

Over the three-year period tabulated and for at least five years before that there has been relatively little accumulation of long-stay psychiatric patients, annual figures for discharges and deaths approximating to the numbers admitted. The 'firm's' medical secretary fulfils functions and carries responsibilities essentially comparable to those analysed by Gooch and his colleagues for the medical secretaries to the medical unit.

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REFERENCE

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THE FRENCH CONGRESS OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY

DEAR SIR,

I have recently had the opportunity to take part in the 70th Congress of Psychiatry and Neurology in the French language in Tunis. The main themes of the Congress were:

1. The family environment in the development of schizophrenia.
2. The world of the left hemiplegic patient.
3. Legal psychiatry in the military milieu.

Between the long list of informal communications on therapy a large part was devoted to long acting tranquillizers such as Modecate and a new one, Pipothiazine (RP.19551) May & Baker, which is now being evaluated in Britain. I find it regrettable that for the first time for a long time the Royal College of Psychiatrists was not represented at this Congress, especially on the eve of Britain's entry into the European Community.

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FELLOWSHIP IN COLLEGE UNIVERSITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

DEAR SIR,

The Mental Health Program of the University of Florida Student Health Services offers five post-graduate fellowships for a year-long, N.I.M.H.-funded program in College Community Mental Health Program Development from 1 July 1973 through 30 June 1974, available to psychiatrists, psychiatric social workers, and psychiatric nurses with evidence of interest and involvement in college mental health programming. For further information and application forms, write to: Ben Barger, Ph.D., Director, Mental Health Program, at the address below, or phone (904) 392-1171 before 1 February 1973.

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TENNIS PSYCHOLOGY

DEAR SIR,

I am planning to edit a book with the tentative title above and am seeking contributors to it. I should be grateful if anyone interested in contributing would write to me at the address below.

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A CORRECTION

We regret that in the article 'Influence of family life on the course of schizophrenic disorders' by G. W. Brown, J. L. T. Birley and J. K. Wing (*Journal*, September 1972, 121, 241). Diagram A on p. 247 has two arrows missing. It should read as follows:

