

Growth Centres

COMMUNITY

6 Harley Road NW3. Tel: 01-586 3545. Co-directors and leaders: Michael Barnett, Carole Davey, Tom Falkner, Bob Jones. Administrator: Libby Philips. Community Team: Clive Cazes, Carol Davey, Pete Davey, Tom Falkner, Juliet Forman, Ken Holme, Bob Jones, Ken Speyer.

BRISTOL ENCOUNTER CENTRE

28 Drakes Way, Portishead, Bristol. Tel: Portishead 847490. Weekend Encounter Groups, Meditation, Creativity Groups, Mini-Society Work, Co-Counselling, various On-Going Groups. Directors: Ken Waldie, John Crook.

THE CHURCHILL CENTRE

22 Montagu Street, W.1., off Montagu Square. (Nearest tube: Marble Arch) Tel: 402 9475. A centre for human relations training, emotional education and group therapy, set up by Ken Holme, a consultant psychologist.

EAST MIDLANDS AND FURTHER NORTH

Anyone interested in getting something together anywhere between Birmingham and Newcastle, please get in touch with Brian Cranwell or Alan Byron at 74 Banner Cross Road, Sheffield S11 9HR, or telephone 360435. The idea is for occasional get together and the exchange of information about what is going on encounter-wise in the area.

TRANSACTIONAL ANALYSIS

For details of training, sponsorship, membership of the International Transactional Analysis Association and experience in T.A. write to: Alan Byron, Clinical Member (I.T.A.A.) 11 Stumperlowe Park Road, Sheffield S10 3QT. Tel: 304894 (home) or 367694 (office). Code 0742.

YERBA BUENA

Consultations for private growth and education. Roger Sanders Smith, 317 Stoney Stanton Road, Coventry CV6 5DS.

SELF-DIRECTED ENCOUNTER GROUPS

St. William's School, Market Weighton, Yorks YO43HA. 06962/2218. Encounter groups with an emphasis on trust in the group process. Groups tend to be more on 'community' than 'therapy' lines. Small charge (£1.00) to cover costs. Other practical details, or more information on the groups available from Marcellus Guyler.

QUAESITOR

187 Walm Lane. London, N.W.2. Tel: 01-452 8489. Director: David Blagden.

ENTROPY

11 Lindfield Gardens N.W.3. Director: Ronald Ullman. Tel: 01-435 8427. Sunday evenings introductory sensitivity training groups for well functioning people. No therapy is offered. The emphasis is on a new way of relating. Telephone for brochure.

CENTRE FOR HUMAN COMMUNICATION

63, Abbey Rd., Torquay, Devon. Tel: 0803 211141/2. Directors: Kevin and Venika Kingsland, David Pike. Ancient yoga philosophy and science: June 1-2. Mantra yoga: 15-16th Chakra system. Individual Psychological, Group and Ergonomic Consultancies. Nature Cure and Yoga Therapy, Arts and Crafts Workshop, Sound and Colour Laboratory, Library. All visitors and enquiries welcome.

A.T.M.A.

Birmingham: six months intensive offering a variety of techniques including Gestalt, Yoga, Massage, Psychodrama, Meditation, Intergroup Relationships, Bio-Energetics, Body Movements. 72a Wake Green Road, Moseley, Birmingham 13. Tel: Kington 781 or 021-449 2947.

GROWTH GROUPS

Leader: Dina Glouberman. Encounter/Gestalt/Psychodrama weekend workshops. Low prices. Small groups. Details from Dina Glouberman, 29 Pattison Road, N.W.2. Tel: 01-435 8943.

Ann McPhee

The Interview

The bus driver did nothing to prevent me from reaching the hospital, but I felt his attitude was not helpful.

'No, we don't go there,' he said, with a deadpan expression.

'Do you go near there?'

'Yes.'

'How much is it?'

'Fivepence.'

I offered him a five and he stared straight through me.

'A five, please,'

'You don't pay me. Put it in the machine.'

'Oh, I see. Will you tell me when we get to the hospital?'

'We don't go to the hospital.'

'Well, the nearest stop to it.'

He nodded and turned to face the front of the bus.

After we had travelled a few miles we stopped in a street of council houses. Nobody got on or off the bus. The driver turned and looked at me.

'This is it.'

I peered out at the council houses. There was nothing that looked remotely like a hospital.

'Where?' I asked loth to get off the bus at the wrong place.

'You have to walk back along the road, turn right and cross the main road.'

'Will I be able to see it then?'

'Yes.'