SOME OBSERVATIONS ON
NATUROPATHIC PHILOSOPHY

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We are all aware of our recent endeavors toward specialization in healing and some of us have participated in it. When we base our premise on the theory that each patient represents an object among objects, this produces specialists to examine and explain each object, like environment, hereditary, etc. But in the healing arts, like the medical profession, it has produced specialists to represent every different activity of the physical body such as the heart, lungs, stomach and so on. Along with these physical scientists but still oriented to a one-level evaluation of man as objective, we have specialists to explain how we think, emotionalize, etc. Each scientist hopes to correlate his own special knowledge with the special interests of other authorities and by the process of chopping Mr. Public into bits, and accumulating volumes of knowledge about how each bit functions, come to some knowledge about Mr. Public.

This program descends into the murky waters of debate as to the relative importance of each line of research, but it has not as yet developed any correlated knowledge about man-as-a-whole. Many specialists have become too involved in their own interests to return to the consideration of the total organism. The old family doctor has been replaced by a long list of medicine-men for each family. It has become so bad that it is a chore to remember which doctor to call for which age group under any given situation. As Mr. Public has become a mighty complicated bit of machinery, he has also become so frequently ill that hospital space is at a premium.

To meet the emergency we are building bigger and better hospitals; we are developing more specialists and we are keeping them busy. And yet with all this specialization the public is getting sicker and sicker. Perhaps in the great clamor for specialization of things about Mr. Public, he himself has become forgotten, whereas he should have become the focal point of attention as the creating center of his various fields of activity.

So in the biosynthesis and naturopathic approach we must encompass the entire view of that which an individual signifies and which his physiological organism represents. We must develop the ability to see an individual as a whole, and as integral structurally, ego in his true
relation the organism as a whole including this world and this universe, from which he cannot be separated.

To this end we will conclude with emphasis on that certainty that etiological factors, respecting maladjustments, diseases, etc., must be looked for in the existing steps of consciousness of a given individual. Transition, relief and alteration or elimination of those causes in a given state of consciousness will inevitably result in corresponding changes in the representation thereof we label physical body.

In the Aristotelian language, structure is often remarked of as: “no two things were created alike.” In the non-Aristotelian thought structure, those differences in the individualizing process are more minutely accounted for than in the old form. In this approach we then arrive at a basic point of development.

This term would indicate the manner in which one is conscious of self, or the point of development in the dynamic process in individualization. This consideration establishes a uniqueness of each individual; therefore, the potential of harmony or creative principle in each one is a very important consideration in the process of healing.

The fundamental point for our healing considerations is that maladjustments result from some departure from the basic-state, or intrusion of inharmonious or destructive forces therein.

Departure from one's basic point and the intrusion of disrupting forces are brought about through a variety of reasons and causes. For instances: (1) remaining in an environmental condition which is detrimental to the dynamic urge at and of the basic point; (2) when one is taken out of frequencies that are suitable to the basic point and thrown into inharmonious ones, such as war and other malevolent circumstances; (3) through the use of narcotics, excessive indulgences in beverage alcohol, etc.; (4) through rapport with a person or group which pulls him away from his basic point; (5) the revenge of the will (the greater-self will not forever strive with man); (6) being denied expression to natural and normal creative urges, which are not necessarily sex urges and (7) through some excessive desire to appear well in the opinion of others.

This delineation of causes contributing to departure of intrusion of disrupting forces is merely suggestive, of course; the individual physician must get at the underlying cause applying to each specific case. However, we have sought to establish the premise that one true to his basic point of development will be relatively free from sickness, disease, accidents and all manner of substituted and compensatory forms of expression. The departure from the basic point opens the door to inharmonious and destructive forces, the effects of which will surely follow.

One of the most important considerations in the new biosynthesis of naturopathic philosophy is the subject of colloidal structure and behavior.

A unit of energy is called an electron; while the positive unit of energy is often designated “proton” we will confine ourselves to the use of
the label electron to represent both or either a positive or negative charge of the unit. In consideration of any energy-system or electromagnetic field, its functions, activities, behavior and general manifestation involve the interplay between positive and negative aspects. We consider this to be fundamental and of vital importance to our understanding of this energy-world and every event and consideration pertaining thereto. We also consider it a pivotal point in our studies respecting therapeutic methods and practices.

On scientific grounds, we can state: it is due to an attractive force obtaining between a positive and a negative unit which causes these units or electrons to configure into atoms; atoms into molecules, etc. In that extensive range between molecules and cells we find a graduation in sizes to which is given the label colloidal.

In 'Science and Sanity,' a book devoted to semantic attitudes, Korzybski states: "The smallest particle visible in the microscope is still about one thousand times larger than the largest molecule. Between the molecule and the smallest visible particle there is a wide range of sizes. Findlay calls these the twilight zone of matter; and Oswald called it the 'world of neglected dimensions.'

This world of neglected dimensions is of particular interest to us, because in this range of subdivisions or smallness we find very peculiar forms of behavior — life included — which are called 'colloidal behavior'.

Electrical currents generated by feeling-thinking (psychological) processes play over the surfaces and areas of the colloidal structure of a physiological organism, altering and changing surface-tensions, according to the positive-negative reciprocal relations pertaining thereto. These energy currents may be set up by one's own semantic reactions, values, etc., or they may be registered from another, or from environmental influences, content of racial consciousness, emotional fervors, etc. These psychological semantic reactions we label love, courage, fortitude, etc., (positive). Fear, worry, hate, jealousy, evil, etc., (negative). These are considered as factors affecting the surface tension of colloidal structure.

Experiments show that there are four main factors which are able to disturb the colloidal equilibrium: (1) physical, as, for instance, X-rays, radium, light, ultra-violet rays, cathode rays; (2) mechanical — such as friction and puncture; (3) chemical — such as tar, paraffin, arsenic, etc. and finally, (4) biological — such as microbes, parasites, spermatozoas. In man, another, a fifth potent factor, viz., semantic reactions.

In diagnosis and treatment, the play of energy-forces upon the surface areas of colloidal structure pertaining to the physiological organism, on empirical grounds, serves as the operational connecting link between energy-frequencies registered and that which is called organic functioning.

If there is a maladjustment in organismal functioning continued for some period, the malady becomes labeled organic; and then the doctor
may say to the patient: "You have heart trouble, or neuralgia, arthritis, or rheumatism, carcinoma," or any number of labels that may apply. These are labels to end-products or effects, the etiology of which lies deeper and may be found as: (1) disturbances in a colloidal structure; (2) forces affecting a balanced psychic nature; and (3) modifications affecting a normal state of consciousness.

Herein we are presenting on the basic background of the new bio-synthesis; naturopathy in a modern dress. This instruction brings the healing art abreast the findings of modern physics, mathematics and other exact sciences; let us hope that the near future will find a seat in our colleges in the department of philosophy, with the over-all pro-

gram of the basic tenets of healing, which is abreast and parallel to the scientific findings and research of present day physics and mathematics.

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