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THANK YOU, MGM-TV

Seven years ago EEF announced, as one of its aims, the education of the lay public as well as professional on the problems of the transsexuals whose dilemma was caused through no fault of their own. Consequently, EEF is more than grateful to "Medical Center" producers for their two-part drama "The Man in Limbo," recently broadcast over CBS-TV network.

We deeply appreciate the effort to bring this controversial subject into the homes of millions of Americans who hitherto may not have given much thought to it. We, of course, do not intend to give a dramatic or professional critique of the production. We are grateful to Robert Reed who was willing to star in the role of the troubled doctor who suffered in his need for the sex reassignment operation, and also to those responsible for the sensitive and successful presentation of his cause to his hospital colleagues.

When a subject like transsexualism reaches two-episode national television, then we know it has become part of the national medical-social topical scene. We have come a long way from the pioneering days of Dr. Harry Benjamin's early lectures when many of his colleagues considered him foolhardy to be concerned in research and treatment of transsexualism.

TS ON TV

NBC-TV NEWS is to be congratulated on its presentation of "Sex Changes" on the April 21-22-23, 1975, programs, produced by Tony Van Witsen who sought EEF assistance in the effort.

Seriously and thoughtfully narrated by Frank Field, NBC science editor, the program included interviews with professionals as well as a cinema verite presentation of a group therapy meeting of A-D-A-P-T, led by Dr. Charles Ihlenfeld and Naomi Smith.

FOR RESEARCHERS

A 23-page bibliography on transsexualism has been compiled from the research collections of the Institute for Sex Research, drawing upon diverse viewpoints and research approaches. They advise that it should not be interpreted as either a comprehensive literature search or a recommendation of specific items. Within copyright and legal restrictions, they will provide copies of items not available locally at reasonable cost.

Send requests to: Information Service, Institute for Sex Research, 416 Morrison Hall, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana 47401.

MEDICAID DECISION APPEALED

As expected, New York City and State social service departments are appealing the Appellate Division ruling in March 1975, that a sex-conversion operation is a welfare benefit to be included in medical assistance for persons on welfare.

Until a final decision has been handed down in the case of Denise R., who has been living as a woman for 16 years, all requests for Medicaid benefits in sex reassignment surgery have been held up, whether direct requests or through an attorney.

Naturally, EEF is following this case carefully, although the outcome will undoubtedly receive wide newspaper coverage.

CONGRATULATIONS, CANADA!

The Divisions of Vital Statistics of two Canadian Provinces have advised us that the alteration of sex designation on birth certificates of individuals who have undergone "transformational surgery" has now been legally approved.

The Parliaments of British Columbia and Saskatchewan approved amendments to their Vital Statistics Acts in the spring of 1975 and the divisions are now accepting applications for revised birth certificates upon validating evidence supplied.

We look forward to the day when the rest of the Canadian Provinces, as well as U. S. states, will follow suit.

MASSACHUSETTS, TOO

An opinion of Attorney General Francis X. Belotti of Massachusetts, dated May 28, 1975, has now admitted this Commonwealth to the States of the Union which permit changes of birth certificates, including name and sex, where sex reassignment surgery has been documented and certified copy of court order supplied.

1976 SEXOLOGY CONGRESS

The Department of Sexology of the University of Quebec in Montreal in cooperation with the Society for the Scientific Study of Sex (SSSS) is organizing an international congress in October 1976.

A few 20-minute research papers are invited; summaries must be sent before January 1976 to:

Robert Gemme, Professor, Dept. of Sexology,
University of Quebec, in Montreal, C.P. 8888
Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3C 3P8
(514) 876-8099 or 282-4999

REFORMING SEX OFFENDERS

The revived HARPER'S WEEKLY lived up to its sub-title, A Journal of Civilization, in its June 13, 1975, issue article, *Reforming Sex Offenders: The Ethical Questions Raised by a Powerful New Drug*. Quoting:

"Dr. John Money, professor of medical psychology at the Johns Hopkins Medical Center, has recently completed a nine-year study of treatment with medication for sex offenders. Although Money believes that the results of his investigations offer new hope for sexual compulsives, he is severely restricted in the use of the drug of his choice because of those who question its ethical implications. Here Dr. Money explains why he believes his treatment should gain medical acceptance. . . ."

In brief, it is assumed that a sex offender could voluntarily control his compulsive behavior but one might as well assume that an epileptic could quit having fits if he tried hard enough, states Dr. Money who reports on the effect of the weekly therapy of the antiandrogen, a hormone which gives a man a "vacation from his sex drive," while the counseling gives him a chance to "get his head together," sexually.

