

holm. At this meeting the organization, method of work, staffing and administrative arrangements of the foundation would be discussed.

Professor H. Curien (France) was appointed chairman of the preparatory commission and the other members are J. H. Bannier (Netherlands); H. Bloch (Switzerland); A. P. Masia (Spain); F. Schneider (German Federal Republic); H. G. Schuster (E.E.C.); T. Segerstedt (Sweden; and R. St. J. Walker (U.K.).

#### New Second Permanent Secretary of D.H.S.S.

The Prime Minister has approved the appointment of Mr. Lancelot Errington as Second Permanent Secretary at the Department of Health and Social Security from 1 December 1973. Mr. Errington will succeed Dame Mildred Riddelsdell, who will be retiring from the public service. Mr. Errington, who is 56, has been a Deputy Secretary in the Department of Health and Social Security since 1971.

#### Hunter Committee on Smoking and Health

The members of this independent scientific committee, which had its first meeting on 27 September, are: Dr. R. B. Hunter (chairman), Vice-Chancellor, Birmingham University; Professor P. Armitage, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Dr. J. D. Ball, Llandough Hospital, Penarth; Sir Theo Crawford, St. George's Hospital Medical School; Professor W. W. Holland, St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School; Professor P. N. Magee, Middlesex Hospital Medical School; Dr. H. G. Miller, Vice-Chancellor, University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Dr. D. C. F. Muir, Institute of Occupational Medicine, Edinburgh; Professor A. Neuberger, St. Mary's Hospital Medical School; and Professor D. E. Poswillo, Royal College of Surgeons of England.

The committee was set up by the Secretary of State to advise on scientific matters relating to smoking and health. The secretary of the committee is Dr. F. A. Fairweather of the Department of Health and Social Security.

#### "Health of Men"

Overweight, exercise, smoking, drinking, and taking medicines are among the subjects dealt with in the new 30-page Family Doctor booklet *The Health of Men*, by Dr. R. J. Donaldson. B.M.A. Publications, price 13p.

#### COMING EVENTS

**Symposium at B.M.A. House, London.**—"Population Control," 19 October, 2.30 p.m. Sir John Peel will preside. Fee £2 (including refreshment). Applications to Dr. A. B. Gilmour, Board of Science and Education, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JP. (Tel. 01-387 4499.)

**B.M.A. (Mid-Essex Division).**—Symposium, jointly with Chelmsford Medical Society, "Vascular Disease," 20-21 October, Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford. Details from Dr. D. S. King, Wheatcroft, Danbury, Essex.

**"Physical Fitness."**—Symposium for general practitioners, 22 October, 8 p.m., Northwick Park Hospital and Clinical Research Centre, Watford

Road, Harrow, Middx. HA1 3UJ. Details from the clinical tutor's office. (Tel. 01-864 5311, extn. 2210.)

**International Symposium on Atherosclerosis.**—25-28 October, West Berlin. Details from the symposium secretariat, Deutsches Reisebüro GmbH, P.O. Box 2671, D 6000 Frankfurt am Main 1, W. Germany.

**Glasgow University Club, London.**—Annual dinner, 1 November, 7 for 7.30 p.m., Cumberland Hotel. Sir Andrew Bryan will preside. Details from Dr. J. F. Heggie, North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton, London N18 1QX. (Tel. 01-807 3071, extn. 299.)

**St. Matthew's Hospital, London N.1.**—Open days to mark the complete renovation of the hospital as a geriatric centre, with an exhibition of services available to old people, 2-3 November, 2-5 p.m. Further particulars from the hospital, Shepherdess Walk, London N1 7LH. (Tel. 01-253 4218.)

**Royal College of Surgeons of England.**—Advanced discussion group for Fellows, "Retention—Acute and Chronic," 5 November, 6 p.m. Fee £1.50 (including supper). Applications, by 31 October, to the secretary of the college.

**"Normal and Osteoarthritic Cartilage."**—Symposium, 5-7 November, Institute of Orthopaedics, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Brockley Hill, Stanmore, Middx, HA7 4LP. Fee £12. Details from the secretary of the professorial clinical unit at the institute. (Tel. 01-954 2300.)

**Medway Postgraduate Medical Society.**—Copies and details of the programme of lectures and meetings, October-December, held at the Medway Hospital, Gillingham are obtainable from Dr A. F. Crick, The Forge, Old Perry Street, Northfleet, Kent.

**Cambridge Medical Society.**—Details of the 1973-4 programme are obtainable from the honorary secretary, Dr. R. H. Morgan, 2a Hurst Park Avenue, Cambridge CB4 2AD. (Tel. 51447.)

**Midland Thoracic Society.**—Details of the 1973-4 programme are obtainable from the secretary, Birmingham Medical Institute, 36 Harborne Road, Birmingham, B15 3AF. (Tel. 021-454 5007.)

**University of Cambridge.**—Details of the 1973-4 postgraduate courses for general practitioners are available from the secretary of the Medical School, University of Cambridge, Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 2QL. (Tel. 0223 45171.)

#### 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.*

##### Monday, 15 October

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. M. F. Spittle: Principles of Radiotherapy.  
INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. C. S. Hallpike: Directional Preponderance.

##### Tuesday, 16 October

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. G. M. Levene: Sebaceous Gland Function.  
ST. CHARLES'S HOSPITAL, LONDON.—8.45 p.m., Mr. W. B. Utting: The Borough Social Services, the G.P. and the Hospital.  
WESTMINSTER MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Page Street lecture theatre, 5.15 p.m., Professor H. Ellis: What's New in General Surgery?

##### Wednesday, 17 October

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Dr. G. W. Thomas: Provision of Health Care in Remote N. Newfoundland and Labrador by the International Grenfell Association—Concept of Regionalization of Health Services.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS.—5.30 p.m., Professor F. A. Langley: Tumours of the myometrium.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH.—4.30 p.m., Mr. D. Ranger: Tumours of the Salivary Glands.  
ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m., Dr. H. M. Spiro (U.S.A.): Vascular Disease of the Gut.  
ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—2 p.m., Dr. G. Boyd: Hypertension and the Renin-angiotension System.

WILLESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL, LONDON.—8.30 p.m., Dr. C. A. Clarke, F.R.S.: Practical Aspects of Blood Group Incompatibility between Mother and Child.

#### Thursday, 18 October

DUNDEE UNIVERSITY.—5 p.m., Rosemary Cass memorial lecture by Dr. J. Axelrod (Bethesda, U.S.A.): Catecholamines and their Clinical Implication.  
ROYAL INSTITUTION, LONDON.—6.30 p.m., Professor W. S. Peart, F.R.S.: Medical Research is Too Important to be Left to the Researchers.  
ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5.15 p.m., Professor H. G. Dixon: Management of Diabetic Pregnancy.

#### Friday, 19 October

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—10.30 a.m., Symposium: Intravenous Nutrition; 4 p.m., Dr. S. Bloom: Unravelling Gut Endocrinology.

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