

is also given. The authors believe that iodine can cause involution of the thyroid gland of the patient on thiouracil without iodination of the hormone precursor, and that the involuting action of iodine on the thyroid is independent of its iodinating action.

The section on the adrenal gland sets out the most interesting recent knowledge with skill and discrimination. In particular, the work of Venning and Browne at McGill University has turned our attention to the high excretion of glycogen corticoids (diabetogenic and anti-insulin) in Cushing's syndrome, and their tendency to disappear in Addison's and Simmonds's diseases. It is no longer sufficient to study only the 17-ketosteroids or androgens, and it is hoped that colorimetric methods of assay of glycogen steroids will be added to the assay by glycogen deposition in adrenalectomized rats and help to make the results of these studies more easily available to the scientific clinician. The account of hypertension in children due to pheochromocytoma, their cure by its removal, and the diagnostic test of histamine injection will interest the paediatrician.

The work of an English paediatrician, Professor R. W. B. Ellis, on physiological standards of growth and puberty is rightly considered important to the endocrinologist in the section on the sex glands. Gynaecomastia associated with cirrhosis of the liver and due to inability of the liver to inactivate oestrogens is described. An account of twins with descent of one testis on opposite sides (mirror reflection type) reminds one of two eunuchoid brothers with similar unilateral descent shown by the writer at the Royal Society of Medicine (*Proc. R. Soc. Med.*, 1946, 39, 511). The value of biopsy studies in male sterility is indicated. The importance of oestrogens and androgens in the osteoporosis of post-climacteric age and in the healing of fractures at this time should be better known to orthopaedic surgeons. Disorders of menstruation, synthetic oestrogens, and pregnancy tests are widely reviewed, as well as masculinizing ovarian tumours. The association of vascular damage, retinitis, and hypertension is discussed, as are the changes in mineral metabolism in diabetic coma; there is a wide range of clinical studies in therapy. A case of refractoriness in a young diabetic woman to 5,000 units of insulin in 24 hours is stated to be a record. An account of pancreatic islet-cell tumour hypoglycaemia and glycogen disease ends an excellent section on the pancreas. The second section of the book covers the alimentary tract, fat absorption in sprue, folic acid, the haemopoietic system, the cardiovascular system, the brain and nervous system, "agenized" flour, the genito-urinary system, and dermatology. The whole book is excellently set out and deserves high praise.

S. LEONARD SIMPSON.

### DISORDERS OF SPEECH

*L'Aphasie et la Désintégration Fonctionnelle du Langage.* By Th. Alajouanine and P. Mozziconacci. (Pp. 156, illustrated. 450 francs.) Paris: L'Expansion Scientifique Française, 23 Rue du Cherche-Midi.

The literature on aphasia is outstanding by reason of the general high level of the contributions. Alajouanine and Mozziconacci's little work is a modest but distinguished newcomer. The authors follow the common practice of considering in some detail the history of the development of our knowledge of speech disorders—an approach which is of particular value in this subject. One or two features in the subsequent chapters will perhaps be unfamiliar to English students. They give due credit to Baillarger's teaching on the dissociation between voluntary and automatic (or spontaneous) utterances. There is a good account of the intellectual level of aphasics and the appropriate methods of investigation by means of non-language tests, and they consider artistic realization in aphasics in a brief but interesting manner. The authors relate aphasia to apraxia and the agnosias, the points of correspondence and of distinction being clearly discussed. One of the most important and at the same time original conceptions in the book is the study of aphasia from a philological viewpoint. Under the term "syndrome de désintégration phonétique" the authors discuss the elocutory disorders in aphasia, which they believe to have interesting analogies with the first usage of speech in the infant. Seven detailed illustrative case reports conclude this very successful monograph. From the point of view of the student and young neurologist there exists no better, clearer, or more up-to-date presentation of the subject.

MACDONALD CRITCHLEY.

### BOOKS RECEIVED

[Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received]

*Liver Injury.* Edited by F. W. Hoffbauer, M.D. (Pp. 95. \$1.50.) New York: Josiah Macy. 1948.

Papers and discussion on such subjects as radioactive methionine, portal hypertension, the effect of plutonium on the liver, and serum lipids in liver disease.

*Sterilisation und Sterile Aufbewahrung von Spritzen und Hohladeln.* By E. Baumann. 2nd ed. (Pp. 120. 7.50 Swiss francs.) Basle: Benno Schwabe. 1948.

A monograph with references on maintaining sterility of syringes and hypodermic needles.

*Income Tax Simplified.* By A. and E. E. Fieldhouse. 19th ed. (Pp. 98. 2s. 6d.) London: Simpkin Marshall. 1948.

A short exposition specially for the business man and student of accountancy.

*The Medical Annual 1948.* Edited by Sir H. Tidy, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., and A. Rendle Short, M.D., B.S., B.Sc., F.R.C.S. (Pp. 414. 25s.) Bristol: John Wright. 1948.

Articles by various authorities on modern treatment in medicine and surgery, with references to the literature.