Treatment with cyproterone acetate has been legally cleared in Germany, Switzerland and England, but not in Washington. Prisoners have pleaded for this type of treatment but are not permitted for fear of litigation since they do not have right of consent, although the physical effects can be reversed and it is possible to wean a man off treatment after socially acceptable behavior is assured.

EEF agrees that if there were a program for treatment to lower anti-social sexual imperative instead of fruitless incarceration, it would not only save tax dollars but eliminate the tragic waste of human potential.

FORWARD STEP

After preparing the foregoing item we were pleased to receive the following information from Johns Hopkins: As an outgrowth of Dr. John Money's study on the combined use of antiandrogens and individual counselling, Dr. Michael Spodak and Mrs. Ann Falck, R.N. are starting a program of antiandrogens combined with group therapy for treatment of people whose sexual behavior is likely to get them in trouble with the law. For more information please contact Dr. Michael Spodak, Phipps Clinic, The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md. 21205.

G A U—3 SEMINAR

The assistance of EEF was utilized in arranging a workshop on transsexualism at the Gay Academic Union—Third Annual Conference held at Columbia University November 29, 1975. The panel, chaired by Dr. John Money, included Dr. Charles Ihlenfeld and Dr. Joan Schmutz, psychiatrist now working with the Lutheran Mental Health Center Gender Identity Clinic in Brooklyn. Several transsexual subjects participated in the discussion.

ABOUT JOHN MONEY

As the guest of the 50th Jubilee Congress of the Medical Association of South Africa, July 6-19, 1975, Dr. Money's lectures, along with those delivered by Dr. Domeena Renshaw of Loyola School of Medicine in Chicago, brought current concepts of medical sex education and sex therapy to South African doctors and medical students for the first time. Both speakers will attend the medical students' Congress on Human Sexuality in Johannesburg, in May, 1976. Dr. Money found an active center for clinical sexuality, including transsexualism, at the University of Pretoria.

The recently published book, *Sexual Signatures: On Being a Man or a Woman*, co-authored by John Money and Patricia Tucker (Little, Brown, \$6.96) examines sex differences in the light of recent pioneer findings and shows "where you are now as a man or woman and how you got there." What causes dissatisfaction with sexual identity? What are the actual differences—cultural stereotypes aside—between male and female? The book is written in science-writer style for ease of reading for the non-specialist.

NOTES ON EEF GRANTEES

. . . June Reinisch, whose EEF-assisted doctoral dissertation on the effects of prenatal treatment with progestins, administered for the maintenance of at-risk pregnancy, on development in children, has been completed. Dr. Reinisch is now an Assistant Professor of Psychology at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J. Data from the project were reported at the March 1975 meeting of the American Psychopathological Association and will appear in the book generated from the conference: *Hormones and Psychopathology* (Ravens Press, February 1976). Dr. Reinisch gave a presentation at the EEF seminar on transsexualism at the April Regional Meeting of the Association for Humanistic Psychology meeting in Atlantic City.

. . . Sarah Santana, former EEF Assistant Director, is now at the University of Illinois in Chicago working toward a Master's Degree in Public Health Administration.

. . . Paul A. Walker, 3-year EEF grantee assistant to Dr. John Money at the Gender Identity Committee, Johns Hopkins Hospital, has completed his Ph.D. and was appointed Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Baltimore. Continuing his active work on transsexualism, with Dr. Money, he has completed a chapter entitled "Counseling the Transsexual" co-authored by Dr. Money, to be published in the *Handbook of Sexology*. In a recent 12-month quantitative summary report to EEF, in addition to the large number of letters, counseling sessions, evaluations, interviews with post-surgical transsexuals handled, etc., Dr. Walker includes 51 public and professional lectures, 18 interviews or appearances in press and mass media, and 35 court and legal proceeding appearances and consultation! This is a far cry from the early days when newspapers splashed headlines in 1966 that prestigious Johns Hopkins, with EEF sponsorship and cooperation of Dr. Harry Benjamin and Dr. Money, had established a program to research and treat problems of transsexualism.

TS PARENTAL PROJECT

A study is underway at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, under the direction of Richard Green, M.D., regarding the sexual identity development of children being raised by transexual parents.

Author of **Sexual Identity Conflict in Children and Adults** (Basic Books) and co-editor with Dr. John Money of **Transexualism and Sex Reassignment** (Johns Hopkins Press), and former chief of U.C.L.A. Gender Identity Clinic, Dr. Green further advises us:

"We are interested in knowing the length of time the children have been in the home of the transexual parent, the born and current sex status of both parents, the biological history of the children, the extent to which the child has been made aware of the transexual's status, reactions (if any) to this, and a description of the current behavior of the child with particular reference to sexual identity.

"All information will be entirely confidential and nothing will be published which will specifically identify any person cooperating in the study. We believe that the research can be helpful to transexuals with respect to raising children and will be of assistance to them.

