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Round-Table Conferences

JULY 22, AT 9 A.M.

"Rheumatic Heart Disease in Pregnancy."

Chairman: Prof. G. Maughan (Montreal)

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JULY 23, AT 9 A.M.

"Rheumatic Diseases."

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Section of Rheumatic Diseases

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"Acute Polyarthritis"

Prof. J. H. Kellgren (Manchester),

"Chronic Polyarthritis"

Dr. D. C. Graham (Toronto),

"Spondylitis"

Dr. S. Dworkin (Montreal),

"Soft-tissue Rheumatism"

SHORT PAPERS

Chairman: Dr. J. R. L. Woodbury (Halifax, Nova Scotia)

Dr. J. S. Crawford (Toronto), "Principles of Rehabilitation for the Arthritic Patient"

Dr. F. P. Dewar (Toronto), "The Problem of Painful Feet"

Dr. R. J. G. Sinclair (Edinburgh), "Diagnostic Problems in a Rheumatism Clinic"

Dr. G. D. Kersley (Bath), "Current Views on Gout and its Treatment"

Dr. A. G. S. Hill (Stoke Mandeville), "Laboratory Tests and Prognosis in Rheumatoid Arthritis"

PANEL DISCUSSION: "Drugs in the Treatment of Rheumatic Disease"

Chairman: Dr. A. W. Bagnall (Vancouver)

Speakers: Dr. J. N. Swanson (Toronto)

Prof. F. S. Brien (London, Ontario)

Prof. R. E. Tunbridge (Leeds)

Dr. F. Dudley Hart (London)

Colour Television

JULY 20, AT 1.30 P.M.

Dr. J. J. R. Duthie (Edinburgh), "Prevention and Correction of Deformities in Rheumatoid Arthritis"

Scientific Exhibition

EMPIRE RHEUMATISM COUNCIL

"Quiz on Early Radiological Signs in Rheumatoid Arthritis"

"Course and Prognosis in Rheumatoid Arthritis"

"What is the 'Epidemiology' of Rheumatic Diseases?"

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Istanbul, 1959

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