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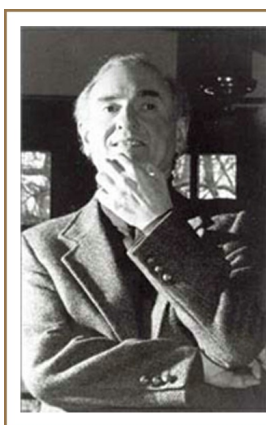
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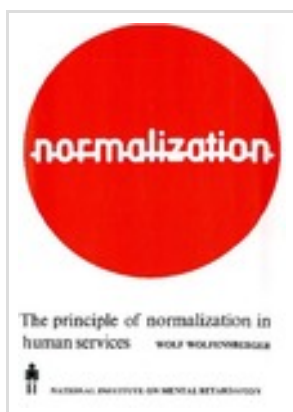
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This book is the first one to document normalization from its origins in social services to the mentally retarded to its implications to the field of human services. The National Institute on Mental Retardation has published this text to support the growing interest in normalization concepts and fuller integration of the retarded into the community. This concept is currently having a major impact on the pattern of programming in a number of countries. The views expressed in this book do not necessarily reflect the Institute's specific strategies, or those of its sponsor, the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded.

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