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QUARTERLY MEETING

THE WINTER QUARTERLY MEETING of the Association was held on 9 February, 1956, at 11 Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, London, W.1, under the Presidency of Professor John Dunne.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Autumn Quarterly Meeting held on 10 November, 1956, 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:

DR. MURIEL BARTON HALL, M.D., Psychiatrist, Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital; an Ordinary Member since 1945.

DR. DOVIND ANANT BHAGWAT, M.D., B.Sc., formerly Superintendent, Central Mental Hospital, Yeravda, Poona, India; an Ordinary Member since 1951.

DR. EGAS MONIZ, M.D., Professor of Neurology, Faculty of Medicine, Lisbon, Portugal; an Honorary Member since 1947.

ELECTION OF ORDINARY MEMBERS

The following were unanimously elected to Ordinary Membership:

BEGG, WILLIAM GEORGE ALEXANDER, M.B., CH.B., D.P.M., Research Registrar, Dept. of Psychological Medicine, St. Thomas's Hospital, London, S.E.1.
Proposed by Drs. A. A. Martin, P. H. Mitchell, Hildegard C. Fisher.

BRADLEY, JOHN JENNERY, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Officer, Neuropsychiatric Centre, Princess Mary's R.A.F. Hospital, Halton, near Aylesbury, Bucks.
Proposed by Drs. J. L. Swift, J. C. N. Tibbits, P. R. Doherty.

BRYSON, RONALD WILLIAM, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Deputy Medical Superintendent, The Retreat, York.
Proposed by Drs. A. Torrie, C. C. Beresford, R. G. Parker.

DALLY, PETER JOHN, M.B., B.S., Psychiatric Registrar, St. Ebba's Hospital, Epsom, Surrey.
Proposed by Drs. D. E. Sands, J. C. Batt, W. L. Neustatter.

FORRESTER, MARY ELIZABETH, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.C.H., D.P.M. Assistant Medical Officer, Park Prewett Hospital, Basingstoke, Hants.
Proposed by Drs. I. Atkin, L. Ford, M. M. Salzmann.

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GALLA, THOMAS, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Bristol Mental Hospitals; Barrow Hospital, Barrow Gurney, near Bristol.

Proposed by Drs. R. E. Hemphill, S. Smith, E. C. Turton.

GLANCY, JAMES EDWARD MCALINNEY, M.D., M.R.C.P., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, Goodmayes Hospital, Ilford, and to Whipps Cross Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital, Plaistow, and West Ham Child Guidance Clinic.

Proposed by Drs. G. Somerville, T. P. Riordan, Eva Waller.

GRANT, BRENDA, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Senior House Officer, Littlemore Hospital, near Oxford.

Proposed by Drs. R. W. Armstrong, E. O. Hagedorn, H. Ellett-Brown.

GRANT, MICHAEL EDWARD, M.B., B.Ch., Junior Medical Officer, Warlingham Park Hospital, Warlingham, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. J. D. Sullivan, M. M. Glatt, E. H. Hare.

HALL, WILLIAM ALAN MCLELLAND, M.B., Ch.B., Captain, R.A.M.C., Area Psychiatrist, Tidworth Military Hospital, Tidworth, Hants.

Proposed by Drs. Myre Sim, J. McGhie, T. B. Stephens.

OHRI, Haqiqatrai, B.A., M.B., B.S.(Punjab), Diploma Psychiatry (Toronto), Fellow in Psychiatry (Colombo Plan) at Toronto University, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Punjab Mental Hospital, Amritsar, Punjab, India.

Proposed by Drs. A. Stokes, J. W. Lovett Doust, E. Citry.

HUGHES, JOHN SAMUEL, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Officer, Princess Mary's R.A.F. Hospital (Neuro-psychiatric Centre), Halton, near Aylesbury, Bucks.

Proposed by Drs. J. C. N. Tibbits, R. Doherty, J. L. Swift.

HUTCHINSON, JOHN TORRIE, M.D., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, Cane Hill Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. A. Walk, W. Sargant, Daphne Smedberg.

JACOBS, ELIAS HARRY, L.R.C.P. & S.(Ed.), L.R.F.P.S.G., Registrar, Cane Hill Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. A. Walk, Daphne Smedberg, H. Dale Beckett.

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Proposed by Drs. J. McGhie, T. B. Stephens, D. C. V. Stewart.

LENNON, SEAMUS, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.M., Assistant Medical Officer, Ennis Mental Hospital, Co. Clare, Eire.

Proposed by Drs. B. Honan, M. J. Kennefick, C. Carey.

MAGUIRE, THOMAS MATTHEW, M.B., B.Ch., Senior House Officer, Bexley Hospital, Dartford Heath, Bexley, Kent.

