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**LAY CLINICIANS**

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Often when reading a book or play one comes across an excellent description of some disease. Such accounts are always of interest to the doctor and they often show surprisingly accurate powers of observation and clinical acumen. We hope to print some of these 'case records' from time to time and for those who would like to try their hand at naming the author, this information will be given at the end of the extract.

'When I knew her she was not only pitiable but hideous. I do not know what her illness was, but her face was swollen as if it had been stung by bees. Her eyes were just narrow slits between two swollen shiny cushions without eyebrows. Similarly swollen, shiny, and yellow were her cheeks, nose, lips, and mouth. She spoke with difficulty (having probably a similar swelling in her mouth). In summer, flies used to settle on her face and she did not feel them, which was particularly unpleasant to witness. Her hair was black but scanty, and did not hide her scalp. . . . A bad smell always came from her, and in her little room, the windows of which were never opened, the odour was stifling.'

This account of myxoedema is taken from Leo Tolstoy’s *Recollections and Essays*. Tolstoy, who is perhaps best known for his two great novels, *War and Peace* and *Anna Karenina*, was a most careful observer of his fellow men.

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THE EMPIRE MEDICAL ADVISORY BUREAU

In view of the formal opening of the above at B.M.A. House on July 13th last by the Rt. Hon. Viscount Addison, K.G., P.C., M.D., F.R.C.S., we feel that our readers may be glad to have some account of the ceremony and at the same time a brief reminder of the circumstances which led up to the formation of this body of whose nature and proposed activities information has already been sent to our friends and colleagues in the Dominions and elsewhere through the good offices of the British Medical Association. It is a year or more since the Council of the B.M.A. first gave their attention to this project which finally matured in the appointment of a Committee of Management, who in turn selected an Advisory Committee to assist them in the organization of the Bureau. The objects of the Bureau as set forth in the official documents are:

1. To make available the fullest information of facilities for post graduate study and, where necessary, to provide the appropriate contacts and introductions.

2. To maintain a register of suitable lodgings and hotels.

3. To arrange for practitioners from the Dominions and Colonies to be met at the ports.

4. To supply a wide range of general information, including facilities for sport, travel, sight-seeing and entertainment.

5. To arrange private hospitality in doctor's houses.

6. By social functions and otherwise to enable practitioners from the Dominions and Colonies to meet each other and prominent members of the profession in this country.

The Committee of Management, under the Chairmanship of Sir Hugh Lett, Bt., K.C.V.O., F.R.C.S., Past-President of the B.M.A., includes the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Dominions Committee, the Chairman of the International Relations Committee, and the Secretary of the B.M.A.

The Advisory Committee has been selected with a view to ensuring the widest representation, and includes nominees of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London and Edinburgh, the Royal Colleges of Surgeons of England and Edinburgh, the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the Universities Bureau of the British Empire, the Royal Society of Medicine, the Fellowship of Post Graduate Medicine, the Medical Women's Federation, the British Post Graduate Medical Federation, and other public bodies, to which are added representatives of the High Commissioners for Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Southern Rhodesia, India, and Pakistan, and a representative of the Ceylon Government.

Lord Addison, in an excellent speech, remarkable for its human touch, reminded his audience of the intense feeling of loneliness experienced by newcomers to this country from Overseas who often had at first no personal contacts, and emphasized that this feeling was greater, perhaps, in London than in any city of the Empire. Recognition of this fact had, he said, been uppermost in the minds of the Council of the B.M.A. when first their scheme was mooted, and although its primary object was the furtherance of post graduate study they had not lost sight of the need for personal and social rapprochement, for which the Council hoped to provide greater opportunities. He then formally declared the Bureau open and wished it every success.

Our readers are well aware of the main objects of the Fellowship of Post Graduate Medicine, established 30 years ago, and of the fact that the support and encouragement it has received have come very largely from our friends from Overseas for whose individual needs it has always done its utmost to cater. The Fellowship has had to con-
duct its activities under the difficulties inseparable from the restriction of its premises and of its organizing staff which were an inevitable result of lack of capital on any considerable scale. Nevertheless the standard of its work, which has been the outcome of close attention to the personal needs of the post graduates who have sought its help, has remained on the highest level, and has evoked the most encouraging response in the shape of countless unsolicited testimonials.

In the Empire Medical Advisory Bureau there is, as we have said, the widest possible representation, and those on the Committee of Management who are responsible for its inception have made it abundantly clear that their objective is to pool work and by mutual assistance to increase still further the service which London aspires to offer as a centre for those who look for guidance and help.

We welcome the Empire Bureau, and are proud of the opportunity to share in its activities.

FELLOWSHIP OF POST GRADUATE MEDICINE

Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology and Bacteriology (F.R.C.S. Primary). August 30th to December 18th. Mondays and Thursdays, 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Gordon Hospital Lecture Room. Fee, £17 17s. od.

Anaesthetics (Revision). August 30th to September 11th. All day. Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford. Limited. Fee, £10 10s. od.

Surgery (F.R.C.S.). September 15th to October 6th. Wednesdays, 2 p.m. St. Mary Islington Hospital, Highgate. Limited. Fee, £3 3s. od. (No entries accepted until syllabus is published and circulated.)

Surgery (F.R.C.S.). September 20th to October 20th. Monday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Royal Cancer Hospital. Limited. Fee, £12 12s. od. (No entries accepted until syllabus is published and circulated.)

Obstetrics (D.Obst.R.C.O.G.). September 27th to October 2nd. All day. West Middlesex County Hospital, Isleworth. Limited. Fee, £4 4s. od.

Surgery (F.R.C.S.). October 9th and 10th. All day, Saturday and Sunday. Hillingdon County Hospital. Limited. Fee, £3 3s. od. (No entries accepted until syllabus is published and circulated.)

Rheumatic Diseases. October 23rd and 24th. All day Saturday and Sunday. Rheumatic Unit, St. Stephen's Hospital. Fee, £3 3s. od.

