

9 am on 26 December (31 December and 2 January in Scotland).

### Information please

Dr P N Morison is collecting material for a biography of James Thomas Wilson, FRS, professor of anatomy in the Universities of Sydney (1890-1920) and Cambridge (1920-34). Anyone with documents, photographs, or memories of him is invited to write either to his son Dr J M G Wilson (1 Darnaway St, Edinburgh EH3 6DW) or to Dr Morison (Basser Library, Australian Academy of Science, P O Box 783, Canberra City, ACT 2601, Australia). The wishes of contributors will be carefully respected.

### People in the news

Dr Ruthven Mitchell has been appointed director of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Blood Transfusion Service.

Dr R S Lane has succeeded Sir William Maycock as director of the Lister Institute of Preventive Medicine Blood Products Laboratory.

### COMING EVENTS

**Institute of Laryngology and Otology**—Sunday morning seminar for general practitioners, "Survey of common ENT conditions and their management," 15 October, London. Details from the secretary-administrator, Institute of Laryngology and Otology, 330/332 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EE. (Tel 01-837 8855.)

**National Association for Patient Participation in General Practice**—Second meeting, 21 October, Oxford. Details from Miss Pauline O'Donnell, Aberdare Health Centre, High Street, Aberdare, Mid-Glamorgan. (Tel Aberdare 874614.)

**Hospital for Sick Children**—Details of two seminars, "Music therapy," 23 October, and "Temporal lobe epilepsy and temporal lobectomy," 26 October, are available from Dr G Pampiglione, Department of Clinical Neurophysiology, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London WC1N 3JH. (Tel 01-405 9200.)

**British Medical Association**—Dinner for fellows of the Association and their spouses, 27 October, London. Details from Dr R Cove-Smith, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JR.

**British Association for Psychopharmacology**—Winter scientific meeting, 4-5 December, London. Details from Dr B J Hunt, Department of Health and Social Security, Medicines Division, Finsbury Square House, 33-37a Finsbury Square, London EC2A 1PP.

**Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy**—5-9 March 1979, Cleveland, Ohio. Details from Charles J Belle, Ferro Corporation, 7500 E Pleasant Valley, Independence, Ohio 44131, USA.

**BMA and MIA Music Society**—Rehearsals of Christmas carols have just begun on Tuesdays in BMA House. New members will be extremely welcome; an average singing voice is all that is required. Details from Mr R Woods or Mr A Bosi, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1. (Tel 01-387 4499, ext 121 or 112.)

**Exeter Health Care District**—Details and copies of the October programme are now available from the Postgraduate Medical Centre, Barrack Road, Exeter, Devon.

**Manchester Medical Society**—Details and copies of the October programme are now available from the society, the University, Manchester M13 9PL. (Tel 061 273 6048.)

**University of Glasgow**—Course on "Terminal care, its management and implications." Details from the enrolment secretary, Department of Adult and Continuing Education, 57-61 Oakfield Avenue, Glasgow G12 8LW. (Tel 041-339 8855 ext 394.)

**Society for Applied Bacteriology**—Details of four forthcoming meetings are now available from the Society of Chemical Industry, 14-15 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PS. (Tel 01-235 3681.)

**University of Dundee**—Details and copies of the programme of postgraduate medical education, autumn term 1978, are now available from Dr Hamish Watson, University of Dundee Medical School, Ninewells Hospital, Dundee DD1 9SY. (Tel Dundee 60111 ext 2181.)

**Forest Group Hospitals Medical Education and Research Trust**—Details and copies of the programme to December 1978 are now available from the Medical Education Centre, Whipps Cross Hospital, London E11.

**London Medical Group**—Details and copies of the 1978-9 programme are available from the group, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9LG. (Tel 387 2129/8132.)

**Society of Chemical Industry; Microbiology, Fermentation and Enzyme Technology Group**—Details and copies of the 1978-9 programme are now available from the society, 14-15 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PS. (Tel 01-235 3681.)

### SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

For attending lectures marked \* a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institutions concerned.

#### Tuesday, 10 October

**INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH**—5.30 pm, Alex Simpson Smith lecture by Mr S O Aylett: Total colectomy and ileorectal anastomosis in the surgical treatment of ulcerative colitis in the young.

#### Wednesday, 11 October

**INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY (QUEEN SQUARE)**—Sandoz Foundation advanced lectures, 6 pm, Professor N A Mitchison, FRS: Cellular interactions in immunology. 7 pm, Professor W Bryan Matthews: Neurological complications of sarcoidosis.

**INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS**—6 pm, Dr R Sanders: Recent advances in skin cover. 7 pm, Mr J C Angel: Functional cast bracing.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH**—4.30 pm, Mr A G D Maran: Malignant disease of the oral cavity.

**ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**—5 pm, Professor P J Lawther: Some environmental problems.

**WEST LONDON HOSPITAL MEDICAL TRUST**—At West London Hospital, 5.30 pm, 31st Alex Simpson Smith memorial lecture by Mr A G Johnson: The pylorus and peptic ulcer.

