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Mental Health - History R7 connection

In first considering program the Trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation decided in 1914 to give attention to the subject of mental hygiene. This decision was reached in the hope of determining in what ways contribution could best be made to the discovery of needed facts and to the diffusion of the most reliable information by which this field is governed.

At that time this activity was looked upon as an important phase of public health work. It was further considered that participation in such work would provide means through which many social and economic problems depending upon mental factors could be more effectively dealt with.

Dr. Thomas W. Salmon, formerly of the U.S. Public Health Service, and at that time Scientific Secretary of the National Committee on Mental Hygiene, was secured as adviser. He was appointed a member of the staff of the Rockefeller Foundation from January 1, 1915 with the understanding that his services for the next two years would be at the disposal of the National Committee primarily for the promotion of state surveys. This arrangement with Dr. Salmon continued until June 30, 1921.

In the hope that such surveys would go far toward permitting the insane to share more equitably in the advances characterizing the treatment of other classes of the sick, an appropriation was made to enable the National Committee to complete surveys already begun.

In the years immediately following funds were appropriated for studies at the psychiatric clinic at Sing Sing and for war work in mental hygiene.

Following conferences in 1920 between the officers of the Foundation and others interested in mental hygiene, it was decided that it did not seem wise for the Foundation to undertake direct work in that field.

In 1924 the Director of the Division of Studies presented a statement of program in human biology which included the following as one of the main lines of research to be emphasized: the fostering of the mental sciences including the study

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of the normal mind and possibilities in education, child guidance etc., as well as the study of mental disease and their possible cure and prevention, and research in the evolution of the human mind from primitive man, subjects that are generally included in the terms psychology, psychiatry and anthropology. With that general objective in mind, an opportunistic policy in considering individual proposals for work was followed.

About this time the LSRM was carrying on a program in child study, criminology, anthropology and, beginning in 1925, made certain appropriations for research in mental diseases.

SEE - Appropriations listed on following sheets



MENTAL HYGIENE - GENERAL

Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR MENTAL HYGIENE - RF

1915-1929	For salary and expenses of Salmon and his successor and for general expenses	\$ 147,000
1915-1929	For surveys of care and treatment of the insane	470,000
1916-1921	For studies in psychopathology of crime, including psychiatric clinic at Sing Sing	77,800
1917-1920	For war work in mental hygiene - buildings for naval psychiatric unit, investigations, etc.	60,000
1918-1923	For establishment of uniform statistics	23,250
1924-1931	For fellowships	90,000

CANADIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR MENTAL HYGIENE

1924-1929	For studies re application of mental hygiene to problem or delinquent children in Canada. Grant divided between McGill University and University of Toronto.	75,000 RF
1928-1933	For development of training centers for advanced students in mental hygiene in Canada	150,000 LSRM
1931-1936	Continued by RF	50,000

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL DISEASES

1928-1931	For statistical and record study of mental defectives (amended by RF)	91,000 LSRM
1931-1934	Continued by RF	25,000

STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION - LSRM

1927-1931	For study of records of mental disease (amended by RF)	64,000
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YALE UNIVERSITY - LSRM

1923	For one year's study of mental development in Pre-school years	2,000
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YALE UNIVERSITY - INSTITUTE OF HUMAN RELATIONS

1924-1931	For building and equipment; development in psychiatry; research in psychology, child development and social science work	334,300 LSRM
1929-1939	Continued by RF	4,000,000

PSYCHIATRY

Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION - LSRM		
1928	For expenses of a conference	\$ 2,750
FELLOWSHIPS - RF		
	Medical science fellowships are open to candidates in psychiatry	
FORSCHUNGSANSTALT FUR PSYCHIATRIE, MUNICH - RF		
1927-1928	For erection of building	325,000
1931-1939	For research by Drs. Spielmeyer and Plaut	94,800
KWG INSTITUTE FOR BRAIN RESEARCH, BERLIN - RF		
1929	For building program in removing Institute to Buch	317,000
*MAIER, PROF. HANS W. - RF		
1927	For visit to psychological and psychiatric institutions in United States	3,000
MASSCHUSETTS SOCIETY FOR MENTAL HYGIENE		
1925-1930	For statistical studies in psychiatry	64,000 LSRM
1931-1934	Continued by RF	50,000
UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN - MEDICAL CLINIC - RF		
1931	For research work of Dr. W. Jaesch of psycho-physical and constitutional disease department	3,000
*UNIVERSITY OF IOWA - BRAIN PHYSIOLOGY - RF		
1925-1927	For special studies of school children - departments of neurology, psychology, psychiatry and education, cooperating	62,500
UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER - PSYCHIATRY - RF		
1929-1934	For habit training clinic	124,000