*Aetiological Principle of Pyaemia in Ancient Egyptian Medicine.* By R. O. Steuer. (Pp. 36. \$1.50.) Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press. 1948.

A short study issued as a supplement to the *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*.

*Annual Review of Biochemistry.* Edited by J. Murray Luck. Vol. 17. (Pp. 801. 36s.) London: H. K. Lewis. 1948.

Includes papers on the chemistry of penicillin, lipid metabolism, clinical application of biochemistry, and the biochemistry of carcinogenesis.

*Nouveaux Traitements de L'Insuffisance Hépatique.* By J. Cottet and N. Dobo. (Pp. 210. No price.) Paris: Flammarion. 1948.

A discussion of the diet and its constituents required for treating hepatic disorders.

*Der Ausdruck von Stimme und Sprache.* By F. Trojan. Vol. 1. (Pp. 219. Sch. 25.) Vienna: Wilhelm Maudrich. 1948.

An analysis of speech for phoneticists and speech therapists.

*La Spasmophilie de L'Adulte.* By H. P. Klotz. (Pp. 157. No price.) Paris: Flammarion. 1948.

The author describes a syndrome of neuromuscular and mental hyperexcitability with hypocalcaemia.

*Corazon Pulmonar.* By J. Govea. (Pp. 178. \$4.00.) Havana: M. V. Fresneda. 1948.

A monograph on pulmonary heart disease.

*Lehrbuch der inneren Medizin.* By T. Brugsch. Vol. 1. (Pp. 764. M. 40.) Berlin: Urban and Schwarzenberg. 1947.

This volume includes sections on infectious diseases, physiotherapy, disorders of metabolism, and the cardiovascular system.

*The Queen Charlotte's Textbook of Obstetrics.* By Members of the Clinical Staff of the Hospital. 7th ed. (Pp. 572. 28s.) London: J. and A. Churchill. 1948.

This edition includes new chapters on foetal physiology and the rhesus factor.

*Les Varices et leurs Associations Pathologiques.* By L. Gerson. 2nd ed. (Pp. 259. 850 francs.) Paris: G. Doin. 1948.

A clinical account of the treatment of varicose veins and ulcers.

*Critical Studies in Neurology.* By F. M. R. Walshe, M.D., F.R.S. (Pp. 256. 15s.) Edinburgh: E. and S. Livingstone. 1948.

Includes papers on the anatomy and physiology of cutaneous sensibility, the motor cortex and pyramidal tract, and the notion of the "discreet movement" in willed motion. Reprinted from *Brain*, with a lecture on the integration of medicine reprinted from this *Journal*.

consequence of inadequate remuneration under the National Health Service. He added that this remuneration was based on the recommendations of the Spens Committee and had been agreed upon with the profession. The initial distribution of the total amount of money made available was giving rise to temporary difficulties. These he was discussing with representatives of the profession.

Sir ERNEST GRAHAM-LITTLE also asked Mr. Bevan if he knew that his directive to executive councils to the effect that it was not his intention that payments from the Inducement Fund should be made in cases where difficulty could be met by a fixed annual payment would, in fact, result in a general lowering of the capitation grant; and whether he would withdraw this directive and allow such payments to be met from the Inducement Fund.

Mr. BEVAN replied that he saw no reason to alter these arrangements.

### Amending Bill

Mr. BEVAN, replying on Dec. 2 to Sir HENRY MORRIS-JONES, said the matter of an amending Bill to the National Health Service Act had been under discussion with representatives of the medical profession. When full agreement had been reached—or when full agreement had not been reached—a Bill would be presented to the House. Sir Henry asked whether the amending Bill would deal with anomalies in the Act which had been clearly demonstrated. Mr. BEVAN said Sir Henry had better await the Bill.

Mr. SOMERVILLE HASTINGS asked if Mr. Bevan knew of the many expressions of satisfaction received from all sections of the community.

Mr. BEVAN said that undoubtedly many millions of people had already benefited under the Act. He hoped that when the Report of the Ministry of Health came to be presented to Parliament it would give an objective review of what had happened.

Sir HENRY MORRIS-JONES gave notice that he would raise this matter on an adjournment of the House.

*The Doctor's Bag.*—Sir WALDRON SMITHERS on Nov. 30 asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in view of the extra pressure of work placed on doctors under the new Health Act, to exempt from purchase tax articles necessary for the use of doctors in their professional duties, especially the doctor's bag. Sir STAFFORD CRIPPS refused to do this. He said it was not possible to give doctors special privileges for the few chargeable articles they used professionally.

*Certificates for Spectacles.*—Dr. SANTO JEGGER on Dec. 2 asked the Minister of Health whether, in view of the pressure of work on doctors, the long waiting in doctor's waiting-rooms, and the formal nature of the certificates involved, he would remove the necessity for patients requiring to have their eyes tested by opticians to obtain doctors' certificates saying so. Mr. BEVAN replied that this requirement was instituted in the light of advice received from the medical profession. He would not feel justified in abolishing it except on professional advice.

## The Services

Surgeon Lieutenant-Commanders R. E. King, W. I. D. Scott, and R. T. Gaunt, R.N.V.R., have been awarded the R.N.V.R. Decoration.

