

a recent letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer the contributions from the Treasury will amount to 100 per cent.

In relation to our short note in Current Topics for November concerning the post-war salaries for tuberculosis officers, a correspondent informs us that the Middlesex County Council are now paying £700 per annum with £200 war bonus to all original officers, and £600 a year plus bonus in proportion to recently-appointed officers, whose salaries after one year will be increased to £900 as long as the bonus lasts. We are glad to hear that more councils are recognising the need of raising these salaries.

The Welsh Board of Health is to have its headquarters at Cardiff. This has been followed by the formation of a Welsh Branch of the Society of Medical Officers of Health, under the auspices of Dr. Thomas Evans, of Swansea. The new articles of the Society make it now possible for all branches of the Public Health Service to become members, including Tuberculosis Officers, and a Society will then exist which should command the attention and respect of those in authority upon the Welsh Board.

DR. H. R. KENWOOD, C.M.G., Medical Officer of Health, Stoke Newington, and Chadwick Professor of Hygiene in the University of London, has been elected for a second term as President of the Society of Medical Officers of Health.

DR. STENHOUSE WILLIAMS of the Dairy Research Institute, University College, Reading, addressing a meeting of Berkshire farmers, said that £250,000 a year was a modest estimate of the loss to dairy farmers from tuberculosis. He urged the necessity of a farm, cows and a dairy, to be run in conjunction with the institute if the research was to be continued with advantage. The estimated cost would be £70,000.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT presided at a festival dinner in aid of the City of London Hospital for Disease of the Chest, Victoria Park, E. 2, on November 3 last. The Committee of the hospital appeal for £25,000, about £8,000 of which is required to meet actual defects in working, and the balance for building improvements and extensions (approved by King Edward's Hospital Tuberculosis Fund) which had to be curtailed owing to the War.

THE National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis is opening a settlement at Frimley, Surrey, to cost £50,000, of which £30,000 has already been raised. The Society is also shortly starting a farm training colony near Edinburgh, in conjunction with the Royal Victoria Hospital Tuberculosis Trust, to fit men for small holdings or colonisation.

At a recent meeting of the Yorkshire West Riding Public Health Committee it was stated that 381 persons were receiving treatment, including 178 discharged soldiers and sailors. The waiting list comprised 286 persons requiring treatment. It was decided that Middleton-in-Wharfedale Sanatorium should be enlarged to 300 beds, to be used for male patients only, and that the Committee be empowered to acquire an estate at a cost not exceeding £10,000 suitable for the erection of a sanatorium for women and children.

At the Quarterly Meeting of the Hull After-Care Committee it was reported that since their formation 378 cases had been dealt with. Many cases had definitely shown that breakdown had been avoided by timely assistance. A new feature of the Committee's work was the granting of milk to children in cases where the parents were unable to afford the necessary nourishment. Beds, bedding and clothing were also supplied in some cases. The meetings continue to be well attended under the direction of the new Tuberculosis Officer, Dr. Raeburn.

APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments of tuberculosis officers and assistant tuberculosis officers were notified to the Ministry of Health during the month ended 31st October, 1919.

COUNTIES.—

Lancashire: A. B. Jamieson¹. *Lincolnshire* (parts of Kesteven): A. H. Lowe.

COUNTY BOROUGHS.—

Birkenhead: G. N. Anderson. *Portsmouth*: A. Seacome. *Sheffield*: J. A. Delmege.¹

METROPOLITAN BOROUGHES.—

Hampstead: A. J. Scott Pinchin. *Lambeth*: E. D. Richardson. *Hackney and Stoke Newington* (Tuberculosis Dispensary at Metropolitan Hospital): L. U. Young.

¹ Denotes Assistant Tuberculosis Officer.

OFFICERS OF INSTITUTIONS.

The following appointments have been notified to the Ministry of Health,

COUNTIES.—

Cheshire: C. F. Pedley (1st Med. Asst., Baguley Sanatorium, Manchester T.C.), H. G. Trayer (2nd Med. Asst., Baguley Sanatorium), E. Ratner (3rd Med. Asst., Baguley Sanatorium). *Kent*: W. T. Henderson (2nd Res. Asst. Med. Off., Grosvenor Sanatorium, near Ashford). *Middlesex*: F. J. Woollacott (Asst. Res. Med. Off., Clare Hall Sanatorium). *Wiltshire*: J. H. Acheson (Asst. Res. Med. Off., Winsley Sanatorium).

COUNTY BOROUGHES.—

Birmingham: W. J. B. Selkirk (Visiting Med. Off., Witton Hospital). *Manchester*: T. E. Dickinson (1st Med. Asst., Monsall Tuberculosis Hospital, Manchester, T.C.), J. M. Sheridan (2nd Med. Asst., Monsall Tuberculosis Hospital).

MEDICAL OFFICERS OF HEALTH.

The following whole-time appointments have been notified to the Ministry of Health.