#### Thursday, 12 October

**ONCOLOGY CLUB**—At Royal Marsden Hospital, 6.30 pm, Dr Eve Wiltshaw: Carcinoma of the ovary.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON**—5 pm, Lockyer lecture by Dr J S Malpas: Cancer in children.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND**—5 pm, Tudor Edwards memorial lecture by Professor J Leigh Collis: The organisation of the specialty of cardiothoracic surgery.

**ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL**—5.15 pm, Aleck Bourne lecture by Professor S Campbell: The Application of ultrasound in clinical obstetrics and gynaecology.

### BMA NOTICES

#### Central Meetings

OCTOBER	
11 Wed	Committee on the EEC, 2 pm.
12 Thurs	Accident and Emergency Subcommittee (CCHMS), 2 pm.
18 Wed	Occupational Health Committee, 10.30 am.
18 Wed	Scottish Council (7 Drumshugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.45 am.
19 Thurs	General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
19 Thurs	General Purposes Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10.30 am.
19 Thurs	Dermatologists Subcommittee (CCHMS), 11 am.
24 Tues	Joint Consultants Committee, 9.30 am.
25 Wed	BMA Council Executive, 10 am.
27 Fri	Scottish Committee for Hospital Medical Services (7 Drumshugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.45 am.
31 Tues	Scottish Joint Consultants Committee (7 Drumshugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.15 am.

#### Division Meetings

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

**Blackburn**—At Blackburn Royal Infirmary, Monday, 9 October, 8 pm, open meeting with the Blackburn Pharmaceutical Society, speaker Mr Madge: "Acupuncture," and buffet supper.

**Brighton and Cuckfield**—At Brighton General Hospital, Tuesday, 10 October, 8.30 pm, agm and Dr Alan Gilmour: "Current medicopolitical scene." (Preceded by buffet supper, 7 for 7.30 pm.)

**Burnley**—At Mackenzie Medical Centre, Friday, 13 October, 8.30 pm, Dr F Pigott: "The doctor's dilemma."

**Coventry**—At Coventry and Warwickshire Postgraduate Centre, Tuesday, 10 October, 7 pm, joint meeting with Coventry Guild of the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, buffet supper, \* 9 pm, Dr and Mrs D Clegg: "Sexual difficulties in marriage and how help may be offered."

### Instructions to authors

The following are the minimum requirements for manuscripts submitted for publication.

(1) **Typing** should be on one side of the paper, with double or triple spacing between the lines and 5-cm margins at the top and left-hand side of the sheet.

(2) **Two copies** (or preferably three) should be submitted.

(3) **Spelling** should conform to that of *Chambers Twentieth Century Dictionary*.

(4) **References** must be set out in the style used in the *BMJ*, and their accuracy verified before the manuscript is submitted.

(5) **SI units** are used for scientific measurements. In the text they should be followed by traditional units in parentheses. In tables and illustrations values are given only in SI units, but a conversion factor must be supplied. For general guidance on the International System of Units, and some useful conversion factors, see *The SI for the Health Professions* (WHO, 1977).

(6) **Authors** should give their names and initials, their current appointments, and not more than two degrees or diplomas. Each author must sign the covering letter as evidence of consent to publication.

(7) **Acknowledgments** will not be sent unless a stamped addressed envelope or an international reply coupon is enclosed.

(8) **Detailed instructions** are given in the *BMJ* dated 7 January (p 6).

**East Yorkshire**—At Hull Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, 11 October, 8 pm, agm.

**Hastings**—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Tuesday, 10 October, 7.15 pm, buffet supper followed by lifeboat evening, speaker Dr A R P Calder.

**Manchester**—At Boyd House, Monday, 9 October, 8 for 8.30 pm, agm.

**Mid Essex**—At Chelmsford and Essex Hospital, Wednesday, 11 October, 8.30 pm, agm.

**North Birmingham, Lichfield and Tamworth**—Civic Hall, Lichfield, Friday, 13 October, 8.30 pm, supper dance.

**Redbridge and Stratford**—At King George Hospital, Ilford, Tuesday, 10 October, 8 for 8.30 pm, agm.

**Salop**—At Tiffany's, Friday, 13 October, 7.45 for 8 pm, annual dinner and dance with the Veterinary Society and BDA.

**West Berkshire**—At Royal Berkshire Hospital, Wednesday, 11 October, 8.30 pm, combined meeting with the West Berkshire Centre of the Royal College of Nursing, brains trust "Any Questions." (Preceded by dinner, 7.30 pm.)

### UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

#### LONDON

**Appointment**—Dr L H Smaje (reader in physiology at Charing Cross Hospital Medical School).

### CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

**WESSEX RHA**—Dr J Lambourn (psychiatrist in adult mental illness with a special interest in psychogeriatrics).

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