The President of the U.S.A. has conferred the Bronze Star Medal upon Lieutenant-Colonel (Temporary) E. Samuel, Major (Temporary) A. Noble, M.C., and Captain (Temporary) R. W. Preston, R.A.M.C., in recognition of distinguished services in the cause of the Allies.

The King of the Hellenes has conferred the following decorations in recognition of distinguished services in the cause of the Allies:

*Grand Cross of the Royal Order of the Phoenix.*—Major-General J. C. A. Dowse, C.B., C.B.E., M.C., late R.A.M.C.

*Commander of the Royal Order of the Phoenix.*—Captain A. M. Boyd, R.A.M.C.

The Prince Regent of Belgium has conferred the following decorations in recognition of distinguished services in the cause of the Allies:

*Officer of the Order of Leopold.*—Colonel (Temporary) J. P. J. Jenkins, O.B.E., T.D., R.A.M.C.

*Croix Militaire 1st Class.*—Major F. H. Newland, Major (Temporary), E. James, and Captain S. Howe, R.A.M.C.

*Croix Militaire 2nd Class.*—Major (Temporary) W. Barnes, R.A.M.C.

### DEATHS IN THE SERVICES

Sir Matthew Fell, K.C.B., C.M.G., writes: My old friend, Lieut.-Col. J. C. JAMESON, R.A.M.C., died last July after a long illness patiently and philosophically borne. He was the eldest son of the late Surgeon-General J. Jameson, C.B., K.H.S., who was Director-General of the Army Medical Service at the outbreak of the South African war, and was a graduate of Edinburgh University. I met him first at the Orange River Bridge in November, 1899, when Lord Methuen's Force was concentrating for the advance on Kimberley; and after that he continued under the same commander until 1902, wandering throughout the West of the Orange Free State and Western Transvaal. Jameson had previously served in the Afridi Campaign on the North-west frontier of India, and was later to serve with me throughout the first world war. But it was the close daily contact of three years on the veldt that formed our friendship, which lasted without a break to the time of his death. He was a keen golfer and also a fisherman, and after his retirement we had many happy days together. He never married, but children and young people loved him. Hating the limelight, self-effacing, careless of his appearance, almost hyper-conscientious in his professional work, anxious to give of his best at work or play, he was a truly lovable character, and the world is the poorer for his passing.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

In a Congregation held on Nov. 27 the degree of M.A. was conferred on James Wilson Millen, M.D., University Demonstrator in Anatomy. The degree of M.D. was conferred on T. St. M. Norris (by proxy) and D. S. Short.

### UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM

Sir Henry Dale, O.M., F.R.S., will give the fourth Rutherford Morison Lecture in the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Thursday, Jan. 20, at 5 p.m. His subject is "Physiology and Surgery."

### UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

The following candidates have been approved at the examination indicated:

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—*With Mental Diseases (Psychiatry) in Part B:* I. R. C. Batchelor, D. D. Howell, D. W. Liddell, D. L. Murti Rao, A. J. P. Oldham, J. W. T. Redfearn, Ethel E. Robertson, J. T. Robinson, D. Stafford-Clark, A. C. Tait, R. W. Tibbets. *Part A:* El T. Elmahi, E. S. Goller, Joan I. Hallinan, J. M. Macdonald, J. Merry, H. R. Morton, P. Pinkerton, I. M. Shepherd, J. Todd, L. P. Varma.

