

MENNINGER URGES TRUCE WITH FAITH

Asks Unity of Psychiatrists and Clergy on Mental Ills

Psychiatrists and clergymen should not disagree because, believer or skeptic, they are both on the "same side," a noted psychiatrist said here yesterday.

What they share is "the common enemy — those indifferent ones who won't take sides," Dr. Karl Menninger told a symposium on religion and mental health sponsored by Yeshiva University at the Biltmore Hotel.

When they do irritate each other, he said, it is usually because either the psychiatrist or the clergyman, or both, may lack humility and aspire to omniscience.

In general, other psychiatrists and a psychologist on the panel agreed with Dr. Menninger that religion and psychiatry could do more than peacefully coexist by realizing that the common purpose is to help man, even though modes of so doing may differ.

It was further agreed that with a growth of the spirit of cooperation much more could be done to implement what both disciplines know about working together.

The all-day symposium, conducted by Yeshiva University's National Institute of Mental Health Project in connection with its seventy-fifth anniversary celebration, also heard Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Professor of Talmud and Jewish Philosophy at Yeshiva, and the Rev. Seward Hiltner, Professor of Theology and Personality at Princeton University.

No Monorail for Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6 (AP) —The Metropolitan Transit Authority has rejected a proposed monorail rapid transit plan. A spokesman said such an overhead structure could not be built without the consent of local municipalities and that "it has been made abundantly clear that such approval would not be forthcoming."