Proposed by Drs. H. S. Capoore, A. Norton, D. M. Leiberman.

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Proposed by Drs. Jean M. Laidlaw, L. W. Russell, U. B. H. Baruch.

ROBERTS, ALBERT GEORGE, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., Registrar in Psychiatry, Moorhaven Hospital, Ivybridge, S. Devon.

Proposed by Drs. F. Pilkington, J. M. Gilroy, R. A. Blair.

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Proposed by Drs. T. R. Forsythe, J. Flood, A. M. Edwards.

SCHILL, ELEANOR BEATRICE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Assistant Psychotherapist, Manchester Royal Infirmary,

Proposed by Drs. E. H. Kitching, N. J. de Ville Mather, W. H. Trethowan.

SCOTT, GUY ELLIOTT BODLEY, M.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.M., Senior Medical Officer, Darenth Park, Dartford, Kent.

Proposed by Drs. J. Flind, P. G. McGrath, H. N. Heffernan.

STAUBLE, WILLIAM JOHN, B.Sc., M.D., C.M., L.M.C.C., Senior House Officer, The Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E.5.

Proposed by Drs. F. Post, K. Cameron, P. H. Rogers.

STEVENSON, WILLIAM ARCHIBALD HENDERSON, *T.D.*, M.A., B.M., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Psychotherapist and Associate Chief Assistant, Dept. Psychological Medicine, St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Hon. Research Psychiatrist, St. Ebba's Hospital, Epsom; Adviser in Psychiatry, Medical Department, British European Airways; Senior Specialist Army Psychiatry, Major, R.A.M.C., A.E.R. att. 16th General Hospital; Visiting Lecturer in Abnormal Psychology, Bedford College (University of London).

Proposed by Drs. E. B. Strauss, J. T. Robinson, D. E. Sands.

VAWDREY, BRIAN HUNT, M.A., M.D., D.P.M., Senior Registrar, Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester, Sussex.

Proposed by Drs. J. Carse, J. D. Morrissey, D. Rice.

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Proposed by Drs. G. McCoull, J. R. Murray, J. P. Child.

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Proposed by Drs. J. D. Sullivan, W. H. Shepley, M. M. Glatt.

WING, JOHN KENNETH, M.B., B.S., Registrar, Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, London, S.E.5.

Proposed by Drs. D. L. Davies, P. D. Scott, K. Cameron.

WING, LORNA GLADYS, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Registrar, Netherne Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. R. K. Freudenberg, H. E. S. Marshall, S. L. Yates.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

The Report of the Council, which was read by the General Secretary, and approved by the Meeting, was as follows:

At their meeting yesterday the Council endorsed the Finance Committee's recommendation that Messrs. Dawson's, Antiquarian Booksellers, be instructed to sell all back numbers of the *Journal of Mental Science* on commission on behalf of the Association. They also agreed that a list of back numbers available should be published in the *Journal of Mental Science*. It was agreed to ask Members possessing unwanted copies of any numbers of the Journal if they would kindly forward these to the Secretary at Chandos Street for disposal.

In view of the increase in printing costs, the Council approved an increase in the price of the forthcoming Volume III of *Recent Progress in Psychiatry* so that it would cost 25s. for Members and 60s. to non-members. It was hoped that the volume would be published in November, 1956. It was also agreed that as from January, 1957, the cost of the *Journal* to non-members should be increased from 12s. 6d. to 15s.

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The Registrar reported that there had been a good attendance at the Lecture Course held on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

The Council accepted an invitation from the National Association for Mental Health to join with various other interested bodies in a round table conference on the present lack of any formal training of Mental Welfare Officers. Drs. Noel Harris and O. W. S. FitzGerald were appointed as the Association's representatives.

A small sub-committee of the Education Committee is to consider the question of training in Eclectic Psychotherapy and the matter will come before the Council for further consideration at a later date.

The Parliamentary Committee in a preliminary discussion on the recently published Report of the Guillebaud Committee had considered the position of Physician-Superintendents in relation to its recommendations. Since the Report upheld the previous recommendation of the Bradbeer Report, the Committee felt that the time had come to bring to the notice of the appropriate bodies the need for measures designed to secure the future supply of suitable candidates for Physician-Superintendent posts. The Council agreed that an approach should be made on these lines to the Ministry of Health and the Central Consultants Committee, and that the matter should also be referred to the Standing Joint Committee of the Association and the B.M.A. Psychological Medicine Group.

The Council also accepted a recommendation of the Parliamentary Committee that the Ministry of Health and the Registrar-General should be approached with a request that means should be found to make more accessible to research workers the statistical material relating to mental hospitals collected at the General Register Office.

The Papers and Discussions Committee had arranged the following programme of papers for the May Meeting at Inverness:

(1) "Researches into psychiatric illness occurring in women in the involutional period." Dr. Allan Tait.