Cheadle (R.D.); D. M. Wilson. *Heston and Isleworth (U.D.)*: W. A. Berry. *Jarrow (B.)*: G. H. Bruce. *Leeds (C.B.)*: J. J. Jervis. *Leigh (B.)*: J. C. Beckitt. *New Shoreham Port Sanitary District*: W. J. Butcher. *Smethwick (C.B.)*: J. Bell Ferguson.

W. J. Butcher, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., who is now appointed as M.O.H. for the New Shoreham Port Sanitary District also holds the appointments of Medical Officer of Health for W. Sussex (S.) Combined Districts and for Shoreham-by-Sea Urban District. He was formerly School M.O. and Dep. M.O.H. for the County of Beds.

G. Norman Meachen, M.D., B.S., M.R.C.P. (Lond. and Edin.), who has been appointed Tuberculosis Officer for the County Borough of Southend-on-Sea, was previously Tuberculosis Officer for North-west Essex and Medical Superintendent of the Black Notley and Sible Hedingham Sanatoriums, and before that held a similar post under the Durham County Council.

James A. Delmege, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. (Lond.), whose appointment as Assistant Tuberculosis Officer at Sheffield is notified above was before the war Assistant M.O.H. and Assistant Tuberculosis Officer in the County of Hampshire. He will join Dr. Bell Ferguson at Smethwick as Assistant M.O.H. and Tuberculosis Officer during the first week in December.

J. H. Acheson, M.B. (Edin.), D.P.H. (Camb.), was formerly in the Navy. His present appointment took effect on September 13. It is a whole-time post and carries a salary of £250 per annum.

W. J. Burns Selkirk, M.A., M.D. (Edin.), began his new work at Birmingham on October 1.

Charles Franklin Pedley, B.A. (Camb.), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., was formerly Assistant M.O. at the North Wales Sanatorium. His recent appointment to Baguley Sanatorium took effect on November 7 last.

J. Bell Ferguson, M.B., Ch.B. (Edin.), D.P.H. (Manchester), has been working at Smethwick since August 1. Before that time he was Deputy M.O.H. and Tuberculosis Officer at York. The M.O.H. at Smethwick receives £800 per annum, and his two assistants £500 each.

Edme Ratner, M.B., Ch.B. (Vict.), was formerly H.P. at the Manchester Royal Infirmary. His present appointment, which he assumed on October 15, carries a salary of £300 per annum, with residence in the Sanatorium.

Hugh G. Trayer, M.B. (Dubl.), D.P.H. (Vict.), was before his appointment a Captain in the Regular Army. His commencing salary is £350.

Ludovic Unwin Young, M.B., C.M. (Edin.), D.P.H. (Lond.), began his duties as whole-time officer at Hackney on November 1. He was formerly M.O.H. and Tuberculosis Officer at Leith, N.B.

Gilbert Norman Anderson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (St. Andrew's), was formerly Assistant School M.O. for Liverpool. His present appointment, which he assumed on October 20 last, carries a salary of £500 per annum.

DIARY.

DECEMBER, 1919.

Royal Institute of Public Health, 37, Russell Square, London, W.C.1.

Lectures arranged for Tuberculosis Officers, General Practitioners, and others, in the Lecture Room of the Institute on Thursdays at 5 p.m.

December 4—THE TEMPERATURE IN PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS,

By James Watt, M.A., M.D.

December 11—THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS IN RELATION TO PUBLIC HEALTH,

By H. Hyslop Thomson, M.D., D.P.H.

December 18—TUBERCULOSIS OF THE LARYNX: TREATMENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE HOME,

By J. Dundas Grant, M.D., F.R.C.S. Ed.

Lectures on Housing will be given at the same place on Wednesdays at 4 p.m., as under:—

December 3—TOWN PLANNING: ITS INFLUENCE ON THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF THE CITIZENS.

By Raymond Unwin, F.R.I.B.A.

December 10—HOUSING IN RELATION TO MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE,

By S. G. Moore, M.D., D.P.H.

December 17—HOUSING AND THE SLUM PROBLEM, &c.,

By I. G. Gibbon, C.B.E., D.Sc.

The Tuberculosis Society.

A joint meeting with the Medical Officers of Schools Association, to be held at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, at 8 p.m., is announced as under:—

December 1—THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF TUBERCULOSIS IN RELATION TO SCHOOL LIFE,

By James Kerr, M.D., D.P.H.

Drs. F. N. K. Menzies, Clive Riviere, F. S. Langmead, F. C. Shrubbsall and others are expected to take part in the discussion.

BOOKS, JOURNALS AND REPORTS.

The following have been received:—

Books. "Three Clinical Studies," by W. C. Rivers, D.P.H. London: George Allen and Unwin. 1917.

"The Science of Ventilation and Open-air Treatment." Part I. Medical Research Committee. 1919.

Journals. *American Review of Tuberculosis*, *Archivos Españoles de Fisiología, Medical Science*, *Würzburger Abhandlung a.d. Gesamtgebiet der praktischen Medizin*.

Reports. M.O.H. City of Coventry, 1918. M.O.H. Wigan, 1918. T.O. Lancashire, 1918.