Please note that instruction arranged by the Fellowship of Post Graduate Medicine is open only to Members (annual subscription, from month of joining, 10s. 6d.). In the case of ‘limited’ courses no entries are accepted in advance of the detailed syllabuses being published and circulated; post graduates (whether Members or not) are not automatically included in the mailing lists, but must notify the Fellowship of Post Graduate Medicine 1,

Wimpole Street, London, W.1, if they wish to be sent syllabuses as published, and must specify the subjects in which they are interested. Information regarding courses can be obtained from the Office, daily between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Saturdays 10 a.m. to 12 noon). Telephone: Langham 4266.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

A course of post graduate lectures in Medicine will be given from November 1st to December 17th, 1948. There will be approximately 26 lectures. The inclusive fee for the course will be £7 7s. od., and the total entry will be limited to 200.

Applications should be made to the Registrar, Royal College of Physicians, Pall Mall East, S.W.1.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

A programme of post graduate teaching has been arranged, including study of the basic sciences, surgery and surgical and allied specialties. In the basic sciences in addition to Lectures, Practical Demonstrations extending over a period of three months are also held. The following post graduate lectures and demonstrations will be held at the College:

Surgery. The following lectures will be given at the College at 5 p.m.:

October
4th Mr. Guy Blackburn. Traumatic injuries of the abdomen.
5th Mr. A. B. Wallace. Treatment of burns.
6th Prof. F. H. Bentley. The interpretation of visceral pain.
8th Mr. H. Jackson Burrows. Bone graft surgery.
11th Mr. F. S. Cooksey. Rehabilitation and surgery.
12th Mr. R. C. Brock. Surgery of the heart and great vessels.
13th Prof. J. R. Learmonth. The pathological physiology of peripheral arterial disease.
14th Mr. Denis Browne. Surgery of congenital deformities of the extremities.
15th Mr. T. Holmes Sellors. Surgery of pulmonary tuberculosis.
18th Dr. D. W. Smithers. High voltage X-rays in the treatment of malignant tumours at a depth.
20th Prof. J. Paterson Ross. Surgery of the sympathetic nervous system.
21st Mr. P. H. Mitchiner. Surgery of sepsis.

Fee for the course, £5 5s. od. (Fellows and Members, and Fellows and Licentiates in Dental Surgery, £3 3s. od.).

Anaesthetics. A course of 45 lectures will be given at the College from October 11th to 29th, three lectures daily (two in the morning and one in the late afternoon), Monday to Friday. Fee for the course, £15 15s. od. (Fellows and Members of the College, £12 12s. od.). A series of Tutorials will also be held during the same period, consisting of ten one-hourly periods at 6.15 p.m. Fee for the course, £9 9s. od.

Applications for the Anaesthetic courses to the Secretary, Faculty of Anaesthetists, Royal College of Surgeons, Lincolns Inn Fields, W.C. 2.

Orthopaedic Surgery
April, 1949 (12 lectures).

Anatomy, Applied Physiology and Pathology
October 25th to December 17th (72 lectures).

April, May and June, 1949 (72 lectures).
Anatomy, Applied Physiology and Pathology, Practical Demonstrations
October 11th to January 14th.
March, April, May and June, 1949.

Surgery
April, 1949 (12 lectures).

Anaesthetics
October (45 lectures).
April, 1949 (45 lectures).

Plastic Surgery
March, 1949.

Details of the above courses will be published later.

FACULTY OF DENTAL SURGERY
Anatomy, Applied Physiology and Pathology in their application to Dental Surgery
January 24th to February 18th, 1949 (36 lectures).
July, 1949 (36 lectures).

General, Oral and Dental Surgery
September 6th to October 1st (36 lectures), 5 p.m. and 6.15 p.m.
February 21st to March 18th, 1949 (36 lectures).
September, 1949 (36 lectures).

Lecture-Demonstrations in Anatomy, Applied Physiology and Pathology in their application to Dental Surgery
September 6th to October 1st.
January 24th to March 18th, 1949.
July and September, 1949.

Details of the above courses will be published later.

Fellowship and Dental Examinations. Special Final Fellowship Examinations have been instituted in Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology. A Fellowship in Dental Surgery has also been instituted.

Conjoint Examinations. The Diplomas of L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., are granted jointly with the Royal College of Physicians, as well as Diplomas in 11 specialties.

Scholarships and Prizes. The College grants many Research Scholarships and Prizes and in certain cases make grants in aid of surgical research, the work being carried out either in the College or elsewhere.

HOSTEL. Residential accommodation will be available in the College for post graduate students from January, 1949.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Post Graduate Education Committee, Royal College of Surgeons, Lincolns Inn Fields, W.C.2.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS
A post graduate course of ten lectures will be given in the College House, at 12 noon and 5 p.m. daily, from November 15th to November 19th, 1948. A detailed programme will be available later. Fee, £4 4s. for the course, or 10s. 6d. a single lecture.

Applications should be addressed to the Secretary, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, 58 Queen Anne Street, London, W.1.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES OF LONDON
Diploma of Industrial Health. The examinations are held in July and December each year.

Diploma of Mastery of Midwifery (M.M.S.A.). The examinations are held in May and November each year.

A course of lectures on Modern Therapeutics will be delivered in the Hall, Blackfriars Lane, at 5 p.m. —

October
18th Dr. Eliot Slater. The constitutional factors in psychological medicine.
19th Mr. H. Osmond Clarke. Rehabilitation of the physically injured.
20th Dr. Macdonald Critchley. Modern treatment of some neurological disorders.
21st Dr. R. R. Trail. The treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis.
27th Professor Henry Cohen. Therapy as a diagnostic measure.
28th Sir Stanford Cade. The management of inoperable malignant disease.

