

University of Sheffield

A course in dermatology for general practitioners will be held from Monday, 24 March–Friday, 28 March, 1969 at the Rupert Hallam Department of Dermatology, Sheffield Royal Infirmary. The course will have special reference to common skin ailments encountered in general practice. The fee is £10 0s. 0d. and accommodation at one of the university's halls of residence will be available at a moderate additional charge.

N.H.S. practitioners are (subject to certain conditions) eligible to have the course fee paid on their behalf and also to receive certain allowances (travelling expenses, subsistence).

As the number who can be accepted is limited, enquiries and applications stating whether or not the latter are made under the scheme for N.H.S. practitioners, and whether residential accommodation is required should be addressed as soon as possible to *The Postgraduate Dean, Faculty of Medicine, The University, Sheffield S10 2TN.*

SOUTH LONDON FACULTY PROGRAMME

1969

- March 4 *The Pfizer lecture* by Dr P. J. LAWTHORP, F.R.C.P., director, Medical Research Council Air Pollution Research Unit, on air pollution, at the Royal Army Medical College, Millbank, S.W.1.
- April 15 *An ECG service for general practitioners.* A talk by Dr D. A. PYKE, M.D., F.R.C.P., consultant physician, King's College Hospital, at King's College Hospital, S.E.5.

CORRIGENDUM

In the list of admissions to membership of The Royal College of General Practitioners, printed in Journal No. 74, Dr Book Keng Lim should read Dr Boon Keng Lim.

FACULTY NEWS

Undergraduate education in North London general practice attachment

THIS REPORT IS DRAWN FROM the proceedings of a conference arranged by the North London Faculty in May 1968 which was attended by invited members of the faculty, representatives of the three medical schools in the area, representatives of the medical students in them, and other people interested in teaching undergraduates. By means of group and general discussion, opinions were collected from the 60 people who attended. The report is a synthesis of their ideas.

The present situation in North London Faculty area is that there are about 650 general

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH

The annual conference of the association will be held on 20 and 21 February 1969, at Church House, Westminster, London S.W.1, on the theme *New ways with old problems*. Further details from conference secretary, National Association for Mental Health, 39 Queen Anne Street, London W.1.

SYNACTHEN DEPOT

CIBA Laboratories wish to point out that Synacthen Depot is a new long-acting form of Synacthen (synthetic β^{1-24} corticotrophin). It may be given by i.m. or s.c. injection. Synacthen (plain) is short-acting, is given intravenously, and is used mainly as a test of adrenocortical function.

To avoid any possibility of confusion in prescribing it is necessary to specify clearly Synacthen Depot if the long-acting form is required.

Correspondence**Medical record card envelopes**

Sir,

Most family doctors are agreed that it is not possible to keep adequate records and documentation within the existing patient medical record card envelope.

A change to an improved system should no longer be delayed. The Ministry of Health should undertake to bear half the cost of replacing filing cabinets. To wait until more practices re-organize and re-equip in new premises is to increase the cost of an operation which is inevitable.

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