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WINTER QUARTERLY MEETING

THE WINTER QUARTERLY MEETING of the Association was held on 13 February, 1958, at 11 Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, London, W.1, under the Presidency of Dr. R. W. Armstrong.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Autumn Quarterly Meeting, held on 14 November, 1957, to be published in a forthcoming Supplement to the *Journal of Mental Science*, were taken as read, and confirmed and signed by the President.

OBITUARY

The President announced with regret the death of:

HARVEY BAIRD, M.D., late Medical Superintendent, Periteau House, Winchelsea; an Ordinary Member since 1908.

A. HELEN A. BOYLE, M.D.Brux., L.R.C.P.&S.E., L.R.F.P.S., Founder and late Physician to the Lady Chichester Hospital. President 1939-40; an Ordinary Member 1898; Honorary Member 1949.

GEORGE HARRY AMYRALD CHAMBERLAIN, M.D., M.R.C.P.I., D.P.M. Consultant Psychiatrist, Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester; an Ordinary Member since 1955.

R. FINLEY GAYLE, Jr., M.D., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology, Medical College of Virginia, U.S.A.; a Corresponding Member since 1956.

ALLEN COULTER HANCOCK, *M.C.*, M.B., B.S., D.P.H., D.P.M., late Medical Superintendent, Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone; an Ordinary Member since 1920.

ERNEST JONES, M.D., F.R.C.P., D.P.H., Honorary President of the International Psycho-Analytical Association, Institute of Psycho-Analysis and British Psycho-Analytical Society; an Honorary Member since 1951.

MYRA MACKENZIE, M.B., Ch.B.Aberd., late Medical Superintendent, The Lawn, Lincoln; an Ordinary Member since 1930.

RONALD S. PATON, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., Medical Superintendent, C.L.D., Perth: Medical Officer, Perth Prison; an Ordinary Member since 1954.

JOHN SHEALE PRATT, B.A., M.B., B.Ch.Cantab. 36 Spring Street, London, W.2; an Ordinary Member since 1947.

HAROLD GEORGE BEDFORD RUSSELL, M.A.Camb., M.B., B.Ch.Camb., F.R.C.S., Surgeon-in-Charge, Throat Department, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London; an Honorary Member since 1942.

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Election of Ordinary Members

The following were unanimously elected to Ordinary Membership:

Black, Alan Arnold, M.B., B.S., Registrar, Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospitals.

Proposed by Drs. F. K. Taylor, A. Lewis and D. L. Davies.

Corsellis, John Arthur Nicholas, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Neuropathologist, Runwell Hospital, Wickford, Essex.

Proposed by Drs. R. Ström-Olsen, H. Weil-Malherbe and A. Meyer.

Coulsting, Hugh Stuart, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Medical Director, Cheltenham, Gloucester and County Child Guidance Clinic.

Proposed by Drs. J. J. Graham, D. T. Maclay and A. Walk.

Daniel, Peter Maxwell, M.A., D.M., M.R.C.P., Professor of Neuropathology, University of London, Institute of Psychiatry.

Proposed by Drs. D. L. Davies, H. Weil-Malherbe and R. Ström-Olsen.

Davies, Stephen Lewis, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., Registrar in Psychiatry, Middlewood Hospital, Sheffield.

Proposed by Drs. F. T. Thorpe, A. Kelly and A. R. Garner.

Duncan, David, M.B., Ch.B., Junior Registrar, The Retreat, York.

Proposed by Drs. R. W. Bryson, D. Joyce Galbraith and R. H. Parker.

Ellis, Derick Davison, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.M., Psychiatrist, Winwick Hospital, Warrington.

Proposed by Drs. H. Fleming, G. J. Harrison and J. E. Howie.

Frieze, Marshall, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., L.R.F.P.S.G., Registrar, Psychiatric Unit, St. James's Hospital, Leeds.

Proposed by Drs. D. Fenton Russell, H. B. Kidd and S. R. Shaw.

Galea, Abraham, M.D., B.Pharm. (Royal University of Malta), Assistant Resident Medical Officer, Hospital for Mental Diseases, Malta.

Proposed by Drs. V. Vassallo, J. Pullicino and I. C. Lodge Patch.

Green, Betty Florence, M.B., B.S., Junior Medical Officer, Fountain Hospital.