THIRD M.B., B.S.—<sup>14</sup>Elizabeth Bennett, <sup>14</sup>P. Chadwick, <sup>13</sup>K. M. Citron, <sup>15</sup>B. Creamer, <sup>15</sup>A. A. Eley, <sup>15</sup>H. J. A. Hahn, <sup>12</sup>Cherry D. Heath, <sup>13</sup>Joan E. Jermyn, <sup>13</sup>G. D. Starte, M. S. M. Adams, Maureen B. Adams, C. P. T. Alexander, A. M. Angel, Marion M. Ashforth, R. N. H. Askham, D. S. G. M. Bailey, J. R. Ballantyne, T. W. Barnes, Barbara Baxter, S. J. Reales, M. D. Begley, S. Benaim, G. C. Blake, Hazel C. Blomfield, W. R. Bodenham, Edda L. I. Boesen, J. M. N. Boss, J. H. Boydell, Margaret L. M. Bridges, Ethel A. V. Brooks, P. D. Bryant, R. Buri, F. P. Cassidi, I. Chance, J. A. Cheese, D. W. Clark, P. S. Clarke, I. H. Colley, A. A. Collis, A. J. P. Crowden, Mary E. Curling, H. W. D. Davies, J. H. Davies, T. D. L. Davies, L. R. Davis, E. Li Dawe, D. C. Deuchar, Daphne M. Dowlen, E. M. Edwards, Evelyn S. Elliott, Hilary J. Elphick, D. M. Evans, E. Evans, D. C. Faull, K. J. Fisher, D. G. Fleck, C. A. Foster, P. B. Foxwell, K. Froome, G. G. Garlick, Phyllis A. George, A. M. Goldthorpe, K. C. D. Gordon, D. B. Goss, R. L. Gothilf, E. W. Graham, A. H. Griffith, M. W. J. Grummitt, D. B. Gunasekara, June M. S. Harrington, D. F. N. Harrison, R. D. C. Hart, G. E. Haward, P. W. Head, J. L. Herbert, D. A. Hodgson, E. R. Hodgson Todd, H. D. A. Hope, Pamela C. B. Hopkins, D. A. Howell, F. H. D. Hutter, A. H. Jack, D. W. James, Barbara J. Jeffrey, F. H. W. Johnson, C. R. Jolly, D. H. Jones, E. F. Jones, J. S. Jones, C. Joseph, D. H. Judson, G. Kaufman, R. A. Keable Elliott, Zc & T. Kelly, H. R. Ker, M. R. R. Khan, F. R. S. Knight, P. Lancer, B. H. Lawrence, J. C. S. Leverton, D. C. Lindley, R. H. Longton, G. N. Lumb, B. Lytton, W. E. Macbean, R. P. C. MacDonald, T. McKendrick, D. Mendel, René L. Mendez, Leela Menon, Marie D. Merchant, D. K. Morgan, Elizabeth M. Mostyn, J. G. Neville, Margaret C. Newmark, P. B. O'Neill, M. W. Partington, Jacqueline I. C. Payne, G. W. Piper, D. G. Price, E. R. Price, K. J. P. Price, V. G. Radclyffe, G. S. Ratnavale, I. Redstone, E. G. Rees, W. J. St. E.-G. Rhys, B. W. Richards, H. R. C. Riches, Janet P. Rickard, P. P. Rickham, D. Rossdale, D. P. Rough, D. G. Rushton, M. V. Salmon, A. C. E. Sandiland, B. Schwartz, M. L. J. Segall, J. C. Sherris, B. P. Skinner, J. F. Skone, G. B. Smith, D. B. Spanton, Diana H. Spears, Rosemary Stephens, S. Sternberg, M. T. Sweetnam, Hilda J. Tanner, D. G. Taylor, T. Taylor, Anita J. Thomas, O. G. Thomas, J. W. Thurston, P. H. Tribe, A. A. Turner, R. J. Vale, J. Vance, P. R. Wagner, Daphne M. L. Walters, Mary B. Watson, F. E. Weale, Joan C. Wells, Margaret M. Whitaker, H. Williams, W. J. Williams, M. B. Wingate, Mary I. Wray, J. Zamlar.

<sup>1</sup> With honours. <sup>2</sup> Distinction in hygiene and forensic medicine. <sup>3</sup> Distinction in medicine. <sup>4</sup> Distinction in applied pharmacology and therapeutics. <sup>5</sup> Distinction in surgery.

Dr. E. R. Boland has been elected Dean of the Faculty of Medicine for the period 1948-50.

The title of Reader in Experimental Pathology in the University has been conferred on Peter Alfred Isaac Gorer, D.Sc., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., in respect of the post held by him at Guy's Hospital Medical School.

## UNIVERSITY OF WALES

The following candidates for the degrees of M.B., B.Ch. at the Welsh National School of Medicine have been approved at the examination indicated:

**MEDICINE.**—Sarah A. Chard, N. V. Chivers, D. P. Davies, G. J. Davies, E. H. Evans, E. J. Hargadon, J. M. E. Hyde, T. D. Jones, Lilian M. Morgan, G. M. Reynolds, J. M. Richards, Esme S. Rogers, Mary C. Sumption, G. Thomas, J. A. Wilkinson.

**PHARMACOLOGY.**—Joyce M. Bennett (with distinction), L. V. Chubb, S. I. Davies, Nansi G. Gwynne, C. W. J. Hunt, D. T. Jones, Rachel B. J. Lewis, Mary I. Lloyd, J. E. Merrell, Janet M. Moffat, Elizabeth M. M. Price, T. B. N. Richards, A. P. Thomas, D. S. Wood.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH

At a meeting of the College held on Dec. 2 Dr. W. D. D. Small was elected President and Dr. W. A. Alexander was nominated Vice-President.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND

The following were admitted to the Membership of the College on Nov. 5: P. B. B. Gatenby, M. Ghosh, R. J. Kernohan, R. M. Peet, R. W. Temple.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND

The following have received the Fellowship of the College: D. V. Kneafsey, J. J. O'Shaughnessy, C. I. Wilkinson, W. H. de W. De Wyt.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS

At a meeting of the Council of the College held at College House on Nov. 27, with the President, Sir William Gilliatt, in the chair, the following were formally admitted to the Membership of the College: T. M. Abbas, Agnes U. Campbell, Margaret Fitzherbert, R. A. Irani, Mary S. Jolly, P. M. Naidu, C. G. Nairn, M. S. Qureshi, Helen M. Russell, S. A. Siddiki, P. de S. Wijesekera.

