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PSYCHOLOGY**

**NEWSLETTER**

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

This issue of the *Newsletter* includes some very good news, indeed. After months of uncertainty as to the future of the *Journal of Individual Psychology*, we are at last able to announce that Dr. Raymond Corsini has accepted an appointment to the position of Editor.

A report, elsewhere in this issue, will introduce you to Dr. Corsini, if you don't already know him. The report reviews his many accomplishments, the wide range of his interests, and the variety of scholarly contributions he has already made. When you have read it, you will appreciate how fortunate ASAP is to have the services of so able a member dedicated to carrying on the work of editing this most important of our publications.

That observation probably fits into a tradition of sorts concerning the *Journal*. ASAP has always been rich in terms of the services which some of its most able members have been willing to dedicate to our *Journal*.

Its very existence can be said to have originated out of the enthusiasm and determination of Rudolf Dreikurs, who was unwilling to see the serious and scholarly study of Individual Psychology come to an end with the death of Adler and the simultaneous "demise" of the old *International Journal of Individual Psychology*.

His successor, and until now the only other Editor during the life of the *Journal*, was Dr. Heinz L. Ansbacher. During the time of his term as Editor, the *Journal* has enjoyed the kind of development and growth which can only come out of dedication matched by rare ability. Together with his Associate Editor (and friend), Dr. Rowena Ansbacher, the retiring Editor of the *Journal* gave just this kind of dedicated and able work to an enterprise which must have required a stubborn faith in the future to sustain them through many a time of discouragement. Circulation was never very large, finances were always very limited, opposition to editorial policy was chronic. In spite of these difficulties, or because of the dauntless spirits of those who overcame these difficulties, the *Journal* has survived. More than that, it has thrived. It is generally respected, more and more widely read and noted by researchers, and it has succeeded over the years in providing the only scholarly record of the development of Individual Psychology available anywhere in the world.

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CONDENSED MINUTES  
ASAP ACTING DELEGATE ASSEMBLY  
SHOREHAM-AMERICANA HOTEL - WASHINGTON, D.C.  
November 2, 1973

[Note: Included in these "Condensed Minutes" are decisions thought to be of general interest to the Society's membership. The complete minutes may be obtained by writing to the Central Office, 110 S. Dearborn, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60603.]

Present were: Powers, Adler, Allen, Doty, Gold, Green, Mozdierz, O'Connell, Peven, Sonstegard, Walton, Willhite, and McClory (Executive Secretary). By proxy: Grunwald and Welti.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 2:20 p.m. Willhite was appointed as Parliamentarian. The minutes of the May, 1973 meeting prepared by Secretary Doty were accepted as circulated.

The Treasurer's report submitted by Treasurer Walton indicated a current balance of \$6,853.70.

[Most of the following items of business centered around recommendations made to the Acting Delegate Assembly by the Executive Committee, which met in Chicago on Sept. 21-22.]

**JOURNAL OF INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGY** - Powers reviewed the steps involved in the editorial transition of the *JIP*. Ray Corsini, nominated by Heinz Ansbacher to be editor of the *JIP*, was unanimously accepted by the Acting Delegate Assembly. Powers read a letter from Corsini which outlined some of his ideas re an editorial staff for the *JIP*, and requested that his letter be sent to all those on the masthead of the *Journal*, as well as to Allen, Ferguson and Manaster.

**ROTH DONATION** - A donation of \$500 to ASAP by Sydney Roth will be used for the purchase of two Dreikurs demonstration films and these will be made available to interested parties for a very nominal fee.

**ELECTION COMMITTEE** - Walton was appointed as the chairman of an Election Committee. Members are Doty, Green, Peven, Allen and Willhite.

**BUDGET** - The Executive Committee was empowered to draw up a budget.

**ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES** - In compliance with Article VII, para. 3, of the By-laws, the following committees were established:

Affiliations - Chairman: Gold, who will submit a report to the May meeting on the meaning and value of affiliate societies in ASAP.