(2) "Psychosomatic aspects of hypertension." Dr. Max Valentine.

(3) "Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Tests." Professor Millar.

(4) "Sociological survey of mental health problems in the Inverness district." Dr. M. Whittet.

At the Annual Meeting in July there will be a symposium on "The Patient's Twenty-Four Hours", and it is also hoped to arrange discussions on "Common Marital Problems in Psychiatric Practice", and "The Scope and Limitations of Hypnosis".

The Council heard with pleasure that Dr. Stern had taken over the secretaryship of the Study Tours Sub-Committee, and that a group of Swiss psychiatrists would be visiting this country in September this year.

The Standing Joint Committee of this Association and the British Medical Association had made detailed recommendations to the Medical Manpower Committee based on the general policy that there should be an increase in the number of psychiatrists in all branches of the specialty.

The Council approved the following changes in the present programme of the Annual Meetings:

(1) that on the first day, in addition to Committee and Council Meetings, there should be a programme of discussions or seminars.

(2) that instead of having one papers session on the morning of the fourth day, this whole day should be given over to the Sections. This means that there will in future be one papers session less, but that the Annual Meeting itself will be longer.

The Council considered the Northern and Midland Division's resolution that a discussion should be arranged on the subject of "The relationship between Medical Superintendents and other Medical Personnel in Mental Hospitals". The Papers and Discussions Committee were requested to arrange a session on these lines for November this year.

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The Council approved a Memorandum submitted by the Child Psychiatry Section on the subject of "The Provision of Psychiatric Services for Children and Adolescents", which will be forwarded to interested Government Departments and other bodies.

It was agreed to approach the Society of Medical Officers of Health to suggest there should be a close liaison between that Society and the R.M.P.A. It was also decided to set up a Standing Joint Committee with the Association of Psychiatric Special Workers, and Drs. O. W. S. FitzGerald and W. Warren were appointed as the R.M.P.A.'s representatives.

The Council had before them a request from the General Medical Council to make recommendations for the revision of the Curriculum for the teaching of psychiatry to undergraduates. The opinions of all University Teachers in Great Britain had been sought and among these there was a high degree of unanimity. It was agreed to recommend to the General Medical Council that various modifications to the present requirements for the teaching of psychiatry should be made and, most important, that there should be a separate examination in the subject conducted by psychiatrists.

The following Conferences have been announced:

The National Association for Mental Health Annual Conference, 1956. Subject, "Mental Health and Personal Responsibility", to be held at Harrogate on 12 and 13 April, 1956.

Royal Society of Health. Wednesday, 14 March, 1956. "The Prevention of Break up of Families", papers to be given by Drs. Kenneth Soddy and A. Parker.

Papers Session

The following papers were read:

Morning Session: **"Tranquillizing Drugs in Psychiatry."** Opening Speakers, Dr. William Sargant, Professor J. Elkes and Dr. D. M. Leiberman.

Afternoon Session: **"Tranquillizing Drugs in Psychiatry"** (continued). Opening Speakers, Dr. J. N. P. Moore and Dr. Noel Harris.

The general discussion was opened by Dr. J. T. Hutchinson.

SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION

The Spring Divisional Meeting was held at Bethlem Royal Hospital on Tuesday, 10 April, 1956, by kind invitation of the Board of Governors of the Bethlem Royal Hospital and the Maudsley Hospital, and of Dr. J. G. Hamilton.

Members of the Association and guests were received by Dr. Hamilton and parties were escorted to various parts of the Hospital including the recently-opened Day Hospital. About 100 members and guests were entertained to lunch.

At the Meeting in the afternoon, Mrs. M. Ormerod, Chairman of the Board of Governors, gave a cordial welcome to the members and guests. The Minutes of the last Divisional Meeting were confirmed and signed by the Chairman. The Divisional Secretary reported that invitations for future meetings have been accepted as follows: Autumn, 1956, Botleys Park; Spring, 1957, Banstead; Autumn, 1957, Goodmayes; and Spring, 1958, Cane Hill. Dr. T. P. Riordan was nominated to represent the Division on the Psychotherapy and Social Psychiatry Section Executive Committee.

Dr. Alexander Walk was elected Chairman of the Division and duly installed in office by the retiring Chairman, Dr. J. G. Hamilton, who paid a tribute to Dr. Walk's long and enthusiastic service in the interests of the Association. On taking the Chair, Dr. Walk expressed the thanks of the Division to Dr. Hamilton for his services as Secretary and Chairman, and gave a brief account of the history of the Division, mentioning that the inaugural meeting of the Division took place at his own hospital, Cane Hill, in 1897. Dr. G. Somerville was elected Secretary, Dr. S. W. Hardwick,

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