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Dear Fellow Congressmen:

Plans are well set for the September meeting of the Congress in Boston. President Paul Sharkey and Annual Meeting Chairman, George Becker, and many others have been working hard to put everything in order. The Scientific Program is excellent, the social events sound exciting and, of course, Boston is a great and historical city. Few can offer an equal as a cultural and intellectual center. Just to visit the city is to have a pleasant refresher in history and would be worth the trip.

BERMUDA

Recently a brochure was mailed to the membership regarding the Bermuda flight. Final arrangements have been made for the flight from JFK Airport in New York. Departure will be on September 12 at 10:30 A.M. for Bermuda with return to Boston on September 15 departing from Bermuda at 6:45 P.M. Reservations have been secured at the Castle Harbour Hotel. Early booking is necessary as space is limited. Deposits must be received at the latest by July 1 and will be on a first come, first served basis. A \$50.00 deposit per person is required at time of booking. This promises to be a gala affair and should be of interest to the members both from a recreational and professional aspect. Because of the busy season, everyone interested in going should notify Bennett Stein, Box U, Brookline, Massachusetts, 02146.

SEMINARS IN FUNDAMENTAL NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY

Bill Coxe has submitted his Seminars Program on "The Hypothalamus." The lead-off paper will be by Dr. Walle Nauta of MIT whose subject will be "The Anatomy of the Hypothalamus." The next paper will be by Dr. Seymour Reichlin of the University of Rochester and his title will be "Hypothalamic Control of the Anterior Pituitary." The third paper will be by Dr. Joseph Martin of the University of Rochester whose subject will be "Neurological Manifestations of Hypothalamic Disease." Number four will be by Dr. Richard Wurtman of MIT whose subject will be "The Physiology and Pharmacology of Brain Catecholamines." Sounds like a great program!

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COMMITTEE WORK OPPORTUNITY

Members of the Congress who would like to serve on 1969-1970 committees or members who plan to attend the 1970 meeting in St. Louis and could serve during that meeting on the Host, Exhibits, Public Relations, Registration, Residents or Sergeant at Arms Committees, please write John M. Thompson, 1955 Blossom Way South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33712. Please state a first and second choice. Committee selections for the coming year should be complete by October, 1969.

UTILIZATION GUIDELINES

The Executive Committee of the Congress has established the policy that only neurological surgeons could obtain a copy of the NEUROSURGICAL HOSPITAL UTILIZATION GUIDELINES MANUAL for their personal use. Do not lend or give your copy to unauthorized individuals. Such individuals may tend to standardize treatment or interpret the guidelines rigidly and not allow for the unique treatment necessary in some cases. May we remind you that the same policy holds true for the TABULATION OF RESULTS OF NATIONAL NEUROSURGICAL FEE SURVEY manual.

WORLD DIRECTORY OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS

By now you should have received a postal card questionnaire for the 1969 World Directory of Neurological Surgeons. Please fill out and return these cards to George Ablin. At best, getting the directory together is a tough job. Let's not make it worse by failing to cooperate.

PROJECT HOPE

Mr. Win Hirsch, President of American Silk Sutures, Inc., has contributed Gardlok Neurological Sponges to Project HOPE in honor of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons. The Congress would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Hirsch for his thoughtfulness in this effort.

RESIDENTS FUND

The Ruggles Corporation, maker of neurosurgical instruments, has made a contribution to the Residents Fund of the Congress. We wish to thank Mr. F. Alan Ruggles for making this generous gift.

OBITUARIES

DONALD D. MATSON - After a long illness, Donald Matson died on May 10, 1969. This was a singularly sad day for all neurosurgeons. Don was an adviser, confessor, teacher, and friend of neurosurgeons of all ages. While unassuming himself, he held the respect of all who knew him. He made many contributions to our science and helped to share and improve our profession. He was a particular friend of the Congress and participated in many of our programs. We in the Congress, and indeed, all people of the world are in great debt to him for his unceasing efforts to improve and refine the care of

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patients with neurosurgical diseases. Our sympathy is with Dorothy and her family as they suffer the loss of husband and father. We hope that the sorrow can be lessened by the knowledge that during his life he helped untold numbers by his work and teachings and benefited mankind for all time.

FRANCIS G. REILLY - Dr. Reilly of Hartford, Connecticut died in February of this year after a lengthy illness. Dr. Reilly had been a member of the Congress since November of 1955.

CLINICAL NEUROSURGERY (REPRINTS)

Limited quantities of reprinted volumes one through seven of Clinical Neurosurgery are now in the hands of the Secretary. These volumes are being sold at the member price of \$12.00 each. All orders should be directed to the Secretary as soon as possible in order to assure that you receive the volumes that you desire.

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