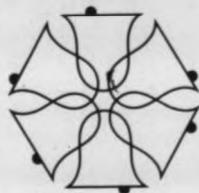


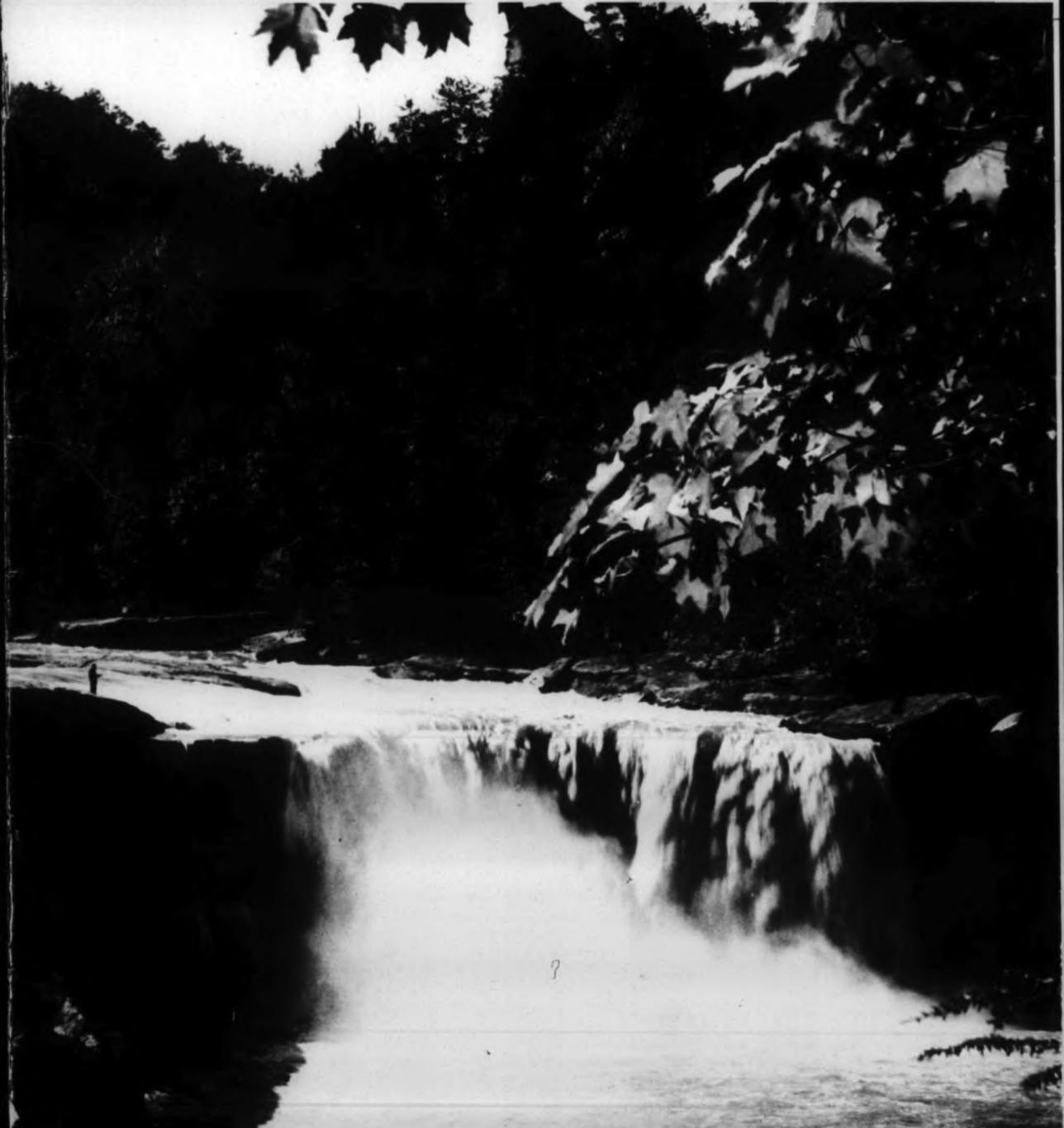
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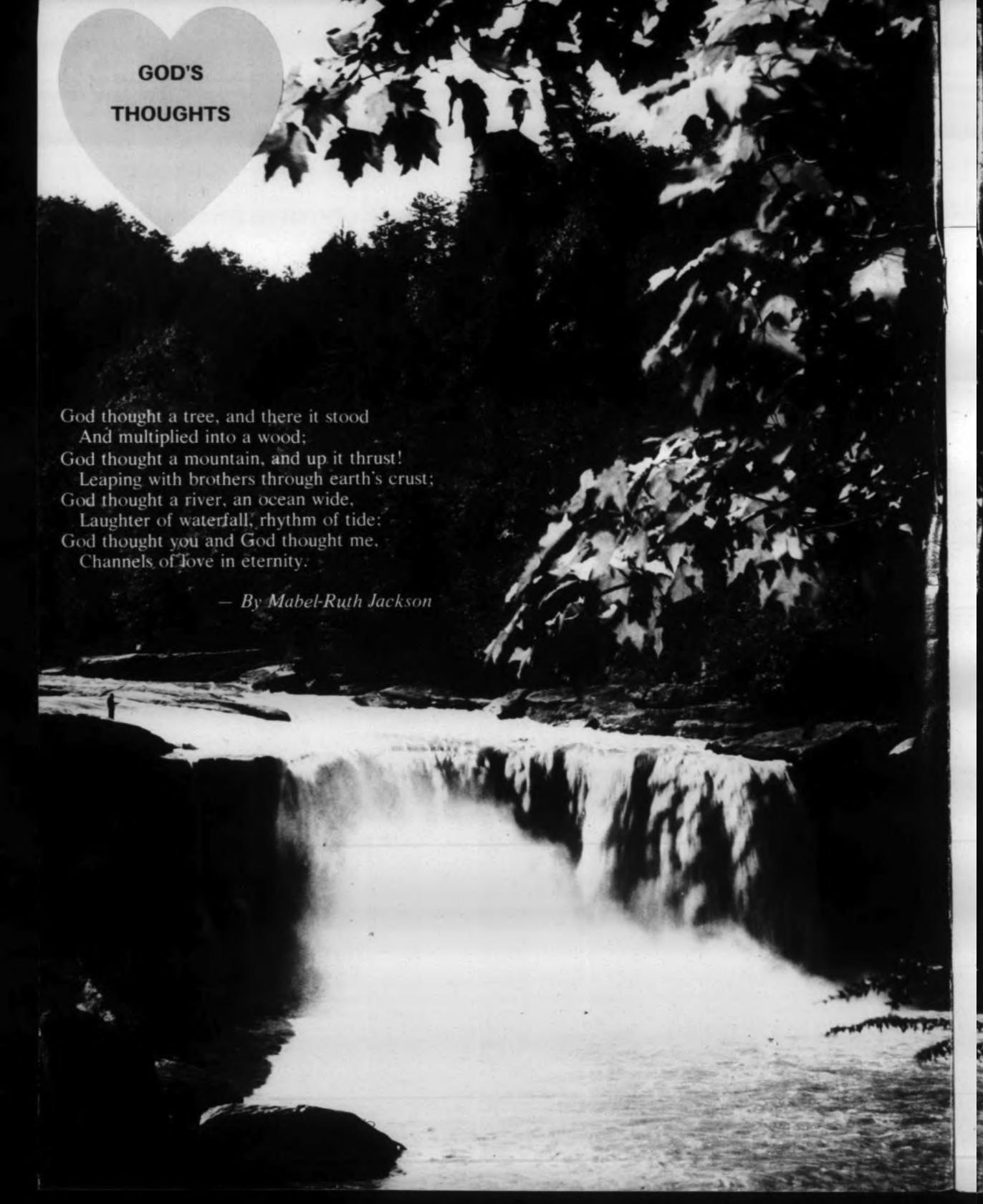


