

was moved to a side ward. On the night of March 27 Lieutenant Mary Parry Jones saw the other patients standing round Harrison, who was sitting on the floor, jeering at him. On March 30 he was transferred from Ward M 4/5 to a ward used as a mental and detention ward, where he came under the care of the psychiatrist, Captain Whiteley, who examined him twice and on April 1 thought he might be well enough to travel to Netley for specialist psychiatric treatment.

On that same evening the deputy matron, Major Maudsley, saw him on her rounds and thought he looked so ill that she at once sent for Captain Hamilton, the orderly medical officer, who examined him and could feel a growth in his liver. He was then taken to a private room and put on the dangerously ill list. He died on April 5.

Upon Private Harrison's name being put on the dangerously ill list, which was kept in Colonel Gleave's room, Captain Hamilton saw Colonel Gleave and told him the prognosis was hopeless, and Major Hobson came to him on April 2 in what he described as rather a flutter and said that Harrison's case had not been completely diagnosed and that they had missed his enlarged liver, which was probably malignant, and that the hysterical symptoms had rather overshadowed it. Colonel Gleave as a result issued orders that future examinations must be carefully carried out.

On April 10 one of the patients who had been in Ward M 4/5 when Private Harrison was there, a Private Nicholson, went absent, and when brought before Colonel Gleave elected trial by court martial. At his trial on May 17 both he and Private Rosser, who had been the night nurse in Ward M 4/5, made allegations that Private Harrison had been ill-treated.

On hearing these allegations, which came as a complete surprise to him, Colonel Gleave asked Captain Hamilton, Deputy Matron Maudsley, Major Serjeant (the administrative officer, and the chief wardmaster W/O Gillies if they had heard of any such thing taking place. He did not speak to the sister in charge of Ward M 4/5 because she was away on sick leave, nor to Major Hobson, who had left the Service. He discussed the allegations on the telephone with the A.D.M.S. Western Command, Lieutenant-Colonel Orr. He did not make inquiries in the wards or ask patients in Ward M 4/5 about the allegations, which he thought were fantastic. He did not think it desirable to send for Private Rosser and two other witnesses who gave evidence at Private Nicholson's court martial, because he thought them unqualified and biased.

When on the evening of May 18 Major Borthwick, the Command senior information officer, spoke to Colonel Gleave on the telephone, Colonel Gleave authorized a press statement to the effect that he had made full inquiry and was satisfied that there was no truth in the allegations that there had been ill-treatment of patients.

After a retirement by the court of 34 minutes the Judge Advocate announced that Colonel Gleave had been found not guilty of the first charge, and not guilty and honourably acquitted of the second.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

Professor F. A. R. Stammers has been appointed representative of the University on the Standing Joint Committee of the University, the United Birmingham Hospitals, and the Birmingham Regional Hospital Board; Professor A. B. MacGregor has been appointed a representative of the University on the Central Counties Dental Postgraduate Committee, Dr. J. M. Malins a representative of the University at the King Charles I School, Kidderminster, and Dr. K. A. Bisset a representative of the University on the International Congress of Microbiology, Rome, September, 1953. Dr. K. A. Bisset has been reappointed a representative of the University on the Public Health Classes Advisory Committee.

The title of Reader in Social Medicine has been conferred upon Dr. R. G. Record, Lecturer in Social Medicine. The title of Honorary Lecturer in Radiology in the Department of Surgery has been conferred upon Dr. C. G. Teall, University Clinical Lecturer in Radiology. The title of University Research Fellow has been conferred upon Dr. W. Taylor, part-time Lecturer in Medical Statistics, during his tenure of a fellowship financed by the Rockefeller Foundation. The title of University Clinical Lecturer has been conferred upon Dr. J. F. K. Hutton (Radiology). The title of Reader in Systematic Bacteriology has been conferred upon Dr. K. A. Bisset, Lecturer in Bacteriology.

Professor C. H. Pae, Department of Pharmacology, University of Taegu, South Korea, will work in the Department of Pharmacology for a year from October 1, 1953.

Professor J. W. Orr, Professor of Pathology and Director of Cancer Research, has been granted leave of absence for one month during the Autumn Term, 1953, to act as External Examiner and adviser in Pathological Studies at Makerere College, Uganda.

The Barling Scholarship for postgraduate work in Surgery has been awarded for 1953 to Mr. J. M. Small, University Clinical Lecturer in Neurosurgery.

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

At a meeting of the Council on June 17, a Rockefeller Travelling Fellowship for 1953-4 was awarded to Geoffrey Watkinson, M.D., M.R.C.P., Lecturer in the Department of Medicine.