The William Meredith Fletcher Shaw Memorial Lectureship for 1949 was awarded to Professor R. W. Johnstone, of Edinburgh. Leverhulme Scholarships tenable for one year were awarded to F. Reid, for research into x-ray diagnosis of placenta praevia, the relation between foetal position and the placental site, and an attempt to develop a new method of amniography, and to C. J. Mackinlay, for research into the investigation of chronic infections of the vulva.

The following were granted the Diploma in Obstetrics of the College:

T. R. Aggarwal, Patricia M. Aikman, Emma M. H. Albinson, N. Alders, Beryl G. Anscombe, D. J. Atherton, R. K. Banerjee, A. S. Barling, J. W. Bartrum, K. S. P. Blatchley, V. Y. Bockner, Mary M. M. Boyd, Mollie A. Brown, Joan M. Burrell, M. Byrne, G. S. Caithness, Elspeth S. K. Campbell, Harriett A. Cawthorne, Dorothy B. Charlton, G. R. Clare, M. H. Clark, Nancy G. Clegg, Shirley Clifton-Smith, G. R. Connolly, Margaret M. Coughlan, Vivienne A. Croxford, P. N. Cunliffe, R. G. Dewhurst, J. J. B. Dias, Mary Douglas, Aileen P. M. Dring, E. W. Duncan, Violet M. East, W. M. Edwards, Louise E. Elbert, Mary R. Ellis, W. I. Emslie, C. J. Farr, T. R. Farrimond, Mary E. G. Feetham, G. S. Foster, Frances M. Fountain, Maud M. Frankland, T. P. S. Frew, S. Galande, H. J. B. Galbraith, P. D. Gange, H. L. Gardner, Joy M. Gardner, W. F. T. George, M. Gold, D. S. M. Graham, F. G. Grant, Jean A. Grant, Violet H. Gray, C. R. H. Green, A. G. Grossett, M. J. L. Hassall, J. K. Hawkey, Josephine M. R. Heber, F. W. Henderson, J. Hendry, Mary M. Herley, J. T. Heron, S. R. Hewitt, Rachel M. Hickinbotham, H. F. Hills, J. D. Holdsworth, J. A. G. Holt, P. D. James, R. Johnston, Daphne M. E. Kayton, R. G. M. Keeling, W. P. Kelly, R. F. S. Kirkham, Mary E. Larg, Helen M. J. Lawn, J. P. Leaver, Joyce R. Lewis, L. E. Lotimer, R. St. J. Lyburn, I. Macdonald, A. M. Mackenzie, T. E. L. J. McNair, J. D. H. Mahony, Dorothy M. Marshall, K. bin-M. O. Megat, Rene M. Michelmore, J. L. Middlemiss, P. D. V. Moni, Valerie N. Nairn, W. LeV. Needham, L. P. A. Newborne, T. A. O'Donnell, Ann K. O'May, D. G. O'Sullivan, H. P. L. Ozorio, L. J. Page, J. H. K. Parker, M. L. Paterson, A. S. S. Playfair, P. K. Pybus, B. O. Reed, Dorothy M. Ridout, D. A. Road, Joan M. Robinson, Heather J. S. Ross, H. A. Rowley, J. L. D. Roy, A. O. Sankey, E. Sheehan, Pamela M. Smith, J. A. Sodipo, T. A. Solomon, F. V. Squires, P. J. Stack, A. Starritt, J. Stohner, Doreen M. J. Stracey, A. S. Subramani, Elaine M. Sunderland, W. F. Sunderland, W. D. G. Tellam, Dorothy E. M. Thomas, S. W. Thomson, G. M. Turner, R. N. H. Vann, L. Varma, A. S. Wallace, Alice M. Waters, P. Watson, P. W. Wells, P. Wen-chee Mao (Moore), D. B. B. Whitehouse, Edith J. Whitelaw, Alice R. E. Widdows, H. A. G. Winter, Ursula E. Zander, H. T. Zborowski.

## CONJOINT BOARD IN SCOTLAND

The following candidates, having passed the final examinations, have been admitted L.R.C.P.Ed., L.R.C.S.Ed., L.R.F.P.&S.Glasg.:

D. S. Anderson, R. A. Atherton, G. J. Bagley, P. M. Brazil, P. Freeman, J. H. Gentles, H. Gerber, L. H. Geronimus, Susan MacA. Gillies, T. E. Grant, J. C. O. Iwenofu, J. Jochowitz, A. Logan, L. C. Luck, K. E. M. Melville, M. Metz, A. W. P. Millard, A. J. Mone, W. McIlwraith, Monica B. Macnamara, Eleanor D. M. Pierce, D. Pride, R. F. Reid, Ellen M. Rosenthal, D. Simon, P. H. Slade, R. A. Spalding, Helen L. Steven, D. Stewart, J. A. Turner, R. Wilson, J. Winning, J. S. Wood, M. J. Zimmerman.

Dr. Thomas D. Dublin has been appointed executive director of the American National Health Council. For the last six years he has been professor of preventive medicine at the Long Island College of Medicine, Brooklyn. The National Health Council was founded in 1921 by a group of national health organizations. It has recently received a grant of \$225,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation.