November
1st Professor E. C. Dodds. Endocrinology and its relation to diagnosis and therapeutics.
2nd Dr. Peter Bishop. Use of sex hormones in therapeutics.
5th Professor D. F. Cappell. On the Rhesus Factor.
Fee, £3 3s. od., or 7s. 6d. a single lecture.

For regulations relating to the examinations, and applications to attend the lectures, apply to the Registrar, Society of Apothecaries, Blackfriars Lane, E.C.4.

DENTAL BOARD OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
Acting upon the recommendation of the Joint Advisory Committee on Post Graduate Dental Education, a Dental Post Graduate Information Bureau has been established for the purpose of collecting and making available to those who require it all possible information on this subject.

Post Graduate Clinical Demonstrations. A revision course of four clinical meetings will take place at the Eastman Dental Clinic, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1., to demonstrate surgical cases of particular interest to candidates for higher dental qualifications. There will be six demonstrators, each of whom will provide two cases. The candidates, in groups of four, will have an opportunity of examining each case and will be questioned on diagnosis, pathology and treatment.

The demonstrations will take place on September 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 1948, at 2 p.m. The fee for the course will be £3 3s. od.

Applicants will also be welcome at Park Prewett Hospital, Basingstoke, on the Tuesdays, at Hill End Hospital, St. Albans, on the Wednesdays, and at the Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, on the Fridays of the weeks of the demonstrations, when cases of surgical interest will be demonstrated.

Applications to attend the course together with a remittance for the fee should be made to the Registrar of the Dental Board of the United Kingdom, 44 Hallam Street, London, W.1.

Application for general information should be addressed to the Director (Brigadier R. A. Broderick, D.S.O., M.C., M.D.S., M.B.), Dental Post Graduate Bureau, 44 Hallam Street, London, W.1.

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BRITISH POST GRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION (University of London)

Refresher Courses for General Practitioners will be held as follows:

**General**
- September 20th-October 1st. Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E.8.
- November 22nd-27th. Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton.
- November 29th-December 11th. Royal Northern Hospital, N.7.

**Obstetrics and Gynaecology**
- October 25th-29th. Lewisham L.C.C. Hospital.

**Medicine**
- November 1st-5th. St. Alfege's L.C.C. Hospital, Greenwich.

Fees:
- £10 10s. for 2 weeks' course;
- £5 5s. for 1 week.

Applications for places and for further information should be made to the Secretary, British Post Graduate Medical Federation, 2 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1. They should state if the practitioner is applying under (a) or (b) above, or neither.

**COMBINED POST GRADUATE TEACHING SCHOOL IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY (Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital and the Chelsea Hospital for Women)**

1. Special facilities are available for a limited number of Post Graduates intending to take the D.Obst.R.C.O.G. examination, to attend the practice of Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital during the two weeks, September 6th to 18th. The fee for this period is 4 guineas.
2. A Refresher Course in Obstetrics and Gynaecology will be held at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital and the Chelsea Hospital for Women, during the week September 20th to 25th, for general practitioners. Candidates for the D.Obst.R.C.O.G. will be given preference for this course. The fee for the course is 5 guineas.

LIMITED ACCOMMODATION is available near the hospital for an additional 3½ guineas a week.

Further particulars can be obtained from the Secretary, The Combined Post Graduate Teaching School, Chelsea Hospital for Women, Dovehouse Street, London, S.W.3.

INSTITUTE OF CARDIOLOGY
(National Heart Hospital) (University of London)

Full-time course of instruction lasting three months is available for Membership candidates and general physicians. Fee, £26 5s. od. A limited number can be accepted for casual attendance at Out-patient sessions only. Fee for each attendance, 5s.

Special short courses lasting two weeks are given at intervals. Fee, £12 12s. od.

Series of lectures on Fridays at 5 p.m. for general practitioners are held from time to time. Fee for the series, £1 1s. od.

Further details and applications for admission to these courses should be made to the Dean of the Medical School, Institute of Cardiology, National Heart Hospital, Westmoreland Street, London, W.1.

INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH (University of London) (Hospital for Sick Children)

The Institute of Child Health is associated with the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, and the Post Graduate Medical School at Hamme smith Hospital, and also has an arrangement with the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children, Hackney. In its programme, teaching on every aspect of child health is provided, including the Department for the new-born and premature infant at the Post Graduate School, Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics, Nursery Homes, etc. The Institute provides tuition throughout the year in three terms of three months' duration each, commencing in January, May and September, and in addition a series of lectures by specialists and experts in various spheres is given each term. The fees vary from 25 guineas for six months' attendance to 3 guineas for a week.

A course of lectures on the Growth and Development in Children will be given at the Hospital on Tuesdays, at 5 p.m., as follows:

**October**
- 12th Dr. D. Slome. Physiological aspects of growth and development.
- 19th Professor H. A. Harris. Some general aspects of growth.
- 26th (At 4.30 p.m.). Miss D. E. M. Gardner. Mental and emotional development of the pre-school child.

**November**
- 2nd Mrs. J. M. Williams. Mental and emotional development of the school child.
- 9th Dr. Mildred Creak. Mental and emotional development of the adolescent.
- 16th Dr. Cecile Asher. Physical development of the pre-school child.
- 23rd Dr. G. E. Friend. Physical development of the school child.
- 30th Dr. R. E. Smith. Physical development of the adolescent.

**December**
- 7th Mr. R. E. Roper. Assessment of physical fitness:
  - (a) Methods.
- 14th Dr. E. R. Bransby. Assessment of physical fitness:
  - (b) Statistical aspects.

The fee for the course is £5 5s. od., and the number of tickets is limited.

Applications should be made to the Dean, Institute of Child Health, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London, W.C.1.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY (St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin) (University of London)

The Institute of Dermatology (Medical School of St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin). Clinical teaching takes place in the out-patient department twice daily, for which the fee varies from 1 guinea for one week to 15 guineas for a year. There are also facilities for study and tuition in the pathological laboratory, but owing to the present restricted accommodation, no ward instruction is possible as yet. A short course of lectures is intended for the summer months and a longer and more systematic course in the winter. The fees for these courses will be approximately 4 guineas and 10
guineas respectively. Clinical Assistantships will be arranged for the more advanced students.

