

Professor W. Linford Rees, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

A one year grant to study Peripheral Blood Scintillometry.

Professor D. Robinson, Queen Elizabeth College, London.

A one year extension of current grant to study Enzymes in normal and Tay Sachs Brain.

Dr. C. E. Rowe, University of Birmingham.

A one year grant to study the Control of Triglyceride Lipase and Diglyceride Lipase at Sub-Synaptosomal sites by Noradrenaline, 5-Hydroxytryptamine and other substances.

Dr. J. Spencer-Peet, St. Bernard's Hospital, Middx.

A one year grant to study Gamma-Glutamyl Transpeptidase in Alcoholism.

Dr. N. Tudball, Dept. of Biochemistry, University College, Cardiff.

A one year extension of current grant to carry out Studies on the Cystathionine Synthetase System of Human Origin.

Professor P. H. Venables, Birkbeck College, London.

A three months' extension of current grant to investigate the Control of Perceptual Functions in Schizophrenia.

The Mental Health Trust and Research Fund has pleasure in announcing that two prizes have been

awarded this year for the best essays on some aspect of psychiatric research, in the competition open to those below the rank of Consultant:

£150 to Dr. John H. Lazarus, Department of Medicine, Western Infirmary, Glasgow, for his essay entitled 'Endocrine and Metabolic Effects of Lithium'.

£100 to Dr. Robin M. Murray, Department of Medicine, Western Infirmary, Glasgow, for his essay entitled 'The Origins and Consequences of Analgesic Abuse'.

J. M. TANNER.

Research in Child Psychiatry

A grant of £250,000 over a period of six years for operational research into maladjustment in children has been made by the Department of Education and Science. The two main themes of the research will be the prevention of maladjustment and therapeutic intervention. The work will be carried out in the Department of Psychological Medicine, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, under the direction of Dr. Israel Kolvin and the grant will provide for the employment of psychiatrists, psychologists, sociologists, psychiatric social workers and also group workers and computer experts.

CORRESPONDENCE

DEAR SIR,

I am at present engaged in international research work, which is centred in Paris. I have only now come across the report by Dr. D. Joyce Galbraith (*News & Notes*, Feb. 1972, pp. 13-19) on the R.M.P.A. Study Tour in France, in September 1969.

I must, I fear, regard as deplorable the error, in the section on Paris, in my colleague's account (pp. 14-15). She refers to a visit to 'La Roche Vocauld—a day hospital in Paris'.

This institution is, in fact, the 'Institut de Psychiatrie La Rochefoucauld'—(so named because it is situated in the Rue de La Rochefoucauld, called after the famous seventeenth-century author of memoirs and maxims)—which comprises an excellent day hospital, as well as an excellent out-patient consultant service; it also comprises a Research and Teaching Centre ('Centre de Recherche et d'Enseignement') which is associated with the 'Laboratoire de Psychopathologie sociale' of the École Pratique des Hautes-Études, Paris University.

I am undertaking research in association with my French colleagues at this Institute. What is more, an international Study Group was held there (under the

chairmanship of Dr. L. Chertok, senior consultant of its Psychosomatic Department) in October 1968. This Study Group, which was convened for the purpose of planning a cross-cultural research programme on psychiatric day hospitals, comprised representatives from France, the U.S., Canada, U.S.S.R., Nigeria, and the U.K. The latter was in fact represented by two of Dr. Galbraith's compatriots, Professor Carstairs and Dr. E. A. M. Wood (Psychiatric Consultant to the Day Hospital, Royal Edinburgh Hospital). The (then) Chief of the Mental Health Section, W.H.O. (Prof. Baan) was also present.

It appears to me most regrettable that the author of the report should have failed to ascertain the true name of an institution the party was visiting, either by referring to the programme of the Tour or a prospectus of the Institute or simply by enquiry.

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