October, p 888) this lecture has now been cancelled.

# **COMING EVENTS**

Institute of Urology—Course on postgraduate nephrology, 10-11 November, London. For details see advertisement at p xvi.

Hospital Physicists' Associationcontrol in diagnostic radiology," 17 November, London. Details from the general secretary, Hospital Physicists' Association, 47 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8QX. (Tel 01-235 6111.)

Royal Free Hospital Old Students' Association-Clinical meeting, 18-19 November, London. Details from Miss Mary P Shepherd, MS, FRCS, Thoracic and Cardiac Surgical Unit, Harefield Hospital, Harefield, Middlesex.

British Institute of Radiology-Meeting "Whole body counting and scanning clinical applications and recent developments," 24 November, London. Details from British Institute of Radiology, 32 Welbeck Street, London W1M 7PG. (Tel 01-935 6237/6867.)

International Symposium on Inflammatory Bowel Disease—6-9 December, Basle. Details from Physicians Associated for Continuing Education, Uptown Federal Building, 6609 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21215, USA.

Birmingham Medical Institute-Details and copies of the programme October to March of the Midland Thoracic Society section are now available from the Institute, 36 Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham 15. (Tel Edgbaston 5007.)

Medico-Legal Society-Details and copies of the programme 1976-7 are now available from the Society, 71 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3BZ.

Anglo-American Medical Society—Copies and details of the programme 1976-7 are now available from the Society, 88a Cromwell Road, London SW7 4EN. (Tel 01-584 9756.)

British Institute of Radiology-Copies and details of the programme 1976-7 are now available from the Institute, 32 Welbeck Street, London W1M 7PG. (Tel 01-935 6237/6867.)

British Society of Medical and Dental Hypnosis, Scottish Branch—Details and copies of the programme 1976-7 are now available from the Society, 160 Kingswood Drive, Glasgow G44 4RB. (Tel 041-649 1599.)

Chiltern Medical Society—Copies and details of the programme 1976-7 are now available from Chiltern Medical Society, Wycombe General Hospital, High Wycombe, Bucks HP11 2TT. (Tel High Wycombe 26161 ext 221.)

Edgware Medical Society-Details and copies of the programme 1976-77 are now available from the Society, Edgware General Hospital, Edgware, Middlesex. (Tel 01-952 2381 ext 354.)

Edinburgh and East of Scotland Society of Anaesthetists-Details of the 1976-7 syllabus are now available from the honorary secretary, Edinburgh and East of Scotland Society of Anaesthetists, Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, Lauriston Place, Edinburgh EH3 9EF. (Tel 031-229 2477 ext 2697.)

Forest Group Hospitals Medical Education and Research Trust-Copies and details of the programme are now available from the Medical Education Centre, Whipps Cross Hospital, London E11.

Postgraduate seminars in otolaryngology-Detailed programmes are available monthly from Mrs D W Scott, Academic Secretary in the Department of Otolaryngology, Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford OX2 6HE. (Tel 0865 49891 ext 544.)

Regional Postgraduate Institute for Medicine and Dentistry, Newcastle upon Tyne-Details of this term's course in advanced medicine are now available from the Institute, the Medical School, the University, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU. (Tel 0632 28511 ext 3041.)

## **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, 25 October

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND—5 pm, Thomas Vicary lecture by Mr J R Kirkup: The tercentenary of Richard Wiseman's "Severall Chirurgicall Treatises."
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON—5.30 pm, Freud Memorial lecture in Psychoanalysis by Gillespie: The legacy of Sigmund Freud.

#### Tuesday, 26 October

IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—At Blackett Laboratory, Prince Consort Road, 5.30 pm, inaugural lecture by Professor S A V Swanson: Engineering and arthritis.\*

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY—4.30 pm, Dr R Eady: The melanocyte system and mechanism of melanin pigmentation.

#### Wednesday, 27 October

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY—Sandoz Foundation lectures, 6 pm, Dr A Steptoe: Feedback techniques in the self control of blood pressure. 7 pm, Dr J M K Spalding: Autonomic dysfunction in acute diseases of the nervous system.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr David Robinson, Self-help and health.

UNIVERSITY OF OKFORD—At Radcliffe Infirmary, 5 pm, medical consilia: Growing points in neurology.

#### Thursday, 28 October

LONDON HOSPITAL MEDICAL COLLEGE—4.30 pm, Schorstein Memorial lecture by Professor W F Bodmer: The genetics of the HLA system and its association with disease.

ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Aleck Bourne lecture by Sir John Stallworthy: Principles and priorities of treatment of uterine cancer.