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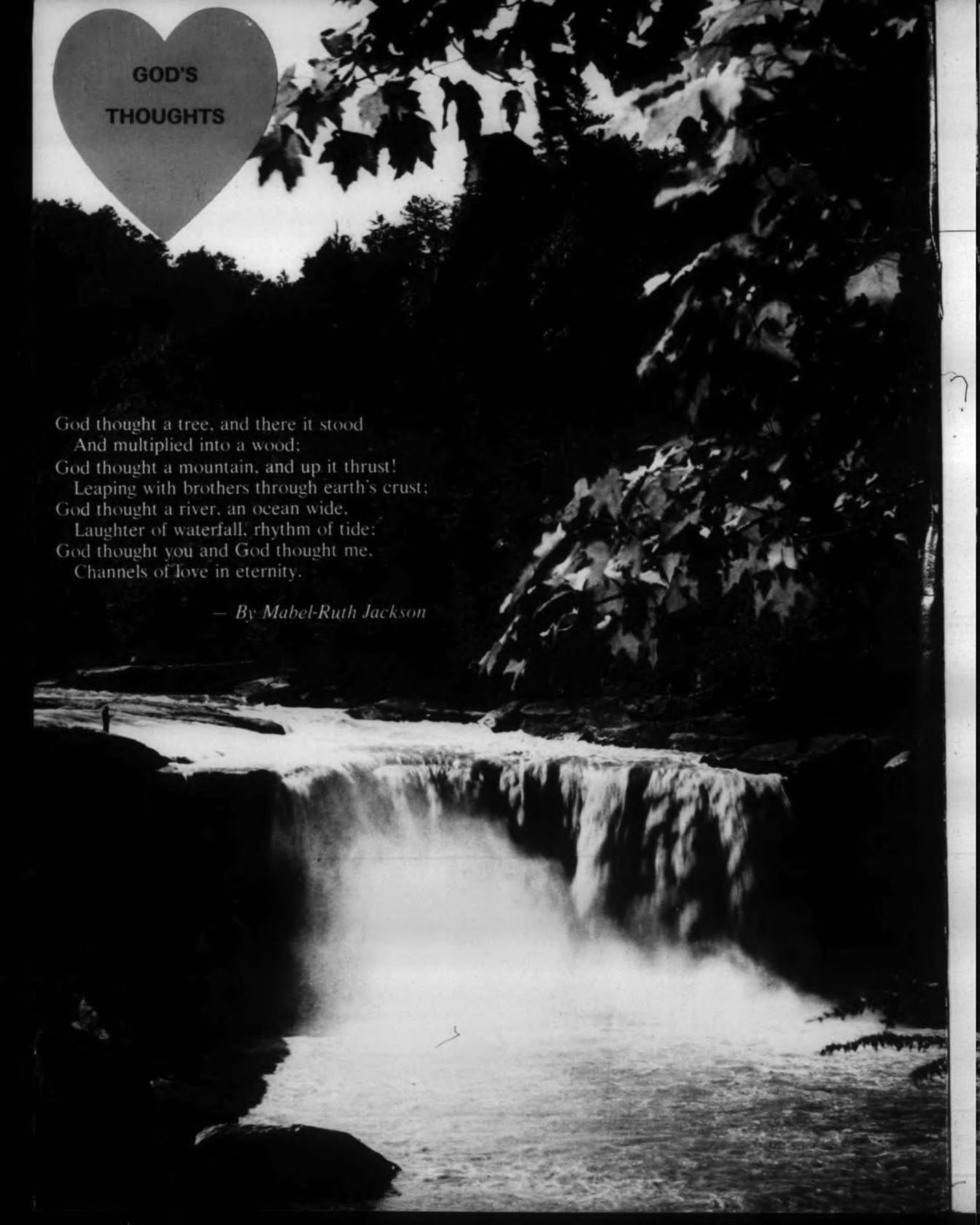
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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

• How much I am enjoying my No. 5 Book Catalog! To read the descriptions certainly is whetting my appetite for many new books I had not heard of, and has renewed my interest in some I had intended to buy long ago. These rainy nights I love to turn in early and just read my catalog, marking the ones I think I MUST get as soon as I am able. Thanks to Chimes for preparing such a complete reading guide.

Annabelle Johnson, New York, N. Y.

(The Chimes Book Catalog is not intended to be a complete reading guide in the fields it covers. This would be much too voluminous for our staff to undertake. Additionally, this is a field in which—because of the type of specialty it is—only a few thousand copies are printed of an edition, with the result that books go out of print readily. However, we are able to list or stock several thousand readily available American and European titles in good demand. Glad to know it makes such good reading!)

• On your magazine prayer page, how about noting the approximate time you are engaged in prayer at noon so that we who join you can remain in spirit the proper length of time . . . or the same as you do? Just a suggestion. Yours is still the best magazine of its kind I have ever read. May we purchase back copies, by the way, for I am a new subscriber and have missed several continued articles?

Mrs. Virginia Farrant, Litchfield, Ill.

(Usually a total of about twenty minutes is taken at the noon hour for our prayer period. This includes the prayer tape and music, followed by a silent meditation and spiritual healing period. This can be extended by each individual as the Spirit moves him, of course, and is not governed by any limitation of consciousness whatever.)

We should be delighted to sell back copies of any issue for as long as they last. Just write and specify which ones you want, enclosing 40¢ coin or stamps per issue.)

• Since subscribing to Chimes have enjoyed it so much and really appreciate knowing about the Seed Money and Guaranteed Income Plan. Your book reviews are really wonderful—have ordered several books that are most interesting and helpful. Have

also used your prayer-for-the-ill service, and in one instance it proved to be nothing less than miraculous! Thank you for having such an interesting and informative magazine and such valuable services.

Mrs. Russell T. Gilbert, Jackson, Miss.

(You can be sure it is quite a challenge continuously to make any publication more interesting and informative and to provide needed services. In this field this is particularly true, but the feeling is most rewarding when we know it has been accomplished.)

• I wait each month for my Chimes as it gives me so much comfort in a troubled world. I cannot get out to go to a church that teaches these truths, so I am hungry for all I can get to help feed my soul. Chimes fills the gap. Thank you.

Mrs. Katie Klein, St. Ann, Mo.

(It is always good when kindred souls can meet in consciousness to share the fruits of Spirit, and when we do so, we help to bring more light to a dark and sorrowful planet that could be so radiant in the light and beauty for which it is intended.)

• Chimes seems to have the answers to many thoughts that have passed through my mind. I have studied it for three years and have overcome so many problems that my husband thinks I can overcome anything that could come to me now. It is what I have been searching for for over sixty years!

Mrs. Blanche M. Stillings, Sun City, Ariz.

(All the answers are within each one of us. As we open our minds to greater light and truth to illumine our consciousness, WE bring them forth at the right time in our ongoing.)

• We can't tell about the future, but I so avidly read Chimes that I'm enclosing my check for three years ahead. Everything seems so costly these days, but surely our greatest treasure is spiritual growth . . . here and hereafter. I welcome all phases of metaphysics! Keep us informed on the radical changes ahead. Was happy to see my husband's poem on the inside cover of the December issue. Blessings bountiful to you from,

Mrs. Blanche F. Swisher, Iowa City, Iowa

WHAT IS PROPHECY?

By Alfred L. Milligan
Indianapolis, Indiana

PROPHETS HAVE existed all through the ages. The Saints of Biblical lore prophesied the times ahead for thousands of years and many such writings were compiled in the book we call the Bible. Most of them, however, were symbolic and somewhat difficult to decipher.

This is understandable, of course, for in those days who could foresee atomic fission, the airplane, the electronic computer, television, as well as many other modern inventions, so that the masses of earlier days could understand? Wings, for example, were the necessary equipment for angels, so a prophet could not tell them that Spiritual Beings could move about by *mind* and *desire*. Chariots coming down from Heaven to them could well be the mystical "unidentified flying objects" of today.

Being unable to explain the atomic composition of a mortal body, the idea of transmutation could not then be explained. Instead it was merely mentioned that Jesus and some of the other Saints were taken bodily into Heaven. Science, those days, was in its infancy, and, accordingly the working of Divine Laws was attributed to miracles.

Then the dark ages followed. Man began to externalize the age-old Truths through invention and chemistry, building a great civilization *without*, and drawing farther away from the initial

Cause — God and Spirit. The Earth is a schoolroom, however, and the Divine Realities taught here, using ideas produced into form, are a means by which man can grasp the Truth. The education of man has taken endless periods of time in which to implant Truth in his consciousness. Yet the fact remains that whether we may be here on Earth or in the Higher Dimensions, we are gradually advancing from total ignorance to a concept of life by trial and error. In grasping ideas and placing them into form, we have advanced. Each age, each generation has added to this knowledge, until today we stand at the pinnacle of a highly technical world.

This life wave began with the earth element, symbolized by the Zodiacal sign, Taurus. Man then was a crude, carnal being . . . of the cave man existence. Then this planet progressed into the fire age, symbolized by the sign Aries. Fire, uncontrolled, is a menace to material things. Aries has been called a Martian God of War and produced a mighty empire that ruled the world by force. The Piscean water element followed, and navigation became an issue. Travel over oceans proved the world to be round instead of flat. It was found in these times that the Earth rotated and followed a yearly orbit around the Sun. We are now under the influence of the electric, airy sign of Aquarius, ruled by the planet Uranus. As never before, people are attempting to find themselves, to understand their reason for being on Earth. To the masses such unrest is expressed outwardly by riots, labor disputes, racial antagonism and wars. To those who know the signs of the times, it is known as the baptism of Spirit, which is electrical in nature. We are emerging toward great Spiritual Truths which eventually will raise this planet into higher vibrations to a point where mortal man will know absolutely his Divine Nature. No longer will he be a suffering mortal, but a glorified being of Eternity.

Today we still have our prophets, and many of them are very accurate in their predictions. The predictions may come as dreams or visions. Others seem to by-pass the physical senses and literally see the future as it exists in "Universal Mind" . . . a Mind not confined by space nor time, but that exists in an Eternal NOW, that observes the past and future as one unit.

