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large abattoir in the U.S.A., 300,000 hogs have been satisfactorily handled by the  $CO_2$  method. The animals are quickly rendered unconscious in a tunnel containing a high concentration of carbon dioxide gas and they remain unconscious and immobile for about a minute after they emerge from the tunnel on a conveyor belt. The system could be adapted for sheep and probably, with modifications, for larger animals.

Bacteriologic laboratories should be provided at large slaughter houses, and W.H.O. was requested to act as a clearing house for information on bacteriologic methods now being applied for meat inspection in the different countries.

Cutting meat into slices and joints ready for the kitchen and wrapping them in cellophane in the abattoir calls for extra precautions and even surgical standards of cleanliness, because in this method the meat surface open to contamination is enormously increased. Another important factor in this process is that cellophane-packed meat has greater humidity than unpacked meat, and this favours bacterial growth.

Finally, participants agreed that it would be said of few countries that they had too much meat inspection—inspection should mean that only safe meat goes to the public and not one ounce is unnecessarily wasted-but of very many that they had too little.

A report giving in detail the material presented and the points raised in discussion will be brought out later.

## Medical Books for Thailand.

AN EXHIBITION COMPILED by the British Council of about 160 medical books and periodicals is now on its way to Thailand. It will be shown on Council premises in Bangkok and probably at teaching hospitals. The books which cover all branches of medicine with particular emphasis on tropical medicine and public health and hygiene, will eventually be incorporated in the Council library in Bangkok.

## Another Contribution to the Welfare of Mankind.

MILTON ANTISEPTIC, LTD., are to be congratulated upon their new contribution to the welfare of mankind.

After extensive research this firm has put upon the market a preparation known as Miltherex.

This fluid is used in a glass, china or polythene container for expectoration in cases of chronic bronchitis, pneumonia, bronchiectasis, and the sputum will disappear if the amount of disinfectant is adequate—about 2 oz. The container can be in use for 24 hours with added

Miltherex as required ; leave the container for one hour after sputum has last been added, when the container can be thoroughly cleansed in a solution of 2 pints of water and half a teaspoonful of Miltherex.

## **Central Midwives Board.**

## First Examination.

FEBRUARY 10TH, 1954. FROM 2 TO 5 P.M.

- Candidates are advised to attempt to answer all the questions. What are the functions of the placenta? 1.
- Describe its appearance at term. 2.
- What abnormalities of the urine may be found during prognancy, labour and the puerperium ? What is their significance ?
- Describe the foetal skull. 3.
- Explain why the attitude of the head is important in labour.
- Describe the management of a prolonged first stage of 4. labour.
- 5. Describe in detail how you would nurse a mother during the first three days of the puerperium, following a normal delivery.
- 6. What abnormalities may be discovered when the baby is first bathed?



