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ANTHROPOLOGY 124

Comparative Religion

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Make-up Examinations

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DIRECTIONS: You may make up one examination. Answer only the questions in the examination you missed. Devote an equal amount of time to each question. Use a blue book, and do not tear out any pages.

First Examination

- 1. What are the tenets and assumptions of the evolutionists, especially with regard to the origin and development of religion? How would you criticize their theory?
- 2. On what psychological grounds does Goldenweiser attack Durkheim's position with regard to the origin of religion?
- 3. Discuss Radcliffe-Brown's thesis that taboo is functionally related to social value.

Second Examination

- 1. Distinguish between social and cult totemism in Australia in terms of their forms and functions.
- 2. Elaborate on the statement that "rituals and myths supply . . . fixed points in a world of bewildering change and disappointment."
- 3. What does Bettelheim mean by "symbolic wounds?" Evaluate his theoretical conclusions on their significance.

Third Examination

- Employing principles you have learned from this course, devise a magic spell to be employed in the sorcerizing of a man who has been tampering with your wife.
- Explain the general procedures used in palm-leaf knot divination. Compare the methodology and purposes of such divination with chiromancy.
- 3. What are the implications of the words, "Ye shall know the Truth and the Truth shall make ye free," for Christian Science? Is this the kind of "truth" that enters into primitive medicine? Explain.

NOTE: You may pick up the graded examinations in Haines Hall right after the final examination; they will not be available before then.