## Medical News

## Advisory Committee on Medical Nomenclature and Statistics

The Registrar-General has set up an Advisory Committee on Medical Nomenclature and Statistics. The function of the committee will be to consider from the medical point of view and to advise upon questions affecting the international statistical classification of diseases, injuries, and causes of death, and many other matters concerning medical nomenclature or statistics which may from time to time be referred to it. The chairman is Sir Ernest Rock Carling and the members are Sir Allen Daley, Professor Ernest Finch, Dr. F. H. K. Green, Dr. C. F. Harris, Professor A. Bradford Hill, Professor A. J. Lewis, Dr. A. Massey, Dr. P. L. McKinlay, Professor N. C. W. Nixon, Dr. W. N. Pickles, Dr. A. H. T. Robb-Smith, Dr. Percy Stocks, Professor R. E. Tunbridge, Sir Lionel Whitby, and Dr. A. Louise Winner. The secretary of the committee is Mr. L. M. Feery, General Register Office, Somerset House, London, W.C.2.

## Industrial Health Research Board

The following have accepted the invitation of the Medical Research Council to serve as members of the Industrial Health Research Board during the next three years: Sir Frederic C. Bartlett, F.R.S. (chairman), Sir Charles J. Bartlett, Professor R. V. Christie, F.R.C.P., Mr. C. R. Dale, Dr. A. N. Drury, F.R.S., Sir Luke Fawcett, Professor T. Ferguson, M.D., Sir Claude Gibb, F.R.S., Professor A. Bradford Hill, Professor Esther M. Killick, M.R.C.P., Professor R. E. Lane, F.R.C.P., Dr. A. Massey, Dr. E. R. A. Merewether, Dr. J. M. Rogan, Dr. Donald Stewart, and Dr. Joan M. Faulkner (secretary). The Board is appointed by the Council to advise and assist it in that part of its research programme which relates to occupational health. The detailed consideration of research work is in the hands of scientific committees dealing with such subjects as occupational medicine, occupational physiology, occupational psychology, industrial pulmonary diseases, toxicology, and statistics. These committees report directly to the Council for purposes of immediate action. The function of the Board itself is that of a reviewing body considering general policy with regard to research over the whole field.

## The Royal Society

At a meeting of the Royal Society, held on Nov. 30, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: *President*, Sir Robert Robinson; *Treasurer*, Sir Thomas Merton; *Secretaries*, Sir Edward Salisbury and Professor D. Brunt; *Foreign Secretary*, Professor E. D. Adrian, O.M., M.D. Fifteen other Fellows were elected to the Council of the Society, including the following members of the medical profession: Professor G. R. Cameron, F.R.C.P., Dr. C. H. Kellaway, F.R.C.P., and Professor S. Zuckerman, M.D.

## Higher Pay for Hospital Domestics

Agreement has been reached by the Ancillary Staffs Council of the Whitley Council for the Health Services (Great Britain) on revised rates of pay for domestic and manual workers in hospitals and institutions. They will also apply to residential establishments controlled by local authorities. The revised rates for the basic grades are 106s. for men and 82s. for women in London, 100s. for men and 75s. for women in urban areas, and 97s. for men and 74s. for women in rural areas. These new rates will in general result in increases ranging from 1s. to 8s. a week for men and from 2s. to 7s. a week for women, and are based on a 48-hour week. About 130,000 employees are affected.

## Advisory Council on Child Care

The Home Secretary has appointed the Advisory Council on Child Care provided for in the Children Act. The members are: Professor Alan Moncrieff (chairman), Lady Allen of Hurtwood, Dr. Muriel Barton Hall, Mr. R. Beloe, Miss S. C. Bertie, Mrs. F. M. Brown, Mr. P. B. Dingle, Mrs. K. W. Jones-Roberts, Mr. P. T. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Dermot Morrah, Miss L. M. Rendel, and Mr. David Smith. Departmental representatives of the Home Office and the Ministries of Education, Health, and Labour have also been appointed.

## One Man's Story

"One Man's Story" is a film which has been produced for the Foreign Office by the Central Office of Information with the object of telling people, in this country and overseas, about British achievements in public health. It is a description of the work of the late Dr. G. C. M. McGonigle, who was medical officer of health for Stockton-on-Tees from 1925 until his death in 1939, and it illustrates the manifold duties which medical officers of health are called upon to perform. The film in particular brings out McGonigle's observation that in spite of the transfer of half the residents of a slum area in Stockton to a model housing estate their health did not show the

expected improvement, and at the end of five years the death rate was rising in spite of better housing. The simple reason was that the people, having to spend rather more on rent, spent rather less on food, and the lesson was driven home that social improvement was not to be brought about by attention to only one factor in the situation. The part of M'Gonigle in the film is taken by Murray Matheson, but apart from one other there are no professional actors in the film, the cast consisting of members of the council and citizens of Stockton, where nearly all the filming was done. Perhaps the desire not to make too long a film—it runs for only 26 minutes—has resulted in some aspects of M'Gonigle's work being passed over lightly. But it is a very human presentation. It brings out the two sides of a medical officer of health's work—the control of hygiene and the personal services. It is produced by the Horizon Film Unit in association with the Film Producers Guild, and Dr. M'Gonigle's successor at Stockton-on-Tees, Dr. H. J. Peters, has co-operated.

