SCOTTISH DIVISION

THE SUMMER MEETING of the Scottish Division was held at Hartwood Hospital, Shotts, Lanarkshire, on Friday, 9 June, 1961.

Fifty-two members were present. Prof. T. Ferguson Rodger was installed as Chairman of the Division. Tributes were paid to Prof. Millar's work as Chairman by Prof. Rodger and others.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were confirmed.

The following were unanimously elected to Ordinary Membership:

GILMOUR, MARGARET MCINTOSH, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Research Director, Usher Institute, Edinburgh.

Proposed by Drs. R. A. W. Ratcliffe, D. Cameron and Margaret M. Methven.

SINCLAIR, JAMES, M.B., Ch.B., Senior Registrar, Strathmartine Hospital, Dundee.

Proposed by Drs. M. M. Macrae, S. M. Russell and J. F. McHarg.

It was decided to establish a separate Section of the History of Psychiatry in the Division.

In outlining the proceedings of the Committee of Management the Secretary drew attention to the information which had been circulated from London to all the Members regarding a College of Psychiatry. On the suggestion of the Chairman it was decided to have a special meeting of the Scottish Division to consider this matter, to be held in Glasgow on 24 June.

It was reported that a letter had been received regarding the salaries of Social Workers in relation to Whitley Council procedure. It was agreed that this was a matter for the Association as a whole.

The question of expenses for representatives attending meetings in London was given consideration and after discussion it was agreed that the Secretary should write to the Treasurer of the Association about this matter.

A document dealing with the visiting of hospital patients was discussed by the Committee of Management and by the Division, and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter conveying the views of the Division on this matter.

It was agreed to renominate Dr. Angus MacNiven as a Member of the Central Consultants and Specialists Committee for the Session 1961–62.

It was reported that Dr. Leonard N. Cook had read a Paper on **"A Technique of Introjective Psychotherapy"** to the Research and Clinical Section in the forenoon, which was much appreciated.

The dates of future meetings were fixed as follows: 20 October, 1961, in the Glasgow area; 8 December, 1961, in the Edinburgh area; 2 March, 1962, to be held if possible at a Mental Defective Institution; and 22 June, 1962, possibly in the Eastern Region.

Professor Ferguson Rodger then delivered an Address, which is printed below.

All those who were present at the Summer Meeting will wish to express their deep appreciation of the excellent arrangements and hospitality provided by Dr. Dymock, his Board of Management, and his Staff.

ADDRESS TO THE MEETING OF THE SCOTTISH DIVISION, 9 JUNE 1961.

By Professor T. Ferguson Rodger, Chairman of the Division.

I need hardly say how honoured I feel to have been chosen to preside over you as Chairman. I admit, however, to having felt a somewhat irrational reluctance to accept the position. There ought to be a ritual which expresses both reluctance and acceptance like that part of the Coronation ceremony in which the monarch is carried bodily, but passively, to the throne. All of us, I think, are overburdened by commitments and we shrink from any further involvement, but in this case I feel the matter goes deeper. I find it difficult to face the fact that I have reached that point in seniority and age which

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