

## A GREAT WORKER IN PUBLIC HEALTH

*Selected Papers of Haven Emerson, A.M., M.D., D.S.M.* Published on the occasion of his 75th birthday, October 19, 1949, by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek, Michigan. (Pp. 507. \$3.)

On October 19, 1949, Haven Emerson, one of America's greatest practitioners of public health, celebrated his 75th birthday. The occasion was marked by the most sincere expressions of appreciation from his many friends and colleagues and by the publication of thirty-five well-selected papers from more than one hundred and fifty written by him during his long life.

He is not the first great worker in the field of public health to have forsaken a most promising career as a physician for the less obvious attractions of preventive medicine and to have distinguished himself subsequently in epidemiology and medical administration. His rarity lies not only in his clear and able scientific work but in his constant awareness of its deeper social significance.

This book can be recommended to readers in Britain on three accounts. First, such papers as that on "The Prevention of Heart Disease" and "The Place of Mental Hygiene in the Public Health Movement" are as worthy of study now as when they were written. Secondly, many papers are concerned with the relation to each other of voluntary and official bodies and their proper place in the promotion of community health. These are the considered opinions of a man of great intelligence and experience, and should be closely examined at this critical time in the development of our health services. Thirdly, those interested in the growth to maturity of the human personality will find fascination in the study of these papers, taken as they are chronologically, and representative of the main stages in the life of an outstanding man.

J. M. MACKINTOSH.

## ASPECTS OF UROLOGY

*Essential Urology.* By Fletcher H. Colby, M.D. (Pp. 580; 342 figures. £3 1s. 6d.) London: Baillière, Tindall and Cox. 1950.

The title of this work is apt to mislead. To most people the essentials of any specialty are those broad principles which should guide the medical man in his practice of it and should form a sound basis for diagnosis and treatment. But in this work the emphasis is on the embryology, anatomy, physiology, and pathology of the genito-urinary organs. The author considers that methods of treatment change so rapidly and are so soon out of date that it is difficult to include them in a book meant primarily for students. But, although he does not claim that this book is a comprehensive work on genito-urinary surgery, and discusses treatment only secondarily, he throws light on many of the practical problems with which the genito-urinary surgeon is concerned. For example, the book includes an excellent table which allows the reader to see at a glance the respective advantages and disadvantages of the various methods of carrying out prostatectomy. It also gives statistical data by which the mortality rate, and therefore the risks attached to these operations, can be assessed. The book can therefore be looked upon as being an excellent means of supplementing other reading on this subject. It can claim to deal with essentials in so far as anatomy, physiology, and pathology are the foundation subjects on which all surgery rests. Like almost all medical works coming from the U.S.A., this book is very well illustrated.

KENNETH WALKER.

## BOOKS RECEIVED

Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received

*Human Sex Anatomy.* By R. L. Dickinson, M.D., F.A.C.S. 2nd ed. (Pp. 145. 76s. 6d.) London: Baillière, Tindall and Cox. 1949.

*Domestic Science and Dietetics.* Choice of Careers: New Series No. 13. (Pp. 40. 9d.) London: H.M.S.O. 1950.

*Manual of British Water Supply Practice.* Compiled by the Institution of Water Engineers. Edited by A. T. Hobbs, M.I.C.E., and J. E. Hobbs. (Pp. 910. 50s.) Cambridge: Heffer. 1950.

*Vision: Its Development in Infant and Child.* By A. Gesell, M.D., and others. (Pp. 329. 42s.) London: Hamish Hamilton. 1949.

*Transactions of the American Götter Association, 1949.* (Pp. 460. 77s. 6d.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. N.D.

*Cytologic Diagnosis of Lung Cancer.* By S. M. Farber, M.D., and others. (Pp. 80. 45s.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

*Lip Reading.* By J. H. Burchett. (Pp. 192. 6s. 6d.) London: National Institute for the Deaf. 1950.

*Communicable Diseases.* Edited by R. L. Pullen, A.B., M.D., F.A.C.P. (Pp. 1,035. 140s.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1950.

*A Manual of Bandaging, Strapping, and Splinting.* By A. Thorndike, jun., M.D. 2nd ed. (Pp. 148. 14s.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1950.

*Feeding Mothers and Babies.* By N. Heaton and G. Daynes, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.C.H. (Pp. 214. 7s. 6d.) London: Faber. 1950.

