

long-lasting disputed admissions of chronically paranoid patients and for disturbed offenders from the courts. The Danish figure for the percentage of involuntary admissions in the mental illness service is said to be under 4 per cent.

In Aarhus the distinguished staff of the Institute of Psychiatry offered seminars and talks on their work. Professor Mogens Schou conducted an update on his psychopharmacological interests—haloperidol with lithium used freely up to 20 mg a day of the former at least; damage only reported with very high doses; long-term prophylaxis of recurrent unipolar depressives is better with lithium or tricyclic antidepressants than placebo (he would try lithium in preference first); standard lithium level to aim for in the majority of cases is 0.6–0.8. Professor Erik Stromgren, retired from his Chair but not from facilitating the WHO international study of schizophrenia, spoke of past, present

and future classifications of psychosis, schizophrenia around the world, and the particularly closely studied epidemiology of the local island of Samsø. He then conducted us round the treasures of the best psychiatric library in Scandinavia.

In a College study tour, this much is achieved in the mornings. In the afternoons there was time to explore castles, sample (but not get to know fully) the riches of Copenhagen, see the Viking Ship museum in Roskilde and the preserved bog-man in Aarhus. The Danish hosts invited us to their homes, held a reception in a museum of modern art and dined us in an old hunting-lodge. They were patient with our questions, generous with their time, and charming in themselves. Dr Cyril Davies of the Study Tours Sub-Committee had all the arrangements at his fingertips, and spoilt us. We are grateful to him and to Jane Boyce at the College. He is open to suggestions for the next tour.

Forthcoming Events

The **Second Conference on 'Teaching Dynamic Psychotherapy'** will be held at University College, Oxford from 12 to 14 April 1984. The conference, organized by the Association of University Teachers of Psychiatry and the Oxford University Department of Psychiatry, is designed for mental health professionals actively involved in teaching psychotherapy, particularly supervision. Information: Dr Mark Aveline, Psychotherapy Unit, St Ann's Hospital, Nottingham NG3 6LF (please enclose an s.a.e.).

'**Teaching Dynamic Psychotherapy to Medical Students**': an AUP conference to be held at the Royal College of Psychiatrists on 2 December 1983. This conference will explore aims and objectives and ways and means of teaching. Information: Dr Mark Aveline, Psychotherapy Unit, St Ann's Hospital, Nottingham NG3 6LF (please enclose an s.a.e.).

The **Royal Society of Health** is holding a one-day conference, 'When Adoption Fails', on 23 November 1983 at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne. Closing date for application: 16 November. Information: Conference Department, Royal Society of Health, 13 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7EN.

The **10th Conference of the International Association of Forensic Sciences** will be held in Oxford from 18 to 25 September 1984. The general theme will be 'Forensic Science: The Changing Years' and within that general theme there will be three sub-themes—'Quality Assurance', 'Mass Investigation' and 'Evidential Value'. Residential accommodation will be available in various Oxford colleges. Information: Professor R. Buglass, Midland Centre for Forensic Psychiatry, All Saints Hospital, Lodge Road,

Birmingham B18 5SD or Dr R. Antebi, Duke Street Hospital, 253 Duke Street, Glasgow G31.

The **3rd Pacific Congress of Psychiatry** will be held from 14 to 18 May 1984 at Seoul, Korea. Information: Organizing Committee, 3rd Pacific Congress of Psychiatry, c/o Yonsei University College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, PO Box 8044, Seoul, Korea.

The **International Conference on Anorexia Nervosa and Related Disorders** will be held from 3 to 7 September 1984 at Swansea University, Wales. It will focus on clinical, therapeutic and scientific aspects of anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa. The meeting will be chaired by Professor Gerald Russell of the Institute of Psychiatry. Information: Dr Paul D. G. Harris, Conference Co-ordinator, Anorexia Nervosa Conference, PO Box 406, Sketty, Swansea SA2 9BQ, Wales.

The **First International Symposium on Intervention and Stimulation in Infant Development** will be held at the Jerusalem Hilton Hotel from 8 to 12 July 1984. Information: Dr D. Tamir or Dr E. Chigier, 1st International Symposium on Intervention and Stimulation (ISID), PO Box 394, Tel Aviv 61003, Israel.

The Department of Psychiatry at the University of Manchester and the Regional Group of Child and Adolescent Psychiatrists are holding a conference on 2 December 1983 at the Regional Conference Centre, Prestwich. The title of the conference will be, '**The Professionals, the Community and the Handicapped Child**'. Information: Professor David C. Taylor, Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Jesson House, Manchester Road, Pendlebury, Manchester M27 1FG.