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CALENDAR FOR 1938

JANUARY

Sun...		2	9	16	23	30
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FEBRUARY

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MAY

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DECEMBER

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THE WORLD'S CALENDARS

The following notes throw light on the monthly calendars which follow :

Christian : Adjusted to a Solar Year, 12 uneven months. Some festivals occur on lunar phases. The Greek Church follows the old Russian calendar, about a fortnight earlier. Midnight to midnight is a day. Most Oriental calendars count dawn to dawn as a day.

Jewish : Luni-solar, in accordance with a system arranged in the fourth century A.D. The Jews now employ an Era of the Creation, whose epoch is taken as 7 October 3761 B.C. *Last new year*, 6 Sept. 1937 or 1 Tishri 5698; other months: Marcheshvan, Kislev, Tebeth, Shebat, Adar, Nisan, Iyar, Sivan, Tammuz, Ab, Ellul.

Muhammadan : Lunar, dating from the Hejira era, the day after Muhammad's flight from Mecca, which occurred on the night of 15 July 622 A.D. *Last new year*, 15 March 1937 or 1 Muharram 1356; other months: Saphar, Rabia I, Rabia II, Jomada I, Jomada II, Rajab, Shaaban, Ramadan, Shawall, Dulkaada, Dulheggia.

Parsi : The solar year of 365 days is divided into six unequal fixed periods called Gahambars, festival times. The Persian era dates from A.D. 632, the accession of Yezdijird, the last of the Sassanian line of Kings. *Last new year*, 6 September 1937 or 1 Farvardin 1307. *Other months* : Ardibehest, Khordad, Tir, Amardad, Sheherevar, Meher, Avan, Adar, Deh, Behaman, and Asfendarmad. The 12 Parsi months have 30 equal days and at the end of the last month five extra sacred days are added to make up the solar year. The names of these days are Ahunavad, Ushtavad, Spentomad, Vohukshathra, and Vahish-toyashta. As yet the Parsi calendar does not allow for correction through a leap-year; consequently, after every leap-year, the Parsi new year is one day behind the previous coincidence with the Christian calendar. Example, 1940,

September 5th not 6th will be the Parsi New Year.

Hindu : Luni-solar. The *Samvat* era dates from 57 B.C. Months are divided into the *sudi* or bright fortnight, and *badi* or dark. Each fortnight contains 15 tithis. *Last new year* 13 April 1937 or 1344 Vaisakha 1; other months: Jyaistha, Ashada, Sravana, Bhadra, Asvina, Karttika, Marga, Pous, Magha, Phalgun, Chaitra.

Fasli : The Fasli year (Nizam's Dominions, South India) Luni-Solar, was derived from a combination of the Hejira and Samvat years by the order of Akbar. *Last New Year*, 1 Azar 1347 (Fasli), or 6 October 1937, or 2 Shud Asvin 1993 (Hindu); other Fasli months: De, Behman, Sfindarmad, Farvardin, Ardibehest, Khordad, Tir, Amardad, Sheherévar, Shéher and Abán. The Fasli year is made of 365 days, adding one day in the second month every leap year. This adding of one day came into force from the Fasli year 1316 (namely 30 years ago) by the order of H. H. The Nizam, who arranged the number of days of each month since the Fasli year 1316 as follows: 1st 30, 2nd 29 (30 in leap year), 3rd 30, 4th 30, 5th 31, 6th 31, 7th 31, 8th 31, 9th 31, 10th 31, 11th 30 and 12th 30 days.

The **Bengali** year seems also to have been related at one time to the Hejira, but the fact of it being Solar made it lose 11 days each year.

Buddhist : Most Festivals occur on full-moons of Samvat calendar.

Jain : Months and years correspond with Hindu dates; but intervening periods in months do not correspond, as a day is dropped or added according to the phase of the moon and only the decision of Jodphur Maharaj, an eminent Sadhu, is final. Jain Year "Vir Samvat" 2465 begins 24 October 1938.

PHASES OF THE MOON, 1938

ADYAR

(Day counted midnight to midnight)

JANUARY

	d.	h.	m.
● New Moon	... 2	0	28
☾ First Quarter	... 9	19	43
○ Full Moon	... 16	11	23
☾ Last Quarter	... 23	13	39
● New Moon	... 31	19	5

JULY

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 4	19	17
○ Full Moon (Asala)	... 12	20	34
☾ Last Quarter	... 20	17	49
● New Moon	... 27	9	24

FEBRUARY

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 8	6	2
○ Full Moon	... 14	22	44
☾ Last Quarter	... 22	9	54

AUGUST

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 3	7	30
○ Full Moon	... 11	11	27
☾ Last Quarter	... 19	2	0
● New Moon	... 25	16	47

MARCH

	d.	h.	m.
● New Moon	... 2	11	10
☾ First Quarter	... 9	14	5
○ Full Moon	... 16	10	45
☾ Last Quarter	... 24	6	36

SEPTEMBER

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 1	22	58
○ Full Moon	... 10	1	38
☾ Last Quarter	... 17	8	42
● New Moon	... 24	2	4

APRIL

	d.	h.	m.
● New Moon	... 1	0	22
☾ First Quarter	... 7	15	10
○ Full Moon	... 14	23	51
☾ Last Quarter	... 23	1	44
● New Moon	... 30	10	58

OCTOBER

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 1	17	15
○ Full Moon	... 9	15	7
☾ Last Quarter	... 16	14	54
● New Moon	... 23	14	12
☾ First Quarter	... 31	13	15

MAY

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 7	2	54
○ Full Moon (Wesak)	... 14	14	9
☾ Last Quarter	... 22	18	6
● New Moon	... 29	19	30

NOVEMBER

	d.	h.	m.
○ Full Moon	... 8	3	53
☾ Last Quarter	... 14	21	50
● New Moon	... 22	5	35
☾ First Quarter	... 30	9	29

JUNE

	d.	h.	m.
☾ First Quarter	... 5	10	2
○ Full Moon	... 13	5	17
☾ Last Quarter	... 21	7	22
● New Moon	... 28	2	40

DECEMBER

	d.	h.	m.
○ Full Moon	... 7	15	52
☾ Last Quarter	... 14	6	47
● New Moon	... 21	23	37
☾ First Quarter	... 30	4	23

JANUARY 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Sat.	New Year's Day (Christian). Emancipation of Slaves in U.S.A. 1863.
2	Sun.	New Moon : 0.28. Poya Day in Ceylon.
3	Mon.	Josiah Wedgwood, English potter, d. 1795.
4	Tu.	Jacob L. C. Grimm, philologist, b. 1785.
5	Wed.	Sir Ernest Shackleton d. 1922.
6	Th.	Epiphany , Three Kings Day or Day of the Magi (Christian). Jeanne d' Arc b. (Canonized 16 May 1920). Benjamin Franklin b. 1706.
7	Fri.	St. John the Baptist (Greek Orthodox).
8	Sat.	Union of Little Russia with Great Russia, 1654. Elena, Queen of Italy, b. 1873. Galileo Galilei d. 1642. Alfred Russel Wallace b. 1823.
9	Sun.	First Quarter Moon : 7.43 p.m. Poya Day in Ceylon. Queen Mary of Yugoslavia b. 1899. Vivekananda b. 1862.
10	Mon.	Penny postage established in England, 1840.
11	Tu.	Thomas Hardy, novelist, d. 1828.
12	Wed.	Vaikanta Ekadasi (Hindu). Day of Tatiana : Foundation of Moscow University, 1755.
13	Th.	St. Mungo, Scotland (Christian). Bhogi (Hindu).
14	Fri.	Makarsankranti , Pongal (Hindu).
15	Sat.	Baptism of our Lord (Christian).
16	Sun.	Full Moon : 11.23 a.m. Poya Day in Ceylon.
17	Mon.	Rosh Hashanah Leillanoth , New Year for Trees (Jewish).
18	Tu.	First Peace Conference, 1919. Foundation of the Reich Day (Germany). A. P. Sinnett, Vice-President, T.S., b. 1840.
19	Wed.	Edgar Allan Poe, writer, b. 1809.
20	Th.	Accession of King Edward VIII, 1936. Hikkaduwe Sumangala, head Southern Buddhist Church, b. 1827.
21	Fri.	Lenin d. 1924.
22	Sat.	1905 Russian Revolution. Francis Bacon b. 1561.
23	Sun.	Last Quarter Moon : 1.39 p.m. Poya Day in Ceylon. Charlotte, reigning Grand Duchess of Luxemburg, b. 1896.
24	Mon.	Union of all Rumanians.
25	Tu.	Robert Burns, poet, b. 1759.
26	Wed.	Australia Day, 150th Anniversary ; First Fleet under Admiral Phillip arrived Sydney 1788.
27	Th.	The Transfiguration (Liberal Catholic).
28	Fri.	Marti's Birthday (Cuba).
29	Sat.	Chinese New Year (Old Style, Year XXVI).
30	Sun.	Day of National Regeneration (Germany). Boris III, Czar of Bulgaria, b. 1894. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President, U.S.A., b. 1882.
31	Mon.	New Moon : 7.5 p.m. Poya Day in Ceylon.

FEBRUARY 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Tu.	Commemoration of Netzahualcoyotl, Nahoa or Naga King and Poet (Mexico 1401).
2	Wed.	Candlemas, Presentation of our Lord in the Temple.
3	Th.	Scottish Quarter Day.
4	Fri.	Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, composer, b. 1862.
5	Sat.	Thomas Carlyle, man of letters, d. 1881.
6	Sun.	Constitution Day, Mexico, 1857.
7	Mon.	Feast of St. Dorothea.
8	Tu.	Yaroslav the Wise, Grand Duke and first Russian Lawgiver, 1054.
9	Wed.	Sir Thomas More, humanist, b. 1478 (canonized 1935).
10	Th.	First Quarter Moon : 6.2 a.m. Poya Day in Ceylon.
11	Fri.	English half-quarter day.
12	Sat.	John Ruskin, English writer, b. 1819.
13	Sun.	Adolf von Menzel, painter, d. 1905.
14	Mon.	Charles Lamb, essayist, b. 1775.
15	Tu.	Faruk, King of Egypt, b. 1920.
16	Wed.	Thomas A. Edison, b. 1847.
17	Th.	Bakr-Id. Day of Sacrifice (Muhammadan). Called by the Arabs Idd-e-Zoha.
18	Fri.	Tsap-Go-Meh, 1912, China became a Republic.
19	Sat.	Abraham Lincoln, American President, b. 1809.
20	Sun.	Charles Darwin, scientist, b. 1809.
21	Mon.	Septuagesima (Christian).
22	Tu.	Full Moon : 10.44 p.m. Poya Day in Ceylon.
23	Wed.	St. Valentine's Day.
24	Th.	Tsom Esther Ereb Purim, Fast of Esther, Adar 13, 5698 (Jewish).
25	Fri.	Purim, Feast of Lots : Adar 14, 5698 (Jewish).
26	Sat.	Five Egyptians (St. Elias, etc.) martyred under Diocletian 309.
27	Sun.	Adyar Day ; inaugurated 1922 to celebrate C. W. Leadbeater b. 1847 ; H. S. Olcott d. 1907 ; Giordano Bruno martyred 1600.
28	Mon.	G. K. Gokhale, Indian patriot, d. 1915.
29	Tu.	Liberation of Russian peasants by Emperor Alexander II, 1861.
30	Wed.	Sexagesima (Christian).
31	Th.	Voltaire, philosopher, b. 1694.
32	Fri.	Trial of Joan of Arc began 1431.
33	Sat.	Last Quarter Moon : 9.54 a.m. Poya Day in Ceylon.
34	Sun.	George Washington b. 1732.
35	Mon.	Lord Baden-Powell b. 1857.
36	Tu.	Schopenhauer, philosopher, b. 1788.
37	Wed.	Idd-e-Gadir, Installation of Ali as Muhammad's Successor.
38	Th.	G. F. Handel, composer, b. 1685.
39	Fri.	St. Ethelbert, first Christian King of England.
40	Sat.	Camille Flammarion, astronomer, b. 1842.
41	Sun.	Victor Hugo, French writer, b. 1802.
42	Mon.	Quinquagesima (Christian).
43	Tu.	Mahasivaratri (Hindu).
44	Wed.	Srimati Rukmini Devi b. 29 February 1904.
45	Th.	Kalevala (Finland).
46	Fri.	Groto de Asensio (Uruguay).

MARCH 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Tu.	C. W. Leadbeater passed 1934. St. David, Wales (Christian) Shrove Tuesday (Christian).
2	Wed.	New Moon : 11.10 a.m. Ash Wednesday, First day of Lent (Christian). Abdication of Czar Nicolas II, 1917 (Russia).
3	Th.	Liberation Day, Bulgaria.
4	Fri.	Muharram, First Day (Muhammadan New Year's Day).
5	Sat.	Death penalty abolished by North Dakota, 1915.
6	Sun.	Quadragesima . First Sunday in Lent (Christian). Michelangelo, Italian sculptor, b. 1475. Nagako, Empress of Japan, b. 1903.
7	Mon.	Thomas Garrigue Masaryk, Liberator of Czechoslovakia, b. 1850.
8	Tu.	St. John's Day, Costa Rica.
9	Wed.	First Quarter Moon : 2.5 p.m.
10	Th.	St. Anselm, Abp. of Canterbury, 1093.
11	Fri.	
12	Sat.	Bishop Berkeley, philosopher, b. 1684.
13	Sun.	Ashura, 10th day Muharram (Muhammadan).
14	Mon.	Siddhachal Pradaxina (Jain).
15	Tu.	Holika Purnima (Hindu). Chaumasi Chaudas (Jain). Liberty Day, Hungary.
16	Wed.	Full Moon : 10.45 a.m.
17	Th.	Purim , Deliverance of Jews from the wiles of Haman. St. Patrick (Ireland). National Heroes Day (Germany).
18	Fri.	Albert IV, the Wise, Duke of Bavaria, d. 1508.
19	Sat.	St. Joseph, patron saint of Costa Rica, Austria, Italy, etc.
20	Sun.	Sir Isaac Newton, philosopher, d. 1727.
21	Mon.	Vernal Equinox . Jamshedi Navroz (Parsi). Ghazi, King of Iraq (Mesopotamia) b. 1912. Johann Sebastian Bach, composer, b. 1685.
22	Tu.	Koehn Foe Tsjoeh, Passing of Confucius (Chinese).
23	Wed.	Foundation of Fasci, Italy.
24	Th.	Last Quarter Moon : 6.36 a.m.
25	Fri.	Annunciation of our Lady (Christian). Fête National of Greece, Revolution 1821.
26	Sat.	Beethoven, composer, d. 1827. Cecil Rhodes, Empire-builder, d. 1902.
27	Sun.	Refreshment Sunday (Christian). Francis Rakóczi, national hero of Hungary, b. 1676.
28	Mon.	Raphael, painter, b. 1438.
29	Tu.	Emmanuel Swedenborg, Swedish Mystic, d. 1772. Edward Bellamy, author, b. 1850.
30	Wed.	Daylight Saving throughout U.S.A. 1918.
31	Th.	Franz Joseph Haydn, composer, b. 1732. René Descartes, philosopher, b. 1596.

APRIL 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Fri.	New Moon : 0.22. Telugu New Year's Day.
2	Sat.	Charlemagne, Emperor of the West, b. 742.
3	Sun.	Passion Sunday (Christian). Johannes Brahms, composer, died 1897.
4	Mon.	Feast Day : St. Isidore of Seville.
5	Tu.	Tsing-Bing, Chinese. Algernon Charles Swinburne, poet, b. 1837.
6	Wed.	Raphael, painter, died 1520.
7	Th.	First Quarter Moon : 3.10 p.m. Mothers' Day, Bulgaria.
8	Fri.	Rama Navami , birth of Shri Ramachandra (Hindu).
9	Sat.	Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, died 1626.
10	Sun.	Palm Sunday (Christian).
11	Mon.	Death of Juan Santa Maria, National Hero of Central America.
12	Tu.	Mahavir Jayanti , Birthday of Tirthankar Mahavir (Jain).
13	Wed.	Avan-Parabh : Offering to the Water Element (Parsi). Tamil New Year's Day.
14	Th.	Full Moon : 11.51 p.m. Maundy Thursday (Christian). Pilgrimage to Siddhachalji (Jain). Hanuman Jayanti , Birthday of Hanuman, commander-in-chief of the army which helped Shri Ramachandra in his fight against Ravana, King of Lanka (Hindu).
15	Fri.	Good Friday , Crucifixion of the Lord Christ.
16	Sat.	Holy Saturday (Christian). Pesah Yom Rishon , Passover, Nisan 15, 5698 (Jewish).
17	Sun.	Easter Day . Resurrection of the Lord Christ (Christian). Pesah Yom Rishon, Passover, 2nd day, Nisan 16, 5698 (Jewish).
18	Mon.	Easter Monday.
19	Tu.	Paul Veronese, painter, died 1588.
20	Wed.	Adolf Hitler's birthday, Germany, 1889.
21	Th.	Fascist Labour (Promotion) Day, Italy. Princess Elizabeth, heiress apparent to British throne, b. 1926.
22	Fri.	First Summer's Day and Children's Day in Iceland. Shebini Shal Pesah , Passover, 7th day ; Nisan 21, 5698 (Jewish).
23	Sat.	Last Quarter Moon : 1.44 a.m. St. George's Day (Christian). Shebini Shal Pesah, Passover, 8th day ; Nisan 22, 5698 (Jewish).
24	Sun.	Low Sunday.
25	Mon.	Anzac Day (British Empire).
26	Tu.	Sir Henry Parkes, Statesman, d. 1896.
27	Wed.	Rumania's National Day. Ralph Waldo Emerson, philosopher, d. 1882.
28	Th.	Captain Cook landed Botany Bay, N.S.W., 1770.
29	Fri.	Hirohito, Emperor of Japan, b. 1901.
30	Sat.	New Moon : 10.58 a.m. Coming of Spring Celebration, Sweden. Princess Juliana born 1909. (Netherlands and colonies).

MAY 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Sun.	May Day. Tree Festival (Central America). Flower Day in Sweden. Labour Day in many countries. Constitution Day (Australia).
2	Mon.	Crown Prince Faisal of Iraq b. 1935.
3	Tu.	Thomas Hood, English poet, d. 1845.
4	Wed.	Thomas H. Huxley, scientist, b. 1825.
5	Th.	Napoleon Bonaparte d. 1821.
6	Fri.	Rabindranath Tagore b. 1861.
7	Sat.	First Quarter Moon : 2.54 a.m. Robert Browning, poet, b. 1812.
8	Sun.	White Lotus Day (Helena Petrovna Blavatsky's passing 1891). Mothers' Day (Second Sunday in May, U.S.A., Australia, Brazil). English half-quarter day.
9	Mon.	Friedrich von Schiller, German poet, d. 1805.
10	Tu.	Commemoration of Rumanian Kingdom. Mothers' Day, Mexico, Cuba.
11	Wed.	J. Krishnamurti b. 1895, 12.30 a.m. Hindu reckoning (12th, 0-30 a.m. Western reckoning).
12	Th.	Coronation of King George VI. Mothers' Day, Germany. Atash-Parabh : Offering to the Fire Element (Parsi).
13	Fri.	Barawafat , Birth and Death of Muhammad. Emancipation of Slaves, Brazil.
14	Sat.	Full Moon : Greenwich, 8.39 a.m. ; India, 2.9 p.m. ; New York, 3.39. Vaisakha Purnima (Wesak) Lord Buddha's Birthday, Enlightenment and Deathday (Hindu and Buddhist). Pesah Sheni, 2nd Passover (Jewish).
15	Sun.	Goodwill Sunday.
16	Mon.	Scottish Quarter Day.
17	Tu.	Constitution Day in Norway, 1814.
18	Wed.	Goodwill Day (1921).
19	Th.	Yom Baryohai. Baryohai Day, 33rd day (Jewish).
20	Fri.	Independence Day, Cuba.
21	Sat.	SS. Constantine and Helen. Children's Day, Rumania.
22	Sun.	Last Quarter Moon : 6.6. p.m. Rogation Sunday (Christian). Richard Wagner, composer, b. 1813.
23	Mon.	Heroes Memorial Day, Germany. Rt. Rev. J. I. Wedgwood, founder Liberal Catholic Church, b. 1883.
24	Tu.	Empire Day . St. Cyril and St. Methodius Day, Bulgaria.
25	Wed.	Ralph Waldo Emerson, philosopher, b. 1803.
26	Th.	Ascension Day (Holy Thursday). Queen Mary's Birthday, 1867 (British Empire).
27	Fri.	Dante Alighieri, poet, b. 1265.
28	Sat.	Dr. Edward Benes, President of Czechoslovakia, b. 1884.
29	Sun.	New Moon : 7.30 p.m.
30	Mon.	Decoration Day, U.S.A.
31	Tues.	Union Day, South Africa, 1910. Walt Whitman, poet, b. 1819.

JUNE 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Wed.	Magnetic North Pole discovered by James Clark Ross, 1831.
2	Th.	Garibaldi, liberator, d. 1882.
3	Fri.	Richard Cobden, political economist, b. 1804.
4	Sat.	West Australia Day
5	Sun.	First Quarter Moon : 10.2 a.m. Whitsunday , Pentecost (Christian). Shabuoth Yom Rishon , Pentecost, Sivan 6, 5697 (Jewish). Constitution Day, Denmark.
6	Mon.	Heroes Day, Rumania. Shabuoth or Pentecost (Jewish).
7	Tu.	Richard M. Hoe, inventor of revolving printing press, d. 1886.
8	Wed.	Restoration Day or Day of Youth, Rumania.
9	Th.	King-Emperor's official birthday (Public Holiday).
10	Fri.	Gyarwin, Rabi-us-Sani, 11th Day (Muhammadan).
11	Sat.	Roger Bacon, philosopher, d. 1294.
12	Sun.	Trinity Sunday (Christian). Jyestha Purnima (Buddhist). Go-Goe-Tseh (Chinese). Sir Oliver Lodge, b. 1851.
13	Mon.	Full Moon : 5.17 p.m. Zarthost Diso : Death of Zoroaster (Parsi). St. Anthony of Padua, b. Lisbon 1296 (Portugal).
14	Tu.	St. Basil the Great.
15	Wed.	Magna Charta Day (1215).
16	Th.	Corpus Christi (Christian). Home Rule Day—Order internment Annie Besant and others, 1917 unconditionally released 3 months later. Gustaf V of Sweden, b. 1858.
17	Fri.	Sir William Crookes, scientist, b. 1837. Jon Sigurdsson's birthday, Iceland.
18	Sat.	William Cobbett, political economist, d. 1835.
19	Sun.	Day of José G. Artigas, Founder of Uruguay.
20	Mon.	First steamer to cross Atlantic reached Liverpool 1819.
21	Tu.	Last Quarter Moon : 7.22 p.m. Dr. G. S. Arundale elected President of the T. S. 1934. St. Louis Gonzago, Patron Saint of young Christians (C. Amer.)
22	Wed.	St. Alban, Martyr (Christian). Guiseppe Mazzini, patriot, b. 1805.
23	Th.	Duke of Windsor b. 1894. Beltane, Midsummer Eve, border counties and Scotland.
24	Fri.	Midsummer—English Quarter Day. St. John Baptist (Christian).
25	Sat.	Sadako, Empress Dowager of Japan, b. 1884.
26	Sun.	The Persian Era began 632.
27	Mon.	Harriet Martineau, Eng. author, d. 1876.
28	Tu.	New Moon : 2.40 p.m. Constitution Day, Jugoslavia, and Battle of Kosovo, 1389.
29	Wed.	St. Peter and the Holy Apostles (Christian).
30	Th.	Dadabhai Naoroji, Indian statesman, d. 1917.

JULY 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Fri.	Dominion Day, Canada. El Salvador's Day (Central America).
2	Sat.	Crown Prince Olav of Norway, b. 1903.
3	Sun.	
4	Mon.	First Quarter Moon : 7.17 p.m. Independence Day, U.S.A. Garibaldi, Italian liberator, b. 1807. John Adams, second President, U.S.A., d. 1826. Thomas Jefferson, third President, U.S.A., d. 1826.
5	Tu.	Giovanni Schiaparelli, Italian astronomer, d. 1910.
6	Wed.	Constitution Day, Russia. Sir Thomas More, Chancellor of England, d. 1535. John Huss Day (Czechoslovakia).
7	Th.	St. Ethelburga of Kent.
8	Fri.	St. Sunniva, Patron Saint of Bergen, Norway.
9	Sat.	Henry Hallam, historian, b. 1777.
10	Sun.	First Icelandic Parliament opened 1905.
11	Mon.	Chaumasi Chaudas (Jain).
12	Tu.	Full Moon : Greenwich, 3.4 p.m.; India, 8.34 p.m.; New York, 10.4 a.m. Ashadha (Asala) Purnima. Worship of World Teacher or Jagatguru. Lord Buddha's First Sermon at Sarnath.
13	Wed.	John Dee, astrologer and mathematician, b. 1527.
14	Th.	Independence Day, Brazil. France's National Day (Fall of Bastille, 1789).
15	Fri.	Prince (St.) Vladimir Day. (Succeeded to Throne of Russia 980).
16	Sat.	Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Central America). Sir Joshua Reynolds, painter, b. 1723.
17	Sun.	Fast of Tammuz , Tammuz 18, 5698 (Jewish).
18	Mon.	Celebration of Benito Juarez, Reformer of Mexico. Constitution Day, Uruguay.
19	Tues.	Georgios II of Greece, b. 1890.
20	Wed.	Last Quarter Moon : 5.49 p.m.
21	Th.	Independence Day, Belgium.
22	Fri.	Giuseppe Piazzi, Italian astronomer, d. 1826.
23	Sat.	B. G. Tilak, Indian statesman, b. 1856.
24	Sun.	Alexandre Dumas (the elder), French novelist, b. 1802.
25	Mon.	Freedom of Puerto Rico (Landing of American troops).
26	Tu.	George Bernard Shaw, b. 1856.
27	Wed.	New Moon : 9.24 p.m.
28	Th.	Johann Sebastian Bach, composer, d. 1750.
29	Fri.	St. Olav, Patron Saint of Norway (King and Martyr 1930). Benito Mussolini, b. 1883.
30	Sat.	Henry Ford, industrial magnate, b. 1863. William Penn, colonizer Pennsylvania, d. 1718.
31	Sun.	(For H. P. Blavatsky's birthday, 1831, see August 12). Naga Panchami (Hindu).

AUGUST 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Mon.	Lammas—Scottish Quarter Day. Bank Holiday, England.
2	Tu.	Henry Steel Olcott , President-Founder, The Theosophical Society, b. 1832.
3	Wed.	First Quarter Moon : 7.30 a.m. Haakon VII, King of Denmark, b. 1872.
4	Th.	Great War commenced 1914.
5	Fri.	St. Oswald, King and Martyr.
6	Sat.	Alfred, Lord Tennyson, poet, b. 1809.
7	Sun.	Victoria, Queen of Sweden, b. 1862. Tishabeab , Commemoration of the destruction of the Temple, Ab 10, 5697 (Jewish). King Faruk acceded throne of Egypt, 1936.
8	Mon.	
9	Tu.	Ernst H. Haeckel, Zoologist, d. 1919.
10	Wed.	French Revolution begun 1792.
11	Th.	Full Moon : 11.27 a.m. English half-quarter day. Avani Avittam, Cocanaut Day (Hindu).
12	Fri.	Helena Petrovna Blavatsky , Co-Founder of The Theosophical Society, b. 1831. (The Greek orthodox calendar makes this day 31 July; H.P.B. was born on the night of July 30-31.)
13	Sat.	William Blake, poet and painter, d. 1827. Florence Nightingale d. 1910.
14	Sun.	First Quarter Moon : 7.58 a.m.
15	Mon.	Assumption of the Holy Virgin and St. Sophia. Mothers' Day (Central America).
16	Tu.	
17	Wed.	Malabar New Year (Malabar Year 1113).
18	Th.	Guido Reni, painter, d. 1642.
19	Fri.	Last Quarter Moon : 2.0 p.m. Gokul Ashtami : Shri Jayanti (Hindu).
20	Sat.	St. Stephen, Patron Saint of Hungary.
21	Sun.	Princess Margaret Rose, b. 1930.
22	Mon.	Paryushan Parva (Jain).
23	Tu.	Baron Cuvier, Scientist, b. 1769.
24	Wed.	Feast of St. Bartholemew, Apostle.
25	Th.	New Moon : 4.47 p.m. Kalpadhar (Jain). Mātrudin (Mothers' Day), India.
26	Fri.	Mahavir Janma (Jain).
27	Sat.	Gebhard, Patron Saint of Vorarlberg, Austria. Teludhar (Jain).
28	Sun.	Peace Palace at the Hague, opened 1913. Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu). Samvatsari (Jain)
29	Mon.	St. Wenceslas b. circ. 910 (Christian). Tolstoi b. 1828. Albert Lebrun, President of France since 1932, b. 1871. Idd-ul-Fātir (Muhammadan).
30	Tu.	K. T. Telang b. 1850.
31	Wed.	Queen Wilhelmina b. 1880 (Netherlands and Colonies).

SEPTEMBER 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Th.	First Quarter Moon : 8.58 p.m.	
2	Fri.	Dubali Ashtami (Jain).	
3	Sat.	Oliver Cromwell d. 1658.	
4	Sun.	Edvard Grieg, composer, d. 1907.	
5	Mon.	Papeti or last Gatha, last day of Parsi year.	
6	Tu.	Navroz , New Year Day (Parsi). King Peter II, Yugoslavia, born 1923. Labour Day (Canada, U.S.A.). Philip J. Bailey, poet, d. 1902. Queen Elizabeth b. 1533.	
7	Wed.	Nativity of Our Lady (Christian).	
8	Th.		
9	Fri.		
10	Sat.	Full Moon : 1.38 p.m. Dominion Day, New Zealand, 1907.	
11	Sun.	Khordad-Sal , Birth of Zoroaster (Parsi).	
12	Mon.	William Lloyd Garrison, publicist, d. 1909.	
13	Tu.	Montaigne, essayist, d. 1592.	
14	Wed.	Dante Alighieri, poet, d. 1321.	
15	Th.	Independence Day, Central America. Russia proclaimed a Republic 1917. Nativity of Our Lady (Christian, Italy).	
16	Fri.	Independence Day, Mexico. Louis Kossuth, patriot, b. 1802.	
17	Sat.	Last Quarter Moon : 8.42 a.m.	
18	Sun.	Independence Day, Chile, 1826. George Washington lays cornerstone of Capitol at Washington 1793.	
19	Mon.	St. Januarius, Feast Day.	
20	Tu.	Annie Besant passed , 1933. (Young Theosophists Day). Magellan sailed from Spain on voyage round the world 1519.	
21	Wed.	Idi Rajjab (Muhammadan). Feast Day of St. Matthew.	
22	Th.	Autumnal Equinox . French Republic proclaimed 1792.	
23	Fri.	Mahalaya Amavasya (Hindu). President Garfield buried at Cleveland, O., 1881. Bismarck became Premier of Prussia, 1865.	
24	Sat.	New Moon : 2.4 p.m. Our Lady, Mother of Mercies (Central America). Farvardin Parabh , Remembrance of Departed Souls (Parsi).	
25	Sun.		
26	Mon.	Rosh Hashannah , New Year Day (Jewish) ; Year 5699. King Christian X, Denmark, b. 1870. St. Vincent de Paul, philanthropist, d. 1660.	
27	Tu.	Dominion Day, New Zealand.	
28	Wed.		
29	Th.	Michaelmas Day : St. Michael and All Angels (Christian).	
30	Fri.	Feast of St. Jerome. William of Orange and Mary II take English Throne 1688.	

