

*cc: S. Kreffer*

September 6, 1979

Dr. Jack Weinberg  
Chairman, A.P.A. Nominating Committee  
c/o American Psychiatric Association  
1700 Eighteenth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear Dr. Weinberg:

I would like to endorse the nomination of Stanley F. Yolles, M.D. as candidate for the position of Treasurer of the American Psychiatric Association.

Stanley Yolles is known both nationally and internationally for his contributions to the prevention of and treatment for the mentally ill. As Director of the National Institute of Mental Health, he provided the leadership which made the Clinical Center one of the world's finest research and training sites; and in his eight years at Stony Brook, he has stimulated the development of a leading Department, research institute, and training center. In all these years, he has been an active supporter of the A.P.A.

Dr. Yolles is currently Professor and Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science in the School of Medicine of the State University of New York at Stony Brook. He has held this post since April 1971 when he opened a new medical school and developed its programs in psychiatry. Since 1975 he has also been the Director of the Long Island Research Institute, a research arm of the N.Y. State Office of Mental Health, which is located on the Stony Brook campus. Prior to assuming the Chair at Stony Brook, he completed a career in the United States Public Health Service beginning with an internship at one of its hospitals on Staten Island and culminating in his appointment as Director of the N.I.M.H. in 1964. He retired from the Service with the rank of Assistant Surgeon General (Rear Admiral) in 1971. Under his stewardship, the N.I.M.H. achieved Bureau status in the P.H.S. with resources reflected in a budget that was slightly over 500 million dollars when he left.

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I have known Stan Yolles since 1962, when I first worked with him at N.I.M.H. He is an outstanding administrator and a dedicated and tireless worker. He has been a member of the A.P.A. since 1953 and active in A.P.A. budgetary affairs since 1970. This background in administration and finance qualifies him uniquely among the A.P.A. membership for the position of Treasurer. A copy of his Curriculum Vitae is attached.

I am pleased to endorse his nomination and commend him to the Nominating Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.  
Professor of Psychiatry

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Encl.