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## PSYCHOLOGY

### Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION - LSRM		
1926-1936	For publication of Abstract journal and Index	\$ 75,000
FELLOWSHIPS - RF		
	Social science fellowships are open to candidates in psychology	
*INSTITUT DES SCIENCES DE L'EDUCATION (J.J. ROUSSEAU)		
1925-1932	For general budget	45,000 LSRM
1931-1932	Continued by RF	10,000
MCGILL UNIVERSITY - SOCIAL SCIENCES - RF		
1931-1936	For development of research including psy- chology	110,000
*MAIER, PROF. HANS W. - RF		
1927	For visit to psychological and psychiatric institutions in United States	3,000
*NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL - LSRM		
1923-1927	For Committee on scientific problems of human migrations	132,000
1928-1929	For conferences and Committees of anthropology and psychology (Publication)	20,000
1925-1928	For Committee on child development (of Divisions of anthropology and psychology)	48,000
*UNIVERSITY OF IOWA - BRAIN PHYSIOLOGY - RF		
1925-1927	For special studies of school children - depart- ments of neurology, psychology, psychiatry and education, cooperating	62,500
UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA - PSYCHOLOGICAL INSTITUTE - RF		
1931-1935	For general program	16,000

## PSYCHOLOGY-INDUSTRIAL

HARVARD UNIVERSITY - INDUSTRIAL HAZARDS AND INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY		
1926-1931	For research (amended by RF)	215,000 LSRM
1930-1937	Continued by RF	835,000
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY, LONDON		
1926-1930	For general budget and research program	70,000 LSRM
1931-1932	Continued by RF	20,000

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CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION

Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR ADULT EDUCATION - LSRM		
1928	For conference on parental education (amended by RF)	\$ 3,000
AMERICAN HOME ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION - LSRM		
1926-1929	For program in child study and parent education (amended by RF)	114,000
BUREAU OF EDUCATIONAL EXPERIMENTS OF NEW YORK CITY - LSRM		
1925-1926	For assistants and research facilities - study of physical and mental growth of young children	9,000
CHILD STUDY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA - LSRM		
1923-1930	For conference and general program	270,000
CHILD STUDY - FELLOWSHIPS - LSRM		
1924-1928	For program	302,500
CHILDREN'S VILLAGE, INC. - LSRM		
1926-1929	Support of National training school for Institution executives and other workers	36,000
CLEVELAND FOUNDATION - LSRM		
1926-1932	For program in child study and parent education	39,000
COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL AND PARENTAL EDUCATION - LSRM		
1927-1929	For conferences expenses	2,000
CORNELL UNIVERSITY - CHILD STUDY - LSRM		
1925-1930	For development of work in child study and parent education	151,000
*INSTITUT DES SCIENCES DE L'EDUCATION (J.J. Rousseau)		
1925-1931	For general budget - child psychology	45,000 LSRM
1931-1932	Continued by RF	10,000
IOWA STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS - LSRM		
1925-1933	For program in child care and parent education	52,500
IOWA STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE - LSRM		
1926-1929	For work in child study and parent training	22,500
MCGILL UNIVERSITY - LSRM		
1925-1930	For study of normal child development and parent education, and for equipment (rounds out work being done with funds from Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene)	51,500

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MERRILL - PALMER SCHOOL - LSRM		
1926-1927	For conference on child study, parent education and home making	\$ 6,000
MILLS COLLEGE - LSRM		
1927-1930	For program in child study and parent education	36,600
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - LSRM		
1927-1933	For child study and parent education work	80,500
TEACHER'S COLLEGE, COLUMBIA - LSRM		
1923-1934	For support of Institute of child welfare research and for child study (amended by RF)	1,001,750
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - LSRM		
1927-1933	Establishment and maintenance of Institute of child welfare	295,000
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA - STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE - LSRM		
1925-1932	For child study and parent education work	72,000
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA - CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION - LSRM		
1923-1938	For child study, parent education and Iowa child welfare research station	1,014,500
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA - CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION - LSRM		
1925-1938	For child study, parent education and child welfare research	965,000
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO		
1925-1930	For child research and parent education and for laboratory equipment - connected with department of psychology and Ontario Mental Hygiene Society	52,000 LSRM
1930-1940	Continued by RF	175,000

