

*(by v. d. Heide)*

The following are suggestions and points which have developed from my thinking about the difficulties we have encountered. Having put in so much energy (or brooding, if you prefer), I thought that these lines could be helpful; at least this scheme allows me to clarify my views on the situation. I am submitting them, unedited, for the consideration, use, rejection or modification by Drs. Lewy and Tidd; May 27, 1950.

*And in reply to their (Lewy and Tidd) inquiry as to the election a  
Dr. Lewy should  
be held in  
June*

Society:

With seven more resignation<sup>s</sup>, things become sunny and simple; as points of business I like to suggest:

The Greenson Amendment; ~~which has been proposed~~ the wording, I believe, would be best as follows: Membership in the L.A. Psychoanalytic Society precludes membership in any other affiliate society of the A.P.A. "

*this was phoned to  
Mr. Friedman by Dr. Lewy*

After passing the amendment we can vote, I hope, on <sup>d</sup>Minlin, Friedman, Rangell, Vatz and Nierenberg; I would, however, like to see these candidates be <sup>officially</sup> informed of the probability that the amendment will be in force at the time of their election, so that they may reconsider (this may give, at least one, a chance to withdraw and <sup>save</sup> face).

*officially*

Plans towards changing the <sup>by</sup> laws so as to provide for a clear relationship between L.A. Sec and the Institute now functioning for two societies.

A corresponding editor <sup>for the</sup> to Bulletin and a report for the Bulletin of the changes having taken place.

Admission of non-invited guests <sup>who are not candidates</sup> to scientific meetings, ~~who are not candidates~~

*who are not candidates*

L.A. Psychoanalytic Institute:

The only basis for deferring elections in the Ex.C. <sup>could</sup> ~~be~~ be a sound and fair operational agreement for the interim period (till ~~APA~~ <sup>an understanding</sup> ~~APA~~ decision about recognition of the new insitute) which fully identifies an Ex.C. and two E.Cs and their interrelationship.

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In this vein I suggest the following:

1. the present Ex.C. becomes a <sup>Interim</sup> ~~temporary~~ Ex.C. of which no elections take ~~place~~ place till the <sup>APA</sup> ~~APA~~ decision or June, 1951, whichever comes first.
2. reduce this Ex.C. from 7 to 5 (or 3) the same balance of votes being preserved; the Sec. Treas. of the Inst. could be the chairman of this Ex.C. and members should be the chairmen of the respective E.C.s representing the two societies, (each with <sup>or without</sup> a second man). It would be of <sup>permanent</sup> importance that each member appoints to the chairman <sup>an</sup> ~~a~~ alternate ~~representative~~ for situations in which he cannot attend.
3. A definite understanding and definition of joint matters of business and <sup>methods of</sup> ~~business~~ of the separate E.C. which merely need to be coordinated and ratified by the Ex.C. is essential.

As joint matters might be considered:

appointment of training analysts  
acceptance of new candidates - <sup>to ratify</sup>  
recording of training status of candidates  
graduation and recommendation of thesis reading in either soc.  
finances, V.A. relations and physical office matters  
correspondence directed to the Institute  
coordination of curricula, <sup>passing on</sup> ~~new~~ <sup>lecturers</sup>.

As separate matters of the E.C.s to be passed on by the Ex.C.

curriculum; <sup>suggestions re</sup> ~~curriculum~~ <sup>new lecturers</sup> ~~new lecturers~~ <sup>election of new</sup> ~~election of new~~ <sup>candidates?</sup> ~~candidates?~~  
~~and what else?~~

4. a rule about voting will be necessary and probably could be identical with the one followed in the old Ex-E. Committee.
5. Recognition of the fact that this plan does not deprive any group, but merely (in contrast to the mumblings of "equal representation") provides for an interim operational contract preparatory to recognition or rejection of the new institute.
6. <sup>if</sup> ~~if~~ recognition comes forth, the insitute-split becomes effective, ~~and the remaining~~ <sup>n/</sup> and the remaining members of the Ex.C. then reorganize the relation of Society and the L.A. Institute which now represents only one society.

6-b If no recognition is given by the A.P.A., the Interim Ex.C. dissolves and a new Ex.C. is formed to be elected by and from all training analysts who have been appointed in the Institute. This new Ex.C. will have as its first task the reorganization of its function as an Institute representing the training activities of ~~the~~ analysts belonging to two societies. *This to be agreed upon.*

I believe that this plan does justice to the executive function of the Ex.C., prevents further unpleasant and <sup>disgraceful?</sup> disgracing quarrels in meetings and at the same time safeguards the educational interests in the more harmonious setting of the respective E.C.s.....If the other group cannot see the effectiveness as well as the fairness of this interim plan, we will be in for more, if not endless trouble, "screwing" (this is a quotation) and analytic training will suffer. Probably they will find minor legal flaws, to be used as a rationalization for rejection of this plan.....in which case, <sup>I</sup> elections on the Ex.C. <sup>in</sup> June 1950, in my opinion, still would be in order.

*on the Ex.C. of the present Institute*

III With a representation of the two societies 6 to 1, we can impose an interim plan of a similar nature, giving full recognition to their partial independence, keep the chairman of their E.C. on the Ex.C. but nevertheless reduce the number of members <sup>adhering</sup> ~~adhering~~ to the above distinction Ex.C. & E.C.s. Upon Apa decision, the situation could be ~~reversed~~ <sup>of the new group</sup> as under E I, 6, a and b.

III In case of Apa recognition as a training center, only, a situation arises which I have no plans for.

IV In case of their recognition as an independent Institute, I believe we might consider to incorporate (in a general sense) the Institute in the L.A. Society, in which case, it might be advantageous to preserve a distinction between the ~~Executive~~ Ed. Comm. of the Society and an Ex. Comm. of the Inst. ~~Executive~~ It might be feasible not to restrict eligibility to the latter, to ~~the~~ training analysts <sup>only</sup>.

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If, for once, we take the initiative (and stick to it), and the Sub I Operational <sup>Interim</sup> Agreement would be put No. 1 on the next meeting of the Ex. Committee with as No. 2. "une elections on the Ex.C., if necessary", I believe that this would help them to become, not gentlemen, but cooperatists.