A good analogy of this is a person sitting in a passenger coach. He sees the present out of the window. He remembers the town he has just passed and observes the scenery through the

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Predictions of . . .
COMING EVENTS

THE MOON LANDING

When will man go to the Moon and other planets in the Solar System? Only after this planet has been cleansed of its warlike tendencies and political intrigues, says Master Yogunda in *The Voice of Universarius*. At that time he will go in craft designed by engineers who will have received instructions as to its construction from the people of outer space. This is the reason it has not happened before. This is the reason why the launching of a fueled rocket to the Moon, Mars, Venus, or anywhere else in the Solar System has not yet been successful. According to Master Yogunda, the two souls lost in a recent U. S. try were sacrificed that there might be a deterrent action in the plans of the U. S. Space Administration.

REVOLUTION

According to Ray Palmer in *Search* magazine (who claims he will be at least 75% correct), the racial violence due for this country in 1968 will be virtual civil war, instigated and maintained by criminal elements. The result of one of these uprisings will be a city set in flames, which, with the incidence of a high wind, will result in its almost total destruction. It will mark the end of efforts toward civil rights bills in government and will turn the negro status quo into a nightmare. The conflict that will ensue will remind people of the "third peril" to America reputed to have been revealed to George Washington psychially in which he foresaw invasion from Africa. The "invasion" is only allegorical because the so-called invader is already here.

Seeing a Republican victory at the polls in 1968 . . . he says that Ronald Reagan will be on the ticket. The defeat of the Democrats will be in large measure due to the illness of Lyndon Johnson . . . often forecast.

ARE YOU A GOOD RECEIVER?

BEING A GOOD RECEIVER is not a complicated task. Psychologists tell us that we can have anything that we can *accept mentally*. If we cannot accept it mentally, we cannot get it — no matter what we do.

As Mary L. Kupferle says, in *God Never Fails*:

"Most of us want to be good givers. We are eager to share all the fine and lovely things of life with others, but we sometimes forget that we must take the time and thought for *receiving* . . . As one Truth student put it: 'Take time, every day, quietly to let God give to you. Be still, sit quiet, and simply say to the loving Father, *I am ready to receive, dear Father. I am ready to receive all the good You wish to give to me. I am receiving, NOW.*'"

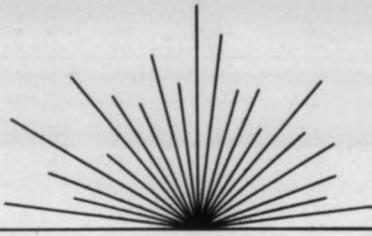
Those who get good results in demonstrating more of the good things of life — greater prosperity — have learned to release the past

THE SOURCE OF ALL SUPPLY

and have accepted mentally the possibility of their new good. Those who hang on to the past — who limit in any way the good that can come to them — reject God's help in trying to give it to them, and never do get the good they seek. So dare to let go of and forgive the past. Stop saying that you have had a hard time in life. Stop talking about unhappy experiences. Stop trying to get sympathy. As long as you do this, you are still attached emotionally to that hard experience, so Catherine Ponder tells us, and you are continuing to feed it emotionally, to keep it alive. This leaves no room in your thoughts and feelings for a better experience.

Begin right now to say to yourself: **I take only the good from each experience, past and**

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For the Supreme Task of the Disciple Today . . .

LIGHT ON THE PATH II.

THERE IS A PATH for the soul in each Earth life. It is the Path of Transmutation, my beloved brethren. That Path is for many a long one, and at times difficult, so very difficult, and yet there are many places where you can take your ease. The spiritual Path leads you through valleys and over mountains, and thereby the spiritual life becomes enriched. It is full of endeavor and striving, yet all the time encompassed by the peace of God. No true Initiate who has set his feet upon that Path will ever turn back. He cannot.

The Path is lonely; no other human soul can tread it with you, but an Angel walks beside you, beloved—the Guardian of your soul. The Path is also shadowed—you cannot see its end—and yet Light shines all the way. The Path may be taxing, yet it is filled with many acts of loving kindness, and the meeting of your true needs.

Finally, in the continuing mastery of self, you, the Initiate, win through to Life Eternal.

And all the way God goeth with you.

AZRAEL

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And so an illumined Spirit Being of the Great White Brotherhood on High, Azrael, begins his *Fourth Book** describing step by step with authority and humility the mysteries of life for those who seek the answers to its many riddles.

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IN VIEW OF EARTH conditions in your world today . . . we would call your attention to the fulfillment of prophecy which is taking place, prophecy contained in the Old Testament and prophecy as given by St. John in the Revelations. There have been two great conflicts within recent memory, and mankind is dreading a third one. More and more diseases and pestilences afflict your human bodies. There are earthquakes in many places where there have never been earthquakes before, or not for thousands of years. New stars appear in the heavens, false prophets

arise and give forth the teachings of light very often mainly for commercial gain. Stupendous inventions are coming forth from the brain of man, some for the good of mankind, but alas, so many for the destruction of human bodies.

We remind you, beloved brethren, that these are the latter days, and we remind you also that "*Ye know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of Man cometh.*" The signs and portents today in your world indicate, however, that before long "*Ye shall see Him,*" so be prepared! . . . It is only the few, those prepared ones who wear the robes of illumination and who await the coming of the Lord Christ, who shall see Him and who will go forth with Him on His ministry throughout the world. They will be known by the radiance of their faces giving forth the light within their souls, by their loving service to their Eternal Father and to their human brethren.

Guard your thoughts . . . because they are powerful instruments, especially today. Send them forth vibrating light and love, and in this way you will contact those who dwell in the higher planes. May your daily aspirations be to recognize increasingly the wisdom, power and love of the Universal Life Force, which is ever waiting to use you and to test you and thereby make you that perfect instrument even like unto the Masters who are themselves but instruments—of themselves they are nothing.

You will, as you travel the path, have many experiences of the varied aspects of life and truth. You will find the secret of inward stillness, and you will learn the secret of your Inner Selves when you have learned the lesson of deep meditation, and the soul is released from its earthly tene-

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WHAT'S NEW ?

IN . . .



. . . On the . . .

RICKENBACKER ON ESP

American air ace and aviation executive, Eddie Rickenbacker has expressed his thoughts on the subject of his psychic experiences in his autobiography published on the occasion of his 77th birthday. He believes it will soon be possible to tune into the thoughts of the past electronically, stating "all the words and thoughts of mankind since the dawn of the human race are still in existence somewhere in the ether." His theory is that there will be a "major communications breakthrough in the field of extrasensory perception."

Sydney, Australia's *Sunday Telegraph* quotes Rickenbacker as saying: "Someday, I believe we shall be able to receive and understand the mental impulses that have emanated from the minds of men over the past millennia. They are there: it is only a question of tuning in on them. Someday we shall penetrate this secret and fathom all the great mysteries of mankind, including that of our very origins."

THE ROYAL ROAD TO ESP

Dr. Gertrude R. Schmeidler of The City University of New York says in *The Journal of the American Society for Psychological Research* that laboratory workers sometimes are tempted to conclude in judging statistical experiments that ESP is a faint ability that flickers on and off. Spontaneous cases, however, give an impression of ESP which occurs clearly and sometimes steadily, functioning like a powerful, accurate ability, a royal road to ESP . . . while laboratory work is more like a narrow path chopped slowly through heavy underbrush.

YOU CAN RECEIVE — through meditation — the answer to all your problems. Through the instructions of a Spirit Being, as they appeared in *The Voice of Universarius*, we shall see how this takes place.

Let us remember, in the first place, that our problems are composed of conflicting desires. Ironic as it may seem, if you were to say to yourself: I will go into meditation and ask my Higher Self, or the Father, or my Spiritual Guide for direction and receive an answer to this problem, you have injected another desire . . . the desire for an answer. As you meditate, you think about what you are going to do, and whether or not you are going to get an answer, and thereby multiply your desires and bring them into greater confusion.

You will, of course, experience great disappointment because you have not gone into meditation in the proper manner. In order to find the answers to any problem, or any desire, you must look at them *objectively*. You will see that it is not a matter of suppressing any desire, nor are you to indulge it. It is a matter of regarding them objectively, projecting an attitude of neutrality so that you do not become ensnared in them. You will also fall into a trap if you try to analyze the desire and project it into the future as to what it might entail, for this only piles desire upon desire. So look at meditation in this light:

Meditation is the complete release, not only of all physical desires, but of spiritual desires as well.

There are, of course, many methods for doing this, but accomplishing the desired result is a somewhat complex process. Each individual may have a different method of meditating.

First, you must have the desire to meditate.



excerpts from world news centers

PSYCHIC DIGEST

INVITATION BY MENTAL TELEPATHY

According to the *Los Angeles Times*, Mrs. Mike Mansfield, wife of the Senate majority leader, believes in ESP.

In an article appearing in a November, 1967 issue, it seems that Mrs. Mansfield was in the tub late one afternoon when her maid knocked on the door saying that her husband was on the phone. By the time he had called back to talk to his wife, she had already read his mind and knew what the message was.

President and Mrs. Johnson were summoning them to an impromptu, informal dinner.

