psychiatric patients and report a high correlation with a criterion measure.

The material presented in the selection battery manual is based on an extensive body of data reported in two books to which reference is made.

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CORRIGENDUM

Tourette-like Syndrome after Long Term Neuroleptic Drug Treatment. *Journal* (1982), **141**, 191–3.

The name of the staff neurologist, Dr Gerhard Nellhaus, who was cited as having characterized the tic-like nature of the abnormal movements and initiated haloperidol treatment, was inadvertently omitted in the final version of this manuscript.

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Book Reviews

Practice and Precept in Psychoanalytic Technique: Selected Papers of Rudolph M. Loewenstein. New Haven and London: Yale University Press. 1982. Pp 240. £17.50.

This book contains a selection of the writings of the late Rudolph Loewenstein, a highly respected theoretician, clinician and teacher of psychoanalysis, perhaps best known in this country for his collaboration with Heinz Hartmann and Ernst Kris. The collection will be welcomed by specialist psychotherapists. He combines a meticulous search for theoretical clarity and precision with a plea for tact and respect in relation to the individual patient, and in addition for a recognition of the limitations of our current theoretical concepts. He reminds us that this position need not make us defensive but should rather lead to new insights and to progress. His well-considered technique is illustrated with detailed clinical material, particularly when considering his major interests—resistance, interpretation and the management of the transference.

Several papers would make very useful reading for seminars for reasonably informed trainees. They clarify the structural theory and its relevance in clinical practice, explaining an important shift in emphasis brought about by ego psychology. Another chapter entitled 'A Contribution to the Psychoanalytic Theory of Masochism' will already be familiar to many, as a key contribution to this area. It is wide-ranging, discussing the relation of passivity and of femininity to masochism, the masochistic character and perversion, and he describes childhood behaviour which he feels might appropriately be called proto- or pre-masochistic. The chapters on 'The Silent Patient' and 'The Role of Speech in Psychoanalytic Technique' contain some original and stimulating thoughts and provide pointers for further investigation and conceptualization.

The papers remind us usefully to reconsider the way we practise, and any rationale we may have developed for the variations in technique which do not place verbalization at the centre of the process of treatment.

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Measuring Social Life Feelings. By KARL F. SCHUESSLER. London: Sage Publications. 1982. Pp 183. £16.50.

This book describes how to construct a questionnaire to beat all previous questionnaires. It cannibalises scales constructed by sociologists in the 1960's who were mostly trying to study theoretical notions as anomie. Schuessler criticises these instruments for their lack of standardisation and their doubtful validity, and intends that his single reliable instrument should be a resource for all future researchers.

The book describes, in meticulous detail, the selection of the 237 items in the questionnaire, the factor analytical procedures used to derive the social life feeling scales, and tests of their reliability and validity. Some preliminary findings are reported about the influence of sociodemographic factors on these feelings and on patterns of response bias.

Factor analysis threw up twelve scales which were then given meanings suggested by the loading of items on the scales. Schuessler thus deliberately avoids the theoretical approach of his forerunners who would define a concept and then invent a scale to measure it.

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