



result of a gift of £750 000 from the Government of the United Arab Emirates, which was given at the wish of the President, Sheikh Zaid bin Sultan Al-Nahyan. It adds 700 square metres of laboratory and other space for research to the existing liver unit at King's, and will link the research workers with their counterparts in Abu Dhabi—who will work from time to time in the new centre and exchange information. Among the research projects to be carried out are an epidemiological study of a population with a high incidence of liver cancer; characterisation of the "non-A, non-B" hepatitis virus; work on artificial livers; and identification of the people most at risk from a high intake of alcohol.

People in the news

Dr Montague Levine, Mr Callaghan's physician, has been made a knight in Mr Callaghan's resignation honours list.

COMING EVENTS

St Joseph's Hospice—Seminar "Handicapped people in our inner city," 4 July, London. Details from Miss K

Hall, Heenan House, Mare Street, Hackney, London E8 4SA. (Tel 01-985 0861 and 0881.)

"Tackling the problems of industrial diseases"—Conference, July 11, London. Details from Barbara Rawlinson, European Study Conferences Limited, Kirby House, 31 High Street East, Uppingham, Rutland LE15 9PY. (Tel 057 282 2711.)

International Symposium on Frontiers in Therapeutic Drug Monitoring—24-25 October, Milan. Details from G Tognoni and R Latini, Istituto di Ricerche Farmacologiche "Mario Negri," Via Eritrea 62, 20157 Milan, Italy. (Tel (02)35 54 546.)

King's Fund Centre—Details of courses to the end of the year are available from the King's Fund College, 2 Palace Court, London W2 4HS (tel 01-229 9361), and conferences from the King's Fund 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, 18 June

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr C H Cameron: Virus diseases of the skin.

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY (QUEEN SQUARE)—12 noon, Dr M D Walker (Bethesda): Advances in chemotherapy for glioma.

Wednesday, 20 June

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr R D Catterall: Cutaneous manifestations of sexually transmitted diseases.

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY (QUEEN SQUARE)—1.15 pm, Professor V Ionasescu (Iowa): Biochemical studies in muscular dystrophy.

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—6 pm, Perthes' disease, Mr H B S Kemp: Aetiology, Mr A Catterall: Morbid anatomy. Professor B McKibbin: Rationale of containment treatment.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr Arthur Freeman III (Alabama): Depression in medical patients.

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL—2 pm, histopathology course, Dr G Canti: Fine needle aspiration cytology.

Friday, 22 June

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY—12.30 pm, Dr P T Scardino: Tumours of the testicle. (Visitors welcome.)

BMA NOTICES

Central Meetings

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| 16 Sat | Annual Conference of Community Medicine, 10 am. |
| 19 Tues | Hospital Junior Staff Committee, 10 am. |
| 20 Wed | Finance and General Purposes Committee, 11 am. |
| 20 Wed | Executive Committee, 2 pm. |
| 20 Wed | Annual General Meeting of Group of Medical Advisers in the Pharmaceutical Industry (President's Dining Room, Oxford Union, St Michael's Street Oxford), 5 pm. |

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| 21 Thurs | Dermatologists Group Committee (CCHMS), 11 am. |
| 24 Sun | BMA Council (Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool), 6 pm. |
| 25 Mon to 29 Fri | Annual Representative Meeting, University of Liverpool. |
| 27 Wed | Annual General Meeting, 12.30 pm. |

Division Meetings

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

Brent—At Chalkhill Health Centre, Wednesday, 20 June, 8.30 pm, agm.

Burnley—At Spread Eagle Hotel, Friday, 22 June, 8.30 pm, summer dance.*

Coventry—At Council House, Saturday, 23 June, 6.30 pm, annual cocktail party.* (Wives/husbands invited.)

Croydon—At Mayday Hospital, Tuesday, 19 June, 8 pm, buffet supper followed by agm.*

East Surrey—At Redhill General Hospital, Tuesday, 19 June, 8.30 pm, meeting to brief representative to ARM.

East Yorkshire—At Hull University, Friday, 22 June, 8.30 pm, midsummer ball held with Hull Medical Society.*

Forth Valley—At Stirling Royal Infirmary, Tuesday, 19 June, 8 pm, meeting to discuss ARM agenda.

Huddersfield—At Royal Infirmary, Monday, 18 June, 8.15 pm, business meeting.

Kingston/Richmond/Epsom—At RAC Country Club, Saturday, 23 June, 8 pm, midsummer ball.*

Mid Essex—At Chelmsford and Essex Hospital, Thursday, 21 June, 8 pm, meeting to discuss ARM agenda.

Mid Glamorgan—At East Glamorgan Hospital, Monday, 18 June, 7.30 pm, general meeting and agm.

Northallerton—At Friarage Hospital, Monday, 18 June, 8.30 pm, meeting to discuss ARM agenda and brief representatives.

St Marylebone—At Royal Society of Medicine, Thursday, 21 June, 7.30 for 8 pm, dinner meeting.* (Guests are invited.)

Salop—At Copthorne Hospital, Tuesday, 19 June, 8 for 8.15 pm, meeting to brief representatives at ARM.

Stockport—At Crewe Hall, Wednesday, 20 June, agm, tour of house, and buffet.*

Regional Meetings

Merseyside Regional Council—At Whiston Hospital, Wednesday, 20 June, 7.45 pm.

CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

HAMPSHIRE AHA—Dr I J Nuala Sterling (geriatrician).

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