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SPRING QUARTERLY MEETING, May 1976

The Spring Quarterly Meeting will be held in Northampton on Tuesday and Wednesday, 4 and 5 May, 1976. Certain other activities will take place immediately before and after the meeting.

Preliminary Programme

On *Monday, 3 May*, at 7 pm, there will be a Reception at St Andrew's Hospital.

On *Tuesday, 4 May*, the Scientific Meetings in the morning will be divided into two parallel sessions:

Session A. Dr Kenneth Stewart will speak on 'Consultation and Collaboration in Multi-Disciplinary Child Guidance Clinics', and Dr T. E. Lear on 'Trainees and Group Experience'.

Session B. Dr G. Tennent will speak on 'Setting Standards of Hospital Care' and Dr M. A'Brook on 'Psychiatric Illness in Professional People.

The afternoon session will be on 'Current Research in Forensic Psychiatry'. Also in the afternoon members of the Mental Deficiency Section will be invited to visit the Princess Marina Hospital, and there will be a Ladies' Outing.

A Dinner Dance will be held in the evening.

On *Wednesday, 5 May*, Dr J. P. Leff will speak on 'Do Parents Cause Schizophrenia?' and Professor S. R. Hirsch on 'Family Factors Affecting the Course and Prognosis of Schizophrenia'.

The *Quarterly Business Meeting* will be held at 11.30 am.

After lunch there will be discussions on 'Ethical Problems of Trainees' (Dr D. H. Clark and Dr J. Wilkinson, and on 'Confidentiality and Medical Records' (Dr Brian Ward and Dr J. P. Leff).

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Hotel Accommodation

Provisional reservations have been made at the following hotels and Members wishing to take advantage of this should write direct to the hotel concerned, indicating that they will be attending the College Meeting, before the release date (1 April in each case):

The Westone Hotel, Weston Favell, Northampton. (On outskirts of town; cars useful)

The Saxon Inn, Silver Street, Northampton NN1 2TA. (Central)

Highgate House, Creaton, Northamptonshire, NN6 8NN. (A country hotel; cars necessary)

OTHER FORTHCOMING COLLEGE MEETINGS

Wednesday, 10 March	Psychotherapy Section Scientific Meeting	8.15 pm Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London, W.1.
Friday, 12 March	Scottish Division Meeting	Ninewells Hospital, Dundee
Friday, 12 March	Child Psychiatry Section Conference on Aggression and Anti-Social Behaviour in Children and Adolescents	10 am Royal College of Physicians, 11 St. Andrews Place, London, N.W.1.
Thursday, 25 March	North East Division Joint Conference with Social Workers	University of York
Friday, 26 March	Midland Division Spring Meeting	Hollymoor Hospital, Birmingham
Wednesday, 14 April	Psychotherapy Section Annual and Scientific Meetings	7.15 pm Royal Society of Medicine
Wednesday, 12 May	Psychotherapy Section Scientific Meeting	8.15 pm Royal Society of Medicine
Tuesday, 8 June	Mental Deficiency Section Scientific Meeting	Venue to be advised
Wednesday, 9 June	Psychotherapy Section Scientific Meeting	8.15 pm Royal Society of Medicine
Thursday, 17 June	Scottish Division Meeting	Dykebar Hospital, Paisley
6, 7, 8 July	Royal College of Psychiatrists Annual Meeting	Royal Society of Medicine
Thursday, 22 July	North East Division Day Meeting	Scalebor Park, Yorkshire.
22, 23, 24 September	Child Psychiatry Section Residential Conference	St. Catherine's College, Oxford
Friday, 24 September	Scottish Division Meeting	Venue to be advised
Friday, 24 September	North East Division Day Meeting	Garlands Hospital, Carlisle

SCOTTISH DIVISION

Officers and Committee

Chairman: Dr A. C. Tait
Secretary: Dr G. C. Timbury
Representative Fellows on Council: Drs W. D. Boyd and G. C. Timbury
Representative Members on Council: Drs J. R. Hamilton and C. McCance

Executive Committee: Drs B. R. Ballinger, J. Clark, K. M. G. Keddie, P. W. Kershaw, A. MacNeill, A. H. Reid, N. A. Todd, plus the Chairmen and Secretaries of the Specialist Sections, and Drs J. H. Henderson (SHHD) and A. D. Forrest (SCHMS).

ERRATUM

It is regretted that there was an error in 'Comments on the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Regulation of the Medical Profession (Merrison Committee)' in the January issue of *News and Notes*. The words 'e.g. anaesthetics' under the heading *Timing of Undergraduate and Graduate Training* (p 6) should have been omitted.

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