

PRIZE CONTEST

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“PROBLEMS OF GROUP ADJUSTMENT”

closing date – october 31, 1947

*An account of its purpose,
and its terms*

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PURPOSE OF THE *Contest*



The purpose of the contest is to stimulate investigation into problems of group adjustment in the United States. The Institute hopes that the essays submitted will deal with situations involving problems of group adjustment growing out of those tensions which may arise from differences of race, religion, nationality or socio-economic interests. It is suggested in general that the statement be made in terms of principles or methods by which harmonious relations can be established. There is, however, no desire on the part of the Institute to limit the scope of the contributions submitted in this contest.

THE Prize



To the author of the winning manuscript, as determined by the judges, The Institute for Religious and Social Studies, through the generosity of the New York Foundation, will pay the sum of \$2,500 and will publish the manuscript in a volume to be distributed by Harper & Brothers. (Authors of publications for the Institute for Religious and Social Studies receive no royalties.) To the author of the next best manuscript, as determined by the judges, a prize of \$500, will be awarded. Publication of this manuscript will be considered in consultation with the judges and Harper & Brothers.

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RULES OF THE *Contest*

1. The closing date of the contest will be October 31, 1947. In order to be eligible, a manuscript must be received in the offices of the Institute before the end of the business day on that date. This means that authors at a distance must take the precaution of mailing or expressing their manuscripts far enough in advance to insure delivery on or before the closing date.
2. No entry form is needed, but each manuscript submitted in the contest must be accompanied by a letter from the author or the author's agent containing the following information:
 - a. Name and address of the author
 - b. Title of the manuscript
 - c. A statement that the manuscript is submitted for entry in the contest, and that it has not been published in book form.
3. All manuscripts must be in the English language, and must be typewritten, double spaced, on one side of the page only.
4. All manuscripts and letters about the contest should be addressed: Institute for Religious and Social Studies Prize Contest, 3080 Broadway, New York 27, N. Y.

5. The length of the manuscript is to be between 40,000 and 70,000 words.
6. The Institute for Religious and Social Studies shall consider carefully every manuscript submitted in the contest and shall endeavor to return within a reasonable time after their submission those manuscripts found unsuitable for publication; but they shall not be responsible for manuscripts lost or damaged.
7. The Institute cannot undertake to offer criticism of manuscripts not accepted for publication, nor can they enter into extended correspondence with authors about their manuscripts.
8. The six judges whose names are listed above shall have sole and final authority in awarding the prize, and they shall also determine any question that may arise concerning the interpretation of the rules of the contest and the eligibility of manuscripts.
9. If no manuscript entered in the contest is, in the opinion of the judges, of sufficient distinction to merit the prize award, the judges shall have the authority to withhold it.
10. The prizewinner shall be announced as soon as possible after the close of the contest, and the prize manuscript will be published as early as possible.

ANSWERS TO
Questions
THAT ARE FREQUENTLY ASKED

1. There are no restrictions as to choice of subject.
2. A contestant may submit more than one manuscript, if he chooses.
3. There is no objection to anonymity. That is to say, the publisher will need to know the identity of the author, but his book may be published under a pseudonym if the author so desires.
4. A manuscript written by two or more authors in collaboration will be eligible, provided each collaborator satisfies the conditions laid down in the rules of the contest; but if such a manuscript should win the prize, the prize money will be divided between the collaborators.
5. In fairness to all contestants, the closing date of the contest must apply equally to all, and cannot be extended for the benefit of any individual contestant, no matter what special circumstances may seem to the contestant to justify him in requesting an extension.
6. Manuscripts submitted will *not* be held until the close of the contest. They will be read as promptly as possible after submission, and in the event of rejection the authors will be notified.
7. According to postal regulations, manuscripts are subject to first-class (letter) rates within the United States. The only al-

ternative is express. It is the practice of the Institute, unless stamps covering first-class postage are enclosed, to return all manuscripts by express collect. Manuscripts from points outside the United States should be accompanied by an international money order to cover return by registered book post.

8. A manuscript which has been published in a foreign language will not be eligible, even though submitted in English translation. Only manuscripts not previously published in any language will come within the rules of the contest.

9. Lack of American citizenship shall not disqualify an author as a contestant.

THE INSTITUTE FOR RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL STUDIES

The Institute for Religious and Social Studies is a scholarly and scientific fellowship of clergymen and other religious teachers, who desire authoritative information regarding some of the basic issues now confronting spiritually minded men. The purpose of the Institute is to develop a keener awareness of the unique contributions which religious traditions have made to the advancement of civilization; and can make toward solution of the perplexities of our day.

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