## Saturday, 30 October

WORTHING POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL CENTRE—5 pm, 1st Leonard Simpson lecture by Professor Victor Wynn: Modern metabolic investigations in endocrinology.

### **BMA NOTICES**

## Diary of Central Meetings

OCTOBER
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Finance and General Purposes Committee, 27 Wed

27 Wed Negotiating Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10

BMA Council Executive, 2 pm. 27 Wed

### NOVEMBER

Scottish Joint Consultants Committee (7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh), 2 Tues

10.15 am Education Subcommittee (GMSC), 10.30

3 Wed 3 Wed

am. Practice Premises and Organisation Sub-committee (GMSC), 10.30 am. Consulting Pathologists Group Committee, 3 Wed

3 Wed Rent and Rates Working Group (GMSC),

4 Thurs

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2 pm. Compensation and Superannuation Committee, 10.30 am.
Executive Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10.30 am.

### Division Meetings to be Held

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

Burton upon Trent and District—At Stanhope Arms Hotel, Tuesday, 26 October, 7 for 7.30 pm, dinner lecture, speaker Dr Michael Aspir: "Drugs, epilepsy and driving."\*

Doncaster—At Punch's Hotel, Thursday, 28 October, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual ladies night dinner and dance held jointly with Doncaster Medical Society.\*

Dudley—At Station Hotel, Thursday, 28 October, 7.45 for 8.15 pm, informal supper evening.\*

Eastbourne—At Lamb Inn, Tuesday, 26 October, 7.30 pm, supper and business meeting.\*

East Cumbria—At Penrith New Hospital, Thursday, 28 October, 8 pm, agm.

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East Surrey—At Redhill General Hospital, Tuesday, 26 October, 7.30 pm, buffet supper and illustrated talk by Dr Raymond Earle and Mr Graham Joss: "The pathology both medical and veterinary found in the Galapagos Islands."\*

\*\*Einstein Pichwand and Frame—At Vineston

Galapagos Islands."\*

Kingston, Richmond and Epsom—At Kingston
Medical Centre, Tuesday, 26 October, approx 8.30 pm,
talk by Dr Elston Grey-Turner. (Preceded by dinner,
7 for 7.30 pm.\*)

North and Mid Staffordshire—At Medical
Institute, Hartshill, Wednesday, 27 October, 8.15 pm,
lecture by Mr C de Boer: "Devices and desires."

Rotherham—At Phoenix Rooms, British Steel Corporation, Thursday, 28 October, 7.15 for 7.45 pm, autumn dinner dance.\* (Guests are invited.)

St Marylebone and North-east Westminster—At BMA House, Thursday, 28 October, 8.30 pm, agm. Scunthorpe—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Thursday, 28 October, Mr S K Mukerjea: "Recent development of rheumatoid orthopaedic surgery."

Southampton and S W Hampshire—At Southampton General Hospital, Wednesday, 27 October, 7.30 for 8 pm, guest night, speaker Mr David Johnston: "The Roman origins of Southampton."\*

Waltham Forest—At Whipps Cross Hospital, Wednesday, 27 October, 8.30 pm, Dr Peter Samman: "Diseases of the nails."\* (Preceded by buffet supper. Guests are welcome.)

### UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

The title of reader in cell pathology has been conferred on Dr P A Riley in respect of his post at University College Hospital Medical School.

The title of reader in haematology has been conferred on Dr Sheila M Worlledge in respect of her post at the Royal Postgraduate Medical School.

## BRISTOL

MD-R A Branch, M M B Halim, R H Teague.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON

The following have been elected as Members under Bye-Law 117: Eva D Alberman, L Amin-Zaki, A E Boyo, A Jadresic, and W I H Shedden.

#### APPOINTMENTS

NORTH-WEST THAMES RHA—Dr A J G Pearson (consultant in general medicine); Dr Elizabeth A Hudson (consultant histopathologist with an interest in cytology).

#### Corrections

#### Preoperative prediction of postoperative deep vein thrombosis

The authors state that the formula appearing in this article (16 October, p 910) on page 911 should have a minus sign in front of 11.3 and read as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l} I = \ -11 \cdot 3 + 0 \cdot 0090 x_3 + 0 \cdot 22 x_4 + 0 \cdot 085 x_5 \\ + 0 \cdot 043 x_7 + 2 \cdot 19 x_8. \end{array}$$

# BMA representation in hospitals

In the second paragraph of the letter from Dr W F Whimster (16 October, p 945) the second sentence should have read: "One can dragoon people into the BMA if one's temperament is right, without adequate data, but one cannot recruit. We apologise for this error.

### Mechanism of the asthma attack

In a letter from Dr G Salvato (17 July, p 179) his address was inadvertently printed as "Provisional" instead of Provincial General Hospital.

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