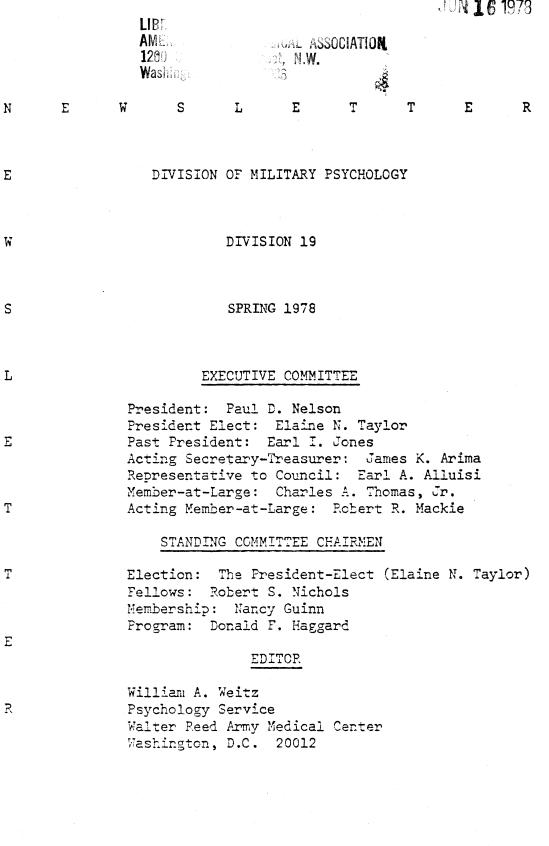
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President's Message

As I watch the mid-year point fade in the distance, I feel a certain sense of frustration in knowing that we have only begun to move on so many of the goals we discussed and established last Fall. Since I am not up for re-election, however, I refuse to remain overly concerned about this, attribute it to the fact that we're all very busy people, and conclude that all of those who have previously led our Division in one capacity or another have had the same experience in recovering from the winter doldrums!

By contrast, looking ahead, I am extremely pleased with the work in our Division which has indeed been moving ahead. Most notably, of course, our Program Committee chaired by Don Haggard has completed the major portion of its pre-convention responsibilities with what sounds to be an excellent fare, tailored appropriately for an out-of-country convention. Elaine Taylor and her Elections Committee did their work in fine order (though more of us could have helped by submitting nomination forms); and I know that our slate of candidates for office is of the highest quality. On rather short notice, Jim Arima took over the demanding job of Secretary-Treasurer and, after a period of transition, has performed those functions in recent months as a veteran. In that context, we owe a word of thanks to Cecil Harris who willingly served as Chairperson of a committee to audit our Division books; the first audit has been completed and Cecil reports that we're in fine shape. Thank goodness for that! Bill Weitz, of course, has kept us in the news, despite having the disruption of an office move. And our thanks to Bob Mackie for printing and mailing the Newsletter. Finally, Nancy Guinn has been moving our Membership Committee along as well; from early reports, our new members this year may exceed in number those of last, and that was a "bumper crop." I have also requested a special study of our Division membership by that Committee.

Each one of the Ad Hoc Committees of which I wrote in our last Division Newsletter has been launched; at least, all have Chairpersons with whom I have had correspondence and conversation. Three of those will sponsor workshops at this year's convention, namely: (1) our committee on mental health issues chaired by Dick Hartzell; (2) our committee on tests, testing and training issues chaired by Rick Doll; and (3) our committee on organizational psychology issues chaired by Bert King. We have also arranged for workshop space and time for the other committees to organize or meet for whatever business they might wish to transact. More will be announced on all of these items later. Everyone is welcome to attend. In keeping with our goal of broadening participation of our members in important affairs of the Division and of the APA, I am very pleased with the leadership of these new ad hoc committees to date --- though I know they suffer the frustration of time constraints, too. And, I realize that some of you may not yet have been activated in committee tasks after having volunteered a willingness to work. Please let me know when this is the case and I will make every

effort to correct the situation. We need time, but I am confident that in the years ahead our Division will be healthier with a broad base of leadership. Several of you have already called or written me; I sincerely appreciate your thoughts, complaints, suggestions, and progress reports

Keep up the good work, everyone!

Psychologist Chosen to Head Navy MSC's

Captain Paul D. Nelson, MSC, USN, currently President, Division 19, has just been selected for the position of Chief, Medical Service Corps, U.S. Navy, a position he will assume this summer. His future office address with that title will be: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, D.C.

