American Psychopathological Association

The 66th Meeting of the American Psychopathological Association will be held on 4 and 5 March, 1976, at the Holiday Inn, Independence Mall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The topic is 'Psychopathology and Brain Dysfunction'. Further information from: Dr. Jonathan O. Cole, McLean Hospital, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178, USA.

International Congress on Sexology

The Department of Sexology of the University of Quebec in Montreal, in collaboration with the Society for Scientific Study of Sex, is organizing an international congress on sexology in October 1976. Twenty-minute research papers may be offered; five-page summaries of such papers must be received before January 1976. Further information from: Professor Robert Gemme, Department of Sexology, University of Quebec in Montreal, DP. 8888, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, H3C 3P8.

Sixth World Congress of the World Psychiatric Association

The Sixth World Congress of the World Psychiatric Association, organized in collaboration with the American Psychiatric Association, will be held in Hawaii from 28 August to 3 September 1977. Further information will be published later but *early reservation of accommodation is essential.* Travel Consultants Limited, 1025 Connecticut Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, U.S.A., are the travel agents for the Congress.

NEWS ITEMS

Reading List in Psychiatry

Readers, particularly those preparing for the M.R.C.Psych. Membership Examination, may like to be reminded that copies of the Third edition of the *Reading List in Psychiatry*, edited by R. E. Kendell and Andrew C. Smith, and produced under the aegis of the Clinical Tutors' Sub-Committee, are still available on application to The Royal College of Psychiatrists, 17 Belgrave Square, London, SW1X 8PG. Prices (all including postage in the U.K.): 1 copy, 20p; 20 copies, £3.50; 50 copies, £7.50.

The Society for Psychotherapy: Award for an Original Contribution to Psychotherapy

The Society is a registered Charitable Trust set up for the promotion of psychotherapeutic knowledge and the encouragement of the study and practice of psychotherapy. In pursuance of this, the Society offers £100 (or £150 in case of joint authorship) for the best paper describing research, or an original contribution in the field of psychotherapy, excluding chemical or physical treatment. Material which has already been published is not eligible. Those submitting papers must be members of professional bodies concerned with psychotherapy or of recognized academic standing. The Society may publish papers of sufficient merit.

Papers should be sent by 1 May 1976, to the Secretary, The Society for Psychotherapy, 411 Upper Richmond Road, London, S.W.15.

The Society will consider giving support and financial help for relevant research projects.

London Mental Health Centre

The Drapers' Company, one of the major City of London Livery Companies, has donated £5,000 towards the cost of establishing an experimental mental health information and advice centre in London. The project, which will run for five years, is promoted by MIND (National Association for Mental Health) to encourage and demonstrate good practice in the prevention and treatment of mental disorders, to improve access to effective help for those who might avoid using statutory services and to improve public understanding of the causes and consequences of mental illness. The centre will also provide a forum for volunteers, community groups, professional workers and the public. The project has been prompted by the concern expressed, both by members of the public and by mental health workers, about the isolation experienced by those in emotional distress seeking help.

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