"Please call collect (516) 444-2427 or write Richard Green, M.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science, Health Sciences Center, State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, N. Y. 11794."

A-D-A-P-T OPEN HOUSE

The Association for the Development of All Potential Talent, an outgrowth of the defunct Lincoln Hospital Gender Dysphoria Program coordinated by Naomi Smith with EEF assistance, held its First Annual Open House including its Spiritual Dedication on November 1, 1975.

Located at 241 East 176th Street, Bronx, N. Y., the program of A-D-A-P-T, so far consisting of arts and crafts, conversational Spanish, and weekly Transactional Analysis groups, is open to all those who are interested. A Kirlian Photography project is scheduled for the near future.

Individual interview and group cassette tapes are available at \$5.00 each.

LINCOLN LOSS AND GAIN

Because of financial cutbacks, the Gender Dysphoria Program at Lincoln Hospital, Bronx, New York, was discontinued.

Protests among the group therapy members are in negotiation. It was brought out and agreed that individual therapy, unnecessary in most cases, would be far more expensive to this New York City municipal hospital than the group therapy program which has been so effective in the past five years.

On Lincoln's plus side is the fact that Dr. Charles Ihlenfeld, formerly associated with Dr. Harry Benjamin and president of the Harry Benjamin Foundation for the Study of Gender Identity, has begun a three-year residency in the Department of Psychiatry there.

GOOD WORD FROM GLASGOW

Through Dr. Phillip Labon, F.R.C.S., of London, now involved in sex reassignment surgery, we have learned of the work of Dr. William Hamilton F.R.C.P., Senior Lecturer, Royal Hospital for Sick Children, University of Glasgow, Scotland. In addition to his work in pediatrics, Dr. Hamilton heads two endocrinological laboratories and treats adults suffering with various gender-related endocrine problems. The majority of his transexual cases are from the female to male identity and, where evaluation and treatment so indicate, the individuals are referred for surgery.

We quote from a reprint of the article, *Gender: Quaesto quid Juris?* (freely translated: *What of Its Legal Aspect?*) by Dr. Hamilton and David M. Walker, Q.C., Professor of Law, University of Glasgow, which appeared in *MEDICAL SCIENCE LAW* (1975) Vol. 15, No. 2 79-93:

". . . If this is accepted as a possibility then the fact that an individual identifies himself/herself as one of the opposite sex must be accepted, since there is at present no known effective therapy. Thus, a patient who is willing to subject the body to surgical reconstruction and by so doing remove all evidence of the true genetic sex in the firm conviction that they are truly of the opposite sex, must be granted help from the medical profession and support and protection from the law.

". . . It is now wholly unjustifiable that an individual should have for different (legal, social, employment, insurance, etc.) purposes a different gender. In this paper, by presenting the existing unsatisfactory basis for legal judgment, the clinical conditions most likely to come before the courts for consideration have been highlighted. The data given are relevant against which future cases may be compared."

AT STANFORD

. . . EEF participated in the May quarterly group meeting of the Gender Dysphoria Clinic. We were interested in the fact that in addition to the customary talk on grooming, posture, charm, etc., Ms. Marti Schultz, coordinator, had arranged for the first of a series of talks by two young women involved in the women's movement.

. . . The Proceedings of the Harry Benjamin Fourth International Conference on Gender Identity held in March 1975, are being published in book form and will be available in 1976. For information write the Division of Plastic Surgery, R. 213, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, Calif. 94306. The Proceedings of the 1974 Conference are still available there.

SEMINARS ON TRANSEXUALISM

In addition to assisting in the arrangement of seminars on transexualism at a number of college classes in human sexuality, EEF has cooperated in programs at the following: Bellevue Hospital and Beth Israel Hospital, New York City; N. Y. West Side Discussion Group; Association for Humanistic Psychology conference in Atlantic City, N.J.; Lutheran Mental Health Center, Brooklyn, and Lincoln Hospital, Bronx, N. Y.

AGAIN WE WARN

Liquid silicone breast injections have caused the death of at least four women and disfigured many others, according to a Government research paper, reported the N. Y. TIMES in April, 1975.

"Amputation of the breasts has been necessary in numerous cases to prevent gangrene or potentially fatal migration of silicone particles to the brain, lungs, and heart," the paper states.

A spokesman for the Food and Drug Administration said that the F.D.A. agreed with Congressional investigators that liquid silicone must not be approved for medical cosmetic use until more research has been done on its effects.

EEF can attest to the pathological results of such practice and deplors the continued administering of unethical and dangerous silicone injections by callous physicians.

