

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Birmingham Medical Institute

The Section of Psychiatry of the Birmingham Medical Institute announces its next two meetings: On *Tuesday, 1 November*, Professor George Brown will give a paper on 'Women, Society and Depression'; on *Tuesday, 6 December*, there will be a Registrars' Evening when several registrars will give short papers on subjects of their choice. Both meetings are at the Institute at 8 pm. Those wishing to attend the Buffet Supper which precedes each meeting at 7 pm should inform the Secretary of the Institute at 36 Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3AF.

'How we look at Children's Pictures'

The above is the title of a one-day conference to be held at the North East London Polytechnic, Waltham Forest Precinct, Forest Road, London E17, on Wednesday, 16 November. It is intended to provide an opportunity to meet people who are carrying out original research work in this subject over a wide field, and to discuss the medical and educational implications of this research. The speakers will include Dr Arnon Bentovim, F.R.C.Psych. Further details from the Conference Organizer: Clive Latimer, Faculty of Art and Design, North East London Polytechnic, Greengate House, Greengate Street, Plaistow, London E13 0BG.

Family with a Mentally Handicapped Member

A one-day symposium with the above title will be held at Greaves Hall Hospital, Banks, Southport, on Friday, 25 November, and is open to members of all the professions, parents and voluntary workers involved with the care of the mentally handicapped. Tickets (no charge) are available from Dr. R. P. Arya, Greaves Hall Hospital, Banks, Southport PR9 8BP. *Early application is essential as attendance is limited to 100.*

Avon Membership Course in Psychiatry

The 1977-78 Avon Membership Course in Psychiatry, organized by Dr J. B. Gordon-Russell, Regional Tutor in Psychiatry, in conjunction with the Medical Postgraduate Department of the University of Bristol, and open to psychiatric trainees in the South Western Region, began on 7 October. The

two-year cycle of lectures coincides with University terms in three phases of 10 weeks' duration; sessions are held at the Postgraduate Centre, University of Bristol, on Friday afternoons from 3-6 pm, with a tea break at 4.15. The Autumn term deals with Psychology and Child Psychiatry. The fee for the October-December 1977 and January-April 1978 course is £15; this fee is recoverable from the trainee's employing authority as the Course is recognized by the Bristol Regional Postgraduate Committee. Further details and application form from the Medical Postgraduate Department, University of Bristol, 21 Woodland Road, Bristol, BS8 1TE.

Tenth International Conference on Suicide Prevention and Crisis Intervention

The Tenth International Conference on Suicide Prevention and Crisis Intervention will take place in Ottawa from 17-20 June 1979. Group tour details, etc., will be available in due course, but prospective delegates may wish for maximum notice in order to plan for family and academic contacts, etc.

At its last meeting the International Association for Suicide Prevention decided to award, every two years, a Stengel Medal for that contribution to the study of suicide and its prevention which is considered by an International Sub-Committee to be of particular merit. The first Award will be presented in Ottawa, and contributions from younger researchers will be looked upon with particular favour.

Inquiries about the Conference or Medal should be made to the United Kingdom representative: Dr Richard Fox, Severalls Hospital, Colchester, Essex.

Association for Research in Nervous and Mental Disease, Inc

The Association for Research in Nervous and Mental Disease, Inc, will hold its Annual Meeting on 2 and 3 December at the Hotel Biltmore, New York City. The meeting will be devoted to Congenital and Acquired Cognitive Disorders. Further information is available from the Secretary-Treasurer, Dr Roger Duvoisin, Annenberg Building, Suite 14-02, 100th Street at 5th Ave, New York, NY 10029, USA.