

officer responsible for organising "an intensified programme against congenital rubella," and to provide statistical returns. Circular HC(79)14 also reminds authorities that the rubella vaccination programme is a priority in the 1979-80 planning guidelines and says that authorities will have to meet the costs from existing resources.

### Continuing education on Radio 4

In the BBC's "Continuing Education" series three new programmes start in July. All are on Sundays on Radio 4 VHF. Firstly, *Your Everyday Drugs* (5.30 pm, from 8 July to 19 August) examines the social and medical problems that may be caused by alcohol, nicotine, caffeine, aspirin, tranquillisers, sleeping pills, and laxatives. Secondly, *Helping with Health* (3.30, 15 July to 19 August) is aimed at those in the health services and in education who have responsibility for student welfare, and will give tips on promoting health education. Thirdly, *Having a Baby* (5 pm, 15 July to 12 August) is complementary to the television programme of that name, and offers advice and information in response to some of the issues raised during the television series.

### People in the news

Dr A M Gordon is to succeed Dr John E O'N Gillespie as medical director of The Retreat, York.

Mr Clifford Gregory has become chief scientific officer in the Department of Health and Social Security.

### COMING EVENTS

**British Student Health Association Annual Conference**—15-20 July, Manchester. Details from Dr M S Bourne, University Student Health Service, Crawford House, Precinct Centre, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9QS. (Tel 061-273 6371-3.)

**Royal College of Physicians of London**—Clinicopathological conference, 26 July, London. For details see advertisement at p v.

**Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents**—Annual conference "Let children live," 6-9 August, Lancaster. Details from the society, Cannon House, The Priory Queensway, Birmingham B5 6BS. (Tel 021-233 2461.)

**2nd European Workshop of Pituitary Adenomas**—20-22 September, Paris. Details from Asclepios, 6 rue de Penthièvre, 75008 Paris, France. Closing date for receipt of registration 30 July.

**International Symposium on Ovarian Cancer**—24-25 September, Birmingham. Details from Dr C E Newman, Surgical Immunology Unit, Clinical Research Block, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TH. (Tel 021-472 1311 ext 314.)

**Society for Radiological Protection**—Meeting on "Personal protection against air and surface contamination, 11 October, London. Details from Professor J H Martin, Blackness Laboratory, University of Dundee DD1 4HN.

**Eastman Dental Hospital**—Symposium "Dental anaesthesia and sedation," 19 October, London. Details from the Department of Anaesthesia, Eastman Dental Hospital, 256 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8LD. (Tel 01-837 7251 ext 18/140.)

**Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work**—Workshop on improving services for the mentally ill, 24-26 October, Abergavenny. Details from Keith Refault, CCETSW, 58 Royal York Crescent, Clifton, Bristol BS8 4JP. (Tel 0272 34137.) Closing date for applications 13 August.

**General practitioners' refresher course**—17-18 November, Winchester. Details from Dr J D Powell-Jackson, Postgraduate Medical Centre, Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, Hants. (Tel 63535 ext 356.)

**First World Biomaterials Congress**—8-12 April 1980, Baden near Vienna. Details from World Biomaterials Congress Secretariat, Mrs E Maurer, Medical Academy of Vienna, Alser Strasse 4, A-1090 Vienna, Austria. (Tel (0222) 42 71 65.)

**Fondazione Giovanni Lorenzini**—Details and copies of the programme of scientific activities 1979-80 are now available from the Fondazione Giovanni Lorenzini, Via Monte Napoleone 23, 20121 Milano, Italy.

**Institute of Food Science and Technology**—The consolidated programme of the Institute of Food Science and Technology, Food Group of the Society of Chemical Industry, Royal Society of Health Food and Nutrition Group, Institute of Food Technologists, Chemical Society Food Chemistry Group, and the Nutrition Society for July to October is now available from Mr D F Johnson, 105-111 Euston Street, London NW1 2ED. (Tel Chelmsford 440 697 or 01-288 2015 ext 37.)

### 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.*

#### Monday, 9 July

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL—2 pm, Dr C W Elston: Diseases of the trophoblast.

#### Tuesday, 10 July

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL—2 pm, Dr Elizabeth McDowell: Regeneration metaplasia and neoplasia of the respiratory epithelium.

#### Wednesday, 11 July

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH—4.30 pm, Sir James Young Simpson memorial lecture by Mr John Sturrock: The Edinburgh Royal Maternity and Simpson Memorial Hospital 1879-1939.

#### Thursday, 12 July

QUEEN CHARLOTTE'S MATERNITY HOSPITAL—At Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, 12.15 pm, paediatric meeting, Dr M F Whitfield: Nasojejunal feeding.

#### Friday, 13 July

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH—At Queen Elizabeth Military Hospital, Woolwich, 4.30 pm, McCombe lecture on military surgery by Major-General N G Kirby: How fertile the blood of warriors.

### BMA NOTICES

#### BMA Venereologists Group

##### Election to the Group Committee 1979-83

The election presently taking place has, under the rules of the Association, been declared null and void as a result of the unexpected death of one of the candidates.

Nominations are therefore invited for a re-election to reach me by *Friday, 17 August, 1979*.

Nominations submitted in the earlier election will go forward without a further nomination being necessary. Nomination forms are available from BMA House on request.

E GREY-TURNER  
Secretary

#### Division Meetings

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

**Croydon**—At Old Whitgiftians, Friday, 13 July, 8 pm, wine party in aid of RMB Fund.\*

**North-east Essex**—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Tuesday, 10 July, 8 pm, business meeting.

**Sefton**—At Southport General Infirmary, Thursday, 12 July, 7.30 for 8 pm, Dr J D J Havard: "The BMA and trade unionism."\* (Buffet supper provided.)

**Wandsworth and East Merton**—At St James Hospital, Monday, 9 July, 8.30 pm, business meeting.

#### Regional Meetings

**South-west Thames Regional Council**—At FPC Offices, 187 Ewell Road, Tuesday, 10 July, 6.45 pm.

### UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

#### LONDON

The title of professor of medicine has been conferred on Dr I R Cameron in respect of his post at St Thomas's Hospital Medical School.

The title of professor of blood group serology has been conferred on Dr Barbara E Dodd in respect of her post at the London Hospital Medical College.

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(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) **Letters to the Editor** submitted for publication must be signed personally by all the authors.

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

(9) **Detailed instructions** are given in the *BMJ* dated 6 January 1979 (p 6).

The title of reader in tumour immunology has been conferred on Dr G A Currie in respect of his post at the Institute of Cancer Research.

The title of reader in gastroenterology has been conferred on Dr D A Wright Edwards in respect of his post at University College Hospital Medical School.

The title of reader in physiology has been conferred on Dr R J Naftalin in respect of his post at King's College.

MD—Petronella C Clarke, P J Dady, G J Huston, B Livesley, M E Phillips, M F Shiu, T I Wagstaff.  
MS—G T Royle.

#### MANCHESTER

**Appointments**—Dr Judith E Adams (senior lecturer in diagnostic radiology); Mr J Bancewicz (senior lecturer in surgery).

MD—M P Wailoo.

#### BRISTOL

MD—M H Cullen, A R Hearn.

### CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

**BIRMINGHAM AHA(T)**—Mr J P Gowar (surgeon).

**WESSEX RHA**—Dr P V F Cosgrove (child psychiatry and mental handicap); Dr P J Maddison (rheumatology); Dr R D Thomas (general medicine with an interest in cardiology).

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