This will be the first occasion in nearly twenty-five years that Captain Nelson has not been fully engaged in research or the management thereof. In his general responsibility for offices and programs of the Medical Service Corps, he will be working with all medical allied science specialities engaged in research, but additionally those related to occupational and industrial health programs in the Navy, such allied medical professional specialities as optometry, podiatry, pharmacy and, of course, clinical psychology, and a large group of professional offices responsible for health care administration specialities.

[Editor's Note: Our best wishes and congradulations to Dr. Nelson on being selected for this position. It is a noteworthy accomplishment for a psychologist to be elevated to such a role in the military, and we wish to recognize Dr. Nelson for the distinction and honor he has earned, not only for himself, but for his profession as well.]

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REPORT OF THE JANUARY 27-29, 1978 MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

There are three kinds of events upon which your Representative could report in connection with Council meetings. First are the Council agenda items discussed at meetings; second are those events which take place outside formal Council meetings (as coalition and special interest group meetings); and third, things which probably should have taken place or we hoped would take place but did not. I have reported to you primarily on matters brought before Council. Increasingly, events of the second kind capture representatives' attentions: seeking background information on issues; organization formats for APA; who should be nominated for APA President, for the Board of Directors, for major boards and committees; and the "appropriate" expenditure of APA resources and energies.

The single most important agenda item was the presentation of the 1978 Budget. The Budget is a one-hundred-plus page document, and as usual was supplemented by summaries of highlights and major actions. Jack McKay, APA's Business Manager, and Bob Perloff, APA's Treasurer, conducted a separate financial workshop on the Budget which was most informative. Some highlights:

a. Revenues and expenses are each projected to exceed \$10 million. Again, \$200,000 is set aside for liquid reserve. There is, however, a net deficit of \$36,000 after this reserve requirement and a set-aside for paying unrelated business income taxes (largely income from advertising) have been made.

b. Council recognized a need for a 1979 dues increase from \$15 to \$25. The matter will soon be addressed in the pages of <u>Monitor</u>. If there is no change in services, continued inflation, and only a constant growth rate, a dues increase is inevitable.

c. Two items having to do with ethical and social responsibility captured considerable Council attention. One had to do with APA's investment portfolio. We will continue to monitor the names and behaviors of American corporations in this country and abroad; will seek to ameliorate unfavorable social conditions or past harms caused by corporate actions; and divest ourselves of holdings where it appears a corporation is not amenable to influence by its stockholders. The other, involving potential discrimination in faculty hiring and admission of students, turned out to be a thorny one. After considerable debate Council instructed the Accreditation Committee to adhere to APA's commitment to non-discriminative practices with respect to religious orientation as a condition of program (clinical, counselling, school) approval. The action was taken in full knowledge that the quality of the training provided by educational institutions controlled by religious groups may be excellent.

d. Because the Annual Convention is recovering from deficit operations and beginning to show a surplus, registration fees for members and non-members will be reduced by \$1 in 1978.

e. At every Council meeting one apparently innocent topic elicits strong passions, both pro and con. This meeting's topic: The proposed

hourly fee structure for the Children's Hospitality Center at the Annual Convention. The amount in question was around \$2,000. We spent more time on the matter than on the entire \$10 million budget!

f. Despite the September vote of Council against a proposed popular magazine, PSYCHOLOGY, the death may be premature. The basic issue, however, is communicating with the public rather than the mechanism by which this is done. An ad hoc Committee on Public Information was voted and charged to determine affordable and effective means for enhancing public awareness of what psychologists do.

g. The meeting broke new ground. Council completed the scheduled two and one-half day, three-dozen item agenda in a day and a half, thanks to good preparation, good organization, and an alert, knowledgeable chair, President Ted Blau.

Topics which will likely capture Council concerns and energies in the future will likely be such issues as standards for providers of psychological services, the APA's continuing education program, and possible changes in APA structure.

As reported in the last issue of the Newsletter, Division 19 is now contributing to coalitions of Council Representatives. I attended both the Public Interest Caucus and the Research-Academic Caucus. The major items in both caucuses had to do with candidates for the office of President (on which all APA members vote), the two new members of the Board of Directors (elected by Council) and alternate ways of structuring the APA. There was also an organizational meeting of a possible fourth coalition of Council Representatives, and one in which I feel Division 19 clearly belongs. Representatives from Industrial/Organizational, Psychologists in Public Service, Engineering, Counseling, Education, Consumer, and Population and Environment attended. The meeting explored whether those divisions with diverse memberships, a commitment to a systems, integrative perspective of psychology might not affiliate as a positive voice against schism and partisanship in APA.

