

LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY
BUSINESS MEETING

Time: Thursday, November 18, 1965, 7:30 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

Agenda

1. Minutes of the meeting of October 21, 1965
2. Membership Committee - Dr. Atkins:
Vote on the applications for Active Membership of Drs. David Abrahams, Lee B. Gold, and Carolyn A. Hays.
3. Report of the Committee for Postgraduate Education - Dr. Stoller
4. Announcements
5. New Business

SCIENTIFIC MEETING

Time: Thursday, November 18, 1965, 8 p.m.

Place: 344 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills

Speaker: Carolyn A. Hays, M. D.

Subject: "Clinical Aspects of Homosexuality"

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32 mi @ 3 3/4
60 mi @ 1 7/8
128 mi @ 1 5/16

The author presents a case of homosexuality in which she illustrates the defensive nature of this symptom as well as its meaning and function. Concomitantly, she goes into detail concerning the patient's use of the manic defense, the importance of the analysis of this defense in the deepening of the analytic work, and what particular archaic anxieties it masks; and finally, she links the manic defense and the symptom of homosexuality to the greater theme of identity.

Copies of this paper will be available in the Society office (\$1).

Discussants: Irving Berent, M. D.
Bernard Brandchaft, M. D.
Henry Lihn, M. D.

Melvin Mandel, M. D.
Secretary

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1. Manic defence - R. M., it is called the
manic denial - & it is a transient symptom - or defence
mechanism - which may be differentiated partly by extent,
intensity, & length of use - But does nothing to change
the understanding of the defence containing denial & compensation
by increased good feeling, to the point of denial/freedom (psychic
reality exp) (relating & hypochondria)

Flight into health is a most prominent form
of this process - & so why do we quarrel in this?

2. The use of frames of reference - ^{Barrett} metaphors used Aronson via
Epstein) - We need very much to study this - Unfortunately
we don't know how to weigh results of working in one
metaphor vs. another - For the issue can never be solved -
As a result, discussing papers in which descriptions above
~~to~~ of another metaphor mainly which to view the
material presents for interest, but little else. If we assume
a somewhat similar results for all the metaphors - & we
have to assume that of ~~the~~ ^{equal} ~~assumes~~ that all presenters are
speaking from experiences of success - then we must
look for further theories & concepts - papers & books
Review - to account for these events. Otherwise we
are speaking from abstract theories which each one of us can comfortably
use as his own metaphor, where the expectation of
consensual agreement is not to be expected, & which we will
have to learn to live ~~in~~ ^{with} - & to stop feeling so
emotional about the varying metaphors used. We might ^{you} ^{ago} ^{sh.}
even learn to respect each other's work for the benefits ^{while} ^{make}
available - ^{this} ^{point,} ^{had} ^I ^{have}
^{never} ^{again} ^{heard} ^{the} ^{matter} ^{publicly} ^{discussed.}

A new
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