

Election of President

Notice to Fellows and Members

Fellows and Members are reminded of their rights under the Bye-laws and Regulations, as follows:

Bye-law XI

The President shall be elected annually from amongst the Fellows.

Regulation XI

- (1) As soon as may be practicable after the first day of January in any year the Council shall hold a nomination meeting and shall . . . nominate not less than one candidate and not more than three candidates . . .
- (2) Between the first day of January and the date which

is four clear weeks after the nomination meeting of the Council, written nominations, accompanied by the nominee's written consent to stand for election, may be lodged with the Registrar, provided that each such nomination is supported in writing by not less than twelve Members of the College who are not members of the Council.

- (3) An election by ballot shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations.

The nominating meeting of the Council will be held on 15 January 1985 and the last date for receiving nominations under (2) above will therefore be 15 February 1985.

Forthcoming Events

The **1st Workshop in the series 'Current Problems and Needed Developments in Psychoanalytic Theory'** will be held on 31 January and 1 February 1985 at the Institute of Organisation and Social Studies, Brunel University. The theme will be 'Understanding the Interaction between the Inner World and External Events'. Anyone interested in attending the workshop should contact Mrs D. Williams, BIOS (PPR), Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex UB8 3PH. (Numbers will be limited to about 18.)

The **7th World Congress on Medical Law** will be held in Ghent, Belgium from 18 to 22 August 1985. Topics will include: medical practice and research; right to medical treatment; informed free consent; medical secrecy/privacy of information; death and dying; human life before, at and shortly after birth; and liability. Information: Professor R. Dierkens, Secretary General, Apotheekstraat 5, B-9000 Ghent, Belgium.

The **First International Symposium on Grief and Bereavement in Contemporary Society** will be held in Jerusalem, Israel from 11 to 14 November 1985. Information: Congress Secretariat, PO Box 50006, Tel Aviv 61500, Israel.

The **Biological Psychiatry Group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists** will be holding a one-day symposium entitled 'Recent Advances in the Biology of Depression' at the University of Manchester Medical School on 29 March 1985. Ten speakers of international repute will explain and review neurobiological aspects of depression for an audience of general psychiatrists and specialists. Topics will include: neuroendocrinology; genetics; drug actions; and neurochemistry. Further details will be mailed to College members in due course. Information: Dr J. F. W. Deakin, Senior Lecturer, Department of Psychiatry,

University Hospital of South Manchester, West Didsbury, Manchester M20 8LR.

The **Sixth International Congress on Personal Construct Psychology** will be held at Churchill College, Cambridge from 5 to 9 August 1985. The congress will be open to submissions from any discipline using personal construct psychology theoretically or practically, and will include contributions from psychology, psychiatry, psychotherapy, education, computing and other fields. Information: Don Bannister, High Royds Hospital, Menston, Nr Ilkley, West Yorkshire.

The **IIIrd Congress of Psychiatric Epidemiology** will be held in Brussels from 9 to 11 September 1985. The theme will be 'Co-operation between Clinicians and Epidemiologists'. Information: Professor E. Alfred Sand, Laboratoire d'Epidémiologie et de Médecine sociale, Ecole de santé publique—ULB, Campus Erasme 590/5, B-1070 Brussels.

A one-day conference entitled, '**Introduction to Contextual Family Therapy**' with Professor Ivan Borszormenyi Nagy of Philadelphia, USA and chaired by Dr John Byng-Hall will be held in Bath, Avon on 13 March 1985. Information: Headline Conferences, Bristol Chambers, 6-10 St Nicholas Street, Bristol BS1 1UQ (telephone: (0272) 20234).

A **non-residential weekend workshop on psychodrama** led by Marcia Karp, a graduate of the Moreno Academy, will be held from 22 to 24 February 1985 at the Warneford Hospital, Oxford. Information and application forms: Dr Sidney Bloch, Department of Psychotherapy, Warneford Hospital, Oxford OX3 7JX.