

Clergy Takes Interest In Subconscious

By WARD CANNEL
NEW YORK (NEA) — In the darkened classroom, hot from the slide projector lamp and thick with the terminology of Freud, you could see the handwriting on the wall sharp and clear:
The young man under discussion, present only in case-history notes and personality test results, was racing toward suicide.
And the people in this class, learning how to save him with the tools of psychiatry—Protestant and Jewish clergymen in a three-year intensive internship under psychiatrists, psychologists, sociologists, and men of the cloth who have already been trained here.
After a quarter-century of effort, the rift between pulpit and psychiatric couch is finally healing.
This is the American Foundation of Religion and Psychiatry, founded in 1937 by Dr. Smiley Blanton, psychiatrist who studied under Sigmund Freud, and Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, minister of the Marble Collegiate Church.
And since 1955, when the psychiatric internship program was started, 49 carefully screened

graduates, representing many denominations, have gone out across the nation to bring psychiatry to both pulpit and parish house.
Meanwhile, near Boston, Mass., Roman Catholics are constructing the multi-million-dollar Marsalin Institute, a psychiatric treatment and instruction center. One object is to clarify for Catholic psychiatrists the relationship between theology and psychiatry—as seen by the church.
On second look, however, there is very little revolution in this alliance.
Churchmen have long known that of the people searching for emotional help, well over 40 per cent turn to their clergyman first. If he can't help them, many refuse psychiatric help "for fear of losing religion."
"But if the counsellor who can deal with their problems is a minister," says Foundation Executive Director Arthur Tingle, "the fear is considerably lessened—even if he does not treat but merely refers them to a doctor."
To the casual observer sitting in on a case history seminar, it is almost impossible to tell whether the words come from cloth or



DR. TINGUE: "How do you drink tea the next day with someone who has probed your innermost problems?"

couch, so strangely allied are the viewpoints.
"This man," says clinical psychologist Pava Goodman of the suicide-prone case, "has come for treatment because he is unconsciously striving to be better, to be healthy."
"This man," says Tingle, a Methodist minister, "is suffering from lack of identification."
"This man," says psychiatrist Dr. Fred U. Tate, in charge of clinical service, "has lost his way."
"Given this man's background," says Evangelical and Reformed minister Frederick Kuetner, "he could not have been any different."
The Foundation's 16 interns, who see these cases and discuss them in seminar with the faculty, have had at least two years of parish work behind them in addition to their college and seminary degrees. Most have also done service in marriage counseling, prison chapels, or other agencies calling for psychological acumen.

In the course of their internship, they read the classical psycho-analytical literature, study the psychiatric healing process, work with groups in psychotherapy, interview patients who come to the Foundation for help, and eventually handle casework themselves.
"Their helpfulness and enthusiasm," says Tingle, "is wonderful in itself. It has carried many patients some distance on the road to recovery—cases that more experienced therapists might have thought hopeless."
Not all of the interns are graduated with flying colors. Some are dropped before the three years are out. And once the Foundation flunked itself—dissatisfied with the job it had done, it repeated a year's work for one class.
Foundation graduates seldom take pulpits. Frequently they set up religio-psychiatric clinics to serve several parishes, helping the troubled and training clergymen to use psychiatric tools.
For the clergyman who has a pulpit, the Foundation offers a host of other programs—from a one-week intensive orientation in the uses of psychiatry to courses in child guidance and marriage counseling—but no deep psycho-analysis activity.
"It works out much better that way," says associate director Stephen Pritchard, a Presbyterian minister.
"A man who has discussed his deepest problems and most troubled feelings today does not want to meet the same minister at tea tomorrow, nor hear him on Sunday moralizing about the Fourth Commandment."

Oregon Methodists Set Record Rate Of Growth

A report issued recently by the Oregon Annual Conference of the Methodist Church states that the conference has experienced a greater rate of growth since 1950 than in any like period in its history.
The number of active members in 1950 was 34,573, and in 1962 the number had risen to 54,674, a gain of 20,301 or 68 per cent. The gain in Oregon population for this same period was about 20 per cent.
The Oregon Conference has also gained in the financial department, according to the figures released. In 1962 the total amount donated to the church was \$3,419,741, against \$1,502,817 in 1950. This represents a gain of 229 per cent. Per capita giving in 1950 was \$43.62. The figure last year had jumped to \$62.37 per person.
During this period, 13 new con-

gregations were formed which now have a membership of about 4,300 and property valued at \$1,230,800. Also, over one-half of the churches in the conference have had major building programs: complete new church, new sanctuary, new educational plant, new parsonage, or all of these to handle the growth in congregations. Many of the other churches have made substantial improvements in their property.
The report continues to show the indebtedness and property values of conference churches for the 12-year period. The property values in 1950 were \$7,043,347, with indebtedness at \$225,544. In 1962, the property values totaled \$19,294,013, and indebtedness was \$2,946,971.
Since 1950, the Oregon Methodist Conference has built or is now constructing new buildings at Wesley Foundations on Oregon University, Southern Oregon College, and Oregon College of Education. New parsonages were secured at Ashland, Eugene, and Corvallis. At Willamette University, Belknap Hall, a wing of the new men's housing, is being financed from the Methodist Expansion Fund.
Growth in other areas in this period include the camping program and camping facilities. Four camps, valued at \$285,000, are owned by the conference, and the Annual Program is self-supporting through the use of volunteer leaders. According to the report, 2,419 attend the regular camps and 6,563 attended other summer and year-round gatherings during the summer of 1962, for a total cost of approximately \$60,000.

