

Royal Society of Health—Day symposium "The needs of immigrant families," 20 November, London. Details from Royal Society of Health, 13 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7EN. (Tel 01-235 9961, ext 39.)

St Christopher's Hospice—Conference on drugs used for relief of symptoms in terminal cancer, 21 November, London. Details from Co-ordinator of Studies, St Christopher's Hospice, 51-53 Lawrie Park Road, Sydenham, London SE26 6DZ. (Tel 01-778 9252.)

National Association for Maternal and Child Welfare—Conference on "Health care for the child under one year," 25 November, London. Details from the General Secretary, National Association for Maternal and Child Welfare, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JG. (Tel 01-387 1874.)

Psychogeriatric Conference—26-28 November, London. Details from Miss A J Bass, The London Hospital (Whitechapel), London E1 1BB. (Tel 01-247 5454.)

Royal Free Hospital Old Students' Association—1975 clinical meeting, 27-28 November, London. Details from Mary P Shepherd, FRCS, Thoracic and Cardiac Surgical Unit, Harefield Hospital, Harefield, Middlesex. (Tel Harefield 3737.)

Society of Endocrinology—Meeting 27-28 November, London. Details from Professor I D Cooke, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Jessop Hospital for Women, Sheffield S3 7RE.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

Tuesday, 4 November

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE—7 pm, section of psychiatry, lecture by Professor H J Walton: Psychiatric education.
ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL COLLEGE—5 pm, Dr C L Joiner: Diseases of the arteries in young adults.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH—6 pm, colloquium: Radiology: new methods of surgical evaluations.

Wednesday, 5 November

ASSURANCE MEDICAL SOCIETY—At Medical Society of London, 5 pm, Professor C T Dollery: The effect of treatment on the outcome in hypertension.
INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY—6 pm, Sandoz Foundation lectures, Professor D Grahame-Smith: Processes regulating the functional activity of central monoamine neurotransmitters and behavioural correlates. Dr Ian Oswald: Sleep and its disorders.
INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr J A Corbett: The prevention of mental retardation.
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—5 pm, Professor Walter Bodmer: The genetics and disease associations of the HL-A system.

Thursday, 6 November

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, Goulstonian lecture by Professor A M Breckenridge: Oral anticoagulants—the totem and the taboo.
ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Dame Juliet Rhys Williams lecture by Professor T E Oppé: The health of the newly born.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON—At University College Hospital Medical School, 5 pm, Dr G Hellinga (Amsterdam): The importance of andrology for the gynaecologist.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON—At Royal Society of Medicine, 5 pm, the Semon lecture by Professor Ettore Bocca (Milan): A critical analysis of the techniques and value of neck dissection.

Friday, 7 November

NUTRITION SOCIETY (SCOTTISH GROUP)—286th meeting at Queen Margaret College, Edinburgh, 10.30 am, symposium: Nutrition education.
SOCIETY FOR BACK PAIN RESEARCH—At Imperial College, London, annual scientific meeting, annual lecture to be given by Professor J H Kellgren.

BMA NOTICES

Diary of Central Meetings

NOVEMBER

4 Tues Scottish General Medical Services Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QP), 10.30 am.

5 Wed Standing Orders Working Group (GMS), 2 pm.
6 Thurs General Purposes Subcommittee (GMS), 10.30 am.
9 Sun Welsh Committee for Hospital Medical Services (Hotel Metropole, Llandrindod Wells), 2 pm.
16 Sun Welsh Council (195 Newport Road, Cardiff CF2 1UE), 10.30 am.
20 Thurs Executive Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
20 Thurs General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
20 Thurs Dermatologists Subcommittee (CCHMS), 11 am.

Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

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

Buckinghamshire Division—At Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Friday, 7 November, 8 for 8.15 pm, annual BMA lecture by Dr H Beric Wright: "Growing old gracefully."*

Darlington and Northallerton Divisions—At Scotch Corner Hotel, Thursday, 6 November, 8 for 8.30 pm, annual dinner.*

Dukeries Division—At Victoria Hospital, Wednesday, 5 November, 8.30 pm, combined meeting with the Mansfield Medical Society, Dr R H Mavor: "Confessions of a medical refugee."*

East Norfolk and Norwich Division—At Norwich and Norfolk Hospital, Saturday, 8 November, 9.30 am, symposium arranged jointly with the Norwich Medico-Chirurgical Society and Norfolk and Norwich Institute for Medical Education.* Members of adjoining divisions are invited.

Grimsby Division—At Postgraduate Centre, Thursday, 6 November, 7.30 pm, annual BMA lecture by Professor J K Mason: "Medical investigation of major aircraft accidents."*

Halifax and Huddersfield Divisions—At Royal Halifax Infirmary, Thursday, 6 November, 8 pm, Mr D J Shields: "Added years and additional retirement allowance."*

Harrow Division—At Harrow Hospital, Tuesday, 4 November, 9 pm, Dr S T Hayward: "By road to Australia." (Preceded by supper, 7.45 pm.)*

Kingston/Richmond and Epsom Division—At the Medical Centre, Monday, 3 November, 8 for 8.30 pm, Mr D J Shields talking on pensions.

Lincoln Division—At County Hospital, Tuesday, 4 November, 8 pm, business meeting followed by talk by Mr D J Shields: "Added years and additional lump sum retirement allowance."*

Portsmouth and South-east Hampshire Division—At St Mary's Hospital, Tuesday, 4 November, 8 pm, agm.

Redbridge and Stratford Division—At Ilford Postgraduate Medical Centre, Tuesday, 4 November, 7.30 for 8.15 pm, clinical-social meeting.*

South Warwickshire Division—At Warwick Hospital, Thursday, 6 November, meeting originally called for 22 October to discuss present political issues.

Swansea and West Glamorgan Division—At Neath Postgraduate Centre, Friday, 7 November, 8.30 pm, joint meeting with Postgraduate Centre, Neath General Hospital, lecture by Dr Katherine Hallidie-Smith: "Congenital heart disease." (Preceded by dinner 6.30 for 7 pm.)*

West Cumbria Division—At West Cumberland Hospital, Thursday, 6 November, 7.30 pm, agm.

Woking and Chertsey Division—At St Peter's Hospital, Wednesday, 5 November, 8.30 pm, general meeting. Speaker Mr D J Shields: "NHS superannuation: the purchase of added years and additional lump sum retirement allowance."*

Worcester and Bromsgrove Division—At Lenchford Hotel, Shrawley, Thursday, 6 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, joint Christmas dinner and talk by Mr Henry Sandon on "Worcester porcelain" with British Dental Association Worcester Section.*

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

LONDON

The title of professor of radiological science has been conferred on Dr F H Doyle in respect of his post at the Royal Postgraduate Medical School.

The title of professor of virology has been conferred on Dr R B Heath in respect of his post held jointly at St Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College and the London Hospital Medical College.

The title of professor of surgical science has been conferred on Mr M Hobsley in respect of his post at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School.

The title of professor of dermatology has been conferred on Dr P F D Naylor in respect of his post at St Thomas's Hospital Medical School.

The title of professor of anaesthetics has been conferred on Dr L Strunin in respect of his post at King's College Hospital Medical School.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH

At the annual meeting held on 14 October the following office-bearers were elected: Mr J A Ross (president); Professor A W Wilkinson and Professor F J Gillingham (vice-presidents); Mr I F MacLaren (secretary); Mr Peter Edmond (treasurer); Mr J Cook, Mr W Drummond, Professor H L Duthie, Professor A P M Forrest, Sir James Fraser, Mr A A Gunn, Mr R J M McCormack, Mr A I S

Macpherson, Mr W Michie, Professor J D Robertson, Mr J A Shepherd, Mr A N Smith, Mr J W Thomson, Mr W Selby Tulloch (council); Mr Donald McIntosh (representative on the General Medical Council); Mr A E Duvall (convener of the Dental Council); Sir John Bruce (editor of the journal); Dr A A Shivas (conservator of the museum); Dr I Simson Hall (honorary librarian).