Constitution - Chairman: O'Connell, who will review, with his committee, proposals for changes in the By-laws.

Editorial - Chairman: Allen.

The Chairpersons of the Liaison and Research Committees will soon be appointed.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** - will meet in Chicago in January.

**DIRECTORY** - A directory listing ASAP members will be completed and available early in 1974.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

### MEET THE NEW EDITOR

Raymond J. Corsini, Ph.D., newly appointed Editor of the *Journal of Individual Society*, is not new to the business of disseminating information on the theory and practice of Adlerian Psychology to the public and the professional world. His most recent contribution is as Editor of the excellent volume called *Current Psychotherapies*, just published by Peacock (Itasca, Illinois), which includes Mosak and Dreikurs' meaty chapter on Adlerian Psychotherapy as one of the "dozen most important schools of thought." In addition to being Co-Editor of *Critical Incidents in Psychotherapy*, *Critical Incidents in Teaching*, and *Adlerian Family Counseling*, Corsini is author of *Methods of Group Psychotherapy*, *Roleplaying in Business and Industry*, *Roleplaying in Psychotherapy*, and more than 100 scientific papers and psychological tests.

Ray Corsini is a Clinical Psychologist with wide-ranging interests and experience. He specializes in group psychotherapy and psychodrama; is an authority on alcoholism and prevention and correction of juvenile delinquency; and lectures on family counseling, educational systems, and other topics in the area of human relationships. He has been prison psychologist in New York State, Chief Psychologist at San Quentin Prison, Supervising Psychologist at Wisconsin Department of Correction, and Consultant to the Alcoholism Clinic in Hawaii. He has served as an industrial psychologist at the Industrial Relations Center, University of Chicago, and as a college professor at Illinois Institute of Technology, University of California, and currently at the University of Hawaii. He can be contacted at 140 Niuiki Circle, Honolulu, Hawaii.

### AN EXPERIENCE IN DEMOCRATIC LIVING

The Rudolf Dreikurs Summer Institute for 1974 (July 28 to August 11) will be held in the Leeuwenhorst Congress Center near the North Sea Coast, 35 kms. from Amsterdam, 25 kms. from the Hague and 45 kms. from Rotterdam. Faculty will include leading Adlerians from Denmark, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Greece, Israel, United States and Canada. Participants will all live together in the Center, which provides an experience in democratic living, Social Interest and Social Equality in action. The Center includes a wide range of meeting rooms, as well as indoor and outdoor recreational facilities. A variety of offerings will provide choices not only for beginners but for the most advanced students in the Theory and Practice of Adlerian Psychology. An opportunity to experience individual or group therapy will be made available for an additional fee. Group travel arrangements will be made possible from the United States and from western Canada. Room and board is estimated at a reasonable figure of less than \$15 per day. Registration fee will be as follows: full-time students, \$75; full-time students currently registering and paying tuition in a college or university, \$25; all others, \$150. A reservation may be held by sending \$25 to Edna Nash, Secretary-Treasurer, ICASSI, 302 - 2020 Bellevue Avenue, West Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

### PROGRAM REMINDER

If you have not yet sent in your ideas for papers, demonstrations, and other programs to be presented at the ASAP Convention in Chicago on May 24-26, 1974, please get them off now to: Dr. Gerald Mozdzierz, Mental Hygiene Clinic, V.A. Hospital, Hines, Illinois 60141. Those selected for inclusion in the Convention Program will be notified.

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## LIBRARY OF CONGRESS GIVEN ALFRED ADLER PAPERS

A first portion of the manuscripts of Alfred Adler (1870-1937) has been donated to the Library of Congress by Adler's son, Dr. Kurt Adler of New York City. L. Quincy Mumford, the Librarian of Congress, received the manuscripts from Dr. Adler during a ceremony in the library's Whittall Pavilion on Nov. 2.