A course of lectures will be given on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m., from October, 1948, to March, 1949.

Applications should be made to the Dean, Institute of Dermatology, St. John's Hospital, 5 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London, W.C.2.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST (Brompton Hospital) (University of London)

The Institute of Diseases of the Chest (Medical School of the Brompton Hospital). The teaching is primarily by means of attendance on hospital practice, students enrolling for three months or more on what is at present approximately a half-time course of instruction consisting of clinical work on the wards and out-patients departments and a certain number of lectures and demonstrations. For this the fee is 5 guineas for one month or 12 guineas for three months. In special cases a whole-time programme can be arranged, but the numbers are restricted for the present by lack of accommodation. There are three terms annually, commencing in January, April and September.

For further information applications should be addressed to the Dean, Institute of Diseases of the Chest, Brompton Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.3.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLOGY (Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear and Golden Square Hospitals) (University of London)

A comprehensive course lasting 20 weeks and designed to cover the whole field of the specialty is held twice a year in January and July. This consists of lectures, demonstrations and attendance on the practice of the hospital, with facilities for dissection. A special point is made of the anatomy, physiology and pathology related to the subject. Advanced students may obtain additional experience by appointment as Out-patient Assistants. The composite fee, including enrolment as a clinical assistant, attendance on the hospital practice and at one of the comprehensive courses, but excluding dissection, varies from 35 guineas for three months to 45 guineas for a year. There are lower rates for attendance on the hospital practice only.

Advanced Revision Class especially suitable for candidates for the M.S. (London University), and the F.R.C.S. (England and Edinburgh) in oto-laryngology, will be held from August 30th to October 27th.

For further information applications should be addressed to the Dean, Institute of Laryngology and Otology, 330 Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1.

INSTITUTE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY (Royal London Ophthalmic, Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, Central London Ophthalmic Hospitals) (University of London)

A course of lectures and classes extending over a period of five months, to meet the requirements of candidates entering for the examinations for Diplomas and Degrees in Ophthalmology, will be given by members of the Honorary Staff of the Hospital and others, commencing on March 1st and October 1st of each year.

Part I. Anatomy (including embryology and histology), physiology of the eye, optics (elementary and physiological). Composition fee, £15 15s. od.

Part II. Bacteriology, pathology, operative surgery, ophthalmoscopy, conditions, medical ophthalmology, lectures on external diseases, retina and optic nerve, motor anomalies, uveal tract, etc. Composition fee, £26 5s. od.

Students can attend the clinical practice of the Hospital and hold the appointments of Junior Clinical Assistants and Clinical Assistants concurrently with the above course.

Advanced Course. Evening lectures on recent advances in Ophthalmology will be given at the Institute from September 8th to October 20th, at 5.30 p.m. Detailed syllabus is obtainable from the Academic Secretary. Fee, £5 5s. od., or 10s. for one lecture.

Extra Courses. Slit Lamp Microscopy (fee, £5 5s. od.), Orthoptic Training (one week's intensive course, fee, £5 5s. od.), Contact Lenses (one week's intensive course, fee, £10 10s. od.).

For further information apply to the Academic Registrar, Institute of Ophthalmology, 33 Old Street, London, W.C.1.

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS (University of London)

The Institute is concerned with post graduate education in orthopaedics and with research. The practice of the hospital, both at the Central Hospital in Great Portland Street, and at the country branch at Stanmore, is open to post graduates, who may attend for various periods. In addition to hospital practice, formal courses of various lengths are held during academic terms. Selected students have opportunities of taking an active part in the work of the Institute and Hospital and of spending in the Institute up to two years of their training; a high standard is demanded and they should have previous surgical training, experience or qualification, or previous anatomical, physiological or pathological experience.

A short course in Advanced Clinical Orthopaedics will be held from September 6th to 11th, and a full systematic course in Orthopaedics will take place from October 4th to December 11th, 1948, and continue from January 10th to March 19th, 1949. The 'practice of the hospital,' both at the central hospital at Great Portland Street and at the Country Branch at Stanmore, is available to post graduate students.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Dean, Institute of Orthopaedics, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, 234 Great Portland Street, W.1.

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY (Combined School of St. Peter's and St. Paul's Hospitals) (University of London)

Three courses are held annually, January to April, April to July, September to December. Instruction includes systematic lectures, out-patient sessions, ward visits, operation sessions and tutorial demonstrations. All post graduates attending a course are expected to attend lectures, and may attend all the tutorial demonstrations. They will be allotted individually to certain out-patient sessions, ward visits and operation sessions. Fees, £15 15s. od.

A three months' course will begin on September 21st.

Applications should be addressed to the Secretary, St. Peter's Hospital for Stone, Henrietta Street, W.C.2.
NATIONAL HOSPITAL, Queen Square (Institute of Neurology)

Post Graduate training is provided in the various departments of neurology. The Out-patient practice is open at 10 a.m. every day, except Saturday. A fee of £2.25. od. per month is charged for attending the Out-patient Department only. The In-patient practice is open at 10 a.m. and a limited number of Clinical Clerks are appointed. Fees, three months, £15.15s. od. six months, £29 9s. od. Special courses of instruction are given during the autumn and winter terms and clinical demonstrations are given on Saturday mornings and Wednesday afternoons during term. Fee, £1 1s. od.

Applications should be addressed to the Dean, Medical School, National Hospital, Queen Square, London, W.C.1.

