THE PETER SCOTT MEMORIAL FUND

This Fund, intended to commemorate the work of the late Dr Peter Scott, has been established in response to a demand voiced by many members of the College and numerous other colleagues and friends.

Dr Scott has been described as 'one of the founding fathers of the contemporary school of British forensic psychiatry and possibly its most outstanding member'. His immense contributions during his distinguished career as a clinician and teacher at the Institute of Psychiatry, member of Government advisory bodies, adviser to many individuals and organizations (including the Police and Probation Service) and as a highly original and perceptive author are too numerous to list in detail. He was Chairman of the Forensic Psychiatry Specialist Section of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and Chairman of a number of the College's Special Committees of Council, including committees which submitted evidence on the problems of Battered Wives, Battered Babies, and Sexual Offences. Dr Scott's experience and expertise were unique and he was constantly in demand to lecture, provide guidance and advise.

The prime aim of the Memorial is to improve forensic psychiatry education and it is hoped that sufficient funds can be raised to finance an Annual Lectureship or Prize which will be associated with his name. The final decision on what form the Memorial will take depends on the amount raised.

Many have already given to the Fund. Further donations should be forwarded to the Secretary, Royal College of Psychiatrists (Peter Scott Memorial Fund), 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG.

P. G. McGrath, Chairman,

R. S. BLUGLASS, Secretary,

Peter Scott Memorial Fund Appeal Committee

M.R.C.PSYCH. EXAMINATIONS — SPRING 1978

The next M.R.C.Psych. Examinations will take place on the following dates:

Preliminary Test-Wednesday 5 April 1978

- Membership Examination (Clinicals & Orals)-Monday 22 to Wednesday 24 May 1978

The closing date for receipt of entries is WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH 1978.

The written papers will be held in London, Birmingham, Glasgow and Dublin. The clinical and oral examinations will be held in London, Birmingham and Glasgow.

The fees for each entry are $\pounds 25$ for the Preliminary Test and $\pounds 35$ for the Membership Examination. PLEASE NOTE that the reduced re-sit fees have now been discontinued.

Prospective candidates are reminded that late entries WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED and that the College no longer gives exemption from any part of the examinations. Candidates who were previously granted exemption from the Preliminary Test (i.e. before June 1973) are reminded that they must pass the Membership Examination within five years from the date of granting in order to retain their exemption. In cases where candidates have undertaken parttime or overseas experience in psychiatry, or are required to submit the name and address of their Clinical Tutor or Consultant Chief, the entry forms should be submitted at least three weeks in advance so that the application may be finalised before the closing date is reached.

Regulations and application forms are obtainable from the Examinations Secretary at 17 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PG, together with copies of past essay question papers at 50p per set for 1971-1975 inclusive and 20p per set for 1976-1977 inclusive. This covers UK postage but airmail postage is extra according to area.

The 4th Edition of the 'Reading List in Psychiatry' is available direct from the printers, Messrs Headley Brothers Ltd, Ashford, Kent TN24 8HH, at a cost of 40p including UK postage. Airmail postage extra according to area. Cheques/postal orders should be made payable to 'Headley Brothers Ltd'.

All Members and Fellows are asked to bring this announcement to the notice of any prospective candidates who may be working under their guidance.

THOMAS BEWLEY

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