

vironmental conditions in the northern North Sea and from the increasing depths at which underwater exploration was being carried out.

Faculty of Ophthalmologists

At a recent meeting of the council the following officers were elected for the year 1974-5: *president*, Mr. James R. Hudson; *past president*, Mr. E. C. Zorab; *vice-presidents*, Mr. Michael J. Roper-Hall, Mr. John Winstanley; *honorary treasurer*, Mr. J. E. Coates; *honorary secretary*, Mr. Lorimer Fison.

Hazards from Noise

The World Health Organization has published another pamphlet in its series "In Point of Fact" on *Ear Pollution*. This sets out 25 facts about noise, giving advice and information on how excess noise can affect physical and psychological health and pointing out that occupational deafness is a growing health hazard. The pamphlet is obtainable from the World Health Organization in Geneva.

Diseases from Fish

A comprehensive account of *Fish and Shellfish Hygiene* has been published by W.H.O. (Technical Report Series no. 550, price Sw.fr. 6). An expert committee met last year to consider the problem and the report includes a detailed account of the principal human diseases associated with fish and shellfish and the public health problems created by the production, processing, and distribution of fish and fish products. Recommendations are given for the epidemiological investigation of outbreaks of food poisoning thought to be due to fish and shellfish, and there are also recommendations on aspects of the subject which seem to justify further research.

People in the News

Dr. A. M. Nelson, area medical officer, Kingston and Richmond A.H.A., has been elected president of the Society of Community Medicine for the year 1974-5.

COMING EVENTS

"Hereditary Diseases and their Control."—First British Tay-Sachs Foundation lecture by Dr. P. R. Evans, 2 December, 5.30 p.m., Institute of Child Health, London W.C.1.

Royal Society of Medicine.—Holiday lectures suitable for young people between the ages of 14 and 19, on 30, 31 December and 2 January, 2.30 p.m. Details and tickets (free) are obtainable from the information officer, R.S.M., 1 Wimpole Street, London, W1M 8AE. (Tel. 01-580 2070.)

Hull Royal Infirmary (Sutton).—Symposium on "Multi Crystal Computerized Scanning Gamma Camera," 5-6 December. Fee £2.50. Details and application forms from Dr. J. R. Brown, Department of Nuclear Medicine, Royal Infirmary Hull (Sutton), Saltshouse Road, Hull, HU8 9HE. (Tel. 71711.)

Cambridge University School of Clinical Research and Postgraduate Medical Teaching.—Introductory course on "Biology of the Skin", 9-13 December, Churchill College. Fee £10. Details from the secretary of the medical school, Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 2QL. (Tel. 45171.)

St. George's Hospital and South-west Metropolitan Orthopaedic Training Scheme.—Copies and details of the teaching calendar, 9 January-27 March, are obtainable from the medical centre, St. James's Hospital, Sarsfield Road, Balham, London SW12. (Tel. 01-672 1222.)

"Coronary Heart Disease, the Myocardium and the Cardiac Cell—Recent Advances."

Symposium, 11-13 December, at Royal College of Physicians, organized by Cardiothoracic Institute and National Heart Hospital with Royal Post-graduate Medical School and Hammersmith Hospital. Registration forms and details from the house secretary, Cardiothoracic Institute, 2 Beaumont Street, London W1N 2DX. (Tel. 01-486 3043, extn. 2.)

Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work.—Multidisciplinary residential seminar, "Teaching about Handicaps and Handicapping Factors on Qualifying Courses for Social Workers—Methods and Content," 5-9 January, Neston, Cheshire. Fee £24. The closing date is 30 November and details are obtainable from the organizer, Course E1, C.C.E.T.S.W., Clifton House, Euston Road, London NW1 2RS. (Tel. 01-387 3456.)

"Liquid Scintillation Counting."—Winter school, 7-8 January, Salford University. Fee £19.50 (accommodation £7.70). Details and application forms (to be returned by 19 December) from the administrative assistant (short courses), room 2, Salford University, Salford M5 4WT. (Tel. 061-736 5843.)

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, 11 November

B.B.C.2 TELEVISION.—7.05 p.m., The National Health: Community Hospitals—an Open or Shut Case?

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. P. D. Samman: Nail Formation and Growth.

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—4 p.m., Dr. B. McGillivray: Neurology of Death.

Tuesday, 12 November

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. G. M. Levene: Sweat Gland Function.

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. Irving Cooper: The Human Cerebellum—Effects of Partial Ablation and Chronic Stimulation on Spasticity.

