

circumstances. We estimate that this would give rise to the need for more than 20 to 25 additional whole-time equivalent consultant posts.

Conclusions

In 1981 there were 278 (whole-time equivalent) consultants in child and adolescent psychiatry in England and Wales—an average of about 1.1 per 200,000 population. We are now recommending minimally 2 per 200,000. There is a long way to go. Nevertheless, it needs to be pointed out that some districts already have two consultant posts per 200,000 population, while others have only 0.7. We understand there are now about 84 established senior registrar posts and this should allow an increase of 26 new consultants a year. At the current rate of progress, and taking wastage into consideration, we are likely to achieve the minimal rate recommended in 1973 by the College for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in no less than some ten years from now (see Table IV).

It will be seen that the original long-term goal suggested by the College exceeded the DHSS long-term manpower aims and these are superseded by current estimates of need. We believe a good case can be made out for the current College recommendations, and hope the DHSS will review its longer term policy in the light of information provided in this document.

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Obituary

WILLIAM ALAN SWALLOW FALLA, formerly Visiting Psychotherapist, H.M. Prison, Lincoln.

William Alan Swallow Falla, the last Medical Superintendent of St John's Hospital, Lincoln, died on 2 November 1982 at the age of 72.

He qualified MBBS in 1935 from Newcastle Medical School, then part of Durham University, having on the way played rugby for Northumberland County and rugby and cricket for the University. In 1939 he passed the DPM, in 1947 he was awarded his MD, and in 1971 he was elected a Foundation Fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

He was called up into the RAF in 1939, having been a member of the Volunteer Reserve for two years and was mentioned in dispatches in 1942 for his work as a Station Medical Officer on a bomber base. Later he served as a Neuropsychiatric Specialist at home and overseas. He was demobilized in 1945 and in 1946 made Deputy Medical Superintendent of St John's Hospital, Lincoln, becoming Medical Superintendent in 1947.

Alan Falla was Medical Superintendent during a period of great change in psychiatric hospitals, change which he welcomed and furthered. He unlocked the gates and doors of St John's Hospital, opening it to the community. He pursued modern methods of treatment, established out-patient clinics in the larger towns of North Lincolnshire, introduced hospital-based social workers and day care facilities. An Industrial Therapy Unit was set up with an important offshoot at Scunthorpe, where many patients were employed in the steelworks. A Mother and Baby Unit was provided for mothers with puerperal illness and for those having serious

difficulties in handling their children. He always encouraged public interest in the welfare of psychiatric patients and their rehabilitation, and was active in setting up local branches of MIND. After his retirement in 1973, he worked part-time in the Prison service and continued as a member of the parole board.

Amongst his other interests were astronomy and motor cars: he founded Lincoln Astronomical Society, of which he was Vice President; he was President of Lincolnshire Automobile Club. He was an active member of the Church of England, a church warden and lay reader.

Alan Falla is remembered by his colleagues as a good and kind friend and entertaining companion, as well as an accomplished physician, and is much missed. He is survived by his wife, Margery, two sons and a daughter.

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WILHELM GUENTHER PAUL KRAEMER, Consultant, 79 Harley Street, London W1.

Dr Wilhelm Kraemer, a Foundation Fellow of the College, died in London on 30 December 1982 at the age of 71.

Kraemer was a prime example of that band of intellectuals who, driven from Germany by Nazi persecution, found their way to these shores bringing with them little more than their incomparable talents.

Kraemer qualified in medicine in Sienna, but he was early on attracted to analytical psychology and its relation to psychiatry, and to this end he underwent a Jungian Analytic Training. In the UK, he first established himself in Edin-