OCTOBER 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Sat.	First Quarter Moon : 5.15 p.m. Annie Besant , b. 1847. Eight Hour Day (Australia). Sir Subramania Iyer, b. 1842. The Theosophist , first issue 1879.
2	Sun.	Children's Day, Brazil.
3	Mon.	Independence Day, Bulgaria, 1878. Ayudha Puja (Hindu). Saint Teresita of the Child Jesus, Patroness of Catholic Missions. Harvest Thanksgiving, Germany.
4	Tu.	World Day for Animals . St. Francis of Assisi Day. Dasserah (Hindu). Arbour Day, South Africa.
5	Wed.	Proclamation of Portuguese Republic, 1910. Yom Kippur , Day of Atonement (Jewish).
6	Th.	The Martyrs of Arad, Hungary, 1848.
7	Fri.	
8	Sat.	Zog I, King of Albania, b. 1895. Our Lady of Hungary : Patrona Hungariae.
9	Sun.	Full Moon : 3.7 p.m. Shab-e-Barat, All Souls' Day (Muhammadian).
10	Mon.	Succoth , Feast of Tabernacles (Jewish).
11	Tu.	Khordadsal (Parsi).
12	Wed.	Khoeng Foe Tsjoeh (Confucius) born. Columbus Day, U.S.A. Latin-American Race Day.
13	Th.	
14	Fri.	
15	Sat.	Dr. Wilhelm Miklas, President of Austria, b. 1872.
16	Sun.	Last Quarter Moon : 2.54 a.m. Carol II, King of Rumania, b. 1893.
17	Mon.	
18	Tu.	St. Luke, the Evangelist, Patron of all Physicians. Succoth, end of Feast of Tabernacles (Jewish).
19	Wed.	
20	Th.	
21	Fri.	
22	Sat.	Dipavali (Hindu). Our Lady of Kazan, Russia.
23	Sun.	New Moon : 2.12 p.m.
24	Mon.	Hindu New Year Day. Farvardin Parabh (Parsi).
25	Tu.	Labour Day, New Zealand. Mikail, Crown Prince of Rumania, b. 1921.
26	Wed.	St. Dimitrie (Russia).
27	Th.	Theodore Roosevelt, b. 1858.
28	Fri.	Public Holiday, Czechoslovakia.
29	Sat.	Beginning of Fascist Year.
30	Sun.	
31	Mon.	First Quarter Moon : 1.15 p.m. International Thrift Day. Halloween (Eve of All Saints).

NOVEMBER 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Tu.	All Saints' Day (Christian). National Workers' Day, Bulgaria.
2	Wed.	All Souls' Day (Christian).
3	Th.	Day of Absolution of Tirthankar Mahavir (Jain) Leopold III, King of the Belgians, b. 1901.
4	Fri.	Hindu Commercial New Year.
5	Sat.	Independence Day, Central America, 1881.
6	Sun.	King Gustavus Adolphus, II, Sweden, died 1632. Chaumasi Chaudas (Jain).
7	Mon.	Leo Tolstoi died 1910. October Revolution, Russia, 1917. Kartik Purnima. All religious preachers, after stay at some sacred place for monsoon, set out on missions. Day dedicated to Shiva, as Yogeshwar, Lord of Yoga (Hindu). Feast of the Four Crowned Martyrs. Full Moon : 3.53 a.m.
8	Tu.	
9	Wed.	
10	Th.	
11	Fri.	Armistice Day , or World Peace Day. English half-quarter day. St. Martin's Day. Vittorio Emanuele III, King of Italy, b. 1869. Gustaf, Crown Prince of Sweden, b. 1882.
12	Sat.	
13	Sun.	Giovanna, Queen of Bulgaria, b. 1907.
14	Mon.	Last Quarter Moon : 9.50 p.m.
15	Tu.	Death of Ali, son-in-law of Muhammad. Proclamation Day, Brazil. Leopold, Patron Saint of Austria. (Feast of Leopold III, Belgium).
16	Wed.	Liberation Day, Hungary, 1919.
17	Th.	Foundation Day, The Theosophical Society, 1875.
18	Fri.	Jakob Boehme, mystic, d. 1624.
19	Sat.	Discovery of Puerto Rico by Columbus.
20	Sun.	
21	Mon.	Presentation of the Holy Virgin (Christian). Henry Purcell, composer, d. 1695.
22	Tu.	New Moon : 5.35 a.m. Teachers' Day, Central America.
23	Wed.	
24	Th.	Ramzan , month of fast, first day (Muhammadan).
25	Fri.	Thanksgiving Day, U.S.A.
26	Sat.	Maud, Queen of Norway, b. 1869. First Australian Parliament opened at Melbourne 1857.
27	Sun.	Advent Sunday (Christian). Naga Panchami. (Hindu worship of Serpent Rishis of 4th Root Race).
28	Mon.	St. Stephen the Younger, Martyr,
29	Tu.	
30	Wed.	First Quarter Moon : 9.29 a.m. St. Andrew, Ap. and M., Scotland.

DECEMBER 1938

(Moon Phases given for Adyar. Time Changes on page 23).

1	Th.	Queen Alexandra, b. 1844. Dr. G. S. Arundale , President, The Theosophical Society, b. 1878. Independence Day, Iceland. Restoration Portuguese Independence 1640. National Day, Yugoslavia, 1918.
2	Fri.	
3	Sat.	
4	Sun.	
5	Mon.	
6	Tu.	Independence Day, Finland. St. Nicholas, Patron Saint of Russia
7	Wed.	Full Moon : 3.52 p.m. Independence Day, Homage to the Dead (Cuba). Conception of the Holy Virgin (Christian).
8	Th.	
9	Fri.	
10	Sat.	Accession of King George VI (British Empire). Our Lady of Loretto, Patroness of aviators (Christian.)
11	Sun.	
12	Mon.	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of Central America.
13	Tu.	
14	Wed.	Last Quarter Moon : 6.47 a.m. King George VI, b. 1895 (British).
15	Th.	
16	Fri.	C. Jinarajadasa, b. 1875. Dingaan's Day, South Africa.
17	Sat.	Ludwig van Beethoven, composer, b. 1770.
18	Sun.	
19	Mon.	Hannuckah , Feast of Dedication (Jewish).
20	Tu.	
21	Wed.	New Moon : 11.37 p.m. Winter Solstice. St. Thomas, martyred at Mylapore, Madras (Christian). Benjamin Disraeli, b. 1804.
22	Th.	Tang-Tseh (Chinese).
23	Fri.	Prince Akihito of Japan, Heir-Apparent, b. 1933.
24	Sat.	Queen's Birthday, Denmark. Day of Mother and Child (Italy). Christmas Eve (Christian).
25	Sun.	Christmas Day . Birth of the Lord Christ. English Quarter Day.
26	Mon.	Boxing Day, England. Second Christmas Day, Denmark. St. Stephen's Day (Christian). Hannuckah, last day of Feast of Dedication (Jewish),
27	Tu.	St. John, Evangelist (Christian).
28	Wed.	Holy Innocents' Day (Christian). First Meeting of Indian National Congress, 1885.
29	Th.	Alexandre N. Scriabine, Russian composer, b. 1871.
30	Fri.	First Quarter Moon : 4.23 a.m.
31	Sat.	New Year's Eve (Christian). Hogmanay, Scotland.

GREAT THEOSOPHICAL DAYS

"We shall now have three special festivals for the whole Theosophical Society: February 17, Adyar Day; May 8, Commemoration Day, sacred to those who have passed to the Beyond; November 17, Founders' Day, the day from which our Society dates its life."—ANNIE BESANT, *The Adyar Bulletin*, February 1922.

ADYAR DAY

February 17

ADYAR Day was founded in 1922, Dr. Besant (President) accepting the suggestion that February 17th should be the day on which "the thoughts and love of all our members scattered over the wide world should turn to Adyar." (*The Adyar Bulletin*, February 1922). The President said:

"February 17th brings to us three memories, two of the birth into the higher world that men call death, and one of birth into the lower. On February 17, 1907, our President-Founder left his mortal body, after half a life of faithful, devoted service; he was much criticized, harshly judged, evil-spoken of by many in The Society, but his Master said to him: 'Well done, good and faithful servant,' and gave him the reward he craved—quick rebirth. On February 17, 1600, Giordano Bruno went home, in a chariot of fire, from the Field of Flowers in Rome. On February 17, 1847, Charles W. Leadbeater opened his baby eyes to the dimness which we call light in our physical world. It is a good day to choose, linked with three servants of humanity."

Thus on Adyar Day homage is paid to the Society's leaders.

On this day donations are made to the Adyar Fund. The American Section has for some years organized an Adyar Day Fund, and in 1937 generously contributed 2000 dollars.

Dr. Besant has said: "The place of Adyar in the history of The Theosophical Society is unique, and centuries hence it will still be a spiritual centre of The Society."

WHITE LOTUS DAY

May 8

White Lotus Day is the anniversary of H. P. Blavatsky's passing, and the first official reference to it is in "Executive Orders" issued by the President-Founder and published in *The Theosophist*, May 1892 (Supplement, p. ix) as follows:

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

The Theosophical Society,

President's Office,

Adyar, April 17th, 1892.

WHITE LOTUS DAY

In her last Will, H. P. Blavatsky expressed the wish that yearly, on the anniversary of her death, some of her friends 'should assemble at the Headquarters of The Theosophical Society and read a chapter of *The Light of Asia* and [extracts from] the *Bhagavad Gita*'; and, since it is meet that her surviving colleagues should keep green the memory of her services to humanity and her devoted love for our Society, the undersigned suggests that the anniversary be known among us as White Lotus Day, and makes the following official order and recommendation:

1. At noon, on May 8th, 1892, and on the same day in each succeeding year, there will be held a commemorative meeting at the Headquarters at which extracts from the before-mentioned works will be read and brief addresses made by the Chairman of the meeting and others who may volunteer.

2. A dole of food will be given in her name to the poor fishermen of Adyar and their families.

3. The flag will be half-masted from sunrise until sunset and the Convention Hall decorated with White Lotus flowers.

4. Members living outside Madras can arrange for their food by applying to the Recording Secretary at least one week in advance.

5. The undersigned recommends to all Sections and Branches [i.e., Lodges] throughout the world to meet annually on the anniversary day, and, in some, unsectarian, yet dignified way, avoiding all slavish adulation and empty compliments, express the general feeling of loving regard for her who brought us the chart of the climbing Path which leads to the summits of Knowledge.

H. S. OLCOTT, P.T.S.

Today Theosophists the world over observe White Lotus Day as a Day of Remembrance, not only of H. P. Blavatsky but also of all Theosophist workers who have passed over in the course of the year.

FOUNDATION DAY

November 17

On 17 November 1875 began a great renaissance of Brotherhood and Occultism, for the promotion of which H. P. Blavatsky and H. S. Olcott were responsible. It was they who made Theosophy available, and their successors, Annie Besant and C. W. Leadbeater, who made it triumphant.

In September, the direction came to the Founders to form a Society, the building up of which proceeded during September and October. The Preamble and the By-Laws, of which a copy—perhaps the only existing copy—is filed in H.P.B.'s Scrap-Book (Vol. 1) at Adyar, is dated October 30: The Society was publicly announced on

November 17, when the President-Founder delivered his Inaugural Address at the Mott Memorial Hall in the City of New York—the first meeting under the formal declaration of principles.

The Preamble intimates that The Society "is formed neither as a spiritualistic schism, nor to serve as the foe or friend of any sectarian or philosophic body." The work of the Founders is "that which the Spiritualists have neglected, the Materialists have not attempted, and the Theologians have misunderstood and undervalued." "The Theosophical Society has been organized in the interests of religions, science and good morals; to aid each according to its needs."

Chapter II of the By-Laws reads: "The objects of the Society are, to collect and diffuse a knowledge of the laws which govern the Universe." (Compare with the Objects as they are declared today).

The virile confidence with which the President-Founder launched The Society is indicated in this passage from the Inaugural Address: "What is it that makes me not only content but proud to stand for the brief moment as the mouthpiece and figurehead of this movement? It is the fact that in my soul I feel that behind us, behind our little band, behind our feeble, new-born organization, there gathers a MIGHTY POWER that nothing can withstand—the power of TRUTH! Because I feel that we are only the advance-guard, holding the pass until the main body shall come up. Because I feel that we are enlisted in a holy cause, and that TRUTH, now as always, is mighty and will prevail."

There is a pencil note in the Preamble in the Colonel's handwriting: "The child is born! Hosannah!"

The Theosophical Society was chosen as the corner-stone, the foundation of the future religions of humanity.

TO CHANGE ADYAR TIME

TO STANDARD TIME IN

	Subtract	Add		Subtract	Add
	HOURS			HOURS	
AMERICA, NORTH					
Newfoundland	9h 1m		Copenhagen	4½	
Eastern (Olcott)	10½		Dublin	5½	
Central	11½		Edinburgh	5½	
Mountain	12½		Florence	4½	
Pacific (Krotona)	13½		Geneva	4½	
Amsterdam	5h 10m		Glasgow	5½	
Athens	3½		Greenwich	5½	
			Huizen	5h 10m	
AUSTRALASIA			Istanbul	3½	
Adelaide		4	Japan, Korea		3½
Brisbane		4½	Jerusalem	3½	
Hobart		4½	Leningrad	2½	
Melbourne		4½	Lisbon	5½	
Perth, W.A.		2½	London	5½	
Sydney (The Manor)		4½	Madrid	5½	
Wellington, N. Z.		6	Moscow	2½	
Batavia		2	New York	10½	
Berlin	4½		Oslo	4½	
Berne	4½		Paris	5½	
Borneo		2½	Philippines		2½
Brussels	5½		Rio de Janeiro	8½	
Buenos Aires	9½		Rome	4½	
Burma		1	Singapore		1½
Cairo	3½		Stockholm	4½	
Cape Town	3½		Suez	3½	
China, East		2½	Vienna	4½	

CONVENTION DATES 1938

The following dates for Theosophical Conventions in various countries are available :

Australia, Easter, Melbourne (alternately Sydney and Melbourne).

Austria, generally Monday after January 6, Vienna.

England, Whitsun, London.

Finland, Easter, Helsinki.

Hungary, October (first half), Budapest.

Holland, June, Amsterdam.

India, December, Benares (alternately with Adyar).

Ireland, February, Belfast (alternately Dublin and Belfast).

Mexico, November 17, Mexico (on or near date).

Netherlands Indies, Easter, Semarang.

Portugal, early in the year, Lisbon.

Puerto Rico, Easter.

South Africa, Easter, Capetown.

South American Federation, Easter.

U.S.A., July or August, Wheaton.

Some Sections hold their Conventions on dates which are not fixed, but are suitable to local conditions.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The International Year Book has come to stay. A chorus of appreciation greeted it from all parts of the world, and a second edition of the 1937 issue was printed and soon exhausted.

WE are publishing a larger edition of this 1938 issue, since it will be difficult, with all our press commitments, to print another edition unless the demand be exceptionally overwhelming.

The 1937 issue had, of course, many faults, both of commission and of omission, to which friends have been good enough to draw our attention. These we have rectified in this issue. Further corrections and suggestions will be most welcome.

I repeat here my statement as to the three objects of the Year Book from my editorial in the 1937 publication, namely :

- (1) To acquaint the 30,000 members of The Theosophical Society with what is the state of the Theosophical world in every country, so that they may become increasingly Theosophical-Society-conscious ;
- (2) To become a link between member and member, Lodge and Lodge, Section and Section, so that The Theosophical Society may become even more of a family, with all the amenities of family life, than it already is ;
- (3) To keep the outer world acquainted with what The Theosophical Society is, with what it is doing year by year, and how it is growing in country after country.

We shall be very glad to have suggestions as to the way in which these three purposes may the more fully be accomplished.

I am particularly happy to note the appreciation of subscribers to the 1937 issue regarding the "National Summaries" in which we have sought to

emphasize the good in each country. Many subscribers have written to say how refreshing it is to take up a book which radiates the spirit of goodwill and appreciation from every page, and refrains from harping on the weaknesses. I hold strongly to the view that in these days of dissension and misunderstanding it is of the highest importance, especially for a Society such as The Theosophical Society, to reveal the good which is everywhere. These National Surveys, as they are now designated, have been brought up to date, and the 1937 Survey will form the foundation on which the progressive history of each country is built up.

May I once again urge that every Section and every Lodge of our Society should help in all possible ways to give the Year Book a wide circulation? An English friend ordered at our special rates one hundred copies of the 1937 issue for presentation to libraries and reading rooms in England. The General Secretary for Scotland was able to order fifty copies. I shall be very glad if the 1938 issue can similarly find generous sponsors, for it is one of our most effective international Theosophical channels.

I draw attention to the following features which distinguish the 1938 issue from that of 1937 :

My Policy for 1938.

Theosophy Is the Next Step.

Theosophy and The Theosophical Society (a new Statement).

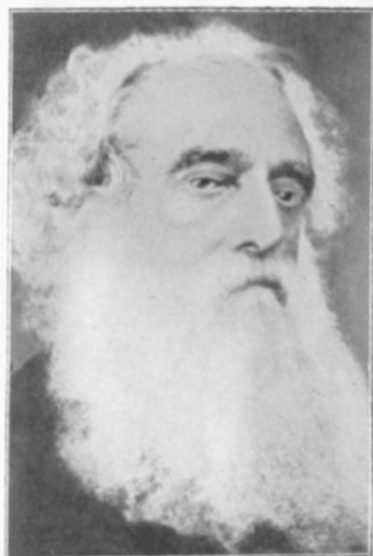
The Elder Brethren.

The Fundamentals of Theosophy.

History of The Theosophical Society (revised).

Chronicle of Events in The Theosophical Society 1901-1937.

Fresh material concerning Adyar.



H. S. OLCOTT



H. P. BLAVATSKY



ANNIE BESANT

(Letterpress p. 156)



G. S. ARUNDALE

On the other hand, the 1937 issue remains indispensable to every member for the following features which have not been reproduced in 1938 : Chronicle of Events 1875-1900 ; the Classic Literature of Theosophy ; A Seven Year Plan ; World's Population Table ; Gazetteer of the World.

In fact, each issue of the Year Book has its own exclusive value, and members should, therefore, make sure they have a complete set. A few copies of the second impression of the 1937 issue are still available for those who by any unfortunate chance failed to secure a copy.

I am hoping that in due course we shall have French, Spanish and Dutch

editions, published by groups of enterprising members, or by our French, Spanish and Dutch Publishing Houses. We shall, of course, be delighted to co-operate in every possible way. For the time being South America would have to sponsor the Spanish edition, though I ardently hope that the present disastrous war in Spain may soon be brought to a close, not on the basis of conquest and victory, but on the foundations of goodwill and wise compromise. The world needs Spain and Spain's many glories. And when the war is over I sincerely trust that our Spanish Section may once again flourish to strengthen Spain to the accomplishment of her national purpose and to become a link of Understanding with the other countries of the world.

THE ELDER BRETHREN

Theosophy postulates that there are Those who have fulfilled and transcended the human kingdom, just as human beings have fulfilled and transcended the animal kingdom, and the animals the vegetable kingdom, and so on.

THEOSOPI further postulates that such Elder Brethren—Masters as They are sometimes called, since They have learned all the lessons the human kingdom has to teach the evolving individuality—constitute the Inner Government of the world, that is to say constitute a body of Agents of the Eternal Law whereby the whole world is governed, just as an outer world government governs a country : but perfectly instead of imperfectly.

Theosophy also postulates that the goal of humanity is to fulfil and transcend the human kingdom even as these Elder Brethren have fulfilled and transcended it ; and that there is a mode of living whereby such fulfilment may take place more rapidly than in the ordinary course. This mode of living is called the Way of Holiness in Christianity, or sometimes the Way of Purification. In Hinduism and Buddhism it

is called the Path—"difficult to tread as the edge of a razor."

The great leaders of The Theosophical Society have declared that The Society was founded by two such Elder Brethren. H. P. Blavatsky declared this. Colonel Olcott, the President-Founder of The Theosophical Society, declared it. Dr. Annie Besant, the second President, declared it. Bishop C. W. Leadbeater, the great occultist, declared it. Many members have also declared it, and in each case the declaration has been from personal experience.

Furthermore, they all have stated that the Way of Holiness, the Path, the Way of Purification, is ever open to those who are prepared to tread it, and that even now there are those living who are treading it. But it is insisted that this Way or Path can only be trodden safely by those who possess the

required qualifications, in particular the qualifications of purity, simplicity, steadfastness, understanding, eagerness for truth, and above all else, perhaps, refinement of physical body, feelings and mind.

Membership of The Theosophical Society is undoubtedly a qualification for entry upon the Path, for it shows the individual to have realized certain fundamental truths—the fact of the Universal Brotherhood of all Life, the fact that Truth remains largely hidden from the world and must be sought, the fact that there is Truth everywhere, especially in religion, philosophy and science, and that as we seek it in these, so shall we find it everywhere, these three facts embodying the First, Third and Second Objects of The Society.

On the other hand, membership of The Society is by no means essential to such entry. There are many modes of entry, though membership of The Theosophical Society is undoubtedly one.

Again, a study of Theosophy, the Science of Life, is another qualification, for the more the open-minded student studies this eternal Science, the more he comes into contact with the great Truths of Life, many of which are still hidden from the knowledge of the world. Thus he gains wisdom, and one of wisdom's vital characteristics is its urge to its possessor to give wise service to those around him. No truly wise man ever keeps his wisdom to himself. He knows it was given to him that with it he might bless the world. So does he share his wisdom to help the world to happiness through an ever-increasing knowledge of the truth.

Thus gaining wisdom and sharing it, he draws near to the Masters of the Wisdom, the Elder Brethren. Like attracts like. They recognize him as one who is mastering the great lesson of the human kingdom—Truth for Service—and become his Guides upon the Way. Having sought, he has begun to find. Finding, he begins to share.

Sharing, he gains more wisdom, and so fulfils his human destiny.

It is, however, most important to realize that this very real proximity to the Elder Brethren, this very real acquirement of wisdom, can never come to those who desire it for themselves, who wish to derive from it a purely personal advantage. The Elder Brethren work for the world, and expect those who seek to share Their friendship and Their wisdom to be no less intent upon working for the world. True indeed it is that the treading of the Path, short cut to the mountain summit, as it is often described, gradually confers upon the climber first-hand, personal experience of the Truths of Life. He gains experience of the Truth that Love and Justice do in fact rule the world; that unfoldment to perfection is certain and sure; that heaven will some day be for always and not an interlude between incarnations, as it generally is now; that evolution is a science and proceeds under Design, and Law, and Order, however much, through the darkness of our ignorance, chaos seems to take their place. He gains by slow though definitely progressive degrees a personal knowledge of Life and of the Divinity of all things.

But this experience is not for him alone, to confer upon him peace and certainty. Nor is his infinitely precious friendship with the Elder Brothers just for his own happiness. He must wisely share his own certainties and peace with those who need them, and very reverently strive to reflect towards all the friendship of Those who alone know what true friendship is.

Much more could be written of the Elder Brethren and of the Eternal Way to Them. But all that is of real value will be found in such books as *The Masters and the Path*; *Initiation: The Perfecting of Man*; *The Path of Discipleship*; *At the Feet of the Master*; *The Inner Government of the World*; *Gods in the Becoming*.

THEOSOPHY AND THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

The following statement, which appears in every issue of *The Theosophist*, is recommended as a useful declaration of the Ideals of Theosophy :

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY was formed in New York City by Helena Petrovna Blavatsky and Henry Steel Olcott, November 17, 1875, by the direction of the Masters of Wisdom of the Great White Lodge. It was incorporated at Madras, India, April 3, 1905.

The Society is a completely unsectarian body of seekers after Truth, striving to serve humanity along ethical lines and to harmonize spiritual culture with material well-being.

The three Objects of The Society are :

1. To form a nucleus of the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste or colour.

2. To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy, and science.

3. To investigate the unexplained laws of nature and the powers latent in man.

The Theosophical Society is a world-wide body, with International Headquarters at Adyar, Madras, India. At present it comprises forty-four National Societies, each usually having at least one Lodge in its principal cities. Forty-two of these Sections have their National magazine, printed in their own language. Inquirers are invited to address the General Secretary of their own country (whose name appears on pages 33-34 of this Year Book).

The literature of Theosophy is now voluminous, among the principal writers being H. P. Blavatsky, H. S. Olcott, Annie Besant, C. W. Leadbeater, G. S.

Arundale, A. P. Sinnett and C. Jinarajadasa. Every public library worthy of the name contains Theosophical books.

Agreement with the first Object of The Society is the only condition necessary for membership, except the minor technicalities that are usual to such organizations.

The Society is composed of thousands of members belonging to any religion in the world or to none. They are united by approval of the above objects, by their aim to remove antagonisms of whatever nature, by their wish to draw together men of goodwill irrespective of their personal opinions, and by their desire to study the Ancient Wisdom in order to apply it in their daily life and to share the results of their studies with others.

Their bond of union is not in any sense the profession of a common *sectarian* belief, but a common search and aspiration for freedom of thought wherever found. They hold that Truth should be sought by study of the Ancient Wisdom, by reflection, meditation, and intuitive perception, by purity of life, and by devotion to high ideals motivated by the purpose of service to humanity.

Theosophists regard Truth as a prize to be striven for, not as a dogma to be imposed by authority. They extend tolerance to all, even to the intolerant, not as a privilege they bestow, but as a duty they perform, and they seek to remove ignorance, not to punish it. They see every expression of human knowledge and aspiration, whether through religion or otherwise, as a part

of the Divine Wisdom, and prefer understanding to condemnation, and good example to proselytism. Peace and Fellowship are their watchwords, as Truth and Service are their aim.

THEOSOPHY is the essence of all Truth and is the basis of all philosophies, sciences, religions, and arts. It is Divine Nature, visible and invisible, and The Society is human nature trying to ascend to its divine parent. It offers a philosophy which renders life intelligible and demonstrates the justice, the wisdom, and the love which guide its evolution. It puts death in its rightful place as a recurring incident in an endless life, opening the gateway to a fuller and more radiant existence.

Theosophy restores to the world the Science of the Spirit, teaching man to know the Spirit as himself, and the mind, emotions, and body as his servants. It illuminates the scriptures

and doctrines of religions, unveiling their hidden meanings by substituting understanding for sectarianism, thus justifying their place in evolution at the bar of intelligence, as it is ever justified in the eyes of intuition.

Members of The Theosophical Society study Truth wherever it is found, and endeavour to live it. Every one willing to study, to be tolerant, to aspire, and to work perseveringly for the establishment of Brotherhood, is welcomed as a member, and it rests with him to decide in what manner and to what extent he shall express the ideals of Theosophy in his daily life.

As Theosophy has existed eternally throughout the endless cycles upon cycles of the Past, so it will ever exist throughout the infinitudes of the Future, because Theosophy is synonymous with Everlasting Truth.

MY POLICY FOR 1938

BY GEORGE S. ARUNDALE

In one way my Policy as President is unchanged, for I still stand by the Policy I have from time to time set forth. It is the background of my whole work. But as the times change, so the emphases must also change, and in these days of special stress certain aspects of my Policy must needs stand out in greater prominence.

FIRST, it is my profound conviction that we must try to know our Theosophy as we have not known this great Science before. We must make of our Theosophy an everyday convenience, an everyday adjustment to all that is most real. Theosophy must not remain a cold intellectual pursuit, nor an emotional satisfaction. Theosophy must neither remain merely a comfort to us, nor but a series of intriguing intellectual exercises. Theosophy must become a living force in the ordinary everyday lives we have to lead. Theosophy must fit into the humdrum and sanctify it. Theosophy

must enter the highlights of our living and cause them to become divinely purposeful.

Theosophy must be a working hypothesis even before it becomes a matter of unchallengeable experience.

Why? Partly, of course, that we may live in ever-increasing spiritual abundance. We must learn to take hold of life more and more, and distil its nectar for our perfecting.

But even more that we may send it surging throughout the world as the most potent of existing forces for the

world's Readjustment to the Good, the Beautiful and the True.

The world needs such Readjustment. The world is dying for lack of it. It is the world's elixir vitae. We have it. We must possess it as we have never possessed it before, so that we may send it forth as we have never sent it forth before. The world has already been so helped by Theosophy, largely through The Theosophical Society, that it accepts, though it does not live, many Theosophical Truths. But all that has gone before is but a trickle, a stream. It is for us, seeing the world's need, to make it a torrent.

Yet unless Theosophy be torrential in our own individual lives how can we send it torrentially through the world? How can we produce torrents save as we ourselves have them?

First, then, a realization of Theosophy, through a study and *self*-application of its truths, such as we have not so far achieved.

Second, the spreading of Theosophy far and wide, both as the Science of Life and also as the supreme solvent of all human problems.

We must take our Theosophy, the Theosophy as we ourselves happen to understand it, into the by-ways, even more than into the high-ways, of people's lives. We must take our Theosophy into the nooks and crannies of dull drab living, where life urgently needs beautifying, even more than into the grand and fashionable pleasaunces,

where garishness so often takes the place of grace, and luxury the place of life.

We must take our Theosophy into all places where hatred, suspicion and distrust are rampant. We must take our Theosophy into all troubled regions, into all regions where war is hard by, where tyranny is loose, where proud contempt is breeding blood and ruin.

We must take our Theosophy as an oriflamme, as a portent of Peace, Prosperity and Happiness, in a spirit of certainty, so that we radiate assurance and the sense of victory. We must take our Theosophy far and wide with all our hearts, with all our minds, with all our wills. Then shall the truth of Theosophy prevail, for in our very lives its power will be perceived.

Let us continue our study classes, our Lodge meetings, our Conventions, our lectures, our output of literature, our understanding of the Eternal Wisdom. Let us continue as we have begun, and with increasing intensity and alertness. But let us take the purgatories of the world by storm and help to change them into heavens. Let us assail everywhere the strongholds of ignorance, raze them to the ground, and turn their sites into gardens of peace and happiness.

We must know our Theosophy as never have we known it before.

We must give it to the world as we have never given it before.

THEOSOPHY IS THE NEXT STEP

By GEORGE S. ARUNDALE

This is the slogan for the 1938 Campaign, which I hope will begin with great vigour after the summer holidays, in the autumn-fall of 1938.

We have had three splendid Campaigns, in the course of which tens of thousands of booklets and leaflets have been sold. Already, with the Campaign for Understanding, we are moving

rapidly towards the 50,000 mark. This Campaign for Understanding should take us well into 1938.

Then we shall take up with enthusiasm the fourth Campaign, which is now

being designed to make the whole world acquainted with the outstanding value of Theosophy in helping it to solve its problems, by showing how Theosophy indicates what is the next step forwards, onwards. And in emphasizing Theosophy's practical value we shall also set forth the value of the great organization known as The Theosophical Society.

Our best students and writers are being asked to write for this Campaign short and compelling leaflets showing as graphically as possible how in Theosophy is to be found the next step for every department of human life, as such departments are at the present time.

In some departments the fact that Theosophy is the next step is very obvious, especially to those who have in them the spirit of adventure and of the search for truth.

Theosophy is without doubt the next step in religion, not, of course, for the narrow-minded and contented—these are happy where they are, but for those who know that there is much more in their faith than appears on the surface, and that the religion as they know it is but the thin surface of the wisdom that lies behind.

Theosophy is indeed the next step in Christianity, in Hinduism, in Islam, in Zoroastrianism, in Buddhism, in Jainism, and in all other faiths. There will be THEOSOPHY IS THE NEXT STEP . . . pamphlets to show this convincingly.

Equally without doubt is the fact that Theosophy is the next step . . . in education. In very truth, education cries out for Theosophy.

In politics no less is THEOSOPHY THE NEXT STEP. . . .

Theosophy is the next step for nationalism, for internationalism, for all permutations and combinations of political thought and adventure. Theosophy is the next step towards right relationship between nations, faiths, races, com-

munities. Here again there will be the relevant pamphlets.

