

ENGLISH VERSION

Shortly after the Germans had occupied Holland, a little band of members of the International Group for the Study of Significs (present name: International Society for the Study of Significs) permanently or temporarily staying in this country, met for the purpose of discussing if and in what way the work of their Group might be continued. They decided to have a number of papers*) read in private company, dealing, between other things, with the tendency of the working-program. This decision was carried into execution with but a slight modification. On December 29th 1940 the first meeting**) was held and the president delivered the following Introduction to an Introduction which had been drawn up by the committee (of the Group) and which was to such an extent representative of the general ideas of analysis of concepts, that we think we are justified in giving it a place here.

*) The papers in question bore the generic title: *Trends of analysis of concepts in modern thinking* and were divided as follows:

Introduction. Synthesis of concepts in physics. The limits of description of structure (J. Clay, Amsterdam).

Synthesis of concepts in psychology: Theory of objectivation (J. C. L. Godefroy, Naarden).

Analysis of concepts — Methodology: The word and its physical and psychical correlative (G. Mannoury, Amsterdam).

Present-day analysis of concepts (D. Vuysje, Laren N.H.).

Synthesis of concepts in ethics: Analysis of concepts in ethics (N. Westendorp Boerma, Castricum).

Synthesis of concepts in biology: Biological concepts and physical concepts (W. M. Kruseman, Deventer).

Synthesis of concepts in philosophy: Word and world (J. L. Fischer Martinek, Brno, Czecho-Slovakia).

**) Present were Messrs. J. Clay (University of Amsterdam). J. L. Fischer Martinek (University of Brno, Czecho-Slovakia). J. C. L. Godefroy (Naarden, Netherlands, Chairman). G. Mannoury (University of Amsterdam). H. Meyer (Enschede, Netherlands). B. Stokvis (University of Leyden). D. Vuysje (Laren, Netherlands, Secretary). N. Westendorp Boerma (University of Amsterdam).

Notice of absence was received from Messr. A. Heyting (University of Amsterdam) and W. M. Kruseman (Deventer, Netherlands).