*Psychic Pitfalls.* By S. Desmond. 2nd ed. (Pp. 271. 15s.) London: Rider. 1950.

*Food Poisoning.* By E. B. Dewberry, M.B.E. (Pp. 318. 17s. 6d.) London: Leonard Hill. 1950.

*Manual of Massage and Movements.* By E. M. Prosser, T.M.M.G. 3rd ed. (Pp. 388. 15s.) London: Faber. 1950.

*Cerebral Angiography.* By P. A. Lima. (Pp. 221. 45s.) London: Geoffrey Cumberlege. 1950.

*Practical Post-Mortem Technique.* By E. G. Poynter, R.M.P., S.E.A.N. Edited by L. L. Griffiths, M.A., M.D., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Pp. 118. 9s.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1950.

*General Clinical Counseling in Educational Institutions.* By M. E. Hahn and M. S. MacLean. (Pp. 375. 30s.) New York, Toronto, London: McGraw-Hill Book Company. 1950.

*Some Relations between Vision and Audition.* By J. D. Harris, Ph.D. (Pp. 56. 11s.) Springfield, Ill.: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

*The Cerebral Circulation in Health and Disease.* By C. F. Schmidt, A.B., M.D. (Pp. 78. 15s.) Springfield, Ill.: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

*Simmonds's Disease.* By R. F. Farquharson, M.B., F.R.C.P.C. (Pp. 93. 15s.) Springfield, Ill.: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

*The Use of Chemical Tests for Alcohol in Traffic Law Enforcement.* By G. C. Forrester, Ph.D. (Pp. 91. 15s.) Springfield, Ill.: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

*Atlas of Human Anatomy, Descriptive and Regional.* By M. W. Woerdeman, M.D., F.R.N.A.Sc. Vol. 2. (Pp. 642. 63s.) London: Butterworth. Amsterdam: Wetenschappelijke Uitgeverij. 1950.

*Gedenboek der Koninklijke Nederlandsche Maatschappij tot Bevordering der Geneeskunst.* (Pp. 308. No price.) Amsterdam: De Bussy. 1949.

accommodation and, in certain stations, free messing were also provided.

### Employment of German Doctors

Mr. SORENSEN asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies on July 26 why medical practitioners with German qualifications were allowed to practise in Tanganyika and the Cameroons but not in the Gold Coast, Nigeria, and other Colonies; and, in view of the great need of doctors in all the Colonies not being likely to be met for a long time, whether he would take action to secure the fuller services of German medical practitioners, dentists, and similar professional men.

Mr. GRIFFITHS said there were no special rules about German qualifications as such. In most Colonial territories doctors from outside who wished to practise were required by law to have qualifications recognized by the General Medical Council in the United Kingdom. The law in the former mandated territories, however, gave the local authorities discretion to register practitioners with other qualifications. The recruitment of foreigners for the Government medical services in the Colonies was obviously not free from difficulty, but in fact a number of foreign doctors and dentists had been appointed during the last two or three years. Most of them had obtained British registration.

### Pneumoconiosis

Mr. PATON asked the Minister of National Insurance on July 25 if she proposed to amend the relevant regulations to bring within the scope of the Industrial Injuries Act all foundry workers who suffered from a pneumoconiotic condition as a result of being engaged in any process in or around a foundry.

Dr. EDITH SUMMERSKILL said pneumoconiosis was already prescribed in respect of a number of foundry processes where medical evidence indicated there was a risk of contracting the disease, and she was not considering an extension of the scope of the regulations.

Mr. PATON said there was a great deal of evidence of the spread of pneumoconiosis and silicosis in processes other than those prescribed by the regulations. Would it not be simpler and more just if, instead of having to prescribe processes, the basis for eligibility were to be made the existence of the disease in a foundry worker.

Dr. SUMMERSKILL said she was prepared to examine that.

Mr. AWBERY asked what procedure was adopted before a disease was regarded as an industrial disease and was liable to be brought under the Industrial Injuries Act.

Dr. SUMMERSKILL said they had to have convincing medical evidence before it could be attributed to the process.

### Whiter Bread

Mr. WEBB, Minister of Food, announced in reply to questions by Wing Commander BULLUS and Dr. STROSS on July 24 that it had been decided to reduce to 80% the extraction rate of flour used for the national loaf. This would be made up of home-milled national flour with a rate of 81%, and a proportion of imported flour with a lower rate. This change, which would take effect on Sunday, August 27, would enable the public to get a whiter and more generally acceptable loaf while still meeting the standards recommended by the Post-War Loaf Conference. It would also add to the quality and quantity of supplies of animal feeding-stuffs.