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We call special attention to the article which appeared in the October 20, 1975, issue of JAMA (JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION), *Injectable Fluid Silicone Therapy: Human Morbidity and Mortality* by Drs. Richard Ellenbogen, Rita Ellenbogen and Leonard Rubin. An illustrated report on four patients who had received silicone breast injections and had such complications as: migration hepatic (hepatitis) disease, hypopigmentation and death. Reprint requests to Dr. Rubin, 222 Second St., Mineola, N. Y. 11501.

RECENTLY IN PRINT

. . . *Transsexualism: a positive approach* by Charles Ihlenfeld, M.D., GENERAL PRACTITIONER, February 21, 1975, London, England.

. . . *The Diagnosis and Treatment of Transvestites and Transsexuals* by Wardell Pomeroy, Ph.D., JOURNAL OF SEX & MARITAL THERAPY, Vol. 1, No. 3, Spring 1975.

. . . *Ablatio Penis: Normal Male Infant Sex-Reassigned as a Girl* by John Money, Ph.D., ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 1, January 1975.

. . . *Male Transsexualism in England: 16 Cases with Surgical Intervention* by B. S. Hore, F. V. Nicolle and J. S. Calnan, ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 1, January 1975.

. . . *Transsexualism in Vietnam* by Elliott M. Heiman and Cao Van Le, ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 1, January, 1975.

. . . *Male to Female: The Role of Transformation of Transsexuals* by E. M. Levine, C. H. Shalova and M. Mihailovic, ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 2, March, 1975.

. . . *Families of Seven Male-to-Female Transsexuals After 5-7 Years' Sociological Sexology* by John Money, Florence Clarke and Tom Mazur, ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 2, March, 1975.

. . . *Sexual Identity: Research Strategies* by Richard Green, ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Volume 4, No. 4, July 1975.

. . . *Transsexualism in History* by Vern L. Bullough, Ph.D. ARCHIVES OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, Vol. 4, No. 5, 1975.

. . . *Two Names, Two Wardrobes, Two Personalities* by John Money, JOURNAL OF HOMOSEXUALITY, Vol. 1, 1974.

IN THE NEWS

. . . *Deception in Transexual Arrests Held Shocking*, THE POST, Washington, D. C. March 21, 1975. Superior Court Judge David Norman attacks police methods in 8-page opinion dismissing soliciting charges against three transexuals, "so unfair as to shock our universal sense of justice." Decision is under appeal.

. . . *10,000 Transexuals*, THE ENTERPRISE, Davis, Calif. March 4, 1975. Report on Dr. Harry Benjamin's paper at the Harry Benjamin Fourth International Conference on Gender Identity.

. . . *Good Results Claimed with Changes in Sex: Doctor Defends Surgery*, by Linda Little, THE NEWS, Dallas, Texas, March 27, 1975. Interview with Dr. Raphael Durfee, formerly professor at University of Oregon Medical School where he helped form a Gender Identity Clinic.

. . . *Transexual: Mind Imprisoned in Wrong Body*, by Linda Little, THE NEWS, Dallas, Texas, March 31, 1975. Further interviews with members of the Gender Identity Clinic at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston.

. . . *Transexuals—altered lives* by Lucille De View, THE NEWS, Detroit, Mich., April 6, 1975. Interview with Dr. Anthony Petrilli, of the departments of psychiatry, Wayne State University and Harper Hospital, and several postoperative transexuals.

. . . *Seven Sex Change Operations Done by UT Specialists: Many More Apply*, by Pat Reed, THE CHRONICLE, Houston, Texas, April 6, 1975. Interviews with Dr. Stephen Lewis and Dr. Robert White of the University of Texas Medical Branch Gender Identity Clinic at Galveston, which anticipates performing two operations a year.

. . . *Male to Female: Hormones and surgery have transformed a Rochester hairdresser from a man to a woman*, by Linda Hansen, THE TIMES-UNION, Rochester, N.Y., May 28, 1975. An in-depth interview with a statuesque blonde twin who works in same salon where she worked as a male.

. . . *D. C. Police Harrassing Area Transexuals*, MENTAL HEALTH SCOPE, Washington, D.C. Quotes from testimony of EEF-grantee Dr. Paul A. Walker of Johns Hopkins Gender Identity Clinic at a trial in Superior Court.

. . . *Transexuals Look to City Clinic: Hope Clinic Can Help End Their Loneliness*, by Joel Lang, HARTFORD COURANT, Hartford, Conn., June 1, 1975. Fine in-depth interview with team members of the Gender Identity Clinic of New England based at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Hartford, now in its third year. Interviews with transexuals also: *Belief Led to Twin Roles—Birth as Female Fostered Hate*.