POST GRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON (University of London)

The Post Graduate Medical School of London (formerly the British Post Graduate Medical School) is associated with the Hammersmith Hospital, Ducane Road, W.12. It has University Departments in Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, and Pathology. The teaching in the clinical departments, which is of an advanced nature and based on ward work, is continuous and is supplemented by lectures during three 10-week sessions, starting in January, April and October. Suitable students are encouraged to undertake research work. A course for the University Diploma in Clinical Pathology, lasting one year, is available for a limited number of selected students. This commences in October. In anaesthetics, short practical courses lasting a fortnight, and longer periods of training for six months, are provided. The Department of Radiology of the Hospital provides courses for the Diplomas in Medical Radiology of the University and Conjoint Board. The fees vary from £3 for one week to £60 for a year.

For further information application should be made to the Dean, Post Graduate School of London, Ducane Road, W.12.

DREADNOUGHT SEAMEN’S HOSPITAL, Greenwich, S.E.10

Clinical Demonstrations

September
16th Dr. R. H. Hartley. 3.0 p.m. Medical ward round.

October
21st Mr. Stephen Power. Surgical ward round.  
Mr. L. Lurie. Ophthalmic cases.

November
18th Mr. D. M. Cooper. Surgical ward round.  
Dr. R. L. Mansi. X-ray films.

There is no fee for attendance.

LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE (University of London)

Course of study for the University of London Certificate and Diploma in Public Health. The course is designed for qualified medical practitioners and is intended primarily to prepare them for the Academic Post Graduate Certificate and Diploma in Public Health of the University of London. The preliminary part is intended to meet the needs of registered medical practitioners who intend to devote themselves to any branch of Public Health work, and the full course is intended to provide more advanced instruction for those practitioners who wish to qualify themselves for appointments in which they are required by law to hold registered Diplomas or Degrees in Public Health (or State Medicine). The preliminary course lasts three months, and the complete course covers one academic year of nine months, and tuition begins at the end of September in each year. The tuition fee for the course for the Certificate in Public Health is £21, and for the full course is £56 14s. od. (both payable at the time of enrolment). These fees include payments in respect of work in a public health department, instruction in infectious diseases and hospital administration, and certain visits. They do not include University Registration and examination fees. The registration fee, payable to the University by students who have not previously matriculated in the University of London, is £3 3s. od. Application for admission to the course should be made to the Registrar of the School. Applications from nationals from Pakistan and India should be made through the offices of their respective High Commissioners in London. Part-time students are not at present admitted to the course. The detailed regulations, governed by the Board of the General Medical Council, are issued by the University of London.

Course of study for the Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (England). The course is intended primarily to prepare qualified medical practitioners for the examination of the Conjoint Board for the Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. The course is open to any qualified medical practitioner, but those not holding a medical qualification registrable in England should consult the Secretary of the Conjoint Board, 8, Queen Square, London, W.C.1, regarding their admittance to the examination for the Diploma. The course is a continuous one of five months duration, preparing for a single examination by the Conjoint Board. The tuition fee for the whole course is £40, but it does not include the examination fee payable to the Conjoint Board. Application for admission to the course should be made to the Registrar of the School. Students from overseas are advised to make application as early as possible in order that they may be assured before sailing that there is a place available. Applications from nationals from Pakistan and India should be made through the offices of their respective High Commissioners in London.

Course of study for the Academic Diploma in Bacteriology. This course is designed to prepare candidates for the Academic Post Graduate Diploma in Bacteriology of the University of London. The course is open to graduates in medicine, science and pharmacy of the London or another approved University, whose previous training has, in the opinion of the London University, fitted them to profit by the course; registered medical practitioners and other students who, though not graduates, have obtained a qualification and undergone a previous training which, in the opinion of the London University, has fitted them to profit by the course. The course begins about the first week in October in each year and lasts one academic year of nine months. The examination for the Diploma is held once in each year beginning on the Thursday following the third Monday in June. The composite fee for the course is £56 14s. od.; this includes tuition, hire of microscope, and the provision of a clean gown and towel each week. The examination fee is £5 5s. od. The registration fee, payable to the University by students who have not previously matriculated in the University of London is £3 3s. od.

Applications for admission to the course should be submitted to the Registrar of the School, and should be
accompanying a statement of the candidate's past experience, and of the particular branch of bacteriology that he intends to take up in the future. A list of publications, if any, should also be included. It is important to know whether the candidate is going to take up bacteriology as a whole-time career. The number of places is strictly limited. Applications for admission should be received by the end of March; candidates will be informed by the end of April whether or not they can be admitted.

Applicants who are interested in hospital pathology as opposed to public health bacteriology are reminded that a course for the Diploma in Clinical Pathology is available at the Post Graduate Medical School of London.

Short courses in the principles of Medical Statistics and Statistical Methods. In addition to the general course of instruction in medical statistics and elementary statistical ideas and methods which forms part of the curriculum of students working for academic diplomas, the Department of Medical Statistics offers a short and rather more advanced three months' course in these subjects. In this short course particular attention is given to the analysis of medical statistical material and students are taught, in lectures and by practical work, the more important methods of treating and interpreting numerical data. Special lectures are given on the general principles of statistical inference and the elements of the theory of probability. The nature and source of medical-statistical data are discussed and lectures given on statistical-epidemiological aspects of diseases and on such subjects as occupational and social aspects of mortality and morbidity, population sampling methods and tests of inoculation procedures. The programme consists of 45 lectures and 6-7 hours of practical work each week, usually arranged to occupy two whole days. The days and hours of attendance are not fixed but are arranged from term to term to fit in with other courses in the School and to meet, when possible, the needs of students who wish to take this part-time course and to carry on with other work at the same time. Those with more time at their disposal are able to do additional practical work and are assisted in analysing statistical material of their own outside the fixed hours of classes. The course lasts three months and is held twice a year, beginning in the first week of January and about mid-April, if sufficient applications are received. The fee for the course is £ 12 12s. od. Application should be made to the Registrar of the School not less than one month before the course is due to begin.

