

**Van Meter Prize.**—The American Goiter Association offers the Van Meter Prize Award of \$300 and two honorable mentions for the best essays submitted concerning original work on problems related to the thyroid gland. The award will be made at the association's annual meeting in New York next May. Essays may cover either clinical or research investigations, should not exceed 3,000 words, and must be in English. Duplicate typewritten copies (double spaced) should be sent to the Secretary, Dr. JOHN C. MCCLINTOCK, 149½, Washington Avenue, Albany, 10, New York, not later than January 15, 1957.

**Convalescent Home for Male Diabetics.**—The convalescent home for male diabetics over the age of 12 years opened recently by the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board at Langwith Lodge, Nether Langwith, near Mansfield, Nottinghamshire (telephone: Shirebrook 204), is prepared to accept patients from any part of the country. Details may be obtained from the matron. It is stated to be the only unit of its kind in the country.

### COMING EVENTS

**National Pharmacy Exhibition.**—Will be held from September 10 to 13 at the Victoria Halls, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.1. Details from the organizers, 194–200, Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2.

**Medical Defence Union.**—Annual meeting will be held at 3.15 p.m. on September 18 at the Medical School, Birmingham University.

**King's College Hospital Medical School.**—Lord Justice DENNING will give the inaugural address at 3 p.m. on September 28 at the School.

**Psychiatry in Industry.**—Week-end course for industrial medical officers on the psychiatric aspects of industrial medicine will be held from September 28 to 30 at the Roffey Park Rehabilitation Centre. Details from the Director, Roffey Park Institute, Roffey Park, Horsham, Sussex.

**American College of Gastroenterology.**—Annual convention in New York, October 15–17, followed by the annual course in postgraduate gastroenterology, October 18–20. Details from the College, 33, West 60th Street, New York, 23, N.Y.

**French Congress of Otolaryngology.**—Fifty-fourth congress will be held in the Faculté de Médecine de Paris, October 15–18. Details from the administrative secretary, 17, Rue de Buci, Paris.

**Rumanian National Congress of Medical Sciences.**—Will be held in Bucharest, November 25–30. Details from the organization committee, Calea Victoriei, 125, Bucharest.

### NEW ISSUES

**Journal of Clinical Pathology.**—The new issue (Vol. 9, No. 3) is now available. The contents include:

- PRIMARY AMYLOIDOSIS: A REVIEW. W. St. C. Symmers.
- AMYLOIDOSIS. FIVE CASES OF PRIMARY GENERALIZED AMYLOIDOSIS AND SOME OTHER UNUSUAL CASES. W. St. C. Symmers.
- THE PATHOLOGY OF OTITIS MEDIA. I. Friedmann.
- THE COAGULANT ACTION OF RUSSELL VIPER VENOM INVESTIGATED BY THE THROMBOPLASTIN GENERATION TEST. G. H. Hall.
- A FATAL CASE OF POISONING WITH CARBON TETRACHLORIDE. H. J. R. Kirkpatrick and J. M. Sutherland.
- ELECTROPHORETIC PARTITION OF  $\beta$ -GLOBULINS IN HUMAN SERA BY A NON-IONIC DETERGENT. G. A. Lloyd and G. T. Stewart.
- AN ELECTROPHORETIC STUDY OF SERUM AND PLEURAL FLUID PROTEINS IN CHEST DISEASES. D. B. Shaw and V. Anne L. Brews.
- THE EFFECT OF DEXTAN SULPHATE INJECTIONS ON SERUM LIPOPROTEINS. S. M. Jeavons and C. R. Ricketts.
- A SURVEY OF TOXICITY IN STAPHYLOCOCCI. Kevin Anderson.
- A NEW ENRICHMENT MEDIUM FOR CERTAIN SALMONELLAE. F. Rappaport, N. Konforti, and Betty Navoi.
- TECHNICAL METHODS:
  - A SIMPLE METHOD FOR PREPARING SERIAL BLOCKS OF TISSUE. R. A. Beesley and P. M. Daniel.
  - THE FILTRATION OF C.S.F. IN THE BACTERIOLOGICAL DIAGNOSIS OF TUBERCULOUS MENINGITIS. J. G. B. Hutchison.
  - A MICROMETHOD FOR THE ESTIMATION OF SERUM BILIRUBIN. K. M. Laurence and A. L. Abbott.
  - TRANSISTOR-AMPLIFIER UNITS FOR ABSORPTIOMETRY. P. W. Perryman and D. H. Richards.

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**British Journal of Venereal Diseases.**—The new issue (Vol. 32, No. 2) is now available. The contents include:

