The Education Committee recommended that the material which had been collected on the subject of the selection of nursing tutors should be incorporated in a memorandum as a valuable source of information for those interested in nurse training. The Film Sub-committee reported a continuation of their activities.

The Parliamentary Committee recommended that a special committee should be appointed to prepare evidence for the working party set up by the Minister of Health to consider the structure of hospital medical staffing. It was decided to reappoint the Committee which had prepared evidence for the Royal Commission on Doctors' Remuneration, with the addition of Dr. Cook, as the two aspects were felt to be intimately related.

The Papers and Discussions Committee reported that the main speakers at the Annual Meeting would be Professor L. J. Meduna, who would discuss his early researches leading to the discovery of cardiazol, and Professor H. J. Eysenck, who would speak on 'Learning Theory and Deconditioning.'

The subject of the Papers Sessions at the November Quarterly Meeting would be 'Community Care Relating to Mental Disorder in Old Age', and it was hoped that this would be a joint meeting with the Society of Medical Officers of Health.

The Public Relations Committee reported only slight progress in making contact with representatives of the press, and recommended that a cocktail party to press representatives should be given by the Public Relations Committee at the Annual Meeting in July.

Dr. L. C. Cook reported on the Committee appointed to consider convalescent treatment in connection with the Ministry of Health Working Party. Although the Ministry's definition of convalescence was felt to be excessively narrow, Council recommended that the Committee should nevertheless prepare a report incorporating the Association's wider views for submission to the Ministry."

Papers

The following papers were read:

Morning Session: **"Social Class and the Treatment of Neurosis"**
Professor A. B. Hollingshead.

"The Chronic Psychotic Patient in the Community"
Dr. G. M. Carstairs.

Afternoon Session: **"Methods of Organizing Community Care of Mental Illness"**
Drs. A. Pool, Duncan Macmillan and J. Carse.

"Boarding Out, Rehabilitation and Resocialization of Mental Hospital Patients"

Mrs. Joan Williams (Psychiatric Social Worker, Central Hospital, Warwick).

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION

The Spring Meeting of the Division was held at Monyhull Hall, King's Heath, Birmingham, on Wednesday, 2 April, 1958, by kind invitation of the Hospital Management Committee and the Medical Superintendent, Dr. R. J. Stanley.

Some members toured the Hospital in the morning and took special interest in the School for E.S.N. Children which is jointly administered by the Hospital and the Local Education Authority. Children come to this school from all over the country.

The Chairman of the Management Committee welcomed the Division at luncheon, and the Divisional Chairman, Dr. G. McCoull, thanked the hosts for their kind hospitality.

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The following Candidates were elected to Membership:

DEW-JONES, JAMES ATHOLL, M.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Registrar, The Towers Hospital, Humberstone, Leicester.

Proposed by Drs. T. Wishart Davidson, R. W. Lennon and C. E. H. Turner.

DUNN, JOHN FREDERICK, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Assistant Psychiatrist (Senior Medical Officer), Lancaster Moor Hospital.

Proposed by Drs. A. A. Martin, S. Smith and H. C. Fisher.

TAYLOR, RONALD MOCHRIE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Senior Medical Officer, Highcroft Hospital, Birmingham.

Proposed by Drs. D. Anton-Stephens, E. Jacoby and R. W. Tibbetts.

The Report of the Divisional Management Committee and that of the Divisional Representatives on Council were given by the Hon. Secretary.

The following Officers were elected for 1958/59:

Chairman: Dr. T. M. Cuthbert.
Honorary Secretary: Dr. G. M. Woddis.
Assistant Honorary Secretary: Dr. W. V. Wadsworth.
Junior Representative on Council: Dr. B. Ward.

The following members were elected to the Divisional Committee of Management: Drs. J. F. Donovan, B. Finkleman, E. U. H. Pentreath and C. E. Turner.

Clinical Session

Dr. L. J. Segal, Consultant Psychiatrist at Monyhull Hall, read a paper entitled:

"A Preliminary Report of the Distribution of Somatotypes in the Populations of a Mental Deficiency Hospital"

SCOTTISH STUDY TOUR 1958

by EDWARD S. STERN, *Honorary Secretary*, and others

Twenty-five members, including officials of Health Ministries of four countries, twelve medical superintendents, and also five doctors' wives, visited Scottish psychiatric clinics. Those travelling from London left by sleeping car on the evening of 19 May, without mishap, except that British Railways had unfortunately berthed one of our ladies with a gentleman who was not a member! The rest of the party were joined at Dumfries, and from there the journey was made by motor coach.

Our first visit was to Crichton Royal, where Dr. Harper showed us the unrivalled Easterbrook House, with its swimming bath, hair salon, hall, gymnasium, ping-pong room, library, and canteen. The staff is equally lavish, with two full-time gymnasts, one pianist, and five nurses on recreational therapy alone. This is but a sample of the Crichton, with its great buildings, gardens, and complete equipment. It looks back to a long tradition. We were entertained to lunch and then visited Drumlanrig Castle, with its great collection of pictures, by invitation of the Duchess of Buccleuch, on our way to Ayr, which was reached that night.

Next morning we visited Ailsa Hospital, Glengall, which Dr. Brawn Miller is rapidly bringing to a leading position. He has trebled the admission rate in as many years, raised the proportion of voluntary patients, provided occupations,

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