. . . *Psychiatrist Advises Taking Time Before Having Sex Changed*, by Arthur Snider, THE CHRONICLE, Houston, Texas, June 22, 1975. Report of Dr. Charles B. Stone's paper and the symposium on transexualism at American Medical Association meeting in Atlantic City in June. Other panelists were Dr. Robert Stoller, UCLA, Dr. Ira Dushoff, Jacksonville, Fla., Dr. Charles Ihlenfeld, Dr. Lionel Ovesey, chairman, Dr. Charles Socarides, New York City. EEF was represented at the symposium.

. . . *Tulsa woman granted new name prior to sex switch*, THE TRIBUNE, Tulsa, Okla. July 31, 1975.

. . . *Patients pay for changing sex: College doctors say law is not needed*, by Mary Lou Butcher, THE NEWS, Detroit, Mich., July 31, 1975. Physicians at Michigan State University and University of Michigan Gender Clinic interviewed on budget bill amendment prohibiting use of state funds for sex change surgery.

. . . *For 27 years Annette felt trapped inside a man's body*, by Pat Colander, THE TRIBUNE, Chicago, Ill., Aug. 18, 1975. Personal story of man who became woman physically and legally after surgery.

. . . *Man for 45 years — now a woman* by Al Thompson, THE PRESS, Cleveland, Ohio. Story with pictures of former minister now a county library official whose sympathetic director and board have approved her continuing on her job.

. . . *Sex Changes Paid for by Pennsylvania Welfare Department* (Harrisburg, Pa. AP), THE TIMES, Kansas City, Missouri, Sept. 25, 1975. Department's Bureau of Medical Assistance Director confirms fact that it has helped pay for several sex change operations recommended by doctors.

. . . *Michelle's Dilemma: Half woman, half man*, by Marilyn Dunlop, STAR, Toronto, Ont., Sept. 22, 1975. Government paid for breast implants six years ago but she has been unable to achieve completion of surgery.

. . . *Sex Surgery Renews 'Misfit'* by Lois Simonds, Bethlehem GLOBE-TIMES, Penna.

. . . *A Focus on Transexualism* by Ronald Kotulak, Science editor, THE TRIBUNE, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 2, 1975. Report of University of Kentucky Medical School Gender Identity team on 20 cases of sex change surgery.

. . . *When One's Sex Is Not Enough* by Dr. Joyce Brothers, Seattle, Wash., POST-INTELLIGENCER, Oct. 5, 1975. Syndicated columnist's discussion of some of the historical background and psychiatric commentary on transexualism.

. . . *Sex-Change Operation Ends Torture for Patient* by Laurie Lucas, THE POST-STANDARD, Syracuse, N.Y., Oct. 9, 1975. Report on first surgical change performed at Upstate Medical Center.

. . . *Hartford Clinic Offers a Rebirth for Transexuals: 13 Sex Change Operations Performed*, (AP) NEW HAVEN REGISTER, New Haven, Conn. July 23, 1975. Interview with Dr. Michael Baggish, chief, Gender Identity Clinic of New England, Mt. Sinai Hospital.

MAGAZINE MATERIAL

. . . *Women Who Dare to Become Men* by C. Robert Jennings, COSMOPOLITAN, August 1975. The warm and dramatic presentation of the stories of Lee and Scott, postoperative female-to-male transexuals who were interviewed by Tom Snyder, with Dr. Norman Fisk of Stanford and Dr. Richard Green, on the TOMORROW Program, NBC-TV, in April, 1974.

. . . *The Mixed Up . . . Man? The Story of a Transexual*. THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL 'OF ELECTROLYSIS, October, 1974.

DATELINE EAST BERLIN

Donald R. Laub, M.D., Chief, Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and the Gender Dysphoria Clinic, Stanford University Medical Center, recently wrote EEF:

" . . . I went to East Berlin to give a lecture on transexualism, gender identity and surgical sex reassignment after a self-rehabilitation program, before the surgical professors of the three main teaching institutions in East Berlin.

"Surprisingly, these professors are far ahead of their West German counterparts in respect to surgical sex change. They apparently have a great sensitivity to the problem and have performed surgery on patients who had somatic sexual abnormalities and apparently were about to surgically readjust some patients who were behaviorally of another sex from that of their anatomy (transexuals)."

NEW JERSEY NEWS

Several years ago EEF received an inquiry from the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, New Jersey Medical School, Martland Hospital in Newark, N.J., concerning transexualism. We provided our printed material and arranged a seminar including a film presentation on the subject.

It is naturally gratifying to quote from a recent letter from Richard M. Samuels, Ph.D., Human Sexuality Program, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology, New Jersey Medical School:

"I recently received the EEF Newsletter and was delighted to see how many times New Jersey was in the news. I am happy to report that our clinic was in part responsible for many of those items. It may be of interest to you that I made a recent radio appearance on WCTC radio and WOMR FM-radio on the topic of Transexualism with Dr. Leo Wollman, with a telephone link-up with Ms. Paula Grossman.