According to the *Times*, Mrs. Mansfield figures it may be the first White House invitation in history received by mental telepathy.

TO CRITICIZE OR NOT

Brother Conrad, who writes for the *Cruisader magazine* of England, has a few choice words for us about criticism:

"If we are frustrated with ourselves we more easily fall into the trap of criticizing others. Frustration can be 'short circuited' when frustration itself is received as a blessing, encouraging us to be unprejudiced and more open and receptive to the Divine Grace enfolding us all.

"He or she who has true discernment does not criticize others, but discovers ways of promoting their growth, perhaps of magnifying that which is good in them so that they of themselves decide to amend their behavior if they wish to do so."

SEEING IS BELIEVING

In the January *Chimes* we learned how even the Marines in Viet Nam are using dowsing techniques to locate enemy "punji" traps. The February *Fate* editorial comments on dowsing tell of how Arthur M. Sowder of Sandy Springs, Maryland, retired Agriculture Department forester with graduate degrees

"thought dowsing was absurd until he saw a stick come alive and twist in a neighbor's hands — then watched the well dug" . . . and then became a partisan. According to Sowder, it is his belief that twenty million Americans have dowsing ability.

A MATTER OF CONSCIOUSNESS

"I do not believe that the lily feels the terrors of darkness down at the bottom of the pond, nor does it allow the mud and water that shut out much of the light to keep it from appropriating the good that is provided for it, and pushing surely and intelligently upward to the freedom and light that were there for it long before the bulb began to swell and to burst," writes Myrtle Fillmore, cofounder of Unity in excerpts from Myrtle Fillmore's *Healing Letters* appearing in the *Unity* magazine. "I am sure that the lily is 'conscious' only of the foods in the earth and the warmth and helpfulness of the sun and air. I am sure that if we allow the intelligence within us to appropriate only the good, and that which keeps us looking up, we too shall be conscious of good only, and we shall grow as perfectly as the lily."

LINDY PREFERS NATURE TO SCIENCE

In a December special feature by *Life* magazine, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh writes an inspiring essay on the wisdom of the wilderness. In it he says that with all his scientific training, the days spent in laboratories, factories and offices were lightened by *intuitive* contact with the wilderness outside. In retrospect he adds: "Had the choice confronted me, I would not have traded nature's miracles of life for all of science's toys" . . . that were he choosing a career now, it would be one that kept him in contact with nature more than science.



AN ESP WARNING SYSTEM

THE BRITISH HAVE a new idea. How well it would work in the United States or elsewhere would depend on what attitude the people take toward ESP and its practical applications.

According to the *London Evening Standard* writer, Peter Fairley, and Dr. J. C. Barker, Consultant Psychiatrist, Shrewsbury, a tentative plan is now in operation whereby the public is invited to report experiences that warn of public disaster.

An attempt is being made to develop a pre-warning system based on processed reports of spontaneous precognitive experiences. It is a project that has grown out of the study of reports of precognitive warnings collected from the Alberfan, Wales disaster in which a large number of Welch children lost their lives when a mound of mine debris slumped down onto their school building during school hours.

The aim of the leaders of the program is to develop methods of assessing these warnings in the hope that an impressive number of repetitions or possible other earmarks of genuineness may supply criteria of eventual warning value.

FOR ALL FOLLOWERS OF THE PATH

Before the eyes can see, they must be incapable of tears.

Before the ear can hear, it must have lost its sensitiveness.

Before the voice can speak in the presence of the Masters, it must have lost the power to wound.

Before the soul can stand in the presence of the Masters, its feet must be washed in the blood of the heart.

— From *Light on the Path* by Mabel Collins

RIGHT NUMBER

According to The Ontario, Ohio *Tribune* attendance in one of the city churches nearly doubled after the minister began billing himself as "Sacred Agent 007."

WHAT IS PROPHECY?

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window as a present reality. But he does not know that a half a mile ahead is a majestic mountain. Now, place this same man on top of the coach and he will see the past, the present, and the future as ONE UNIT.

We have many false prophets, of course, and, while some accurately predict coming mundane earthly affairs, predicting the end of the world (the end of an age) always has proved false. I question whether any finite mind is capable of knowing this, or of predicting a specific date for its occurrence. Many passages in the Bible amplify this, such as: "It will happen in the twinkling of an eye" . . . "But of the day and hour, no man — no, not even the angels of Heaven know, but the Father only." We are aware that the signs of the times indicate that the end of an age is approaching, but the precise time is not known.

We are all exponents from Universal Mind, from Eternity, so our so-called future is in existence NOW. It is our attitude of mind that determines whether our experiences — whatever they may be — will be a blessing or a curse to us. It all depends on our reactions to what is happening NOW.

Regardless of weal or woe, perfection awaits every human being. It may take ages of Earth time to conform to the designs of our Creator, but it is inevitable that all evil be cancelled and only the good remain.



By Hilda Magnuson
St. Petersburg, Florida

**JUDGMENT DAY IS NOT
WHEN YOU MIGHT THINK!**

SINCE TIME BEGAN monkeys have made fools of people. It's done yet today. How many times have we not asked ourselves why we do this or that? It is easy to differentiate between baboons and apes or the smaller variety. It is just as easy for us to differentiate between the so-called elite and the middle class, or those on the lowest rung. We tend to look down upon those on a lower scale than us. How utterly ridiculous!

Don't we all have a place in this vast universe? Haven't we a right to our own niche, and the next fellow a right to his? It matters not his color of skin, or fatness of purse, or knowledge of big words! He owes his life to the Great Creator just as we do.

Perhaps not long ago we were not as bright or as knowledgeable as we profess to be now; our acts then may not have been of the highest caliber. What if others had looked down on us. What then? Don't you see that each one has a right to his own type of living . . . to his own place for better or worse? So let's leave sleeping dogs alone and not find fault with those who appear to be beneath us (according to our standards), whether it be wealth, ardor or spiritual knowledge. Instead, put what knowledge you now have to good use: don't harass your neighbor or your friend. Let him solve his own problems in his or her own way.

We have a similar situation in the world of Spirit. Here too we have "floaters" . . . those who are neither saved nor unsaved. They are laggards, drifting along, not knowing or caring where they may be. To tell them they are "dead" is an insult, a dig at their vanity. Some are on the Spirit side of life hundreds of years before they can be convinced they are dead . . . dead to the Earth world, that is.

There are some arriving in Spirit who raise such a ruckus that we must, for the sake of others, put them in a short sleep. If

they still refuse to listen or obey the laws in Spirit, we further induce sleep. This can go on until finally they are convinced only by taking them back to the Earth plane. By then usually they will not recognize anything . . . their loved ones are no longer there . . . and they can see the futility of fighting.

Then there are those who came to Spirit with the thought in mind that they would sleep until judgment day . . . and they may do just that! They may sleep for aeons, then wake up to find an entirely different setup than their church affiliation had told them they would find.

Judgment day . . . what a misnomer!

Yes, indeed, there is a judgment day, but it is not in some far off eternity. It is with you when your body leaves *the real you* at physical death. It is with you when you awaken in Spirit. It is then we see ourselves as we really are. We see the "boners" we have made, and immediately start making plans to eradicate them. It may take a long time, but at least we can make a start. Happy, indeed, is the man or woman who has set his or her house in order before setting foot on the shores of Spirit.

Have you ever been afraid in the dark? Who hasn't been at one time or another? Have you been afraid of the-unseen, trusting the unknown? Fear of the dark, in the mundane world, can correspond to fear of the unknown in the spiritual world, the life after death, etc. We are afraid to take hold of the reins extended to us for clarification, for education concerning life after death. We are afraid some bug-a-boo might pop up to scare us. How absurd!

If our faith be as strong as mountains, how can anything hurt us . . . in this life or the next? A wall of protection surrounds us

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The SIXTH RAY of devotion, single-mindedness, love and loyalty

SKILL in *thought* and *feeling* directed to things is a marked characteristic of the person attuned to the *sixth* ray.

Devotional by nature, the sixth ray person sees goodness pervading all the world, and surrenders himself in all obedience and devotion to that which most men mean by God. Undesirable and rather cunning persons sometimes try to exploit this tendency of the devotee, to encourage it and obtain much service for their schemes. However, the devotion of such a person is intelligent, not blind, and he sees the value of all things.

In the modern world we see much of this devotion to unseen Masters. It is found in hundreds of movements. Many have yet to learn that these Masters are present — all around us — that we can share in their life, but that they are not genies to be called by rubbing a lamp and ordered to save us from trouble or fill us with their power. Rather we learn by devotion to them the growth of our own powers. As Emerson put it:

Around the man who seeks a noble end,
Not angels, but divinities, attend.

This type of person must always have a "personal God," an incarnation of Deity to adore. The best type of this ray makes the saint, as well as the worst type . . . the bigot or fanatic — the typical inquisitor. All religious wars or crusades have originated from the sixth ray fanaticism. While the person on this ray often is of a gentle nature, he can always flame into fury and fiery wrath. He will lay down his life for the objects of his devotion or reverence, but he will not lift a finger to help those outside of his immediate sympathies. As a soldier, he hates fighting, but often when roused in battle fights like one possessed. He is never a great statesman or a good business man, but he may be a great preacher or orator.