Below are quoted the remarks of Mr. Mumford at the reception in honor of Dr. Kurt A. Adler:

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our guests of honor, Dr. and Mrs. Kurt Adler of New York City. Dr. Adler is the son of one of the founders of modern psychiatry, Dr. Alfred Adler. We regret that Dr. Kurt Adler's sister, Dr. Alexandra Adler, was not able to be with us for this occasion.



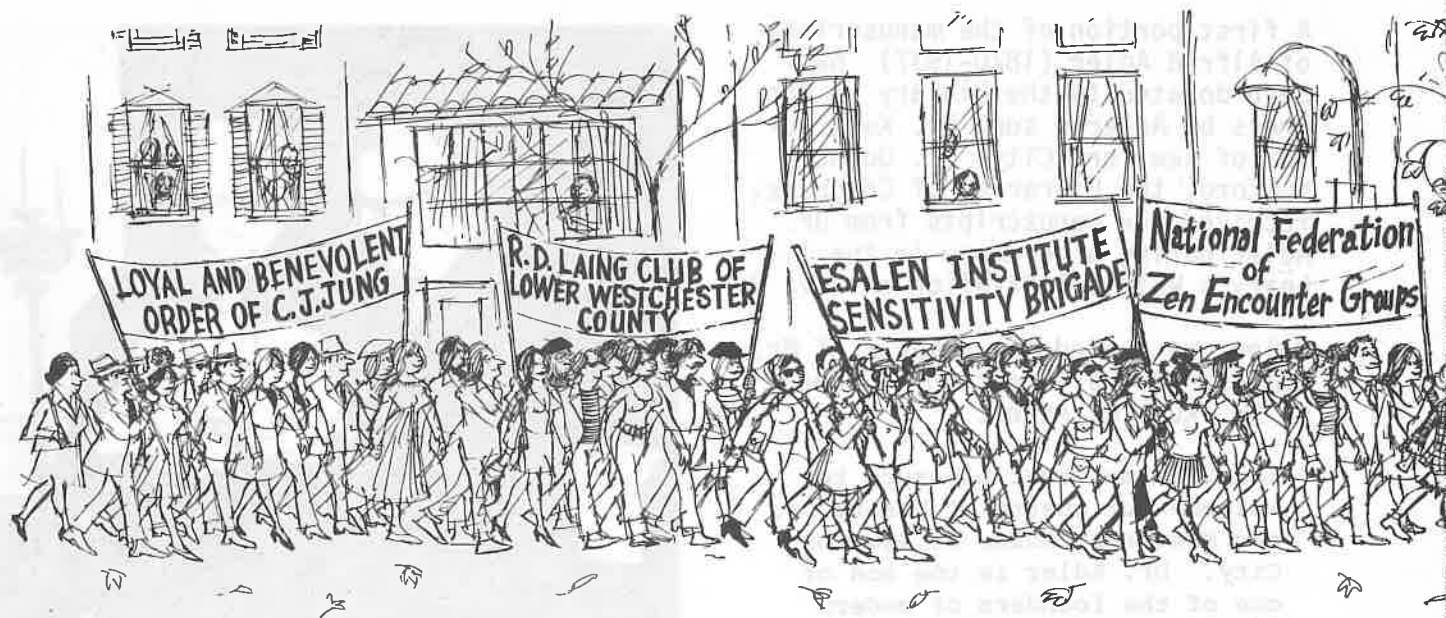
*The Librarian receives the papers of Alfred Adler from his son, Dr. Kurt Adler.*

Not only are we pleased that the Adlers could visit the Library during their stay in Washington, but I must say that this is an important day for the Library for another reason. The Adlers have brought with them the first portion of Alfred Adler's manuscripts, to be donated to the Library of Congress. Of the three greatest names in modern psychiatry, Freud, Adler and Jung, Alfred Adler was the one who had the most significant connection with the United States of America. He first visited this country in 1926, and became a permanent resident in 1934. His ideas have gained much ground since that time, and "Individual Psychology" is now one of the most influential forces in American psychiatry. So I think it is very appropriate that Dr. Adler's papers should be preserved at the national library.

