Chair of Psychiatry, Charing Cross

Dr. S. R. Hirsch, senior lecturer and honorary consultant at Westminster and Queen Mary's Hospitals, London, has been

appointed to the chair of psychi-atry at Charing Cross Hospital School, Medical from January 1975. Dr. Hirsch, who is 37, graduated M.D. from the Johns Hopkins University in 1963. He came to England in 1964 and was appointed honorary medical registrar



at the Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool. In 1965-71 he worked in London at the Brompton and Maudsley Hospitals among others, and then, until 1973, he was a research worker with the M.R.C. social psychiatry unit and honorary senior registrar at the Maudsley. He was appointed lecturer at the Institute of Psychiatry in 1972 and to his present post in 1973.

Chair of Pharmacology, Nottingham

Dr. Anthony T. Birmingham, reader in physiology, Nottingham University Medical School, since 1971, has been appointed to



the foundation chair of pharmacology in the department of physiology Nottingham. Dr. Birmingham, who is 44, received his medical education at King's College Hospital Medical School and he graduated M.B., B.S. London in 1955. After house appointments at

London hospitals and service with the R.A.F. he spent two years as research registrar in the chest unit at Farnborough Hospital, Kent. In 1961 he was appointed junior lecturer in pharmacology at King's College, London, and two years later he became lecturer. He joined the medical school at Nottingham as senior lecturer in physiology in 1969. Dr. Birmingham's main interest is in autonomic control mechanisms with a particular interest in the innervation of smooth muscle.

Medical Rehabilitation

The Joint Committee on Higher Medical Training of the Royal College of Physicians has drawn up a training programme for medical rehabilitation. The programme recommends that a physician intending to specialize in this field should have the same general professional training as the physician in general medicine, except that rotation through certain surgical specialties might be included. Experience in cardiology, geriatrics, neurology, respiratory medicine, rheumat-

ology, and in orthopaedic surgery or neurosurgery (spinal injuries unit) would be particularly relevant. It is also stated that some consultants in medical rehabilitation could have a general surgical rather than a general medical training.

The differences in training for consultants already in a specialty, where medical rehabilitation would be their sub-specialty, and those intending to practise exclusively in the field are set out.

The programme is available from the Royal College of Physicians, 11 St. Andrew's Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4LE.

M.R.C. Travelling Fellowships 1975-6

The Medical Research Council invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for a number of travelling fellowships available from October 1975. The fellowships are intended for established workers in the biomedical field with some years' postgraduate experience. They are normally tenable for one year and, apart from certain awards which are restricted to the U.S.A., may be held in any country.

Further information and application forms from Medical Research Council (Grants and Training Awards Section), 20 Park Crescent, London W1N 4AL, tel. 01-636 5422 (Ext. 240 or 242). The closing date for application is 21 October 1974.

COMING EVENTS

3rd International Congress on Muscle Diseases.—15-21 September, Newcastle upon Tyne University. Details from the publicity officer, Muscular Dystrophy Group of Great Britain, 36 Borough High Street, London SE1 90QG. (Tel. 01-407 5116.)

Royal College of Surgeons of England.— Surgery lectures, 16 September-11 October. Fee £20 (or £1 per lecture). Details from the administrative assistant, R.C.S., 35/43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PN. (Tel. 01-405 3474, extn. 23.)

Final F.R.C.S. Lecture Course.—Wednesdays, 6 p.m. (no charge), 2 October-26 March, Institute of Urology, 172 Shaftesbury Avenue, London WC2H 8JE. Copies and details of the programme from the assistant secretary of the institute, (Tel. 01-836 5361.)

"Geriatrics."—Study day, 5 October, Epsom. Details from secretary of medical centre, Epsom District Hospital, Dorking Road, Epsom, Surrey. (Tel. Epsom 26100, extn. 429.)

North-west Society for the Study of Sexual Medicine.—Inaugural meeting, 5 October, Wirral Postgraduate Medical Centre, Clatterbridge Hospital. Details of the meeting and of the society are obtainable from the honorary secretary, Dr. Margaret Upsdell, 9 Wrekin Close, Liverpool L25 85P.

"Dietetics and Physiotherapy in the Community."—Day symposium, 6 October, Liverpool, organized by Merseyside and North Wales Faculty, Royal College of General Practitioners. Details from Dr. R. A. Yorke, 162 Liverpool Road South, Maghull, near Liverpool. (Tel. 051-526 1121.)

"Industrial Relations in the N.H.S."—
National Conference, 21 October, Central Hall,
Westminster, organized by Nuffield Centre for
Health Services Studies, Leeds University.
Fee £9.50 (including lunch). Closing date for
applications is 7 October. Details from the
administrative secretary, National Centre 'or
Health Services Studies, Clarendon Road, Leeds
LS2 9PL. (Tel. 0532 29034.)

St. George's Hospital and South-west Metropolitan Orthopaedic Training Scheme.—Copies and details of the programme, October-December, are obtainable from the medical centre, St. James's Hospital, Sarsfeld Road, Balham, London SW12. (Tel. 01-672 1222.)

South Essex Postgraduate Medical Centre.—Copies and details of the programme, October-December, are obtainable the secretary of the centre, Basildon Hospital, Nether Mayne, Basildon, Essex 5516 5NL. (Tel. Basildon 3911, extn. 360.)

Wirral Postgraduate Medical Centre.—Copies and details of the programme, October-December, are obtainable from the centre, Chatterbridge Hospital, Bebington, Wirral, Cheshire L63 4JY. (Tel. 051-334 4000.)

West of Scotland Committee for Post-graduate Medical Education.—Copies and details of the syllabus, October-May, are obtainable from the co-ordinator, Centre for Continuing Education and Re-employment of Medical Women, Alison Hunter House, 6 Lancaster Crescent, Glasgow G12 0RP. (Tel. 041-339 2226, extn.4.)

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

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

Wednesday, 4 September

St. Mary's Hospital, London W.2.—6 p.m., Dr. P. F. Knight: Management of Chronic Pain.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

CAMBRIDGE

M.D.—D. G. Fagan, J. H. Lazarus.

APPOINTMENTS

CAMBRIDGESHIRE A.H.A. (TEACHING).—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr. B. L. Hazleman (rheumatology and rehabilitation); Dr. S. G. P. Webster (general medicine, with interest in geriatrics); Dr. I. M. S. Wilkinson (neurology); Mr. D. C. Dunn (general surgery); Dr. J. Tudor (diagnostic radiology); Dr. M. J. Lindop (anaesthetics); Dr. N. R. C. Roberton (paediatrics).

MANCHESTER A.H.A. (TEACHING).—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr. R. F. Hobson (psychotherapy); Dr. R. S. Croxson (cardiology); Dr. K. B. Carroll (chest physician).

WESSEX REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY.—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr. J. A. Lack (anaesthetics); Mr. A. R. Elkington, Mr. J. I. McGill (ophthalmology).

Corrections

Institute of Child Health, London

In the announcement of Dr. D. B. Grant's appointment as honorary consultant in paediatrics to the Army (3 August, p. 357) He was incorrectly described as dean of the Institute of Child Health. Professor J. A. Dudgeon is the dean.

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