

1966. In addition she was the recipient of many academic honours from the Universities of Sheffield, Yale, Harvard, Jerusalem, Vienna and Frankfurt, among others. In 1971 she was created CBE for her services to psychoanalysis.

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Dr Margaret Methven, a Foundation Fellow of the College, died on 16 September 1982.

Margaret (Meg, as she was affectionately called by her intimates) qualified in Edinburgh in 1935 but received her early postgraduate training in psychiatry in England. She was appointed consultant in child psychiatry to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh in 1948—a post she held with great distinction until her retirement in 1970. She was, in fact, the doyenne of child psychiatry in Scotland and in her time served as chairman of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Section of the RMPA. She served, too, as

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Forthcoming Events

The **Portman Clinic** is running a three-day course entitled 'An Introduction to the Psychodynamic Approach to Sexual Deviants and Offenders' from 23 to 25 February 1983. The course is particularly aimed at SHOs and registrars in psychiatry and may be of use in their MRCPsych exams. Information: Dr D. McLean, Senior Registrar, Portman Clinic, 8 Fitzjohns Avenue, London NW3 5NA.

The twenty-fourth '**Current Themes in Psychiatry**' conference will be held at Leeds Castle, Maidstone, Kent from 19 to 25 March 1983. Applications from consultants and other senior psychiatrists should be sent to the Conference Secretary, Marie Carlisle, New Cross Hospital, Avonley Road, London SE14, as soon as possible.

The **Biological Council's** annual symposium, 'Actions and Interactions of GABA and Benzodiazepines', will be held at the Royal Institution, London W1 on 21 and 22 March 1983. Information: Administrative Secretary, Mrs J. Kruger, c/o Department of Pharmacology, University College, London WC1E 6BT.

A seminar on the practical aspects of psychological management and psychotherapy of various psychosomatic disorders

will be held from 6 to 9 June 1983 in a conference centre at Wivenhoe Park, Colchester. It will be restricted to 35 participants, residential in the centre. Though primarily aimed at the needs of physicians and general practitioners, it will also be appropriate for psychiatrists and psychotherapists directly involved in clinical management of psychosomatic disorders. Anyone interested should contact one of the organizers: Dr A. Cameron Macdonald, 9 Redlands Road, Glasgow G12 0SJ; Dr J. W. Paulley, 51 Anglesea Road, Ipswich, Suffolk; or Dr H. E. Pelsler, Velasquezstraat 13, Amsterdam Z, Netherlands.

The **Second International Congress on Drugs and Alcohol** will be held in Tel Aviv from 2 to 6 September 1983. Information: Congress Secretariat, Second International Congress on Drugs and Alcohol, PO Box 394, Tel Aviv 61003, Israel.

The **Medical Campaign Against Nuclear Weapons** is sponsoring a meeting entitled 'The Human Cost of Nuclear War' which is to be held at St David's Hall, Cardiff on 21 January 1983. The main speaker will be Dr Horst Eberhard Richter, Professor of Psychiatry at Geissen-Leibig University. Information: Dr Stephen Farrow, 21 Palace Road, Llandaff, Cardiff (telephone: Cardiff 562021).