The College

Autumn Quarterly Meeting, 1980

The Autumn Quarterly Meeting was held at the Institute of Psychiatry on 20 and 21 November 1980 under the presidency of Professor Desmond Pond.

Science Meetings

The papers presented in the scientific meetings were as follows:

Thursday 20 November

Morning Session A: Psychopathology in the 1980s

A new empirical approach to the psychopathology of the schizophrenic syndrome—Professor Christian Scharfetter

Pseudo-hallucinations—Dr F. Kraupl Taylor

'Folie à deux'—Dr David Enoch

The lateralization of symptoms in schizophrenia—Dr Pamela Taylor

Morning Session B: Mental Deficiency

Ageing-Dr P.E. Sylvester

The evolution of community mental handicap teams-Professor Joan Bicknell

Admissions from Special Hospitals-Dr E.W. Shepherd

After the morning sessions a short session on 'Psychiatry in Other Cultures' was chaired by Professor Pond. Professor Wu Chen-I read a paper entitled 'China'.

Afternoon Session A: More Research? Less Research? Better Research?

- The outside view-Sir Douglas Black
- Can planning change the state of research? The experience of the Wellcome Trust—Dr Peter Williams
- Psychiatry and the Medical Research Council—Dr Katherine Levy
- Research and the Royal College of Psychiatrists—Professor A. C. P. Sims

Tinker, trainee, savoir-faire—Dr George Szmukler The inside view—Professor K. Rawnsley

Afternoon Session B: Computers in Psychiatry

The use of a computer for rapid assessment of anxiety and depression—Drs A. C. Carr and Ray Ancill

- Applications of an automated cognitive testing battery to the problem of cognitive defects in alcoholic twins—Drs Bill Acker and Hugh Gurling
- Computers versus psychiatrists in the assessment of drinking problems—Dr Roger Lucas

Suicide

- Does suicide decline in war time?---Mr M. Wilson
- The family network of patients who commit suicide—Mr Christopher Jennings

Friday 21 November

Morning Session A: Personality and its Measurement

- Attachment Theory: A way of conceptualizing family influences on personality development—Dr John Bowlby
- Does home environment have any effect on the personality?--Dr David Fulker

Assessment of personality by psychiatrists-Dr Peter Tyrer

Hysterical personality disorder and Briquet's Syndrome-Dr Philip Slavney

Morning Session B: Biological Psychiatry

- Prediction of lithium response in manic-depressive illness-Dr M. Abou-Saleh
- An ultrasound technique for the measurement of tardive dyskinesia—Dr G. Resek
- Prolonged ambulatory EEG monitoring in neuropsychiatric patients—Dr G. Stores
- Tryptophan and stress in unipolar affective disorder—Dr D. M. Shaw

Chest X-rays in the psychiatric patient-Dr J. Hughes

- An investigation of the anti-cholinergic and adrenolytic properties of amitriptyline and desipramine in the human iris—Dr E. Szabadi
- Some clinical and metabolic aspects of propranolol in chronic schizophrenia—Dr D. J. King
- Amantadine and Jakob-Creuzfeldt'd Disease—Dr T. L. Dunn

Afternoon Session A: Pain

- Some psychosomatic aspects of migraine—Professor Arthur Crisp
- The value of psychological analysis of clinical pain problems—Professor M. R. Bond
- Pain of unknown origin: a proper part of psychiatry—Dr F. G. Spear

Behaviour Therapy

- The interaction between behavioural psychotherapy and marital problems—Dr John Cobb
- Nine-year follow-up study of agoraphobia treated b behavioural methods—Dr Derek Johnston

Afternoon Session B: Epidemiology

- The value of mental health information—Miss Eileen Brooke
- Trends in psychiatric care in Britain 1970-1975-Dr Paul Williams
- Paranoid states of middle life: a.case register study—Dr J. A. G. Watt

A joint meeting of the Section of Social and Community Psychiatry and the Dependence/Addiction Group was held on Wednesday 19 November.

The following papers were read:

Psychological factors in an organization-Dr J. Kearns

The employment of individuals with psychotic illness: Some hard and difficult realities within industry—Dr Douglas Taylor

Phobic anxiety in coalminers-Dr Euan MacDonald

- The effect of psychotropic drugs on performance—Dr Rodney May
- Alcoholism: The cure is difficult, what about prevention?— Dr D. V. Hawks

Problem drinking and industry-Dr Spencer Madden

Alcohol dependence: a useful concept?—Dr Jonathan Chick

On Thursday 20 November, SIR MARTIN ROTH, Professor of Psychiatry at Cambridge, delivered the Maudsley Lecture, 'Contemporary Issues in Psychiatric Diagnosis'. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Dr K. Davison. This was followed by a meeting of the *Psychotherapy Section* at which Dr D. H. Malan presented a paper Intitled 'Davanloo's New Technique of Brief Psychotherapy'.

