

Walter L. Stone has resigned as administrative analyst in coordination service, Veterans Administration, to join the faculty of Hanover College, Indiana, as professor of sociology.

In West Virginia, Dr. Joseph A. Markley has been named director of the state health department's new bureau of hospital and medical care.

Two former members of the staff of the Illinois Public Aid Commission, who worked with Raymond Hilliard before he went to New York City as commissioner of welfare this spring, have joined the staff of the New York City Department of Welfare. Robert Rosenbluth, who has been serving as special consultant to the commission, has been named consultant to Mr. Hilliard. Corinne H. Brown, formerly personnel director of the commission, has been appointed director of the newly created bureau of personnel and office management.

Nora Lalor has been named hospital nursing consultant in maternal and infant care in the Oregon State Board of Health.

The Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization announces: William K. Shaughnessy, formerly chief of the reports and technical review branch, U. S. Employment Service, has been named chief of employment and training; Marie Dresden, who has been serving with the U. S. Bureau of Public Assistance, has been appointed chief of the division of family and individual services; and Yvonne de Jong, of Belgium, has been appointed child care officer.

E. B. Whitten has been named executive secretary of the National Rehabilitation Association. He has been serving as director of vocational rehabilitation in Mississippi.

New director of the Jewish Child Care Association of Essex County, New Jersey, is *Jacob Trobe*.

The Welfare Council of New York City has named *Beatrix A. Park* as consultant on group work and recreation. She was previously director of the youth division of the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies in that city.

Dr. Daniel J. Hurley has been appointed state health officer of Nevada.

Dr. Hurley has been in private practice and county health officer of Eureka County since 1928.

Dr. Charles H. Miller, Jr., has been named health officer for a newly established four-county health department in Illinois, which includes Hardin, Johnson, Massac, and Pope counties. Dr. Miller served previously as district health superintendent in this state.

The Illinois State Department of Public Welfare has named Russell A. Perry to the newly created position of recreation consultant to the state division for youth and community service. He was previously superintendent of recreation in Wilmette, Illinois.

The department has also named *lone H. Agnew* as regional representative, Region II, succeeding Myrtle P. *Wolff*, who is now assigned to the department's general office in Springfield. Miss Agnew served recently with UNRRA as child welfare specialist in China.

Albert Pleydell has resigned as general manager of the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York to join Survey Institute, management consultants, in the same city.

The American National Red Cross has appointed *Pauline Murrah* as national director of the ARC nutrition service. She has been serving as director of the same service in the ARC North Atlantic Area.

Dr. S. J. Axelrod has been appointed medical officer in charge of the Michigan Rapid Treatment Center for venereal diseases, succeeding Dr. Grace E. Field, who returns to the U. S. Public Health Service.

Retired

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds has retired as secretary and state health officer of North Carolina after nearly fourteen years of notable service to the public health program in that state. His successor is Dr. J. W. Roy Norton, previously chief health officer of the health and safety department, Tennessee Valley Authority.

Bailey B. Burritt, long a leader in social work and public health, has retired as executive director of the National Health Council. Mr. Burritt who had retired in 1944 as senior executive director of the Community Service Society of New York after a long career of outstanding service, was induced to come out of retirement in 1947 to devote himself to the National Health Council's new national health program. The work of the council will continue under the administration of *Dr. John W. Ferree*, associate director, until a successor to Mr. Burritt is appointed.

Honors

To George Hjelte, general manager of recreation and parks in Los Angeles, an honorary degree of master of humanics from Springfield College, Massachusetts for his distinguished service to the recreation movement. . . . To *Mike Gorman*, reporter on *The Daily Oklahoman*, in Oklahoma City, the 1948 Special Lasker Award of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene, \$500 and a gold statuette, for his articles exposing the mistreatment of patients in the state's mental hospitals.

To Newel Perry, recently retired as director of advanced studies at the California School for the Blind, selection for the 1948 award, a gold medal and scroll, by the Shotwell Memorial Awards Committee, American Association of Workers for the Blind, for his many contributions to the field of blind education. . . To Frances Warfield, author of "Cotton in My Ears," and volunteer with the New York League for the Hard of Hearing, selection for honor at the league's annual meeting, in recognition of the contribution of her book to the program for the deaf.

To Rudolph J. Anderson, professor of chemistry at Yale University, the annual Trudeau Medal from the National Tuberculosis Association, for his study of the tubercle bacillus.

Died

Anne C. Norris, pioneer in the field of social welfare for the deaf, died in Boston in May at the age of fifty-nine. Widely known for her championship of the rights of the hard of hearing, she was the first and only woman president of the American Society for the Hard of Hearing (now the American Hearing Society).