Members of The Society who are students of science in physics, mathematics, geology, psychology, chemistry, biology and other facets of the great diamond of science, and who have for long been students of Theosophy, will show us how the study of Theosophy reveals the next step in all the sciences.

Members of The Society will show us how essential Theosophy is to economics, to industry, to business generally, to all those forces upon which the material well-being and therefore the happiness of the world depends.

All existing movements of a philanthropic character would be immeasurably the stronger for permeation with the great science of Theosophy. THEOSOPHY IS REALLY THE NEXT STEP . . . for them all.

How vividly Theosophy illumines Culture and her handmaidens, the Arts.

And then, if a truly international spirit is to arise, there must be world-wide knowledge of the value of every race, of every nation, of every faith and sect, to world growth. THEOSOPHY IS INDEED THE NEXT STEP . . . to a quicker development of the international spirit, so that there comes into existence a world brotherhood with national brotherhoods, faith brotherhoods, and even sect brotherhoods, as the pillars of its strength.

Theosophy is in special measure the next step for the individual and for youth.

Theosophy is also the next step towards a finer understanding of the brotherhood between the human and the sub-human kingdoms.

Theosophy is the Light. Our Campaign for 1938 is to cause that Light to shine more fully throughout the world.

Theosophy is the way to prosperity and happiness. The world is looking for the way. Let the world and Theosophy come together.

THEOSOPHY IS THE NEXT STEP

Pamphlets dealing with special subjects will be ready early in 1938, and may be obtained from The Theosophical Publishing House, Adyar, Madras, India. Prices will be notified in due course.

THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THEOSOPHY

Theosophy is Divine Knowledge—the Wisdom Religion—the very essence of philosophical and theistic inquiry. It is of the greatest antiquity and is the source of every religion. Theosophy is not a religion, but RELIGION itself, the one bond of unity, which is so universal and all-embracing that no man (as no speck—from gods and mortals down to animals, the blade of grass and atom—) can be outside of its light.

THE name *Theosophia* comes to us from the Alexandrian philosophers, the Philaletheians, meaning "lovers of the truth." It dates from the third century of our era and began with Ammonius Saccas and his disciples who started the Eclectic Theosophical School and System of Philosophy. The Theosophical Society is its modern successor.

Theosophy is the shoreless ocean of universal truth, love and wisdom, reflecting its radiance on earth, while The Theosophical Society is only a visible bubble on that reflection. It was formed to assist in showing to men that such a thing as Theosophy exists, and to help them to ascend towards it by studying and assimilating its eternal verities. It has no wisdom of its own to support and teach. It is simple—the storehouse of all the truths uttered by the great seers, initiates and prophets of history and even pre-historic ages: at least, as many as it can recover. Therefore, it is merely a channel through which more or less of truth, found in the accumulated utterances of humanity's great Teachers is poured out into the world.

Among the eternal verities are these:

That there is One Absolute, Incomprehensible, and Supreme Deity, the Divine Root from which everything visible and invisible starts, and to which everything returns.

That there is an immutable Law of absolute Love, Justice and Mercy.

That life proceeds in accordance with the laws of Involution, Evolution, Karma, and Reincarnation.

That man has an eternal, immortal nature; that it is a radiation of the Divine Universal Soul and one with it; and that it is perfected through the agency of Divine Law. That there is perpetual progress for each incarnating Ego in an evolution from the outward into the inward, from the material to the spiritual, arriving at the end of each stage at absolute unity with the divine principle. From strength to strength, from the beauty and perfection of one plane to the greater beauty and perfection of another, with accessions of new glory, of fresh knowledge and power in each cycle—such is the destiny of every Ego, which thus becomes its own saviour in each world and incarnation.

That during his evolutionary progress man receives knowledge of the Divine Mysteries of his existence, progress and regeneration, which is imparted directly or indirectly to him by Beings higher than he: thus humanity is aided by Them.

The goal of the seeker is to have the Divine Mystery of his progress revealed to him through purity of life, diligent study, noble, altruistic aspiration, while constantly seeking the "Kingdom of God" within himself. In the process of his development he becomes—he cannot be made. The process is one of growth through evolution. The inner being must continually burst through its confining encasement, since the ideal of the aspirant is to become ever more enlightened in Divine Wisdom and a more useful servant to humanity.

The essence of Theosophy is in the harmonizing of the divine with the

human in man—the adjustment of his God-like qualities and aspirations and their sway over the terrestrial and animal passions in him. Kindness, absence of every ill-feeling or selfishness, charity, goodwill to all beings, and perfect justice to others as to oneself are its chief features.

Theosophy is the quintessence of duty. That duty is giving equal rights and privileges to all—the same justice, kindness, consideration or mercy which we desire for ourselves; or a still higher duty, giving more than to oneself—self-sacrifice. Oneself is to be viewed as a unit of collective humanity, not as a personal self only. It is only by all men becoming brothers and all women sisters, and by all practising in their daily lives true brotherhood and true sisterhood, that the real human solidarity, which lies at the root of the elevation of the race, can ever be attained. It is this action and interaction, this true brotherhood and sisterhood, in which each shall live for all, and all for each, which is one of the fundamental Theosophical principles that every Theosophist should be bound, not only to teach, but to carry out in his or her individual life.

It is easy to become a Theosophist. Any person of average intellectual capacities, and a leaning toward the metaphysical; of pure, unselfish life, who finds more joy in helping his

neighbour than in receiving help himself; one who is ever ready to sacrifice his own pleasure for the sake of other people; and who loves Truth, Goodness and Wisdom for their own sake, not for the benefit they confer—is a Theosophist.

The great mission of Theosophy is: first, the working out of clear unequivocal conceptions of ethics, ideas and duties, such as shall best and most fully satisfy the right and altruistic feelings in men, and, second, the modelling of these conceptions for their adaptation into such forms of daily life as shall offer a field where they may be applied with most equitableness.

It is to infuse a new current of ideals and aspirations into modern thought, in short, to supply a logical basis for an elevated morality, a science and philosophy which is suited to the knowledge of the day, that Theosophy comes before the world. Mere physical philanthropy, apart from the infusion of new influences and ennobling conceptions of life into the minds of the masses, is worthless. The gradual assimilation by mankind of great spiritual truths will alone revolutionize the face of civilization, and ultimately result in a far more effective panacea for evil than the mere tinkering of superficial misery.—*Summarized from the Classic Literature of Theosophy.*

THE GOLDEN STAIRS

A clean life, an open mind, a pure heart, an eager intellect, an unveiled spiritual perception, a brotherliness for all, a readiness to give and receive advice and instruction, a courageous endurance of personal injustice, a brave declaration of principles, a valiant defence of those who are unjustly attacked, and a constant eye to the ideal of human progression and perfection which the sacred science depicts—these are the golden stairs up the steps of which the learner may climb to the Temple of Divine Wisdom.

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HISTORY OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

The Theosophical Society may be said to have begun when H. P. Blavatsky (H.P.B.), under "orders" of the Masters, returned from India, 1871, to found an organization through which the West and the world in general would be instructed in "true Occultism."

THIS was at first described as "true Spiritualism." There was a keen and world-wide interest in the mediumistic and related phenomena which went under the name of "Spiritualism." No rational explanation of these phenomena had been given. There was little general insight into life's deeper problems, and scientific materialism threatened to destroy faith in and search for spiritual realities. Madame Blavatsky's first attempt to form an organization was made in Cairo. It did not succeed. She was then directed to the United States of America and on to Chittenden, Vermont, where Col. H. S. Olcott was investigating mediumistic phenomena at the Eddys' farm, and publishing the results in the newspapers. H. P. Blavatsky demonstrated that she could produce the phenomena herself, and suggested their real explanation. She wrote some strong and brilliant articles to newspapers and journals defending this "true spiritualism" and exposing fraudulent mediums. In replying to an article on "Rosicrucianism" she delivered what she characterizes as her "first occult shot," hinting at the sources of the great secret teachings of all times, guarded from all but the worthy by Wise Men and Sages.

The Society is Founded

All this gave Madame Blavatsky great publicity, and her ideas on Occultism—a word she made familiar—heightened the interest. Men and women of note thronged her rooms in New York. The formation of the "Miracle Club" for private experiment was the next effort (it soon came to an end) and also, at the request of the Masters, the backing of E. Gerry Brown's journal, the *Spiritual*

Scientist, through which to educate the public (it failed in 1878). A lecture by G. H. Felt, 7th Sept. 1875 on "The Lost Canon of Proportion of the Egyptians" led to the decision to form a society for the study of such subjects. "The Theosophical Society" was the title chosen for it. The Society was to be truly "eclectic" and without distinctions. Several meetings were held to frame and pass Rules, and the present Seal was adopted. On 17th November 1875 Col. Olcott gave his Inaugural Address, and chose this date as the birthday of The Theosophical Society.

In 1877, H. P. Blavatsky published *Isis Unveiled*, which, she said, was "the fruit of a somewhat intimate acquaintance with Eastern adepts and study of their science." Its success was immediate throughout the world. Persons of note in many countries were interested, some joined and became well known in The Society.

Founders Settle in India

In 1878 The Society joined hands with the Arya Samaj, a movement to restore to Hinduism a purer form of the ancient Vedic Religion, but it was immediately seen that amalgamation with it could not be as complete as was first intended, because the former, being unsectarian, could not identify itself with any body having purely sectarian aims. It was decided that there should be three distinct bodies: (1) The Theosophical Society, often called the Parent Society to distinguish it from (2) The Theosophical Society of the Arya Samaj of Aryavarta, the "link society," and (3) The Arya Samaj. There were separate diplomas for each, and only those joining No. 2 belonged to both

1 and 3. In 1882, owing to the attack on The Society by Swami Dayanand Saraswati, the head of the Arya Samaj, the alliance between the two organizations came to an end.

In 1878 The Society was comparatively inactive, and "the maintenance of it devolved entirely upon the two 'Co-Founders'." Nevertheless, "the signs of its growing influence are found in the increase of home and foreign correspondence, controversial articles in the Press, the establishment of Branch societies at London and Corfu, and the opening up of relations with sympathizers in India and Ceylon." The two Founders were utterly determined to carry on the Movement. Late in 1878 they left New York for Bombay via England, and after their arrival in India great activity set in. They established the Headquarters of The Society in Bombay and their house was crowded with visitors. The Press gave them much notice, and the Colonel lectured in Bombay and elsewhere to overflowing audiences.

In 1879 Madame Blavatsky and Colonel Olcott went on a tour in the North of India, and were warmly welcomed everywhere. In Allahabad they stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Sinnett, both of whom joined The Society. Mr. Sinnett was editor of *The Pioneer*, then India's foremost paper, and he had willingly offered to publish any interesting facts about their mission. Finding their correspondence becoming burdensomely heavy, they determined to found *The Theosophist*, the first issue appearing 1st October 1879. In November a meeting was held to celebrate The Society's Fourth Anniversary, at which 300 guests were present. During the year H. P. Blavatsky began to outline a book which was advertised as "*The Secret Doctrine*, a new version of *Isis Unveiled*."

At Benares in December 1879, a General Council of The Society was held under the title of "The Theosophical Society, or Universal Brotherhood." At this meeting the Rules were revised, in the first of which appeared the words: "The Theosophical Society was formed

upon the basis of a Universal Brotherhood of Humanity." Among the plans declared in Rule 8 appeared the following: (c) "To promote a feeling of Brotherhood among nations." The Fellows of The Society were divided into Three Sections. Entering the Third Section as Probationers, the Fellows who became "able to regard all men as equally their brothers" might pass into the Second Section. The First was composed "exclusively of proficient or initiates in Esoteric Science and Philosophy," and these instructed the President-Founder in The Society's affairs.

H. P. Blavatsky's Phenomena

In 1880 Madame Blavatsky and H. S. Olcott visited Ceylon and were enthusiastically received by the Buddhists, drew round them practically all the chief priests of the Island, and formed a Buddhist Section of The Society. While Colonel Olcott was the lecturer and organizer, the phenomena of Madame Blavatsky caused her to be the chief attraction. When in Simla in the same year, she gave striking demonstrations of her powers, which were reported and discussed throughout India, and in other countries. These phenomena are described in Mr. Sinnett's book *The Occult World*, published in 1881. In this year, while H. P. Blavatsky remained in Bombay to edit *The Theosophist* and teach, Colonel Olcott went on another tour in Ceylon. He published his famous *Buddhist Catechism* and founded a Buddhist Educational Association.

In 1882 the Founders made further tours in India. Colonel Olcott again visited Ceylon, and, in curing a paralytic, discovered his remarkable healing powers, and for a few years cured many others with extraordinary success. Madame Blavatsky went on a visit to Simla and from there journeyed into Sikkhim to meet the two Masters who were the Inner Founders of The Society. The Seventh Anniversary of The Society was held in Bombay with 39 Branches participating. The Founders then left to establish themselves in permanent

Headquarters, and to create the first Occult Centre at Adyar, Madras.

Early in 1883 H.S.O. went on a tour in North India with the usual success. He opened a Ladies' Theosophical Society in Calcutta, for which elaborate Rules were framed. He visited Ceylon and then made a tour in S. India. H. P. Blavatsky was in Ootacamund during the hot weather and there wrote from dictation of a Teacher, "Replies to an English F.T.S." During a tour in N.W. India a Master appeared to Colonel Olcott, Damodar Mavalankar and W. T. Brown. Under H. P. Blavatsky's direction *The Theosophist* continued to excite interest. In its pages appeared many valuable articles and comments by her, giving occult hints, and the Masters themselves sometimes contributed to its pages. On the basis of letters received from the Masters, Mr. Sinnett wrote his book *Esoteric Buddhism*, which was published in this year and was very widely read.

The Coulomb Affair

Both the Founders visited Europe in 1884. Madame Blavatsky wrote a French version of *Isis Unveiled* while on the voyage. When in London they were much sought after and met many notable personages. Members of the Society for Psychical Research, then in its infancy, sought interviews to discuss with Colonel Olcott and others the value of the psychic phenomena which they had witnessed, particularly those produced by H. P. Blavatsky. The information given was subsequently used against them. During their absence from India an attack upon The Society was led by certain Christian missionaries of Madras, who published a series of forged letters, purported to be addressed by Madame Blavatsky to Madame Coulomb, ex-housekeeper at Adyar, in which appeared what H. P. Blavatsky described as "infamous interpolations." Hearing of these letters, the Society for Psychical Research sent out a young, inexperienced man, Richard Hodgson, to Madras to investigate. His report was of an *ex parte* character, hostile, completely credulous and based on insufficient knowledge. Giving Madame

Blavatsky no opportunity to refute his conclusions, the S.P.R. issued the Report, declaring her a charlatan. Every point which in any way questioned this prejudiced decision was ignored by the S.P.R. In December, accompanied by C. W. Leadbeater, Madame Blavatsky returned to Adyar to deal with this attack, but counsel advised and Convention decided not to take action against the Coulombs, so as not to expose her to the undesirable publicity attendant thereon.

In January 1885 H. P. Blavatsky received from her Teacher the plan of *The Secret Doctrine*. But her distress over the missionary attack caused her to fall seriously ill. Colonel Olcott was recalled from his tour with C. W. Leadbeater in Burma. Under medical advice Madame Blavatsky left India, placing her resignation in the hands of the President in order to relieve The Society from the burden of defending her; but the subsequent Convention passed a vote of confidence in her, so her status in The Society remained. After reaching Europe she settled at Wurzburg to work at *The Secret Doctrine*. Meanwhile the Colonel made extensive tours both in South and North India, and at Adyar made plans for the erection of the Library, which was formally opened in December 1886.

During 1886-87 Colonel Olcott made further tours in Ceylon and India. Madame Blavatsky had gone to Ostend in 1886, and was working steadily at *The Secret Doctrine*. Again she fell very ill, made a "strange recovery" and was persuaded, in May 1887, to live in London. Here members assisted her in the preparation of *The Secret Doctrine*, the first two volumes of which were published in the following year. In July 1887 the Blavatsky Lodge was founded, in which Madame Blavatsky gave regular instruction. In September she started the magazine *Lucifer*.

Enter Annie Besant

In August 1888, the President-Founder decided to visit Europe, leaving C. W. Leadbeater in charge of *The Theosophist*. On the voyage he was

told by his Master to leave "occult matters," internal and psychical, to H. P. Blavatsky while he should keep control over external and administrative affairs. The Esoteric Section of the T.S. was officially formed, with H. P. Blavatsky as sole head, and having no official connection with The Society, "save in the person of the President-Founder," who was later appointed her sole agent for E.S. affairs in Asiatic countries. Owing to the growth of The Society it was decided at Convention to adopt the policy of autonomous Sections.

From January to May 1889, H. S. Olcott was in Japan to urge the twelve Buddhist sects to form a Joint Committee and join with Burma, Siam and Ceylon into a Convention of Southern Buddhists. After reviewing *The Secret Doctrine* for W. T. Stead's *Review of Reviews*, Annie Besant, well known as a Social Reformer and Freethinker, sought out Madame Blavatsky and joined The Society. Very soon she was lecturing and writing on Theosophy, abandoning completely the materialistic philosophy she had held hitherto. From 1889 onwards H. P. Blavatsky was writing other important books, among them *The Key to Theosophy* and *The Voice of the Silence*.

On 8th May 1891 H. P. Blavatsky the magnificent left her body. On news of her passing, the Colonel, who was in Australia, left at once for England. After Madame Blavatsky's affairs were settled he travelled on the Continent and established the European Section, went on to the U.S.A. and returned to India via Japan. In 1892 he began to write *Old Diary Leaves*, the history of The Society. In 1893 The Theosophical Society held a Congress at the World Parliament of Religions at Chicago. At the end of the year Mrs. Besant was enthusiastically welcomed in India. At Adyar she started her famous Convention Lectures, which, with the exception of a few years, were continued until 1930.

Important Crises

From about 1892 onwards The Society was disturbed by the information that

"messages" from Mahatmas, the authenticity of which came to be doubted, were being given out by W. Q. Judge, General Secretary, U.S.A. After prolonged anxiety and trouble the Annual Convention of 1894 called for Judge's resignation as Vice-President. He decided, however, in April 1895, to lead the secession of the bulk of the U.S.A. Lodges, and this action was followed by a certain number of Lodges and members in other countries.

Annie Besant made her home in Benares, 1895, and there started her renowned religious, educational and social services to India. She opened the Central Hindu College, Benares, in 1898. At her request George S. Arundale accepted the post of Professor of History at the College. He later became Headmaster of the Collegiate School, and afterwards Principal of the College itself until 1913. From 1895 to 1906 was a period of vigorous and steady growth for The Society. H.S.O. and A.B. both travelled and lectured far and wide in many countries. Miss Lilian Edger was assisting in India. C. Jinarajadasa started his career as an international lecturer, 1904, in America.

In 1898 The Society began to hold its Annual Convention alternately in Adyar and Benares, and also decided to hold periodic World Conventions outside India. Important Congresses were held in various Sections and the output of valuable literature was considerable.

In 1906 The Society was plunged into an unexpected issue, when certain Fellows in the U.S.A. took exception to personal advice with regard to sex difficulties, given in a few individual cases by Mr. Leadbeater. Because of the agitation that ensued, Mr. Leadbeater offered his resignation, which was accepted. A calmer view of the matter led to his reinstatement in 1908. After presiding (1906) over the Judicial Committee held in connection with this disturbance, H. S. Olcott went to New York, and, when returning to Genoa on his way to India, met on board with a serious accident. In February 1907, the great-hearted President-Founder of The Society passed away, the two Adept

Founders being present in person at his deathbed. In the exercise of his right to do so the Colonel had nominated Mrs. Besant as his successor, subject to the ratification of The Society.

A New Era Begins

Mrs. Besant was elected by an overwhelming majority, despite many objections to her upholding the purity of Mr. Leadbeater's life, though dissenting from his views; also, some disapproved of the Colonel's word "appoint," which he used at first unofficially, though he employed the word "nominate" in his official communications. With Mrs. Besant a new era began. She gave a great lead in making Theosophy practical, urging members to Theosophize the various fields: religious, social, economic, political. For this purpose she instituted the Theosophical Order of Service, and the Sons of India, 1908. The Headquarters at Adyar were enlarged by the purchase of Blavatsky and Olcott Gardens.

In 1908 Mrs. Besant publicly announced the coming of a World Teacher in the near future. In 1911 the Order of the Star in the East was organized, to group together those who wished to prepare for it. In 1912, the father of J. Krishnamurti, Head of the Order, brought a suit for the restitution of him and his brother Nityananda against Mrs. Besant, to whose care he had entrusted them. In the final appeal to the Privy Council in London she won the case on her own brief. The General Secretary of the German Section, Dr. Rudolf Steiner, ruled that no member of the Order of the Star in the East could remain a member of the German Section. This limitation of the liberty of Fellows being unconstitutional, the Charter of the German Section was cancelled, and was later (1913) transferred to the 14 Lodges which were willing to carry on the broader traditions. Meanwhile The Society expanded rapidly, and Headquarters property was increased by the acquisition of Besant and Damodar Gardens.

In February 1914, Mr. Leadbeater left Adyar for a long tour in Australia,

and decided to take up permanent residence in Sydney. Owing to the outbreak of War in Europe, in August, Mrs. Besant remained in India for the next few years, developing her momentous political work and arousing great interest throughout the country in Theosophical education. In 1919, she was still deeply engaged in political work both in India and England. The increasing life and vigour with which she continuously inspired The Society found expression in the First World Congress, held in Paris in 1921. For several years Mr. Jinarajadasa had been making extensive lecturing tours, and in 1921 was appointed Vice-President of The Theosophical Society in place of Mr. Sinnett, who had passed away.

Mrs., now Dr. Besant, the honorary degree of D.L. having been conferred on her by the Benares Hindu University, found it necessary, in 1922, to visit Australia, where strong opposition had occurred on the part of some members to the work of Mr. Leadbeater as Bishop of the Liberal Catholic Church. The Blavatsky Lodge emerged from the crisis and the Sydney Lodge Charter was cancelled the following year. A second "Occult Centre" was established at The Manor, Mosman, under the direction of Bishop Leadbeater. On her return to India the President opened the Brahmavidya Ashrama, for students the world over.

The European Federation Congresses had been held fairly regularly, except during the war period. From 1923 onwards they played a larger part in the life of the Federation, and at Geneva in 1930 began to receive civic recognition. The third "Occult Centre" was founded at Huizen, Holland in 1924, and was first under the direction of Bishop J. I. Wedgwood.

In London, 1924, public tribute was paid to the President at a great meeting held in the Queen's Hall to celebrate her fifty years of public life. Eminent men and women spoke warmly of her great services in many fields of activity, and messages were received from many countries. This meeting revealed how great was the influence she exercised

upon men and movements, all directed to the service and enlightenment of humanity.

The Jubilee of The Society

The first fifty years of The Society's existence was celebrated at Adyar in the brilliant Jubilee Congress in December 1925. The widespread influence of The Theosophical Society and its rapid growth may be illustrated by the following data: Number of National Societies: 41; Lodges: 1,576; members: 41,779. The literature of The Society had, since 1891, been augmented and enriched by the contributions made by Dr. Besant, Bishop Leadbeater, Mr. Jinarajadasa and others. An outstanding event of 1926 was the establishing of The Theosophical Broadcasting Station at The Manor, Sydney. The President toured India and attended the Annual Conventions of many European Sections. She then went on to the U.S.A., where she remained until April of the following year, residing mainly in Ojai, California, and supervising the plans for the Happy Valley Foundation. The work of The Society continued to expand during the next two years, greatly assisted by the extensive tours of prominent members, chief among whom were Dr. Arundale and Mr. Jinarajadasa.

In 1928 Dr. Besant was re-elected for the fourth time as President. She nominated Mr. A. P. Warrington as Vice-President, in the place of Mr. Jinarajadasa, who had resigned the post. A Third World Congress was held in Chicago in 1929, at which great enthusiasm was displayed.

In 1930 Bishop Leadbeater made his last European tour and everywhere received a very great welcome. Dr. Besant presided over the European Congress held in Geneva. At the 55th Anniversary of The Society, Benares, she gave her last Convention lecture, the subject being "The Future of The Theosophical Society." For a few years Mr. Krishnamurti had been issuing challenging statements which had the effect of causing a number of members to leave The Society; owing to this, and to the world economic depression

and to the withdrawal of the President from active physical participation in The Society's affairs, there was a pause in its usual rapid growth, though there was expansion in several other directions.

Dr. Besant's Passing

September 20th, 1933, the great President passed away. Her loyal colleague, Bishop Leadbeater, joined her on the 1st March 1934. Mr. A. P. Warrington, Vice-President, took control while the world-wide Presidential election was carried out. There were two candidates, Dr. George S. Arundale and Mr. Ernest Wood. The former was elected by a majority of 10,779 votes. Dr. Arundale assumed office in June 1934. He immediately formulated a Seven Year Plan, outlining what he hoped would be accomplished during his term of office. One of his first acts in 1934 was to establish the Besant Memorial School, a flourishing experiment in education, and the nucleus of a future College and University.

In the autumn of 1935 Dr. Arundale inspired a Campaign for *Straight Theosophy*, emphasizing the fundamental principles and teachings for which The Society as a whole may be said to stand. He presided at Adyar in December over an inspiring Diamond Jubilee Convention. The Campaign for 1936-7 was *There is a Plan*, and for 1937-8 *Understanding*. These Campaigns have proved of great value to the National Societies in their public and Lodge work.

The President undertook an inspiring tour in the British Isles and Europe in 1936, and in July presided over a splendid Fourth World Congress at Geneva, to which many countries sent representatives and which received a fine civic welcome. Its keynote was "Justice."

The Young Theosophists' Movement, which came into existence at the Vienna Congress, 1923, had of recent years begun to spread quickly. The World Federation of Young Theosophists, inaugurated at the Diamond Jubilee Convention, is developing an effective organization. The World President is Shrimati Rukmini Devi,

wife of Dr. Arundale, who is Hon. President of the whole Movement. She is also the present head of the Huizen Centre.

Throughout the year 1937 Dr. Arun-

dale remained at Adyar, and devoted much of his time to the renovating and beautifying of our famous and much-visited International Headquarters—"the Home of the Masters."

CHRONICLE OF EVENTS

IN THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

1901—1937

Presenting the History of The Theosophical Society from 1901 to 1937 in diary form. For the first twenty-five years of the chronicle—1875-1900—see the 1937 YEAR BOOK.

References: H.S.O. represents Colonel H. S. Olcott (President-Founder); H.P.B., H. P. Blavatsky (Co-Founder); A.B., Dr. Annie Besant (Second President); G.S.A., Dr. George S. Arundale (Third President); C.W.L., Bishop Leadbeater; C.J., Mr. Jinarajadasa.

1901

Jan. 11. H.S.O. leaves for America via China and Japan; by his Guru's instructions, leaves ship "City of Janeiro," which was afterwards wrecked. Visits San Francisco and 21 other places.

Mar.—April: Miss Edger tours in Punjab and N.W.P., India.

May 25-27. American Convention, H.S.O. presiding; C.W.L. present.

July 13-14. European Section Convention; C.W.L. spoke of his American tour.

Aug. 1-22. H.S.O. tours in England and Europe, meets Don José Xifré.

Aug. 23. H.S.O. sails for S. America; visits Buenos Aires and Montevideo, returning London, September.

Sep. 7. Tiruvalluvar Panchama School opened.

Autumn. C.W.L. in Europe: Holland, Belgium, France, Italy.

Nov. 21. H.S.O. in Colombo; C. Jinarajadasa meets him.

Dec. 24. A.B. arrives Adyar from Benares.

Dec. 27-30. Twenty-sixth Convention, H.S.O. presiding. A.B.'s Conv. Lect.: "The Religious Problem in India."

Other Events: C.W.L. spent six months in America lecturing in most of the States. Italian Section formed, Gen. Sec.: Capt. O. Boggiani.

A. B. visits 18 towns India during year; 27 Lodges formed with Miss Edger's help.

1902

Jan.—Dec. H.S.O. in India and Ceylon throughout the year. Occupied at Headquarters in building and other work.

A.B. first toured India; then to London, and lectured throughout U.K., and six European countries; returned India Nov.

Sep. 24. Death of Mme Piet Meuleman, Holland.

Oct. Miss Willson arrives in India to live with A.B.

Oct. 27—Nov. 5. H.S.O. visits Ceylon.

Dec. 1. Señor Salvador de la Fuente y Romero dies, leaving large benefactions to Adyar Library and C.H.C.

Dec. 25-27. Twenty-seventh Convention in Benares, H.S.O. presiding. Lectures by A.B.: "The Laws of the Higher Life."

Other Events: German Section chartered with Dr. Rudolf Steiner as General

Secretary. European Section divides up into several autonomous Sections.

1903

Jan. 28-31. H.S.O. in Bombay re Fuente legacy.

Mar. 24. H.S.O. in Paris re Fuente legacy.

June. H.S.O. visits Geneva, London, Paris.

July 23. European Federation of National Societies inaugurated, London; H.S.O. Chairman, J. van Manen, Gen. Sec.

Sep. 20. H.S.O. in New York.

Sep. 30—Oct. 24. H.S.O. in Havana re Fuente legacy.

Dec. 6. H.S.O. arrives Adyar.

Dec. 27-30. Twenty-eighth Convention, Adyar. Lectures by A.B.: "The Pedigree of Man."

Other Events: G. S. Arundale and Miss F. Arundale arrive in Benares. C. W. Leadbeater tours in U. S. A. and Canada, and gives six months' lecture course in Chicago.

1904

Apr. 7. Fuente arbitration settled by Judge S. Subramania Iyer.

Apr.—Oct. A. B. lectures in Italy, Paris, England, Scandinavia.

June. International T.S. Convention in Amsterdam, A.B. presiding; A.B. inaugurates new Hqrs., Rome.

Sep. 11. H.S.O. speaks at temperance meeting in Colombo, 6,000 present.

Dec. 27-28. Twenty-ninth Convention in Benares. Lectures by A.B.: "Theosophy in Relation to Human Life."

1905

Jan. C.W.L. completes two years and four months' continuous tour in America.

Mar. 12. Memorandum of Association of T.S., signed by H.S.O., W. A. English, S. Subramaniam, Francesca E. Arundale, Upendranath Basu, Annie Besant, N. D. Khandalavala.

Mar. 17. H. S. O. attends 25th Anniversary of Bombay Lodge.

Apr. 3. Incorporation of the T.S.

July. European Federation Congress in London, A.B. presiding.

Sep. 30. Dr. Otto F. Schrader takes charge of Adyar Library.

Oct. 17. Olcott Panchama Free Schools incorporated.

Dec. 27-28. Thirtieth Convention, Adyar. Lectures by A.B.: "Hints on the Study of the Bhagavad Gita."

Other Events: C. W. L. tours Australia and New Zealand. A. B. lectures in India and England. Sir Subramania Iyer appointed Recording Secretary. Gateways from ancient ruined temple in Arcot district transferred to Adyar.

1906

Apr. 16. H.S.O. arrives Southampton; meets Mrs. Marie Russak.

May 16. Annie Besant (Panchama) Free School opened.

June 3-5. International T.S. Congress in Paris, H.S.O. presiding.

Sep. 4. H.S.O. arrives New York.

Sep. 9. T.S. Convention in Chicago.

Sep. 25. H.S.O. sails from New York for Genoa.

Oct. 3. H.S.O. meets with an accident on board ship.

Oct. 9—Nov. 7. H.S.O. in hospital in Genoa.

Nov. 7. H.S.O. and Mrs. Russak leave for Colombo.

Nov. 24—Dec. 8. H.S.O. seriously ill in Colombo.

Dec. 11. H.S.O. and Mrs. Russak arrive at Adyar.