- THE OSLO STUDY OF UNTREATED SYPHILIS: REVIEW AND COMMENTARY. L. W. Harrison.
- VENEREAL DISEASES IN INDIA. R. V. Rajam.
- HONG KONG SOCIAL HYGIENE SERVICE. G. M. Thomson.
- VENEREAL DISEASES PAST AND PRESENT IN NORWAY, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO OSLO. H. C. Gjessing.
- SOME OBSERVATIONS ON THE TPI TEST: ASSESSMENT OF RESULTS ACCORDING TO THE CLINICAL DATA: INFLUENCE OF SOME VARIABLES ON PARTIAL SPECIFIC IMMobilIZATION. N. Hardy, L. J. Borel, G. Daguet, and P. Durel.
- CHARACTERISTICS OF RESISTANCE OR SUSCEPTIBILITY OF *TREPONEMA PALLIDUM* TO UNFAVOURABLE FACTORS. L. J. Borel.
- TREPONEMA PALLIDUM IMMUNE-ADHERENCE AND HAEMAGGLUTINATION. Gaston L. Daguet.
- AN EXAMINATION OF KAHN'S UNIVERSAL SEROLOGICAL REACTION AS AN AID TO THE DIAGNOSIS OF SUSPECTED LATENT SYPHILIS. A. E. Wilkinson.
- TPI TEST IN TREATED SYPHILIS. Sidney Olansky, Ad Harris, and Eleanor V. Price.
- A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF PRICE'S PRECIPITATION REACTION (PPR) USING OX AND GOAT ANTIGENS. S. A. Khan.
- COMPARISON OF RATE OF TITRE DROP AFTER ADEQUATE PENICILLIN THERAPY OF FIRST INFECTIONS AND REINFECTIONS IN SYPHILIS. Sacha Levitan, Henry Miller, and John C. Cutler.
- TREATMENT OF NON-GONOCOCCAL URETHRITIS WITH SPIRAMYCIN. R. R. Willcox.
- TREATMENT OF GONORRHOEA WITH SPIRAMYCIN. R. R. Willcox.
- URETHROGRAPHY IN URETHRAL STRICTURE. G. O. Mayne.
- LUMBAR PUNCTURE HEADACHE IN RELATION TO AGE OF PATIENT AND REST AFTER PUNCTURE. N. Rosedale.

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### 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.

#### Wednesday, September 12

ROYAL MEDICO-PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION: PSYCHOTHERAPY AND SOCIAL PSYCHIATRY SECTION.—At 11, Chandos Street, London, W., 8 p.m., Dr. J. Kelnar: The First Psychiatric Interview. (Open to members and their guests.)

#### Friday, September 14

BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETY.—At Department of Biochemistry and Pharmacology, University College, Dublin, 10.30 a.m., 354th meeting.  
INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.—12 noon, Dr. Margaret Mead (New York): Contribution of Social Anthropology to Psychiatry.

#### Saturday, September 15

BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETY.—At Department of Biochemistry, Trinity College, Dublin, 354th meeting continued.

### APPOINTMENTS

MACKENZIE, IAIN FRASER, M.D., D.P.H., D.T.M.&H., Deputy County Medical Officer, Herefordshire, and Medical Officer of Health, Hereford City.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

#### BIRTHS

- Hunter.—On August 27, 1956, to Terry, wife of Thomas Hunter, M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., of 25, Heath Park Court, Romford, a son.
- Page.—On August 27, 1956, at Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, Som., to Marian Elizabeth (formerly Cox), L.R.C.P.&S.I., D.C.H., and James Page, M.B., Ch.B., a daughter.
- Rees.—On August 27, 1956, at Abercothi House, Nantgaredig, Carmarthen, to Mair, wife of Mr. R. L. Rees, F.R.C.S., a daughter.
- Stowe.—On August 21, 1956, to Jessica (formerly Brabbins), wife of Sidney Stowe, M.B., Ch.B., of 213, Newhampton Road East, Wolverhampton, a son—Simon.
- Woodside.—On August 29, 1956, at Mansfield Nursing Home, to Rosemary Pamela (formerly Wise), wife of Dr. Robert Monckton Woodside, a daughter.

#### MARRIAGES

- Liggett—Campbell.—On August 7, 1956, Samuel Wilberforce Liggett, M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., M.R.C.O.G., of Londonderry, to Daphne Louise Campbell.

#### DEATHS

- Billington.—On August 19, 1956, at Chantry House, Ashwell, nr. Baldock, Herts, Charles Martin Billington, M.D.
- Conroy.—On August 18, 1956, in Germany, Captain Ronald Conroy, M.B., B.S., R.A.M.C., of 69, Forburg Road, Clapton, London, N., aged 24.
- Lingford.—On August 12, 1956, at Friarage Hospital, Northallerton, Yorkshire, Charles George Lingford, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.D.S., of 78, South Parade, Northallerton, Yorkshire.
- Mann.—On August 4, 1956, James Wallace Mann, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., of 18, Dulwich Wood Park, London, S.E.
- O'Connor.—On August 11, 1956, Leo Patrick O'Connor, L.R.C.P.I., of 697, Garratt Lane, Lower Tooting, London, S.W.
- Salmon.—On August 13, 1956, at Salcombe, Devon, Norman Guy Hawtry Salmon, M.B., B.S., of Sandy Nook, Constantine Bay, North Cornwall.
- Sexton.—On August 15, 1956, Florence Elizabeth Sexton, M.B., Ch.B., of Egyptian Lodge, Val Plaisant, St. Helier, Jersey.
- Thornley.—On August 16, 1956, at Westwood Hospital, Beverley, Yorks, Robert Lewis Thornley, M.D., D.P.H., of Pinewood, Beverley, Yorkshire, aged 81.
- Wainwright.—On August 8, 1956, at Little Crix, Hatfield Peverel, Essex, William Longworth Wainwright, M.B.E., M.B., B.S.