The sixth ray person will be the poet of

the emotions (such as Tennyson) and the writer of religious books — either in poetry or in prose. He is devoted to beauty and color and all things lovely, but his productive skill is not great unless under the influence of one of the practically artistic rays — the fourth or the seventh. His music always will be of a melodious order, often oratorios and sacred music.

One aspect of this ray that plays a big part in the reverence of the world is the appreciation of prosperity. This is felt in greatest measure by the people of America who love their cities and fruitful plains with a devotion that knows no stint. "God's own country," it is called.

Among the animals that best personify this ray is the dog . . . well known for devotion to his master who can do no wrong.

It is the sixth ray that differentiates that aspect of the universal electrical energy which we know as modern electricity, produced to serve man's material needs. According to Alice A. Bailey in *A Treatise on the Seven Rays** the sixth ray influence produced the emergence in men's minds of the following knowledge:

1. Knowledge of physical plane light and electricity.
2. Among the esotericists and Spiritualists, knowledge of the existence of the astral light.
3. An interest in illumination, both physical and mental.
4. Astro-physics and the newer astronomical discoveries.

The sixth ray influence produced the appearance of the modern science of psychology, and that science has been its consuming glory. Belief in the soul also became widespread during the sixth ray period.

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Sermonette

ARE YOU GIVING THE RIGHT HELP?

By Dr. Joseph Murphy
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MANY PEOPLE crave sympathy because sympathy gains attention for them. Some people get a morbid satisfaction from the thought, "Just look at me. This is what you have done to me." In psychosomatic circles, it is well known that much sickness is manifested simply as a protest against one's relatives, employers, associates, or environment.

If you really want to help a sick person, do not sympathize with them, for to do so means going down in the quicksand of self-pity with the other person. When you give sympathy, you agree with the baleful or morbid aspects of a situation, which only aggravates the problem and builds it up more. If you would give your compassion instead, this would be more like standing on firm ground and throwing a rope or branch of a tree to the other and pulling him out.

When you visit someone who is ill, then, lift him up with your thought, your words and your feelings. Give him faith, courage, cheer, and understanding. Remind him that the Healing Power of God CAN restore him as nothing else can. *Image* him as being whole, radiant, joyous and free.

To feel sorry and to commiserate with one who suffers is a perversion of the Truth, and is a very negative thing to do. So be compassionate and see the Presence of God in the individual. Call It forth to heal, bless, and to restore the soul.

Many instances of how you may put your own healing power to work in countless ways are contained in Dr. Murphy's book, *How to Use Your Healing Power*, one of many he has written carried by Chimes.

TELE-THOTS

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as soon as we put our trust and faith in our Father Supreme and His multitudinous helpers. God has helpers, you know. How else do you suppose He gets His work done? From the highest to the lowest point along the evolutionary scale there are those who are God's helpers. Everyone has someone assigned to him or her who is a step or more higher in learning to assist them on their upward climb. How else can we learn? We all learn in different ways, during different times of our evolution, some having their darkest days while others are having their lightest.

Perhaps we do not have the insight of an ape or a monkey . . . and then perhaps we have more. Whatever amount we do have, let us use it for the *betterment of the soul*. Let us scrutinize our deeds to see where we can improve on them. Let us see how best we may gain an alliance with God . . . the Father of us-all.

YOUR GUIDING RAY

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It is interesting to note how the sixth ray, which produced in human beings the sense of separateness and of pronounced individualism, has prepared the way for the organizing power of the seventh ray which will be the incoming ray activity during the coming Aquarian Age. We shall see how the release of the energies of this ray shall be the salvation of the race.

*Bailey's book, along with Ernest Wood's simplified descriptions in *The Seven Rays*, may be purchased from Chimes. See back flap.

THE DEAD ARE THE LIVING?

By Robert A. Russell

THOSE WHO SORROW still are asking the question that Job asked more than three thousand years ago:

"If a man die, shall he live again?"

You may recall that he answered that question himself when he added:

"For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, that the tender branch thereof will not cease."

"Is my loved one asleep in a grave awaiting some future resurrection? . . . Is there any means of communicating with him? Is there any tangible proof of immortality?"

If we can answer these questions to our satisfaction, the sting of death will have been removed. We can have the same relation to our loved ones spiritually as we formerly had with them physically. When we think of them it will be in terms of a loved one who has changed his place of residence from New York, let us say, to San Francisco. Although his body is out of sight, we do not challenge the fact of his existence on this plane of life.

Man, made in the image and likeness of God, is co-existent with His Creator. Life did not begin when we were born into Earth existence, nor does it cease when we leave it. Life is eternal. Man lives, moves, and has his being in God. Where, then, do birth and death come in? Birth and death appear only on the relative or time plane. They are simply incidents in time.

Is that hard for you to accept? Then close your eyes and relax, and try to prove it to yourself.

Try to think of yourself in the pre-birth state before you were conceived. You can't think of yourself as non-existent, can you? Why not? Because you are consciously thinking. What does this prove? It proves that you **were** before you were born.

Now do the same thing with death. Try to

imagine yourself as having died and attending your own funeral service. You can't do that, can you? Why not? Because you are thinking of yourself as consciously being there. What does this prove? That you did not die at all because you cannot be conscious and unconscious, present and absent, at the same time.

What is the human belief about death? It is a belief in unconsciousness, is it not? Then for man to experience death in his consciousness (which is his life), he would have to be conscious and unconscious at the same time. In other words, he would have to know that he was dead, and if he knew anything at all, he would know that he was not dead.

Where, then, do the so-called dead go? They don't go anywhere. **Heaven is all around us and we are just as much in it now as we ever shall be.** Life and death are not two worlds, but are two aspects of one world. In other words, there are only people who live in two states of consciousness, who live on two planes, and God rules them both.

The sole responsibility for death and for resurrection is squarely upon the shoulders of man, for if death is a man-made belief, only man can overcome it. He can overcome it by the recognition of himself and others as *spiritual beings* living in a spiritual world NOW. Until we know this truth . . . that there is something within us that was never born, never gets sick, and never dies . . . we shall continue to experience "burying the dead." We see what is meant by Jesus saying, "*Let the dead (deluded in consciousness) bury their dead.*" The ones who believe they bury their loved ones are the 'dead' ones, for they experience the belief in death.

Believing in death can affect one's business and supply, as well as the body, for it

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A FORETASTE OF MY TRANSITION TO BE AND
MY SOUL'S RETURN



IT IS STILL with hesitation that I write about this occurrence. Though I am used to odd things happening to me, I do not want being termed 'queer' or worse titles! However, the unexplainable is not now quite so taboo as it has been. Mental research is discovering many important things and reasons for some of the odd incidents happening in our world today. Too many have scoffed because they were afraid to learn the truth, others because they are consistent non-believers in anything the least bit unusual to them.

I would not dare doubt anything I was told had happened . . . if told as being true. I would not dare go against "an inner feeling or warning" — as we unthinkingly call it — or a strong urge that seems to have almost no foundation. I may be cautious, but I follow through . . . and so far have not ever regretted letting that beyond-me intelligence direct. At times I have been astounded at the suddenly-from-somewhere thought I needed which I had made no real effort to produce. At times I am sure I could not have produced this with conscious thought.

Once . . . during the 'just-dawn' time of a hot summer day . . . I went into what I now feel is a foretaste of my to-be transition period. A living death time — a state of suspended animation — a roving spirit — any one of these might be a title or description for it. I prefer to call my experience *my soul's return*, and firmly believe it was just that . . . for that time anyway. It could not have been suspended animation, for I was far from being un-animated. I was very animated instead.

I had awakened as usual at the first sleepy sounds of bird-chirping in a big oak tree near my bedroom window. I remember wanting, mentally, to get up, fix my early cup of coffee, and do some planned desk work. I also wanted to go into my young orchard and gar-

dens in the far corner of my big country place and work there awhile. But I felt lazy and heavy, instead of the usual alertness. I remember wondering about that, and just lay there thinking about it.

I am positive I did not go back to sleep, as some insist on thinking. I was not even half asleep; in fact, I was not at all sleepy. I just lay still, entirely at peace, not bothering about a thing, simply too lazy to make a decision between several things I could be doing while I listened to the birds call for their crumbs that I put out each morning. I remember wondering what they were saying to each other as to the crumbs not being in their place.

Suddenly — much to my surprise — I found myself rising from my bed and my body . . . which I had left on the bed . . . and floating straight up over the bed; then out of the room through some space at the top of the nearest window partly open for ventilation.

"This is odd," I thought, "but I like it though I have not done it before." Nothing seemed uncanny about it. I just accepted it as a new experience among others. I had always liked new ways of doing things, as well as new things to do. Then, without any plan or thought on my part to do so, I floated on over a large open space and over to the new orchard and garden where I had put in rows of new plants. Slowly I floated over my beloved plants, and looked down at them with no thought of working there. I just loved the looks of it all from my new vantage point, but then began to wonder if I shouldn't hurry back to the *usual me* back on my bed before it was 'too late.' Now why did I think about going back in a hurry, or that it might be, 'too late?' I had no idea then what 'too late' might mean.