I am pleased and honored to have served as your Representative for the last three years. The wisdom, energy and political astuteness of Earl Alluisi will guarantee Division 19 will be well represented the next three years. Share with him your questions about affairs of the Association.

William A. McClelland

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SOME SUGGESTIONS ON A STATE ASSOCIATION

WORKING WITH ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF PSYCHOLOGY

Based on the very successful experiences members of the New Jersey Psychological Association have had with their representatives in Congress, Gene Shapiro recently offered some observations from which the following rules of thumb are derived:

1. Be sure to keep state and Federal legislative actions separate from one another.

2. Your Congressional representative should be contacted by a constituent. In a state network there should be one responsible psychologist for each representative.

3. Know the representative's Legislative Assistant and keep in frequent contact with him.

4. Your contact should be direct. Face to Face meetings are highly desired and they should occur over time.

5. In discussions on legislation, know the title of the bill, its number, and the content.

6. Be sure to thank the representative for support provided.

7. Keep central records of who called whom, when, on what.

8. Be sure your representative knows of the expertise you can provide. When called by him or his office, respond with the best advice and promptly.

[Editor's Note: These suggestions have been shared by Bill McClelland who who attended an AAP sponsored program on the representation of Psychology's interests to state and national legislative bodies at the last APA convention. Many of the ideas came from Dr. Gene Shapiro, a New Jersey psychologist, who has been highly active in dealing with legislators on behalf of Psychology. For those persons who desire to contact state of national representatives about legislative issues, often some prior contact with the Association for the Advancement of Psychology (AAP) can be very helpful in organizing input in a way that can maximize its value and effect.]

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A Note of Thanks -----

Bill McClelland completed his tour of office as our Division 19 Representative to Council in January. Being Representative to Council, while certainly an honor, is a responsibility fraught with homework by the caseload, long hours of sitting and listening, and a requirement for patience, maturity of judgment, and the wisdom to know the impossible --- namely how your constituents feel about hundreds of issues. Bill always seemed to manage a good word and a smile in whatever he was doing; and I know he déligently did his homework on our behalf. For your enthusiasm, competence, and professional demeanor at all times, Bill, we thank you for your service to Division 19:

We also wish Earl Alluisi, our new Representative to Council, best wishes and know that we will continue to have the highest calibre of representation possible in the competencies and energy Earl brings to the job!

For the membership,

PAUL D. NELSON President, Division 19

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Membership Committee Report

As of 31 March 1978, the membership committee has sent out 76 application forms to prospective members; 29 completed forms have already been returned. This is a good start for our 1978 membership drive but continuing efforts are needed on the part of all Division 19 members to "recruit" APA members not currently affiliated with Division 19 who might be interested in becoming a new member. If you know of a prospective candidate for our Division, notify the membership committee of the individual's name and address and an application form will be forwarded.

Statistics and demographic data are being compiled on Division 19 membership for the past 10-12 years and should be completed during the summer. We hope that these data will show the growth of Division 19 along with the characteristics and interests of our members.

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Election Committee Report

The Election Committee of Division 19 has released it's slate of candidates which will be voted upon by the membership in the forthcoming APA elections. Everyone is invited to make their preferences known by participating in these elections.

The slates of candidates are as follows:

President-Elect - (Elect 1)

Nancy Guinn Robert R. Mackie Robert S. Nichols

Secretary-Treasurer - (Elect 1)

James K. Arima Francis J. Fishburne Robert F. Holz

Member-at-Large of Executive Committee - (Elect 2)

Gordon A. Eckstrand Gloria L. Grace Donald F. Haggard Richard E. Hartzell Wallace W. Prophet William A. Weitz

Council of Representatives - APA

The results of the apportionment of Council seats for APA for 1979 have been released and Division 19 has barely retained it's single representative. As Council seats are determined yearly by the results of the apportionment ballot distributed each fall, Division members might be interested in the rules which determine how many seats are apportioned to each state and Division.