Dec. 27-30. Thirty-first Convention, Adyar. Lectures by A.B.: "The Wisdom of the Upanishads." Presidential Address read by A.B.

Other Events: C. J. lectures for American Section.

1907

Jan. 5. H.S.O. nominates Annie Besant as his successor.

Feb. 17. Death of H.S.O., at 7.17 a.m. Sir S. Subramania Iyer appointed Vice-President in place of A. P. Sinnett.

May: A.B. leaves for Europe.

May 18-21. International T. S. Congress in Munich. A.B. lectures on

"Exertion and Destiny." A.B. "President of Honour"; Dr. Rudolf Steiner "President of Work."

May-July. A. B. in Paris and England.

June 29. A.B.'s election as President announced.

Aug.-Sep. A.B. in U.S.A. Presides Convention and goes on lecture tour.

Oct. A.B. lectures Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Italy.

Nov. 30. A.B. returns to Adyar, via Ceylon.

Dec. W. B. Fricke arrives Adyar, to act as Recording Secretary.

Dec. 27-30. Thirty-second Convention at Benares. Lectures by A.B.: "An Introduction to Yoga."

Other Events: Hungarian and Finnish Sections formed,

1908

Jan. B. P. Wadia comes to work at Adyar.

Feb. 16. A. Schwarz arrives Adyar, becomes Treasurer.

May. Dr. English retires as Asst. Editor of *The Theosophist*.

May 13—Sep. 14. A.B. tours Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania.

Oct. 14. Theosophical Order of Service instituted.

Dec. Foundation Stone laid of Masonic Temple, Adyar,

Dec. 14. J. R. Aria arrives Adyar, succeeds W. B. Fricke as Recording Secretary.

Dec. 27-30. Thirty-third Convention, Adyar. Lectures by Miss Edger: "Light on the Path."

Dec. 31. First public announcement by A.B. of Coming of a World-Teacher.

Other Events: Russian Section formed; Gen. Sec.: Mme. Anna Kamensky. Purchase of Olcott Gardens and Blavatsky Gardens. General Council invites C. W. Leadbeater to resume membership in T.S. Sons of India instituted. A.B. lectures in 17 Indian towns.

1909

Jan. A. B. visits Mysore and Malabar.

Feb. W. B. Fricke leaves Adyar for South Africa. C.W.L., and J. van Manen arrive Adyar from Europe.

Mar. Resignation of Mr. Sinnott and Mr. and Mrs. G. R. S. Mead from T.S.

Apr. C.W.L. comes to reside at Adyar.

Apr. 15. Opening of Vasanta Press, Adyar, A. K. Sitarama Shastri, manager.

Apr. 24. A.B. leaves for Europe.

May 31—June 2. A. B. presides at European Federation T. S. Congress, Budapest.

June. Death of General Morgan, Ootacamund (friend of H.P.B.).

Aug.-Sep. A.B. in U.S.A., Vancouver. Ten weeks' tour, visits principal towns.

Oct.-Nov. A.B. in Ireland, Holland, France, Switzerland, Italy.

Nov. 28. A.B. returns Adyar.

Dec. 27-30. Thirty-fourth Anniversary of T.S. in Benares. Lectures by Bhagavan Das: "The Laws of Manu."

Other Events: A.B. visits West Coast, the South and U.P., India; also long tour in Europe and America. Purchase of Besant Grove and Alsace Grove. C.W.L.'s "roof" meetings, Adyar. C.J. lecturing in America. Further investigations Occult Chemistry by A.B., and C.W.L. Bohemian Section formed, Gen. Sec.: J. Bedrnicek-Chlumsky.

1910

A. B. in India throughout the year. Touring N. India, lecturing and working for the Hindu University.

Aug.-Sep. Investigations by A.B., and C.W.L., for *Man*: *Whence, How and Whither* at Adyar. C.W.L. in charge at Adyar.

Sep. 22. Death of Countess Wachtmeister.

Dec. 26-31. Thirty-fifth Anniversary of T.S., Adyar. Lectures by G. S. Arundale: "The Growth of National Consciousness in the Light of Theosophy."

Other Events: Purchase of Besant and Damodar Gardens. Leadbeater Chambers, Vaishya Quarters and Bhojanashala built. Scotland becomes a

Section with D. Graham Pole as Gen. Sec.; also Switzerland, Mlle H. Stephani, Gen. Sec. C.J. in America.

1911

Jan. 11. Order of the Rising Sun founded at Benares.

Jan. 12—Feb. 14. A.B. tours Burma with C.W.L., J. Krishnamurti, J. Nityananda and Charles Blech, and others.

Feb. 26. A.B. leaves on tour for Bombay, Baroda, etc.

Mar. 6. A.B. returns to Adyar.

Mar. 22. A.B. leaves for Benares.

Apr. 22. A.B. leaves for Europe with G.S.A., Krishnamurti, and Nityananda.

Apr. 29. Death of Sumangala, Buddhist High Priest, Ceylon.

June-July. Order of the Rising Sun develops into The Order of the Star in the East.

July 17. A. P. Sinnett rejoins and is invited to become Vice-President T.S.

Aug. 6. C.W.L. and J. van Manen tour Java.

Sep. 3. A.B. lays foundation stone of T.S. Headquarters in London (Tavistock Square); Architect, Sir Edwin Lutyens. (War conditions caused its sale to Government).

Oct. 6. A.B. and party return Adyar.

Dec. 2. C.J. arrives Adyar.

Dec. 27-31. Thirty-sixth Convention in Benares. Convention Lectures by Dr. Besant: "The Ideals of Theosophy."

Dec. 28. Important Star Meeting at Benares.

1912

Feb. 3. A.B. leaves for Europe with C.J., J. Krishnamurti and Nityananda. They are joined in Taormina by C.W.L. and G.S.A. A.B. visits England, France, Italy, Holland.

Mar.-Oct. C.W.L. in Europe (France, Italy, Germany).

Aug. 7. Death of Dr. Franz Hartmann.

Aug. Death of A. O. Hume, founder of Indian National Congress.

Oct. 23. A.B. in Adyar after tour in Europe and N. India.

Oct. 24. Suit begun against A.B. to deprive her of guardianship of J. Krishnamurti and his brother.

Dec. 26-31. Thirty-seventh Convention, T.S. A.B. Lectures on "Theosophy and the T.S."

Other Events: Charter of German Section cancelled on account of Dr. Steiner's action in curtailing liberty of thought of members of the Section. Mrs. J. Ransom tours Australia.

1913

Mar. Transfer of Charter of German Section to Lodges under Dr. Hübbe Schleiden.

June 14. A.B. presides at Stockholm Congress of European Sections.

July. A.B. and D. Graham Pole arrive Adyar.

Nov. A.B. starts political work.

Dec. 1. Petition to appeal to Privy Council filed against judgment in Narayanaiah case.

Dec. 25-29. Thirty-eighth Convention in Benares. A.B. lectures on Indian Social Reform. C.J. welcomed back during Convention.

Other Events: C.W.L. in Adyar throughout the year. Name of *Theosophist* Office changed to Theosophical Publishing House.

1914

Jan. 2. *The Commonweal* weekly started by A.B. for national reform.

Jan. 6. C.J. settles in Adyar.

Feb. C.W.L. settles in Sydney.

Mar. 3. Death of Mrs. Cooper Oakley.

Apr. 15—July 11. A.B. in England for Narayanaiah case in Privy Council; lectures on India.

May 25. Judgment of Privy Council in favour of A.B.

July 6. A.B. re-elected President.

Dec. 26-31. Thirty-ninth Convention, T.S. A.B. lectures on "The Work of the T.S."; also C.J., on "Theosophy and Modern Thought."

Other Events: A.B. buys *Madras Standard* and changes its name to *New India*. General Council resolves to hold Convention in other towns besides Madras and Benares.

1915

A.B. in India throughout the year, mainly at Adyar; short tours in N. India, greatly occupied with Theosophical, educational and political work.

Feb. 14. Madras Parliament formed by A.B. "to train men and women in the methods and means of Self-Government."

Oct.-Nov. C.J. lectures in Burma.

Dec. 16. Adyar Arts League inaugurated.

Dec. 25-29. Fortieth Annual Convention in Bombay. A.B. lectures on "Life's Deeper Problems."

Other Events: C.W.L. continues in Australia "at urgent request of Australian brethren."

1916

A.B. in India throughout the year, travelling extensively in connection with Theosophical and political work.

May 1—Dec. 23. C.J. in Europe.

Dec. 25-30. Forty-first Convention in Lucknow. A.B. lectures on "The Duties of the Theosophist."

Other Events: Women's College in Benares founded.

1917

A.B. in India throughout the year. Much activity during first six months, political and Theosophical. C.J. in India throughout the year.

Apr. 7. Order of the Brothers of Service founded, Adyar.

May 7. Foundation Stone laid of Suryashrama, for Brothers of Service, Adyar.

June 16. Internment of A.B., G.S.A., and B.P. Wadia.

Sep. 17. Release from Internment.

Oct. Death of Dr. W. A. English.

Dec. 25-30. Forty-second Convention at Calcutta. Lectures by C.J., G.S.A., B. P. Wadia and T. Sadashiva Iyer on "The Theosophical Outlook."

Dec. 26-29. A.B. President of Indian National Congress in Calcutta.

Other Events: Indian Boy Scout Movement started by A.B.

1918

A.B. in India the whole year, engaged in political propaganda. C.J. lecturing in India. C.W.L. in Australia.

Mar. 8. Title deeds of Alsace Grove (bought in 1909) completed.

Dec. 24-28. Forty-third Convention in Delhi. Lectures on "Problems of Reconstruction," by A.B., C.J., and G.S.A.

1919

Apr. 12. C.J. tours Java, Australia and New Zealand.

May 12—Dec. 19. A.B. in England on political propaganda, also T.S. lectures.

May. Indian National University founded at Adyar.

Dec. 24-28. Forty-fourth Convention in Benares. A.B. lectures on "The Duty of the T.S." and G.S.A. on Education.

1920

A.B. in India throughout the year.

Jan. Charters granted to Chile, Argentina, Brazil; Gen. Secs. respectively, Armando Zanelli, Dr. F. Valles Vargas, Gen. R. Pinto Siedl.

Feb. Charter granted to Bulgaria, Sophrony Nickoff, Gen. Sec.

June. C.J. returns from long tour in Australia.

July. Mr. Jinarajadasa leaves for England to do work on President's behalf, returning in December.

Dec. 24-28. Forty-fifth Anniversary of T.S., Adyar. Four lectures by A.B., "The Great Plan." Lectures by C.J. and Dr. J. H. Cousins.

Other Events: T.S. representatives appear before Committee of Lambeth Conference, to put before them the position of the T.S. in relation to Christianity. Northern Federation established in India with centre at Benares. Rabindranath Tagore visits the Netherlands as guest of T.S. and Free Congregation; gives series of lectures. Formation of first Lodges in Japan and Portugal. Two Theosophical Centres established in Poland.

1921

Jan. 1. Charter granted to Iceland, Jacob Kristinnsson, Gen. Sec.

Apr. 6. A.B. appointed Hon. Commissioner for All-India of the Boy Scouts Association.

Apr. 28. Charter granted to Spain, Julio Garrido Ramos, Gen. Sec.

May 27. A.B. leaves for Europe.

June 27. Death of A.P. Sinnett, Vice-President T.S. 1896-1907.

July 6. A.B. re-elected President of the T.S.

July 23-26. First World Congress of the T.S. held in Paris, A.B. presiding.

Sep. Charter granted to Portugal. Dr. Joao Antunes, Gen. Sec.

Dec. 14. Hindu University confers degree of Doctor of Letters on A.B.

Dec. 23. C. Jinarajadasa appointed Vice-President T.S.

Dec. 24-27. Forty-sixth Anniversary of T.S. held in Benares. Dr. Besant lectured on "Theosophy and World Problems." Lectures also by C.J., J. Krishnamurti and G.S.A.

Other Events: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood in China, Japan, U.S.A. and Canada. T.S. Lodge formed in Constantinople.

1922

Feb. 17. Adyar Day instituted.

Mar. 18. Mr. and Mrs. Jinarajadasa, leave for Australia, returning to India in Dec.

Apr. 22. A.B. leaves for Australia.

June. A.B. returns to India.

June 28. Charter granted to Wales, Peter Freeman, Gen. Sec.

Oct. 1. Opening of Brahmavidya Ashrama, Adyar, by A.B.; Principal, J.H. Cousins.

Dec. 23-30. Forty-seventh Anniversary of T.S. Adyar. Two lectures by Dr. Besant: "Your World and Ours."

Other Events: Formation of first Chinese Lodge, Shanghai. Lodges formed in Vladivostock, Reval and Riga. Theosophical Lectures broadcast in America.

1923

A.B. in India throughout the year; indisposed from bite of a rat.

June 4. Formation of a Federation of National Societies in the British Isles.

June 8. Charter of Sydney Lodge cancelled.

July 7. Madanapalle Theosophical College restarts as an affiliated Intermediate College of Madras University.

July 21-26. Congress of European Federation, T.S. in Vienna, C. Jinarajadasa presiding. T.S. League for the Federation of Nations formed.

July 26. Charter granted to Poland. Wanda Dynowska, Gen. Sec.

Aug. Young Theosophists movement started by G. S. Arundale.

Oct.-Dec. Brotherhood Campaign in many National Societies.

Nov. 17. Formation of Federation of Young Theosophists in India.

Dec. 26-30. Forty-eighth Anniversary of T.S., Benares. A.B. lectured on "Religion and Religions." Other lecturers, G. S. Arundale, J. H. Cousins, C. Jinarajadasa.

Other Events: Formation of first Lodges in Rumania, Greece, Luxemburg. C.J. tours Europe, visiting 18 National Societies. T.S. Muslim Assoc. founded at Benares. U.S. Adyar Committee formed, to draw India and U.S. into closer connection.

1924

Feb. "The Esoteric Theatre" starts under auspices of the T.S. in France. Mrs. Ransom, by invitation, goes to work in Australia, becomes Gen. Sec.

Mar.-Dec. C.J. in Australia, America, Europe.

Mar. 23. Passing of Miss Francesca Arundale at Adyar.

Apr. 6. Difficulties cause Special Convention to be held in London at request of seven Lodges; reaffirms original fundamental ideal of The Society regarding freedom of thought; affirms its complete confidence in the President.

Apr. 14. Formation of Adyar Centre of Arts and Crafts under T.O.S.

Apr. 15—Sep. 1. A.B. in France, England, Holland, Germany.

July 1. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale leave India for six-months tour in Europe—Educational and Youth Movement.

July 23. Public Demonstration, Queen's Hall, London, to celebrate Dr. Besant's 50 years of public activity, attended by representatives of many Societies and prominent people.

Sept.-Oct. Youth Week Campaign throughout India, initiated by International League of Youth and by All-India Federation of Young Theosophists.

Dec. 5. Passing of Dr. S. Subramanya Iyer, Vice-President T.S. 1907-1911.

Dec. 24-30. Forty-ninth Anniversary of T.S., Bombay. Lectures by A.B. "The Real and Unreal in a Nation's Life."

Other Events: Formation of Centre in Gibraltar and of the first Lodge in Peru. S. P. N. E. merged in Theosophical Educational Trust. Young Theosophists Movement spreads in India, Australia, Germany. Dr. J. J. van der Leeuw and Capt. Ransom in S. Africa and Australia. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood in U.S.A. and Australia.

1925

Jan. 28. Charter granted to Puerto Rico, Francisco Vincenty, Gen. Sec.

Feb. Dr. Besant lectures in Calcutta on "The Commonwealth of India Bill" as drafted by the National Convention.

Mar. 13. C.J. leaves for Australia, returning in June.

June 10. Charter granted to Rumania, Miss Fanny Seculici, Gen. Sec.

July 4. A.B. leaves Bombay for London; taking with her the Commonwealth of India Bill.

Sept.-Oct. A. B. lectures Queen's Hall, London, on "World Problems of Today".

Sept. 14. Charter granted to Yugoslavia, Jelisava Vavra, Gen. Sec.

Nov. 25. A.B., with party from Europe, arrives Adyar.

Dec. 4. C. W. Leadbeater and party of 73 F.T.S. from Australia and N.Z. arrive Adyar.

Dec. 21. Consecration of Bharata Samaj Temple. General Secretaries and delegates from Europe arrive Adyar.

Dec. 24-27. Diamond Jubilee Anniversary of T.S., Adyar. "A Message from an Elder Brother" read to the Convention. Lectures on: "The Three World Movements"; (1) "The Basic Truths of the World Religion; the Fellowship of Religions," Dr. Besant and Mr. Jina-

rajadasa; (2) "The World University," J. Krishnamurti and Dr. Arundale; (3) "The Revival of the Mysteries," Bishop Leadbeater and Bishop Wedgwood; (4) "The Activities of the Coming Half Century," Dr. Besant.

Other Events: Dr. Besant delivers Kamala Lectures on "Indian Ideals" in Calcutta and Benares. Dr. Besant attends Garden party at Buckingham Palace and has conversation with the King-Emperor. Tibetan Mission of Lamas visits T.S. Headquarters in France. First "Besant School" opened by group of Theosophists in China. Formation of Central Office in Madrid for Spanish-speaking Theosophists throughout the world. Czechoslovakian members sever connection with Adyar on account of pronouncements as to the Coming of a World Teacher; charter taken over by minority.

1926

Jan. 27. C. W. Leadbeater, G. S. Arundale, Rukmini Devi and party leave Adyar for Australia.

Feb. A. B. disclaims having proclaimed J. Krishnamurti as "Messiah," restates her belief that he is a chosen vehicle for the World Teacher. A. B. lecturing in N. India. Capt. S. Ransom takes up work in S. Africa.

Apr. G. S. Arundale elected General Secretary for Australia. A. B. leaves for Europe.

Aug. 18. A.B., after attending Annual Conventions of many European Sections, leaves England for several months' tour in America.

Aug. 23. Theosophical Broadcasting Station established at The Manor, Sydney, N.S.W.

Sept.-Oct. C. J. tours Burma.

Oct. 1. Ceylon re-becomes National Society. First "New School" in Spain, started by Theosophical International Fraternity in Education.

Dec. C. W. Leadbeater and G. S. Arundale arrive Adyar.

Dec. 24-27. Fifty-first Anniversary of T. S., Benares. Lectures by: C. W. Leadbeater, G. S. Arundale, C. Jinarajadasa, Y. Prasad. Subject: "The Theosophist's Attitude."

Other Events: *The Golden Book* issued. England starts Theosophical News Bureau. Advance Australia Campaign. Egyptian Section becomes Presidential Agency. Formation of Association of Hebrew Theosophists. Formation of Russian National Section (outside Russia). Madame Anna Kamen-sky receives degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Geneva) for thesis on the *Bhagavad-Gita*. Mr. Schwarz goes to Australia, visiting Java en route. Mrs. Ransom, at close of her term as General Secretary in Australia, goes to S. Africa and becomes Gen. Sec. Mr. Ernest Wood visits Ceylon.

1927

Jan. 27. C. W. Leadbeater and G.S.A. leave Adyar for Australia.

May-Nov. A. B. touring extensively in Britain and Europe.

July 22. A. B. speaks at first meeting of Fellowship of Faiths in Europe, held at City Temple, London.

Oct. 2. A.B. lectures in London on "The Future of Europe: Peace or War?"

Dec. 23-29. Fifty-second Anniversary of T. S., Adyar. Lectures: The New Civilization: A. B., C. W. L., G.S.A., C. J., Shrimati Rukmini Devi.

Other Events: G. S. A. re-elected Gen. Sec. for Australia. Formation of International League of Efficiency. Central American Lodges grouped into Agency, Don José B. Acuna Pres.-Agent. Cuban Theosophists acquire Broadcasting Station. Sinhalese Buddhists raise Buddhist H.Q. in Ceylon as memorial to Col. Olcott. Dr. Arundale and Rukmini Devi touring Europe, America and visit India. C. J. tours Europe. Mr. Schwarz returns to India after tour round the world. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood in New Zealand.

1928

Feb. C.W.L. and C. J. leave Adyar for Australia.

Apr. Dr. and Mrs. Cousins embark on world tour, lasting eighteen months.

May. Charter granted to Greece.

June. A.B. in Europe.

July. Congress of Federation of

European National Societies, Brussels.

July-Aug. A. B. ill, cancels first of Queen's Hall lectures, London.

Sept. A.B. returns to Adyar.

Dec. A.B. emphasizes (in *Theosophist*) her duty to obey orders and "claim India's place among the Nations."

Dec. 25-29. Fifty-third Anniversary of T.S., Benares. President and Vice-Pres. unable to attend.

Other Events: Dr. Besant re-elected President by overwhelming majority. Mr. Warrington becomes Vice-President. Passing of J. R. Aria, Recording Secretary of T. S. for nearly 20 years. Chinese Lodges do excellent work in educational field. G.S.A. is General Secretary of T.S. in India. C. J. tours Europe, U.S.A. and S. America. Fritz Kunz undertakes campaign in N. W. Federation of T. S. Lodges, U.S.A. League of Ahimsa founded in London.

1929

Jan. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale in Java, Australia, U.S.A., Europe.

Apr. 17. A. B. leaves Adyar for Europe.

Apr. 20. C.W.L. leaves Sydney via Java to settle at Adyar.

May. European Federation Convention, Budapest; A.B. presides and lectures; visit to Vajda Hunyadi.

Aug. 3. Dissolution of Order of Star in the East.

Aug. 24-29. A.B. presides over World Congress T.S. at Chicago and gives two public lectures.

Oct. 1. Golden Jubilee of *The Theosophist*.

Oct. 2. A.B. forwards to President U. S. A. resolution passed at Fourth World Congress, Chicago, praying him to lead nations of the world to outlawry of war.

Dec. A. B. announces removal of publication of *The Theosophist* from Adyar to America, and publication of *The Adyar Theosophist* as Presidential journal.

Dec. 23-27. Fifty-fourth Anniversary of T.S., Adyar, A.B. lectures on "The Past and Future of the T.S.," etc.

Other Events: C. J. completes long tour in S. America. Charter granted to Paraguay, José Marsal, Gen. Sec. National Societies formed in Peru and Central America. Central South African Section chartered, Capt. S. Ransom Gen. Sec.

1930

Mar. A.B. urges immense importance of preserving link between India and Britain.

May-Oct. C.W.L., accompanied by Bishop Wedgwood, touring European countries, receives everywhere a great welcome.

June. A. B. much occupied with political work in London.

June 26—July 1. A.B. presides 10th Congress of European Federation at Geneva. Lectures by A.B., C.W.L. and J. J. van der Leeuw. A successful Study Course was held after the Congress, three public lectures being given in the University Hall.

Oct. A.B. and C.J. return to Adyar
Dec. 25-30. Fifty-fifth Anniversary of the T.S., Benares; Lectures by A.B., C.J., Hirendra Nath Datta, E. Wood, B. Sanjiva Rao, on "The Future of the T.S."

Other Events: Dr. and Mrs. Arundale make 2 months' tour in New Zealand. Lecturers: Miss C. Codd and Mr. G. Hodson in America.

1931

Jan. A.B. announces that the International *Theosophist* will once more be published from Adyar. An Executive Order of the President empowers C. J. to act for her in the administration of Adyar during her absence.

Apr. General Council rescinds the action of the T.S. in joining the Fellowship of Faiths, 1926.

May. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale leave India for Europe and U.S.A.

June. Dr. Arundale addresses Congress of European National Societies, in London.

June. Persecution of Jewish Theosophists at Basrah. A.B. issues statement that Theosophy is not a religion.

Aug. 12. Centenary of H.P.B.'s birth celebrated at Adyar, some 200 delegates attending. *The Theosophist* publishes Centenary Number, mainly composed of articles by H.P.B. taken from archives.

Oct. Bombay Federation inaugurated, C.W.L. present. C.W.L. tours India. Dr. Besant's health far from good.

Dec. 18. The Vice-President and Mrs. Warrington arrive from California.

Dec. 24-29. Founders' Convention. Fifty-sixth Anniversary of T.S., Adyar. Dr. Besant opens Convention and delivers memorable speech.

Other Events: *World Theosophy* issued from America. South American Federation publishes *El Teosofico Sud-Americano*. A Theosophical Athenaeum formed in Madrid. Lecturers: Miss C. Codd in America; Mr. Edwin Bolt in Denmark, Iceland, Norway; Mrs. Ransom leaves for tour in America after 18 months' work in S. Africa. Mr. Geoffrey Hodson in America.

1932

Mar. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale leave India for tour in Europe and U.S.A.

July 6. Dr. Besant completes 25 years as President.

July. C. W. L. returns to Adyar from Australia.

Aug. 2. Centenary of birth of Col. Olcott. *Theosophist* publishes Centenary Number.

Sep. 23. International Theosophical Centre at Geneva holds International Reception.

Sep. 29. A. B. awarded the rare Silver Wolf Badge by Lord Baden-Powell, Chief Scout.

Sep. No change in Dr. Besant's health; she has said that her work for this life is over.

Dec. 22. Dr. Besant proposes that Adyar should have a Theosophical School. (The idea developed into the Besant Memorial School).

Dec. 24-27. Fifty-seventh Anniversary of T.S., Adyar; four Lectures on "A World in Distress: The Remedies as Seen by the Theosophist." The President unable to attend Convention, but

sends letter of greeting and blessing. Over 700 delegates pass before Dr. Besant, in her room, with offerings of flowers.

Other Events: Mr. P. de Abrew awarded M.B.E. for his services in the cause of education of Buddhist women. Radio Station under Theosophical auspices established in Colombia, S. America. Lecturers: Miss Clara Codd in Australia and New Zealand; Mr. Geoffrey Hodson in America; Mrs. J. Ransom tours U.S.A.; Mr. E. Wood tours Rumania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Jugoslavia, Greece, Cyprus, Egypt.

1933

Jan. 1. *New India* ceases publication.

Feb. 19. Mr. Schwarz completes 25 years as Treasurer of the T.S.

Apr. 18. Dr. Besant writes brief message to Australian Theosophists.

June. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale leave for Europe. Passing of Mr. Schwarz.

Aug. It is announced that Dr. Besant's strength has considerably diminished during the last month.

Sept. 20. Dr. Besant passes.

Oct. C. J. leaves for Europe and S. America.

Nov. Dr. Arundale and Mr. E. Wood accept nomination for President. Dec. *World Theosophist* (America) ceases publication.

Dec. 24. Fifty-eighth Anniversary of T.S., Adyar. Lectures: "Dr. Besant and Her Life Activities."

Other Events: Charter granted to Philippine Islands.

1934

Jan. 31. Bishop Leadbeater leaves Adyar for Australia.

Mar. 1. Passing of Bishop Leadbeater at Perth, W.A.

Mar. C. J. lecturing in Europe.

Mar. 22. Besant Educational Trust (and Memorial School) granted Charter of Incorporation.

Mar. 28.—Apr. 4. 12th Congress of European Federation, at Barcelona; C. J. delivers two public lectures.

Apr. 7. Passing of M. Charles Blech, Gen. Sec. for France.

June 20. Dr. George S. Arundale elected President of The Theosophical Society.

July-Nov. 10. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale visit Europe and America (100-day tour).

Sep. Mr. Hirendranath Datta nominated as Vice-President. Dr. Srinivasa Murti becomes Recording Secretary.

Oct.-Nov. 2. Rabindranath Tagore visits Adyar.

Oct. 20. Corner-stone of Schwarz Memorial Hall laid at Musaeus College, Colombo.

Dec. 26-29. Fifty-ninth Annual Convention, Adyar. Bust of Dr. Besant unveiled.

Other Events: Besant Scout Camping Centre inaugurated at Adyar. Mr. R.H. Spurrier becomes World Head of Theosophical Order of Service. South African Youth Movement founded by Mr. and Mrs. G. Hodson. Theosophical Summer School held in Ireland.

1935

Jan. Research Seminars in the Ancient Wisdom started, New York.

Jan. 17. Rt. Rev. Irving S. Cooper passes.

Feb. 17. Adyar Young Theosophists hold "Youth Day" for the youth of Madras, 500 attend.

Apr. C. J. tours Australia and America, and later visits England and Europe.

Apr. Theosophical Research Centre, London, started.

June. T. S. in Wales sets up an Inquiry Bureau. Mr. Fritz Kunz produces Theosophical lecture films for the use of Lodges.

Sept. 20. Garden of Remembrance, Adyar, dedicated to A.B. and C.W.L.

Sept. 29. The President and Shrimati Rukmini Devi tour N. India.

Nov. Diamond Jubilee Commemoration No. of *The Theosophist* issued "in reverent gratitude to Those who restored Theosophy and gave The Theosophical Society to the world."

Nov. 17. Adyar Day celebrated. Adyar Post Office officially opened.

Dec. 25. Diamond Jubilee Convention held at Adyar, 1,500 attending.

Other Events: European Federation of Young Theosophists formed. "Straight Theosophy" Campaign.

1936

Jan. 1. Adyar Library Assoc. formed.
Jan. 5. Youth Parliament at Adyar.
Jan. International Academy of the Arts inaugurated at Adyar.

Feb. President announces a new expression of Theosophy through Beauty and Art.

Apr. 7. Shrimati Rukmini Devi lays Foundation Stone of International Headquarters of Young Theosophists at Adyar.

Apr. 18. The President and Mrs. Arundale leave India for Europe.

July 29—Aug. 4. Fourth World Congress held at Geneva, in Council Hall of the League of Nations. Dr. Arundale presides. A Summer School dedicated to Art and Beauty immediately follows the Congress.

Oct. 31. Dr. and Mrs. Arundale return from European Tour.

Dec. 24-31. Sixty-first Annual Convention at Benares. The President gave the Opening and Closing Addresses.

Dec. 29. Golden Jubilee of Adyar Library.

Other Events: Lecturers: Mr. Jinajadasa in Australia; Mr. and Mrs. Hodson in Java; Mr. Knudsen in China; Mrs. Ransom in India; Miss Neff in Australia.

Passing of Mrs. Barbara Sellon and Rai Bahadur Gnanendranath Chakravarti.

1937

Jan. The President remains at Adyar. Inaugurates several new activities, including a Research Department, and a Planning Committee to

beautify Adyar. Important improvements are made in the Great Hall. Concrete roads are laid through the Estate.

Jan. Dr. Arundale emphasizes that "Understanding is the keynote for 1937."

Jan. The Australian Section's new contract with Station 2GB reserves broadcasting time for Theosophy four sessions a week for a period of twenty-two years.

Feb. America doubles Adyar Day collections and donates 2,000 dollars.

Feb. 23. Passing of B. Ranga Reddy, a member for 55 years.

May 12. Adyar celebrates Coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth; Dr. Arundale delivers eloquent address on Kingship. Superb illumination of Headquarters; feeding of poor.

June 9. Shrimati Rukmini Devi lays foundation stone of Weaving Factory for the International Academy of the Arts, having previously inaugurated Music, Dance and Drama.

July 22-29. European Congress at Copenhagen, Prof. Marcault presiding. Speakers include Dr. Montessori and Rt. Hon. George Lansbury.

July 25. Premier (Hon. C. Rajagopalachariar) and Ministers of Madras Government (National Congress) entertained at Adyar.

Sep. 19. Weaving Factory at Adyar opened by Minister of Industries and Labour (Hon. V. V. Giri).

Sep. 19. C. J. returns to Adyar from East Asia, after touring North India.

Other Events: Prof. Marcault, awarded Subba Row Medal, graciously places its value to President's travelling fund. Mr. A. J. Hamerster settles at Geneva as head of the International Centre.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE

For the story of the 60th Annual Convention of The Theosophical Society held at Adyar, December 1935, see the International Theosophical Year Book for 1937, page 165.

