

doctor); Mr R J Williams (Wales); Drs W J C Scott and A W Wright (Scotland); and Dr T Horner (Northern Ireland). The Association will be issuing further information about its sponsored candidates nearer to the election date.

### Monoamniotic twin pairs

Information on the sex of monoamniotic twin pairs is required by Dr W James, of the Galton Laboratory, University College, London, who is working on a hypothesis on the control of the sex of human zygotes. Anyone with unpublished data on the sex of monoamniotic twins (even one case only) is asked to get in touch with Dr James.

### People in the news

Professor G R Hervey has been appointed civilian consultant in physiology to the Royal Navy.

Dr B E Kendall has been appointed as civilian consultant in neuroradiology to the Royal Navy.

Professor P J Lawther has been appointed as civilian consultant in environmental medicine to the Royal Navy.

Dr G Jackson Rees has been appointed as civilian consultant in anaesthetics to the Royal Navy.

Dr G Sheers has been appointed as civilian consultant in diseases of the chest to the Royal Navy.

Dr John Morley has been appointed director of the Asthma Research Council's clinical pharmacology research unit at Brompton Hospital, London.

### COMING EVENTS

**Royal Society of Medicine**—Christmas lectures for young people, 5-6 January, London. Tickets and information from the Information Officer, Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE. (Tel 01-580 2070.)

**Royal Society of Health**—Conference "Health and safety in transporting hazardous materials," 6-7 January, Bristol. Details and application forms from Conference Department, Royal Society of Health, 13 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7EN. (Tel 01-235 9971.)

**Royal Society of Health**—Conference "Food supplies—outlook for Britain," 8-9 January, Manchester. Details from Conference Department, Royal Society of Health, 13 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7EN. (Tel 01-235 9961.)

**Royal Society of Health**—Conference "The reorganised National Health Service—two years on," 13-14 January, London. Details and application forms from Conference Department, Royal Society of Health, 13 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7EN. (Tel 01-235 9961.)

**Faculty of Radiologists, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland**—Copies and details of the scientific meetings October 1975-April 1976 are now available from the Faculty, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, St Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.

**South Essex Postgraduate Medical Centre**—Details and copies of the programme January-April 1976 are now available from the Centre, Basildon Hospital, Nether Mayne, Basildon, Essex SS16 5NL. (Tel 0268 3911, ext 360.)

**St George's Hospital and South-west Metropolitan Orthopaedic Training Scheme**—Details of the teaching calendar for the spring term, 1976, are now available from the Orthopaedic Training Scheme, Blackshaw Road, Tooting, London SW17.

### 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 December

**HUNTERIAN SOCIETY**—At Plantation House, 7 for 7.30 pm, third dinner meeting, speaker Mr Frank Allen: An excursion through gout. (Guests are invited.)

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND**—4.30 pm, Erasmus Wilson demonstration by Dr A M D Bryceon: Leishmaniasis.

#### Tuesday, 16 December

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND**—4.30 pm, Arnott demonstration by Mr A Levene: Anatomical features of the origin and spread of cancer.

#### Wednesday, 17 December

**ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL**—5 pm, Professor R D Cohen: Lactic acidosis.

#### Friday, 19 December

**MEDWAY POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SOCIETY**—At Medway Hospital, 8.15 pm, concert.

### BMA NOTICES

#### Diary of Central Meetings

	DECEMBER
18 Thurs	Executive Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
18 Thurs	General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
19 Fri	Finance and General Purposes Committee, 11 am.
19 Fri	BMA Council Executive, 2 pm.
	JANUARY
6 Tues	Scottish Committee for Hospital Medical Services (at 7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh), 10.45 am.
7 Wed	Council, 10 am.
8 Thurs	General Purposes Subcommittee (GMS), 10.30 am.
9 Fri	Scottish Committee for Community Medicine (at 7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh), 10.45 am.
11 Sun	Welsh Committee for Hospital Medical Services (at Hotel Metropole, Llandrindod Wells), 2 pm.

#### Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

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

**Birmingham Division**—At Birmingham Medical Institute, Saturday, 13 December, 8 pm, Christmas buffet dance.\* (Guests are invited.)

**Brighton and Cuckfield Division**—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Elm Grove, Wednesday, 17 December, 7.45 for 8.15 pm, ordinary meeting to discuss "Current disputes with the Department of Health."

**Holland/Lincs Division**—At Boston General Hospital, Saturday, 13 December, 7.30 pm, Dr P McLean: "Detection and prevention of alcoholism."

**North and Mid-Staffordshire Division**—At Medical Institute, Hartshill, Thursday, 18 December, 6.30 pm, joint BMA/North Staffs Medical Society annual Christmas cocktail party.\*

**North Birmingham, Tamworth, and Lichfield Division**—At Good Hope Hospital, Wednesday, 17 December, 8.30 pm, Mr D J Shields and Mr J A Randall: "Added years and additional lump sum retirement allowance."