Course in Applied Helminthology. A short course is held from time to time, and is designed for members of staffs of agricultural colleges, officers or intending officers of the Colonial Agricultural and Veterinary Services, and officers engaged under local authorities. The course lasts three weeks and is held in the month of July, but it is not held every year. The fee for the course is £ 4 4s. od.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The next course of instruction at the Institute for the Certificate in Public Health, and for Part I of the Diploma in Industrial Health—which is the same and runs concurrently—will begin on Friday, October 18th. Successful candidates thereat who desire to do so, will be prepared to the course of instruction for the Diploma in Public Health, beginning on January 28th, 1949. The course for Part II of the D.I.H. begins on February 18th, 1949.

Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Royal Institute of Public Health, 28 Portland Place, W.1.

ST. STEPHEN'S HOSPITAL (Rheumatism Unit)

Two concentrated week-end courses in the Rheumatic Diseases are given each year, in March and in October, under the auspices of the Fellowship of Post Graduate Medicine.

A limited number of post graduates can attend the Out-Patient Sessions of the Unit on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10 a.m.

Applications for attendance at these sessions should be made to the Medical Registrar, Rheumatism Unit, St. Stephen's Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.10.

ALTON, HANTS

Tuberculosis Educational Institute

Treatment of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Including Lupus. A three-day course will be held at the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital, Alton, Hants., on October 5th, 6th and 7th, 1948. Limited to 16 doctors. Fee, £ 3 3s. 6d. Hotel accommodation can be arranged at a charge of £ 1 1s. 6d. per day.

Application for further information and enrolment in the course should be made to Dr. Harley Williams, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

BRISTOL

Medical Post Graduate Department of the University of Bristol

C.P.H. (Certificate in Public Health) and D.P.H. (Diploma in Public Health). Preliminary course for the C.P.H. occupies ten weeks. Final course for the Diploma occupies the Spring and Summer Terms. Courses run concurrently and begin in October.


D.P.M. (Diploma in Psychological Medicine)

Part I. The course covers a period of ten weeks and begins in September.

D.C.H. (Diploma in Child Health). A course lasting three months will begin in October.

Application for further information and for enrolment in courses should be made to the Director, Medical Post Graduate Studies, The University, Bristol, 8.

CAMBRIDGE

University Department of Radio-therapeutics

Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Cancer (with case demonstrations):—

October


Dr. A. M. Barrett. Precancerous conditions.

5th Professor J. S. Mitchell. Radiotherapeutics.

Mr. P. H. R. Ghey. Diagnosis and prognosis in cancer of the gastro-intestinal tract.

6th Mr. V. Pennell and Mr. B. McN. Truscott. Diagnosis and prognosis in cancer of breast.
October
7th Mr. O. Lloyd. Diagnosis and prognosis in gynaecological cases.
8th Dr. Paton Philip. Diagnosis and prognosis in carcinoma of the lung.
Mr. A. S. H. Walford. Cancer of the ear, nose, throat and mouth.

Particulars on application to the Secretary, Medical School, The Naval Hut, Downing College, Cambridge.

CARDIFF

The Welsh National School of Medicine

C.P.H. Wales (Certificate in Public Health). Three months' full-time course, October to December.
D.P.H. Wales (Diploma in Public Health). Twelve months' part-time course, January to December.
T.D.D. Wales (Tuberculous Diseases Diploma). Five to six months' full-time course, January to June.
D.M.R.D.Eng. (Diploma in Medical Radiodiagnosis). Eighteen months' full-time course from October.

The number of admissions to each of the above courses is strictly limited and early application should be made to the Secretary, The Welsh National School of Medicine to The Parade, Cardiff.

DUBLIN

University College

The following courses will be held during the session, 1948-1949:

C.P.H. Course and examination. Michaelmas Term.
D.P.H. Course and examination. Hilary and Trinity Terms.
D.P.M. Course and examination. Michaelmas Term.
D.C.H. Course and examination. Michaelmas Term.
Courses, in Tuberculosis, and in Venereal Disease, will be given during the Michaelmas Term.

Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Registrar, University College, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin.

EDINBURGH

Edinburgh Post Graduate Board of Medicine

Internal Medicine. A course lasting 12 weeks, suitable for graduates wishing for refresher course, or to specialize in Medicine, begins on October 4th, 1948. This course consists of 300 hours instruction comprising lectures, clinical demonstrations and ward visits. Fee, £31 10s. od. A similar course will begin April 11th, 1949.

Paediatrics. A short course is run in conjunction with the courses in Medicine, and is primarily intended for those who wish additional experience in this subject. A small fee is charged and the numbers are limited.

General Surgery. A five months' course of post graduate surgery will begin on Monday, October 18th, 1948, and is suitable for surgeons requiring a refresher course in the current outlook on general surgery, or for graduates preparing to specialize in surgery; approximately 280 hours of instruction are provided. Fee, £36 15s. od. A similar course will begin March 28th, 1949.

Refresher course for General Practitioners. The Thirteenth General Fortnight Refresher Course, primarily for demobilized Medical Officers (Class II) and for Insurance Practitioners, will begin on September 13th, 1948. Twenty hours are devoted to lectures covering a wide range of subjects, with emphasis on recent advances in treatment. Fifty hours are allotted to clinical demonstrations and ward visits. Fee for graduates not claiming expenses from Government sources, £10 10s. od.

Applications should be addressed to Director of Post Graduate Studies, University New Buildings, Edinburgh.

Royal Medical Society

The meetings of the Society are held in the Society's Hall on Friday evenings during the Autumn and Spring Terms. Meetings consist of Private Business (at 7 p.m.) and Public Business (at 8 p.m.) in which dissertations by members or addresses by prominent medical men on subjects of medical interest are given. Clinical meetings are held periodical in the Royal Infirmary and film shows of the latest medical films are given in the Society's Rooms. Prospective members will be welcomed on any Friday evening in the Society's Hall before public business.

Applications for further information should be addressed to the Secretary, Royal Medical Society, 7 Melbourne Place, Edinburgh, 1.