The manuscripts presented by Kurt Adler include a number of Alfred Adler's professional studies; a selection of letters by him (1891-1937); notes in his hand; official documents containing biographical data; and miscellaneous materials including photographs. The remaining papers, including correspondence and the manuscripts of his publications, will come to the Library at a later time as a gift of the Adler heirs.

The Adler papers greatly strengthen the Library's sources in the field of behavioral sciences, according to a report in the Library of Congress Information Bulletin.

Among the guests at the reception for Dr. and Mrs. Adler were Mr. and Mrs. Leon Taub, friends of the Adlers; Robert Powers, President of ASAP; Leo Gold, ASAP Vice President; Joseph and Lillie Ehrlich; Ronald Wilkinson, Janet Turner, and many other members of the Library of Congress Staff. Dr. Ronald Wilkinson, who served a key role in working out arrangements with the Adlers and the Manuscripts Division, was also responsible for making arrangements for the lovely reception. Janet Turner of the Science and Technology Division, who is also a member of ASAP, initially suggested that the Library of Congress acquire the Alfred Adler papers as well as the Rudolf Dreikurs' papers, and played an active role in negotiations with the Adler family.



#### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont. from p. 1)

A grateful Society salutes the Ansbachers for what they are now passing on. At the same time we salute Ray Corsini for taking on the task of carrying it forward, not only for our sake in ASAP, but for the sake of the work of helping humankind toward a better self-understanding.

Other good news in this issue includes a report on the opening of a collection of "Adler Papers" at the Library of Congress. The importance of this event, which was marked by a charming ceremony and gracious reception, is of literally immeasurable proportions. The access to these manuscripts by scholars of all kinds which this great Library is able to insure promises an ever greater influence to Adler's original contributions.

There is much more of importance in this issue: The names and addresses of your Delegates, the minutes of their semi-annual meeting, another call for participation in the forthcoming Annual Meeting, and more. Please respond.

Things are moving. Adlerians are not as well known as some other enthusiasts (see the *New Yorker* cartoon), but perhaps that is just as well. In any case, as I remarked at the beginning of this letter, there is some good news, and we are growing in ways that entitle us to be happy.

Happy Holidays!

Cordially,

Robert L. Powers  
President





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### EINE BESONDERE GRUNDSCHULE

From Berlin, via Manfred Sonstegard, a small note printed in German arrived on your Editor's desk. When translated, it proved to be an invitation to attend the Oct. 6 naming ceremony to celebrate the opening of a new elementary school to be called the *Alfred-Adler-Grundschule*!

### 1974 POST-CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

On Monday and Tuesday, May 27-28, 1974, immediately following the ASAP Annual Meeting in Chicago, the ASAP Workshops will be presented, offering a wide variety of topics and instructors. In arranging these workshops, ASAP needs the help of every *Newsletter* reader.

1. What are the workshop topics which would be of most interest to you?
2. Do you wish to be a workshop instructor? What subject? Why? Please indicate your areas of special competence and include a description of what you wish to offer.

*Note:* Applicants will be notified if proposals are accepted.

Deadline: Jan. 15, 1974.

Please mail your response to questions 1 and/or 2 to: Ms. Dorothy Peven, 2913 N. Commonwealth, Suite 617, Chicago, IL 60657.

NEWSNOTES:

## REGION 1--FAR WEST

*Berkeley, California.* WIRTH reminds readers of their coming summer seminars in Contemporary Individual Psychology and Psychotherapy on the beautiful Mediterranean. There will be 10-hour Marathons on the first and last days of each Seminar (July, Aug.). Because of the ideal swimming conditions, nearby mountains, historical interest, and general beauty of the area, camping, hotel, and vacation apartment reservations have to be made as early as possible. For combining a challenging learning experience with a European vacation, write to Western Institute for Research and Training in Humanics, 226 Stanford Avenue, Berkeley, Cal. 94708.