The following appointments were announced: M. Ellis, M.B., F.R.C.S., as Clinical Lecturer in Surgery, and J. B. Farquhar, M.B., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.O.G., as Clinical Lecturer in Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

C. J. E. Wright, M.Sc., M.D., Lecturer in Pathology, has been granted leave of absence for one year, to enable him to take up a British Empire Cancer Campaign Travelling Fellowship in the U.S.A.

At a congregation for the conferment of honorary degrees held on June 25, on the occasion of the meeting in Leeds of the British Association of Urological Surgeons, the honorary degree of D.Sc. was conferred on Professor Charles B. Huggins and Mr. R. Ogier Ward.

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

FINAL M.B., CH.B.—^{1 2 3}Winifred J. Coates, ¹Ruth J. Grose, D. L. Archer, A. M. Bain, ¹Isabel K. E. Brister, T. A. V. Brooks, J. G. Cook, A. J. Coppen, R. Crossley, K. D. Davies, P. W. E. Downes, Dorcas Edwards, M. B. Gee, W. E. L. Gordon, J. D. Jefferies, R. D. Laloo, A. J. Macdonald, Doreen E. McConnell, ⁴P. O. Nicholas, Marguerite E. Pennefather, J. H. Perry, H. Price, M. J. Ree, T. D. Richards, Beryl M. Sipton, Ruth L. Skrine, W. B. Spry, Audrey B. Stevenson, Margaret G. Taylor, J. W. Ware, A. J. Webb. *In Group II, completing the examination:* Elizabeth M. James. *In Group II only:* J. A. Beel, J. P. Bishop, Christine F. Boulter, Margaret V. Brown, M. J. Page, J. Roylance, Catherine M. Stephen.

DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.—*Part II:* M. C. O'Connor, G. D. Teague.

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—*Part II:* E. G. W. Cross, J. D. Orme.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIODIAGNOSIS.—*Part II:* A. Bednarski.

The following candidates have been approved at the examination indicated:

M.D.—D. H. Johnson (with distinction), R. Maggs, R. H. Owen.

¹With second-class honours. ²With distinction in medicine. ³With distinction in child health. ⁴With distinction in public health.

FACULTY OF OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

Mr. A. B. Nutt (Sheffield) has been co-opted to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England for 1953-4 as the representative of Ophthalmology.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES OF LONDON

The following candidates, having completed the final examination, have been granted the Diploma of the Society, enabling them (upon complying with the requirements of the Medical Acts) to practise medicine, surgery, and midwifery: A. Booth, G. I. Taylor, H. A. Whitehouse, G. J. John, J. G. Cooper, V. R. Jones, R. G. Jones, G. R. Vesey, C. M. Stevenson, J. D. Spouge, J. W. S. Webb, D. J. Waller, G. L. Haworth, L. Chapman,

C. L. Smith, W. G. Rhys-Jones, D. Porter, E. W. Fowler, T. C. Ryan, E. R. Lester, E. McK. Sycamore, R. A. Cooper, W. G. Nethery, B. Lewis, J. A. Scanlon.

CONJOINT BOARD IN IRELAND

The following candidates were successful at the recent post-graduate examinations:

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—P. R. Mesham, T. W. Vanniasingham, N. H. Jafry, Mary L. Mackay, Evelyn M. Gallagher, J. R. McCarthy, M. F. McGrath, E. A. Vaughan, J. D. Carstens, Nora M. Kelleher, A. A. Alvarez, J. D. Twomey, P. M. F. McGarry.

DIPLOMA IN CHILD HEALTH.—J. K. Heskin, Joan M. MacCarthy, J. F. O'Halloran, H. Z. G. O. Senanayake, Hiranani Thakur, T. J. Mahon, T. J. M. Lydon, Geeta S. Mehta.

DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY.—Dr. H. J. Scott.

Vital Statistics

Poliomyelitis

Poliomyelitis notifications (uncorrected) in England and Wales in the week ending July 11 (No. 27) were as follows: paralytic 118 (85) non-paralytic 65 (41), total 183 (126). This is an increase of 57 compared with the previous week, the figures for which are in parentheses. Up to and including the twenty-seventh week the following numbers of cases were reported in the years shown: 1947, 487; 1948, 708; 1949, 631; 1950, 1,447; 1951, 907; 1952, 895; 1953, 1,200.

Week Ending July 11

The notifications of infectious diseases in England and Wales during the week included scarlet fever 1,072, whooping-cough 4,407, diphtheria 17, measles 5,504, acute poliomyelitis 183, dysentery 525, paratyphoid fever 3, and typhoid fever 6.