#### World Federation for Mental Health

The report of the International Preparatory Commission of the Congress on Mental Health, which met in London in August, has been issued under the title "Mental Health and World Citizenship." It is obtainable for 1s. (1s. 2d. post free) from the World Federation for Mental Health, 19, Manchester Street, London, W.1.

#### Literature of Food Investigation

The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has issued the *Index to the Literature of Food Investigation*, Vol. 17, No. 1, June, 1945 (H.M.S.O. 6d.). Short notes on the contents of each article follow the reference to it.

#### Wills

Mr. Robert Ollerenshaw, of Didsbury, Manchester, left £104,071. Dr. Robert Haslam, of Bolton, left £24,823; Dr. Charles Albert Ernest Griffiths, of Meopham, Kent, £5,281; Dr. Charles Dainty Hatrick, of Hadley Wood, Middlesex, £5,081; and Surgeon Rear-Admiral James Herbert Fergusson, late R.N., £14,483.

### COMING EVENTS

#### Congress of Comparative Pathology

Titles of papers to be presented at the Fifth International Congress of Comparative Pathology (Nov. 20, p. 923) at Istanbul should be sent by Dec. 15 to Mr. R. E. Glover, Royal Veterinary College, London, N.W.1. The papers should be sent by Feb. 20, 1949, to Pr. N. R. Belger, Taksim, Siraserviler 75/3, Istanbul, Turkey.

### SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

#### Monday

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W.—Dec. 13, 8.30 p.m. "*Therapeutic Application of Anti-coagulants*." Discussion to be introduced by Dr. Paul H. Wood and Mr. A. Dickson Wright.

#### Tuesday

CHADWICK TRUST.—At Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, 26, Portland Place, London, W., Dec. 14, 2.30 p.m. "*The Rise and Fall of the First General Board of Health*," by Mr. S. E. Finer

CHELSEA CLINICAL SOCIETY.—At South Kensington Hotel, 47, Queens Gate Terrace, London, S.W., Dec. 14, 7 for 7.30 p.m. Discussion: "*Films and their Influence*." To be opened by Mr. Sidney Gilliat (J. Arthur Rank organization).

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY, 5, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London, W.C.—Dec. 14, 5 p.m. "*Histopathology of the Skin*," by Dr. I. Muende.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—At St. Paul's Hospital, Endell Street, London, W.C., Dec. 14, 11 a.m., "*Cerebrospinal Fluid Tests for Syphilis*," by Dr. R. Thomson; at St. Peter's Hospital, Henrietta Street, London, W.C., Dec. 14, 5 p.m., "*Congenital Defects of the Testicle and Epididymis*," by Mr. Harland Rees.

PHYSIOTHERAPISTS ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN.—At Charing Cross Hotel, Strand, London, W.C., Dec. 14, 8 p.m. "*Physical Medicine in Diseases of the Endocrine Glands*," by Dr. A. P. Cawadiaz.

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: FOOD GROUP, LONDON SECTION, AND AGRICULTURE GROUP.—At Main Chemistry Lecture Theatre, Royal College of Science, Imperial Institute Road, London, S.W., Dec. 14, 5.30 p.m. Joint meeting. Address: "*World Cereals To-day*," by Mr. C. A. Loombe.

#### Wednesday

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY, 5, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London, W.C.—Dec. 15, 5 p.m. "*X-ray Technique*," by Dr. C. W. McKenny.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—At St. Paul's Hospital, Endell Street, London, W.C., Dec. 15, 11 a.m., "*The Toxic Manifestations of Treatment in Syphilis*," by Dr. W. N. Mascall; 5 p.m., "*Tumours of the Testicle*," by Mr. W. K. Irwin.

#### Thursday

EDINBURGH CLINICAL CLUB.—At B.M.A. Scottish House, 7, Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh, Dec. 16, 8 p.m. "*The Therapeutic Use of the Minerals*," by Dr. A. G. Badenoch.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—At St. Paul's Hospital, Endell Street, London, W.C., Dec. 16, 11 a.m., "*The Toxic Manifestations of Treatment in Syphilis*," by Dr. W. N. Mascall; at St. Peter's Hospital, Henrietta Street, London, W.C., Dec. 16, 5 p.m., "*Injuries and Disease of the Testicle and Epididymis, other than Tumour or Tuberculosis*," by Mr. Harland Rees.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL, Hyde Park Corner, London, S.W.—Dec. 16, 4.30 p.m. "*Neurology and Psychiatry*." Lecture-demonstration by Dr. Anthony Feilding.

#### Friday

LONDON CHEST HOSPITAL, Victoria Park, E.—Dec. 17, 5 p.m. "*Clinical and Cardiographic Methods in the Diagnosis of Coronary Syndromes*," by Dr. K. Shirley Smith.

