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neurotic exhibitionism is neither accepted nor is it such a prelude. As I just said the book fails in pointing out these basic differences.

The theory of Rickles is the one that of late a number of clinicians have accepted: the theory of fixation to a specific kind of mother, namely, one brought up by a rigid father (grandparent of the perpetrator); a mother whose over-indulgence creates exaggerated narcissism and a persistent Oedipus complex. It is not quite clear how the author thinks the experiences in the lives of the three individuals, grandfather, mother and son, are connected with those cultural taboos that allegedly followed the primitive culture of phallus worshiping.

Be this as it may, the author, like others whom he quotes, bases the theory on statistics. However, those statistics suffer from the basic error that has caused so many clinical statistical theories to fall into ill repute among statisticians. The questions to be asked that have never been asked, let alone answered are the following:

A.) In how many cases are the mothers of the exhibitionist offenders not frigid spouses, not softies, married to halfpint husbands?

It so happens that in a series of cases seen by this reviewer just this chain of conditions was missing. But I am far from holding forth a direct Oedipal theory instead of the theory of Rickles. I just want to state the fact and to urge a statistical follow-up.

B.) How many compulsives reared by typical mothers do never show any inclination toward exhibitionism and were certainly never apprehended?

With this latter question we are hitting the crux of not only clinical but also of criminal statistics. While in general criminal statistics it is very difficult to answer questions of this type, in our particular field it should be feasible, if one tries to do it.

The author has also tried to buttress his theory with clinical psychological projective tests. He, however, admits that the number of those cases that were tested is much too small, which makes it unnecessary for the reviewer to go into the detail.

The author has avoided taking sides in the problem of the sexual psychopath laws. A clear viewpoint from such an experienced author as Rickles would be welcome.

For the second edition which the book deserves, the reviewer wants to suggest more correctness in detail e.g. Nietzsche listed on p. 24 of the index is on p. 25; the French quotation on p. 20 is garbled; many typing errors, especially in German and French words in the bibliography. Finally the reviewer cannot help wondering about the price of the book. Is it intended to be prohibitive?

The reviewer wants to state explicitly that he has read with keen interest the few case histories that are given.

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