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INSTITUTE NOTES

OBJECTS OF THE INSTITUTE

The aims of the Royal Institute of Philosophy are to promote the study of philosophy and to encourage original work in it. The main ways in which the Institute pursues these aims are by organising programmes of lectures, by publishing a quarterly journal, by running an annual book competition, and by holding conferences. The lectures given at the Institute's headquarters, 14 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1, are published, in the January following the lecture session, as a volume in the ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY LECTURES series. In the Institute's quarterly journal, PHILOSOPHY, philosophical problems are discussed, and new books reviewed, by writers whose care it is to make themselves understood by the public at large as well as by their professional colleagues. The term 'philosophy' covers a wide group of studies, which have been differently pursued at different times. The Royal Institute of Philosophy interprets 'philosophy' as covering ethics, aesthetics, metaphysics, epistemology, logic, philosophy of science, political and social philosophy, philosophy of history, philosophy of education and the philosophies of mind and language. The Institute is not committed to any school or method, but seeks to provide a forum for the rational discussion of questions in all these fields.

The Institute welcomes as members all those who are interested in philosophical problems, irrespective of their professional qualifications.

The annual subscription to the Institute is £2 10s (\$6.50 in the U.S.A. and Canada). Members receive the Institute's journal, PHILOSOPHY, published quarterly, and may, of course, attend the lectures. The membership subscription does not cover the cost of volumes in the ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY LECTURES series, which are published by Macmillan & Co., in London, and by St Martin's Press, in New York, and are obtainable from bookshops.

There are centres of the Institute at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and the University College of North Wales, Bangor.

Applications for membership should be made to the Secretary, Royal Institute of Philosophy, 14 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1.

1968-69 LECTURE PROGRAMME

The following lectures will be given at 14 Gordon Square, W.C.1, at 5.45 p.m. All dates fall on a Friday.

1968

- October 11th DREAMING
Mrs Martha Kneale (Oxford University)
- October 18th EVIDENCE FOR PHYSICAL DETERMINISM
R. G. Swinburne, Esq., M.A., B.Phil.
(University of Hull)
- October 25th PHILOSOPHICAL BEHAVIOURISM
Professor C. W. K. Mundle
(University College of North Wales, Bangor)
- November 1st THINKING AND PERFORMANCE
A. Palmer, Esq., B.A., B.Phil.
(University of Southampton)
- November 8th INNATE IDEAS
R. Edgley, Esq., B.A., B.Phil.
(University of Bristol)
- November 15th PERCEPTION AND ACTION
M. R. Ayers, Esq., M.A. Ph.D.
(Oxford University)
- November 22nd A PSYCHOLOGICAL LOOK AT SOME PROBLEMS OF PERCEPTION
B. A. Farrell, Esq., B.Litt., M.A.
(Oxford University)
- November 29th MORAL KNOWLEDGE
Professor J. B. Schneewind
(University of Pittsburgh)

1969

- January 24th DETERMINISM AND KNOWLEDGE
Professor David Wiggins (University of London)
- January 31st INFERENCES ABOUT SEEING
Peter Alexander, Esq., B.A., B.Sc.
(University of Bristol)
- February 7th HOW OPEN IS THE FUTURE?
Michael Clark, Esq., M.A. (University of Nottingham)
- February 14th DUHEM, QUINE AND A NEW EMPIRICISM
Mary B. Hesse, M.A., Ph.D. (Cambridge University)
- February 21st MEMORY, MEMORIES AND ME
D. B. Locke, Esq., M.A., B.Phil.
(University of Warwick)
- February 28th PERCEPTUAL CONSCIOUSNESS
Professor John W. Yolton
(York University, Canada)
- March 7th IS A RELIGIOUS EPISTEMOLOGY POSSIBLE?
Professor T. Penelhum (University of Calgary)

NOTES ON CONTRIBUTORS

- R. G. SWINBURNE** Lecturer in Philosophy at the University of Hull since 1963. Has contributed articles on the history and philosophy of science and other philosophical topics to *Analysis*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy of Science*, and other journals. Is the author of *Space and Time*, published this year. Will lecture to the Royal Institute of Philosophy, on 'Evidence for Physical Determinism', on 18th October, 1968.
- L. C. VELECKY** Born in Czechoslovakia, studied at Masaryk University, University of Glasgow and Blackfriars (Oxford). Taught philosophy and theology in South Africa, took doctorate in theology in Rome, now lecturer in Philosophy at the University of Southampton. Edited Vol. 6 of the new English translation of the *Summa Theologiae*.
- MARTIN HOLLIS** Lecturer in Philosophy at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, since October 1967.