Wednesday, 13 November

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—6 p.m., Dr. T. Angel: Cortical Organization—Epilepsy at Cellular Level; 7 p.m., Mr. P. Schurr: Surgery of Epilepsy.

LONDON UNIVERSITY.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Professor S. Haraldson (Göteborg, Sweden): Nomads of the World—their Health Problems.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 p.m., Professor R. Hall: Hypothalamic Regulatory Hormones and their Clinical Applications.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Bradshaw lecture by Professor C. T. Doherty: Individual Differences in Response to Drugs.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian lecture by Professor M. J. Griffith: Slipping of the Capital Femoral Epiphysis.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m., Lily Davis memorial lecture by Dr. T. C. Chalmers (U.S.A.): Spread of Hepatitis within Hospitals.

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—2 p.m., Pathology lecture by Dr. P. M. G. Broughton.

Thursday, 14 November

HONYMAN GILLESPIE LECTURE.—At Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, 5 p.m., Dr. A. E. Stuart: Recognition and Sequestration of Red Cells and Platelets by the Human Spleen.

INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH.—5.30 p.m., Alex Simpson Smith lecture by Dr. Ola Knutrud (Oslo): Metabolic Aspects of Neonatal Surgery.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY.—5.30 p.m., Edward Mapother lecture by Professor S. Kety (Harvard): The Medical Model of Mental Illness—its Value and Validity.

MARGARET PYKE MEMORIAL TRUST.—At Middlesex Hospital Medical School, 5.30 p.m., Oliver Bird lecture by Mr. Maurice Strong (U.N.): Prospects for Survival.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Mitchell lecture by Dr. R. W. Riddell: Modern Chemotherapy of Tuberculosis.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Tudor Edwards memorial lecture by Mr. O. S. Tubbs: Early Ventures in the Mediastinum and Subsequent Progress.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5.15 p.m., Mr. J. B. Scrimgeour: Hysteroscopy.

Friday, 15 November

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—11 a.m., Mr. D. D. Simmonds: Illustrations for Medical Journals.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

CAMBRIDGE

M.D.—C. P. E. Elliott-Binns, C. R. W. Edwards, C. du Ve Florey.

The M.D. Committee has announced the following awards:

Dr. G. H. Elder (Raymond Horton-Smith prize 1973-4); Dr. J. K. Sarsfield (Sir Lionel Whitby medal 1973-4); Dr. D. P. Brenton (Ralph Noble prize 1973-4).

ABERDEEN

Appointments.—Dr. W. G. Skene (senior lecturer, anatomy); Dr. W. T. Hendry (senior lecturer, forensic medicine); Dr. D. J. Lloyd (lecturer, child health).

LONDON

The title of professor of microbiology has been conferred on Dr. Rosalinde Hurley in respect of her post at the Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

BIRMINGHAM

Appointments.—Dr. F. N. Muchemwa (lecturer, department of anatomy); Dr. C. J. Rolles (lecturer, department of paediatrics and child health).

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON

At a meeting held on 31 October the following were elected and admitted as members of the college:

F. Bakir, P. C. Elwood, R. F. L. Schaus.

APPOINTMENTS

NORTH-EAST THAMES R.H.A.—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr. S. D. Dalal, Dr. A. K. Mathur, Dr. N. Poobalasingam (anaesthetics); Mr. P. D. Moynagh (orthopaedic surgery); Mr. P. H. L. Worth (urology).

NORTHERN R.H.A.—The following consultants have been appointed: Mr. W. M. Bowden (accident and emergency); Dr. A. P. Kenna, Dr. R. Nelson, Dr. J. D. Bell (paediatrics); Mr. J. M. T. Griffiths, Mr. R. Kirby, Mr. D. W. Herring (general surgery); Dr. I. S. Bruce, Dr. D. C. Townsend, Dr. D. G. M. Bishop (anaesthetics); Dr. M. J. Williams, Dr. D. Carr (general medicine); Dr. M. A. Nurbhai (neuro-pathology); Miss Barbara D. Case, Mr. G. E. Anderson (obstetrics and gynaecology); Mr. R. G. Checketts, Mr. R. A. Sutton (orthopaedic surgery); Dr. R. A. Dendy (dental surgery); Mr. J. M. Hudson (ophthalmology).

Corrections

Intrauterine Chemical Release

The penultimate sentence in the second paragraph in the leader "Intrauterine Chemical Release" should have read "Copper I.U.D.s can also be inserted more easily than conventional ones in nulliparous women and in those with a narrow or distorted cervix."

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