It is all clear and quite real to me how I floated back through the early morning air and through the upper opening of the same

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STRANGE ASTRAL PHENOMENA

window. I had no feeling of my body, night clothes, or chill at any time. Once inside my room I could see clearly my appearing-to-be-asleep body under the light cover . . . just as I had left it. I hesitated, a bit reluctant to settle down into it, though I remember no thought of why I hesitated.

I do remember suddenly thinking of my three small children in their rooms, and how much my husband depended on me to decide matters for them. That settled the matter at once. Slowly I descended from straight above down into my body. Immediately I lost consciousness in sleep.

When I awakened — which seemed shortly afterwards from the sounds outside — I felt no different from my usual wakings . . . better, if anything. Quietly I slipped downstairs, fixed my cup of coffee, and fed the birds. I drank the coffee, hurried through the morning headlines, and soon laid the paper aside as I just sat there thinking about my spirit journey. It had not been lost in sleep, but instead I remembered every bit of it vividly, every little detail. I knew then, and still know now, it was not just a dream. I mentioned it to no one at the time, but it is still as vivid in my mind now as it was then, years ago.

To those who would doubt this experience of spirit, I say doubt nothing anymore. It just might be true. I do truthfully add this, however. I more than likely would have doubted such an experience if it had not happened to me!

FOUR THINGS

These things are beautiful beyond belief:

The pleasant weakness that comes after pain,
The radiant greenness that comes after rain,

The Deepened faith that follows after grief,
And the awakening to love again.

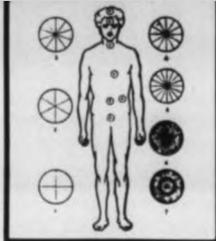
— Author Unknown
from *A Treasury of Comfort*

ALTHOUGH SOME manifestations of astral phenomena are comparatively rare, there are several phases which it would be good for a student to become acquainted with to round out his knowledge on the subject.

One of these is called *Thought-Form Projection*. This manifestation comes somewhere in between clairvoyance and astral-body projection and has some of the characteristics of each. To understand it one must realize that thought frequently takes on an astral form, thus is known as a *thought-form*. The ordinary thought-form as a rule does not bear any particular resemblance to the sender, but in some cases a person may — consciously or unconsciously — strongly and clearly think of himself as present at some other place and thus actually create a thought-form of himself at that place. This may be clearly discerned by those having clairvoyant vision. Moreover, this thought-form of himself is connected psychically with himself and affords a channel of psychic information for him. As a rule these thought-forms are only projected by persons who have trained their minds and wills along occult lines. Occasionally, however, under the stress of strong emotion or desire an ordinary person may focus his psychic power to such an extent that this phenomenon is dramatically manifested.

The reason this particular method is frequently employed by advanced occultists is for a two-fold advantage. (We shall learn more of this and other phenomena in the next issue.)

Meanwhile don't overlook the opportunity to explore this subject on your own. C. W. Leadbeater's *The Astral Plane*, Swami Panchadasi's *The Astral World* and *Clairvoyance and Occult Powers* are all good sources for more detailed background material . . . all available from Chimes. See back flap to order.



PART II.

AS WE HAVE learned from introductory remarks in the previous issue, understanding the role of the *chakras*, invisible force centers within man, helps him to unfold his dormant faculties and "see" a great deal more than normally would be possible.

According to C. W. Leadbeater, the chakras naturally divide into three groups: the lower, the middle and the higher; these correspond respectively to the *physiological*, the *personal* and the *spiritual*. All these chakras, or force centers, seem to feed certain ganglia in the body. Two connected with the pituitary body and the pineal gland come into action, however, only when a certain amount of spiritual development has taken place within the individual.

Each force center takes on certain shades of color, indicating a form of the force which is helpful to the growth of some moral quality. When that quality is strengthened, its corresponding vibration — or color — is more pronounced, deepened in color.

THE ROOT CHAKRA

The first of these centers is at the base of the spine. It has a primary force which radiates out in four spokes. It seems as though it is marked with the sign of the cross, and for that reason the cross often is used to symbolize this center. Sometimes a flaming cross is taken to indicate the serpent-fire which resides in it. When acting with vigor, it is fiery orange-red in color.

THE SPLEEN CHAKRA

The second center is located at the spleen, and is devoted to the dispersion of the vitality which comes to us from the sun. That vitality is poured out again from it in six horizontal streams, the seventh being drawn into the hub of the wheel. Its six divisions show predominantly the color of one of the

forms of the vital force — red, orange, yellow, green, blue and violet.

THE NAVEL CHAKRA

The third center, the umbilical, is at the navel or solar plexus and receives a primary force with ten radiations, so it vibrates in such a manner as to divide itself into ten undulations. It is very closely associated with feelings and emotions of various kinds. Its predominant color is a blending of several shades of red, though there is also a great deal of green in it.

THE HEART CHAKRA

The fourth center, the cardiac, is at the heart, is of a glowing golden color, and each of its quadrants is divided into three parts, giving off twelve undulations.

THE THROAT CHAKRA

The fifth center, the laryngeal, is at the throat, has sixteen spokes and divisions. There is a good deal of blue in this one, but it has the general effect of being silvery and gleaming, like moonlight rippling upon water. Blue and green alternately predominate.

THE BROW CHAKRA

The sixth center, the frontal, between the eyebrows, has the appearance of being divided into halves, the one rose-colored — with some yellow about it — and the other purplish-blue. While there is the appearance of only two halves to this center, if we were to count the undulations, we should find that each half is subdivided into forty-eight, making ninety-six in all. This startling jump in the spokes of a chakra shows us that we are dealing with something of a different order than the previous chakras. Al-

ART OF MEDITATION

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state of meditation with neutrality of thought and extract for you the answer from the Cosmic Encyclopedia.

Another method of meditation is to sit or lie quietly and let your mind wander; let your mind be infiltrated with all the things which might confuse you for the time being, until you are able to throw them all aside and then go into a state of meditation.

These methods given here are not the same as astral travel. In fact, in traveling to the astral realms it is almost the opposite. Then you **MUST** have a desire for this travel, even some specific goal in mind. In your sleep state, of course, you do not have a specific goal . . . except sometimes before you go to sleep you may desire to go to a specific place and perhaps will go there. However this is different than when you are in conscious meditation. Meditation is not a sleep state; it is a *state of consciousness* . . . the sea of consciousness . . . from which you can awake with full knowledge that you have in your present state that you have been in direct contact with the God consciousness.

Other writings of this Spirit Master, Yogunda, who was Paramahansa Yogananda in his last incarnation on Earth, you will find intensely interesting and enlightening. If you haven't yet read his *Autobiography of a Yogi*, make this a book you **MUST** read this year. Available from Chimes, back flap.

LIGHT ON THE PATH

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ment to journey to another plane of consciousness, bringing back memory of all that it sees and all the knowledge it acquires during that period of absence from the body. You will learn to know the Ego, or Divine Spark, which is absolute purity, the *very essence* of God in man. You will also learn of the indestructible essence of the ever-changing human soul as it journeys through incarnation after incarnation until it becomes merged into the Infinite and attains freedom from rebirth.

There is another barrier in the Path that thwarts progress, and that is: you try to visualize God's power and you plan how He shall work for *you*. In your prayers you *tell* God what to do. You cannot ask success for yourself or another, because success follows God; it also follows life and love and knowledge. Let go; trust God in all that you do, and in all that comes to you. Open your hearts and minds to receive wealth of life, wealth of love, and wealth of knowledge. When you ask God for help, **KNOW** that it is given. Do not make plans for yourselves; continue in faith, and live serenely and quietly.

Faith begets love, and love obtains justice for you from your fellow-man. Remember . . . you are formed in that image upon which you dwell in your thoughts. It is natural to gravitate towards the situation you yearn for or to the one you love. Trust goes forth to meet trust; but if you have antagonism,

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ENLIGHTENED SELF-INTEREST

"Don't fool yourself," says Paramahansa Yogananda, author of *Autobiography of a Yogi*, "giving all your time to the world. The best way to conserve your time and use it to greatest benefit is to outwit the world and its lures. Use your whole mind to seek God day and night, no matter what you are doing outwardly."



People are ready for the truth . . . so GIVE IT OUT!

EXPANDING YOUR SOUL HORIZONS

PART XXV.

JESUS THE CHRIST patterned His teachings to the growth and needs of the people. The leaders of men . . . one by one . . . have come to accept His teachings, and Himself, and so will the masses do the very same thing.

With His Light, His protection, and that of The Masters, we should go forward as crusaders to see that this teaching reaches not only the four corners of this globe, but that it reaches far into the realms of the lower astral.

