

life in *Mrs Dalloway*. Judging from Septimus' symptoms, mainly violent hallucination and apathy, he was apparently suffering from schizophrenia, not from mere neurotic conditions. In addition, Septimus alternated between lunacy and normality. Rezia, his young wife, was also pulled into the isolated existence because she was aware of people's prejudice to mental disease. They visited Sir Bradshaw, a famous doctor in London, asking for help. He offered no help for their suffering but asked if they could afford 'isolation therapy'. Ironically, Rezia's change occurred just after their visiting him. She experienced the same feeling of abandonment as Septimus. She began to draw close to him and became happy in her communication with him in spite of his unreasonable words and deeds.

We may conclude that V. Woolf gives us a possible picture of a person who can coexist with a mental patient in her description of Rezia. She also succeeded in exposing Clarrissa's feelings of depersonalization and anxiety and shows us insanity might be a part of personality.

Hiromitsu MIHARA, Hajime TABUCHI and Hirokazu TOYAMA : A Study on the Families with the Mentally Retarded Persons

This research was done to study the situation of parents with a mentally retarded child. Parents would prefer that their mentally retarded child be institutionalized instead of being raised alongside their siblings. They are concerned about the marriage prospects of their normal children.

In the future, a care system must be developed to care for mentally retarded persons after their parents die.

Makiko YAEGASHI : Current State and Problems of Children's Halls in Okayama City (2) — A Survey of Infant Clubs in Children's Halls —

As indicated in my previous article, child care support for the family must be strengthened. The issue is so important that we next examined children's halls in Okayama City.

The purpose was to determine the current state and problems of the infant clubs of children's halls which support family child care. A survey questionnaire was sent to 15 children's recreation workers.

The results show that 22 infant clubs have been set up in 12 children's halls in Okayama City. The following guidelines are suggested : 1) The number of infant clubs should be increased and the function of child care support should be strengthened, 2) Co-operation, adjustment and planning are necessary in planning the activities for child care support.

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