<u>Council</u>	Seats	Percentage of Votes
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The competition for Council seats in APA is extremely keen with many coalitions forming in an attempt to gain greater voting strength and hence council influence. With Division 19 receiving .70% of the total vote, we have squeezed out <u>one</u> representative. In order to maintain our lone voice on Council, Division 19 members are encouraged to actively support the Division by apportioning enough of their 10 votes to the Division in the Fall to ensure continued representation. (Note: 70 members apportioned all 10 of their votes to the Division which enabled us to retain our Council seat.)

Update on Navy Psychology

The Navy Medical Service Corps clinical psychology community has experienced a very significant increase in the number of billets; twenty-seven new positions since June, 1977. Of interest to all clinicians, seventeen of these new positions were created via the conversion of Medical Corps - psychiatry billets to Medical Service Corps - clinical psychology. The role of the clinical psychologist as consultant to the line community has appreciably grown in the last year. Faculty positions at the U. S. Naval Academy have increased to four with an additional full time billet at the Mental Hygiene Clinic. Several qualified clinical types would endorse some type of interservice loan of qualified clinical/academic faculty among the three academies. How much interest is there in the tri-service fields for such an exchange?

There has been an increasing trend to utilize clinical psychologists on a psychiatric emergency watch vice an administrative watch. Of course, this is at the discretion of the local command. Some successes are noted at large Naval Regional Medical Centers in the requisition of biofeedback and neuropsychological equipment.

In conclusion, a plea for the modification of military psychologists' "joining/ affiliation" behavior. Psychologists are at least as guilty as most in being part of the problem rather than "putting their money where their mouth is" by joining APA, Division 19, AAP, National Register, Division 12 - Clinical Psychology or other relevant fraternal interests. Recent data shows only 30-35% of Division 12 members are members of AAP. Curious, considering the obvious relevance of current issues addressed by AAP. For applications to join Division 19 write to: Dr. Nancy Guinn, AFHRL/ORS, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas 78235.

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R. D. McCULLAH Lieutenant Commander, MSC, USN Clinical Psychology Advisor Human Resources Management Division . 1

An Appeal To You Emeritus Or Dues-Exempt And Senior Members

We are very desirous of preserving the documents and memoirs related to the history of military psychology. Of course the history of military psychology is a good deal wider than the history of Division 19, but related to it in many ways. Scrutiny of recent retirement lists shows that many of the famous psychologists of World War II and Korea have been retiring from academic life, research institutes, and laboratories. Their memoirs, whether formal (as for possible inclusion in such series as The History of Psychology in Autobiography or The Psychologists) or informal, are important sources of the history and should be stored in some permanent place--perhaps the Archives of the History of Psychology, under John Popplestone at Akron, or the files of the secretary of Division 19, or both. This note is a request to each member or former member of Division 19 to consider donating his accounts of his service in the armed forces during World War II or Korea for possible eventual transfer to Akron. It is true that much of the history does already exist in Archival form--the journal articles of the time, the 19 or 20 volumes of the Army-Air Corps series, the four volumes published by the Princeton University Press on attitudes, and much more. But the memoirs could and should include so much more. For those reading this note who have taken the time to put together an account of their experiences, can we have a copy? For those who haven't yet bothered; how about starting it this week? The exercise in recall, in ordering and evaluating the experiences should be fun-- and we want to preserve the record.

Of course we also would like spare reprints or copies of materials, too.

If you have information to share, please forward same to: Dr. Walter Wilkins, c/o Naval Health Research Center, San Diego, California 92152. Dr. Wilkins, with others, is coordinating our Division 19 Committee on the History of Military Psychology.

Gratefully,

Paul D. Nelson

Task Force Committee on "Aptitude Test, Testing, and Training Issues" Forming

In line with offering all Division membership a chance to become actively involved, the recently enacted Task Force on "Aptitude Tests, Testing, and Training Issues" is recruiting individuals who might be interested in working in this area. Currently, with Richard E. Doll as chair, the Committee consists of Ralph Dusek and Mike Risch (ARI), Steve Sellman (USAF), Norm Kerr (NTTC), Paul Caro (Seville Research), Larry James (IBR), Marty Wiskopf (NPRDC), Dick Gibson (USN, BUMED), and Lonnie Valentine (HRL).

There will be a one-half day pre-Convention Workshop at the Toronto APA to define the issues and problem areas, and to delegate responsibility to committee members.