Proposed by Drs. K. M. Fraser, A. Harris and J. S. Bearcroft.

Holden, Joseph Cecil, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Winwick Hospital, Warrington.

Proposed by Drs. G. J. Harrison, L. Couper and H. Fleming.

Ives, George Anthony, M.B., Ch.B., Senior House Officer, Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospitals.

Proposed by Drs. J. S. Bearcroft, L. Harris and F. A. Whitlock.

Krawiecki, Jurand Aleksander, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Deputy Medical Superintendent, Springfield Hospital, Crumpsall, Manchester.

Proposed by Drs. R. A. Blair, N. J. de V. Mathers and Susanne Shafar.

Lister, Jeremy, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.C.H., Senior Medical Officer, Cefn Coed Hospital, Swansea.

Proposed by Drs. S. C. Macmillan, D. E. Jones and Rosemary Dearden.

Littlejohn, John, L.R.C.P.&S.(Edin.), Senior Medical Officer, Hartwood Mental Hospital, Shotts, Lanarkshire.

Proposed by Drs. W. N. J. Chapman, J. Milne and A. Walk.

Madden, John Spencer, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Rainhill Hospital, Nr. Liverpool.

Proposed by Drs. G. C. Heller, D. P. A. L. Scott and H. A. Cooper.

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MEZEY, ALEXANDER GOLDFEDER, M.Sc., M.D., M.R.C.P.Ed., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Maudsley Hospital.

Proposed by Drs. I. A. Cameron, D. J. West and J. S. Stead.

MICHELL, EDWARD PHILIP GUY, M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.P., D.C.H., Senior Registrar, Children's Department, The Tavistock Clinic.

Proposed by Drs. D. Hunter, D. Gough and J. D. Sutherland.

O'SHEA, MARY ELIZABETH, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., Psychiatric Registrar, Whipps Cross and Langthorne Hospitals.

Proposed by Drs. J. E. M. Glancy, T. P. Riordan and G. Somerville.

POWER, PATRICK JAMES, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.M., Medical Superintendent, Ennis Mental Hospital, Co. Clare, Eire.

Proposed by Drs. J. R. Shea, J. Fitzgerald and H. J. Eustace.

RAMSAY, THOMAS ANDERSON, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., F.R.F.P.S.G., Assistant Administrative Medical Officer to the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority.

Proposed by Drs. C. B. Robinson, Dorothy Gardner and J. B. Nabney.

SAFADI, FORTUNATO, M.D., Senior Lecturer on Psychiatry, University of Guayaquil, Ecuador (at present at the National Hospital, Queen Square).

Proposed by Drs. K. M. Fraser, L. A. Hersov and A. Walk.

SARSFIELD, MARY BRIDGET, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.M., Assistant Medical Officer, Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, Galway, Eire.

Proposed by Drs. J. R. Shea, J. Fitzgerald and H. J. Eustace.

SPEAR, FRANK GRAHAM, M.B., Ch.B., Medical Officer, R.A.F. Neuropsychiatric Centre, Halton.

Proposed by Drs. J. L. Swift, J. S. Hughes and R. M. Bowman.

STROH, GEORGE, M.B., B.S., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Hertfordshire Child Guidance Service.

Proposed by Drs. S. H. Foulkes, L. A. Hersov and W. J. Stauble.

Candidatures approved by Council, 13 November, 1957:

BRADY, JOHN PAUL, B.A.(Boston), M.D.(Boston), Resident in Psychiatry, Institute of Living, Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.

Proposed by Drs. J. D. Sullivan, A. Walk and A. B. Monro.

FURR, JOHN HAPPER, B.A., M.D.(Virginia), Resident in Psychiatry, Institute of Living, Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.

Proposed by Drs. J. D. Sullivan, A. Walk and A. B. Monro.

MOTLEY, JOHN PAUL, B.S.(Grangetown), M.D., Resident, Institute of Living, Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.

Proposed by Drs. J. D. Sullivan, Mary Sullivan and A. B. Monro.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

The Report of the Council, as follows, was read by the GENERAL SECRETARY:

"The General Secretary reported that the Memorandum drawn up by the ɔmmittee on Evidence to the Royal Commission on Doctors' and Dentists' ɜmuneration had been sent to the Secretary of the Royal Commission with a ggestion that oral evidence might be given by Drs. Armstrong and Harris. The emorandum had been acknowledged.

