

medical superintendents. It was felt that the latter's powers under Statutory Order 419 might be diminished. It was decided that the Ministry of Health should be asked to interpret R.H.B. (53)91 on this point.

On the recommendation of the Parliamentary Committee, Council considered the possibility of expressing views on the findings of the Royal Commission on Capital Punishment. It was considered that in view of the fact that this Association had given evidence before the Royal Commission it was undesirable that any comment should now be made to the press.

A very successful Study Tour in this country was held in September. Next year's tour in France has been abandoned as it was found to be too costly. It is hoped to hold the next tour in 1955.

The title for the papers session at the February Meeting is "**The Biological Background of Human Behaviour.**" At the May Meeting it is hoped to arrange two papers sessions, one on the theme of "**The Integration of the Mental Hospital in the National Health Service**" and the other on "**The Management and Treatment of Chronic and Disturbed Patients in Mental Hospitals.**"

A memorandum on Disabled Persons was received from R. K. Freudenberg, T. M. Ling, M. S. Jones and J. F. MacMahon, who had been requested to prepare this document for the approval of Council and for presentation to the Piercy Committee.

Council considered the position of registrars who have completed two years period of service and who in some institutions have been treated unfavourably on their transfer to J.H.M.O. grade. It was decided to approach the Ministry of Health on this matter and make strong representation on the subject.

Drs. W. Sargant and W. S. Maclay were appointed to represent this Association jointly with the R.S.M. at the Second World Congress in Psychiatry to be held in Switzerland in 1957, and to attend the preparatory meeting in Paris in January, 1954.

As requests for nominations were received so shortly before the meeting, it was left for the General Secretary to make recommendations for Regional Hospital Boards from the list of members already approved by Council with the exception that Professor Kennedy was proposed for the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board. With regard to Hospital Management Committees it was agreed that advice should be obtained locally on whom the Council should nominate. Dr. T. P. Rees was put forward for the Board of Governors of the Bethlem Royal and Maudsley Hospital.

Professor Kennedy was appointed as the Association's delegate to the Royal Sanitary Institute's Health Congress to be held at Scarborough from 27-30 April, 1954.

The Spring Quarterly Meeting of the Association will be held at Moorhaven Hospital, Ivybridge, South Devon, on 5 and 6 May, 1954, by kind invitation of Dr. Pilkington and the Hospital Management Committee.

The next Autumn Quarterly Meeting will be held in London on the 3 and 4 November, 1954, and Professor Penfield has kindly consented to give the Maudsley Lecture.

Paper: "**Maturation and Crime.**"

Opening speakers : Dr. DENIS HILL and Dr. D. A. POND, Dr. PETER SCOTT.

MAUDSLEY LECTURE.

The Twenty-Eighth Maudsley Lecture was given in the Barnes Hall, Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, London, W.1, by the *Rt. Hon. Earl Jowitt, D.C.L., LL.D.*, on "**Medicine and the Law.**" The vote of thanks to Lord Jowitt, proposed by Dr. P. K. McCOWAN, was carried by acclamation.

SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of the Division took place at Springfield Hospital, London, S.W.17, on Tuesday, 6 October, 1953, by kind invitation of Dr. H. C. Beccle and of the Hospital Management Committee.

After inspecting the hospital in the morning, about fifty members and guests were entertained to lunch.

At the Meeting the Secretary notified the arrangements for the next three meetings at St. Francis Hospital, Haywards Heath; Holloway Sanatorium, Virginia Water; and Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.

The following were elected to Ordinary Membership of the Association :

DONIGER, CECILE RUTH, M.B., B.S.(Lond.), D.P.H.(Univ. of Lond.), D.C.H., Registrar, Brookwood Hospital, Knaphill, Woking, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. L. Barber, J. M. Frew, I. E. J. McLauchlan.

MARLEY, EDWARD, M.B., B.Chir.(Cantab.), M.A.(Cantab.), D.P.M.(Univ. of London), 58, Belgrave Road, London, S.W.1.

Proposed by Drs. D. T. Annesley, J. ff. Edwards, J. F. Jenkins.

SCRIVENER, JOHN PERCY, M.B.E., M.R.C.S.(England), L.R.C.P.(Lond.), D.P.H., Junior Hospital Medical Officer, Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.

Proposed by Drs. M. Roth, J. D. Morrissey, N. E. Panton.

TARNESBY, HERMAN PETER, M.D.(Lond.), D.R.C.O.G., D.P.M., Consultant Psychiatrist, British Hospital for Functional Nervous Disorders, 148, Harley Street, London, W.1.

Proposed by Drs. E. Stengel, P. K. Taylor, C. Kenton.

WEEKS, KENNETH FREDERICK, M.B., B.S.(London), D.P.M.(London), Registrar, Warlingham Park Hospital, Upper Warlingham, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. T. P. Rees, W. H. Shepley, D. Smedberg.

There was only one nomination for the post of Junior Representative on the Council, and Dr. Ian MacDonald was declared elected in accordance with Bye-Law 34 (ii).

In the absence of Dr. T. E. Grant, his paper on "**Psychiatric Aspects of Pulmonary Tuberculosis**" was read by Dr. R. H. BOARDMAN, and its comprehensive survey of the subject was much appreciated.

Dr. ARKLE's paper "**Schizophrenia in Identical Twins**" gave an account of two pairs of identical twins with schizophrenia, and in the discussion which followed, other members gave their experiences.

In the third paper of the afternoon, written by Dr. J. LOMAS and Dr. R. H. BOARDMAN, and entitled "**The Changing Face of Psychoses**," the change in the form taken by a psychosis with the passage of time was discussed. This brought up the whole question of diagnosis and many interesting reminiscences of the past were related by some of the older members.

A very interesting meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the speakers, proposed by Dr. W. McCARTAN, Chairman of the Division, after which Dr. A. A. W. PETRIE, a Past-President of the Association, proposed a vote of thanks to Dr. Beccle and the Management Committee of the Hospital for their hospitality.

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of the Division was held on Monday, 5 October, 1953, at St. Nicholas Hospital, Gosforth, by kind permission of Dr. J. P. Child, Medical Superintendent, and his Management Committee. During the morning members had the opportunity of seeing the Intensive Investigation and Treatment Centre administered by the Hospital and staffed as far as technical staff was concerned by members of Professor Kennedy's University Department.

Dr. G. W. T. H. Fleming, the President of the Association, was a welcome visitor.

BUSINESS MEETING.

1. Minutes were read and signed as correct.
2. Apologies were received from Drs. E. S. Stern, Pinkerton and Weil
3. Present were 54 Members and guests.
4. The Report of the Committee of Management was given by the Secretary.
5. The Report of the Divisional Representative on Council was given by the Secretary.
6. The following candidates were duly elected to Ordinary Membership :