

## **Domiciliary and Field Work: Reports, News and Notes**

[Due to continuing pressure on space from the number of original articles which await publication, we combine, in this number of the journal, various items under the above headings. *Editor.*]

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following reports:

- LEPRA Annual Report, 1981; Leprosy Control in Malaŵi; from Dr Gjalt, Medical Director, PO Box 148, Lilongwe, Malaŵi and Rev P Garland, National Manager, PO Box 496, Blantyre, Malaŵi.
- 2 Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation, Japan; The 3rd International Workshop on Leprosy Control in Asia, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, 17–22 November 1980. SMHF, Sabokaikan, 2-7-5 Hirakawa-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102, Japan.
- 3 Indian Council of Medical Research; Annual Report of the Director-General, 1980–81, New Delhi, India.
- 4 Nepal; 2nd National Workshop on Leprosy Control, Kathmandu, Nepal, 9–11 November 1981. The Ministry of Health, Nepal.
- 5 Leprosy Control in Ethiopia; National Leprosy Control Project; Annual Report for 1981. The Ministry of Health, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- 6 WHO; Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases; Annual Report; TDR/AR(5)/81.1–O.V. *Overview*, ditto ch 8; *Leprosy*.
- 7 Armauer Hansen Research Institute; AHRI; Annual Report for 1981. AHRI, PO Box 1005, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- 8 Sierra Leone; National Leprosy Control Program in Sierra Leone; Report for Jan–Dec 1981. Ministry of Health and Voluntary Agencies. PO Box 873, Freetown, Sierra Leone.

### **XII International Leprosy Congress, New Delhi, India; postponement to 1984**

For reasons beyond the control of the ILA and the Organizing Committee, the Congress has been postponed until 20–25 February 1984.

### **Mozambique: Anti-Leprosy Campaign, 1982: Amici dei Lebbrosi\***

This association has recently made an agreement with the Government of Mozambique for a 5-year programme involving leprosy and primary health care programmes for the whole country.

The International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP) has appointed Amici dei Lebbrosi as the ILEP Co-ordinator for work in Mozambique.

\*Since 1979, Amici dei Lebbrosi has also been known as Amici di Raoul Follereau. Address: 4 Via Borselli, 40135 Bologna, Italy.

The 5-year programme will require financing in the region of US \$100,000 per year. Based on recommendations made in a report by the WHO Consultant, Dr Alfredo Abreu, it aims to carry out extensive case-finding over the 55 districts, to register and treat the majority of leprosy cases, and to stress the use of rehabilitation to prevent and decrease the number of disabilities.

At the same time, this work will be part of a primary health care programme emphasizing health education with prevention, and integrated with the campaigns against the more dangerous endemic diseases.

The national anti-leprosy campaign will start early in 1982. It represents a major commitment for Amici dei Lebbrosi, as well as being an important contribution to the development of health services in Mozambique.

#### **ILEP; Catalogue on Training (1982)**

This valuable catalogue from ILEP in London provides information on courses at the major training centres during 1982; these are – ALERT, Bamako, Bauru, Carville, Dakar/Fann, Fontilles, Karigiri, Wau and Yaounde. Available from ILEP, 234 Blythe Road, London W14 OHJ, England.

#### **WHO; Report of the Meeting on Social and Economic Aspects of Leprosy, Kuala Lumpur, 1-4 December 1981.**

Main headings: objectives, review of issues, research topics, guidelines, strategies, strategic plan, conclusion and recommendations. TDR/SER-LEP/KL/81.3, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland.

#### **TDR; Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases; Newsletter**

The April 1982 issue (No 17) reviews the testing of purified armadillo-derived *M. leprae* in man and progress in the THELEP field trials. The May 1982 issue (No 18) has a section on 'The Six Groups of Diseases – Five Years Later' and gives particular attention, under leprosy, to drug and vaccine trials. TDR, WHO, 1211, Geneva 27, Switzerland.

#### **Leprosy Scientific Memoranda (LSM); resumption under Leonard Wood Memorial**

Due to the discontinuance of NIH funding, the last issue of LSM was in July 1981, but it has now been revived under the auspices of the Leonard Wood Memorial, with a partial grant from CIBA-GEIGY. The price of a subscription is as before – a minimum of one submission per year. Executive Director, Leonard Wood Memorial (American Leprosy Foundation), 11600 Nebel Street, Suite 210, Rockville, Maryland 20852, USA.

#### **PATH; Program for Appropriate Technology in Health, Seattle, USA**

Non-profit, non-governmental organization committed to the development, promotion and introduction of technology for primary health care programmes in developing countries. Established in 1979. Priorities include technologies or products associated with – diarrhoeal diseases, immunization, tropical diseases, nutrition, family planning, maternal and child care,

health and essential drugs. PATH, Canal Place, 130 Nickerson Street, Seattle, Washington 98109, USA.

**AHRTAG; How to make hand grips**

A poster which folds into a booklet and explains how hand grips can help disabled people to hold hand tools, brushes, etc. Free, but enclose stamped addressed label if you live in UK; AHRTAG, 85 Marylebone High Street, London W1M 3DE, England.

**The Heiser Program for Research in Leprosy**

The Director has issued details of the usual awards available under the following headings – Postdoctoral research fellowships; research grants and visiting research awards. Applications for 1983 should be made by 1 February 1983. A progress report is also available on the first five years of research sponsored by this Program. Apply to the Director, the Heiser Program for Research Leprosy, 450 East 63rd Street, New York, New York 10021, USA.

**Correction: ‘The Evaluation of Nerve Damage in Leprosy’**

Sir, In the June 1982 issue of *Leprosy Review* this document was published as a ‘special article’ with myself named as the author.

This is misleading. The document represents the findings and suggestions of a workshop on neuritis held at Karigiri in 1980. As chairman of the workshop I had to take the major responsibility to produce the document in a form that was acceptable for publication; it was never my intention to pose as the originator or to present it as my personal ideas.

I would like to clarify that the title should read ‘The Evaluation of Nerve Damage in Leprosy. Report of a workshop held at the Schieffelin Leprosy Research and Training Centre, Karigiri, 12 to 14 March 1980. Prepared for publication by J M H Pearson.’

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[We regret this misunderstanding and are grateful to Dr Pearson for drawing attention to an error which will be carefully adjusted in the Index of this volume. *Editor.*]

**Errata**

Please note the following corrections to the paper by E VAN PRAAG & S A MWANKEMWA. ‘A prevalence survey on leprosy and the possible role of village 10-cell leaders in control in Muheza District, Tanzania.’ *Lepr Rev*, 1982; 53: 27-34.

page 27, address for E Van Praag is now Public Health Advisor, Ministry of Health, c/o POB 166, Dacca, Bangladesh.

page 31, table 1, column 1, for 0-1 read 0-5  
line 1, for 1:10 read 1.9:1

page 32, table 5, column 1, for 25 read  $\leq 25$