GLASGOW

Glasgow University Post Graduate Medical Education Committee

Child Health. A short intensive post graduate course in Child Health, comprising about 60 hours' instruction, will be held from September 6th to 17th. The course will consist mainly of clinical demonstrations in paediatric medicine and surgery at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, but lectures, pathological demonstrations, and demonstrations at Child Welfare Centres will also be included. Fee, £10 10s. od.

Refresher Course for General Practitioners. The Eleventh Course for General Practitioners will be held from September 27th to October 9th, 1948. The course will comprise ten lectures and approximately 60 hours devoted to clinical demonstrations and ward visits. The fee for the course is £10 10s. od. Schemes for financial assistance are available under which the fee, travelling, subsistence and locum allowances may, subject to certain conditions, be repaid to demobilized medical officers within one year of release and to civilian practitioners.

Since the numbers in both courses will be restricted, those wishing to attend should make early application to the Director of Post Graduate Medical Education, The University, Glasgow, W.2, from whom further information may be obtained.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX

Roffey Park Rehabilitation Centre

Health and Human Relationships in Industry. Lectures, seminars and demonstrations of cases given by the resident teaching staff. Extensive use is made of instructional films and discussions. Five-day courses, Monday to Friday, are held throughout the summer months. These courses are for doctors concerned with human relations in industry. Fee, inclusive of accommodation, £9 9s. od. Roffey Park is three miles from Horsham, which is 50 minutes by electric train from Victoria.

Enquiries should be addressed to the Secretary, Training Department, Roffey Park, Horsham, Sussex.
LEEDS
Tuberculosis Educational Institute
Radiology in Connection with Tuberculosis and Chest Diseases. A three-day course will be held at the University, Leeds, on September 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1948. Fee for the course, £4 4s. 4d. Accommodation for 20 doctors can be arranged (total charge £3 15s. 0d.). Application for further information and enrolment in the course should be made to Dr. Harley Williams, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

LIVERPOOL
University of Liverpool
The following full-time post graduate courses of instruction are offered:

Orthopaedic Surgery. A full-time 15-month course leading to a Mastership in Orthopaedic Surgery (M.Ch.Orth.) open to all medical graduates of approved Universities and to graduates in other faculties with qualifications in medicine and an F.R.C.S. of one of the British colleges or its equivalent. The fee for the whole course is £80. High priority is given to candidates who have already attained an F.R.C.S. and to those with experience in approved centres in general surgery and/or orthopaedic surgery.

Radiology. A full-time two-year course leading to a Mastership in Radiology (M.Rad.) which can be taken in either Radiodiagnosis or Radiotherapy, open to medical graduates of approved Universities and to medically qualified candidates who hold approved higher medical diplomas and a degree in a faculty other than medicine. The courses amply cover the requirements of the D.M.R.D. and D.M.R.T. the Conjoint Board. The fee for the full two-year course of is £100.

Surgery. A full-time one-year course leading to the Mastership of Surgery (Ch.M.) of the University of Liverpool, open to medical graduates of approved Universities and to graduates in other faculties with qualifications in medicine and an F.R.C.S. of one of the British colleges or its equivalent. The course is suitable for candidates who have already completed the Primary of their F.R.C.S. and will not include instruction in anatomy and physiology suitable for this examination. The fee for the course is £60.

Public Health. A full-time one-year course leading to the Diploma in Public Health, open to candidates with a medical qualification from an approved University or medical school. The fee is £60. All courses of instruction begin in October.

Anaesthesia. A full-time course of post graduate instruction, limited to ten students, will begin on October 1st and last for one year. This course has been accepted by the Conjoint Board of England as fulfilling the requirements of candidates for the Diploma in Anaesthetics. The fee for the course is £60.

Internal Medicine. For graduates proceeding to a higher qualification in medicine (e.g. M.R.C.P. or M.D.) there is a part-time course lasting one year. This comprises lectures and demonstrations in pathology, bacteriology, general medicine, neurology, cardiology and radiological diagnosis. The course normally begins in October, but graduates may join at other times without disadvantage. The fee for the year's course is £30.

Refresher courses for general practitioners are arranged from time to time. Applications for further information should be addressed to the Dean, Faculty of Medicine, The University, Liverpool, 3.

MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP
Tuberculosis Educational Institute
Clinical courses at the Cheshire Joint Sanatorium, Market Drayton, Salop, will be held as follows:—

- October 26th, 27th and 28th
- November 23rd, 24th and 25th
- December 7th, 8th and 9th

The programme will include chest surgery, anaesthetics, pneumoconioses, bronchoscopy, artificial pneumothorax, gas replacement, etc., laboratory work, sanatorium administration and treatment and internal pneumolysis, and rehabilitation. Limited to four doctors for each course. Fee, £3 3s. 0d.

Application for further information and enrolment in any of the courses should be made to Dr. Harley Williams, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

OXFORD
University of Oxford (Post Graduate Medical Education Committee)
Refresher courses for general practitioners have been arranged as follows:—

- Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, October 4th to 10th.
- Royal Buckinghamshire Hospital, Aylesbury, November 1st to 15th.
- Northampton General Hospital, Northampton, November 29th to December 10th.

For further information apply to the Chairman, Post Graduate Medical Education Committee, 91 Banbury Road, Oxford.

SOUTHEND
Southend General Hospital
An abdominal operation session is held every Saturday afternoon from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., at which Post Graduates are welcome. There is no fee. Trains from Fenchurch Street to Southend or to Westcliff are as follows, but Post Graduates are advised to check them in case of alterations, the time of arrival is stated in brackets.

- To Southend: 12.1 (1.7), 12.7 (1.19), 12.13 (1.25), 12.25 (1.32), 12.32 (1.46).
- To Westcliff: 12.1 (1.3), 12.7 (1.15), 12.25 (1.28), 12.32 (1.44).