Business Meeting

The Business Meeting was held on Friday 21 November.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 and 7 May, 1980 at Broadmoor Hospital (*Bulletin*, September 1980) were approved and signed as a correct record.

Obituary

The REGISTRAR announced with regret the death of the following members:

- REGINALD GEOFFREY BIRD, Consultant Psychiatrist, Lambeth and Southwark Area Health Authority.
- PATRICK JOHN CROWLEY, Consultant Child Psychiatrist, St Stephen's Hospital, Cork.
- ROBERT BROCKLESBY DAVIS, Chief Psychiatrist, Kishore Nursing Home, Boreya Road, Ranchi, India.
- JAL EDULII DHUNJIBHOY, formerly Professor of Psychiatry, Dow Medical College, Karachi, Pakistan.
- OHN WILLIAMS LOVELL DOUST, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Toronto, Canada.
- FRANK O'DONNELL FINIGAN, Consultant Psychiatrist, Belmont Hospital, Sutton, Surrey.
- OHN JOSEPH FLOOD, Medical Director, The Priory, Roehampton, London.
- BEVIS GORDON, Consultant Psychiatrist, Goodmayes Hospital, Ilford, Essex.
- JOHN MOORE JOHNSTON, formerly Medical Superintendent, Tyrone and Fermanagh Hospital, Omagh, Northern Ireland.
- MARIA ZOFIA KRAWIECKA, Consultant Psychiatrist, Prestwich Hospital, Manchester.

SUE ANN MARTEN, Springfield, Illinois, USA.

- VIDYA SAGAR, Psychiatrist, The Medical College, Rohtak, Haryana, India.
- FLORA EILEEN SKELLERN, formerly Superintendent of Nurses, Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospitals. (Corresponding Associate).

- A. J. WESTERMAN-HOLSTUN, formerly Lecturer in Medical Psychology, University of Amsterdam, Holland. (Corresponding Fellow)
- MAEVE WHELEN, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, The Mott Clinic, Horton Hospital, Epsom.

Registrar's Report

PROFESSOR GERALD TIMBURY presented the Registrar's report:

'Council met on 24 October and a number of new members were welcomed. Professor T. Lynch of Dublin was elected Junior Vice-President.

'Council received reports of three meetings of the Executive and Finance Committee since my last report and of the Court of Electors, which had met on 13 October.

'Council was satisfied that Dr Semyon Gluzman was appropriately qualified to be offered Membership under Bye-Law III 2(ii) and it was agreed to seek the authority of the Privy Council to waive the requirement for a signed Declaration (this authority has now been received and steps are being taken to offer the Membership to Dr Gluzman).

'Representatives of Council met representatives of the DHSS on 25 July, 1980, for a useful discussion of matters of mutual interest.

'Comments on the Consultative Paper "The Future Pattern of Hospital Provision in England" have been sent to the Department. The College supports the continued provision of psychiatric units in each district hospital, but accepts that it will not be practicable to provide all psychiatric facilities in such units, and strongly recommends the closer functional integration of district hospital units and nearby mental hospitals. Such linked units should have a common budget and management system.

'A report on secure facilities for psychiatric patients was approved by Council and forwarded to the Department. A press conference on this report was held on 14 November, 1980. A summary of the report will be published in the *Bulletin* and copies of the report are available to members on application to the College Secretary. College representatives will be meeting members of the All-Party Parliamentary Mental Health Group next week.

'Council debated at length a proposal from the Section for the Psychiatry of Old Age that the Health Departments be asked to recognize the psychiatry of old age as a separate specialty of psychiatry. By a substantial majority Council resolved not to support this motion but agreed to urge that all relevant College Committees and also the JCHPT should ensure that all future consultants in general psychiatry should have spent a significant part of their time at general professional and higher training levels working in units and departments which take a particular interest in the psychiatry of old age.

'A revised report on rotational training schemes in psychiatry and the assessment of trainees was approved by Council and will be published in the *Bulletin* shortly.

'Council elected three new members to serve on the

Executive and Finance Committee (Professors Bluglass and Rawnsley and Dr C. Davies).

'Comments on the Rampton Review Committee's report are being prepared by a special committee chaired by Dr P.H. Connell; it is examining all aspects of the management of the Special Hospitals and would be glad to receive comments from members.

'Recently I was very pleased to speak at the most inter-

esting annual meeting of the Collegiate Trainees Committee at Stratford upon Avon.

'In the new year a special committee will review the Bye-Laws and recommend possible alterations.

'Finally I wish to thank the Dean and staff at the Institute of Psychiatry for all that they have done to make this a most successful meeting, as well as the Programmes and Meetings Committee, the speakers, and the College staff.'

The Standing Committees, 1980-81

(The Officers (Bulletin, January 1981) are ex-officio members of all Standing Committees except the Executive and Finance Committee.)

Executive and Finance Committee

- Ex-officio: The President, the Registrar, the Treasurer and the Dean.
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