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH

At a meeting of the council of the college the following were admitted to Fellowship: W M Abdel-Sayed, H Adhikary, M K Adiga, A Ahmed, T K Ahmed, A K Al-Jezairy, W S M Al-Maani, M A A Allobaidi, F A Al-Qaraghali, Munawar Alvi, M Arif, C E Atimomo, K A Attara, G J Attard, J A Auchincloss, I A El-A Badr, S Banerjee, A N Bapat, M S Barsoom, D K Basu, F A Benjamin, K L Bhat, I M A Bhayah, B Black, M E Blakemore, J K Blaszczyk, C A Campbell, Yvonne M Canavan, R M Cazon, S S Chahal, S K Chaudhuri, S Chaudhury, U Chetty, Weng Chee Chew, M D Cresswell, B C Davis, K L Dennison, A A Dhedi, P A Diwan, Elma P Douglas, S S Dumbuya, D O N Duval, H J Ejelati, M A G Elhawary, H M S El-Kalaawy, H P Epstein, R J Etheridge, Hannah B Faal, I C Farmer, O M M Fawzy, F I K Feddo, D S Fernandez, M L Fonta, S C Gautam, P A Gentle, D C Gibbons, D F Graham, S A Guindi, O Gupta, A A Haffee, Izhar-Ul-Haque, D H Horwell, C S L Hsu, R C Hudson, S G Hunter, J B Hugo, S J Iqbal, Z Iqbal, M N-U Jamelle, Eleanor B Jones, S N Kassis, D B Kaye, K W Kaye, S A Kayssi, G E D H Kazem, M Y Khan, A A Ladapo, R S Ledward, Kee-Sheng Lee, J W H Legge, Eng Keong Lim, G Little, Yin Peng Low, D S McFarlane, C R Mackie, R D Makwana, N B Mammo, P K Mandal, Miss Arthur D Manoranjitham, S L Manuja, K M A Manzur, M M Megahed, R F Mehta, R P Mifsud, A P Mishra, I M Modlin, M B M Nor, G N Morrill, J M Morsman, P C Moses, M Muzaffaruddin, K D Nadaf, Y A H Naguib, S S Nakha, H M S Nasr, R H Naterwalla, A K C Ng, K Nowak, P C Obakponovwe, A A A Obiora, H O Ogunnaike, Siew Heong Oh, R L E Okujaye, M D Patel, V L Patel, W J Peacock, P H Porteous, A J Price, J M Rajack, K Rajendran, M Ram, P Ramadasan, J A Rankin, Carolyn A Reid, H Rode, A Rodger, M D Ryan, A M A Saad, St G B R St Rose, W Sakalo, E Schnaid, M Shafique, P A Shaw, M Y Sidhom, G Singh, J M Singh, S D Singh, M F Smith, J A Songo-Williams, M K Sour, C M Stevens, N B Thapa, E D Timevin, P Tivy-Jones, S P Vaish, S S Viswanath, A Waters, P M Wellington, S S Wickremasinghe, J D Wright, Y M Yasin, P A Zeider.

FACULTY OF COMMUNITY MEDICINE OF THE ROYAL COLLEGES OF PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

The following have successfully completed the examination for membership: J H Field, P J Heath, L M Irwig, J R Lisle, S R Leeder, P O D Pharoa.

Corrections

The forgotten nodule: complications of sacral nodules in rheumatoid arthritis

Case 7 in this article (11 October, p 92) should have read as follows: "A 68-year-old woman who had had rheumatoid arthritis for five years (functional capacity grade III) on prednisolone treatment was admitted because of a necrotic discharging sacral nodule. Rheumatoid factor titre was 1/1024, and *E coli* was grown from the necrotic nodule which healed after local treatment."

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