

International Congress on Group Medicine—14-17 June, Berlin. Details from the congress secretariat, Belfortstrasse 9, D 5000 Köln 1, Germany.

Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland—Annual scientific meeting, 13-14 September, Stirling. Details from the association, Room 475/478 Tavistock House South, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9LG. (Tel 01-387 4782.)

Association for Medical Education in Europe—Conference on "Medical education and health care," 17-20 September, Athens. Details from Ann Combe, Administrator, AMEE, Department of Psychiatry, Royal Edinburgh Hospital, Edinburgh EH10 5HF.

XIII International Congress of Life Insurance Medicine—23-27 September, Madrid. Details from Miss A McArthur, Blossoms Inn, 23 Lawrence Lane, London EC2V 8DA (large SAE please). Closing date for applications 24 May.

Sarcoidosis—Symposium, 21-23 September, Siena. Details from Professor L Lenzi, Department of Respiratory Disorders, Siena, Italy.

V International Liver Conference—"Virus and the liver," 3-8 October, Basle. Details from Professor Dr L Bianchi, Department of Pathology, University of Basle, Schönbeinstrasse 40, CH-4003 Basle, Switzerland.

British Council—Course 937 "Cardiology," 28 October-9 November, Glasgow Edinburgh Newcastle upon Tyne. Details from the director of the Courses Department, British Council, 65 Davies Street, London W1Y 2AA. (Tel 01-499 8011.)

"Rehabilitation of children with scoliosis, kyphosis, and bad posture"—International symposium organised by the Czechoslovak Society for Rehabilitation and the Czechoslovak Society for Orthopaedics and Paediatrics, 7-9 November, Bratislava. Details from Dr M Sojákova and Dr V Lánik, 809 00 Bratislava, Mokrohájska 6, Czechoslovakia.

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, 19 February

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY—5.30 pm, Dr R L Carter: Some newer aspects of invasion and spread of squamous carcinomas of the head and neck.
INSTITUTE OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY—12.30 pm, Mr R H Tipton: The value of antenatal cardiopography.*

Wednesday, 21 February

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr R H Meara: Skin manifestations of internal malignancy.
INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY, QUEEN SQUARE—Sandoz Foundation advanced lectures on clinical and experimental neurology, 6 pm, Professor O E Lowenstein: Vestibular sensory mechanisms. 7 pm, Dr A Benson: Some effects of atypical motion on man.
INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—6 pm and 7 pm, Dr Paul Maquet (Belgium): Methods of reducing pressure in the hip joint, and osteotomies around the knee joint.
INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr P E Mullen: The human pineal.
ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE—5 pm, Professor Margaret Turner-Warwick: Fibrosing alveolitis.
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 pm, Professor J P M Tizard: Growing points in paediatrics.

Thursday, 22 February

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON—5.30 pm, Dr A Herxheimer: Educating doctors and patients in the discerning use of drugs.
QUEEN CHARLOTTE'S MATERNITY HOSPITAL—12.15 pm, Dr Naomi Richman: Depression in mothers of young children.
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE—At Department of Genetics, Downing Street, 4.30 pm, Dr C Laird: Polytene chromosomes of *Drosophila*.

Friday, 23 February

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY—5.30 pm, Dr G A S Lloyd: The radiology of the paranasal sinuses.
UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL—At Royal Liverpool Hospital, 5 pm, Mr J C Angel: Surgical amputations in the upper limb.

Saturday, 24 February

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL—At Royal Liverpool Hospital, 9 am, Mr J C Angel: Surgical amputations in the lower limbs.

BMA NOTICES

Central Meetings

FEBRUARY
21 Wed BMA Council Executive, 10 am.
28 Wed Finance and General Purposes Committee, 10 am.

MARCH

1 Thurs General Purposes Subcommittee (GMSC), 10.30 am.
1 Thurs Anaesthetists Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2 pm.
2 Fri Medical Academic Staff Committee, 10 am.
2 Fri Scottish Committee for Hospital Medical Services (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.45 am.
8 Thurs Scottish General Medical Services Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.30 am.
8 Thurs EEC Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2 pm.
9 Fri Central Committee for Community Medicine, 10 am.
14 Wed BMA Council, 10 am.
14 Wed Rheumatology and Rehabilitation Group Committee, 2 pm.
15 Thurs General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.

Division Meetings

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

Aldershot and Farnham—At Camberley Heath Golf Club, Tuesday, 20 February, 8 for 8.30 pm, annual dinner, speaker Sir Richard Doll.* (Guests are invited.)
Barnet and Finchley—At Barnet General Hospital, Wednesday, 21 February, 8.15 pm, Dr Brian Lewis: "The NHS—D Day or Dunkirk?"

Birmingham—At Birmingham Medical Institute, Wednesday, 21 February, 7.15 for 8.15, joint meeting with Midland Medical Institute, supper and lecture by Professor O L Wade: "The consequences of drug disasters."*

Croydon—At Conservative Club, Tuesday, 20 February, 7.45 for 8 pm, 3rd annual joint meeting with BDA, dinner/lecture, speaker Dr David Ryde: "The tail that wags the dog."* (Guests invited.)

Enfield—At Firs Hall, Winchmore Hill, Wednesday, 21 February, 7 for 7.30 pm, annual dinner dance.* (Guests are invited.)

