

ELINED PRYS KOTSCHNIG, 1895-1983

Analytical psychologist, founder of Friends Conference on Religion and Psychology, and editor of *Inward Light* for 30 years, Elined Prys Kotschnig passed on in her 89th year at Pennswood Village, Newtown, Pa. on June 30, 1983.

She was born in Trevecca, Wales and graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Wales in 1918. Following a year at Cambridge University, she served with the World Student Christian Movement in Romania for three years and was decorated for this work by the Romanian government. Elined met her husband, Walter, an Austrian Friend at Woodbrooke, a Quaker study center in England. They married on December 10, 1924. After moving to Geneva, Elined began her analysis with Dr. Tina Keller and developed a lifelong interest in relating the thought of C.G. Jung to Quakerism.

The Kotschnigs came to the U.S. in 1936 where Elined practiced as an analytical psychologist first in Northampton, Mass., later in Washington, D.C. until 1979. Gathering together other interested Friends, she initiated the first Friends Conference on Religion and Psychology, chairing it from 1943 to 1946 and serving on its executive committee until 1980.

Elined Kotschnig belonged to Florida Avenue Friends Meeting, the Society of Analytical Psychologists (N.Y.), the International Associations of Analytical Psychology, the Academy of Religion and Mental Health, and the C.G. Jung Foundation for Analytical Psychology.

Walter Kotschnig, who has had a distinguished career in international relations with the U.S. State Department, a daughter, Enid Kotschnig, a son John Priest, and two grandchildren survive.

Issue #100 of *Inward Light*, celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Conference, will portray Elined's crucial role in its history. She brought a remarkable dedication of intellect and spirit to its work and to its journal.

Writing of Susan Yarnall's passing in 1972, Elined used the words "passed on," saying it "is actually the most precise expression and the most full of life and hope we possess." As she, herself, now "belongs to the ages," her faith in the life eternal remains with us.