johnson.

Professor N L Browse, Mr C V Mann, and Mr V T Hammond were re-elected to the Court of Examiners for a further period of three years, and Mr A W F Lettin, Mr J S Mousley, Mr J A P Marston, Mr L Turner, Mrs Marion Handscombe, Mr R B Harcourt, Mr W Rich, Mr Peter Wright, and Miss Esme Hadfield were elected for a period of three years.

Mr A B Maclean was appointed as the College's adviser in surgical training and Mr O M Jonathan, Mr E R Howard, Mr T Bates, Mr W A Wilson, Mr H D Kaufman, Mr R J Williams, Mr F Ellis, and Mr J P Turney were appointed College surgical tutors.

Dr J A Sholto Forman (general practice), Mr J C Ballantyne (otolaryngology), Mr Lorimer Fison (ophthalmology), Mr T L T Lewis (obstetrics and gynaecology), and Professor R Steiner (radiology) were co-opted as members of Council representing the specialties indicated.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

At the annual general meeting of the Faculty of Community Medicine of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of

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(4) **References** must be set out in the style used in the *BMJ*, and their accuracy verified before the manuscript is submitted.

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the United Kingdom, the following office-bearers were elected: Professor Sir John Brotherton, president; Dr T McL Galloway, vice-president; Professor J Knowelden, academic registrar; Dr M F H Bush, registrar; Dr G D Duncan, treasurer.

CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

GWENT HEALTH AUTHORITY—Dr C N A Matthews (dermatology); Mr A D Holt-Wilson, Mr M Y Khan (ophthalmology); Mr M J Butler (general surgery); Mr M J K M Brown (ent surgery).

HAMPSHIRE AHA—Dr M J Balsdon (physician in genitourinary medicine).

NATIONAL HOSPITALS FOR NERVOUS DISEASES—Dr G D Scott (neurologist); Mr H A Crockard (neurosurgeon).

NORTH-EAST THAMES RHA—Dr R W Dungu (chemical pathology); Dr A M Sawney (psychotherapist); Dr Elizabeth Webb (child psychiatry).

SALFORD AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Dr R J Postlethwaite (paediatric nephrologist).

Correction

Medical Birthday Honours

We regret that in the Medical Birthday Honours (10 June 1978, p 1561) under OBE (Civil Division) we gave Dr Thomson's initials wrongly—they should have been Dr T J Thomson.

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