Church Women Elect Officers

The Maranatha Missionary Fellowship of Bible Baptist Church will hold its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Fields Hall. All women of the church are invited to attend.
A feature of the program will be the installation of new officers. Elected to serve for one-year terms are Marie Day, president; Audree Scoggins, vice president; Mildred Mattes, recording secretary; Aletha Ewing, corresponding secretary; and Stella McClung, treasurer. Marge Evans was elected White Cross chairman.

American Bible Society Extends World Coverage

Forty more countries were added to those previously supplied annually with the Bible by the American Bible Society, according to information released by James T. Smith, Regional Secretary of the Western and Pacific Region.
This brings the total countries to 104 in which the society's supporting 26 denominations now distribute the Scriptures through Mission Stations, Bible Houses, and colporteurs. For this worldwide provision, a record budget was recently approved in the amount of \$5,382,000, two-fifths of which will be requested from individuals.

Rev. Dean Collins, regional executive secretary, indicated upon his return from the meeting of the Advisory Council that of the additional 40 countries, 23 are in Africa, six in Asia, and nine in the Caribbean area. Many "constituted largely of people who are emerging from tribalism and colonialism and are as yet uncommitted in the struggle for their allegiance," he said. Scriptures are now available in 1,200 different languages.
While added provision is made for the distribution of the Scriptures abroad, the Western and Pacific Regional office in Los Angeles is preparing itself for the largest demand for bookmarks ever made, Smith reports. Fourteen million bookmarks, in various language and blind reading systems, have already been distributed nationally.

Roberts Named Board Chairman

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI)—Ray A. Roberts, president of the Kansas City Star since 1947, was named chairman of the board in changes announced Tuesday.
Richard B. Fowler, 60, was chosen to serve in the dual role of president and editor.
Roberts, 75, said he would "get out from underfoot" of the new administration by vacationing in the Pacific with his wife. He said the changes "means definitely my major role in Star management... will be in advisory capacity." Fowler "will speak for the Star," Roberts said.

NAACP Elects Spingarn Again

NEW YORK (UPI)—Arthur B. Spingarn, a New York attorney and president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) for 23 years, has been re-elected to the post.
The action was taken by the NAACP board of directors at its monthly meeting here on Monday. Among other officers re-elected were:
Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., and Norman Cousins, vice presidents.

SA Reveals Christmas Drive Facts

The transformation of community support of the Salvation Army Christmas appeal into a more joyous holiday for the needy and underprivileged in the area was revealed Jan. 3 by Fran Hales, chairman of the appeal, and Captain Dale E. Johnson, commander of the Klamath Falls Corps, when they issued a report on the Christmas effort.
The report stated that the Salvation Army provided 87 families with food to plan their own Christmas festivities, and remembered 166 patients at Hillside Hospital, Klamath Valley Hospital, and Klamath County Nursing Home. In addition, 106 gifts and toys were provided for local children.
Captain Johnson said with this community support, the Salvation Army was enabled not only to bring the blessings of the season to the less fortunate, but to aid them at other times of the year as well. Both Mr. Hale and Captain Johnson, on behalf of their organization, extended gratitude to all Klamath Falls residents for their gifts.

Malin Mariners Complete Book For Publication

MALIN—A potluck supper and business meeting, including election of officers, were recently held by the Malin Mariners at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jacob.
Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Blom will serve as the new skippers of the Malin Presbyterian Church organization. Other officers elected were Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Wilson, first mates; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wills, pursers; and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jacob, logkeepers.
Business included a discussion on the publication of a book, which the group has compiled. Norman Jacob offered to contact a publisher. Plans for this year's program and a proposed cruise on Klamath Lake were also discussed.
Other members present were Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy and Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Brown. The next meeting, Jan. 30, will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, with Mr. and Mrs. Wills as co-hosts.

St. Barnabas Slates Benefit

LANGELL VALLEY—The Guild of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church will sponsor a benefit card party at the parish hall in Langell Valley on Saturday, Jan. 12, at 5 p.m. Bridge and pinocle will be played.
Hostess for the event will be Mrs. Lloyd Gift and Mrs. A. T. Monroe. Prizes will be awarded for the highest scores, and refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.



NATIVITY Pantomime — Last Sunday evenings' Feast of Lights celebration at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Alturas included a pantomime depicting the birth of Christ. Taking their roles very seriously are the young church school performers, Michael Brooks, as Joseph, and Rhonda Lindgren, as Mary.