Infectious Diseases

During the week ending July 4 the largest falls in the number of notifications in England and Wales were 267 for scarlet fever, from 1,333 to 1,066, 261 for measles, from 6,871 to 6,610, 200 for dysentery, from 676 to 476, while the only large rise was 574 for whooping-cough, from 4,116 to 4,690.

The largest increases in the number of notifications of whooping-cough were 64 in Devonshire, from 114 to 178, and 60 in Essex, from 288 to 348. The largest declines in the incidence of scarlet fever were 52 in Lancashire, from 193 to 141, and 32 in London, from 87 to 55. The largest falls in the number of notifications of measles were 115 in Gloucestershire, from 318 to 203, 92 in Yorkshire West Riding, from 734 to 642, 83 in Cornwall, from 223 to 140, while the only large rise was 64 in Wiltshire, from 140 to 204. 14 cases of diphtheria were notified, being 4 fewer than in the preceding week.

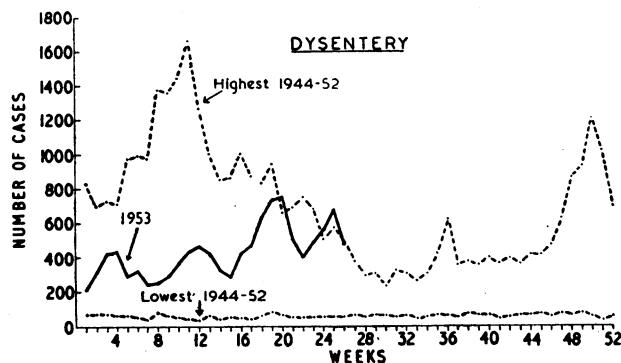
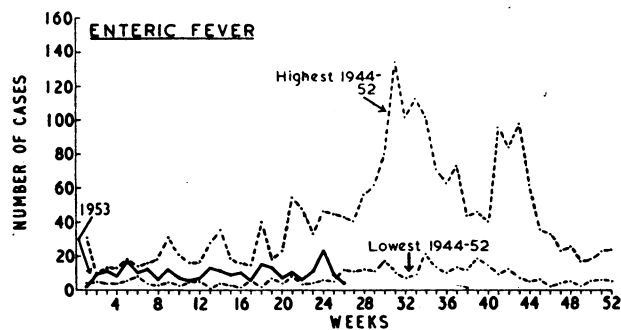
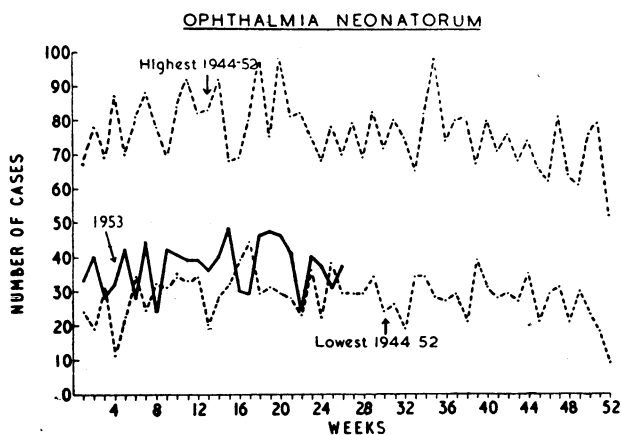
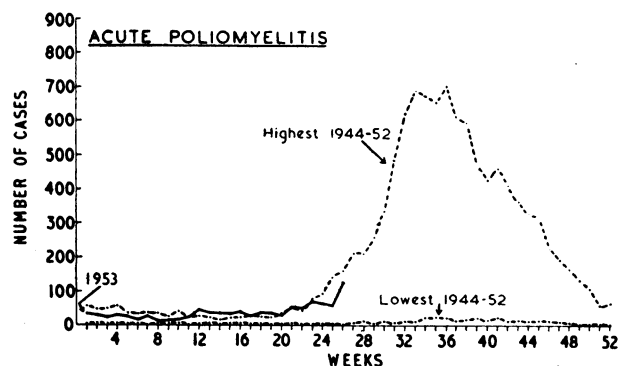
126 cases of acute poliomyelitis were notified during the week, and these cases were 36 more for paralytic and 30 more for non-paralytic cases than in the preceding week. The southern section of the country still continues to be the most affected, and during the week the number of cases increased from 43 to 94, compared with 17 to 32 in the remainder of the country. The largest returns during the week were Essex 24 (Southend-on-Sea C.B. 5, Chelmsford M.B. 4, Ilford M.B. 3), Middlesex 17 (Ruislip Northwood U.D. 3), Kent 9 (Chislehurst and Sidcup U.D. 2), Surrey 7, London 6, and Southampton 6 (Farnborough U.D. 2).

