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#### 3.0 p.m. SYMPOSIUM: EPIDEMIOLOGY OF LEUKAEMIA

##### Opening Speakers:

- (1) Children - *Alice Stewart*
- (2) Adolescents - *J. A. Lee*
- (3) Adults - *F. W. Gunz*

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9.15 a.m. Distribution of Multiple Sclerosis in U.S.A. Veterans — *E. D. Acheson*

9.45 a.m. Diabetes and Epilepsies in a Scottish Community — *G. D. Forwell* and *D. Cameron*

10.15 a.m. Social Class Mobility in Chronic Bronchitis — *Susan Meadows*

11.15 a.m. Mortality among Gas Retort-House Workers — *R. Doll* and *R. Fisher*

11.45 a.m. Bus-Driver Accidents in Northern Ireland — *P. Froggatt*

12.15 p.m. Maternal Physique and Toxaemia of Pregnancy — *R. Lowe*

2.30 p.m. The Mechanism of Rhesus Iso-immunization — *E. G. Knox*

3.0 p.m. Differences between Populations in respect of the Tertiary Sex-ratio — *F. A. E. Crew*

3.30 p.m. Genetic Factors governing the Shape of the Hand — *D. Hewitt*

4.30 p.m. The Influence of Some Environmental Variables on the Incidence of Anencephalus — *R. G. Record*

5.0 p.m. Birth Rank and Family Size as Factors in Educational Selection — *J. W. B. Douglas*

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

9.15 a.m. Psychiatric Illness in Adolescents after Six Years — *Lilli Stein* and *W. Warren*

9.45 a.m. Institutionalism in Mental Hospitals — *J. K. Wing*

10.15 a.m. Recent Admissions to Mental Hospitals in Salford — *M. Susser* and *Zena Stein*

11.15 a.m. Changes in Family Size — *J. A. H. Waterhouse*

11.45 a.m. The Quality of Medical Care — *R. F. L. Logan* and *G. Forsyth*

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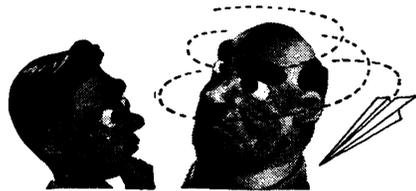


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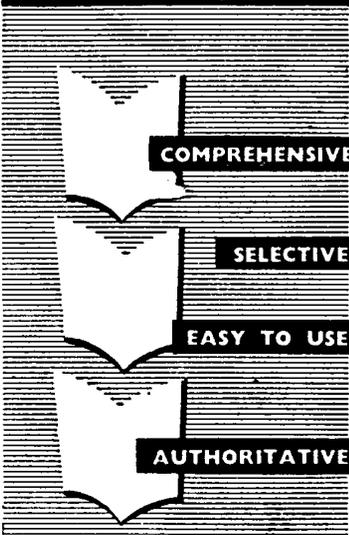
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