

Era of Dictators Linked to Personality Phenomenon

SAN FRANCISCO, June 8. (AP) A description of extreme nationalism as a mass form of the attractive power between persons of the same sex highlighted the American Psychiatric Association convention today.

Dr. Frederick H. Allen, director of the Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic, said the phenomenon might be described as cultural homosexuality. He suggested the narrower forms of nationalism resulted from the tendency of certain frustrated individuals to seek group security by making everybody alike.

A recent article by a German writer, Dr. Allen said, showed the nationalistic trend in Germany as "a man movement with direct attempts to reduce women to the status of breeders."

Dr. Allen said this tendency occurred in groups of individuals who preferred to surrender their personalities to a common pat-

tern for the sake of self perpetuation in racial or group glorification rather than attempt to be themselves.

Individually, the psychiatrist said, this disposition appeared in certain frustrated persons having an insecure feeling about self—those unable or unwilling to stand on their own personalities because to do so would give them a feeling of being "bad" or "different" from their fellows.

He said the phenomenon had its beginnings at infancy, when the child was capable only of considering itself as a part of the mother.

In later life, Dr. Allen added, the youth learned he was not like his mother — that he was something apart from all other individuals. If not sufficiently sure of himself to outgrow the feeling and live his own life, he would seek to submerge his ego in some other person or group conforming to his ideals.