The largest returns of dysentery were London 85 (Deptford 13, Westminster 13, Islington 12), Lancashire 50 (Liverpool C.B. 15, Preston C.B. 12), Yorkshire West Riding 39 (Barnsley C.B. 10), Bedfordshire 34 (Luton M.B. 25), Surrey 31 (Banstead U.D. 10), Middlesex 31, Essex 21, Norfolk 20 (King's Lynn M.B. 14), Durham 20 (Stanley U.D. 8), and Staffordshire 19 (Brierley Hill U.D. 14).

144 of the 475 cases of food-poisoning were notified in Easington R.D., Durham. 93 further cases were reported from Lancashire, where the cases were spread over 20 administrative areas.

Graphs of Infectious Diseases

The graphs below show the uncorrected numbers of cases of certain diseases notified weekly in England and Wales. Highest and lowest figures reported in each week during the nine years 1944-52 are shown thus -----, the figures for 1953 thus ————. Except for the curves showing notifications in 1953, the graphs were prepared at the Department of Medical Statistics and Epidemiology, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.



receiving £8,000 for research in mammalian genetics under the direction of Dr. H. Grüneberg. The work will be done in the Department of Eugenics, Biometry, and Genetics over a period of five years. Grants to enable British workers to visit laboratories and research institutions in the United States and Canada go to Dr. W. F. Floyd, of the department of physiology, Middlesex Hospital Medical School, Dr. J. F. Goodwin, lecturer in medicine at the Postgraduate Medical School of London, Professor R. A. Gregory, professor of physiology at Liverpool University, and Professor C. F. W. Illingworth, Regius Professor of Surgery at Glasgow University.

University of London Model Welfare Centre.—A building licence has now been issued for the model child welfare centre and school clinic which is the first part of the development plan of the Institute of Child Health. The building is made possible by a magnificent gift received some years ago from the South African "Aid to Britain Fund." The project is being financed by the "Natal Gift," a sum originally of £106,000 which was raised in the Province of Natal. A site has been purchased at the corner of Guilford Place and Guilford Street. The new building will provide on the ground floor facilities for normal maternity and child welfare centre work, and on the first floor for school clinic work. The London County Council will be responsible for a substantial portion of the running costs. The centre will be used for demonstration purposes for the postgraduate students of the Institute, and for the study of the healthy child. Plans for the building are at an advanced stage and preparation of the site is to start forthwith.

Heberden Society.—Meetings of the Heberden Society were held in Manchester and Buxton on July 10 and 11. Lord Horder, the president of the Society, presided. The annual Heberden Round was conducted by Dr. J. H. Kellgren, director of the Rheumatism Research Department at Manchester. He took as his theme the subject of osteoarthritis, and showed cases illustrating the variations in the condition from the monarticular type to the newly defined syndrome of "primary generalized osteoarthritis," which Dr. Kellgren and Dr. R. Moore described recently in the *British Medical Journal* (January 26, 1952, p. 181). This was followed by demonstrations of the research into the chemical and physical aspects of collagen tissue which are being carried out in the new laboratories of the department. After tea communications were given by Dr. H. G. B. Slack on "Isotope Studies of Collagen Metabolism," by Mr. D. S. Jackson on "Chemical Studies of Connective Tissue Stability," and by Dr. J. Ball on "Fatal Complications of Rheumatoid Arthritis." Sir Harry Platt was the chief guest at the Society's dinner at the Senate House of the University of Manchester. Next day the meeting was continued at the Royal Devonshire Hospital, Buxton, where Dr. R. Harris demonstrated methods of rehabilitation in the chronic rheumatic diseases, Mr. J. C. Cregan presented cases showing the results of acrylic arthroplasty of the hip in traumatic and osteoarthritic disease, and Dr. H. S. Barber presented a number of cases for discussion.

Polar Medals.—Among the members of the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey who have been awarded the Polar Medal in Silver for "good services in Antarctic expeditions between the years 1944-50" are eight doctors. They are: Surgeon Captain E. W. Bingham, Dr. J. D. Andrew, Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander E. H. Back, Dr. A. R. C. Butson, Surgeon Lieutenant D. G. Dagleish, Dr. J. M. Roberts, Dr. W. J. L. Sladen, and Dr. R. S. Slessor.

COMING EVENTS

Ophthalmology Congress.—The 17th International Congress of Ophthalmology will take place at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City, from September 12 to 17, 1954. The president is Dr. Bernard Samuels, New York. The main topics for discussion at the congress will be primary glaucoma and the aetiology of uveitis. Original

papers should be submitted to the secretary-general not later than January 1, 1954. Further information about the arrangements for the congress may be obtained from the secretary-general, 17th International Congress of Ophthalmology, 100, First Avenue Building, Rochester, Minnesota, U.S.A.