- V. F. J. PRATT Assistant Lecturer at University College, Cardiff. Has contributed to *Mind*, and *Theoria to Theory*.
- D. E. COOPER Lecturer in Philosophy at Pembroke and Jesus Colleges, Oxford.
- W. D. HUDSON Senior Lecturer in Philosophy at the University of Exeter. He is currently editing the series *New Studies in Ethics* (Macmillan) and is the author of *Ethical Intuitionism* in that series. Has contributed to *Philosophy*, *Mind*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Analysis*, etc.
- W. F. R. HARDIE President of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. His book on Aristotle's Ethics will be published shortly.
- ROLAND HALL Reader in Philosophy, University of York. Has contributed many articles on philosophy and language to journals and encyclopaedias. Since 1959 he has been a spare-time contributor to the new Supplement to the O.E.D. (still in preparation). Currently writing a dictionary of philosophy.
- ILHAM DILMAN Lecturer in Philosophy at University College, Swansea, 1961-67; presently Associate Professor at the University of California at Santa Barbara. Has contributed to various philosophical journals, and is currently writing two books on *Scepticism and Philosophy* and *Self Knowledge*.
- JOHN TURNER Senior Staff Officer to the Chief Engineer, Rhine Army.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY ANNUAL BOOK COMPETITION

Details of the £500 Annual Book Competition were given in the January, 1968, number of *PHILOSOPHY* (page 82). Posters advertising the competition have been sent to most University Philosophy Departments in the English-speaking world. Further copies are available from Macmillan & Co., London, St Martin's Press, New York, or from the Institute.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT CONFERENCE AT SOUTHAMPTON, 26-28 SEPTEMBER, 1969

The Royal Institute of Philosophy, in conjunction with the British Society for Phenomenology, is holding a Conference at the University of Southampton over the last weekend in September, 1969. There will be six symposia, to which European philosophers will contribute, on 'Philosophical Methodology', 'Good and Evil', 'The Person', 'Freedom and Determinism', 'Aesthetics' and 'Body and Mind'. Full particulars of the Conference will be given in the January, 1969, number of *PHILOSOPHY*.

VISITING PHILOSOPHERS

Opportunities for contact with visiting philosophers (inviting them to give lectures, attend meetings, and so forth) are sometimes lost through lack of information. In future *PHILOSOPHY* will publish, in this column, information it receives about overseas philosophers visiting Britain, and philosophers in Britain visiting other countries in a professional capacity. Philosophers concerned are invited to send details (name, permanent university post, place, purpose, and duration of temporary stay, etc.) to the Secretary, Royal Institute of Philosophy, 14 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1, as soon as their arrangements are completed.

To Britain

J. W. Davis, Professor of Philosophy at Talbot College, University of Western Ontario, London, Canada, will be in England on a Canada Council Senior Leave Fellowship from 1st September, 1968 to 1st September, 1969, completing a book on Berkeley, and working on Leibniz and Newton. He intends to spend most of his time in London.

Harold A. Durfee, Chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Religion at The American University, Washington, D.C. 20016, will be on Sabbatical leave, visiting Mansfield College, Oxford, from 15th July, 1968 to 15th January, 1969.

Gertrude Ezorsky, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Brooklyn College, City University of New York, will be working, at Oxford, on a study of the philosophical implications of the assertive redundancy theory of truth, from September, 1968 to June, 1969.

Terence M. Penelhum, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, will be visiting Britain under the Commonwealth Interchange Scheme for a period from March, 1969. He will lecture to the Royal Institute of Philosophy on 7th March, 1969.

From Britain

H. D. Lewis, Chairman of the Council of the Royal Institute of Philosophy and Professor of the History and Philosophy of Religion at University of London King's College, will be visiting the University of Miami in the Autumn Term, 1968.

A. R. Manser, Senior Lecturer in the Philosophy Department, Southampton University, will be Visiting Professor of Philosophy at Rice University, Houston, Texas, 1968-69.

THE COUNCIL FOR PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES
PHILOSOPHICAL ESSAY COMPETITION

The Council for Philosophical Studies announces a competition for the best philosophical essay on the topic of violence. Essays must be in English, previously unpublished, and of interest to the educated general reader, as well as to those professionally concerned with philosophy. The essay should be of approximately 6,000 to 12,000 words long. It must be submitted before 30th September, 1969. A prize of \$2,000 will be awarded to the winner. The Council plans to publish the winning essay and others of high quality, and reserves the right to first publication of essays submitted. Any royalties, after expenses, will accrue to the authors of the essays. The judges of the essay competition will be: Henry Aiken, Brandeis University, H. L. A. Hart, University College, Oxford, and John Rawls, Harvard University. One typewritten copy, double spaced, should be sent to Jerome Shaffer, Council for Philosophical Studies, The University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut 06268, U.S.A. To allow the anonymous submission of the essay to the judges, the author should provide a separate title page which will be the only place where his name and address will appear. If a self-addressed return envelope is included, the copy will be returned after the judges make their decision, which will be announced in 1970.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS. The Journal is despatched by the printers who, in the case of Members, are furnished with addressed labels by the Institute. These labels are despatched to the printers at the end of the third week of the month before the issue is due to be published. Would Members therefore please give as long a notice as possible of changes of address. Subscribers should notify their changes of address to Macmillan (Journals) Limited, Brunel Road, Basingstoke, Hants.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PHILOSOPHY. The Editor is unable to ensure the return of contributions submitted to him unless they are accompanied by stamps or, in the case of contributions from abroad, by international coupons, to cover postage. A self-addressed envelope should also be enclosed.

Because of high printing costs, it is regretted that in future only corrections of printers' errors can be allowed in proofs. Authors are therefore asked to send any alterations, or additions they may wish to make, to Professor Acton as soon as possible after receiving his letter of acceptance.

NOTE TO PUBLISHERS. Books intended for review should be sent to the Editor at the Institute's offices, 14 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1.