chiatric knowledge, if the future of both is not to run into the byways of disillusion or to start a regressive process. Psychiatry, beset by its vast numerical responsibilities, is in danger of abandoning the traditions which were started at Cos 2,500 years ago and of reverting to the Cnidian practice of treating symptoms by specifics—becoming the technical servants of the pharmaceutical industry. Empiricism will replace logic, and the patient as an individual suffering a crisis in his psychosocial adaptation will be ignored. Psychoanalysis needs psychiatry because, unless its practitioners become willing to take a long and open-minded look at the psychiatric scene as it exists in 1967, rather than as it existed fifty years ago, they will never know what are *now* the important questions to answer.

SCOTTISH DIVISION

The Winter meeting of the Scottish Division was held at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, on 1 December 1967, under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. K. M. Macrae.

The Division noted with regret the death of Dr. D. Ewen Cameron.

The report from the Committee of Management was read, and it was agreed that the March meeting be devoted to a discussion of the Report on the Organization of Medical Work in the Hospital Service in Scotland.

The following were elected Members of the Association:

PRIMROSE, DAVID ALEXANDER ANDERSON, M.D., Consultant Psychiatrist, Lennox Castle Hospital, Glasgow; Greenways, Kirkintilloch, Glasgow.
Proposed by Drs. R. C. MacGillivray, G. E. Swinney, J. Sinclair.

TAYLOR, KATHLEEN, M.B., Ch.B., Medical Assistant in Psychiatry, Murray Royal and Murthly Group of Hospitals; Eastfield, Murthly, Perth.
Proposed by Drs. T. A. Wylie, H. Stalker, W. McClatchey.

WILSON, THOMAS SCOTT, M.D., D.P.H., Deputy Medical Officer of Health, Glasgow; 76 Stewarton Drive, Cambuslang, Glasgow.
Proposed by Drs. M. P. Menzies, R. C. MacGillivray, J. Campbell.

Dr. W. A. Elliot read a paper on **"Recommended Admissions—A review of Recommended Admissions to Gartnavel Royal Hospital from 1962–1967".**

Dr. J. McCurley read a paper on **"Mental and Physical Illness in Elderly Patients in South-West Glasgow".**

Both papers were followed by questions and discussion, and the Division is grateful to the speakers for their contributions.

A Historical Exhibition concerning Dr. John Moore, prepared by Dr. A. Allan Bell, was on display in the College Library.

THE RICHMOND FELLOWSHIP

By MISS ELLY JANSEN, *Director and* PROF. D. A. POND, *Hon. Psychiatric Adviser*

THE RICHMOND FELLOWSHIP was founded by the present Director in May 1959, and is a registered Charity. Its aim is two-fold: to help people who are emotionally or mentally disturbed to make a better adjustment to life, and to promote understanding of people and their relationships so that society may become better equipped to help its disturbed members and also to prevent breakdown. To further these aims the Fellowship provides facilities for community life and individual support on a short- or long-term basis, and now has twelve half-way houses, four of which provide for particular groups: adolescents, students, alcoholics, and mothers with small children. It is envisaged that, with increasing experience and knowledge of different requirements, there will be increasing differentiation in the selection of various groups: for instance, it is recognized that many schizophrenic residents need more intensive care over a longer period than is usual in the present houses, and that students and adolescents need the company of others of the same age and interests, and in order to share the specific problems of growing up and adjustment to adult life. For this reason most of the houses at present in the planning stage provide for a particular group, and it is hoped that the projected schizophrenia unit, the Manchester house for students, and the London houses for adolescents and for those addicted to drugs will be realized in the near future.

The Fellowship has now acquired a house in central London as administrative Headquarters and College, where many of the educative aims are carried out. The success of the houses clearly depends on the quality of the staff, most of whom need special training in principles of group work in a psychiatric setting. A two-year in-service course in group work

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