*Huntington Beach, California.* The Family Study Group of Orange County sponsored a Dec. 8 3-hour "Workshop for Family Living," led by Tony Bober and Sue Brokoff.

*Los Angeles, California.* The California Adlerian Society sponsored a Rudolf Dreikurs Memorial Workshop on Dec. 1 demonstrating and discussing therapeutic and educational concepts and techniques pioneered by Rudolf Dreikurs. Loren Gray chaired the program and spoke on "The Family Constellation as a Source of Personality Development." Other speakers included Marvin Chernoff on "The Therapy Interview: Rogerian and Adlerian Approaches Contrasted"; Bernard C. Gindes on "The Adlerian Contribution to Hypnotherapy"; and John M. Platt on "Strategies for Encouraging Children in School." Elaine Chernoff and Phyllis Loeb presented a recital in memory of Rudolf Dreikurs.

## REGION 2--MIDWEST

*Chicago, Illinois.* The Alfred Adler Institute of Chicago is offering the following courses in its Winter Quarter:

- Jan. 2--Marriage Counseling, Robert L. Powers
- Jan. 4--Child Counseling I, Howard J. Klapman
- Jan. 7--Introduction to Individual Psychology II, Harold Mosak and Staff
- Jan. 7--Clinical Assessment I, Harold Mosak and Bernard Shulman
- Jan. 7--Practicum in Group Psychotherapy, Robert Cross
- Jan. 7--Continuing Case Seminar, Robert L. Powers
- Jan. 8--Family Counseling II, Bernice Grunwald
- (Date and time to be arranged)--Small Group Supervision: A Practicum, Bernard H. Shulman

All-day Winter Workshops include:

- Jan. 12--Understanding Children's Misbehavior, Bernice Grunwald
- Jan. 13--Living and Loving: The Psychology of Normal Development, Robert L. Powers

The Rudolf Dreikurs Psychological Services Center has been established under the auspices of the Institute to provide low-cost therapy and counseling to children and adults, individuals and groups. (For information: Alfred Adler Institute, 110 S. Dearborn, Suite 1400, Chicago, Ill. 60603, 312/346-3458).



NEWSNOTES--REGION 2, Chicago, Ill. (cont.)

Sadie "Tee" Dreikurs is much in demand around the country for her Art Therapy Workshops. She gave a one-day workshop in Washington, D.C. in September, sponsored by IPA of Greater Washington; spent four days in Vancouver in October, sponsored jointly by the Vancouver Society of Adlerian Psychology and the University of British Columbia; four days in November in Charleston, West Virginia, sponsored jointly by the College of Advanced Studies and the Care group, where she made an hour videotape for teaching purposes; and paid a two-day follow-up visit to Washington, D.C. in early December.

David Eiler of Naperville, Illinois, a Candidate in Psychotherapy at the Chicago Institute, made a presentation this Fall to wives of Park District Executives in Illinois on "Marriage: From Survival to Significance!" Eiler is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Chicago, where he is preparing a dissertation proposal on Adler's psychology as a response to the social and intellectual revolution in western civilization in the early 1900's. The proposal tentatively is entitled "From Survival to Significance: The Meaning of Struggle in Alfred Adler's Thought."

Park Forest, Illinois. Ralph Enrick, Park Forest Clinical Psychologist and School Psychologist, spoke recently at Michigan State University's celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the establishment of their Psychological Clinic and Training Program. Enrick gave a paper entitled "Parent Education as a Role of the Clinical Psychologist," in which he argued in favor of teaching child rearing systematically to parents by means of the Adler-Dreikurs approach.

Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Individual Psychology Association of Indiana (Room 1912, Fort Wayne National Bank Building, 110 W. Berry St., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46802) is sponsoring three Saturday workshops as in-service training for professionals:

Dec. 22--Bernard Shulman

Feb. 16--Harold Mosak

March 9--Bernard Shulman

The workshops will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If interested, contact Ronald J. Pancner, phone 219/422-9622, or write him at the address above.