"Our Gender Dysphoria Clinic at the New Jersey Medical School is moving ahead quite well. We are at the state now where we are examining legal considerations as a prerequisite to initiating sex reassignment surgery at Martland Hospital."

ISHR SEMINAR

The Institute for the Study of Human Resources, an EEF-sponsored operative foundation, held a seminar: "Sex, Role & Gender," March 7-9, 1975 in Los Angeles. This training program of Continuing Education, designed for helping professionals whose practice deals with persons having atypical sexual orientation and interests, included clinic reports, panels of experts and workshops.

Program Co-ordinators were Vern L. Bullough, Ph.D., California State College, Northridge; Howard E. Fradkin, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology, California State College, Long Beach, and W. Dorr Legg, M.L.D., Director, ONE Institute of Homophile Studies, Los Angeles.

The concluding speaker was Miss Christine Jorgensen who gave a lively presentation of some of her experiences as the first American to go through the difficult process of sex reassignment.

INTEGRATIVE HEALTH

The First National Congress on Integrative Health, sponsored by the Academy of Parapsychology and Medicine, was held in Tucson, October 8-10, 1975, an exploratory symposium presenting a survey of non-traditional diagnostic and treatment techniques, in application to chronic and degenerative disease, developmental disabilities, and mental health, offering new dimensions of therapeutics and health care delivery. It had the expressed interest of the President's Committee on Mental Retardation; Menninger Foundation; National Association for Retarded Citizens; California Academy of Preventive Medicine, and California Public Health Association (North).

Keynote addresses were given by Roy W. Menninger, M.D., Hans Selye, M.D., and Malcolm C. Todd, M.D., 1974-1975 president of American Medical Association.

The majority of the 450 participants, which included an EEF representative, were members of the medical and related professions. In the broad scope of the program covering health and individual, social and world responsibility, such topics were discussed as biofeedback, autogenics, psi approach to diagnosis, the role of mind in cancer therapy, body energies and acupuncture, etc.

Information on cassettes and transcripts from this and previous Academy conferences can be obtained from The Academy of Parapsychology and Medicine, P. O. Box 355, Los Altos, CA 94022.

HEALING FEDERATION

Eighty-five healers from 15 countries attended the Inaugural Conference of the World Federation of Healing at London University, with EEF represented, August 30 - Sept. 5, 1975. The conference was sponsored by the British National Federation of Spiritual Healers which has certified 4500 healers who are admitted to 1500 hospitals in Britain and who work with doctors and clergy.

With the establishment of the World Federation structure, each country's healers were charged with the responsibility of setting up national organizations to validate and certify natural and spiritual healers. Plans for the establishment of Canadian, American and European organizations were discussed at individual meetings.

Formation of the American Healers Association which has been in preparation for some months is now in process, based at Walton Place, Stamford, Conn. 06901.

PSI SYMPOSIUM IN PRINT

"Paranormal Communication: A Symposium" of twelve presentations by foremost leaders in the parapsychological field appeared in the JOURNAL OF COMMUNICATION, Volume 25: 1, published by The Annenberg School of Communications, University of Pennsylvania, in cooperation with the International Communication Association. Reprints of the special section are available for \$1.50 from the Journal, P. O. Box 13358, Philadelphia, Pa. 19101.

MEETING IN MONTE CARLO

Two hundred participants from 23 countries attended the Second International Congress of Psychotronic Research, June 30 - July 4, 1975, at which EEF was also represented. Printed proceedings of the congress are available: 112 papers in English, 11 in Russian and 11 in French. Price \$20.00 (US) postpaid for North America; \$25 (US) elsewhere. Order from International Association for Psychotronic Research, P. O. Box 107, Cotati, Calif. 94928.

NOTE: According to a scientific committee's definition suggested at the Congress: "*Psychotronics is a science which, in an interdisciplinary fashion, studies fields of interaction between people and their environments (both internal and external) and the energetic processes involved. Psychotronics recognizes that matter, energy and consciousness are interconnected in a way which contributes to new understanding of the energetic capabilities of human beings, life-processes and matter in general.*"

PSI SEARCH EXHIBITION

Psi SEARCH is a two-part exhibition produced by Norma L. Bowles and Fran Hynds for the California Museum of Science and Industry in cooperation with the Parapsychological Association, focusing on the scientific investigation of psi. "PSI" examines samples of recent research as reported in professional journals and seen in historical context. "SEARCH" explores possibility of psi in daily life together with information from related fields. Not seeking to explain psi, from its overview there emerges the likelihood that there are unexplained human abilities which warrant study. Hundreds of volunteers contributed to the execution of the project of which EEF Advisory Board member Stanley Krippner was Advisory Board Chairman.

