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MADNESS IN SOCIETY: Chapters in the Historical Sociology of Mental Illness—George Rosen—Univ. of Chicago Press, 1968, 337 p., \$5.95. The central focus in these studies is the place of the mentally ill in societies at different historical periods and the determining factors (social, psychological, cultural).

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