South Bend, Indiana. Philip Rabinowitz spoke at the Growth Center in Niles, Michigan, on Oct. 22 and the Mental Health Center of St. Joseph County in South Bend on Nov. 2 on "Adlerian Concepts of Psychotherapy."

Minneapolis, Minnesota. Bill and Mim Pew have been given the first Distinguished Service to the Family Award by the Minnesota Council on Family Relations for the year 1973. The Pews have been appointed Counseling Psychologists to the Veterans Administration Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Bill Pew has been named Psychiatric Consultant for Bar-None Ranch; a psychiatric residential treatment center for emotionally disturbed boys between the ages of seven and twelve.

W. L. Pew will be teaching a class entitled Adlerian Psychology at the University of Minnesota beginning Jan. 8.

*St. Louis, Missouri.* Bernard H. Shulman will be the instructor for Course 103, Living and Loving: The Psychology of Normal Development, to be offered April 27-28 and May 18-19 by the Midwest Society of Individual Psychology (P.O. Box 1205, Maryland Heights, St. Louis County, Mo. 63074.)

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## REGION 3--SOUTH

*Tulsa, Oklahoma.* The University of Tulsa is offering two courses based upon Adlerian psychology and taught by Joe Tidrow. Enabling Processes is a course offered during the Interim Term which runs from Jan. 7 to Feb. 1. A graduate course entitled Seminar: Psychology in the Classroom is offered regularly during the Spring and Summer Terms. The Spring Term begins Feb. 4 and the Summer Term begins the first part of June.

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*Houston, Texas.* Guy Manaster, on leave from the University of Texas this year, reports from England that he will be giving a public lecture for the Adlerian Society of Great Britain on Feb. 5 on "Researchable Statements of Alfred Adler: An Approach to Validation of the Theory." (Write to Guy at Department of Sociology, Govt. and Administration, University of Salford, Salford, M54WT, England.)

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## REGION 4--MIDDLE-ATLANTIC

*Wilmington, Delaware.* Area residents should watch for the Family Education Center of Delaware's show on TV, Channel 5, 8:00-8:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of each month. Eleanor Bowling has been representing the group on the show; others interested in participating are asked to call Randy Hatch, 368-9379.

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*Washington, D. C.* Nicholas S. Ionedes spoke to graduate ministers at American University on Nov. 16 and to physicians in Arlington, Virginia, on Dec. 10 on the topic of Adlerian Psychology.

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*Dayton, Ohio.* On Jan. 26-27 Leo Gold will teach the second half of a course on the Psychodynamics of Psychopathology. (Contact the Alfred Adler Institute of Dayton, 133 Wyoming St., Dayton, Ohio 45409, phone 513/224-7885.)

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## REGION 5--NORTHEAST

*Toronto, Ontario.* Stanley Shapiro spoke at the Education of Young Children Association Dec. 5 on "Teaching and Surviving," and on "Social Interest: A Realistic Approach to Life" at a Dec. 7 program sponsored by the Toronto Association of Individual Psychology.

NEWSNOTES--REGION 5. Toronto, Ont. (cont.)

On Jan. 12-13, Kurt Adler will teach Introduction to Individual Psychology I at AAI of Ontario (252 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ont. Canada).

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East Orange, New Jersey. Joseph and Lilly Ehrlich are the new editors of the New Jersey Society of Adlerian Psychology newsletter, and have solicited the help of Danica Deutsch in revising the format to one similar to that of the Newsletter she edited for Alfred Adler in Vienna from 1932-1934.

