TO: SUPERINTENDENTS
  Attention: Assistant Hospital Superintendents, Research Staff
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  Attention: Robert Boyer

FROM: David J. Vail, M.D.
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RE: Preliminary Bibliography on Mental Hospital Administration

Note: The following is a basic selection of readings in the field of mental hospital administration. This is viewed as a first step or "sampler" only. There is an enormous literature now published. The first item (GAP report), for example, lists a number of classics. A bibliography prepared for the Third Annual Conference of the Social Science Institute Training Program for Research in Community Mental Health held at Washington University on March 3-4, 1961, lists some 360 items. The Menninger School of Psychiatry has also developed a basic reading list for their courses in Administrative Psychiatry. From time to time we will be sending you specific suggestions from these and other selections.

   (This is listed first because it has a complete bibliography, including brief descriptions of the material).


6. From Mental Hospitals, Hospital Journal of the American Psychiatric Association:
   

   (ii) "Management and the Public Mental Hospital", Duval, A.M. October, 1957.

   (iii) "Communication - the Pulse of the Mental Hospital", Dolgoff, T. and Sheffel, J. September, 1958.


   (v) "Medical or Non-Medical Superintendency?", Vail, D.J. September, 1959.

   Plus many other articles in this journal.