MAIDA VALE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL, Maida Vale, London, W.—Dec. 17, 5 p.m. Case demonstration by Dr. E. A. Blake Pritchard.

### APPOINTMENTS

BRINDLE, T. W., M.B., Ch.B., Full-time Medical Officer for Central Area of Flintshire.

GEE, A. C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health, Lowestoft. GRETTON-WATSON, B. G., M.B., B.Chir., D.P.H., Deputy Medical Officer of Health for Cheshire.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, London, W.C.—*Resident Assistant Physician*, D. N. Lawson, M.B., B.Chir., M.R.C.P. *House-physician*, F. S. W. Brimblecombe, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P. *House-surgeon*, H. R. Jolly, M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.P. *Supernumerary Medical Registrar*, F. W. Nash, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P. *Supernumerary Registrar to Department of Physical Medicine*, D. C. Arnott, M.B., B.S., D.C.H.

RHYDWEN, R., D.S.C., M.B., B.S., D.P.H., Full-time Medical Officer for Western Area of Flintshire.

THOMPSON, B. A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Assistant Pathologist, Watford Peace Memorial Hospital, North-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.

THORBURN, A. L., M.D., D.P.H., Divisional School Medical Officer and District Medical Officer of Health for the Urban and Rural Councils of Nantwich, Cheshire.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

#### BIRTHS

Child.—On Nov. 28, 1948, at the General Hospital, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Margot, wife of Dr. J. P. Child, a son.

Darcus.—On Nov. 27, 1948, at Churchill Hospital, Oxford, to Mary, wife of Howard Darcus, B.M., a son.

Ebbage.—On Nov. 29, 1948, at Highgate, to Margaret (née Cunison), wife of Geoffrey Ebbage, a son—Ian.

Miller.—On Nov. 24, 1948, at Belfast, to Noël (née Gardiner), wife of Geoffrey Miller, M.R.C.P.I., Riversley, Banbridge, Co. Down, a daughter.

Smith.—On Dec. 1, 1948, at the Barratt Maternity Home, Northampton, to Sheila (née Macbriar), wife of Alastair W. Smith, M.B.E., L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S.Glas., a daughter.

Stevenson.—On Nov. 28, 1948, at King's College Hospital, London, S.E., to Marjorie (née Ferguson Wood), wife of John Stevenson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., a son.

#### DEATHS

Chambers.—On Nov. 23, 1948, at The Winnats, St. Helens, Isle of Wight, Wilfrid Metcalfe Chambers, M.D., aged 66.

Drew.—On Nov. 27, 1948, at White Lodge, Fleet, Charles Milligan Drew, D.S.O., M.B., Ch.B., retired Colonel, A.M.S., aged 68.

D'Rosario.—Recently, Wilfred James D'Rosario, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Carlisle, Cumberland.

Ferguson.—On Nov. 28, 1948, at Braeside, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham, Tom Entwistle Ferguson, L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S.Glas.

Grove.—On Nov. 28, 1948, William Reginald Grove, M.D., of St. Ives, Hunts, aged 79.

Hamilton.—On Nov. 24, 1948, Louisa Hamilton, M.D., of Aylesbury, Bucks. Lilley.—On Nov. 22, 1948, Ernest Lewis Lilley, F.R.C.S., of New Walk, Leicester, aged 72.

Linklater.—On Nov. 24, 1948, at City Hospital, Edinburgh, George James Irvine Linklater, O.B.E., M.D.Ed.

Macrae.—Recently, at Worcester, South Africa, Duncan Mackenzie Macrae, M.D.

Moncrieff.—On Dec. 1, 1948, at 8, Queen's Road, Hendon, London, N.W., Agnes Moncrieff, M.B., Ch.B.

Parsons.—On Dec. 4, 1948, at Nuffield House, Guy's Hospital, London, S.E., Frank Bett Parsons, M.D., F.R.C.P., of 77, Grange Road, Cambridge, aged 46.

Rawlings.—On Nov. 23, 1948, at Cambridge, Graham Rigby Rawlings, M.B., B.Chir., late of Calcutta.

Reid.—On Nov. 29, 1948, at Ashleigh, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough, Yorks, John Bernard Reid, M.Ch., F.R.C.S.Ed., aged 48.

Rooke.—On Nov. 26, 1948, at Woodhouse, Headley, Newbury, Berks, Frederick James Faulkland Rooke, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.D.S., aged 77.

Scott.—On Dec. 1, 1948, at Craig-y-Barns, Frensham Vale, near Farnham, Surrey, John Livingstone Scott, M.B., Ch.B.

Sequeira.—Recently, in Kenya, James Harry Sequeira, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., aged 83.

Stuart.—On Nov. 26, 1948, at Westwood, Oakfield Road, Harpenden, Herts, Emily Gertrude Stuart, M.B., formerly of the C.E.Z.M.S. Hospital, Quetta, aged 76.

Topham.—On Nov. 28, 1948, at Folkestone, John Arthur Topham, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., formerly of Chartham, aged 74.

Whiteman.—On Sept. 23, 1948, John Wells Whiteman, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 68.