Individuals with background in the area of training who are interested in

serving on this committee are asked to write Dr. Doll at:

Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida 32508

or call him at:

Autovon 922-3656; commercial (904) 452-3656.

Division 19 Psychologist Honored

Dr. William V. Hagin, Senior Staff Professional with Seville Research Corporation, Pensacola, Florida, was awarded the De Florez Training Award by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics at the AIAA Honors Night Banquet in Washington on February 9, 1978. The award was made to Dr. Hagin, formerly Technical Director for the U.S. Air Force Human Resources Laboratory (Flying Training Division),"...for continued contributions to military and civil aviation training through the promotion of simulation as an effective training process, development of innovative training concepts, and research into pilot performance and proficiency measurements." Dr. Hagin is currently involved in research efforts concerned with bilingual air traffic control and with computer generated imagery in visual simulation systems.

AAP on the Hill

Recent focus of AAP activities in Washington have centered on a range of concerns relevant to psychologists of all backgrounds. Specfically these areas include:

- 1) Continued efforts to document restraint of trade with respect to current FTC investigations of both JCAH and Blue Cross/Blue Shield practices.
- 2) A strong response to recently announced plans by the Chief of ADAMHA Chief, Dr. Gerald Klerman to reorganize ADAMHA through extra-legislative means, and to restructure the initial review of discretionary grants and research contracts. At stake is the principle of Psychology supporting the current separate agency review process.

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- 3) Concerns over revisions of the Federal Criminal Code that affect the status of psychologists as independent health care providers
- 4) Focusing on inequities in the Social Security Act and Federal regulations dealing with Medicare and Medicaid payments to HMO's as to requirements for physician supervision over psychological services.

Further information and sample letters related to these issues are available from AAP, which is encouraging help from Psychologists to support their work in these areas.

Division 19 Workshop on Military Organizational Effectiveness

This workshop will take place on August 27 at APA. It will include case histories of organizational development and organizational effectiveness programs in each of the services. In addition, Dave Bowers and Ed Lawler, who are leading figures in the world of organizational research, will comment and lead the discussion on issues and problems such as the philosophy of organizational development in a military setting, determining what specific change strategies and tactics to use, and how to come up with program evaluations that can satisfy the budgeteers.

The workshop leader will be Dr. Bert T. King, Associate Director, Organizational Effectiveness Research Programs, Office of Naval Research. For additional information call (AC 202, 696-4502/3/4, autovon 226-4502/3/4) or write Bert at 800 N. Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217.

American Projective Drawing Institute Summer Workshops

The American Projective Drawing Institute offers two Summer Workshops this year in New York City: (a) <u>Basic</u>, July 24, 25, 26; (b) <u>Advanced and</u> <u>Case Seminar</u>, July 26, 26, 28. <u>The Clinical Application of Projective</u> <u>Drawings</u>, Hammer, E. F., Charles Thomas, Publisher, 301 East Lawrence Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62703 is suggested as preparation for the Basic Workshop. <u>Advances in the House-Tree-Person Technique: Variations</u> <u>and Applications</u>. Buck, J. N. and Hammer, E. F., Western Psychological Services, 12035 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, California 90025, is suggested as preparation for the Advanced. For information write Dr. Emanuel Hammer, 381 West End Avenue, New York, New York 10024.

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Request for Papers for Annual Review Article in Personnel Training and Development

Papers are requested on Personnel Training and Development to be considered for discussion and citation in the 1980 edition of Annual Review of Psychology. The article, which will be written by Irv Goldstein, will review journal articles, technical reports and books published since John Campbell's review of the same topic in 1971. Materials concerning the following topics are of interests: 1) aspects of the training process itself including need assessment, criterion issues and evaluation strategies especially material which considers training as an intervention strategy in organizational environments; 2) the treatment of training as one aspect of organizational behavior systems including training as a source of expectations, learning, attitude formation, etc.; 3) the relationship of training to other issues including career development, second career training, fair employment practices, hard core unemployed, etc.; 4) empirical and conceptual material concerning particular training methodologies. Authors are encouraged to send materials relevant to the topic of Personnel Training and Development to Irwin L. Goldstein, Department of Psychology, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

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NECROLOGY

Dr. W. Dean Chiles, a Fellow of Divisions 19 and 21 of the American Psychological Association, died unexpectedly on Friday, November 18, 1977, of a massive coronary thrombosis. He was hospitalized at the time, making preparations for a heart by-pass operation that never took place. The operation had been planned as a hoped-for solution to angina pectoris that had progressed in recent months and weeks. He would have been 50 years of age on January 27, 1978.