# NEUROLOGY

## Appropriations made by RF

ARMITAGE, GEORGE (General Infirmary, Leeds)		
1931	For apparatus for research in neurology	\$ 1,000
CAIRNS, DR. HUGH (London Hospital)		
1930-1935	For development of neurosurgery	51,000
DONALD, CHARLES (London Hospital)		
1931	For training in neurosurgery	2,000
GRANIT, DR. RAGNAR A. (University of Helsingfors)		
1931	For equipment for nerve physiology work	300
MAIDA VALE HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPSY AND PARALYSIS, LONDON		
1931	For promoting neurosurgical field in England	3,000
SHERRINGTON, PROF. SIR C. (Oxford University)		
1930-1931	For equipment for research in nerve physiology	5,000
UNIVERSITY OF Breslau - NEUROLOGICAL LABORATORY		
1930	For investigations	500
1930	For building laboratory	50,000
*UNIVERSITY OF IOWA - BRAIN PHYSIOLOGY		
1925-1927	For special studies of school children - departments of neurology, psychology, psychiatry and education, cooperating	62,500
UNIVERSITY OF PARIS - DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL NEUROLOGY		
1931	For research work including neurology	3,000

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SEX RESEARCH

Appropriations made by RF

CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
1929-1940

For travel grant and experimental work of  
Dr. C. R. Stockard re influence of internal  
secretions (sex research and growth and in-  
heritance problems) \$ 251,200

NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL  
1931-1933

For work of Committee for research in problems  
of sex, including psychological and anthro-  
pological aspects (previously Bureau of Social  
Hygiene) 150,000

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
1929-1934

For study of the chemical aspects of vitamins  
and hormones under Dr. H.M. Evans (sex research  
and growth problems) (previously Bureau of  
Social Hygiene) 50,000

SOCIOLOGICAL SURVEYS

Appropriations made by RF and LSRM

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII - RACE BIOLOGY

1927-1933

For studies in race biology, including socio-  
logical research re mental conditions

\$ 170,000

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT - LSRM

1928-1931

For survey of rural regions, including psy-  
chological and psychiatric phases (amended  
by RF)

84,000



CRIMINOLOGY

Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

BUREAU OF GOVERNMENTAL RESEARCH , DETROIT - LSRM		
1927	For establishment of uniform system of accounting of crimes (amended by RF)	\$ 50,000
BUREAU OF SOCIAL HYGIENE , INC. - LSRM		
1928	For Crime Commission study by L.V. Harrison and study of scientific aspect of crime by Max Winsor	28,000
HARVARD UNIVERSITY		
1926-1929	For survey of crime and criminal justice in Boston	45,000 LSRM
1930	Continued by RF	25,000
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO - LOCAL COMMUNITY RESEARCH - LSRM		
1927-1932	For study of organized crime (amended by RF)	150,000

# ANTHROPOLOGY

## Appropriations made by LSRM and RF

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL - RF			
1924-1931	For anthropological research, including study of psychology of the aborigines	\$	188,500
HARVARD UNIVERSITY - RF			
1931-1936	For graduate research in anthropology		75,000
LABORATORY OF ANTHROPOLOGY, SANTA FE			
1928-1929	For field training course in anthropology	30,000	LSRM
1930-1934	Continued by RF	60,000	
*NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL - LSRM			
1923-1927	For Committee on human migrations	132,000	
1928-1929	For conferences and Committees of anthropology and psychology (publication)	20,000	
1925-1928	For Committee on child development ( of Divisions of anthropology and psychology)	48,000	
NOTGEMEINSCHAFT DER DEUTSCHEN WISSENSCHAFT - RF			
1930-1935	For study of anthropological constitution of German people	125,000	
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO - RF			
1929-1934	For research program in anthropology	75,000	

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