

NEWS, NOTES & COMMENT

More on Sir Cyril...

Additional reviews of L.S. Hearnshaw's *Cyril Burt, Psychologist*--by Lee J. Cronbach in *Science*, 1979, 206, 1392-1394, and by Howard E. Gruber in *The New York Times Book Review*, December 16, 1979, p. 3. Further comments on the Burt affair by William Stephenson will appear in "Kamin, Sir Cyril Burt and Hyperbole," *American Psychologist*, forthcoming.

...and Kleinian Psychoanalysis

Mention was made in the January issue of resurgent interest in the works of Melanie Klein (with whom Stephenson was earlier associated) and of the "British School" of psychoanalytic object relations more generally. Persons interested in pursuing this avenue in more detail will be interested in five papers by James S. Grotstein which are scheduled to appear under the series heading "The Significance of Kleinian Contributions to Psychoanalysis," *International Journal of Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy*, forthcoming.

Grotstein and Susanna Isaacs Elmhirst, both of whom are practicing analysts associated with the British School, are to participate in a roundtable discussion on "Political Implications of Ego Psychological and Object Relational Personality Theories" at the next meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (June 5-7, Boston); W. Gordon Lawrence (consultant, Tavistock Institute, London) will round out the British side. Representing theoretical developments in the United States will be psychoanalysts Vamik Volkan (University of Virginia) and Martin Wangh (Yeshiva University) and psychologist Paul Wachtel (City University of New York). More extensive program details can be gotten from Professor Margaret Hermann, ISPP Program Chairman, The Mershon Center, Ohio State University, 199 W. Tenth Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201 (614/422-1681 or 846-1573).

One of the few Q-methodological studies from the standpoint of the British School is by Dani Thomas

(see Q bibliography, this issue). Stephenson is revising his own book-length manuscript on *Q Methodology and Psychoanalysis*, which was originally written prior to *The Study of Behavior* but never published.

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In the July 1980 issue

William Stephenson, "Q Methodology and the Subjectivity of Literature," originally presented at the Buffalo Conference on Researching Response to Literature and the Teaching of Literature, State University of New York at Buffalo, October 27-29, 1977. (See *Operant Subjectivity*, April 1978, pp. 85-86.)

Steven Brown presented a series of invited lectures on Q methodology in relation to the study of politics and psychology, March 27-28, Wilmington College, Wilmington, OH. With Bruce McKeown, he is scheduled to direct a two-week workshop on "Experiences in Groups: Issues in Leadership and Authority," July 28-August 8, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA.

A Reminder

...that Stephenson is scheduled to deliver a series of lectures May 8-9, at Kent State University. His topics will include his relationship to Sir Cyril Burt, play theory, Newton's Fifth Rule, and Q methodology. Interested persons are invited to attend and may contact Steven Brown for lodging arrangements (216/672-2060).

Forthcoming

David W. Aronson, T. John Akamatsu and Horace A. Page (Kent State U), "Validation of an MMPI Q-sort Task," Midwestern Psychological Association, St. Louis, May 1980.

Gregory Casey (U Missouri-Columbia), "Understanding Single Issue Politics Through Q-Methodology," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 26, 1980.

Steven R. Brown (Kent State U), "Reasoning and Political Conviction," American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 1980.

Authors of forthcoming articles and conference papers in which Q methodology figures prominently are encouraged to forward bibliographic details to the editor.

*...error supports custom, custom countenances error;
and these two between them would persecute and chase
away all truth and solid wisdom out of human life.
(John Milton)*