As we know, people there are not much more educated to metaphysical truths elucidated here than when they passed on. Often they are less educated in these matters than those who remain behind. The metaphysical principles, however, everywhere are now permeating and percolating through universal consciousness. It is our duty and privilege as students of truth then to educate those in Spirit as well as our brothers and sisters on Earth. You can be sure that if the masses were not growing, they would not have tried to throw off the shackles of orthodox religion. That is why all New Teachings (such as Christian Science, Religious Science, Unity, New Thought, Divine Science, Mind Science, etc.) have found root and growth, otherwise they would have been cut off at the beginning.

We must remember that in His time there was a place for Jesus the Christ and He filled that place, voicing truth unafraid, even though the preponderance of dominant thought caused Him to be crucified. The truth that He expounded not only continued, but was accepted by more and more of coming generations because they could see the Light and Truth of these teachings. Just think of how the masses have grown . . . the advantages they

now have — both in educational facilities and living conditions — as compared to the days of Jesus. Now you go to school and are forced to learn about electricity, radio, television, aeronautics, mathematics, etc. In former times there were some who knew about the most advanced learning of the day, but they kept it quiet. But now, *what is good for one is good for the masses because THEY ARE READY FOR IT!* The people themselves are seeking this truth. While it is true that every religion given out through the ages was right for the time, the place, and the race to which it was given, we must never lose sight of the fact that the masses are continually evolving . . . progressing all the time, even though the leaders of different denominations say the people are *not* ready for this truth. But Jesus was unafraid to give it out, and neither must we be.

Jesus has told us that through His Universal Body all activity is taking place according to the principles of LOVE and RIGHT-EOUSNESS, that each one who is completely surrounded by His Light and Love is being moved by it, influenced by it, that nothing but perfection, harmony and satisfaction are ours to contemplate and realize. Therefore so long as there are those who appreciate the truth, let it be given out . . . even though it might be adversely used. As it is sown, so shall it be harvested. **MAN, BEING A CREATION OF THE LOVING FATHER WILL MAKE PROPER UTILIZATION OF ETERNAL TRUTH.**

As our minds grow and accept more and more of His Power, the more is in our hands to delegate. It has often been said: **What God can do, man likewise can do.**

The broad-minded see the truth in different religions. The narrow-minded see only the differences.

— William Hazlitt



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"Later I checked with a doctor about this type of illness and the doctor only shook his head. 'If a patient came to me in that condition, I would try to make him as comfortable as possible and would advise those caring for him to do the same, but that's about all I could do, since no cure has been found for that type of disease.' When I related this man's experience, the doctor replied, 'It must have been a spiritual healing. There is no other explanation for it.'

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Another gripping book Chimes readers have become acquainted with recently through the Chimes Prosperity Plan is this little gem by Rev. Ponder that describes how you can demonstrate the *success power* of love. If you didn't know it before, you learn here how you have all the love you need for healing, prosperity, and happy human relationships right **within yourself**. You do not need to search outside yourself for love. You can begin now releasing it from yourself from within outward, through your thoughts, words, actions, and affirmative prayers. As you do, you experience the success power of love in all its fullness as it works through people, situations, and conditions that concern you. You will soon realize that instead of being at the mercy of the world, the world responds to your own thoughts and feelings . . . that when those thoughts and feelings generate love, the world about you will respond happily in a most wonderful way. This is the success power of love that Catherine Ponder is talking about that you should be putting to full use **RIGHT NOW**.

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MAN'S FORCE CENTERS

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though all the factors are not known which determine the number of spokes in a chakra, it is evident they represent shades of variation in the primary force. It becomes clear, then, that while the need of the personality can be satisfied by a limited number of types of force, when we come to the higher and more

permanent principles of man, we encounter a complexity, a multiplicity, which demands for its expression a vastly greater selection of modifications of the energy. (The Crown Chakra is to be described next.)

Other than *The Chakras* by C. W. Leadbeater upon which most of the current material is based, other interesting reading recommendations are to be found in the previous issue, all of which may be purchased from Chimes.



KEEPING UP WITH

THE RHINES

American parapsychology's most respected team of scholarly researchers in extrasensory perception.

WRITING IN the *Bulletin of The Foundation for Research on the Nature of Man*, Dr. J. B. Rhine speaks out on a problem relating to **public interest in parapsychology**.

"Parapsychology owes its existence largely to the support of public interest, but responsible guidance is needed to keep this interest from running wild. A reminder of this fact turned up recently when a writer for a national magazine toured psi (ESP) research centers in the U.S. The man sent on this mission was not even qualified to understand the scientific work being done; rather, his assignment seemed to be to scrounge for unsavory aspects of the research that would make news, warn the public, and sell magazines.

"It seems fairly obvious that his editor would not have sent him on such a mission if the public image of parapsychology had been an accurate one representing the true findings of the research laboratories, objectively presented, and interpreted with restraint. But unfortunately, a greatly distorted picture has been given the public, and it is being blown up at a still increasing rate so that the exaggerated sensationalism associated

with parapsychology invites counterattack.

"Psi (ESP) research workers cannot remain aloof from, and hopefully immune to, the swirling publicity around them. In fact, just as the sensational exaggeration gets its support from the basic research itself, so also will the counterattack of the depreciative critic be aimed at the supporting work.

"What can be done about it? *Enlightened self-interest* would naturally invite the leadership of the field to coordinate efforts in giving clearer guidance to public interest. The recognition of this problem and the open discussion of principles that can be commonly accepted for parapsychology should lead to a general educational policy for the field. With the adequate support of a responsible group, it should be possible to establish and maintain an acceptable popular outlet to handle the facts and findings about psi (ESP) in ways that not only research workers can approve, but which the public too will welcome." Dr. Rhine, concluding, suggests that psi workers themselves assume the responsibility of presenting a fair and accurate public image of their field.

LIGHT ON THE PATH

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unkind criticism or fear in your mind, so will you find these in your brother-man. You meet what you seek; each soul sees only his soul in another; thus a wondrous light can come from a soul endowed with spiritual gifts.

If you want to gain immortal love you must learn the lesson of renunciation toward earthly love; never forget this or you will raise barriers you will be unable to negotiate. *Be still*, and thus be ready to receive the Father's blessing. The Father's Word is carried through your entire being,

not only in thought, but in waves of love which will permeate every nerve and cell.

Leave your soul free to absorb the Spirit of life; its source is nameless, unutterable love. Let wisdom possess your mind, and all your wandering troublesome thoughts will disappear as mists fade before the rising sun. Go into the Secret Place of the Most High when you meditate, and wait in silence without any thought of time, and soon you will feel a wondrous peace flowing through you in divine streams, and healing will bless you as it is poured forth from an Inner Shrine, and you will feel and realize

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QUESTIONS WE ALL ASK

... with messages for the searching mind in quest of Truth, satisfaction for the perplexed, comfort for the sorrowing heart.

• WHAT PART does a spiritual attitude play in healing?

each atom, each cell . . . These adjustments are merely to attune the centers of the body with the coordinating forces of the cerebrospinal and sympathetic systems. Thus the body is purified or attuned so that it in itself, and nature, do the healing.

• IS THERE, LITERALLY, a record of everything we say, do or think?

cinema relates to the physical world. Hence, by turning to (the record of) the time, place and period of any entity, it can be learned that each lifetime of man is the sum total of all previous incarnated selves. One seeking with a sincere desire who has a very high ideal may better interpret such records than one who does not have a high ideal. Nevertheless, the records are correct; just as the elephant appeared in a different light to the blind men.

• IN THE PROCESS of acquiring knowledge and understanding, is the soul's memory a factor?

knowledge or understanding, there must be *application* of self to those sources of material knowledge . . . but with faith and trust in universal knowledge. As indicated by The Lawgiver, think not who will come from over the sea that a message may be brought; for, lo, it is within thine own self! For the mind and soul are from the beginning. Thus there must come within the entity's own consciousness the awareness of how the *application* is to be made.

• ARE SOME PEOPLE predestined to suffer adversity?

The foregoing are excerpts from the Edgar Cayce Clairvoyant Readings, **123 Questions and Answers**. Order from Chimes, back flap.

THE CLOSER the body will keep to Biblical truths, and the greater dependence on the abilities latent in self, through trust in spiritual things, the quicker will be the response in the physical body. All healing — mental and material — is attuning each atom of the body, each reflex of the brain, to awareness of the Divine that lies within

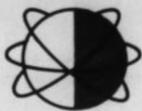
UPON TIME AND SPACE are written the thoughts, the deeds, the activities of an entity (individual). Hence, as it often has been called, the record is *God's book of remembrance*.

What the entity builds into the Akashic (soul) records relates to the mental as the

ALL THAT the individual may know of God, or even of law or international relationships, already exists in the consciousness for that entity to be made aware of same.

For this information, then, to become

Each experience can be helpful in making the application of abilities and meeting those things which have been "karmic." Making the will of self one with the Way may prevent, may overcome, may take the choice that makes for life, love, joy and happiness.



WHAT IS ANGEL HAIR?

By Sally I. Crofts
Ontario, California

AS I LOOK out my window I can see a few strands; it's easy to see in the late afternoon as the light reflects on it better.

Is it just cobwebs? If so, why is it attached to the high wires and everything else when you look closely? Besides, there aren't that many spiders around.