International Society for the Study of Biological Rhythms.

—The fourth meeting of this Society will take place at Basle on September 18 and 19. Speakers include Professor C. P. Richter, from the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Dr. G. P. Wells and Professor H. Kalmus, from University College, London, and Dr. J. N. Mills and Dr. S. W. Stanbury from the University of Manchester. Further information may be obtained from Professor F. Georgi, Neurologische Universitäts-Poliklinik, Basle, Socinstrasse 55.

Electroencephalography and Clinical Neurophysiology.

—The Third International Congress of Electroencephalography and Clinical Neurophysiology will be held at Boston, Massachusetts, from August 17 to 22. Further details may be obtained from Dr. Robert S. Schwab, secretary general of the congress, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston 14, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

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

Monday, July 27

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., three-dimensional surgical film in colour: Mediastinal Tumours.

Tuesday, July 28

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—5 p.m., Professor Kurt Goldstein (U.S.A.): On Aphasia.

APPOINTMENTS

CARRICK, GORDON S., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., D.I.H., Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer for the Burgh of Greenock.

DUNLOP, META L., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health, Borough of Gillingham, Kent; continuing also as Assistant County Medical Officer of Health (half-time).

EAST ANGLIAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—A. H. C. Couch, M.D., M.R.C.P., Consultant Chest Physician in the East Norfolk Area; M. F. Bethell, M.B., B.Chir., Senior Registrar in Psychiatry in the Ipswich Area; N. Vincenti, M.D., Ear, Nose, and Throat Registrar, East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital and Ipswich Borough General Hospital; M. E. Johnston, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Ear, Nose, and Throat Registrar, Peterborough Memorial Hospital.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, London, W.C.—G. G. Wyllie, F.R.C.S., Surgical Registrar; J. G. Stewart, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Part-time Ophthalmic Registrar; D. O'Brien, M.B., B.Chir., D.C.H., House-physician; J. R. F. Ingall, M.B., B.S., House Surgeon to Ear, Nose, and Throat Department; G. Fleet, M.B., B.S., House-surgeon.

RITCHIE, DAVID A. R., M.B., Ch.B., D.M.R.D., Senior Registrar in Radiodiagnosis, Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

SOUTH-WESTERN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—J. Scott Brown, M.D., D.T.M.&H., D.M.R.E., Consultant Radiologist to South Somerset Clinical Area; H. V. Wingfield, F.R.C.S.Ed., Consultant Thoracic Surgeon to Devon and Cornwall Area.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Fletcher.—On July 13, 1953, in Manchester, to Nans Trefflys (formerly Jones), wife of Frank Fletcher, M.D., a son.

Jones.—On July 12, 1953, at University College Hospital, London, W.C., to Monica (formerly Cogman), M.B., B.S., wife of Peter Jones, M.V.O., F.R.C.S., a daughter.

Jordan.—On July 18, 1953, at Cardiff, to Dr. Patricia (formerly Arnold), wife of Dr. J. Warren Jordan, a daughter.

Laidlaw.—On July 9, 1953, at 40, Sherbrooke Avenue, Glasgow, S., to Caroline, wife of Dr. Stuart Laidlaw, a son—Ian Maxwell Stuart.

Mace.—On July 12, 1953, at the Lewisham Hospital, London, S.E., to Josephine (formerly Bruce), wife of Dr. B. E. W. Mace, a sister for Peter James.

Rogers.—On July 14, 1953, at Cardiff Royal Infirmary, to Barbara, wife of Lambert Rogers, V.R.D., F.R.C.S., a daughter.

Sherburn.—On July 4, 1953, at Fairfield Nursing Home, Doncaster, Yorks, to Margaret Beryl (formerly Shepherd), wife of Dr. Vincent E. Sherburn, of 87, Alderson Drive, Doncaster, a daughter—Patricia Anne.

DEATHS

Gater.—On July 10, 1953, at Oakfield, Salisbury Road, Fordingbridge, Hants, Arthur William Gater, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Lieutenant-Colonel, R.A.M.C., retired.

James.—On July 5, 1953, at North Charlton, Alnwick, Northumberland, Margaret Helen James (formerly Morton), M.B., B.S.

Liley.—On July 8, 1953, at Tripoli, North Africa, James Arthur Liley, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Manifold.—On July 6, 1953, the result of an accident, Ronald Hector Cameron Manifold, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.M.R.D.