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New York, New York. The Alfred Adler Institute of New York is offering the following classes for the Winter term:

- Jan. 3--Group Psychotherapy in Different Settings, Gerd Fenchel
- Jan. 17--Life Style Diagnosis, Leo Gold
- Jan. 17--Intake Interview, Evelyn Marks and Marven O. Nelson
- Jan. 22--Child Guidance and Psychotherapy, Alexandra Adler
- Jan. 23--Dynamics of Marriage and Family, Ruth Ronall
- Jan. 24--Techniques of Marriage and Family Counseling; Sexual Behavior in Marriage, Ruth Larson
- Feb. 5--Diagnostic and Prognostic Considerations, Helene Papanek
- Feb. 14--Fundamentals of Psychopathology, Alexandra Adler
- Feb. 14--Counseling, Bernard Branson
- Feb. 19--Adlerian Philosophy: Development and Present Status, Andrew Lavender
- Feb. 28--Seminar in Current Issues in Psychotherapy, Robert Ellenbogen

The classes have varying numbers of sessions; for further information, write to A. Ina Block, Director of Admission, AAI, 333 Central Park West, New York, N.Y. 10025.

Kurt A. Adler has been named Dean of the Alfred Adler Institute of New York.

The Alfred Adler Mental Hygiene Clinic (333 Central Park West, N.Y. 10025) announced Danica Deutsch's appointment as Executive Director Emeritus as of July, 1973. Succeeding her as Executive Director is Marven O. Nelson, and assisting Nelson is Salvatore DiPaola, who has been appointed Assistant Director of the Clinic.

The Clinic has begun a Rehabilitation Program to assist in the social and vocational rehabilitation of former hospital patients and others with severe emotional problems. In addition to psychiatric evaluation and psychotherapy, music and dance therapy, group discussions, art therapy, and opportunities for relaxed social participation will be made available.

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HELP US HELP TEENS

The Rudolf Dreikurs Unit of the Family Education Association, Chicago, Illinois, is in need of a study guide or reading list to use in teen-age study groups run by lay people. Kaye Burton (9238 Greenwood Avenue, DesPlaines, Ill. 60016, phone 312/299-1374) would appreciate any information relating to the above.

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LETTERS

## IN SUPPORT OF JO-ANNE HAHN'S PROTEST

New York, Nov. 27

It was like a breath of fresh air to read Jo-Anne Hahn's words (Letters, Nov.). At the same time, it signaled how much such an admonition is *needed* in an organization like ours. We constantly stress (verbally!) what Adler called "social interest" or "solidarity." But we sometimes forget to put it to work within the organization and toward *all* its members. Hahn's several examples (FEA housewife; fixed-income persons, etc.) are to me convincing, even more so within an on-going and ever-increasing inflation.

An answer to this problem? There might be a basic *minimum* membership fee of \$10-15, with some kind of additional "tithing" for the more more affluent, as has been practised successfully for 10 years by the Council for a Livable World with its many thousands of supporters.

In any case, a solution for this vital, innermost Adlerian problem must be prepared by the Executive Committee long *before* the Interim Delegate Assembly meeting in Chicago in May, if ASAP is to grow *with inner health*, in the spirit of Dreikurs' *Social Equality*.

J. MEIERS (member since 1952)

## NOTE FROM TAIPEI

Taipei American School  
Shih Lin, Taipei Taiwan  
Republic of China

Nov. 7

中華民國台灣台北士林  
台北美國學校  
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We are currently involved in special education; I have contributed to the setting up of a special education program which includes twice-monthly parent meetings. This is exclusively for the parents of the children in special education. Last year I ran a pilot project of monthly guidance/counseling sessions for parents. I was able to sustain it for the entire school year. We have 50 children in 6 classes. Our highest turnout for the parent meetings has been about 60%. Our lowest was about 40%.

I have succeeded in convincing my teacher colleagues that the home situation and the experiences of the child are vitally important in the genesis of most "learning disabilities" and behavior problems.

In a little over a month I will have earned another masters degree. This one will be a master of science in education from the University of Southern California.

MICHAEL C. BERTHOLD  
Psychologist

[Bernice Grunwald, recipient of Berthold's letter, shared with us the contents cited above.]