Dr. STROSS said the 85% extraction rate, together with the high consumption of liquid milk, was responsible in the main for the continuously improving conditions in the health of the nation, and asked the Minister to state now that he did not contemplate any further degradation of that standard.

Mr. WEBB said this was their decision. They had decided that it was possible to reduce the extraction rate at this point because of the high nutritional value of the extra amounts of other kinds of food which they were now able to supply.

Dr. STROSS asked the Minister what was the iron content of wheaten flour at the rates of extraction 85%, 80%, and 72%.

Mr. WEBB said that depended on the grists (the mixtures of wheat). But typical figures for 85%, 80%, and 72% extraction rates were 2.1, 1.65, and 1.25 mg. per 100 g. of flour.

## Universities and Colleges

### UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

In Congregation on July 25 a formal welcome was addressed to the International Congress of Anatomists being held at Oxford. The honorary degree of D.C.L. was conferred on Viscount Addison, P.C., M.D., F.R.C.S., Lord Privy Seal, and the honorary degree of D.Sc. on Professor G. W. Corner, director of the Carnegie Institute of Embryology, Professor M. W. Woerdeman, Professor of Anatomy at Amsterdam, and Mr. L. S. B. Leahey, Curator of the Coryndon Museum, Nairobi.

In a Congregation held on July 15 the following degrees were conferred:

D.M.—\*W. D. Brinton.

B.M.—D. J. Goldsmid, C. N. Watson, J. D. Cairns, G. C. R. Morris, J. Taylor, J. G. Armstrong, J. M. L. Gilks, G. E. D. Morrish, W. W. Slack, W. A. Openshaw, J. R. W. Gleave, R. F. Brown, M. J. Evans, J. L. Galbraith, Mrs. Margaret E. H. Warwick, Margery P. S. Woolf, \*M. J. Rosenthal, \*Jean M. Shanks, \*Anne S. Fowkes.

\*In absence.

### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON

At a quarterly comitia of the Royal College of Physicians of London held on July 27, with the President, Dr. W. Russell Brain, in the chair, the following Fellows were elected officers for the ensuing year: *Censors*, J. F. Smith, A. H. Douthwaite, F. J. Nattrass, K. E. Harris; *Treasurer*, W. G. Barnard; *Registrar*, Sir Harold Boldero; *Harveian Librarian*, E. C. Dodds, F.R.S.; *Assistant Registrar*, M. I. A. Hunter.

Sir Archibald Gray was appointed Harveian Orator and Dr. D. H. Brinton Bradshaw Lecturer, both for 1951. The following Lecturers were also appointed: Lumleian (1951), Sir Adolphe Abrahams; Goulstonian (1951), Dr. H. J. Anderson; Oliver-Sharpey (1951), Professor K. J. Franklin; Milroy (1951), Dr. J. C. Broom; Croonian (1952), Dr. E. B. Strauss; FitzPatrick (1951), Dr. W. Brockbank; Mitchell (1951), Dr. W. E. Lloyd.

The President, Dr. Russell Brain, was elected the College representative on the General Medical Council and on the governing body of the British Postgraduate Medical Federation.

The Bisset Hawkins Medal was awarded to Sir Wilson Jameson in recognition of his services in promoting public health during the past ten years while he was Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health.

The Gilbert Blane Gold Medal for 1950 was awarded to Surgeon Commander E. B. Martin, R.N., and the Murchison Scholarship to Dr. J. C. Mitchell.

The appointments of Dr. W. D. W. Brooks as a member of the Proffit Committee, Dr. Alice Stewart as a member of the Rheumatic Fever Committee, and Dr. Mildred Creak as a member of the Psychological Medicine Committee were confirmed.

