



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MORE ON IPM AND BRITISH TESTING

Dear Sir:

I was delighted to see Terence P. Kenny's excellent article "Professional Examinations for British Training Staff" in your February issue. Your readers may be interested in supplementary information about the British Institute of Personnel Management.

The IPM has experienced a rapid growth in membership, from 5,000 a decade ago to 15,000 plus this year. Representing this large body of Britain's personnel and training management, the Institute is frequently called upon by Government and other national bodies to voice the profession's views on proposed legislation and studies concerning employment and employees.

Currently some 4,500 students, full-time and part-time, are training for the Institute's professional examinations. As Mr. Kenny so rightly pointed out, the IPM is the only management association offering professional qualifications for the training specialists and it has set very high standards.

As one of the largest personnel and training management organizations in the world, we feel it is our duty to give this lead — for the future benefit of the profession and every organization employing people.

The IPM was also founder member of the European Association of Personnel Management, which is increasing its influence in developing professional standards in Europe together with 14 other European countries.

Yours faithfully
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"INSTANT PEOPLE" PRAISED

Dear Sir:

I recently had occasion to read the *Training and Development Journal* of May, 1972. It is an honor for the regional occupational centers to have received recognition in your organizational *Journal*. Your article "Instant People — A New Product for the Labor Market by Adult Education" was excellent. It is our intent to continue to meet the needs of business and industry.

We recently published a brochure entitled "16 to 60" which explains in more detail our regional occupational centers and programs. Enclosed you will find a complimentary copy in hopes that you will find time to read it. One of the purposes of our brochure is to make people from business and industry aware of our programs and aims. The article by Karl R. Kunze truly adds support and validity to our regional occupational centers.

I thank you for getting the word out to your organization's membership.

Sincerely,
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