DANIEL L. CARLSEN DIES

Former Drug Addict Founded Narcotics Anonymous in '50

Daniel L. Carlsen, founder of Narcotics Anonymous, died Sunday at Montefiore Hospital, the Bronx, after a long illness. He was 50 years old.

Mr. Carlsen founded Narcotics Anonymous in 1950 after having spent nine years in hospitals and prisons for narcotic addiction. He had been a patient at the United States Public Health Service Hospital in Lexington, Ky., eight times since he became an addict at the age of 16.

The group was formed to help newly treated sufferers to continue their abstinence by introducing them to a dedicated way of life in which they passed on the benefits of their experience to other sufferers.

Mr. Carlsen was also executive director of the National Advisory Council on Narcotics, an educational group.

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