Greenwich and Bexley Divisions—At Greenwich Theatre, Friday, 23 February, 6.45 pm, meal and Leonard Rossiter in *Semi-detached*.*

Hartlepool—At Staincliffe Hotel, Tuesday, 20 February, 7.30 for 8 pm, dinner in aid of BMA Charities.* (Guests invited.)

Roehampton—At House of Lords, Friday, 23 February, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner.* (Guests are welcome.)

Salop—At Cophorne Hospital, Friday, 23 February, 7.30 for 8 pm, combined supper meeting with Shropshire Veterinary Club, speakers Mr A S H Miller and Dr C G Sparks: "Systemic steroids in medical and veterinary practice."*

Scunthorpe—At Scunthorpe General Hospital, Sunday, 18 February, 11.30 am, sherry party to mark the retirement of Dr Derek Millar.*

Walsall—At Manor Hospital, Thursday, 22 February, 7.30 for 8 pm, musical evening and buffet meal.* (Friends welcome.)

Regional Meetings

Trent Regional Committee for Hospital Medical Services—At Sherwood Hospital, Nottingham, Thursday, 22 February, 7 pm.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

LONDON

MD—P J Baxter, M D G Gillmer, S R Gould, S T Holgate, S N Jarvis, A J Lees, A J Spicer, J D Stephens.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS

At council meetings of the college held on 2 and 3 February, the following were admitted to the membership—A M Abdelwahed, A E Atalla, R H K Au, V Bhan, S A Bober, I B Borody, P C Boulind, P C Boylan, W J Brooks, A J F Browning, G C Budden, P J Callen, R P Cameron, M G Chapman, J Chaudhuri, S Chawla, M Chiware, H Y Chow, A K Das, S Das, N G Y de Silva, G Dhairyan, J R Doig, D K Dudley, M G Ebeid, N E A T Elkhouly, N F El-Tomi, M Ezimokhai, D W Fenton, C A Forrest, A K Garai, Anne S Garden, A A Gibril, K A Godfrey, P M Gough, Jill Grey, Jeannette R Guirguis, L U Hall, C P Holloway, M A Haque, A E Hellmuth, M R Heslip, P C Ho, K G Hollebhone, H P P Hsu, M Q Huda, R S Hutchison, A Ilancheran, R S Ishak, K K E Jack, M J Johnstone, I M Kadhum, M S H Kalsheker, S R Kankipati, P P Kaushik, G P S Kelsey, S Z Khalil, S K Kplomodo, P Kumarasinghe, N T Kurukulasuriya, K K Lakshani, C L Law, G W Lawson, R J Lilford, C Lim, M M Limaye, D J Little, M S W Lum, C B Lynch, C J Margin, H Marius, J M Meggy, M O Mohammed, S J Mukherjee, R N Muthiah, A A Naftalin, T Nagaraja, Maria S Nandam, P G Natrajan, A N O Ndulue, M C B Noble, R D Nowicki, P M S O'Brien, E E Okpere, C O R Okwuosa, A E Omu, T K Pal, N S Pattison, Clytie M C Perera, S Y Pollock, D M J Poole, N C Damodaras Popat, N N Popat, V Premkumar, *s/o B S Pritam Singh, F M Ragab, K U Rao, U Ray, P L Reddy, J P M Rodrigues, Catherine A Rowntree, A M S Salihy, E P Sanders, L J Sant-Cassia, A G B Sherwood, S-L Sim, C Sinha, J M Skalicky, M Solomon, A O Soyemi,

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(3) **Spelling** should conform to that of *Chambers Twentieth Century Dictionary*.

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

(5) **SI units** are used for scientific measurements. In the text they should be followed by traditional units in parentheses. In tables and illustrations values are given only in SI units, but a conversion factor must be supplied. For general guidance on the International System of Units, and some useful conversion factors, see *The SI for the Health Professions* (WHO, 1977).

(6) **Authors** should give their names and initials, their current appointments, and not more than two degrees or diplomas. Each author must sign the covering letter as evidence of consent to publication.

(7) **Letters to the Editor** submitted for publication must be signed personally by all the authors.

(8) **Acknowledgments** will *not* be sent unless a stamped addressed envelope or an international reply coupon is enclosed.

(9) **Detailed instructions** are given in the *BMJ* dated 6 January 1979 (p 6).

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*Awarded Regional Councils' Gold Medal.

CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

BIRMINGHAM AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Dr M McB Page (physician with a special interest in diabetes).

EAST ANGLIAN RHA—Dr K G Branch (anaesthetics); Mr J K Tucker (traumatic and orthopaedic surgery); Dr J A R Anderson (dermatology); Dr P R Eastwood (mental illness); Dr I A B Brooksby (general medicine with an interest in cardiology); Dr D Seaton (general medicine with an interest in diseases of the chest); Dr C R Wiltshire (radiotherapy); Dr D J Phillips (radiology); Mr M P Aukland (general surgery); Mr B P Cvijetic (ENT surgery).

MANCHESTER AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)—Dr E L Horsman.

NORTH-WESTERN RHA—Mr J K Stanley (traumatic and orthopaedic surgeon with a special interest in hand surgery); Dr H L Muston (dermatologist); Dr S Dutt (histopathologist).

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