THEOSOPHICAL WORLD CONGRESSES

FOUR World Congresses of The Theosophical Society have been held:

1. PARIS, 1921
2. ADYAR, 1925
3. CHICAGO, 1929
4. GENEVA, 1936

The first suggestion for an International Convention of The Theosophical Society was made by Dr. Arundale while General Secretary for England, 1915-1916. His purpose was, in view of the mighty reconstruction "which was talking place, to survey and map out our Society's duty to the New World, and to cement still more strongly those ties of Brotherhood between the members of our various Sections upon the strength of which rapid progress from discord to harmony so much depends."

The PARIS Congress, decided on before the War, was held 23-26 July 1921. There were over 1,400 delegates, from thirty-nine countries, of which nineteen were represented by their General Secretaries. The newspapers said that Dr. Besant's audience in the great amphitheatre of the Sorbonne on 26 July comprised "the leading men in diplomacy, science and the University of Paris, headed by its Rector." Her subject was "Theosophy."

The ADYAR World Congress was the Golden Jubilee Convention of 1925, memorable for an attendance of 3,000 delegates, from all parts of the world, while visitors to the public lectures more than doubled this number. Forty countries were represented.

An important "Message from an Elder Brother" was read, asserting that The Theosophical Society once more found itself "a body over the face of which broods the Spirit from beyond the Great Range."

Dr. Besant announced that the objects of The Theosophical Society in the next half century would be exteriorized in the Fellowship of Faiths, the World University and the Revival of the Mys-

teries (which "has its outer basis in Masonry.")

The CHICAGO World Congress, 24-29 August 1929, was characterized by Dr. Besant, who presided over it, as "a magnificent success." Nearly two thousand delegates attended. The Congress culminated in the dispatch of a message from the President of The Theosophical Society to the President of the United States (Mr. Herbert Hoover) praying him "to lead the Nations of the world to the outlawry of war and to the establishment of arbitration for the decision of international disputes."

The septennial recurrence of the World Congress, which was interrupted by the Adyar gathering in 1925, was resumed at GENEVA in 1936, the keynote of the Congress being "Justice." This note was sounded throughout a splendid symposium of eminent Theosophical speakers: Justice for the Nations, for World Faiths, for Youth, etc.

Over six hundred delegates were present, representing five continents and about twenty-five countries. Conspicuous among the Congress events were official welcomes from the Swiss Government, the City of Geneva, the League of Nations, and a luncheon to the Congress delegates from humanitarian movements with headquarters in Geneva, headed by the Duchess of Hamilton and Miss Lind-a-f-Hageby.

This was the first World Congress presided over by Dr. Arundale. He described it as "a very great success," its real title to the epithet lying "in the fine release of happiness and enthusiasm which started from the very first day and culminated in a great wave of joyous friendliness at the close."

The outcome of the Congress was Dr. Arundale's 1937 Campaign for Understanding.

THE EUROPEAN FEDERATION

THE Federation of National Societies of The Theosophical Society in Europe was inaugurated on 23 July 1903, in London, at the Annual Convention of the British Section. The President, Col. H. S. Olcott, became Chairman, and Mr. Johan van Manen was elected General Secretary.

Conferences were held yearly until 1906, when it was decided that they should be biennial except under special circumstances. Thereafter they were held at Munich (1907), Budapest (1909), and Stockholm (1913). After the Great War, the Congresses were not resumed till 1921, when the meeting coincided with the World Congress in Paris; at this meeting Miss Dijkgraaf was elected General Secretary. The Congress met again in 1923, and in 1925 the Council of the Federation met at Adyar, during the Jubilee Convention. Subsequent Congresses were held at Ommen in 1926 and 1927. Miss Dijkgraaf's tour in Southern Europe in 1927-8, made at the behest of Dr. Besant, renewed the interest which had somewhat flagged. The ninth Congress, held at Brussels in 1928, was well attended, and the founding of an International Centre at Geneva was decided upon. A small National Societies' Convention was held in

Budapest in 1929, when Mr. Cochius was elected General Secretary.

At the Geneva Congress in 1930 delegates were received by the Civic Authorities, the first public recognition, and this was repeated in Barcelona in 1934.

Copenhagen was the venue of the 1937 Congress. The theme of the Congress was the relation of Science to the Secret Doctrine. Prof. Marcault presided, and among the distinguished speakers were Dr. Montessori and the Rt. Hon. George Lansbury. (See full report below.)

The 1938 Congress will be held at Zagreb.

Besides holding Congresses, the European Federation works to form a nucleus for the United Nations of Europe, on the basis of Brotherhood, not of Politics. It also tries to assist the formation of new National Societies and to send lecturers to the countries where help is needed.

The General Secretaries of the European Federation since its inauguration have been:

Mr. Johan van Manen	(1904-1906)
Mr. L. A. R. Wallace	(1906-1913)
Dr. J. I. Wedgwood	(1913-1921)
Miss C. W. Dijkgraaf	(1921-1929)
Mr. P. M. Cochius	(1929-)

THE COPENHAGEN CONGRESS

The peace of Europe was the dominant thought of the Fourteenth Annual Congress of the European Federation of National Societies held in the Moltke Palace, Copenhagen, 22-28 July 1937. Professor Marcault, who presided, sounded a high note of unity.

THE Moltke Palace is a dignified and beautiful building with a hall seating five or six hundred, and several convenient ante-rooms. The Great Hall made a fine background for the meetings, with its admirable proportions, its wonderful chandeliers of gold and glass, combined with the most modern control of lighting, a loud speaker, and excellent lantern projection.

Nearly four hundred enrolled, and the audiences for Professor Marcault's public lecture overflowed into the lobby. Seventeen European Sections out of a possible twenty-six were represented at the Council meetings, ten by their General Secretaries, and the remainder by delegates from their own countries or proxies. The countries not represented were largely those at great

distances, such as those of eastern Europe. This year the Congress will be held in Zagreb, so that these districts will have the opportunity of attending with less difficulty.

The general title, "Where Theosophy and Science Meet," was well supported by a variety of lectures on different aspects of the main theme. The most original and striking contribution was undoubtedly that of Professor Marcault, the President of the Congress. In two talks, one of which was illustrated by lantern slides, he described the work which he had done and is doing with Dr. Brosse, to prove the fact of the control of psychical states over the automatic activities of the body. The graphs showing the gradual subdual of breath, pulse and heart-beat by a trained yogi, deliberately entering upon a trance condition, were as dramatic as any novel. Their significance can be estimated by the fact that, after lecturing to many scientific groups in France, Dr. Brosse was invited by the Faculty of Medicine at the Sorbonne to report upon them to the International Medical Congress held in 1937.

Miss Woods gave a magnificent address on "Modern Philosophy and the Esoteric Tradition," and various research groups were represented by Dr. L. J. Bendit and Miss Phoebe Payne, who spoke upon aspects of psychotherapy, and Mr. M. G. Reilly, who showed an interesting reel-slide for students on "The Ascent of Man." There were other lectures of great interest, both for students and in Danish for the public.

The Theosophical Order of Service occupied one afternoon with an important discussion on welfare work in Scandinavia. The same evening Mr. George Lansbury, who was in Copenhagen for the International War-Resisters' Conference, visited the Congress, and joined in the discussion on "The Contribution of Theosophy to Peace." He said that he had pledged his remaining years and what strength he has to the cause of peace, because of his love for humankind.

Sunday was Scandinavia Day. The General Secretaries of the five Scandinavian Sections read characteristic greetings, each followed by the national anthem of the country. In the afternoon there was an informal entertainment and we heard the famous Danish horns, always played in pairs, the originals of which go back to the earliest known Danish history. Their music was bold and challenging, but can be plaintive when skilfully played, as they were that day. The delegates from Finland had arranged a cottage scene in costume, with two men singing the old runes. Then a very skilful artist played the kantele, a sort of zither, developed from the five-stringed harp of the north. Frisky folk dances and dreamy minor melodies were evoked from its strange shape, all close to nature, and giving insight into the Scandinavian temperament.

Then came more lectures, and one or two excursions that allowed visitors to see something of the lovely wooded countryside. Flower gardens line the village roads, and the clean lines of good modern architecture blend well with the classic-baroque castles and palaces that are characteristic of the great building periods of Danish history.

On the last day but one Dr. Maria Montessori read a fine address in English, on "Education for Peace." Dr. Montessori is an impressive personality, and the wisdom and sincerity of her talk were profound. She showed greater power when she answered a question in Italian, force and fire flashing through her speech.

The Young Theosophists had an excellent meeting for greetings and discussion in the afternoon, and in the evening delighted the members with a witty entertainment that combined prophecy with laughter and ended with a restrained bit of ritual dancing that left the hall quiet and refreshed.

During the week other organizations met and did excellent work. In his Closing Address Prof. Marcault said:

"This Congress has had special characteristics because in it we have taken a particular attitude. We have

not viewed ourselves as working in the world for The Theosophical Society, but we have seen ourselves as working through The Society for the world. We can indeed say that we have looked upon the problems presented from the point of view of there being now a union between our Society and the world. Scientific doctrine and the Secret Doctrine have been placed side by side. We have not said that science goes so far, but Theosophy goes far beyond that, but rather that scientists and Theosophical students are together co-operating to discover what is necessary for the world's peace. Science opens the door of truth very widely, and the great workers of the world are, many of them, prepared to accept what we have to offer. Mr. Lansbury, while he seeks the welfare of all men, has the light of Theosophy to illumine his way. A great educationist is ready to co-operate with us because both she and we recognize the importance of the spiritual nature in the child. We have not said: 'There is the world, here is Theosophy.' We have not said, 'There is ignorance, here is wisdom,' but we have recognized that everywhere there is only one life, and that life is everywhere.

"We are only a nucleus of the great world brotherhood of all mankind. The nucleus is the point through which the power of the animating life passes

through to animate the whole cell. If our Congresses can fulfil the function of nucleus to the world, if from the life we feel we can pour fresh life into the world, so that our life and the world's life are felt as one, then indeed we fulfil the function of a nucleus. We need to feel the experience of communion with all mankind, and to carry the experience of this communion with the one life back into our Lodges and our work. We must experience this communion, know it, live in it, and then we shall be able to live not only the brotherhood of the lesser life of humanity, but we may indeed begin to live the life of the Greater Brotherhood, of the Elder Brethren of our race. Here, in the Congress, we have lived the life of the brotherhood of Europe as it is today, and in so doing we have made clear the possibility of that future brotherhood of Europe which one day must surely be. We have gathered from a divided Europe. Let us return to our homes with a united Europe in our hearts, and may the peace that transcends all misunderstanding pass on through us all to all those who so desperately need it.

"This Congress is not concluded, for its work goes on, and will go on from year to year, for the work of this Congress and all that it stands for can only be concluded when the peace of Europe is achieved."

(A.G.)

THE SOUTH AMERICAN FEDERATION

THE SOUTH AMERICAN FEDERATION was organized under the presidency of Señora Julia de la Gamma, who again became President in 1937.

The first Congress was held on 18 April 1930, the following Sections taking part: Argentina, Peru, Brazil, Chile and Uruguay. At the second Congress held at Montevideo, April

1931, it was resolved to unify the official organs of Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Peru into one publication under the name of *El Teosofico Sud-Americano*. The third Congress, postponed till 1933, took place at Santiago; the fourth at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 1934, Mr. C. Jinarjadasa presiding; the fifth at Rosario, Argentina, 1935; and the latest at Rosario, March 1937.

ADYAR

THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

Dr. Annie Besant:

LOOKING to the future I can see a vision of Adyar becoming one of the great religious Centres of the world. As the great religions more and more in every land recognize their unity and understand that there is but one great religion, the love and service of God and Man, as taught in every faith, hearts will awaken to the true significance of Adyar. As that day grows older and older in the world's memory, as centuries hence Adyar still stands as a testimony to the unifying effect of the Divine Wisdom, then shall there be still deeper love, still more recognition of its priceless value, of its glory in the hearts of generation after generation.

Adyar has been made sacred by the presence of the Great Founders, the Supreme Teachers, who are among the guardians of mankind. It has been made sacred by countless memories of gratitude to Them, of work to spread the teaching They revived. And so when we come back in other lives we shall find our Adyar still lighting the world, shedding its rays farther and farther over our globe, drawing to itself a profounder reverence. Shall it not be that in such happier times the Great Teachers of humanity will again walk the paths of the world? They walked it in the olden days. They will walk it again, and Adyar shall still be a Centre and receive Their blessing.

Dr. G. S. Arundale:

Of one thing I am very sure. For each member who comes to Adyar for the International Convention the time passes all too quickly. Apart from the gatherings, fascinating in their nature, apart from the really beautiful and inspiring entertainments which are

given, there are two outstanding features of such a visit to Adyar.

The first outstanding feature is the glorious scenery, the wonderful Indian scenery, the Adyar river, the Bay of Bengal, the palm groves, the casuarina plantations, the incomparable moonlight nights giving delicate and shimmering silver effects to the adjacent waters. It is a revelation to stay at Adyar and to mingle with its sub-human life of tree, of flower, of birds, and squirrels such as you have probably never seen before. And the walks through the leaf-shaded groves and cunning pathways, with notes from bird and palm-toned wind! What occasion for quiet contemplation and the lifting of consciousness into scintillating regions of bliss! It would be worth while to come to Adyar even if only for these unforgettable experiences. To come to Adyar, as so many visitors unconnected with our Society have testified, is to enter an Abode of Peace such as the outer world does not know at all.

The second outstanding feature is the unsurpassed opportunity for mingling with members of many faiths, of many nations, of many outlooks. Universal Brotherhood is visible at our International Conventions. We begin to understand from delightful experience what our First Object can actually mean in fact. Viewpoints so different. Temperaments so varied. Purposes so diverse. And yet all within an almost indefinable charm of comradeship, so that there arises a veritable wealth of giving and receiving, with the result that without knowing it we become changed, we grow, we expand. Our lives cease to be so limited. We begin to understand where heretofore we have

condemned and criticized. We become Theosophists, and not merely members of The Theosophical Society. We know from practical experience that our Society is indeed a family, and may well become a wonderfully happy family, if only its members will somehow try to attend its Conventions, International where they can, but always the National Conventions.

Were there no Symposia, no Lectures, no Questions and Answers meetings, these two unique features would alone justify a visit, in very truth a pilgrimage, to Adyar.

But in addition to these features, and to all the gatherings, there are many other matters of interest.

There are the two great Memorial Schools—one to the President-Founder, the other to Dr. Annie Besant, the first for the poorer students and for those who have hitherto been called the "depressed classes," the other for the more well-to-do, and intended in special measure to carry out Dr. Besant's educational principles for more responsible citizenship. Both Schools have earned the warmest encomia from Government authorities, and are wonderfully interesting.

Then there is the Adyar Dispensary and the Baby Welcome, most remarkable places to visit especially in the early mornings, when brown babies galore come for food and treatment.

I suppose I need hardly mention the great and internationally famous Adyar Library, repository of thousands of manuscripts and ancient books, where students and learned men may be seen at work day after day, with our Buddhist monk-librarian flitting here and there in his yellow robes. In many ways this great Library is the *sanctum sanctorum* of the whole Estate.

Then there is The Theosophical Publishing House, whence the great truths of Theosophy are sent far and wide throughout the world. Here are

to be found seated in comfortable chairs students who wish to glance through the books they are thinking of purchasing—a most restful activity. And then there are the bargains, the books which are cheapened even beyond the dreams of miserliness or penury so that they may carry their message more widely.

And when we have visited The Theosophical Publishing House, we hasten to see the place where so much of our literature is so well printed—the Vasanta Press, established by Dr. Besant, whose name is perpetuated in the word Vasanta, and left in her will to The Society.

What shall we say of the holy Garden of Remembrance where lie the ashes of our second President and of Bishop Leadbeater? What shall we say of the sacred spot where was cremated the body of the President-Founder? Both memorials face north as is meet and right, for they thus face the Himalayas, and the world's Heart beyond.

Is there a single member who at least does not long to visit his great Adyar home, the seat of the International Headquarters of his Society?

Is it not time that some of our members began to make a really serious effort to visit Adyar at any rate once in their lives? Why not now? Why not an effort to attend an International Convention at Adyar?

Mr. C. Jinarajadasa:

Adyar stands for the noblest dream of the noblest men and women today. That dream is to make the world one, so that the peoples of the North and South, East and West may look into each other's faces and rejoice at being brothers. Adyar stands for God and for Man, not as two separate parts, but as one indivisible Unity. Wisdom and Beauty, Science and Religion, Progress and Spirituality are one to us at Adyar, and we work at Adyar to make the whole world the home of Theosophy.

HEADQUARTERS STAFF—1937

PRESIDENT: DR. GEORGE S. ARUNDALE

ADYAR DISPENSARY: Dr. T. P. Sundram.

ADYAR LIBRARY: Dr. G. Srinivasa Murthi.

ADYAR MUSEUM: Miss E. Petrie.

ADYAR STORES: Mr. N. Sundram, Mr. P. M. Ramachandram.

ARCHIVES OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: The President; Assistant, Mrs. S. Ransom.

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BESANT SCOUT CAMPING CENTRE: Mr. M. Krishnan.

BHOJANASALA: Mr. C. Subbaramayya.

BUILDINGS: Mr. C. V. Shah.

DAIRY: Mr. C. Krishnayya, Shrimati Seshammal.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER: Mr. K. Srinivasa Iyengar.

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HEADQUARTERS: Mr. C. V. Shah, Mrs. Krishnabai Shah.

LAUNDRY: Mr. C. V. Shah, Madame P. C. d'Amato.

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LEGAL ADVISER: Mr. Hirendra Nath Datta.

MEDICAL AND SANITARY DEPARTMENT: Dr. C. R. Kamath.

RESIDENT MEDICAL OFFICER: Dr. T. P. Sundram.

POST OFFICE, THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: Mr. K. Natarajan.

PRESIDENT: Private Secretary, Miss N. Makey.

PRESS DEPARTMENT:

The Theosophist, Mr. J. L. Davidge. *The Theosophical World*, The President.

The Young Theosophist, Shrimati Rukmini Devi and Mr. Alex. Elmore.

PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT: Attached to The Theosophical Publishing House.

RECEPTION OFFICER: Miss E. Petrie.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Dr. G. Srinivasa Murthi.

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT: Mr. M. Subramania Iyer.

SELLON RECREATION CLUB: Mr. H. van de Poll.

THEOSOPHICAL PUBLISHING HOUSE: The President, Mr. H. van de Poll.

TRANSPORTATION: Mr. P. M. Ramachandram.

TREASURER: Mr. N. Sri Ram.

ASSISTANT TO THE TREASURER: Mr. H. van de Poll.

FINANCIAL ADVISER: Captain E. M. Sellon.

VASANTA PRESS: Mr. C. Subbarayudu.

YOUNG THEOSOPHISTS, WORLD FEDERATION: Shrimati Rukmini Devi.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

ADYAR PLAYERS: Shrimati Rukmini Devi.

BESANT MEMORIAL SCHOOL: Mr. K. Sankara Menon.

BHARAT SAMAJ: Mr. C. Subbaramayya.

CO-FREEMASONRY: Mr. N. Sri Ram.

E.S.T.: Mr. C. Jinarajadasa, Mr. N. Sri Ram, Miss H. S. Kemp.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF THE ARTS: Shrimati Rukmini Devi.

Dance: Mr. Muthu Kumara Pillai.

Drama: Mr. Alex. Elmore.

Music: Mr. Papanasam Sivan.

Weaving: Mr. C. V. Shah.

OLCOTT HARIJAN SCHOOL: Mr. M. Krishnan.

PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT

THE literary output from Adyar is on the increase because of a growing world demand for Theosophical literature, and the splendid co-operation of the publication departments under the President (Dr. Arundale). These comprise the Theosophical Publishing House, the Press Department and the Vasanta Press.

Besides supplying the Indian newspapers with a continuous stream of Theosophical news, the Press Department produces *The Theosophist*, the President's international journal; *The Theosophical World*, the family journal for the members of The Society; the Year Book, and other matter.

Among Adyar journals edited by other workers are the following :

Brahmavidya, the quarterly bulletin of the Adyar Library.

The Young Theosophist, edited by Shrimati Rukmini Devi, President of the World Federation of Young Theosophists, and Mr. Alex. Elmore.

The Morning Star, a Masonic journal, edited by Mr. N. Sri Ram.

New India, a fortnightly paper edited by Dr. Arundale and Mr. N. Sri Ram to carry on the "Besant tradition" in Indian politics, a very vital factor in this era of Constitution building.

The Publicity Department is now a part of the Theosophical Publishing House, and is supplying a steady demand for Campaign pamphlets in all parts of the world.

The Theosophical Publishing House, with its agencies in London, Wheat-

on, and elsewhere, has had a busy and successful year, disseminating Theosophical literature in response to the demand. Its Publicity Department reports the keenest interest in the President's Campaign for Understanding (1937-8), which has as its object the minimizing of the causes of friction amongst nations and individuals the world over.

Among this year's publications, which are both unique and timely, is *A Short History of The Theosophical Society*, compiled from authentic documents in the archives at Adyar after long and careful research. This book throws additional light on the origin and the work and development of The Society. *A Source Book of Wisdom* is an alphabetical compilation of 1,000 original quotations from the classic literature of Theosophy on more than 250 vital topics. Indicative of the universal character of the T.P.H. in supplying both Oriental and Occidental literature is the publication in 1937 of *Saundarya Lahari*, or the "Ocean of Beauty," a translation of an ancient Sanskrit treatise describing the perfections of the Mother of the Worlds, and the technique of Her worship.

The next great task of the T.P.H. will be the issue of a Theosophical Encyclopaedia, which will be the first of its kind. The typographical and artistic excellence of the publications of this House reflect its progressive modern trend. The T.P.H. continues to be the official agent for South India of the League of Nations publications.

THE ADYAR LIBRARY

THE Adyar Library, though not replete as to western literature, contains one of the finest collections of Oriental manuscripts in the world. In the eastern section are 7,000 Oriental manuscripts and 14,000 printed books. In the western section 39,000 volumes; in the whole Library 60,000 volumes.

The Library was formally opened by the President-Founder of The Theo-

sophical Society (Col. Olcott) on the 28th December 1886, and when he passed away twenty years later it had already attained a place of eminence among the world's libraries and universities, notwithstanding that it has fundamentally a Theosophical purpose and is not a competitor in the field of popular libraries.

On 1st January 1936 the Adyar Library Association was formed to

extend the influence of the Library as a cultural centre. Dr. G. S. Arundale is President of this Association.

At the Golden Jubilee of the Adyar Library, 28th December 1936, it was determined to issue a quarterly journal appearing on significant anniversaries in the Theosophical calendar, and commencing on 17th February 1937—the anniversary of the President-Founder's passing. The other publication dates

are May 8th, October 1st, and December 1st. The journal is named *Brahmavidya*, and with its function of publishing rare texts combines that of disseminating the Divine Wisdom (*Brahmavidya*) of which the Library is a repository. The Bulletin is a scholarly production, and is edited by Dr. C. Kunhan Raja, curator of the eastern section.

The Director of the Library is Dr. G. Srinivasa Murthi.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF THE ARTS

FOUNDED 6 January 1936, at Adyar. President: Shrimati Rukmini Devi. The International Academy of the Arts is a focus for the influences which are being released through the new art movement in The Theosophical Society. Objects: 1. To emphasize the essential unity of all true art. 2. To work for the recognition of the Arts as inherent in effective individual, national and religious growth.

The Academy is also gaining recognition as a factor in the cultural development of India; a well known art journal (*Triveni*) recently linked Adyar with Shantiniketan as places where the renaissance is to be seen bodying forth "the New India of our dreams and strivings—the Mother Beautiful."

The Academy is temporarily accommodated in the beautiful and simple setting of the Besant Memorial School. This offers the great advantage to junior students of an all-round general education, in addition to the expert training in any particular art. The only building at present exclusively used for the Academy is a cottage studio. Eventually, it is hoped, there will be at Adyar a great international art centre where people of all countries will find inspiration. In the meantime it is felt that there is no better foundation for its international character than the strengthening in Indian life of that age-old culture which is the source of culture in most parts of the world. The activities of the Academy are varied:

Music: The Director of Musical Studies is Brahmāsri Papanasam Sivan,

one of the foremost South Indian musicians of his day.

Dance: This section is under the personal supervision of Shrimati Rukmini Devi herself. She has already given several dance recitals, which were hailed by the Press as inaugurating a new era in Indian art. Both Bharata Natya, the classic dance of South India, and the more simple folk dancing are being taught: they are in the expert hands of Mr. K. Muthukumara Pillai of Tanjore. In the near future it is hoped to produce dance dramas based on the splendid epics of India.

Drama: Dramatic Art classes meet the needs of the student not only of acting, but of the full theatre technique. In September 1937 (18th and 21st) Shrimati Rukmini Devi produced Sir Edwin Arnold's "Light of Asia," adapted in ten episodes. Beauty and efficiency characterized both performances, which were given to large audiences in the open-air theatre, Adyar.

Weaving: In September 1937 the Academy added a Weaving Department, where Indian goods of a high standard of artistry will be produced by professional weavers. The factory was opened by the Minister for Labour and Industries (Hon. V. V. Giri), who intimated that the lead which would be given to the weaving industry at Adyar was "bound to be an example for others to copy in every part of India."

Exhibitions: Exhibitions of Arts and Crafts will be held with the aim of restoring to the Indian home its original beauty, dignity and simplicity.

THE BESANT MEMORIAL SCHOOL

THE Besant Memorial School, situated in Besant Gardens, Adyar, is a flourishing experiment in Theosophical education, and the nucleus of a College and a University of the future. Established in 1934, it embodies and perpetuates the ideals of Dr. Besant in education: the religious spirit, wise and constructive patriotism, pure and idealistic emotions, keen and challenging minds, and a spirit of leadership and service.

Envisaging a Besant University near Adyar, Dr. Arundale has said: "The most splendid memorial that can possibly be—far better than any statues, far better than any scholarship, far better than any other memorial must there be a great educational centre in which the young citizens of India may become great citizens and some of those perhaps great leaders to help India onwards."

The School is administered by a Trust of which Dr. Arundale is the President. Education is from the Montessori up to the University.

Teachers number 20, and scholars 140, all carefully selected with a view to the high ideals of the school. The school is officially recognized by the Education Department of the Madras Presidency.

The Inspecting Officer, in his 1937 report, comments on the efficiency of the School, the increasing devotion to duty on the part of the teachers, and the success with which the School is pursuing its aim to train up the "future man and woman." He commends the School as "an experiment in the latest ideas in education," and finds not only an improvement on the work of the previous year, but also new openings for higher development.

The School is self-governing, all affairs of importance being decided by the students and staff assembly.

Much of the health and happiness of the School is due to the motherly care of Shrimati Seshammal, mother of Shrimati Rukmini Devi and Honorary Lady Superintendent.

Headmaster, Mr. K. Sankara Menon, M.A.

THE OLCOTT MEMORIAL SCHOOL

OF an entirely different type but no less flourishing is the Olcott Memorial School, founded by Colonel Olcott (President-Founder) in 1894, for the education of Panchamas (outcastes), or Harijans (children of God, as they are now called). Here scholars and teachers of all castes—Brahmin, Hindu, and Harijan—mingle happily and move as members of one family. Besides the ordinary primary subjects, taught in the vernacular (Tamil), instruction is given in English and in arts and crafts.

The school derives half its income from Government and endowments and

depends for the other half on donations. Scholars number 460 (Harijan 280) in 14 classes, with 15 teachers.

The superintendents have been successively: Miss Palmer (1898-1901), Mrs. Courtwright (1901-07), Miss Kofel (1907-21), Miss Orr (1921-23), and Mr. M. Krishnan, who took charge at the request of Dr. Besant; he is a son of Pundit Mahadeva Shastri, one time director of the Adyar Oriental Library.

The central hall is named after Mr. Albert Schwarz (Treasurer of The Theosophical Society) who for 25 years was Secretary-Treasurer of the School and generously aided it financially.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

ADYAR has four centres of recreation—the Adyar Theatre for drama, the Academy Cottage and the Blavatsky Hall for entertainments, and the Sellon

Recreation Club for games. Besides tennis and tenniquoit courts, the Sellon Club has a library and reading room in the pavilion, which is a happy centre of

social attraction, especially in the winter season, reaching its climax at Convention.

Social gatherings are held also under the wide-spreading Banyan Tree, where 3,000 people used to listen to Dr. Besant. Here on 25th July 1937 Dr. and Mrs. Arundale entertained the Ministers of the Madras Government, the President stressing the urgent need for carrying on the Besant tradition in Indian politics.

Over a thousand Scouts use the

Besant Scout Camping Centre every year. This miniature Gilwell Park is a popular rendezvous not only for Adyar Scouts, but for many other Troops in the Madras Presidency.

During the winter season the Adyar Lodge, T.S., holds weekly meetings in the Blavatsky Hall. The Young Theosophists also meet regularly and are negotiating for the completion of their International Headquarters, situated in a picturesque area near the Sellon Club.

MEDICAL SERVICES

THREE doctors, F.T.S., reside on or near the Estate—Dr. Srinivasa Murti, Head of the Madras School of Indian Medicine; Dr. Rama Kamath, a retired civil surgeon; and Dr. T. P. Sundram a practising physician, who is in charge of the Dispensary. About 4,500 cases a year are treated by Dr. Sundram and a nurse.

The medical services at the Adyar Headquarters supply gratuitous assist-

ance to the large Indian population in the adjacent villages.

Associated with the Dispensary is the Baby Welcome (Child Welfare Centre) which has for several years dealt with over 125 maternity cases per annum without a single death, and has appreciably decreased child mortality in the neighbouring villages. A daily average of 110 children attend the Centre, of whom 100 are treated for minor ailments.

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

IN January 1937 a Research Department was established at Adyar with a view to collecting materials for the completion of the historical narratives written by the President-Founder, Col. Olcott, under the title of *Old Diary Leaves* (six volumes), which ended on 1 October 1898. This Department is in charge of Mr. M. Subramania Iyer, an experienced and versatile Theosophist, who is preparing material for a series entitled *New Diary Leaves*. Considerable progress was made with this work during 1937.

The Research officer will be grateful for information as to the various overseas visits of the Founders and Presidents

and other prominent members of The Society since 1898; Press and other comments on these visits; information regarding the formation of Sections, Lodges and Centres since 1898; biographical details regarding prominent members of The Society, or of persons interested in The Society and Theosophy; the general growth of interest in Theosophy and The Theosophical Society, and the influence of Theosophical activity on the life of the people in religion, in politics, in education, etc.; information as to any crises through which the Section, Lodge or Centre may from time to time have passed.

The sun of Theosophy must shine for all, not for a part. There is more of this movement than you have yet had an inkling of, and the work of The Theosophical Society is linked with similar work that is secretly going on in all parts of the world,—“The Mahatma Letters.”

THEOSOPHY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

THE membership of The Theosophical Society on 1st December 1937 stood at 29,842. The number of members who have passed through The Society from its foundation in 1875 to 1936 is, in round figures, 154,000.

The number of charters granted to Lodges during the same period is 2,944.

