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TO THE CHAIRMEN OF THE TRAINING COMMITTEES:

Some time ago I read a manuscript by Dr. Otto Fenichel entitled "Theoretical Implications of the Didactic Analysis" which I thought was one of the finest things of its kind I had ever read. It is a paper which should not be published in any journal because of its very personal discussion of the problems of those of us who do teaching analyses and of the counter-transference difficulties of candidates whom we supervise. On the other hand, I think it is a paper which every training analyst should read and re-read. There is no similar discussion anywhere in the literature.

I have been in a great quandary as to how to get this manuscript into the hands of all the training analysts in the Association. As president of the American Association, I feel a strong urge to do so but I cannot afford to do this personally, nor can I expect Doctor Fenichel to contribute not only the paper but the expense of duplication, nor would I feel justified in requesting funds from the treasurer of our Association.

Finally, I hit upon the following scheme. I suggested to the Topeka Institute that they underwrite the expense of having some mimeographed copies made. If we can sell 25 copies of this at \$1.00 a copy, the expense will be covered. If we sell more than this and actually make a "profit" (which is beyond my hopes at the present time), I propose to send it to Doctor Fenichel as a partial contribution to the expense of the original typing.

To avoid misunderstanding, I am going to put April 30 as the deadline for the receipt of checks, and no orders will be recognized or accepted after that day.

Sincerely yours,

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Karl Menninger, M.D.  
President.

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