The Editor-in-Chief reported that the Journal Committee had decided to use ugher paper wrappers for the *Journal*. Volume III of *Recent Progress in*

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Psychiatry would be published within the next three months: Volume IV was to be discussed at the May Meeting.

The Registrar reported that another successful two-day Lecture Course had been held and that over 400 applications for tickets had been received. Council congratulated the Registrar on the success of this Lecture Course.

The Librarian reported that more books had been issued recently than during the corresponding period of last year, but the increase did not appear to be in proportion to the number of new members. The increased postal charges had not affected the Library budget to any great extent.

It had been suggested, and agreed, that lists of recent acquisitions should be circulated to members from time to time.

The Secretary of the Education Committee reported that the Committee had decided not to set up a sub-committee on post-graduate education, because the ground had already been covered by the material collected for the memorandum entitled, 'Review of the Mental Health Aspects of the National Health Service'.

It was felt, however, that mental hospitals could provide much more teaching for junior doctors than they were now providing, and a sub-committee would be set up with representatives of the various interested bodies, to correlate the viewpoints of university centres, teaching hospitals and the Association, on the present-day requirements of post-graduate students of psychiatry. It was recommended that the Papers and Discussions Committee be asked to consider the possibility of arranging papers on 'The Role of the Mental Hospital in the Post-graduate Teaching of Psychiatry' at a Quarterly or Annual Meeting.

The Fellowship in Psychiatry Sub-committee had recommended the creation of an Honorary Fellowship of the Association, but the Education Committee had decided to refer further discussion of this topic to Council with a strong recommendation against creating a Fellowship. After some discussion Council agreed that this question should not be considered further at this time.

The Secretary of the Films Sub-Committee reported that a very successful film show was held on 17 February. The Sub-Committee proposed to re-circularize all R.M.P.A. members of the Film Viewing Panel and to stimulate more general interest in the work of the Panel. Dr. W. S. Maclay had presented three films to the Association and it was proposed to give these to the British Film Institution for retention in the National Archives.

Dr. Gould had corresponded with Dr. Forbes of the Medical Defence Union on the subject of possible legal risks in the making and showing of medical films. Council agreed that the Association's solicitors should be consulted.

It was reported that the Disciplinary Committee had considered the case of a nurse convicted of petty theft who had been struck off the Register of the General Nursing Council. After due consideration of the circumstances the Committee had decided to reconsider her case in one year's time. Council endorsed the action of the Disciplinary Committee.

The Secretary of the Parliamentary Committee reported that the Committee had again considered the position with regard to Merit Awards.

After discussion Council agreed that arrangements should be made for a question to be asked in the House as to the total number of consultants in psychiatry in this country, and the number in receipt of Merit Awards of various grades.

The summary of Parliamentary proceedings had been circulated to members of Council. The outstanding events of the period reviewed were the debates on the services for the Chronic Sick and Elderly; on Rampton Hospital; and on the introduction of a private member's Bill to amend the law on divorce for incurable insanity and on the effect of insanity on desertion in accordance with the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The Secretary of the Papers and Discussions Committee reported that the Papers Session at the May Meeting would be on the theme of 'Community Care and Mental Illness'.

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The programme of the Scottish Study Tour had been sent to all members of the Association and arrangements for the Tour were now complete.

The President expressed the pleasure of Council at having Dr. Cook among them again. Dr. Linford Rees was thanked by the President and Dr. Cook for acting as Secretary of the Committee during Dr. Cook's illness, and it was stated that he would continue to help Dr. Cook until the end of the session.

Council agreed that the Papers and Discussions Committee should take over the organization of Seminars at the Spring and Annual Meetings.

The Secretary of the Public Relations Committee reported that he had had an interview with the Public Relations Officer of the British Medical Association who had advised him to notify the medical correspondents of certain newspapers that a Public Relations Committee had been set up by the R.M.P.A. He had also suggested that liaison should be established between the Public Relations Committees of the B.M.A. and the R.M.P.A.

A letter had been received from a layman regarding the policy of the Association in respect of mental hospitals, and it was proposed to send him a reply setting out the general policy of the Association on this question.

The General Secretary stated that a letter had recently been received from the British Medical Association suggesting certain minor amendments to the Report of the Committee to Review the Mental Health Services Aspects of the National Health Service. Further minor amendments were suggested by members of Council.