## APPEAL TO WESTERN PSYCHIATRISTS

[From a recent issue of *Hadassah Magazine*, we reprint the following letter, which, according to Gerald Serotta (Editor, *Jewish Student Press Service*), comes from Vladimir Bukovsky, a prisoner serving a 12-year sentence in a Soviet labor camp:]

In recent years in our country, a number of court orders have been issued involving the incarceration in psychiatric hospitals of people who, in the opinion of their relatives and close friends, are mentally healthy. These people are: Grigorenko, Rips, Gorbanevskaya, Novodvorskaya, Yakhimovich, Gershuni, Fainberg, Victor Kunznetsov, Iofe, V. Borisov and others--all people well known for their defense of civil rights in the USSR.

I would appreciate it if you could interest your colleagues in this matter and, if you consider it possible, place it on the agenda of the next International Congress of Psychiatrists. I believe that you will not remain indifferent to this problem and will devote a portion of your time to it--in the same spirit as the physicists who combat the use of the achievements of their science in ways harmful to mankind.

VLADIMIR BUKOVSKY

## CENTENNIAL VOLUME ARRIVES

Recommended Reading:

*ALFRED ADLER: HIS INFLUENCE ON PSYCHOLOGY TODAY.* Harold H. Mosak, Editor. Published by Noyes Press, Park Ridge, N.J., 1973. Cloth cover; \$12.50 [Available through AAI of Chicago, 110 S. Dearborn, Suite 1400, Chicago, Ill. 60603.]

The exciting collection of articles written in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Adler's birth, edited by Harold H. Mosak and published by Noyes Press, is now off the presses and available to the public. In addition to a memorial tribute to Alfred Adler written by the Beechers, 30 authors have had a share in making this volume the interesting and diverse collection that it is. The articles are wide-ranging, covering six major headings: Theory, Neurosis, Therapy, Individual Psychology and Education, Individual Psychology and Social Issues, and Individual Psychology and the Humanities.

We quote from the preface by Harold Mosak:

The commemoration of the centennial of Alfred Adler's birth has recently ended. The celebrations have been held, the eulogies spoken, and the papers written. The psychological world, Adlerian and non-Adlerian as well, recalled Adler's contributions to psychological thought and practice. While it is difficult, and to the Adlerian superfluous, to establish primacy, it was recalled that Adler constructed a theory that was holistic, social, teleological, and phenomenological. He perceived man as an actor rather than a victim of drives, instincts, heredity or environment. Man was a "becoming" individual who strived to give meaning both to himself and to life. To understand man in this framework Adler introduced the concept of life style, the study of family constellation (which some psychologists erroneously equate with birth order and ordinal position), and the interpretation of early recollections, the "grand-daddy" of projective techniques.

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*Alfred Adler: His Influence on Psychology Today* (cont. from p. 13)

Others recalled Adler's contributions to psychological practice. His establishment of community outreach programs (1898) and his introduction of family therapy (1922) may be cited as two major contributions. A field theorist, Adler felt that man could not be understood except as a social being. Consequently, throughout his career he addressed himself to problems of man in relationship to the life tasks. The catholicity of his interests encouraged him to write on such topics as war, religion, education, social relations, and group psychology.

Life was problem solving, a movement toward goals which each individual set in accordance with his apperceptive framework and which he felt would give him a place in the world. The highest ideal was social interest, a multi-dimensional construct which acknowledged that because we live in a social world, we are *responsible* for our fellowman. Man must not merely adjust to society; he is obligated to change it in the interest of the common weal.

Since Adler's death in 1937, those who identify with his philosophy have continued the tradition which he and his followers had begun to develop in Vienna. Accretions to and modifications of theory were elaborated. In practice, various Adlerians introduced group therapy into private practice, developed multiple psychotherapy, established family education centers, and conducted parent study groups.

The American Society of Adlerian Psychology authorized the publication of the present volume. The included papers provide an overview of the current interests of the Adlerian practitioner. Contributions reflect concern with personality theory, psychotherapy, the social sciences, the humanities, and applications.

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