The following having satisfied the Censors' Board were elected Members of the College: E. M. Backett, M.B., J. C. Batten, M.B., J. S. K. Boyd, M.D., E. G. Brownell, M.D., A. W. Capon, M.B., T. Chelvarajah, L.M.S., P. R. Clay, B.M., Betty L. Coles, M.B., D. H. Collins, M.D., A. E. Doyle, M.B., R. I. Eakin, M.B., W. J. D. Eberlie, M.B., R. Fife, M.B., T. R. L. Finnegan, M.B., W. Fox, M.B., E. N. Gauld, M.B., S. B. Hall, M.D., A. C. Hayton, M.B., J. B. Hoiroyd, M.B., G. Howells, M.B., M. C. Joseph, M.B., W. A. E. Karunaratne, M.D., S. E. Large, M.B., Major, R.A.M.C., G. L. McDonald, M.B., C. McIver, M.B., H. W. Matthews, M.B., Lieutenant, R.A.M.C., W. R. May, M.B., S. S. Meighan, jun., M.B., J. S. Menzies, M.D., A. W. N. Oatway, M.B., Margaret M. O'Hare, M.B., L. I. Phillips, M.B., Muriel E. Port, M.B., G. S. Ratnavale, M.B., B. Stone, M.B., T. J. Thomson, M.B., W. J. Walkden, M.B., A. P. Waterson, M.B., J. A. Waycott, M.B., R. G. Welch, M.B., E. Williams, M.B.

Licences to practise were conferred upon 107 candidates (including 15 women) who have passed the final examination in Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery of the Conjoint Board and who have complied with the necessary by-laws: K. R. Aberdour, D. Abse, Lilian E. Ackermann, Sheleagh E. Aldersmith, R. J. Ancill, M. J. Argyrides, B. H. Bass, W. H. G. Batham, Barbara E. Batty, H. H. G. Bell, J. C. Betts, Hyla M. Birks, F. R. Brearley, J. M. Brown, B. H. Burne, G. E. H. Callebaut, T. H. Christie, D. J. Coleman, H. G. Cooper, H. D. Cullimore, H. J. B. Day, A. R. de C. Deacock, J. C. Dilley, P. Dinmore, W. A. W. Dutton, M. A. Ebrahim, H. B. Eckstein, J. A. Eddington, P. C. Fleming, R. Fleming, J. H. G. Ford, N. S. Galbraith, L. E. Garrett, Angela M. Geere, R. E. Gibson, A. L. A. Gill, S. C. Gomez, J. Gower, B. P. Green, J. L. Griffiths, R. Hart, R. F. Harvey, C. McL. Hewat, R. Hill, R. Hinchcliffe, E. R. Heuhns, Anne Isaac, G. Jessup, P. E. E. Kann, F. M. Kinsman,

S. F. Knipe, S. S. Lazarus, D. Lennie, H. E. Lewis, J. A. F. Lord, J. W. McCloy, R. F. McKnight, Sheina A. Maclean, M. K. Mason, Jennie C. Maurice-Jones, W. C. Mok, R. D. Morbey, Ann E. Morgan, A. H. Mortimer, G. M. Murphy, R. N. Nauth-Misir, T. O. O. Ogunlesi, D. W. Orton, E. M. Orton, Kathleen M. Parker, J. W. Parkin, J. A. Pedler, L. H. Pell, J. E. H. Pendower, Joan K. Perkins, D. A. Plomer, A. J. Redenham, G. D. Rees, Alison M. Richardson, E. H. Roffey, I. M. Rosen, N. L. Rowe, K. E. K. Rowson, Hilary G. Rubin, P. W. Ruggles, P. S. B. Russell, M. R. Salkind, Gwendoline D. Salter, D. I. Segall, H. Silver, P. R. Stevens, E. Stokoe, D. T. I. Stuttaford, G. C. Swain, D. R. Sweetnam, Gwendolyn R. Tapp, I. O. Taylor, W. C. T. Thomas, G. W. Thorpe, J. G. Turner, W. J. A. H. Turner, J. M. Walker, H. B. G. Webb, J. A. Williams, K. G. Williams, R. I. J. Williams, D. Wiseman.

Diplomas in Medical Radio-Diagnosis, in Medical Radiotherapy, in Laryngology and Otolaryngology, in Psychological Medicine, in Anaesthetics, in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, and in Child Health were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Surgeons of England, to the successful candidates whose names are printed below in the report of the meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Other diplomas were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Surgeons of England, as follows:

**DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.**—N. J. Caldwell, M. J. Collins, R. E. C. Copithorne, Audrey T. Evans, K. C. Mackenzie, N. Newman, J. O'Callaghan, R. O'Farrell.

**DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMOLOGY.**—M. Alimuddin, H. L. Backhouse, R. H. Baird, J. C. Bass, Fiona M. Bennett, W. G. C. Craigen, R. P. Dhanda, D. B. Dunlop, R. Ebenezer, R. F. Elliott, Nora M. English, B. Ibrahim, B. U. Killen, Ella I. Mackinnon, S. Prakash, P. K. Rai Chaudhuri, A. V. Rajagopal, J. P. Robinson, T. R. Sakhuja, J. H. Scott, K.-Y. Sun.

**DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY.**—P. H. Ball, R. N. Bulsara, R. B. W. A. Cole, P. C. Ghosh, Margaret M. Harley, M. C. Head, Anna J. Kesson, J. M. McKeogh, R. A. Morris, D. J. O'Connor, J. L. J. Phillips, D. Plum, T. F. Roche, F. Saif, L. F. Samut, A. G. Shanks, J. R. C. Spicer, H. S. Sweet, D. S. Thomson, L. M. Weerekoon.

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England held on July 13, Sir Cecil Wakeley was re-elected President for the ensuing year, and Professor Ernest Finch and Mr. P. H. Mitchiner were elected vice-presidents.

Mr. A. Hedley Whyte, Mr. E. W. Riches, Sir Arthur Porritt, and Professor A. M. Claye were admitted as Members of the Council.

Professors and Lecturers for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:

**Hunterian Professors.**—Mr. A. W. Allen, one lecture on modern trends in colonic surgery; Mr. R. T. Johnson, one lecture on carotid ligation for intracranial aneurysms: review of 100 cases; Professor Milroy A. Paul, one lecture on the blood and lymph pathways in the spermatic cord; Mr. A. Wilfrid Adams, one lecture on the range and results of transurethral surgery; Mr. Denis J. Browne, one lecture on congenital deformities of mechanical origin, their pathology and treatment; Mr. Harvey Jackson, one lecture on tumours of the orbit; Mr. F. G. Hollands, one lecture on malignant disease of the urinary bladder; Mr. P. G. L. Essex-Lopresti, one lecture on fractures of the os calcis; Mr. J. C. Goligher, one lecture on the functional results following sphincter-saving excisions of the rectum; Mr. C. A. R. Schulenburg, one lecture on adamantinoma; Mr. B. N. Brooke, one lecture on the surgery of ulcerative colitis; Mr. Arthur Naylor, one lecture on brachial neuritis, with particular reference to lesions of the cervical intervertebral disks; Mr. R. P. Jepson, one lecture on a clinical and physiological study of 200 cases of severe Raynaud's phenomenon.

**Arris and Gale Lecturers.**—Professor J. M. Yoffey, one lecture in the form of a film of the lymphatic system; Mr. J. B. Kinmonth, one lecture on surgical physiology of large arteries, with particular reference to traumatic spasm; Mr. W. J. Dempster, one lecture on some problems involved in homotransplantation of tissues, with particular reference to skin.

**Erasmus Wilson Demonstrations.**—Mr. C. E. Shattock, two demonstrations; Mr. P. H. Mitchiner, two demonstrations; Mr. L. W. Proger, two demonstrations.

**Arnott Demonstrations.**—Mr. R. J. Last, two demonstrations; Dr. F. S. Gorrill, two demonstrations; Dr. H. D. Ross, two demonstrations, with a discussion of the pathology of reactive and neoplastic changes in synovial tissues, illustrated by specimens from the museum.

Professor David Slome, Professor of Applied Physiology, was also appointed as Bernhard Baron Research Professor.

The Macloghlin Scholarship for 1950 was awarded to John Julius Fryatt of Lewes County School.

Diplomas of Fellowship were awarded as follows: W. E. Wimberger, N. T. Holden, J. B. David, S. H. Janikoun, R. P.