It was decided that the Research and Clinical Section Executive Committee should be asked to produce a brief statement on the question of research for the next meeting of Council and that this should be followed at a later date by a more detailed report. The whole Report, when complete, to be sent to the Ministry of Health.

Council, feeling that more co-operation between psychiatrists and Medical Officers of Health was desirable, agreed that the Society of Medical Officers of Health should be contacted with a view to holding discussions on the possibility of co-operation at local level.

The General Secretary read a letter from the Ministry of Health concerning the formation of a Working Party to consider the provisions made for convalescent treatment in the four metropolitan regions. Council agreed to appoint an *ad hoc* committee.

A letter from Dr. Desmond Pond was read concerning a proposed survey of the epileptics in mental hospitals in this country. Council agreed that this should be referred to the Research and Clinical Section Executive Committee.

The General Secretary referred to a communication from the World Federation for Mental Health concerning a 'Mental Health Year' to be held in 1960. It was agreed that the question of the part to be played by this Association should be discussed by Section Executive Committees at the May Meeting.

The President read a letter from the Ministry of Health concerning the appointment of an inter-departmental committee to review the advice given in 1926 by the Departmental Committee on Morphine and Heroin Addiction, and inviting the Association to nominate a member to serve on this Committee. Council reaffirmed the decision, made at the meeting on 13 November, 1957, to appoint Dr. M. Partridge."

Papers

The following Papers were read:

Morning Session: **"Addictive Personality"**

Dr. M. Partridge.

"Epidemiological Aspects of Alcoholism"

Dr. Denis Parr.

Film: **"To Your Health."**

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Afternoon Session: **"The Treatment of Addiction with Particular Reference to Alcoholism"**

Dr. J. A. Hobson.

"Benzedrine Addiction and Allied Problems"

Dr. P. H. Connell.

SPRING QUARTERLY MEETING

THE SPRING QUARTERLY MEETING of the Association was held on 1 May, 1958, at Cheadle Royal, Cheadle, Cheshire, under the Presidency of Dr. R. W. Armstrong, by kind invitation of the Management Committee and of Dr. W. V. Wadsworth.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Winter Quarterly Meeting, held on 13 February, 1958, to be published in a forthcoming Supplement to the *Journal of Mental Science*, were taken as read, and confirmed and signed by the President.

OBITUARY

The President announced with regret the death of:

JOHN BRANDER, M.D., F.R.C.P., D.P.M., late Medical Superintendent, Friern Hospital; an Ordinary Member since 1911.

ELECTION OF ORDINARY MEMBERS

The following were unanimously elected to Ordinary Membership:

BURROWS, WILLIAM GERALD, M.D., L.M.S., L.M.C.C., Department of National Health and Welfare, Canada; Hon. Consultant Psychiatrist, London Marriage Guidance Clinic.

Proposed by Drs. G. O. Cowdy, A. Walk and Thomas Tennent.

CANNICOTT, STANLEY MCCORMICK, M.C., M.A., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Holloway Sanatorium, Virginia Water, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. J. A. Irwin, H. G. Bogle and R. Macdonald.

CONNELL, PHILIP HENRY, M.D., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, Newcastle General Hospital; Associate Physician, Department of Psychological Medicine, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Proposed by Professor E. Stengel, Drs. W. Linford Rees and F. Post.

CULPAN, ROGER HECTOR, M.B., Ch.B.(N.Z.), M.R.C.P., M.R.A.C.P., Registrar, Maudsley Hospital.

Proposed by Drs. M. Shepherd, F. A. Whitlock and A. A. Black.

DE BASTARRECHEA, JAIME, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, Friern Hospital, and Visiting Consultant in Psychiatry to Archway Hospital Group.

Proposed by Drs. I. Sutton, Pauline Stirling and Beryl Margolis.

ELLISON, CARICE, M.B., B.S., D.R.C.O.G., Registrar, Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospitals.

Proposed by Drs. J. G. Hamilton, I. C. Lodge Patch and K. M. Fraser.

ERULKAR, JOSEPH, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P., D.C.H., D.P.M., Registrar, Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospitals.

Proposed by Drs. J. G. Hamilton, K. M. Fraser and I. C. Lodge Patch.

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