The exhibit design, comprising 1500 square feet of visuals and some accompanying demonstrations and sound, is easy to assemble and durable for shipping. It is now on tour under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, Washington, D.C. 20560.

PSI LINES, a 40-page pamphlet documentation of the Psi SEARCH Exhibition, includes glossary, photographs and resource information as well as information on the project, is available from Psi SEARCH, 310 N. San Vicente Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90048.

KIRLIAN RESEARCH

The International Kirlian Research Association was inaugurated at a symposium: "The Kirlian Effect: Its Future in Medicine and Your Life," held at the Academy of Medicine, New York City, May 17, 1975. Chief speaker was William A. Tiller, Ph.D., formerly Chairman, Department of Material Sciences, Stanford University, Calif. Since then seminars on this type of corona discharge photography have been scheduled at Drexel University, Philadelphia; Academy of Science in New York, and at the National Institute of Health in Washington.

Those who wish for information may write to Edward S. Graff, Executive Director, I.K.R.A., 144 East 90th Street, New York 10028.

PSYCHOLOGY OF CONSCIOUSNESS

EEF was represented at an International Congress on the Psychology of Consciousness and Suggestology, sponsored by the Department of Psychology, Pepperdine University, Los Angeles, May 2-4, 1975, Dr. Elizabeth Philipov, chairperson.

The keynote of the congress could well be expressed in the title of the paper by Dr. Charles Tart: "States of Consciousness and New Directions in Science."

The audience was amused by the humor and animation of one of the moderators, Dr. James Fadiman. They were delighted when he announced that if they would earnestly chant, as directed, something great would materialize. And so, slowly and ceremoniously, everyone intoned, "Stahn—lee—currip—nah . . . stahn—lee—currip—nah," and sure enough, EEF Advisory Board member Dr. Stanley Krippner appeared on the platform and presented his paper: "A Psychophysiological Approach to Psi."

The fundamentals of Suggestology were presented by Dr. Philipov and Dr. Georgi Lozanov of Bulgaria, whose unusual methods of learning have been accepted by his Government for use in the schools. Dr. Lozanov himself learned sufficient English in a month for his visit. Suggestology uses music, art, psychodrama to stimulate human potential and activate new attitudes and an acceptive state.

BOOKS RECEIVED

. . . **Toward the One** by Pir Vilayat Inayat-Khan, produced by Sufi Order in the West (Harper Colophon Books, Harper & Row, \$5.75)

. . . **The Magic of Findhorn** by Paul Hawken (Harper & Row, \$8.95) The story of the New Age community in Scotland where legends are reborn; 40-lb. cabbages and 8-foot delphiniums have grown, and where common needs are fulfilled in miraculous ways . . . a saga of faith, love and energy.

. . . **Occult Medicine Can Save Your Life: A Modern Doctor Looks at Unconventional Healing** by C. Norman Shealy, M.D. with Arthur S. Freese (Dial Press, \$7.95). The story of the Wisconsin neurosurgeon specialist in new techniques to prevent or alleviate pain and the new approach of "holistic medicine."

. . . **Supersenses: Our Potential for Parasensory Experience** by Charles Panati (Quadrangle/The New York Times Book Co. \$8.95). Physicist and NEWSWEEK science writer reports on the current state of activity and research in the psi field.

. . . **The Astral Journey: Evidence for Out-of-Body Experiences from Socrates to the ESP Laboratory** by Herbert B. Greenhouse (Doubleday & Co. \$8.95).

TRANSLATION IN PROCESS

EEF is in the process of translating into Spanish the book, **Our Spiritual Resources** by Joel S. Goldsmith. The English edition is published by George Allen & Unwin, Ltd., and is a guide to the nourishing and development of inner truth and strength which can release the spiritual treasures stored up in everyone.

HEALING NOTICES

. . . Reflecting the new trend, the N. Y. DAILY NEWS published a series of three fine articles, Sept. 17-19, 1975, by Kitty Hanson. "*Healers—and Their Believers: Once considered by many to be either crooked or crazy, faith healing is winning new respect and converts.*" "*I Don't Heal—God Heals*"—"*Healers like little Michael Lord usually offer dramatic crusades. But healing can also be a low key, private affair.*" "*Some Doctors Prescribe Faith—Plus Pills*" "*Faith healing now includes such techniques as biofeedback, ESP and telepathy. It is also rooted in Divine love.*"

. . . The feature article of the May, 1975, issue of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING was *Therapeutic Touch: The Imprimatur of Nursing* by Dolores Krieger, Ph.D. R.N. *The simple laying of hands on or close to the body of an ill person is an ancient therapeutic practice. Now hemoglobin studies made by the author are confirming the effectiveness of bioenergetic healing.* Cover photo shows Dr. Krieger and a patient, with Kirlian photography background capturing the bioenergy emanating from her fingertips; three fingerprints: first, in a natural state; next, while treating, and finally after energy has passed from her fingertips into the patient.