Lighting Of Yule Greens Initiated By St. Michaels

ALTURAS—The Feast of Lights and lighting of the greens were celebrated by Sunday School and church members of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Alturas on Sunday evening, Jan. 6, to culminate the Christmas season.
The service, which dates back to the second century, is an annual tradition, but the burning of the greens used in decorating the sanctuary was innovated for the first time this year at St. Michael's. The ceremony was directed by the church school leader, Mrs. May Smith.
A short evening prayer service, conducted by Rev. Hugh Mercer, was followed by the church school program of music, scripture, and pantomime depicting the birth of Christ.
Beth Baird, Peggy Callahan and Phyllis Graham read the Biblical story of the Nativity, and Michael Brooks and Rhonda Lindgren played the roles of Mary and Joseph. The Wise Men were played by Richie Carlsen, Mike Griffith, and Frank Bishop; the innkeeper by Mark Eastin; and the shepherds by Charles Baird and Rex Eastin. Vicki Hughes was the angel and David Brooks, King Herod.
Frans Bishop concluded the pantomime with a solo, "Oh Holy Night." The children's Girls choir, under the direction of Betty Baird, accompanied the program. Acolytes for the evening were Dean Wilson and Paul Hicks.
At the conclusion of the program, the acolytes, led by Rev. Mercer, lit the candles of the congregation and all followed the children in a candlelight parade to the Christmas greens stacked near the church. The candles were then used to light and burn the greens, officially ending the evening and the Christmas season.

Skippers Take Helm

MALIN—Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Shell were elected skippers of the Ancient Mariners of Malin Presbyterian Church at a business meeting held New Year's Eve night.
Other officers elected to head the organization for 1963 were Mr. and Mrs. Laddie Rajnus, logkeepers and pursers; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bolin, first mates; Mr. and Mrs. George Smalley, chaplain; and Mr. and Mrs. William Hays, doctor and nurse.
The Mariners began their annual New Year's celebration with a potluck dinner in the church social room. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hill were hosts for the evening. The group attended special church services and later gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Shell for a social.
Also attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Street, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bunnell, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Loosley, and Rev. and Mrs. Ethel Whitman. Hosts for the next meeting will be Mr. and Mrs. William Hays.

In Our Churches

Major Faiths Convene To Study Religion's Role In Racial Issues

By LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International
Organized religion thus far has played a relatively minor role in the struggle for racial justice in America.
Religious leaders acknowledge this fact, and find it humiliating. Next week, in Chicago, they will try to make amends.
Representatives of 70 Protestant, Catholic and Jewish organizations will meet at the Edgewater Beach Hotel Jan. 14-17 for a "National Conference on Religion and Race."
This conference is significant for two reasons:
1. It is the most ambitious attempt yet to galvanize America's religious bodies into effective action on racial problems.
2. It is the first national meeting which has ever been called in

the United States under the joint sponsorship of all three major faiths.
Convenors of the conference are the National Council of Churches, the National Catholic Welfare Conference, and the Synagogue Council of America.
A distinguished Negro educator, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga., will serve as chairman.
It is anticipated that the 800 delegates will adopt a "statement of conscience" detailing the reasons why they regard the elimination of segregation as one of the supreme moral challenges facing Americans in this generation.
As a joint expression of conviction by Protestants, Catholics and Jews, such a statement may carry some weight. But the organizers of the conference realize that racial barriers cannot be battered down with moral arguments addressed to the general public.
The real business of the four-day meeting will be drafting a series of recommendations for action by religious organizations, including local churches and synagogues.
Mathew Ahmann, executive sec-

retary of the conference, said the recommendations will be specific and down-to-earth. They will spell out concrete things that Christians and Jews can do, together or separately, to combat racial discrimination in such areas as housing, employment, education and worship.
A "follow-up committee" has been organized to insure that the ideas generated at the national conference are widely disseminated to religious groups at the state and community level.
Rising Impatience
How much action they will stimulate remains to be seen. In the past, churches and synagogues by their own admission have been long on talk and short on performance in this controversial field.
But there is evidence of rising impatience among laymen as well as clergy with this inaction.
Across the nation, churches and synagogues have "social relations committees" which are looking for something to do besides listen to speeches. It is just possible that the National Conference on Religion and Race may provide them with the kind of blueprint they need to roll up their sleeves and get to work.

Officers Set

MALIN — The Malin Women's Association met at the Malin Presbyterian Church for a potluck dinner and work day on Thursday, Jan. 3.
The business meeting was conducted by the retiring president, Mrs. George Smalley, and officers for 1963 were installed. They are Mrs. Halbert Wilson, president; Mrs. Laddie Rajnus, vice president; Mrs. Gerry Brown, secretary; and Mrs. Les Unruh, treasurer.
Mrs. Wilson gave a brief outline of the new program, and a report on the removal of the damaged trees in the church yard was given by Mrs. J. Perry Haley.
A discussion was held on the installation of heat in three of the Sunday School rooms. Appointed to take charge of the project were Mrs. Gerry Brown and Mrs. Francis Street. In other business, it was voted to continue potluck dinners and work day programs on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held at the church on Jan. 17.

Corporation Meet Scheduled Sunday

MERRILL—Merrill First Presbyterian Church will hold its annual congregational and corporation meeting Sunday, Jan. 13, at the church. A potluck supper at 6 o'clock will be followed by the meeting at 7 p.m.

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