I have reason to believe it is connected with the flying saucers (space ships) which I have seen on occasion.

I have caught pieces of it as it floated by and kept them in air tight containers. It seems to be magnetic and will follow your finger, but loses this in a short time once in captivity.

Is it a creative substance having something to do with interdimensional activity which we are all so interested in?

The government has samples of it, I hear . . . but they can't have mine.

My first experience with it was on November 26, 1965, and it was all over the place . . . pieces floating in the wind as big as golf balls. When you touch it, it begins immediately to dissipate like cotton candy. It was just around that time that I really began to dig into matters of spiritual understanding and extraterrestrial life.

If you don't believe me . . . LOOK!—there has been a fresh coating of it out there every morning for the past month.

WITHIN RANGE

The deeper we delve, the more it becomes evident that the universe may not be what it seems to be. What we know is the picture of it within the range of human perception, capable of being interpreted by human reason.

— F. C. Hoppold

DOES SHE LISTEN TO LISZT?

A HOUSEWIFE claimed in a recent BBC radio interview that she has been inspired by no less than eight world-famous "dead" composers, according to an article appearing in the English weekly, the *Psychic News*.

"Rosemary Brown believes she is taught to compose by the spirits of such musicians as Liszt, Chopin and Beethoven," was the *Radio Times* note on this item. Mrs. Brown told her interviewer that, though she had only a few piano lessons twenty years ago, she now receives musical dictation from Schubert, Schumann, Bach, Brahms and Debussy, as well as the three composers already mentioned. "Each one has given me music more or less in the style in which they wrote when they were on Earth," she said. "At first it was Liszt who appeared to be trying to train me to play and receive compositions. Then he began to bring others and explained there is a group of twelve musicians trying to make a breakthrough. So there are still four to come."

A widow with two children, Mrs. Brown began practicing the piano again after her husband's death. Suddenly she found "this wonderful music flowing through my mind, and I could follow it and play it on the piano."

Sometimes she awakes at night "hearing" complete compositions being played to her. Having no knowledge of writing music, she at first found it difficult to transcribe to paper. But she has been trained by her Spirit teachers, she said.

During daily meditations she receives her best musical inspiration. She told the interviewer she had a vision of Liszt when she was seven. An old white-haired man "appeared" and told her he had been a famous composer-pianist and would make her a composer when she grew up. She had no idea who her visitor was until, in her teens, she found a Liszt photograph in a schoolbook and immediately recognized him.

The Spirit musicians chose her, she said, "because I was more or less a blank canvas to work upon." Mrs. Brown has no doubts whatever of her inspirers' identities.

She has written a forty-page "Schubert sonata" and eight thirty-six page ones by "Beethoven." Sometimes mentally she "hears" the compositions as if a full orchestra is in the room. On other occasions . . . when she sits at the piano . . . "it's almost as if someone puts my hands on like a pair of gloves and plays the music through them."

Listeners to the broadcast heard a recording of Mrs. Brown playing two pieces in Beethoven and Liszt styles, which she claimed were inspired by these eminent composers out of the past.

Think of spiritual evolution as being a most perfect procedure . . . like solving some vast puzzle where all the pieces and broken fragments of life are used and brought together in an indescribably lovely way to perfect the pattern of man's life on Earth.

— From the teachings of White Eagle, *Stella Polaris*, English bi-monthly 2





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LIFE IN THE WORLD UNSEEN*

based on the writings of Anthony Borgia

PART XI.

ONE OF THE MOST wonderful things about the world of Spirit that Monsignor Robert Benson discovered after his arrival was the completely natural sense of order and cleanliness that prevailed. His beautiful home there, for example, was always in good order, for there was nothing to disturb it . . . no dust or dirt or decay of any sort. The household duties so familiar and irksome on the Earth plane are non-existent in Spirit.

The necessity for providing the body with food was abandoned when the physical body was left behind. The adornments of the home, such as hangings and upholstery, do not ever need renewal because they do not perish. They endure until *we wish to dispense with them* for something else.

In Spirit we can walk out of our homes, leave all doors and windows open (the houses have no locks), with no worry about inclement weather, and we may return whenever we wish to find everything just as we left it. The only difference we might find would be some improvement. We might discover, for instance, that some friend had called when we were away and left some gift for us, some token of kindness — perhaps some beautiful flowers. Otherwise our house bids us welcome and renews our feeling of “being at home.”

Those who were drawn to living by the sea, or by lakes and streams, are able to do so in Spirit. Because of his attraction to the English countryside, Monsignor Benson’s house in Spirit was just a short walk to the glorious panorama of the ocean nearby. In describing its beauty to his Earth friend and amenuensis, Anthony Borgia, he said:

“The view was simply magnificent. Never had I expected to behold such sea. Its coloring was the most perfect reflection of the blue sky above, but in addition it reflected a myriad of rainbow tints in every little wavelet. The surface of the water was calm,

but not lifeless, for there is no such thing as lifeless or stagnant water here. Beneath us was a fine stretch of beach upon which we could see people seated at the water’s edge—but there was no suggestion of over-crowding. And floating upon this superb sea, some close at hand — others standing a little way out — were the most beautiful boats . . . though I think I am not doing them full justice by calling them mere boats. Ships would be more appropriate. I wondered who could own these fine vessels and was told (by Edwin, his Spirit friend) that we could own one ourselves, if we so wished. Many of the owners lived upon them, having no other home but their boat . . . Here one could live always, for it is perpetual summer.

“A short walk down a pleasant winding path brought us to a sandy seashore. Edwin informed us that it was a tideless ocean, and that at no place was it very deep by comparison with terrestrial seas. Storms of wind being impossible here, the water always was smooth, and in common with all water in these realms, it was of a pleasantly warm temperature that could occasion no feelings of cold — or even chilliness — to bathers. It was, of course, perfectly buoyant, possessed no single harmful element or characteristic, but it was, on the contrary, life-sustaining. To bathe in its waters was to experience a perfect manifestation of spiritual force. Even the sand upon which we were walking had none of the unpleasant features associated with the seashore of the Earth plane. It was never tiring to walk on. Although it had every appearance of sand — as we had always known it — yet to the tread it was firm in consistency, although soft to the touch of the hand. In fact, this particular quality rendered it more like

ODE TO SPIRIT

LORD! HEAR MY PRAYER

Lord! Let there be Love,
For without this I cannot live
Nor do the Master's work below.
Since Love the motive power is
That rules and governs all above,
Lord! Let there be Love.

Lord! Let there be Light.
Thou hast Thyself claimed to be
That;
And Thee I would have always near
To show the way, to point the
path
That leads back to my Father God.
Lord! Let there be Light.

Lord! Let there be Wisdom,
Strength and Power in Thee to
live;

For wisdom guides the straying feet;
The will that wanders far below
And drags down when I long to grow;
For wisdom is the pearl of price
Love offered as a sacrifice —
Too great for Earthly mind to
know.

Lord! Hear my prayer:
Let Love and Light and Wisdom be
in me.

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THE PRIZES

Some men have the urge to mend
Worn out trinkets without end
Or down to Earth on bended knee
Rebuild a wall destroyed by tree.

But how much more a man is worth,
Man's soul to whom the Christ
gave birth,
Than earthly trinkets, gadgets,
tools —
These are the prizes treasured by
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well-kept lawns to walk on, so closely did the grains hold together. We took some handful of the sand, and allowed it to run through our fingers, and great was our surprise to find that it lacked every trace of grittiness, but seemed to the touch more akin to some smooth, soft powder. Yet examined closely it was undeniably solid. It was one of the strangest phenomena we had met so far. Edwin said that that was because we had, in this particular instance, carried out a more minute examination of what we were beholding than we had done hitherto in other things. He added that if we chose to make a close scrutiny of all that we saw . . . whether it be the ground we walked on, the substance of which our houses were made, or the thousand and one other objects that go to make up the world of Spirit . . . we should be living in a state of

continual surprise, and there would be revealed to us some small idea — but only a very small idea — of the magnitude of the Great Mind, the Greatest Mind in the Universe that upholds this and every other world. Indeed, the great scientists of the Earth plane find, when they come to live in the Spirit world, that they have a completely new world upon which to commence a fresh course of investigations. They begin *de novo*, as it were, but with all their great earthly experience behind them. And what joy it brings them, in company with their scientific colleagues, to probe the mysteries of the Spirit world, to collect their data, to compare their new knowledge with the old, to record for the benefit of others the results of their investigations and discoveries.”

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the fullness of Christ's love for you.

Pray today . . . that justice, peace and mercy, as the Master Jesus brought them to a torn and stricken world, may once again guide all nations and all peoples. Remember always that mankind to win a great victory must first of all win a victory over his own personal enemy — *himself*. Man's greatest problem lies within his own life: how to conquer fear; how to conquer sin; how to conquer hate, discouragement, despair; how to win a victory, first of all, over *himself*.

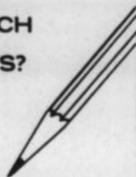
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THESE POINTS?**



For the answers, see page 34

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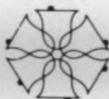
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