Trains returning to Fenchurch Street are as follows. From Southend: 7.34 (8.55), 8.4 (9.56). From Westcliff: 7.3 (8.30), 7.39 (8.55), 8.8 (9.56).

DENMARK
National Association against Tuberculosis
Fifty years ago Denmark had quite as much tuberculosis as other European countries, among its human beings as well as in the cattle. The yearly mortality per 10,000 population was above 30, while today it has become as low as 3.0, i.e. less than one-tenth of the former magnitude. At the century end could be found only very few live stocks which were free from tuberculosis, viz. the cattle belonging to those farmers who had been attentive to Bernhard Bang's epoch-making proposal: to eradicate cattle tuberculosis by destroying all animals showing a positive tuberculin reaction. Thanks, however, to a far-sighted legislature, furthering the universal adoption of this procedure, it has now become rather exceptional to find a tuberculous stock, and cattle tuberculosis is expected to practically disappear in the course of the next few years. This measure, in connection with...
a statute, already obtaining through a series of years, providing that all commercial milk and other dairy produce must be effectively sterilized, has brought about a considerable decrease in the number of cases of bovine type tuberculosis in humans, a disease which is, indeed, well on its way to range as a rarity.

A comprehensive campaign against the human tuberculosis was started early in the nineties with wide-spread propaganda and educational work regarding contagiousness, etc., and the year 1900 inaugurated a period of lively building of sanatoria, a work primarily due to the activity of the National Association against Tuberculosis. At the present time 4,345 beds in sanatoria and allied institutions are available to the treatment of tuberculosis, i.e. 1.1 bed per 1,000 population. Tuberculosis dispensaries were established at the same time, and this service subsequently has been expanded and systematized, especially during the last decadennium, to the extent that there is now a central dispensary with accessory stations for every 140,000 inhabitants, besides a large institution providing for the metropolitan population of about one million. The country is uniformly covered, and this enterprise has produced striking results through the detection of large numbers of hitherto unsuspected contagious cases, of which proper care has been established. In close co-operation with these efforts, which are sustained mainly by the State, country communes, and municipalities, the State Serum Institute in Copenhagen—internationally acknowledged for production and standardization of sera and vaccines against acute infections—has taken a decisive part in the campaign. Examination of samples of sputum, etc., from all parts of the country, is carried out by advanced methods, among which the cultivation devised by Professor K. A. Jensen has been instrumental in providing means of an exact diagnosis and of the differential diagnosis between the human and the bovine type of infection. To K. A. Jensen, again, the credit goes for the improvement of the material used in the Calmette vaccination, and the State Serum Institute is producing on a large scale a vaccine which is innocuous and dependable, and which is now in use not only in Denmark but with a rapidly increasing rate in a series of European countries where provisions against tuberculosis have been neglected in recent years, and where now Danish doctors, sent on their mission by the Danish Red Cross, are active in organizing a modern tuberculosis campaign.

At the same time the Danish Red Cross has established a college or hostel in Copenhagen, where doctors from those countries are given a gratis three months' course in the elements of the tuberculosis combat.

A subject which might also prove of interest to visiting colleagues, and perhaps warrant a closer study, is the basis formed by the social structure upon which the success of the fight ultimately depends. Through a series of acts and statutes relating to hospitals, sanatoria, sick insurance, and the general care of health, besides the social acts proper, which shield the poorer classes, Danish legislation has laid the foundation for the endeavour and so holds a substantial share in what has been accomplished.

Any British colleague who is interested in tuberculosis problems, whether from a scientific, a practical, or a social point of view, is welcome to see, and, it is hoped, convince himself of the value of the measures and strategy thus employed in Denmark.

A limited number of scholarships is available to British doctors who may care to apply to the National Association.

Danish doctors are looking forward with pleasure to this opportunity of meeting British colleagues, and the tuberculosis specialists are anxious to put themselves at their disposal in order that a fruitful sojourn should ensue. "Upon application to The National Association against Tuberculosis, address, 21 Store Strandsdraede, Copenhagen K., a prospectus is obtained describing how a visit to Denmark with this aim can be arranged, and hotel accommodation may be booked through the same office, not later than three weeks before the departure."

Conferences, Annual Meetings, etc.

Faculty of Radiologists. A discussion at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincolns Inn Fields, W.C.2, on Friday, October 15th, at 2.15 p.m. on 'Palliative treatment in advanced breast cancer.' Speakers, Mr. G. W. Blomfield, Dr. J. R. Nuttall and Mr. A. J. Durden Smith. British Orthopaedic Association. Annual Meeting in Belfast, October 21st to 23rd.

Association of Anaesthetists. Annual Meeting at the Royal College of Surgeons on Wednesday, October 27th; Annual Dinner in the evening at Claridge's Hotel.

British Association of Plastic Surgeons. Meeting in Oxford from September 16th to 18th.

Gifford Edmonds Prize in Ophthalmology. The Prize of £100 awarded every two years is offered for the best essay on a subject dealing with Ophthalmology and involving original work, and is open to any British Subject holding a medical qualification. The Subject for the next essay is: 'The Pathology, Aetiology and Clinical Course of obstruction occurring within the Retinal Venous System.' Preference will be given to original work based on any branch of the subject, rather than to compilations of the writings of previous observers. Essays must be sent in not later than December 31st, 1948. A leaflet giving full particulars of the prize may be obtained from the House Governor, Moorfields, Westminster and Central Eye Hospital, City Road, London, E.C.1.

Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

QUEEN CHARLOTTE'S MATERNITY HOSPITAL and the CHELSEA HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN have combined with the Post Graduate Medical School of London to form an INSTITUTE of OBSTETRICS and GYNAECOLOGY. Courses of instruction and training for advanced students will commence on October 1st, 1948.

Requests for information and applications for enrolment, stating qualifications and previous experience, should be directed to the Secretary of the Institute, Post Graduate Medical School of London, Ducane Road, London, W.12.
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