Born in Ayersville, Ohio, he moved to Norman, Oklahoma, with his wife (Lois) and three children (Cathy, Clifford, and Gary) in 1967 coincident with his employment as Chief of Human Performance Research at the Civil Aeromedical Institute, Federal Aviation Administration, Oklahoma City. From 1952 to 1967, he served as a military, then as a civilian, research psychologist at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He had received a bachelor's degree from Miami (Ohio) University in 1949, and a Ph. D. degree in psychology from the State University of Iowa in 1952.

An internationally renowned scientist and author or co-author of scores of research reports and publications on the assessment of performance and workload, Dr. Chiles had been the recipient of numerous scientific and professional honors and awards. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. In addition to being a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, he was an Associate Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association. In 1970, he was co-recipient of the Jerome H. Ely Award of the Human Factors Society for a significant contribution to the human factors profession and to science. In 1970, he received the Raymond F. Longacre Award of the Aerospace Medical Association for outstanding accomplishments in the psychological aspects of aerospace medicine.

Nothing need be added for those of us who knew Dean Chiles, and for those who may not have known him well, I can report only my personal experiences with this man: No more-forthright, honest, nor ethical person and scientist could anyone ever hope to know. No more-interesting, thoughtful, nor kind a companion could anyone ever hope to meet. No better nor more-loyal and understanding friend could anyone ever hope to have. We shall miss him.

(C)

Earl A. Alluisi

Virginia Beach, Virginia November 20, 1977

(Note: Dr. Chiles' family have designated the W. Dean Chiles Memorial Fund at the Norman Unitacian Universalist Fellowship, Norman, Oklahoma, as appropriate for expressions of sympathy.)

Whither the APA?

Coalition**\$**, federations, new societies ----- every week seems to bring a new rumor and each issue of the <u>Monitor</u> a new slant on what's going on in the APA. Clinicians vs researchers; practicioners vs teachers; public vs private; advocacy vs theory; so goes the polemics of discourse in APA circles these days.

Division 19, as its membership voted to do at last year's business meeting during APA, has made token contribution to two of last year's three newly formed coalitions in the Council of Representatives. The Academic-Research Coalition and the Public Interest Coalition each received our continued support and they, in turn, are keeping us informed of their activities, concerns, and interests. We were unsuccessful in identifying a reported third Coalition of Council (rumored to be those in private practice for the most part).

We also received a letter from John Campbell, President of Division 14 and an invitation to join that Division and others in an Applied Scientist/Practicioner Coalition (which in my personal opinion combined what I consider to be the strong points of the other coalitions into one ---- and it is intended to include those in mental health practice as well as those of more traditional industrial/organizational affiliations in their professional practice).

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What does it all mean? Who knows at this point. We are on everyone's mailing list, and our Representative to Council, Earl Alluisi, as well as our Liaison to AAP, Meredith Crawford, are as cognizant as any one these days of the sentiments, politics, and implications for us as a Division and the APA. So far, our stance is consistent with our Division Bylaws (as amended in September 1977) which state:

"The purposes of this organization shall be:

a. To advance psychology as a science and as a means of promoting the public welfare through research, the application of research findings to military problems, and the encouragement of professional relationships among psychologists interested in the applications of psychological knowledge and techniques to military problems.

b. To faster wide dissemination and application of scientific knowledge and state-of-the-act advances in areas relevant to military psychology."

I particularly encourage, indeed reinforce, attention to those words "professional relationships among psychologists" for the governance of our behavior as individuals and professionals, whatever our tasking. It seems to me that all too often these days the word "profession" is used in too narrow a way, incorrectly in my opinion. The profession of psychology should be the business of all psychologists employed by or otherwise engaged in services rendered to the military institutions of our society; and a sense of professionalism should pervade not only relationships with one another as psychologists, but with those of other disciplines or professions with whom and for whom we render our public services, not to exclude the public itself. In other words, let's get on with our business.

[Editor's Note: This statement from the Division 19 President, Paul Nelson, is a cogent and timely update on the state of APA and the position of Division 19 with respect to recent developments. As such, I have decided to include this statement as a guest editorial for the Spring 78 Newsletter.]