**North Northumberland Division**—At Blue Bell Hotel, Belford, Tuesday, 16 December, 8.30 pm, Dr F S Rodger: "The work of a community paediatrician."

**Rotherham Division**—At Rotherham Hospital, Friday, 19 December, 8.30 pm, Christmas party.\* (Guests are invited.)

**South-east Essex Division**—At Southend General Hospital, Wednesday, 17 December, 8 pm, general meeting.

**South-east Kent Division**—At New Metropole Hotel, Folkestone, Monday, 15 December, 8.15 pm, agm.

**South Tees Division**—At West Lane Hospital, Thursday, 18 December, 8 pm, special meeting to discuss the current disputes between the Department of Health and the medical profession.

**Wandsworth and East Merton Division**—At St James's Hospital, Monday, 15 December, 8.30 pm, divisional meeting.

**Winchester Division**—At Royal Hants County Hospital, Wednesday, 17 December, 8.15 pm, general meeting.

### UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

#### LONDON

The title of professor of paediatrics has been conferred on Dr J W Scopes in respect of his post at St Thomas's Hospital Medical School.

The title of professor of clinical epidemiology has been conferred on Dr A G Shaper in respect of his post at the Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine.

The title of reader in psychiatric genetics has been conferred on Dr J Shields in respect of his post at the Institute of Psychiatry.

#### MANCHESTER

**MD**—D R A Davies; P C England (with gold medal).

**Appointments**—Dr F N Bamford (senior lecturer in child health); Dr H W S Francis (senior lecturer in community medicine); Dr J P Miller (senior lecturer in medicine); Dr P S Hasleton (senior lecturer in morbid anatomy).

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS

The following have been admitted as fellows in October and November: Judith E Adams, M H Aleshaiker, G C Andrew, E M Bass, J J K Best, G Bonsor, E R Bresnihan, J F Calder, A H Chalmers, D L Cochlin, M D Crane, R N Curphey, W St C Forbes, M R Funston, N E D Hawass, Tessa L Heyworth, M F Hurley, S Hussain, P F Jaques, G H R Lamb, P M Lams, A L Laubscher, R E J Lee, C L H Lewis, Helen K Little, I W McCall, R R MacDonald, Gillian C Markham, Elizabeth A North, Lesley P North, D J O'Connell, J D Osborn, C Padmanathan, T J A Parker, G B Perera, D W Pilling, Roslyn M Reid, H G Row, N S Smith, P Stamper, B M Tress, J B Witcombe, V Balasundaram, N Cowley, P J D K Dawes, P J Duval, Ann E Johnson, T K Sarkar, Clare A Topham, C J Tyrrell, F-L Chan, I Devadason, H Fabrikant, C W Hui, S-F Lau, B Markell, C L Oon, Grace Tan, K M Tan, K P Tan, Lenny K A Tan, C-K Wong, R K-K Khoo, T H Khor, E C Bannan, P K Chatterji, M A El Sharif, P J Freyne, A K Handa, J A R Johnston, L C Johnston, A N Khan, M D McLean, A J Molyneux, P R Moorhouse, M de L O'Neill, I M Orakwe, Suzanne M Pablot, B N Patel, S Trakadas, M W Walker, N J P Walker, Elizabeth J N Woodcock, A S Al-Niamy, J M Bozzino, M H Elia, D J Fairlamb, T Habeshaw, P J Howell, P G Hughes, Susan E Keeton, V K Sethi, M P J W Sokal, Elisabeth C Whipp, and J R Yarnold.

The Rohan Williams medal was awarded to Dr M D Crane.

### APPOINTMENTS

**BIRMINGHAM AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)**—Dr A Orwin (consultant psychiatrist).

**GWENT HEALTH AUTHORITY**—Mr R H Golding (consultant in obstetrics and gynaecology).

**LEICESTERSHIRE AREA HEALTH AUTHORITY (TEACHING)**—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr S R Bhate (child psychiatrist); Dr K M Harrison (anaesthetist); Dr M M Warsi (psychiatrist); Dr R M Hutchinson (haematologist); Mr R N Chan (orthopaedic surgeon); Dr T J Davies (chemical pathologist); Dr D C Bouch (histopathologist); Dr J R Moore (paediatrician).

**WEST MIDLANDS RHA**—The following consultants have been appointed: Dr J G Henley, Dr S K H Desai, Dr R S C Howell, Dr T K Basu (anaesthetists); Dr D A Tibbutt (physician); Dr F McGinty (histopathologist); Dr J Macintyre, Dr M E York-Moore (psychiatrists); Dr F C Megyesi-Schwartz, Dr M J Stokes (paediatricians).

**TO THE QUEEN**—Air Commodore I M Perkins, honorary surgeon in succession to Air Vice-Marshal R J A Morris.

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