PSI FILM FESTIVAL

Leonard Linder, young Russian film-maker now living in New York, won the \$1000 Grand Prix Award for his entry filmed in Moscow, "*Synergy of Soul*," at the First International Psychic Film Festival held in New York City, September, 1975. The award was a unanimous decision of a panel of judges which included anthropologist Dr. Margaret Mead; Dr. Edgar Mitchell, astronaut and sixth man on the moon; mind researchers Dr. Jean Houston, Dr. Robert Masters and Dr. Stanley Krippner, and cosmic artist, writer and psychic Ingo Swann. EEF was represented on the screening committee and in an advisory capacity.

Of 200 films submitted, 60 were selected as finalists and six prizes awarded in various categories with four honorable mentions.

An international tour of the best films is being coordinated by festival director Howard Kipp Parker, 440 Riverside Drive, New York City 10027, and will be publicized in due course.

ON THE CALENDAR

. . . Weekend symposium, "*Biofeedback, Meditation and Self-regulatory Therapies*," Nov. 22-23, 1975, sponsored by Dept. of Psychiatry, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N. Y.

. . . "*Humanistic Psychology in the Americas*," Association for Humanistic Psychology International Conference, Cuernavaca, Mexico, December 19-21, 1975. Address AHP 325 9th St., San Francisco, Ca. 94103.

. . . "*Ways of Healing: Ancient and Modern*," weekend symposium January 24-25, 1976, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, sponsored by University of California, San Francisco, Continuing Education in Health Sciences.

A PARAPSYCHOLOGICAL ODYSSEY

With a title inspired by the beautiful mythological creatures, whose lovely song enticed mariners to follow wherever it led, **Song of the Siren** by Stanley Krippner, is the exciting story of his work and travels around the globe following the faint music of psychic phenomena in search of their explanation. It is the log of a voyager of the mind and a chart of both the deeper waters yet to be explored and the destructive reefs of psi search.

The book is a research scientist's diary which began at the University of Wisconsin more than twenty years ago where Krippner first discovered the hostility of established psychology to such investigators as J. B. Rhine, on through and beyond his 10-year research at Brooklyn's Maimonides Dream Laboratory and the intriguing successes in telepathic transmission from awake "senders" to sleeping "receivers."

This adventurous reading (handwritten mostly on airplane trips) is based on four continents, involving hundreds of well-known individuals highlighting the world of ESP, spiritual healing, psychokinesis, etc. (Harper & Row, Publishers, \$12.50).

EXPANSION OF AWARENESS

Recent incoming mail at EEF and some of our activities reflect the burgeoning interest of the lay and part of the scientific public in studying the true dimensions and capabilities of the mind and spirit. New organizations and study groups are being formed; seminars and symposiums are being announced constantly. Space prevents us from reporting on all the activities in which we are involved and interested.

Those interested in expanding their own awareness of what is going on can investigate through a number of resources. For instance, **Psi: The Other World Catalogue**—by June and Nicholas Regush (G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, \$5.00) is a 320-page comprehensive international guide to societies, periodicals, books and bookstores, in the fields of life energies; methods of psychic and spiritual development; dimensions of healing, mysteries of time and space, etc. A 200-item bibliography is included in the book, **Be Here Now** based on lectures by Ram Dass (Crown Publishers, New York, \$3.33). A page of resource information is available from EEF Baton Rouge office.

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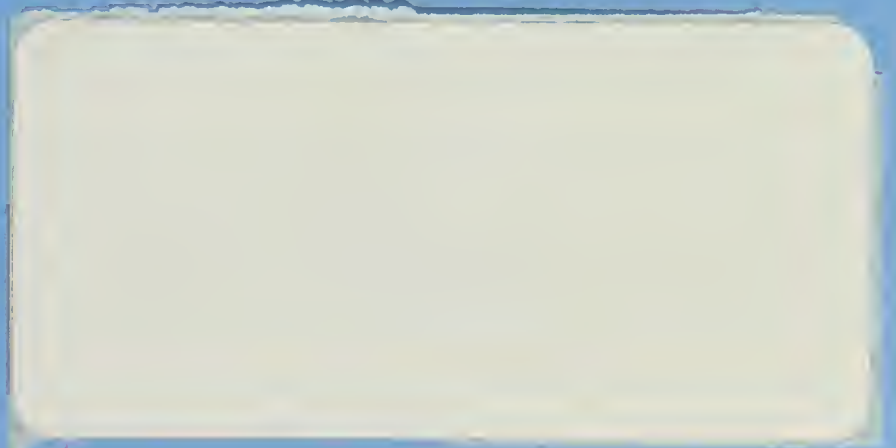
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