YOUTH IN DESPAIR, by Ralph S. Banay. Coward McCann. \$3.

This is a smallish book about juvenile delinquency, written by a psychiatrist who was formerly director of the Boston Psychopathic Hospital. director of Sing Sing Prison Psychiatric Clinic, director of Yale Play Clinics at Yale University, and is now director of Research on Social Deviations at Columbia University. In the last chapter of the book, Dr. Banay partially describes the background for his work at Columbia University and the unsuccessful effort to get a law enacted by the New York legislature in 1946 to provide for an institute for the study of crime in order to coordinate and psychiatrically orient a program for the prevention of delinquency.

The book is easily readable, being written in a journalistic style, as the title itself would suggest. The material and the cases with which I happen to be intimately acquainted could offer a great deal more by deeper analysis of the known factors involved. However, it has to be acknowledged that a book of less than 300 small pages can be nothing but superficial when it attempts to consider the subjects of delinquency of the child and youth, including historical and modern criminology, crime and punishment or therapy, war and its effect on the home, school and community, poverty and other environmental factors, school influences, the family in modern society, sociological data on delinquents as individuals, psychosomatics of delinquency, the psychological concept of personality and personality tests, the management of delinquents under detention and probation, the rehabilitation of the delinquent in the institution and on parole, and programs for prevention of delinguency, and also, to define crime and evaluate it sociologically and psychiatrically.

In spite of the promise of a solution to one of society's most vital problems, one has no right to expect it and does not get it, except for the suggestion to pass a state law to provide for an institute to study crime which would include psychiatric orientation. The arguments that Dr. Banay presents do not indicate that psychiatry has contributed very much, although I believe there is a great deal more evidence that psychiatry offers, which he has not used.

There is a bibliography of 209 items, many of which are from the daily papers.

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ENCYCLOPEDIA OF VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, edited by Oscar J. Kaplan. Philosophical Library. 2 Volume set. \$18.50.

THIS IS A PIONEER EFFORT TO PREsent in concise form the factual material available in the new science of vocational guidance. The two volumes contain many excellent articles written by some two hundred eighty-seven experts in the guidance field and although the contents will especially appeal to those vocational counselors who do not have easy access to a large library, they will be of deep interest to teachers, social workers, and all other persons who are eager to help in the life adjustment of youth.

In a foreword, Dr. Kaplan states that one of the objectives of this encvclopedia is to draw attention to the many angles that are to be found in the application of guidance techniques. As one reads one contribution after another, it becomes obvious that in order to be versed in the counseling procedure, one should have a broad knowledge of education, psychology, economics, general medicine, rehabilitation, psychiatry, statistics, and a dozen other disciplines, which means that a competent counselor should be a person of experience whose training covers a wide range of subjects.

A few of the articles emphasize the economic aspects of guidance, and counselors are urged to keep up-to-date information regarding occupational trends, the cost of preparation for the major professions and trades, and an estimate of the average earnings in each of them. Even though the figures given vary from time to time and may not be uniform in different sections of the country, it is of value for young persons seeking guidance to be aware that these differences exist.

Among the most interesting contributions are reports of guidance activities in some of the principal countries of the world. Through the cooperation of the Washington embassies, reports were obtained from Greece, the Netherlands, Portugal, Switzerland, Poland, Australia, and New Zealand.

Critical readers of these volumes will realize that there are many areas in the guidance field that are still unexplored. These books should bring inspiration and practical suggestions as to ways and means of perfecting our knowledge of guidance techniques. It will be desirable for counselors all over the world to unite in collecting data for certain practical research projects. EMILY T. BURR

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EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNS IN SOCIOL-OGICAL RESEARCH, by F. Stuart Chapin. Harper. \$3.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF Social Work of the University of Minnesota has long been so dynamic a professor of sociology, so much a leader in research and in methods for its prosecution, that it was to be expected that he would be one of the first to climb on the band wagon of experimental design.

The assembled papers in which he gives the theory of experimental methods "right out in the natural community," and then illustrates these methods from his own research work, will prove of interest to technicians and to some hardy souls who are tough-minded enough to want to know what the most scientifically respectable studies reveal of the real results of well-intentioned housing or delinquency prevention programs. From the fact that much of the first chapter was originally an article published in 1917, we are to conclude that Chapin was the band wagon rather than a belated climber upon it.

To follow the author into his clearest simplification rather than into the terrifying details, experimental design means making observations under con-