Crick, J. D. Randall, G. H. D. Channing, J. G. Craddock, W. Sewell, R. O. Wheeler, R. S. Henderson, J. G. Stubbs, A. J. Evans, L. R. McLaren, D. T. R. Evans, P. R. Sondhi, O. M. Jonathan, A. M. B. Tompkin, R. H. Maudsley, H. O. Williams, J. P. Hopewell, J. D. Trethowan, R. H. Sewell, R. R. Burn, J. E. L. Price, C. G. Attenborough, G. S. Yeoh, D. A. Bailey, J. Upsdell, C. W. Graham-Stewart, L. T. Cotton, K. D. Roberts, L. F. Tinkler, N. C. D. Pizey, A. J. Ruzicka, E. J. Newton, K. K. Ghosh, D. F. de S. Goonawardena, A. Hirtstein, A. B. May, R. V. Singh, M. D. Gelfand, T. M. Henneby, K. W. B. Roston, G. S. M. Wilson, A. F. Marshall, E. Hoffmann, B. M. Pujari, O. H. Schneider, S. E. Seneviratne, A. Ashworth, J. L. Bignell, A. T. S. Paul, M. A. Sadek, P. K. Chatterjee, A. M. M. Farag, J. M. Jalundhwal, W. Paterson, H. J. Richards, P. Sivasubramaniam, D. S. Chapman, I. A. Lester, J. F. McInerney, P. W. E. Moore, C. A. Simmons, H. F. Smith, J. H. Cloke, B. S. Crawford, G. M. Goodson, G. W. H. James, P. N. S. Jayaswal, T. P. Leadman, N. C. Mackillop, A. W. Middleton, J. H. Shelswell, I. B. Taylor, J. H. Brown, M. D. Cremin, T. G. Crombie, D. P. Greaves, M. H. M. Harrison, S. J. Hersch, J. R. Heseltine, A. A. Jefferson, P. Jewsbury, A. U. Khan, R. Merryweather, A. G. Quinlan, F. G. Smiddy, J. W. Sutherland, W. L. Thompson, R. G. Turner, R. M. T. Walker-Brash, T. J. Wilmot, K. C. Wybar, R. E. Aitken, D. M. Bell, A. R. Cockerell, L. A. Eckert, B. Hurst, C. H. Kinder, W. L. F. Utley, R. G. Webb, B. N. Catchpole, W. D. Corfield, D. A. Gibson, J. Hankinson, I. A. McDonald, R. G. C. MacLaren, D. E. Savage, R. H. C. Robins, M. S. Strong.

A Diploma of Membership was awarded to Robert Foster McKnight (St. Thomas's Hospital).

Dr. George Edward was appointed Frederick Hewitt Lecturer.

J. C. Nicholson, D. Blatchley, A. G. Shields, and H. R. Sheppard were elected Fellows of the Faculty of Anaesthetists.

Diplomas were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, to the following successful candidates:

**DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIO-DIAGNOSIS.**—Violet Auld, E. A. Beetles, H. S. Bennett, N. N. Blaxland, D. J. Chapman, H. Clain, D. Cockcroft, W. J. J. Czyzewski, I. O. Faiman, S. Ghose, D. T. Glass, G. L. Hardman, R. T. Hastings-James, V. Hay-Bolton, R. M. Hector, K. E. Hodge, F. H. Howarth, D. C. Light, M. J. Lochrin, J. K. McCabe, R. P. C. MacDonald, E. V. M. Medill, I. R. Moyle, A. H. R. Muir, J. J. O'Connell, S. N. Prasad, L. L. Ralph, J. A. Rankin, D. F. Reynolds, K. A. Rowley, M. G. Scott, D. Sircar, W. H. Smith, R. F. Stubbs, G. J. MacA. Teunon, T. F. Thomas, W. R. R. Thursfield, E. A. Waldron, D. A. H. Walton, H. B. L. Williams, A. R. C. Young.

**DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIO-THERAPY.**—J. Ackerley, F. Batley, F. M. Benton, L. G. Capra, P. K. Dutt, A. J. H. Henning, Dorothy M. E. McGuire, I. McHattie, P. K. Mookherjee, Dorothy J. D. Smith, J. E. Stapleton.

**DIPLOMA IN LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLARYNGOLOGY.**—N. Ahmad, M. Amjad Ali, C. R. Black, A. C. Camm, A. R. Curtis, H. A. Fraser, D. S. Gideon, B. S. Hilliar, H. M. Mann, G. S. Ramachandran, V. Rasana-yagam, M. Shawaf, M. S. Strong.

**DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.**—M. W. Annear, A. L. Galea, M. M. Glatt, E. L. Ives, S. F. Lindsay, S. J. Rydlewski, A. R. Samuel, J. E. G. Vincenzi, J. H. S. Whyte, G. M. Woddiss.

**DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.**—R. C. Allison, W. E. Arnold, D. A. N. Barran, J. K. Black, H. R. Blades, S. O. Bramwell, C. P. Brown, D. H. P. Cope, Sheila A. Costello, A. S. Crawford, Celia M. Davies, P. S. Dearden, J. W. Dundee, D. A. Forbes, Marion G. Foster, F. N. Gabali, R. Ghose, C. M. H. Gunaratne, W. S. Hart, E. H. Hopkinson, R. A. House, Evelyn M. Lafferty, R. E. Lee, Mair Llewellyn, N. G. Marshall, D. Matheson, C. J. J. Morkane, T. P. Murray, Barbara M. Parker, Cynthia M. Parrott, K. A. S. M. A. Quader, D. E. G. Sayers, W. M. Smeeton, A. E. Smith, D. I. H. Smith, W. J. Tyson, A. B. Ward.

**DIPLOMA IN TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.**—S. H. Shah.

**DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.**—Edith J. R. Parfit, K. Prabhakar.

Regulations were approved for the award of the James Berry Prize endowed by Lady Berry.

The award of the Mackenzie Mackinnon Research Fellowship to Mr. R. S. Murley was reported.

The following hospitals were recognized under paragraph 23 of the Fellowship regulations: Beckett Hospital, Barnsley (resident surgical officer); Clatterbridge General Hospital, Bebington (resident surgical officer, first and second house-surgeons); Royal Victoria Hospital, Dover (senior house-surgeon); City General Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent (surgical registrar, first and second and third house-surgeons, ear, nose, and throat registrar).

The National Association for Mental Health has published the proceedings of the conference on "Mental Health and the Family" held on March 23-24 this year. The proceedings are obtainable for 5s. from the association at Maurice Craig House, 39, Queen Anne Street, London, W.1.

**Statistical Review, 1948**

Part I (Medical) of the Registrar-General's *Statistical Review for 1948* records that the crude death rate during the year was 11.0, the lowest ever recorded in England and Wales, and 0.4 below the previous lowest rate recorded in 1930. The infant mortality was 34 per 1,000 related live births and was the lowest ever recorded, being 7 below the previous low level of 1947. Cancer accounted for 16.9% of all deaths compared with 15.1% in 1947. Deaths from coronary disease and angina pectoris showed a further substantial increase, and, even allowing for the change in the age and sex distribution of the population, mortality from this cause has practically been doubled in the last ten years.

**Infant Mortality**

Provisional figures for the second quarter of this year show that both stillbirths and infant mortality were lowest on record for a June quarter in England and Wales. Stillbirths were 22.5 per 1,000 total births. Infant mortality was 28 per 1,000 related live births, compared with 30 in the June quarter of 1949, and 50 in the same quarter of 1938.

**Week Ending July 22**

The notifications of infectious diseases in England and Wales during the week included scarlet fever 1,153, whooping-cough 3,881, diphtheria 46, measles 8,754, acute pneumonia 293, acute poliomyelitis 260, dysentery 166, paratyphoid 5, typhoid fever 6.

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## Medical News

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**Miners' Welfare Commission**

The Minister of Fuel and Power has reappointed the Miners' Welfare Commission in accordance with the Coal Industry Nationalization Act of 1946. Viscount Hyndley is chairman. The only medical member is Dr. S. W. Fisher, H.M. Principal Medical Inspector of Mines. Professor E. L. Collis, formerly Talbot Professor of Preventive Medicine in the University of Wales and H.M. Medical Inspector of Factories, has resigned after serving on the commission for over 30 years.

**First Prize for Film**

The film "The Treatment of Infections of the Hand" was shown at the film section of the International Medical Congress at Verona and awarded first prize. It demonstrates the methods taught in Professor R. S. Pilcher's department at University College Hospital, and was produced under the auspices of the B.M.A. Glaxo Laboratories, Ltd., sponsored the film, and it was produced by the Realist Film Unit, Ltd. A note on it appeared in the *Supplement* of July 29 (p. 71).

**Joseph Goldberger Award for 1950**

Dr. Fuller Albright, associate professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, is to receive the Joseph Goldberger Award in Clinical Nutrition for his work on mineral and human metabolism. The award, which is made annually by the American Medical Association, consists of a gold medal and \$1,000.

**Food Production**

The Royal Society of Arts is to award a prize of £500 and a gold medal for a new and outstanding means of promoting the production or the economic utilization of food in Britain. The society gives as examples of its objective: a scheme for encouraging a return to the land; a system to ensure the marketing of perishable food, such as fish or vegetables, in better condition. The prize is given as part of the society's celebrations for the Festival of Britain. Entries must be received by March 1, and the award will be made on May 1, 1951.

