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The first 11 basic chapters were written by Bill W., co-founder of A.A. It also contains many A.A. members' own stories, as written by themselves, and several (appendixes) of additional matter.]

Simply reading the book was enough to sober up some people in A.A.'s early days, when there were only a few A.A. groups in the world. It still works that way for some problem drinkers in isolated parts of the world, or for those who live on seagoing vessels.

[Regular readers of the book say that repeated readings reveal many deeper meanings that cannot be grasped at the first hurried glance.]

NE SAID - THE MORE ONE READS IT THE LOUSE IT GETS.

**"Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions"**

A.A. fundamentals are discussed at even greater depth in this book, also written by Bill W. (It is sometimes nicknamed "The Twelve and Twelve.") Members who want to study the A.A. program of recovery seriously use it as a text, in conjunction with the Big Book.

Written 13 years after "Alcoholics Anonymous," this smaller volume explains principles of A.A. behavior, both individual and group. The Twelve Steps, guides to individual growth, had been discussed more briefly in the Big Book; the group principles—the Twelve Traditions—became crystallized through trial and error, after the first book was published. They characterize the movement and make it unique—quite unlike other societies. - NO NOT AT ALL

**"Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age"**

This brief history tells how the Fellowship started, and how it grew for its first 20 years. It recounts the tale of how a small group of courageous, once-hopeless former drunkards—with all the odds against them—finally became securely established as a worldwide movement of acknowledged effectiveness. - THERE IS NO EFFECTIVENESS

**"As Bill Sees It"**

A reader of Bill W.'s pithiest paragraphs, from his voluminous personal correspondence as well as other writings. A subject index covers topics of interest to any problem drinker.

**"Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers"**

The life story of A.A.'s co-founder is interwoven with recollections of early A.A. in the Midwest, mostly in pioneer members' own words.

**"Pass It On"**

This biography of A.A.'s co-founder is subtitled "The Story of Bill Wilson and How the A.A. Message Reached The World." It also traces

the development of the Fellowship; 39 photographs from A.A.'s history.

**"Came to Believe..."**

Subtitled "The Spiritual Adventure of A.A. as Experienced by Individual Members," this is a collection of 75 members' versions of "a Power greater than ourselves." They range from orthodox religious interpretations through humanistic and agnostic views.

**"Daily Reflections: A Book of Reflections by A.A. Members for A.A. Members"**

A.A.s reflect on favorite quotations from A.A. literature. A reading for each day of the year.

**"A.A. in Prison: Inmate to Inmate"**

A collection of 32 stories, previously printed in the A.A. Grapevine, sharing the experience of men and women who found A.A. while in prison.

**Pamphlets**

Many leaflets on various aspects of A.A., some of them addressed to special-interest groups, are also published by A.A. World Services, Inc.

They have all been carefully prepared under close supervision by A.A. representatives from all over the U.S. and Canada, so that they represent the broadest possible consensus of A.A. thinking. It is impossible to understand all the workings of A.A. unless one is well acquainted with all these publications (complete listing on page 90).

In addition, the A.A. General Service Office produces a bimonthly newsletter, Box 4-5-9, and several other periodical bulletins, as well as a report on the annual General Service Conference of A.A.

Many A.A. members start and end each day with a quiet moment in which they read a passage of some A.A. literature. Poring over A.A. books and pamphlets represents "a meeting in print" for many members, and the range of A.A. information and inspiration summed up in them cannot be found anywhere else. Any A.A. reading starts a trail of A.A. thinking which leads away from a drink, so many A.A.'s always carry with them some piece of A.A. literature—not just because reading it can help ward-off the kind of thinking that leads to drinking, but also because it can afford refreshment and entertainment for the mind at odd moments. A.A. literature not available at an A.A. meeting can be ordered directly by writing to: Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

Now reading AA mate helps to stop you from drinking - IT MUST BE POWERFUL STUFF OR JUST A BLATANT, UNFOUNDED LIE.