The membership on 1st December 1936 is indicated in the following table :

No.	National Societies in Chronological Sequence	Date of Charter	No. of Lodges	No. of Members	Net gain or loss in 1935	Net gain or loss in 1936
1	America (U.S.) ¹ ...	30-10-1886	152	4,317	+157	—103
2	England ² ...	19-10-1888	126	3,445	+ 28	— 75
3	India ...	1-1-1891	262	4,124	+ 7	+129
4	Australia ...	1-1-1895	22	1,181	— 49	— 96
5	Sweden ...	7-7-1895	34	498	— 7	—113
6	New Zealand ...	7-4-1896	19	802	— 37	— 21
7	Netherlands ...	14-5-1897	45	2,050	— 44	— 7
8	France ...	2-8-1899	70	2,628	— 54	— 51
9	Italy ...	17-1-1902	18	358	— 51	+ 29
	Germany ...	27-7-1902	D I S S O L V E D			
10	Cuba ...	7-2-1905	27	572	+ 40	+ 98
11	Hungary ...	7-7-1907	10	212	— 34	— 38
12	Finland ...	21-10-1907				
	(Re-chartered) ...	11-11-1933	20	522	+ 63	+ 74
13	Russia ...	12-11-1908	12	166	+ 10	— 5
14	Czechoslovakia ...	7-2-1909	7	84	+ 4	
15	South Africa ...	27-4-1909	7	196	+ 40	— 17
16	Scotland ...	3-3-1910	27	402	— 26	— 15
17	Switzerland ...	1-12-1910	13	303	+ 32	+ 41
18	Belgium ...	7-6-1911	12	392	+ 10	+ 11
19	Netherlands-Indies ...	6-4-1912	40	1,335	+ 56	+ 95
20	Burma ...	1-10-1912	12	167	+ 25	+ 23
21	Austria ...	28-11-1912	9	393	— 15	— 14
22	Norway ...	8-9-1913	7	230	+ 18	— 1
23	Denmark ...	16-9-1918	11	455	+ 44	+ 12
	Forward ...		962	24,832		

¹ Re-chartered 5-6-1895.

² Re-chartered as European Section 17-7-1891.

No.	National Societies in Chronological Sequence	Date of Charter	No. of Lodges	No. of Members	Net gain or loss in 19 5	Net gain or loss in 1936
	Forward ...		962	24,832		
24	Ireland ...	25-8-1919	8	83	— 4	— 5
25	Mexico ...	12-11-1919	16	298	— 4	+ 12
26	Canada ...	12-11-1919	17	345	+ 5	
27	Argentina ...	18-1-1920	21	336	+ 28	+ 12
28	Chile ...	20-1-1920	7	130	+ 43	— 18
29	Brazil ...	20-1-1920	18	496		
30	Bulgaria ...	27-2-1920	5	83	— 4	+ 1
31	Iceland ...	5-1-1921	6	189	— 11	— 6
32	Spain ...	28-4-1921	24	510	— 11	
33	Portugal ...	5-9-1921	9	157	— 23	+ 12
34	Wales ...	28-6-1922	15	271	— 15	— 22
35	Poland ...	26-7-1923	7	198	+ 8	+ 11
36	Uruguay ...	7-1-1925	5	70	— 4	
37	Puerto Rico ...	28-1-1925	7	94	+ 14	
38	Rumania ...	10-6-1925	8	188	+ 11	
39	Jugoslavia ...	14-9-1925	15	311	+ 31	+ 53
40	Ceylon ...	1-10-1926	3	146	+ 10	
41	Greece ...	21-5-1928	8	162	+ 35	— 8
42	Central America ...	12-5-1929	12	254	+ 94	+ 31
43	Central S. Africa ...	15-5-1929	5	223	+ 36	
44	Philippine Islands ...	19-7-1933	7	108		
	Egypt ...	16-1-1918	1	39		
	Paraguay ...	12-7-1929	1	7		
	Peru ...	21-9-1929	1	27		
	Singapore Lodge ...	1-8-1911	1	16	+ 1	+ 3
	Nairobi Lodge ...	9-9-1918	1	10		
	Barbados Lodge ...	11-9-1919	1	9		
	Manuk Lodge ...	9-4-1923	1	20	— 15	— 1
	H.P.B. Lodge ...	24-1-1924	1	10		
	Miroku Lodge ...	16-5-1928	1	6		
	Selangor Lodge ...	24-6-1929	1	9		+ 2
	Shanghai Lodge ...	9-9-1931	1	20		+ 2
	Canadian Federation ...		7	171	+ 23	+ 9
	Fellows-at-Large ...			14		
	Total ...		1,203	29,842		

NATIONAL SURVEYS—SEE NEXT PAGE

In not less than fifty countries The Theosophical Society is organized, in very truth a Spiritual League of Nations. The following Surveys to 1 September 1937 trace the unfolding of the Nations' ideals, social and cultural, and the

course and achievement of Theosophy. See other pages for membership figures, lists of General Secretaries, and biographies of workers, past and present. For National Surveys prior to the period under review refer to the 1937 Year Book.

NATIONAL SURVEYS

IN publishing these Surveys I am by no means endorsing either generally or in detail the policies of the various countries concerned. On the contrary, in the case of some countries I most emphatically disapprove, however impertinent the disapproval may appear, of the activities of their governments. On the other hand, peoples and their governments are fortunately two very distinct elements, and there is always occasion for the sympathetic understanding of peoples while at the same time for a strong disapproval of their governments. Furthermore, there is always good in every country, and it is the policy of this International Year Book to seek and discover the good in every country. Therefore, each National Survey is an appreciation, without involving for a single moment the conclusion that because there is appreciation therefore either The Theosophical Society or I approve of each country in all its ways. The Theosophical Society neither approves nor disapproves. It has no policy as regards practice, leaving to individual members the duty in this direction, though it has a policy as regards principles which is expressed in its three Objects. As for myself I publish this Year Book as a messenger of goodwill to every country throughout the world, with no exceptions whatever, and deliberately sound the note of appreciation in each case, leaving the note of condemnation unvoiced. Everywhere there is good. In this Year Book only the good will be found.

ARGENTINA

President of Republic: Ingeniero Don Agustin B. Justo, 1932-8.

Capital: Buenos Aires. **Area:** 1,079,965 sq. m. **pop.** 1936, 12,561,361.

National Survey:

Keynote: Progressive Democracy, Peace, Goodwill.

A country with tremendous potentialities for wealth and power, culture and character. The last decade has marked great expansion. Recent purchase of the Central Cordoba Railway has consolidated the whole system of State Railways, connecting by one line the distant north with the Federal capital. Government is contemplating the purchase of all privately-owned railways for the co-ordination of transportation. Government purchase of the entire assets of the Standard Oil in Argentina has given full control to the Yacimien-

tos Petroliferos Fiscales, a State-owned enterprise.

The 1936 Nobel Peace prize was awarded Dr. Saavedra Lamas, Argentine Foreign Minister, President of the Assembly of the League of Nations for 1936, and Presiding Officer of the Inter-American Peace Congress at Buenos Aires in December 1936. In a Garden of Peace in La Plata every friendly nation is represented by a bed of its national flower.

Cultural Life:

Argentina is still a young nation which is being welded into a culturally synthetic "Argentine" type. There is a desire for "spiritual self-sufficiency." Three truly representative works of this national literature are: Sarmiento's *Facunda*, José Hernandez' *Martin Fierro*, and Ricardo Güiraldes'

Don Segundo Sombra, all of which have achieved a place in world literature. Dr. Juan P. Echague, President of the Argentine National Committee for Public Libraries, says: "The future of our literature lies in its complete liberation from outside tutelage . . . It must be the expression of the Argentine soul. In his own land, the Argentine is discovering his own image and the positive elements of his character."

The Argentine Society for Progress of Science awarded four travelling fellowships in 1936.

Theosophy in Argentina :

General Secretary: Señor Raul Angel Wyngaard.

An event of the year was the Congress of the South American Federation, held in Rosario 26-28 March 1937. Newspapers and broadcasts co-operated in spreading Theosophy.

The Argentine Theosophical Library of eight thousand volumes, with its journal *Evolucion*, plays an important part in Theosophical propaganda. For a nominal fee these books are lent by mail. *Kuntur*, the official organ, throws the light of Theosophy upon the Nation's culture, and 500 numbers of this journal were given to libraries,

universities, etc. Five thousand copies of Mr. Jinarajadasa's lecture *Theosophy and Brotherhood* were distributed. Since July 1936 several groups have been formed for training Theosophical workers. The Sattva Centre in Buenos Aires and the Adyar Centre at La Plata have been chartered as Lodges. A Centre at La Banda is doing good work. The La Paz Lodge of Bolivia is again affiliated to the Argentina Section.

The Section is looking forward to a Theosophical World Congress in 1943 in South America.

Beauty and Youth are being stressed in this very enthusiastic and active Section.

(The Argentina Section includes a Lodge in the **Republic of Bolivia**: Provisional President: Colonel Busch 14 July 1937. Capital: La Paz. Area (exclusive of land disputed by Paraguay): 506,467 sq.m. Est. pop. 1935: 3,170,787. The new Government declares it will pursue a policy of peace; respect international treaties; maintain public order; and will not permit private interests to be sacrificed for collective. Among the 18 institutions offering University instruction, the St. Xavier University at Sucre (1624) is one of the oldest in America.)

AUSTRALIA

Governor-General of Commonwealth in British Empire: His Excellency Brigadier-General the Right Hon. Alexander Gore Arkwright, Baron Gowrie. V.C., K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O. 23-1-36.

Capital: Canberra. Area: 2,974,581 sq. m. Est. pop., Dec. '35: 6,753,114.

National Survey :

Keynote of this virile young country: "The Spirit of Adventure, and of Brotherhood, and a widespread Appreciation of the Beautiful." (G.S.A.)

Australia claims to have won its challenge to the world that the white man can live and work efficiently in the tropics. Plans are being laid for the 150th celebration on 26 January 1938 of Australia's

Foundation Day. This is linked with the arrival of Admiral Phillip's First Fleet in Sydney Cove, 1788. On 28 December 1936 ten thousand people saw re-enacted the first landing a century ago at Glenelg, S. Australia. In those days Australia was a land to tempt only the courageous pioneer. Today experts declare that Australia could make itself completely self-contained, so varied and rich are its resources.

Assisted immigration from Britain is being revived. The Fairbridge Farm Schools, the Big Brother Movement, and the New Settlers League will help these newcomers to become integrated.

The great Hume Reservoir and Dam, which has been under construction for seventeen years, and is the eighth

largest in the world, is now in operation. It will increase irrigable land by one million acres and ensure the productivity of hundreds of thousands of acres where drought has hitherto killed many millions of sheep. It will also be available for the generation of electricity.

Australia's economic recovery has proceeded at an even pace since the reconstruction measures of 1931. One of the many contributing factors has been the remarkable expansion of industrial production from a pre-depression employment of 430,000 to 475,000 today.

"All-Australian" aeroplanes, with practically 100% Australian materials, are being manufactured.

South Australia is engaged in the early stages of a five-year plan for constructing and rebuilding nearly 1,500 miles of bitumen-surfaced roads at a cost of £5,000,000.

A proposed Constitutional Amendment seeks to establish in the Federation the power to pass laws to regulate marketing.

Australia is one of the few countries with compulsory arbitration. On June 23 the Commonwealth Arbitration Court unanimously awarded 53 unions, comprising 600,000 workers, an increase in the basic wage, averaging 5s. weekly over the whole Commonwealth. The increase operates from July 1 for pastoral, maritime and waterside workers, while others were to receive its full effect only in October.

To secure a closer contact with other nations and to further Australia's general interests, representatives are to be appointed at some of the principal foreign capitals.

Australia and Japan have composed their trade differences with a bartering agreement.

Cultural Life :

Australasia is the southern hemisphere centre for a new racial type : "the Australian is nearer the spirit of Australia than is the average man to the spirit of his country, because the future is nearer to the Australian. . . . The true Australian is open-hearted, he is sincere, he

is simple, he has vision." (G.S.A.) Out of such qualities arise leadership, and to Australia the world must look for men and women who can vision over far horizons newer solutions to world problems.

There is a strong movement toward international understanding. On July 22, the Australian Trade Union Congress decided upon an anti-war campaign. On 16 September 1936 a resolution was made in the Senate (Canberra) that H.M. the King invite the nations of the world to a congress to decide upon a common language "to encourage the breaking down of barriers in the interests of mutual understanding and peace."

Detribalized natives are to be educated to become efficient economic units ; semi-detribalized natives will be placed in reserves where they may live in their own fashion ; while the Myalls will continue to live in inviolable reserves.

Tasmania has taken a first step towards nationalizing the medical profession by appointing ten doctors who, paid by the State, will after January 1938 give free service to rich and poor alike. In Australia the death rate and infant mortality are among the lowest in the world.

Sydney Museum officials have found in the heart of Central Australia marine fossils perhaps 700 million years old.

Artists have applied to the British Government for a Charter for a Royal Australian Academy of Art. The impulse towards beauty is shown in the painting of some of the newer trains sky-blue, rose, moonstone, gold and green shades.

Deeply loyal, Australia sees itself as "Another Britain in the Southern Seas." (Prime Minister). There is the closest co-operation, both political and economic, with the Mother-country. The people not only gathered on May 12, in the official thanksgiving service at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, to follow the Coronation Ritual, but in all the churches commemorative services were held, and brilliant processions paraded through every State capital.

Prominent buildings everywhere, and in Sydney the Harbour bridge, were floodlit.

Theosophy in Australia :

General Secretary : Ray G. Litchfield, 1936-.

All the larger Lodges in Australia own their own premises, or are housed in Theosophically-owned buildings, which create a favourable impression of stability. Adyar House, 29 Bligh Street, Sydney, is a dignified block even among Sydney skyscrapers. The Section Office is housed therein, as also is the Blavatsky Lodge. The Melbourne Theosophical Society has erected an imposing edifice on the site of Queen's Hall in Collins Street. This new building was opened in 1937 and has enhanced greatly the prestige of the Lodge.

Nearly all Lodges have lending libraries where books, Theosophical, occult and general, may be borrowed free or at nominal cost. Large Lodges keep these libraries open daily.

The Section journal, *Theosophy in Australia*, is showing vigorous life under the editorial management of Mr. L. W. Burt, The Manor, Mosman, N.S.W.

Important recent tours are those of Mr. Jinarajadasa in 1936, Miss Neff's intensive lecture work 1937, and the present tour of Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Hodson who intend to remain in Australia during 1938.

The 1937 Annual Convention was held in Sydney at Easter.

During 1937 the Australian Federation of Youth was formed, with groups in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth, with John J. Clark as President. The Youth Movement in Australia is co-ordinated by *Zest*, a monthly journal, edited in Sydney by Bert Ferrie.

The Brisbane Young Theosophists work actively for world understanding through a Youth Group in the local League of Nations Union. The young people occasionally produce occult plays.

The Theosophical Order of Service is active. Brisbane Lodge conducts admirably a home for retired gentlewomen.

Under a new twenty-one year contract with Station 2GB, the Australian Section has reserved four weekly sessions of fifteen minutes each. This time is allocated to disinterested humanitarian movements, public welfare, Straight Theosophy, and Theosophy applied to questions of the day.

AUSTRIA

President of the Federal State :
Dr. Wilhelm Miklas, re-elected 9 Oct. '31.

Capital : Vienna. Area : 32,369 sq.m.
Pop. 1934 : 6,767,233.

National Survey :

Keynote : "The Spirit of Culture into which the Spirit of the Quest largely enters." (G.S.A.)

All political activity is reserved for the "Vaterlandsche Front" (V.F.), an organization now widespread, which includes all people who will work for an "independent Christian, German and Socialistic Austria." According to Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, Federal Chancellor, an essential feature of the new State is that it is neither a State of the workers nor of any other class, but a

State endeavouring to serve the interests of *all* classes.

There is an influential Monarchist movement and the Austrian Government has permitted Archduke Otto to set up an office of a Chamberlain (Count Mirbach) in Vienna. Dr. von Schuschnigg declared that there were no objections to this movement as long as it did not clash with the principles of the Fatherland Front, and that the Government of Austria was a purely internal question to be decided by Austrians alone.

Youth is gathered together in an organization called "Jung Vaterland," in which the ideals of strength through sport and patriotism are inculcated.

During the last few years Austria has worked successfully to consolidate its

economic position. An interior government loan was raised to minimize unemployment through road-making, electrifying railway lines, etc., as well as a fund for defence. For the first time since 1929, the Budget showed a small surplus. There is an increase in foreign trade, and the tourist traffic is bringing new money in appreciable quantity into the country. Building is going on, villages are clean, fields are fully cultivated. Children are adequately fed, shod and clothed. If not abundance, there is at least a sense of general sufficiency. Statistics show that the price increases in Austria have been least of all the European countries.

Austria is profoundly devoted to peace. She is not rearming for the sake of war, for the Austrians are an unusually pacific people, inspired by cultural and international ideals. While closely allied with Hungary, Italy and Germany, Austria has established friendly relations with other nations. The Press endeavours to refrain from printing inaccurate news and reports which might lead to international misunderstandings.

Cultural Life :

Culture, which has its official Council to advise Government, is a dominant factor in the national life. The Fatherland Front has organized a "Mother Protection Work" (*Mutterschutzwerk*), with branches in all the larger towns, granting protection, financial and medical help and advice to mothers and expectant mothers. It has also inaugurated the "New Life" (*Neues Leben*) organization which promotes culture and right employment of leisure through entertainments, sports, music, and lectures on a variety of subjects. Cultural Treaties have been exchanged with Italy, Hungary and Germany.

Three hundred prisoners were set free by the Christmas amnesty of 1936.

The use of dogs for drawing any kind of vehicle or carrying any type of burden is definitely forbidden in Vienna. Captive birds are taught the use of their

wings so that when freed they may be strong to fly.

Blind children under the careful tuition of Dr. Lowenfeld at the Institute in Hohe Warte are taught to express their artistic yearnings through sculpture.

The Centenary of the birth of the famous laryngologist, Dr. Leopold von Kristelli, who was one of the first to introduce sanatoria for the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis, was celebrated 5 February 1937.

Dr. Alfred Adler, the world-famous psychoanalyst, died 28 May 1937.

Dr. Friederich Gottendenker of Vienna claims that he has found a substitute for human blood in transfusions.

The American Congress of Therapeutics has awarded the "Gold Key of Merit" and the title of honorary member to Dr. Stefan Jellinek, Professor at the University of Vienna, for his work in electropathology and his important contributions to the scientific development of physical therapeutics.

Miss Vera Menshik remains the woman chess champion of the world.

Theosophy in Austria :

General Secretary: Fritz Franz Schleifer.

All nine Lodges and the new Centre at Scheibbs have enthusiastically developed the Campaigns organized from Adyar. Unison or support celebrations are held for the Great Days.

Special numbers of the *Theosophische Nachrichten* translate some of the shorter Theosophical works for German-speaking Theosophists. The first of these booklets was *The World Mother as Symbol and Fact* by C. W. Leadbeater.

Mysticism as found in poetry, music, painting, religion and philosophy is stressed in Theosophical publicity and has attracted many beauty-loving Austrians. The visit of the President and Shrimati Rukmini Devi in 1936 still remains an inspiration to the Section. Her lecture "The Message of Beauty to Civilization" stimulated a keen interest among the Viennese for the message of Theosophy.

BELGIUM

Reigning King: Leopold III, born 3 November 1901, succeeded to Throne 23 February 1934.

Capital: Brussels. **Area:** 11,775 sq. m. **Est. pop. Dec. 1935:** 8,299,940. **Belgian Congo** (Congo Belge) **Dependency:** Gov.-Gen. Pierre Ryckmans, Dec. 1934; **Capital, Léopoldville;** **Area,** 918,000 sq.m. **Est. pop. 1936:** 9,824,643 native, 18,683 white.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Independence and Virility." (G.S.A.)

Leopold III has taken a strong hold of the reins of State both as to its internal and external relations. He entreated politicians to put an end to petty political quarrels in a spirit of mutual understanding and stated that he, the King, would remain above all political parties.

Release was secured for Belgium from the Treaty of Locarno, and now Belgium reverts to its pre-war policy of strict neutrality. "We aim resolutely at placing ourselves outside the conflicts of our neighbours," said the King.

M. van Zeeland, Prime Minister, in pursuance of an invitation from the British and French Governments to undertake an inquiry into the possibility of reducing the obstacles to international trade, visited many countries, including the United States of America.

King Leopold put forth a suggestion that received commendation from many Governments: That of a world organization (completely dissociated from political institutions) for economic study "of the great problems which menacingly confront humanity: distribution of raw materials; distribution of the means of exchange; international distribution of labour; equilibrium between the agricultural and industrial nations We cannot conceal from ourselves that whole sections of the human race are no longer in sympathy with each other. If one first step can be taken to bring them together again, we shall be offering to humanity, especially to the East—and otherwise than by words—

proof that the West values above all immediate considerations of a material nature, the spiritual strength which emanates from a genuine feeling of brotherhood."—Leopold.

In line with this policy, Belgium is not only a party to the Oslo Convention to remove trade limitations, but has extended the Oslo concessions to Germany, Great Britain, France and the United States.

Surpluses on hand make possible a reduction of 25% in the unemployment crisis tax.

Belgium is deeply interested in the humane treatment of prisoners. Serge Brisy, F.T.S., was decorated by King Leopold II for her splendid work in arousing the creative spirit in prisoners and giving it outlet through literary and artistic activities. The death penalty has been abolished. An Amnesty Law passed by the Senate granted full pardon to prisoners accused of treason during German occupation. A school of criminological science attached to the faculty of law was recently opened at the University of Brussels.

The village of Gheel is known throughout the world for its cures of mentally irresponsible people without confinement; all the villagers unite in sympathetic and understanding care of the afflicted.

The Belgian Government is organizing a National Crusade of Health under the direction of the Red Cross.

Since 1920 a university has existed in Antwerp dedicated solely to preparing young men for future colonial leadership. In this University even the living conditions approximate to those of the Congo, and here are studied the art, language and customs of the natives. As a consequence the Belgian Congo is today a model of a wisely-ruled, peaceful and prosperous colony.

Belgium holds the record in Europe for nursery school attendance, 66% of the total population between the ages of three to six benefiting by these schools.

Theosophy in Belgium :

General Secretary : Gaston Polak.

Theosophy in Belgium stresses Beauty and Service. Brussels headquarters is noted for the artistic productions of its young people directed by Serge Brisy. The drama, "The Other Wise Man of the East," first played 19 December 1936, was repeated later for orphanages and girls' detention homes. Despite small funds the Young Group and Round Table Members are building their own theatre.

Fine music always precedes lectures. Concerts and dances supplement regular activities. In the summer excursions twice a month to the Forêt de Soignes

for members and non-members are well attended.

In the Theosophical Order of Service members work actively for Peace movements, women's and children's welfare, animal protection, prisoners' aid, newer education, etc.

Well-equipped Lodge libraries serve the public.

The Campaign for Understanding has the whole-hearted support of the members.

Uranus gives several pages to Theosophical ideals. A small recently issued monthly *L'Action Théosophique* is enthusiastically supported by Young Theosophists.

BRAZIL

President of the Republic: Dr. Getulio Dornelles Vargas, 3 Nov. 1930-34, 18 July 1934-8.

Capital: Rio de Janeiro. Area: 3,275-510 sq. m. Est. pop. 1935: 47,794,874.

National Survey:

A giant crucible wherein diverse racial and religious elements are being blended into the Unity of Brotherhood.

Brazil, fourth largest country in the world, is a peaceful land. There is no racial problem, and no religious strife. This mixture of types and faiths has continued with utter lack of self-consciousness for centuries, and today there is emerging a typical Brazilian, intelligent, modest, courteous and finely beautiful.

The economic situation is steadily improving. Through the introduction of cotton cultivation, the dangerous system of mono-culture has been eliminated. By-products are salvaging coffee during periods of low consumption. Labour is protected by advanced social legislation—an eight-hour day, minimum wages, and insurance against unemployment. Authority is concentrated in a Chamber of Deputies, of whom 250 are elected by secret and compulsory ballot, and 50 are selected by professional syndicates representing agriculture, industry, commerce and

transport, and the liberal professions. Capital punishment has been abolished.

Cultural Life :

Birds of gorgeous plumage, butterflies of brilliant hue, flowers in massed profusion all combine to make Brazil one of the world's most beautiful countries. The Fine Arts are an integral part of the life of the people—encouraged by Government and by many cultural associations.

Large sums have been spent on public health, technical and medical research. A new export of the Amazon Valley is "timbo," an insecticide which is harmless to warm-blooded animals.

Sports arouse great enthusiasm.

Theosophy in Brazil :

General Secretary : Señor Oswaldo Silva 1937-46.

There is close co-operation between the Section and the cultural elements of Brazil. In Mr. Jinarajadasa's recent South American tour the cultured and artistic non-Theosophical public gave splendid assistance and responded most enthusiastically to his prophetic message about the future greatness of South America as a nucleus of the Seventh Race.

A fine contribution given by Brazil to Theosophy is the recently published *Hail, Blavatsky!* a Theosophical Hymn

written by Viscountess de Sande for the Blavatsky Week of 1931.

Brazil has active Press and Radio Departments which popularize Theosophy in South America. The publicity division contains also a Pamphlet Department which puts out Portuguese and Spanish Theosophical literature for distribution. The Livraria Enciclopédica Internacional is a legal entity founded on 30 June 1936 under the auspices of the Section to promote the sale and

translation of Theosophical literature into other languages, mainly English, French and Spanish.

Lecture tours are conducted under the unique title of "Tours of Instruction and Propaganda."

Brazil has always encouraged young people, and its oldest living Lodge (Perseverança), devotes itself especially to their development and activities.

Brazil is a vital stronghold of Theosophy in South America.

BULGARIA

Reigning King (Tsar) : Boris III, born 30 January 1894, succeeded to the throne on the abdication of his father 3 October 1918.

Capital : Sofia. Area : 39,825 sq. m. Pop. Dec. 1934 : 6,090,215.

National Survey :

Keynote : An indomitable persistence that eventually triumphs over obstacles ; devotion ; enthusiasm.

The great event of the year was the birth 16 June 1937 of Crown Prince Simeon, Prince of Tirnovo, to Queen Ioanna. King Boris hailed the birth of the Prince by ordering a three days' public holiday and the most comprehensive amnesty ever decreed. All political prisoners, numbering several thousand, were pardoned ; the lives of those awaiting execution were saved ; long terms reduced ; all whose sentence was for less than three years released, and a free pardon was extended to all children who had come under the law's restraint. Headmasters of Bulgarian schools were advised to cancel all disciplinary measures decided upon before the birth of the heir, and to raise the efficiency marks of their pupils by at least one unit.

Bulgarian mothers were given the vote by a municipal election law passed 12 January 1937.

Government on 16 March 1937 issued a decree forbidding child labour. This is in line with the country's progressive policy toward the welfare of workers, an 8 and 6-hour day having been in effect for 19 years.

Expansion of trade is indicated by the favourable export balance and production increases.

A Friendship Pact was signed between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia on 24 January 1937. The visit of King Edward VIII in September 1936 cemented Anglo-Bulgarian friendship. Early in 1937 King Boris visited Italy, Germany and Yugoslavia. Baron Neurath of Germany received an enthusiastic welcome in June.

Cultural Life :

The artistic qualities of the people find expression through a National Theatre and Opera, choruses and dances, which are appreciated all over Europe. Limpidity, sincerity and artistic realism are characteristic of the modern Bulgarian school of literature.

At Haskovo archeological research uncovered two ancient Roman swimming-pools.

Theosophy in Bulgaria :

General Secretary : Nikola Trifonov, 1935-8.

Theosophy and The Theosophical Society in Bulgaria are held in high esteem, and the Hall of the National University in Sofia has been opened to Theosophical lectures. The Society is frequently asked to co-operate with other social and national organizations.

On 10 October 1936 the Seventeenth Annual Convention was opened by the President, Dr. Arundale, and in a twice-packed hall an enthusiastic audience listened to Shrimati Rukmini Devi's address on "India's Genius in

the Arts." The Bulgarians, whose culture is a link between East and West, were deeply appreciative of Rukmini Devi as representing the finest culture of the East.

The Section is concentrating on supplying the need for Theosophical literature in the Bulgarian language. One group of members worked on translations; another collected funds, with

the result that for the first time since 1926, the artistic journal *Orfei* is re-issued. This activity induced an unknown donor to give 100,000 leva for publishing Theosophical literature. Another welcome development is a generous donation practically ensuring the erection of a National T.S. Headquarters. Theosophy in Bulgaria is very vital.

BURMA

Governor of Province of British Empire: H.E. the Hon. Sir Archibald Douglas Cochrane, K.C.S.I., D.S.O., 8 May 1936-.

Capital: Rangoon. Area: 261,610 sq. m. Pop. 1931: 14,667,146.

National Survey:

Keynote: Religion, Charity, Joy, Beauty.

Under the new Constitution of 1 April 1937, Burma is separated from the Indian Empire.

The Coronation of King George VI was celebrated with great festivities, including boat races, boxing, dancing and fireworks, with a three-day regatta on the Royal lakes. In commemoration of the Coronation, the Rangoon municipal corporation is building a tuberculosis hospital.

In Burma dire poverty is utterly unknown, for the people's charity to each other is all-embracing. Even the poorest person will place jars of clear, cool water by the roadside under a little stand to refresh weary travellers.

Cultural Life:

Burma is one of the most literate Eastern countries, owing to the fine education given to children by the Buddhist monks. Religion is bound up in the life of the people, as the purity and holiness of the Buddhist Brothers wins universal reverence. Most Burmese men and many women spend a few months as novices, for this is considered training not only for the monastery but also for life.

Women have not only the franchise but absolute freedom of expression. Love of Beauty manifests in every detail

of life from the delicate pastel shades of costume to the shining gold-leaved pagodas.

In June 1937 a Burmese Academy of Arts was formed to encourage the fine arts.

The latest archeological find was a series of Brahman and Buddhist wall paintings by Maung Mya, with one particularly fine fresco of the 10th-11th century.

Theosophy in Burma:

General Secretary: N. A. Nagathan, 1928-.

The Theosophical Society is held in high esteem in the cosmopolitan city of Rangoon. In the rural districts where the preponderating element is Buddhism, Theosophy is deeply revered because of the part which the President-Founder played in its revival in 1885. Several hundred Bhikkus have been members.

Public lectures by Theosophical leaders on tour attract thousands of people. Regular public meetings have an average attendance of a hundred. To advertise activities, in addition to the usual modes of approach, the cinema is used. The local press is sympathetic and generous.

The Young Theosophist Movement is very vigorous in many welfare movements sponsored by The Society in Burma—in the Burma Educational Trust, which runs a boys', a girls', and an adult night school with a total enrolment of over 750; also the Burma Humanitarian League with centres of work for animal welfare throughout the country; Scout Troops, etc.

Young Theosophists have recently taken over the Book Depot started by Col. Olcott and have reorganized it as the Olcott Publishing House. They manage the Rangoon Lodge Reading Room.

Besides assisting in the general work of the Section, the Young Theosophists attract Burmese youth through socials,

the drama, debates, symposia, and special courses of study and training for selected workers.

The Theosophical Society is aiding in every way to accomplish Burma's task: "To proclaim the message of Lord Buddha in all its purity and in all its glory." (N. A. Naganathan).

CANADA

Governor-General of Dominion of British Empire: Baron Tweedsmuir, G.C.M.G., etc. 2 November 1935-.

Capital: Ottawa. Land area: 3,466,793 sq. m.; fresh water area 228,070 sq. m.; Pop. 1936: 10,377,000.

National Survey:

Keynote: A new-old country: New with the progressive pioneering spirit of nation-building in the heart of the wilds; old with lineage and loyalty to the traditions of a well-loved Motherland.

The Coronation: From the capital to the loneliest Arctic outpost the Coronation of King George VI was celebrated throughout Canada. At the review of picked troops in Ottawa, Lord Tweedsmuir said: "The occasion will remind us of what we are not likely to forget—that Canada is not only a free sovereign nation, but a partner in a great alliance of free sovereign nations. While the King is the symbol of our unity, he is a human being to whom we can give personal loyalty and affection."

Two hundred boys and girls from Canadian schools viewed the Coronation procession under the auspices of the Overseas Education League.

Eighteen Canadian veterans paid a goodwill visit to German war veterans after the Coronation festivities.

