

MARCH 1980

SØREN KIERKEGAARD SOCIETY

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Søren Kierkegaard Society will hold a session at the American Philosophical Association in Boston, December 28-30, 1980. Papers for the session must not exceed 30 minutes reading time and will be subject to a critic. Longer papers will be returned. Probably two papers will be selected. Please submit three copies.

Papers should be sent to Prof. Robert L. Perkins, Department of Philosophy, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama, 36688, who will serve as one of three readers. DUE DATE: May 15 (No extensions; that due date cuts our review time very thin.)

A KIERKEGAARD COMMENTARY

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The Concept of AnxietySickness unto Death

Princeton University Press has announced these titles of "Kierkegaard's Writings" for 1980.

About nine months after these are actually received in the mail, I will begin editing the received essays based on these volumes for "A Kierkegaard Commentary." There are format and sigla expectations, so be in touch. Send essays to Robert L. Perkins.

NEWS AND NOTES

"Understanding Abraham: Care, Faith, and the Absurd" by Edward F. Mooney will be read at the Kierkegaard Society, March 27, at the Pacific Division of APA.

THOUGHT, A REVIEW OF CULTURE AND IDEA

Will publish in September 1980, a memorial issue "For Kierkegaard: 1855-1980" edited by Robert L. Perkins.

Howard Hong writes that it has been snowing manuscripts, galleys and page proofs. That is surely good news and we Southerners think it is preferable to the other kind of snow that falls all winter in Minnesota.

Those planning trips to Copenhagen can obtain a lot of information and orientation from Dr. Julia Watkin, Stenagervej 15, 2900 Copenhagen, Hellerup, Denmark. Dr. Watkin is a volunteer granny to newcomers to the environs.

PROGRESS REPORT

1. Negotiations continue with a university press for this series as announced and described in previous newsletters. We have the director's firm support. I will inform you of the name of the press as soon as a deal is struck. Till then, I think I should withhold naming the press to save them any possible embarrassment should they have to withdraw. I think withdrawal is most unlikely.
2. Three essays for AKC: Two Ages are in hand. Others are expected by April 1, the deadline.
3. There will be an advisory board similar to that for "Kierkegaard's Writings." That is another matter we are discussing with the press. I think we may have two types of advisors: for specified terms and for specific volumes.
4. Several members of the Søren Kierkegaard Society have been most affirmative in letters requested by the press. My thanks. Our would-be publisher has asked that we poll the mailing list and ask how many of your libraries would purchase "A Kierkegaard Commentary" as a serial. Please reply, a lot may ride on this.
5. Comments?

MORE NEWS AND NOTES

Alastair McKinnon writes: "I am presently publishing a series entitled The Kierkegaard Monograph Series with Wilfred Laurier University Press in Waterloo, Ontario. The first volume, my translation of Ib Ostenfeld Søren Kierkegaard Psychology, has recently appeared and the second, Howard and Edna Hong's translation of Malantschuk's The Controversial Kerkegaard should appear shortly. Also, Princeton University Press has recently agreed to take over the American distribution of The Kierkegaard Indices and any or all of the four volumes from this series should be available from them shortly."

Michael Theunissen and Wilfried Greve have edited and translated a number of English language articles in their Materialen zur Philosophie Søren Kierkigaards. Frankfurt a.M., Suhrkamp, 1979.

George Stengren has received his first copy of his translation of Kierkegaard's Relation to Hegel by Niels Thulstrup. Princeton University Press. (3-13-80)

John Knox Press has recently published Frederick Sontag's A Kierkegaard Handbook. There was an appreciative review in "New Review of Books and Religion" by J.T. Moore.

Robert J. Markley, Department of English, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK, 73069 invites inquiries into a volume he is planning on SK and literature.

REPORT ON A KIERKEGAARD COMMENTARY: TWO AGES

1. My thanks to those who have contributed essays to AKC. They are currently undergoing editorial review. One advisory editor selected; another is in process. Volume consultants and an international board are under consideration. Suggestions welcome. See 4 below.
2. The series has been turned down by Yale, Tennessee, Princeton, and Florida State University Presses. My mistake: in varying degrees I have approached these presses serially and we were under serious consideration by one for a long period during which time I did not pursue another press. Now I will approach as many as I can simultaneously depending upon Veronica Ammons' (the departmental secretary) strength and longevity.
3. Separated from my secretary during the fall while I was at Yale and now distracted by unexpected activities at the university, the project has been in pause. Sorry. You, the contributors, have patience and I'll have persistence. A publisher with great national and international distribution powers has become interested. He is doing his arithmetic. Looks good.
4. Dr. Paul Holmer, Yale University, has agreed to serve on the Advisory Board. Karsten Harries, Yale University, has agreed to serve as the Volume Consultant for Either/Or when it appears.
5. I think we should plan the next volumes of AKC. When I locate a publisher, he will want the project as far along as possible. Thus the call for papers. See below.

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Sickness Unto Death	Concept of Anxiety	The Corsair
DUE: October 1, 1981	DUE: January 1, 1982	Affair
		DUE: June 1, 1982

7. One essay has been received on Sickness unto Death and an essay on the imagination has been promised. An essay on Kierkegaard's relation to the creeds and Lutheranism in The Concept of Anxiety has been promised.

REPORT OF BUSINESS MEETING

December 23, 1981

Due to the fact no one present at the 1980 business meeting was also present at the 1981 business meeting, continuity is difficult to maintain. (If you are at the Eastern APA, try to make the business meeting.)

Those present discussed:

1. The issue of Thought directed to Kierkegaard
2. The progress of the Princeton edition of Kierkegaard's Writings.
3. A Kierkegaard Conference in 1982. No plans were made.
4. A progress report on A Kierkegaard Commentary.
5. A report of the McGill University meeting.
6. Note was taken of the vastly improved attendance at the APA papers.

Forty-five were present for the reading of the papers

CHANGE OF NAME OF NEWSLETTER

I have previously used my name in the title of this newsletter because I did it on my own without editorial help.

Now we need a change. Anyone out there who will help? Write your own job description. If some volunteer is not well known to me personally, tell me about yourself.

Kierkegaard's "Fear and Trembling": Critical Appraisals

ed. by Robert L. Perkins (University: University of Alabama Press, 1981), 249 pp. should be available July 15, 1981. It contains essays by Louis Jacobs, David Pailin, Robert L. Perkins, Merold Westphal, Paul Holmer, Edward F. Mooney, John Donnelly, C. Stephen Evans, David J. Wren, Mark C. Taylor, Nancy J. Crumbine and Jerry H. Gill.

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