

## EUROPE

The Frankfurt, west Germany Friday night N.A. group was started in 1978 by a US Army drug and alcohol counselor, who was a member of A.A., who saw the need for N.A., for the heroin addicts she worked with. She invited an English member of AA, to be a guest speaker. He related to the addicts, became aware of his own addiction, and stayed to become the core of the NA group. He shared his experience with German addicts and American GI's and they began to grow. Another group was started on Wednesday night in May or June of 1979, and another group started about 40 miles west of Frankfurt.

A member went on vacation to Dublin in mid-1979 and of course took his white book with him. While stepping a member of AA with a drug problem, he learned there was a therapy group in Dublin which called it's self N.A., so he gave them his white book, and suggested they write for a starter kit. Soon afterward, Dublin had a registered N.A. group.

Two members met up in London and shared NA with anyone who talked about drugs in AA meetings they attended. They sent white books to several of A.A.ers, and London soon had an NA group. They also met an AA member from Glasgow and convinced him to start an NA group there in Scotland.

God did his work with a hand full of white books and within a year Europe had ten registered NA groups.

HISTORY OF ENGLAND N.A.

EARLY STRUGGLES <sup>A Member</sup> ~~D. S.~~ came to Miami, Florida. <sup>Area</sup> ~~Feb. M.~~-aa. meeting, heard about a meeting to discuss Narcotics Anonymoun. Started ~~Kit~~ Kit came from Frankford. Wrote off to WSO for more Literature.

DATE

Aug. 5, 1980 First meeting, eight members present in London. (Chelsea District)

Feb. 1981 First Intergroup, P.I., Discussed posters, "Do YOU Have A Drug Problem?", Talk to probation officer, hospitals, etc. Members came in from seeing the posters.

May 1981 Secomd meeting, 15-20 members, nearly folded, lack of support 1 or 2, somrtime only 1, hanging in there, moved places. began growing slowly.

Aug. 1981 Two meetings began simultaneously, one in Hampstead (North London) One in Trafalgur Square, The CRYPT, St. Martin -in-The-Fields Church

Mar.-apr. 1982 Talk of starting another meeting

Mar. 1982 Grew from 20 to 40 members, things began expanding

FIRST AREA SERVICES COMMITTED!, Called it "Area Surface Committed"

Sep. 1982 Began recording minutes, working on institution meeting AA. Hotline refering addicts to NA., real cooperative spir on aa+ AA's part.