On 1 July 1937 the Dominion of Canada celebrated the seventieth anniversary of the establishment of the Canadian Confederation.

Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, celebrated its 75th birthday in August.

The Speech from the Throne at the opening of the Canadian Parliament 14 January 1937 concluded with a forecast of future legislation—Bills to establish a Trans-Canada air service; to extend

the authority of the Railway Commission and revise the capital structure of the Canadian National Railway system; to facilitate loans for the repair of rural and urban homes; to amend and consolidate Acts relating to combines in trade and industry; to provide for pensions to the blind before the age of 70; and to nullify the effects of the gold clause in debt contracts.

Canada is essentially a country of inexhaustible natural resources—field, forest, and mineral. Canada is first in the output of platinum, nickel and asbestos; second in zinc and radium; third in copper and gold. Ore veins are located by aeroplane surveys.

In agricultural development, the enduring stability of the peasant tradition is being combined with the scientific technique of machine and specialized production. Drought areas are under increased irrigation, forest conservation, and the planting of hardy grasses to prevent soil erosion. The Dominion ranks first as an exporter of wheat. Its agricultural wealth is well over £1,000,000,000.

The Dominion is the second greatest manufacturing country in the British Empire. Industrial production in 1936 was practically restored to that of the base year 1926. Canada is one of the world's greatest users of electricity at 1800 units per capita; electric power operates about four-fifths of the industries and three-fourths of the mining operations.

Since the validity of the five "New Deal" laws was challenged by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the question has arisen of deleting from the Statute of Westminster the clause exempting the British North

America Acts, so as to enable Canada to amend its own Constitution.

Those citizens registered under the Alberta Social Credit Plan, while faced with initial difficulties, are still supporting it.

The Yukon was in 1937 absorbed as a division of British Columbia.

Vancouver is to have the highest suspension bridge in the British Empire. It will cross the First Narrows of the Harbour with a central span of 1,500 feet.

Canada announces its population changes through flashing lights on the wall of the capitol in Ottawa—orange for birth, red for death, green for immigrant arrival, yellow for departure. A white light which shows the net estimated increase of 1 person at present flashes every 3 min. 28 seconds.

In 1936, 12,023 immigrants entered Canada, of whom 2,264 were of British origin.

Cultural Life:

For 120 years an unguarded frontier of 3,000 miles has marked the power of two great nations—the United States and Canada—to resolve their differences without recourse to arms.

The world's first international monument to peace is to be a garden on the Canadian border near Dunseith, N.D., midway between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Conceived in 1929 by Henry J. Moore of Canada, the Peace Garden, of wooded hills and valleys interspersed by some 240 lakes, occupies 2,200 acres, one-half donated by Manitoba and half by North Dakota. Most of the area will be kept in its natural state and protected. The land on the international line will be highly developed with walks, lawns, and flower beds, surrounding a monumental fountain in the centre of the Court of Peace. With equal space in Canada and the United States, the fountain circle will be literally a ring of friendship. Boulevards will extend north and south—"The Avenue of the Provinces" and "The Avenue of the States"—each terminated by a memorial flagstaff flying the colours of the two nations.

Canada deeply appreciated the visit of President Roosevelt. When Lord

Tweedsmuir returned the visit to Washington early in 1937, he was received with full Royal honours.

The value of social reconstruction is recognized by financial institutions, and without waiting for legislation many banks agreed in November 1936 to lend £10,000,000 for a housing scheme to start the idle building and allied trades into action.

The Federal Government in its last session voted \$1,000,000 for the special training of youth through schemes involving co-operation with the Provincial Governments, wherein each contributes an equal sum. Manitoba signed the first agreement on 5 July 1937. The plan for unemployed young men embraces technical courses in forestry through forest conservation and improvement work; industrial courses for young men and women; a domestic training school and specialized employment bureau for women.

There is a prevalent enthusiasm for education. A university career is open to everyone, and few young men and women with the necessary equipment fail to take advantage of it. Universities send young college professors to remote localities to give interested students the benefit of higher education.

Queen Mary assisted Lady Tweedsmuir's plan for library work in the prairie provinces.

Canada's Red Indian population has increased from 104,000 to 112,500 in the last 13 years. The Indians have 80 boarding-schools and 270 day schools.

A new type of transport motor which appears capable of developing illimitable power with the expenditure of no apparent energy, the invention of a Mr. Boddy of Windsor, Ontario, is under investigation.

One of the largest museums in the world is being created in Banff National Park. Called "Cascades of Time," its waterfalls, pools, and rocks will illustrate the gradual changes in the earth's structure since the pre-Cambrian era.

The death is noted of Carl Ahrens, whose paintings of trees will carry his name down the centuries.

Theosophy in Canada :

Three organizations represent The Society in Canada: **The Canadian Section** (17 Lodges), Mr. Albert E. S. Smythe, General Secretary, with headquarters at Ontario; **The Canadian Federation** (8 Lodges) Mr. Albert J. Harrison, Secretary-Treasurer, headquarters Vancouver; **The H. P. B. Lodge**, Mrs. G. Aitlen, Secretary; Toronto, Ontario.

Much attention is paid to Theosophical literature. The Section journal,

The Canadian Theosophist, is publishing standard Theosophical works in serial form. Thomas Taylor's Introduction to Plato's *Timaeus* has been reprinted, and others of Taylor's studies are to follow. A collated version of the *Bhagavad Gita* has also been published.

Mr. Felix A. Belcher in 1937 made another tour among the Lodges and Centres.

The Section is interested in Theosophy applied to the problems of International Understanding.

CENTRAL AMERICA

(Including Colombia)

The Central American Section embraces the Republics of Costa Rica (Headquarters), El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and Colombia.

Costa Rica: President: Don Leon Cortes, Castro, March 1936-. Capital: San José. Est. area 23,000 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936: 577,833.

El Salvador: President: Gen. Maximiliano Martinez (F.T.S.) 1932-5, 1935-9. Capital: San Salvador. Area: 13,176 sq. m. Est. pop. Dec. 1934: 1,574,495.

Guatemala: President: Gen. Jorge Ubico, 14 Feb. 1931-. Capital: Guatemala City. Area: 45,452 sq. m. Est. pop. 1934: 2,245,593.

Honduras: President: Dr. Tiburcio Carias-Andino, 1 Feb. 1933-. Capital: Tegucigalpa. Area: 44,275 sq. m. Pop.: Nov. 1934: 962,685.

Nicaragua: President: Gen. Anastasio Somoza, 1937-40. Capital: Managua. Est. area: 51,660 sq. m. Est. pop: 1930: 750,000.

Panama: President: Dr. Juan Demóstenes Arosemena, 7 June 1936-. Capital: Panama City. Area: 32,380 sq.m. Pop. 1930: 467,459. **Panama Canal and Canal Zone:** United States Territory: Governor Col. Clarence S. Ridley 25 August 1936-. Area: 552.8 sq.m. plus 190.94 sq.m. water area Zone. Pop. 1936: 29,190.

Colombia (S. America): President: Don Alfonso López, 7 August 1934-8.

Capital: Bogota. Area: 447,536 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936: 8,665,000.

National Survey:

Keynote: Independence, National Spirit, Beauty.

The Central American Republics signed, 12 April 1934, a Peace Convention.

Advanced trends in these forward-looking States are indicated by the liberal prison rules in El Salvador, the abolition of the death penalty in Costa Rica and Panama; a Bill forbidding military toys for the children of Panama; the encouragement of immigration in Ecuador; the tentative plans for an Atlantic-Pacific Canal in Nicaragua; social security legislation and the new Penal Code of Guatemala; the National Economic Council in which Ministers and representatives of banking, agriculture and commerce have assisted Colombia to solve its problems.

Cultural Life:

Beauty is an integral part of Central American consciousness: Beauty of natural surroundings—volcanic mountains, green and gold plains luxuriant with tropical verdure; beauty of architecture and city planning; beautiful relics of ancient Indian civilizations. Even the humblest peasant decorates his ox-cart with colour and design.

Exhibitions of sculpture and painting show appreciation for national artistic achievement. Many associations

popularize art through lectures, journals, festivals, drama, etc.

Central America and Colombia take great interest in the revival of native handicrafts and the restoration of archaeological ruins.

Of the many fine universities in this region, the University of Bogotá (founded in 1572) is typical.

Creative literary activity in every field of human endeavour is at its height. In Guatemala the State prints at its own expense meritorious literary contributions.

In the spacious botanical gardens and research laboratories experts are studying tropical problems.

Theosophy in Central America :

General Secretary: Señora Lydia Fernandez Jimenez, 1937-.

During 1937-8 the Theosophical propaganda and campaign for friendship are being intensified through the Campaign for Understanding.

The Republic of Panama has been welcomed into the Section. The new Panama Lodge is producing an illustrated journal, and is also spreading Theosophy through radio broadcasts. Dr. José B. Acuña gave several lectures at Panama in the summer.

Efforts are being made in Guatemala to form a new Lodge in Quezaltenango. Guatemala has a project for the founding of a Theosophical Agricultural School.

In Nicaragua Theosophical lectures are delivered in the open air of Leon's beautiful park. A Theosophical review is published.

The work in Honduras and El Salvador is very active. El Salvador publishes a journal. Theosophy here has the powerful support of the President. General Martinez, who is a scholarly and influential Theosophist.

Costa Rica through its beautiful headquarters is a potent influence in the life of the Central American Section.

When the Colombia Theosophical Council met in June 1936 it was decided to work towards the formation of an independent Colombian Section. This intensive effort has already resulted in the formation of Liberacion Lodge (1-2-37) and Hypatia Lodge (18-5-37), both in Bogotá.

Colombia's plans for 1937 included the engaging of a field worker, the improvement of its Theosophical bulletin and intensification of propaganda, also a campaign of assistance to children, mothers, and the aged.

Luz del Valle Lodge of Colombia owns a powerful Radio Station from which Theosophical talks are broadcast.

All the Lodges take an active share in the cultural and national life of their countries, several members being internationally known as artists. Welfare movements are generously supported by members of the Section.

CEYLON

Governor of Crown Colony of British Empire: Sir Andrew Caldecott, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., 19 January 1937-.

Capital: Colombo. Area: 25,332 sq.m. Pop. 1931: 5,312,548.

National Survey:

Keynote: The application of Lord Buddha's teachings to life.

Processions of elephants, masked dancers and musicians, and midnight rattas on the rivers were features of Ceylon's Coronation Celebration in

May 1937. In every part of the Island special services were held in temples, churches and mosques.

A Public Works project is being planned for Ceylon, for this country is abreast of the world with its modern methods of production, communication, and splendidly equipped airport, etc.

Scout Colonies in Ceylon have so thoroughly demonstrated their success in training boys in agriculture, that the Governor is planning to enlist their efforts in rehabilitating youthful offenders.

Cultural Life :

Ceylon is an Island of luxuriant natural beauty—riotous colour and aromatic fragrances. Basket work, tortoise-shell boxes, jewellery made up of stones taken from the hundreds of small-gem quarries of sapphires, rubies, moon-stones, catseyes, etc., show fine craftsmanship.

The Archeological Department is engaged in maintaining intact Anaradhapura and other ruined cities and treasures of antiquity, and keeping in check the ever-encroaching "jungle tide."

The deeply erudite Buddhist priesthood of Ceylon are world-famous for their scholarship. The Island is studied with fine Buddhist temples.

Theosophy in Ceylon :

General Secretary: Dr. T. Nallai-nathan.

Buddhists acknowledge the deep debt of gratitude which they owe to Colonel Olcott, President-Founder of The Theosophical Society (q.v.), for the preservation of the Buddhist Faith in Ceylon. The Buddhist Flag, created by Theosophists in 1886 still waves as a symbol of this renewal of the soul of a people.

The official report of Ceylon's educational activities in 1935 showed a total of

407,904, or 65% of Sinhalese children receiving education in Buddhist schools, of which 229 are directly under the management of the Buddhist Theosophical Society. A fine spirit of service and efficiency pervades the Musaeus Schools and College for Buddhist Girls and Woman Teachers under the management of Peter de Abrew (q.v.), and the Visaka Vidyalaya Buddhist College, principal Clara Motwani (q.v.).

A two-months visit of Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Hodson resulted in the formation of a Lodge in Nuwara Eliya. Other recent visits were those of the President and Shrimati Rukmini Devi in 1936, and Mr. Jinarajadasa in 1937.

The Youth Lodge, Colombo, works enthusiastically both in Theosophical Society and the Sports Club, and the Section has a great asset in these fine young men and women.

Not only are the Lodges active in social welfare work, but they are in tune also with the new impulse of Theosophy through Beauty, and lectures are given in an artistic setting with fine programmes of Oriental music.

Great days of Theosophy are commemorated, and Olcott Day is a public celebration.

CHILE

President of Republic: Don Arturo Alessandri, 24 December 1932-8.

Capital: Santiago. Area: 285,133 sq. m. Est. pop. 1935: 4,507,850.

National Survey :

Keynote : Independence, Innate Aristocracy and Culture.

Unemployment has declined from 100,000 in 1934 to 3,500 in 1937. The returns on the 1936 Budget show a surplus of approximately 7,000,000 pesos.

From January 1936 the State had the sole right to import petrol into Chile, or sell it within the country.

A "Security Bill" was passed providing for drastic penalties to curb "dis-solvent elements."

A striking evidence of political tranquillity was observed in the 1937 elections. Though the vote polled 60% for

the Liberals and 40% for the Opposition, enthusiasm was kept under control and not one untoward incident was reported at the polling stations.

Cultural Life :

The world-famed Easter Island is now linked to the mainland by wireless. The massive statues thereon witness to the size of the ancient Lemuro-Atlantean.

Since 1850 the Chile Government has been progressively interested in education. The 1936 budget gave education third place in expenditure, with an allowance of 17½% of the total. Three Universities, a school of technology at Valparaiso, various lyceums and colleges furnish higher education.

Theosophy in Chile :

General Secretary: Señor Armando Hamel 1925-.

The Section has seven active Lodges and four Centres.

Theosophy has won a hearing in intellectual circles, and the general public shows greater interest.

An honorary field worker is now lecturing in the North and South and co-

operating with Lodges and Centres for the spread of Theosophy.

The ideal of the Section is co-operation for the betterment of international relationships, particularly among South American Nations. The Theosophical Movement is a strong spiritualizing influence in the Nation.

CUBA

President of Republic : Dr. Federico Laredo Bru, 23 December 1936-40.
Capital : Havana. Area : 44,164 sq.m.
Est. pop. Dec. 1935 : 4,008,169.

National Survey :

Keynote : The spirit of Freedom and True Democracy.

A liberal Constitution was adopted in December 1936.

A sweeping Amnesty measure passed by the Cuban Chamber almost emptied the prisons in the summer of 1937.

Cultural Life :

The University of Havana, which had been closed because of political disorder since 1935, was reopened by Congressional law in February 1937.

In each Province Government maintains a special Institute for advanced education and normal schools. Ninety-four night schools are maintained. A feature of the educational system is the group of 67 travelling teachers who give instruction to 3,089 children in 145 isolated communities which are without school facilities.

Theosophy in Cuba :

General Secretary : Lorgio Vargas, 1936-. **Federation of Central Lodges :** Dr. Antolin García, Chairman ; **Federation of Oriente and Camagüey,** Señor Antonio A. Duany, Chairman.

This very live Section has vigorously worked Dr. Arundale's Campaigns ; the Federations have been active in holding conferences, and the youth movement is vital, flourishing, and has had a large influx of new members. Two new Lodges were formed in 1937—Dhruva Lodge, Havana (8-5-37) and Selene Lodge, Pinar del Rio City (24-2-37).

The *Cuban Theosophical Review*

presents Theosophy to the public with a *Supplement* for members.

Close contact with the newspapers is maintained and much publicity is obtained. Public Conferences in the important cities are a valuable means of spreading Theosophy.

A project is developing for the foundation of a Permanent National Theosophical Camp near Sancti-Spiritus.

Interchange of study between students of various Lodges is a new and promising activity.

Old and young members associate in mutual service and freedom. To draw young people together in special activities, the Association of Young Theosophists of Cuba is working, with groups in nine cities, and centres in two others. The Young Theosophists' first Annual Convention was held July 1936. Youth are reached through an economic, social, political and artistic appeal. Music, songs, drama and recitations of poems are immensely popular.

Several Cuban Lodges maintain Theosophical schools. Some women members are helping the middle-school girl to a wider conception of life.

Dr. Besant in 1923 said of Cuba and its first two General Secretaries : " Central and South America . . . will ultimately form part of the continent of the seventh root-race . . . Now the Latin-Americans are steadily forging ahead, thanks at first to the initiative and admirable services of these two faithful Theosophists, and secondly to the workers they have gathered round them. The seed they sowed has sprung up a hundredfold, and Latin-America will play a more and more active part in the progress of humanity."

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

President of Republic: Dr. Edvard Benes, 18 December 1935-42.

Capital: Prague (Praha). **Area:** 54,244 sq.m. **Pop.** Dec. 1930: 14,729,536.

National Survey:

Keynote: The understanding of Democracy as Reverence and Brotherhood.

Characteristic traits of the people are: sagacity and calmness of judgment, courage, determination, enthusiasm, the Slavonic tendency to meditation and mysticism, and above all a deep sense of truth.

The passing of former President T. G. Masaryk in September 1937 robbed the world of one of the greatest statesmen of the day. For forty years he was truly the "liberator" of his country, building up the Czech national spirit, and securing recognition of the Czechoslovak nation as an allied Power under the Pittsburgh agreement. Dr. Masaryk was President from 1918 to 1935, and during this period exercised a wise and significant influence in European politics.

Since his resignation in 1935, the greatest names in the political field are those of his most distinguished disciple and successor, President Edvard Benes, who had been in charge of foreign relations from the foundation of the Republic; and Dr. Milan Hodza, the first Slovak to attain the Premiership, thus expressing in his own person the unity of Czech and Slovak.

Foreign Relations: "It has always been our policy to seek agreement with any State irrespective of the character of its régime, its internal policy, and the political parties which happen for the moment to be in power as the Government"—a recent pronouncement of President Benes.

The Christmas (1936) broadcast by President Benes was a stirring defence of democracy and a strong expression of faith in the future of Europe.

Czechoslovakia is a member of the Little Entente and a firm supporter of the League of Nations.

President Benes visited Prince Paul of Yugoslavia in April 1937.

King Carol of Rumania participated in the National Day celebration at Prague on 28 October 1936.

In June 1937 Dr. Hodza delivered an oration at the unveiling of a memorial to Jokai, the famous Hungarian novelist, who was born in Komarom, Czechoslovakia.

National minorities participate in the legislative bodies and have a definite voice in local administration, particularly regarding education.

An initial instalment of autonomy is being conferred upon Carpathian Ruthenia, which is to be extended so as to give the maximum of self-government compatible with the State's integrity.

In the summer of 1937, the eighteenth anniversary of the decision of the Ruthenians to join Czechoslovakia was celebrated at Uzhorod, their capital. During these eighteen years the Ruthenians have built up a fine elementary school system, and millions of crowns have been expended on social welfare and hygiene, better housing conditions, economic improvement, and cultural institutions.

Industry in Czechoslovakia is at a high level. Both synthetic and natural rubber are to be produced, and a glass has been produced that is nearly opaque to heat, while transparent to light. A Government decree has abolished a number of import restrictions. New and fresh sources of vital power have been opened up in the nation and the general atmosphere is positive and optimistic.

Government has taken over the control of the great Skoda armament works. The entire population is to be trained for defence.

Cultural Life:

Some of the factors which have fostered the rapid unfoldment of Czechoslovakia are: the reaffirmation of cultural tradition, renewed interest in the rich heritage of folk-songs, the development of social services such as

the new railway, which help to maintain the integrity of the Little Entente.

Village life is a colourful picture in pastel shades. The traditional costumes show beautiful handiwork. The people are very musical, and many of the works of Czechoslovak composers are universally known, such as Smetana's *My Country*; Dvorak's *Slavonic Dances* and *Humoresque*; Fibich's *Poem* and *The Fall of Arcane*, a mystic work. Among the many mystic poets are Brezina and Rilke. A unique welfare institution is that at Pistany for rheumatic animals.

The National Research Council awards many fellowships to promising young men of science, irrespective of their nationality or creed. The six-hundred-fold concentration of gold in plants is under investigation at the Czech Academy of Sciences.

On the 150th anniversary of the birth of Jan Evangelista Purkyně, a distinguished Czech biologist, the fourth International Congress on the History of Science was planned to be held in Prague 22-27 September. Prominent leaders in industry and science were represented on the Committee of Honour.

DENMARK

Reigning King: Christian X, born 26 Sept. 1870, succeeded 14 May 1912.

Capital: Copenhagen. Area: 16,576 sq.m. Est. pp. 1935: 3,706,349.

National Survey:

Keynote: Tolerance, Gentleness, Cooperation, Silent Strength, and Spiritual Individualism.

The Silver Jubilee of H. M. King Christian X was an occasion for rejoicing throughout Denmark, Iceland, and the Danish settlements in Greenland. King Haakon of Norway and King Gustav of Sweden were among the guests of the Royal Family.

On the "Day of the North," 27 October 1936, King Christian and the other rulers of Scandinavia broadcast to the world their desire to maintain Peace.

Theosophy in Czechoslovakia:

General Secretary: Václav Cimr, 1936.

The Headquarters has been transferred back to the capital, Prague.

The Section has seven active Lodges and three Centres. Good attendance is noted at public gatherings, some of which are held in beautiful outdoor spots, drawing the members close to Nature.

Many Theosophical books have been translated into Czech, and original Czech works have been written by Mrs. Moudrá, Dr. Bezdek, Dr. Samalík and others. Among other active workers are Miss M. Kapitanová, Mrs. Cimrová, Mrs. V. Holy, Mr. Lzicka, Mr. Skuta, Mr. A. Kariof, Mr. L. Chobola.

The General Secretary expresses the ideals of the Section: "We stand for Brotherhood, encourage the study of science, religion, philosophy and critical occult research—but before all we emphasize the vital importance for man to discover Truth." The Section concentrates on the National Ideal—Brotherhood and Peace in Central Europe.

Denmark is a party to the Oslo Trade Pact which favours reduction of trade limitations.

On the initiative of the Labour Minister of Justice, the Danish Government has adopted some far-reaching measures in liberalization of law-court procedure, some features being the introduction of lay magistrates, the extension of jury power, and the withholding in special cases of the name of the accused to spare innocent parties and relatives.

Sons of Danish farmers are trained as apprentices. When a candidate satisfies the local commission that he is capable of running a farm and can produce one-tenth of the required capital, the State supplies the balance, with no repayments for the first five years, the farm to be redeemed in the course of a hundred years. Such small farms are said to have proved more efficient in

adding to the national wealth than capitalistic farming on a large scale.

Other social security measures have practically abolished intense poverty. All slums in Copenhagen are to be cleared. There is no death penalty in Denmark.

Minorities maintain their own schools and cultural institutions with the aid of State subsidies.

The kindly protection given to the Eskimos in the Danish Colony in East Greenland has increased their number from 243 in 1894 to 1,100.

Cultural Life :

The Second International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences was held at Copenhagen August 1-6, 1937. During the Congress the oldest Ethnographical Museum in Europe (1846), recently enlarged, was reopened.

The Agassiz Medal (U.S.A.) was awarded to Prof. Martin Knudsen, Prof. of Physics in the University of Copenhagen, for his work on physical oceanography.

Some interesting experiments undertaken jointly by the Institute of Physics (Copenhagen) and Carlsberg Biological Laboratory record the progress through the body of atoms made artificially radioactive.

The unique production of "Hamlet" at Elsinore in June 1937 by the Old Vic. Company from London was an outstanding event in the history of the theatre.

Generosity seems to be contagious. The mysterious "Mr. Danielsen" is a name under which many Danish people

are hiding anonymous benefactions to social services.

Theosophy in Denmark :

General Secretary : Ch. Bonde-Jensen, 1935-.

Nearly four hundred delegates attended the Copenhagen Congress of the European Federation in July 1937. Though the general title of the Congress was "Where Theosophy and Science Meet," the dominant thought was the peace of Europe and this high note was sustained throughout. Prof. Marcault presided, and Dr. Montessori and the Rt. Hon. George Lansbury were among the speakers.

The public libraries of Denmark have many Theosophical and occult books on their shelves, indicating a widespread interest.

Theosophical activities, including offices, propaganda, libraries, etc., are partly centralized in Copenhagen, and partly in Aarhus and Nakskov.

There is a growing tendency for members to intermingle. Among the factors responsible are the Summer Schools organized by Mr. and Mrs. Viking in Nakskov, visits of international lecturers, and propaganda in many Danish towns by members of the Aarhus Lodge.

It is impossible to overestimate the value to the Danish Section of such visits as that of the President (Dr. Arundale) and Shrimati Rukmin Devi in 1936.

The "grand old man" of the Danish Section, Franz Lexow, passed away 11-12-36, at ninety years after 38 years of T.S. service.

EAST ASIA

(See China and Japan)

EGYPT

Reigning King : Farouk I, born 11 February 1920, succeeded 28 April 1936.

Capital : Cairo. Area : 383,000 sq.m. (settled area 13,574 sq.m.). Pop. 1937 : 14,217,864.

National Survey :

Keynote : The heritage of an age-old past ; peace, and an eternal certainty of the spiritual verities.

Prince Farouk, having attained his majority, on 29 July 1937 ascended the

Throne. The simple proclamation was followed by pageantries and public rejoicing. Youngest reigning monarch in the world, King Farouk is becoming known as an enlightened and progressive ruler. His country has recently been freed, after many centuries, from foreign influence. The Egyptians are fervid Nationalists and have resisted all attempts at foreign absorption.

On 26 May 1937 Egypt was unanimously admitted to the League of Nations.

As a part of a great reclamation and irrigation scheme in progress, a three-mile dam on the White Nile was completed early in 1937. When the whole plan is accomplished, it will be possible to irrigate about five million acres of cotton and rice lands.

The privileges enjoyed by foreign Powers of trial in consular rather than national courts have been voluntarily surrendered as "no longer in accordance with the spirit of the times."

Cultural Life :

There has been a re-discovery of Egypt's ancient glory, and Egyptians are taking real pride in the art and culture of their land.

The Sphinx at Gizeh is now floodlit.

The Egyptian Exploration Society has discovered four temples of 1386 B.C. and a city built by Tutankhamen at Sesebe in Southern Nubia.

The Government is fostering the plan of communal radio sets for villages.

The Holy Carpet, really a series of coverings for parts of the Great Mosque at Mecca, was sent to the sacred city on February 10, the first annual pilgrimage since 1926. The rich black brocade, inscribed with texts in gold and silver from the Koran, was made in memory of the pilgrimage of an Egyptian Queen to Mecca.

Theosophy in Egypt :

Presidential Agent : J. H. Perez.

The members' ideal : To be standard-bearers of Theosophical flag at this meeting-point of the hemispheres.

ENGLAND (GREAT BRITAIN)

Reigning King : George VI, born 14 December 1895, succeeded to the Crown 10 December 1936; proclaimed King 12 December 1936; enthroned with Queen Elizabeth 12 May 1937.

Capital : London. **Area** England : 50,874 sq.m. **Pop.** 1931 : 37,794,003. (See also Australia, Burma, Canada, Ceylon, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland, S. Africa, Wales.)

POPULATION OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

	<i>Area sq.m.</i>	<i>Population</i>
Europe	120,994	49,515,423
Asia	2,025,995	366,457,746
Africa	3,815,182	58,344,008
America	5,273,452	13,178,665
Australasia	3,169,595	8,572,338
Oceania	472,640	950,290

Total under Empire Protection 14,877,858 497,018,470

MANDATED TERRITORIES, Etc.

	<i>Area sq.m.</i>	<i>Population</i>
Asia Federated States	490,333	63,346,537
Palestine and Transjordan	10,000	1,561,000
Mandated territories in Africa	712,235	6,003,980
Pacific Mandated Territories	94,214	540,860
	1,306,782	71,452,377

Total British Empire (Exclusive of Mandated territories etc.) 13,571,076 425,566,093

National Survey :

Keynote in England : " The Spirit of Respect for Law, Order, and Tradition ; Practical Capacity." *The British Commonwealth of Nations :* " The bond of union between East and West." (G.S.A.)

" Power: A deep sense of Justice which gives constant uneasiness that all is not well and leads to much self-criticism ; an awakened sense of Responsibility to all at home and abroad ; a Freshness of Heart which keeps England young, and therefore progressive, light-hearted, and a lover of games ; a profound sense of Beauty, which is expressed in a keen love of nature, in simple song, and much gardening ; a well-hidden but stirring Idealism which results in a strong political and social consciousness and great commercial ability. England is a Mother Country and is tender behind her Power." (J.R.)

After the abdication of King Edward VIII in December 1936, his brother acceded to the Throne as King George VI, and in a New Year message broadcast throughout the Empire he repeated the words of his royal father: " My wife and I dedicate ourselves for all time to your service, and we pray that God may give us guidance and strength to follow the path that lies before us."

The Coronation in Westminster Abbey on 12 May 1936 was a magnificent ceremonial, preserving the splendid symbolism of a thousand years of English tradition, and impressing the whole Empire with the glories of kingship.

Succeeding Mr. Baldwin as Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that the aims of the Government could be summarized under four headings: (1) To keep the peace; (2) To make Britain so strong that nobody should treat her with anything but respect; (3) To maintain and to increase the prosperity of trade and employment; (4) To steadily improve the conditions of the people.

The British Commonwealth is a successful experiment in Democracy. During the last fifty years it has made rapid strides towards internal freedom.

Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and the Irish Free State are completely self-governing democracies. India, Burma, Ceylon and Jamaica are on the high road to self-government. The independence of Egypt has recently been recognized. To solve the difficult situation in Palestine, Jews and Arabs have each been offered a sovereign State. The foundations of self-governing institutions have been laid in many of the colonies. This system, also, has the protection of the now rapidly expanding British navy and air force around it. The British Commonwealth is becoming more collective in its organization.

One of the most effective links which bind the Commonwealth of Nations is the British Broadcasting Corporation. Three new high-powered short-wave transmitters were installed before the Coronation, and eight new aerial masts are to be erected on 80 additional acres. Thousands of additional homes will thus be brought into intimate and stirring contact with the heart of the Empire. The Dominions are also contemplating the erection of their own powerful short-wave stations.

Another step for "shortening distance" is the Government goal (already realized for South Africa) to transmit all mail by air between Britain and Empire destinations for 1½d. per half oz. Provision is being made for 9 services to and from Egypt, 5 to and from India, 3 each to and from East Africa and the Straits Settlements, and 2 each to and from South Africa and Australia. Operating on a 24-hour basis, India will be 2½ days, Australia a week from England.

The Imperial Conference (14 May—15 June 1937) was described as a "family gathering" in which the Nations of the Commonwealth successfully adjusted their mutual problems. The five great points which emerged might be termed *An Imperial Charter of Peace*: (1) The Preservation of Peace; (2) Arms never to be used for aggression; (3) The advisability of the separation of the League of Nations from the Versailles Treaty; (4) Recognition of the desirability of disarmament, but also of the

need for defensive arms to fulfil international obligations; (5) While firmly upholding the principles of democracy, a refusal to divide the world into ideological groups.

Peace Movements: While Britain is rapidly rearming to aid in the insurance of world peace, the foreign policy is, as above enunciated, one of goodwill and a broad tolerance for other Nations.

An Anglo-Italian Agreement and Bilateral Treaties with Germany and Russia have been concluded. A plan for a Germano-Franco-British colonial company through which Germany might be able to transact business with French and British colonies is being considered.

