

## **Measles Investigation**

The checking, coding and punching of all the cards received is almost complete and Dr. Sampford has already made during November a preliminary analysis of those cards which he had received at that time. It is unlikely that his final analysis will have been completed before March and it is not proposed to publish any preliminary report of details before the figures for the full analysis are available.

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## **The Research Lunch**

A number of members interested in research met members of the research committee of Council over lunch on Sunday, 20th November.

The chairman of the research committee welcomed the company and reviewed the progress made by the College research organisation in the past year. He emphasised the world-wide distribution of the membership of the College, with the reminder that the work that it undertakes and sponsors must be of a very high standard. The College would be judged by its published work throughout the British Commonwealth, and beyond.

Dr. Pinsent described the evolution of the Research Newsletter as the outstanding advance of the past year. The Newsletter had become the Journal of the College in everything but name. Dr. McConaghey described plans for the further development of the Newsletter and opened a general discussion in which all those present took part. It was felt that full details of the composition of all standing committees of Council should appear in the Newsletter annually, and that details of postgraduate educational programmes should be included.

Discussion took place on the part to be played by the College in the conduct of clinical trials of therapeutic substances, and it was suggested that wider publicity be given to the extensive studies which had been made by the research committee into this very difficult problem.

Among those present were: Dr. J. F. Baker, Dr. D. Craddock, Dr. J. Fry, Dr. A. S. Hatch, Dr. Mary Hellier, Dr. J. P. Horder, Dr. W. J. H. Lord, Dr. R. M. S. McConaghey, Dr. R. J. F. H. Pinsent, Dr. Satzmann, Dr. W. G. Tait, Dr. G. M. T. Tate, Dr. J. Whitby.

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## **James Mackenzie Lecture 1956**

The Council of the College have invited Dr. I. D. Grant to give the Third James Mackenzie Lecture.

Dr. Grant has been a member of the Council of the College since its foundation and is chairman of the representative body of the British Medical Association.