**Princess Tsahai Memorial Hospital**

The Princess Tsahai Memorial Hospital, which has been built at Addis Ababa, will soon be engaging staff. Applications for the post of principal physician should be addressed to the honorary secretary, Miss E. Sylvia Pankhurst, 3, Charteris Road, Woodford Green, Essex.

**COMING EVENTS****First-aid and Home-nursing Course**

A plan for civil defence having been put into operation by the authorities, the St. John Ambulance Brigade will hold an Intensive First-aid and Home-nursing Course at St. John House, 15-16, Collingham Gardens, London, S.W.5, on September 2 for two weeks. The first week will be on first aid and the second on home nursing, including an examination in each subject after the week's lectures. Anyone is eligible, without obligation, to join the Brigade, and the successful candidate will receive the St. John Ambulance Association certificate. The course will be under the direction of a Brigade county surgeon, and there will be a resident S.R.N. tutor to instruct in home nursing and practical first aid. For further details apply to the Warden at the address above.

**Institute of Ophthalmology**

The academic year 1950-1 of the Institute of Ophthalmology (University of London) (Judd Street, London, W.C.) will be inaugurated on Wednesday, October 4, at 4.30 p.m., with an address by Dr. W. Russell Brain, President of the Royal College of Physicians of London. The annual dinner of the institute will be held at Claridges Hotel, Brook Street, London, W., at 7.30 p.m. the same day. Past students of the institute and of Moorfields Westminster and Central Eye Hospital are invited to both these functions. Tickets for the annual dinner are 25s. each and may be obtained on application to the secretary of the institute at the above address.

**SOCIETIES AND LECTURES**

A fee is charged or a ticket is required for attending lectures marked ●. Application should be made first to the institution concerned.

**Tuesday**

EDINBURGH POSTGRADUATE BOARD FOR MEDICINE.—At University New Buildings (Anatomy Lecture Theatre), Edinburgh, August 8, 3.30 p.m., "Development of Modern Renal Physiology," by Professor Homer W. Smith (New York).

**APPOINTMENTS**

FISHER, R. E. W., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., D.I.H., Chief Medical Officer, South Eastern Area Gas Board.

NEILL, G. A. W., M.D., D.P.H., Barrister-at-law, Medical Officer of Health, County Borough of Barnsley.

PULLAN, J. M., M.Chir., F.R.C.S., Part-time Consultant Surgeon, St. Thomas's Hospital, London, S.E.

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## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

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**BIRTH**

Keeling Roberts.—On July 21, 1950, at The Crescent, Wem, Shropshire, to Margaret (formerly Mayhew) and John Keeling Roberts, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., the gift of a son, a brother for Alison—Christopher Stuart.

**MARRIAGE**

Bailey—Simpson.—On July 26, 1950, at West Kirk, Greenock, John Oswald Bailey, Berrow Court, Edgbaston, Birmingham, to Catherine Gilray Simpson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

**DEATHS**

Daniel.—On July 28, 1950, at Gilcroft, Checkendon, Oxfordshire, Peter Lewis Daniel, F.R.C.S., late of 1a, Upper Wimpole Street, London, W.

Hughes.—On July 28, 1950, at Pembury Hospital, Kent, Ernest Cranmer Hughes, O.B.E., M.Ch., F.R.C.S., aged 71.

Jamieson.—On July 23, 1950, at 43, George Square, Edinburgh, John Boyd Jamieson, T.D., M.D., F.R.C.S.Ed.

Kennard.—On July 24, 1950, Douglas Frederick Kennard, L.R.C.P.Ed., of Clacton-on-Sea, late of Spitalfields.

Laidlaw.—On July 27, 1950, at 40, Sherbrooke Avenue, Glasgow, Marion Wylie Laidlaw, M.B., Ch.B., wife of Dr. Stuart I. A. Laidlaw, Medical Officer of Health for Glasgow.

Moir.—On July 25, 1950, at Lloran Lodge, Combs, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Edward Moir, L.S.A., D.A.

Solly.—On July 26, 1950, at a Harrogate nursing-home, Ernest Solly, M.B., F.R.C.S., of Strathlea, Coldbath Road, Harrogate, aged 87.

Ward.—On July 30, 1950, at the Manor House, Shelsley Beauchamp, Bernard Joseph Ward, F.R.C.S.