Parallel with defence preparations there is a strong tide of movements toward world peace: In the National Peace Congress held in London 28-31 May 1937, one of its commissions advocated the establishment under international auspices of a world service of information on current events, objective and impartial. The New Commonwealth Society is working for the establishment of an International Equity Tribunal attached to the Permanent Court with legislative power to effect peaceful reforms. As ambassadors of peace and goodwill 1,580 students of evening schools visited European countries during 1937.

The Rt. Hon. George Lansbury, M.P., had consultations with President Roosevelt, M. Blum, the Belgian and Scandinavian Prime Ministers, Signor Mussolini, and Herr Hitler regarding support for a new world conference called specifically to discuss the removal of causes of war: the great Labour leader made an appeal to the churchmen of the world to unite for peace. The many international congresses held on the occasion of the Coronation had the effect of strengthening understanding.

Mr. Chamberlain, Prime Minister, was made Hon. President of the League of Nations Union.

The Peace Pledge Union sets as its ideal "Goodwill under Provocation." The junior branches of the League of Nations, Red Cross, Scouts and many

other world organizations foster mutual sympathy and understanding.

Trade and Communications: 1936 marked the biggest trade year since 1930; the British Industries Fair, 15-26 February 1937, to which sixty countries sent buyers, was the most impressive yet held. National income shows a complete recovery of pre-depression value; per capita income had risen in 1935 8% over 1929.

A barter plan with a central brokerage to bring together countries with surplus commodities is being encouraged by Government.

The Minister of Agriculture proposes measures to assist agriculture by equalizing farm prices and helping to restore the fertility of the soil. Two out of every three acres in England are under planned control.

A "simpler tax with a larger yield," which will not involve increases of income tax or indirect taxation, but will gain its revenue from large profits, is being introduced.

Trial flights were completed in July 1937 for a joint Anglo-American air service which was to be opened by November 1, and followed by a passenger service in 1938.

Cultural Life:

Welfare Relief: The Englishman is deeply humanitarian. Some give millions, Lord Nuffield for example; many others are active in personal relief activities.

Under the Social Security System, the sick, the aged, the young and the workless receive the necessities of life. Through legislation enacted in 1937, the blind receive pensions at forty. A voluntary pension scheme has been devised for salaried workers. In 1934-5 Social Services cost England and Wales £ 426,849,000.

In July 1937 the Prime Minister announced that 800,000 people had been taken out of the slums and put into better quarters, and the slums were being emptied at the rate of 60,000 weekly. Fifty-six areas in London have been cleared, and a £ 10,000,000 loan has been passed to continue this work, together with other civic improvements.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, is working with the Prison Commissioners on important plans for a three-year programme of prison reforms. In September 1937 he made a personal tour to investigate the conditions of English prisons.

Much attention is being given to the juvenile offender in an endeavour to understand the psychological kink which is the underlying cause of his delinquency. A Committee has been appointed to consider the question of corporal punishment for juveniles.

Interest is increasing in animal welfare. The Duchess of Hamilton, sounded a new note at the Coronation by declining, with the consent of the authorities, to wear ermine, thus establishing a fine precedent for future Court functions.

Educational Trends: The following trends in education are observed :

The inauguration, October 1936, of the Spalding Chair of Eastern Religions and Ethics in the University of Oxford, which Professor Sir S. Radhakrishnan so ably fills.

A Council for Psychical Research in the University of London, which aims ultimately at introducing Psychical Research into the post-graduate curriculum.

The experiment in Dover College of substituting an intelligence test and an interview for competitive examinations for scholarships.

Less general reliance on examinations as an indication of scholarship. More creative education, less "book-reading." Training for citizenship, leadership, and leisure.

A Special Commission report, urging the abolition of homework for all under twelve, and the lessening of homework for older children to prevent fatigue, nervous strain, and disorders.

The exchange of seventeen selected schoolboys between the United States and Britain "to consolidate understanding between the two countries."

Research and Discovery: There is a universal awakening of science to a sense of social responsibility.

The firm of Burroughs Wellcome and Co., manufacturing chemists, under the Wellcome Foundation is to be run solely for the endowment of science.

Some significant research investigations are :

X-Ray crystallography revealing atomic and molecular architecture.

The capacity of the cell for organization and selection.

Experimental proof of the transmission of certain acquired characteristics to subsequent generations; also that cosmic radiation can produce sudden mutations in a given species.

The artificial production of most of the 92 chemical elements, some in amounts detectable by ordinary analysis. A Society formed for the study of alchemical origins.

The theory of Prof. Dirac of Cambridge that matter is in process of creation, probably in stellar interiors.

The preliminary report of Dr. Kilner's successor, of an ultra outer aura of the human body.

A plant "hormone" that stimulates root growth to a marked degree.

Health: In the comprehensive Government Campaign for a physically fit Britain, all Governmental and voluntary organizations working for health are co-ordinated. Training for moral as well as physical leadership is stressed.

The Ministry of Health is to provide free post-graduate courses for 18,000 panel doctors. Diet is stressed and patronage of milk-bars is steadily growing. Every expectant mother can now have attention. The decline in mortality and disease is most encouraging.

Among the many recent advances in **Medicine** is noted diagnosis through the study of brain-wave rhythms, made visible by wireless amplification.

A change of attitude is noticeable in the medical profession towards animal experimentation. The Medical World has editorially dissociated itself from "this wastage of animal life and needless pain and suffering"; likewise the recently formed Health Education and Research Council.

Art and Beauty: "For King and Countryside—Toward a more beautiful

Britain " was the slogan of the Coronation Planning Committee. Many organizations for town-planning and the beautification of rural England are rapidly making it one of the world's garden-spots. The Forestry Commission have started training head woodmen of private estates. The "Ferguson Gang" buy up holdings on the seashore to protect beauty from defacement. The London County Council is preserving a Green Belt of wooded areas and open spaces almost 45 square miles. Throughout the country architecture is to be wedded to landscape; ancient cottages and other picturesque wayside buildings and in some instances archaeological finds are to be preserved and restored. Decentralization into garden cities is rapidly proceeding. The air is being purified of smoke and noise.

Craftsmanship is being revived by the Rural Industries Bureau—quilting, wood-turning, bell-moulding, lace-making.

Under the auspices of the British Institute of Adult Education collections of art treasures are hung for a month or more in the smaller towns.

The Coronation was a stimulus to fresh musical composition. Notable were Vaughan Williams' *Flourish for a Coronation*, and his new *Te Deum*, a robust work performed on the new organ at the Coronation Service; also two new operas, *Don Juan de Manaro* by Eugene Goossens, and *Julia*, a lighter work by Roger Quilter; and a symphony by Edmund Rubbra, the year's discovery as a composer.

The Englishman of over 15 goes to the cinema on an average 30 times a year. An effort is being made to eliminate the ugly and horrific from the films he sees.

London is experiencing a renaissance in the theatre. Leading Shakespeareans in England and America are rebuilding Shakespeare's old Globe Theatre destroyed by fire in 1813; also the old Mermaid Tavern. An Elizabethan Library and Museum is being founded in the heart of London's Shakespeare-land.

The first regular television programme from the B.B.C. transmitting station at Alexandra Palace was inaugurated 1 November 1936. Broadcasting of the Coronation from a mobile station and larger-than-life television marked the next great advances.

Oxford University awarded the Newdigate Prize for the best original work in English verse to the poem *The Man in the Moon* by Miss Margaret Stanley-Wrench. The Femina Vie-Heureuse Prize was awarded to Miss Margaret Lane for her novel *Faith, Hope, No Charity*.

Eminent Men Pass: Sir James Barrie, author of *Peter Pan*, on 19 June 1937; John Drinkwater, poet and dramatist; Sir Henry Lytton, the veteran Savoyard; Harold Samuel, masterly exponent of Bach's music; Lady Houston, philanthropist; Lady Tree, actress; Edmond Holmes, educationist; Sir Austen Chamberlain and Lord Snowden, statesmen.

Religion: There is a growing interest in personal religion, and a tacit admission that mere scientific humanism is not enough.

The passage of a Bill, extending grounds for divorce and minimizing many hardships, marks a separation of this question from its original religious involvement.

The World Congress of Faiths (Continuation Movement) on 23-7 July 1937, at Oxford, held a fruitful deliberation on "The World's Need of Religion."

Theosophy in England:

General Secretary: Mrs. Adelaide Gardner, 1936-.

The spacious premises of the National Headquarters afford excellent accommodation for the various administrative departments. Besant Hall, adjacent to the Headquarters, seats 400. Both buildings form a dignified centre from which to represent Theosophy to the English nation and the many visitors from overseas.

A National Publicity Department assists the Lodges with pamphlets, posters and leaflets for resale or distribution. The Section publishes an annual Year Book and Diary, as well as a monthly

Section Journal. Besides the usual methods of announcement of lecture programmes, some Lodges use the cinema news-reel; in London the sandwich man is used in the shopping district.

Headquarters also arranges the tours of National and other lecturers to cover the various Federations. An intensive tour of the Section during 1936-7 has been made by Miss Clara Codd. Mr. Fritz Kunz from the United States lectured in September, in London.

Various artistic groups connected with the larger Lodges hold exhibitions, give performances and in other ways contribute to Theosophy as Beauty.

The Theosophical Order of Service is active in social service.

A Youth Centre at Headquarters keeps in close touch with its members throughout the Provinces.

The Section is fortunate in possessing one of the finest libraries on occult subjects in the world.

During the autumn of 1936 Besant Hall was lent by The Society for a series of interesting lectures entitled "The

Next Step in Religion." The series was arranged to follow up lines of thought initiated at the World Congress of Faiths, and among the speakers were Professor Sir S. Radhakrishnan, Canon Charles Raven, Mr. Aldous Huxley, Mr. Gerald Heard, etc. A second series followed in the early spring of 1937, and a third sequence, "Faith and Culture in the British Commonwealth of Nations," was the title of a Coronation series. This series was magnificently summed up by Miss Charlotte Woods in her lecture on "The Universality of the Mystic Experience." All these lectures attracted a large attendance of thoughtful people.

Through study weekends, lectures, discussions, the Section is actively engaged in stimulating a deeper insight into the fundamentals of Theosophy as well as a more efficient presentation of Theosophy to the public.

Many Lodges, as a part of their regular work, hold meditations for peace and understanding. The Section is playing a constructive part in the re-emphasis and revival of spiritual life.

FINLAND

President of Republic: M. Kyosti Kallio, 15 February 1937-43. Capital: Helsingfors (Helsinki). Land area: 134,557 sq. m.; inland waters 13,254 sq.m. Est. pop 1935: 3,786,844.

National Survey:

Keynote: "Mysticism. Devotion, Spirit of Freedom." (G.S.A.)

The newly elected President (M. Kallio) and Cabinet, formed 12 March 1937 under the premiership of Prof. Cajander (Liberal), are planning to promote three great national measures: (1) friendly relations with all countries; (2) national defence; (3) economic and social betterment schemes.

Young men and women in their 21st year are entitled to participate in the governmental affairs of their local commune and by the 24th year attain full suffrage. Finland was the first country to grant equal suffrage to women.

Finland was also the first to bring a dispute for settlement before the League of Nations, and the first European country to try prohibition (1919).

In one of the world's most extensive co-operative movements, the people of Finland work together for the common good. Finland is also part of the Scandinavian bloc of goodwill, and one of the Oslo States which have practically demonstrated their desire for mutual economic interchange through the removal of trade restrictions. For the first time since attaining her independence, Finland has bridged the gulf between Helsinki and Moscow by sending, in January 1937, an ambassador to Russia.

The recovery of the world's timber market, a favourable balance of export trade, an increase in building operations, industrial expansion—all these mark Finland's growing economic prosperity.

Cultural Life :

Many have sung of the beauty of Finland, the land in which lake, waterfall and forest bring an other-world enchantment. Only such a land could have inspired *Kalevala*, one of the world's great epic poems.

In all the arts the standard is high. Edelfelt, Sibelius, and Saarín have won world reputations in their respective fields of painting, music and architecture. Westermarch has attained a distinctive place in anthropology.

The varied character of Finland's educational system is shown by the fact that in addition to three fine Universities, many infant, elementary, secondary and teachers' training colleges, there are the following schools : 5 for navigation, 42 commercial, 11 industrial, 2 technical, 158 for arts and crafts, 52 agricultural, 4 dairy, 41 cattle-management, 42 household, 6 horticultural, 6 forestry. Sixty per cent of the population are agriculturists. Adult illiteracy is only 0.9%. The Academy Bookshop in Helsinki is the largest in Europe.

Theosophy in Finland :

General Secretary : Armas Rankka.

A very successful Convention with 211 delegates was held at Easter 1937.

Theosophical books are widely distributed throughout the public libraries. *Mount Everest* by Dr. Arundale and *The Riddle of Life* by Dr. Willie Angervo were recently published in Finnish.

Some of the Lodges have "Sewing Circles" which arrange matinées and bazaars to aid in Theosophical work.

Dr. John Sonck visited the Finnish Lodges in America in 1936-7.

Choruses and choirs of Theosophists emphasize Beauty. Several of Finland's F.T.S. have achieved international renown in the fine arts.

The President, Dr. Arundale, stated after his recent visit to Finland : "The Finnish Section has resuscitated itself in a marvellous way. It is wonderful to come across such a large number of members who are so perfectly one-pointed, keen and eager about Theosophy, with no difficulties, no doubts and confusions—so straight."

FRANCE

President of Republic : M. Albert Lebrun, 10 May 1932.

Capital : Paris. Area : 212,659 sq. m. Pop. actually resident 1936 : 41,834,923.

French Colonies and dependencies (including Algeria, Tunis, Syria and Lebanon, French Africa, Madagascar, Indo-China, Morocco, etc.) Area : 4,617,529 sq. m, Pop. : 64,946,975.

National Survey :

Keynote : "The Spirit of Individuality, of emotional and intellectual brilliance." (G.S.A.)

With fine courtesy when the new Cabinet was formed 21 June 1937 with M. Camille Chautemps (Radical-Socialist) as Premier, M. Blum remained to help the new regime as Vice-Premier, appealing to his Party in the name of "honesty and loyalty" to "give M. Chautemps the support which the Socialist Government has always received from the Radicals."

The Blum Government had retained power for one year and three weeks. During this period was introduced the 40-hour week, holidays with pay, restoration of pay cuts, compulsory recognition of collective contracts, nationalization of the arms industry, and national control of the Bank of France.

Under the new Government there will be no breach of continuity either in social affairs or foreign relations. Having no commitments the Chautemps Government should have less difficulty in balancing the budget through limitation of public works, and rationalizing the administration of the railways, which it was expected would be nationalized before Autumn 1937.

As an emergency measure for the stimulation of productive enterprises the franc was detached from Gold. Price exploitation was forbidden. A temporary moratorium on all payments in gold and

foreign exchanges, as from 29 June 1937, was decreed.

It is proposed to develop the natural resources of the Riviera, whose principal source of income is the tourist trade.

Government is encouraging the erection of many plants to extract benzole from black and brown coal.

An airport way, partially underground from Paris, direct to Le Bourget, will cut the air-route time between London and Paris 39 minutes. Express trains will be able to travel safely at speeds up to 80 m.p.h. The most powerful oil locomotive in the world will run from Mentone to Paris (695 miles) in less than 11 hours.

The French Ambassador inaugurated a through sleeping-car service between London and Paris via Dover-Dunquerque to eliminate the rigours of channel crossing.

Foreign and Colonial Affairs: Syria and Lebanon are to receive their independence in three years (with certain reservations in favour of France). Government is examining plans for a large-scale settling of Jews in various French colonial possessions. The difficulty between France and Turkey over the Sanjak of Alexandretta was settled through the League of Nations.

Government from January 1937 put a ban on the enlistment of Frenchmen as volunteers in the Spanish Civil War, and aided the other Great Powers in attempting to preserve the Non-Intervention agreement by a cordon patrol.

The Franco-Soviet Pact was reaffirmed by a friendly conversation 18 May 1937.

France has many allies among the smaller nations, whose complete equality of status she recognizes.

There is co-operation between French and German air lines. A Franco-Anglo-German Company has submitted a scheme in which Germany would be given ample opportunity to trade in French and British Colonial possessions.

A monument to the memory of Briand, great supporter of Peace and a "United States of Europe," was unveiled on the Quai d'Orsay, 13 June 1937.

Maurice Duperrey of the French Rotary Movement was elected President of Rotary International at its 28th Convention opened in Nice 6 June 1937.

The International Exposition of Arts and Crafts, opened in Paris 13 May 1937 by President Lebrun, not only synthesized modern civilization, but struck the note of future achievement. The "Palace of Discovery," the temple of "pure" science, was conceived and executed by Jean-Baptiste Perrin, Nobel Prize Winner of 1926. Some of the wonders therein displayed were: Jean Painlevé's film of the fourth dimension; a cosmic ray exhibit photographed by the Wilson cloud chambers; the Halls of Electrostatics and Atomic Synthesis, planned and supervised respectively by Joliot and Joliot-Curie, wherein the famous experiment of artificial radioactivity or modern alchemy was performed; the marvellous beauty of the spectrochemistry exhibits; the mystery of the growth of the living organism, where not only vegetable and animal life was elucidated, but man himself was measured and evaluated physically and mentally from every possible angle.

In this truly universal exhibition, France played host to forty-two nations—all national and creedal differences set aside in the united effort of each to show its distinctive contribution to the general welfare of humanity.

Cultural Life:

The French people are hard-working, cheerful, amiable, keen-witted, polished, social, artistic, and *au fond* spiritually-minded, says Dr. Cloudesley Brereton, the author of *France: a Handbook for Beginners*, which was awarded the second prize for a book calculated to promote mutual and international understanding.

On 12 March 1937 an assembly of progressive artists decided upon the production of a film of the French Revolution to be financed through a 1½ million subscription list of two francs each.

France uses 9,360 projectors in the schools. Fifty-two per cent of the population aged three to six are enrolled in the excellent nursery schools. Six

thousand English children were warmly entertained in France in the spring of 1937.

Under the direction of the French Ministry of Health, Sports and Leisure, a campaign for physical betterment has been in progress throughout 1936-7. A four-year course ending with a degree was established to train professors in up-to-date methods.

The Pasteur Institute reports that the objectionable features of animal small-pox vaccines are eliminated in those produced in egg cultures.

A new method of fighting toxins is revolutionizing serum therapy. A young French savant, Dr. Odin, who died in 1928, did not live to see his *autohemo serum* achieve its present remarkable success. From one's own blood a serum is now developed which does away with the cruelty of animal serums and their often fatal complications.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Société Astronomique de France founded chiefly by the efforts of M. Camille Flammarion, F.T.S., with a membership of five thousand, was celebrated 28 January 1937. France is erecting a new observatory at Forcalquier in the Savoy Alps to house the second largest telescope in the world.

Heliostats, devised by the French Engineer, Pierre Arthuys, are today trapping sunlight for lighting buildings in France.

The claim of Indian mystics to have gained control of their heartbeats by prolonged spiritual exercises was substantiated before learned Paris groups by Dr. C. Laubry and Dr. Thérèse

Brosse, F.T.S., who exhibited electric records demonstrating the changes of the heart during trance.

Theosophy in France :

General Secretary : Prof. J. Emile Marcault, M.A., LL.B., 1934-.

Taking advantage of the keen interest displayed in the press and scientific circles in Dr. Brosse's report, a series of lectures in the spring of 1937 was given by the General Secretary on the higher phases of Yoga.

The Theosophical Society was represented at the International Exhibition, 1937, in an artistic display.

The Campaign for Understanding is being enthusiastically promoted.

Under the auspices of the Section, a conference was held by Prof. Marcault and other educationists on "The Education of Tomorrow in the light of recent discoveries in Psychology and Physiology."

The library has been enlarged and its personnel increased. Many of the best Theosophical books were distributed to public libraries.

Prometheus and *Thyrsus and Cross* by M. Trarieux, F.T.S., well known in literary circles, together with several translations, were published.

The young people under the leadership of Francis Brunel and Raymond Rieschmann are organizing youth work in and out of The Society.

The Section is endeavouring to inculcate a "Theosophical understanding of political and social life, a recognition by all members of the spiritual values cherished by contending parties, and the constitution in our ranks of groups of workers living with the unity of spiritual life in politics."

GERMANY

Leader of Nation : Adolf Hitler. Appointed by President von Hindenburg as Chancellor of the Reich, 30 January 1933. Upon the death of the President, 2 August 1935, the offices of President and Chancellor were united in the person of Herr Hitler, who expressed the wish to be known as "Führer and Chancellor."

Capital : Berlin. Area 181,699 sq.m. Pop. 1933 : 66,030,491.

National Survey :

Keynote : "The Spirit of Discipline, strangely and wonderfully permeated by the spirit of the Quest." (G.S.A.). A passion for national unity and racial purity, coupled with a glorification of

comradeship through labour. (See 1937 International Theosophical Year Book for a history of the National Socialist Movement.)

On 30 January 1937 a special sitting of the Reichstag, General Göring presiding, gave Government full powers for another four years. Herr Hitler announced the promulgation of a new Constitution, and the placing of German railways and the Reichsbank without reservation under the sovereignty of the Government.

On 15 November 1936, clauses of the Versailles Treaty maintaining the Kiel Canal and approaches open to ships of all nations were declared no longer binding. All Nations are to be given free access to German rivers, with no discrimination in fees, and Germany asks reciprocity on foreign rivers.

In the new German Penal Code (5 November 1936) among the offences punishable by hard labour are: Public ridicule of marriage or motherhood; incitement to birth-control; provocative attacks on the nation's willingness to work, or on the labour service; strikes and lockouts, malicious creation of a shortage of vital commodities; assaults against German honour; disparagement of the heroism of the German Army or the venerable men and women of the past.

Germany's foreign relations have been strengthened by conversations and official visits to Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Hungary, France, as well as cultural, economic or friendship pacts with Ireland, Austria, Japan, and Italy. The visit of the Soviet Ambassador to Hitler's holiday retreat in July 1937 was followed by a great revival of Russo-German trade relations.

Germany has affirmed the neutrality of Belgium, Holland, and Switzerland, and Herr Hitler stated 10 January 1937: "I solemnly declare that between Germany and France there can be no point of dispute at all, as far as is humanly conceivable."

Ambassadors of future goodwill are the children of Germany. Not only do they interchange visits yearly with many thousands of children from other

lands (England, Italy, France, America, etc.), but some 2,600 German children exchange letters with British children, 6,800 with French children, 1200 with Italian children. All the youth of the Reich are enrolled in the Hitler Youth Movement.

Germany's programme for self-containment has released the creative genius of the Nation. Everything possible is being conserved and salvaged, not only materials, but the man-power of the nation also.

In an official bulletin it is stated: The line to be taken in food policy is a change-over to a diet which prefers plant products, rather than animal products. Not only from the standpoint of conservation but for health and humanness, many Germans are following the example of the Führer, who is a vegetarian.

Germany can justly point with pride to her great network of modern national highways, to 250,000 acres of marsh land reclaimed, to thousands of acres of new forest plantings, etc. The right to work is recognized as fundamental. Brother has learned to work for brother in the Army of Service. No one is so poor that he is deprived of a holiday or needed assistance, someone from a labour camp takes his place while he rests. The only aristocracy which is recognized is that of Service. And in so serving, the German youth and maiden have found "Strength, Beauty, and Joy."

Cultural Life:

Every opportunity is given the German people to enjoy the finest art. Ugliness and degeneracy in every form is combated.

Herr Hitler has announced a 20-year programme for the development of Berlin, Munich, Hamburg, and Nuremberg on lines of beauty, historic monuments to be preserved, beautiful structures to delight the eye.

There is a comradeship in cultural appreciation. Community singing, mass theatre and symphony orchestra parties are arranged for the workers.

The German countryside is beautiful ; gardens abound everywhere, bird and animal life is protected. Herr Hitler stresses the unity between man and other kingdoms of nature.

As the trains pass through western Germany, the traveller hears folk music native to each region. Glass-topped observation cars reveal the grandeur of the mountains. The workers make many excursions to the Bavarian Alps.

A new system of colour photography brings the possibility of reproducing nature's pastel hues within the reach of small moving-picture cameras.

Among other discoveries is the mechanical eye which, with the help of infra-red rays, enables one to see in the dark ; the use of the ultra-violet ray to make visible the colours given off by the blood serum (University of Leipzig) ; diagnosis of disease through the observance of the "aureole of light" surrounding ultra-microscopic organisms (University of Cologne).

Dr. Kahrstedt stated : " We teach and learn medicine, not to increase the number of known microbes, but to keep the German people strong and healthy."

Before obtaining a degree and permit to practise, every medical man is required to serve one year as a country doctor, not only " to lead the physician back to the land, but to help keep the farmer there."

Three German National Prizes of 100,000 marks (£ 8,300) each are to be awarded annually to Germans distinguished in art and science.

The Kaiserlich Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher celebrated its 250th anniversary May 28-30, and Gottingen University its 200th anniversary on 30 June 1937.

All healthy German children go to State schools. Three hundred boys are chosen from all ranks of life for special training in leadership. At the Jubilee of the University of Heidelberg, Herr Rust, Minister of Education, spoke of a new era in education : " The day of the supremacy of the intellect is over."

Theosophy in Germany :

The non-federated members in Germany are full of enthusiasm, courage, and confidence. They are all ardent followers of the Führer, trying to further with thought and life all that is great and noble in his ideals.

GREECE

King of the Hellenes : Georgeos II, 27 September 1922—18 December 1923 ; 3 November 1935—.

Capital : Athens. Area : 50,270 sq.m. Est. pop. Dec. 1935 : 6,830,000.

National Survey :

Keynote : Individualism, Brilliance, Beauty.

The history of the return of King George to the Throne and the establishment of the Government under General Metaxas was given in the 1937 International Theosophical Year Book.

King George has stated that the most necessary things for Greece today are *reconciliation* and *co-operation*. He himself led the way in a pilgrimage of homage to the Cretan tomb of the great anti-monarchist hero, Venizelos, thus

inaugurating a new era of national understanding.

The Cabinet is composed of specialists and progressive men, the majority being professors. Party politics and prejudice are not allowed to enter into the selection of Ministers. The Cabinet is directing its attention to rural reconstruction, and endeavouring to stem the flow from rural districts into Athens.

Among the reforms decreed by the Metaxas Government, which celebrated its first anniversary 5 August 1937, are : Social insurance obligatory for all workers ; industrial wage arbitration (strikes banned) ; minimum wage for manual workers and improved conditions of work and pay for textile and other industries : a ten-year plan of road

construction, land reclamation and settlement. The financing of these schemes has been accomplished through a small luxury and postage tax.

In July 1937 all the able-bodied men in Greece had employment and the sick had medical attention.

For 1937 health service, 300,000,000 drachmas (£546,000) was budgeted, or about double the allotment of 1936. This new vote covers welfare centres and sanatorium treatment for tuberculosis and malaria.

Youth movements are being fostered by the Crown Prince Paul, and the ideals inculcated are service, social-mindedness, and co-operation.

Marriage is decreed for every male Greek of 25 or over as a patriotic duty. Failure to comply results in dismissal from public service, heavy taxes, and other privilege losses.

Friendship with Turkey has been further deepened by the Turkish Premier's visit to Athens 26 May 1937. A new agreement with Bulgaria is of material value in preserving Balkan stability.

Cultural Life :

Every Greek peasant aspires to the University; the Government is aiming to divert many into the technical and agricultural colleges, thus fitting them for greatly needed work where pay is stabilized. In these colleges a sound general and cultural education is combined with specialized instruction.

The University of Athens celebrated its Centenary in May 1937. From 14

students it has grown to 10,000. Among some of the great men who have passed out through its portals, the names of Hatzidakis, Zervos, Sakellariou and Eginitis are familiar to mathematicians, and Prof. Stephanidis to scientists and historians. A Byron chair has been created as a gift from Great Britain.

An age-old culture is the heritage of Greece, a culture which even in the Minoan and Mycenaean Ages (3,000—4,000 B.C.) indicated an originality and freedom of expression that could only have emanated from a still more ancient and advanced civilization—a culture which produced a Parthenon, in which the Gods touched the life of men in statues of heroic beauty, a culture which conquered its conquerors and thus formed the basis of western civilization.

Theosophy in Greece :

General Secretary : Cimon Prinaris 1929-. Joint General Secretary, Paris Hadji Petro, 1929-.

Though Greece in the seventies, shortly after the foundation of The Theosophical Society, formed a Lodge, the present movement dates back only to 1924. The Section has five Lodges in Athens, one in Thessalonika, one in Patras and one in the Island of Cyprus. Among the active workers and generous benefactors is Mme Julie Diomede.

The Headquarters is in the centre of Athens, and through public lectures, *Theosophicon Deltion*, and occasional translations of Theosophical works into Greek, is spread the Ancient Wisdom.

HUNGARY

Regent of Kingdom : Admiral Nicholas Horthy de Nagybánya, elected 1 March 1920.

Capital : Budapest. Area : 35,875 sq. m. Est. pop. Dec. 1935 : 8,943,533.

National Survey :

Keynote : Freedom, Mysticism, Culture, Chivalry." (G.S.A.) Motto : " My trust is in the ancient virtues."

In Hungary the Ideal of Kingship is dominant. Though Hungary is kingless, a Regent rules in the name of the future King, who will be chosen to start a new dynasty when the country's equilibrium has been restored.

Parliament in July 1937 granted the Regent the power of veto, and the right to nominate a list of three persons from whom Parliament may, but need not, choose his successor. To him accrue

all the powers of the crowned ruler save that of conferring new titles of nobility and ecclesiastical patronage.

While the Regent is in a position of great power, that power rests upon the confidence, esteem and affection of the people, and parliamentary forms and secular traditions of the country remain intact.

The present Government is working toward the establishment of a democratic regime.

An increase in industrial production, a favourable export balance, a slight surplus in provisional returns for the 1936-7 budget indicate an upward economic trend.

Visits of State were interchanged between the King of Italy and the Regent.

The Italian Government is making arrangements for the transformation of Fiume into a port which will make special concessions to Austro-Hungarian transport. An important barter agreement was concluded in December 1936 between Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

When the League-sponsored Universal Reassemblment for Peace met in April 1937, it received the hearty approval of the Hungarian masses, and a National Committee was formed which included representatives of political democracy, science, art and literature.

Cultural Life :

Throughout the land is spread the three-point credo of the people :

I believe in God ;

I believe in Justice ;

I believe in the resurrection of Hungary.

The Hungarian Society of Public Health, one of the oldest public health associations in the world, recently celebrated the 50th Anniversary of its foundation.

Hungary's gift to the world is Beauty not alone of art and song, but Beauty of ancient virtue released through life as a splendidly ordered ceremonial.

Theosophy in Hungary :

General Secretary : Miss Flora de Selevér, 1932-.

In July 1937 the General Secretary reported that definite hope was entertained that the Headquarters building at Budapest, given by Dr. Besant, would be relieved from financial embarrassment. The public lectures at Headquarters attract good audiences.

The members are dauntless in their determination to make Theosophy available in the Hungarian language. In 1936 was added to their excellent circulating library of four thousand volumes, four typewritten copies of *Mount Everest*. The President's Campaigns have been enthusiastically followed, and a number of booklets have been translated and published. Activity Youth Lodge was chartered 4 March 1937.

Many social and other gatherings link the members in close bonds of unity, and the Section in its turn links itself in thought with other Sections throughout the world, and their central heart, Adyar.

ICELAND

King of Sovereign State : King Christian X of Denmark. Iceland, since 1381 under the rule of Denmark, from 1 December 1918 has been united only through the identity of the Sovereign, and through an Act of Union (1918-40) which places foreign affairs under Danish control.

Capital : Reykjavík. Area : 39,739. Pop. Dec. 1935 : 115,870.

National Survey :

Keynote : The indomitable spirit of the Viking touched with the flame of Celtic beauty.

The Silver Jubilee of H. M. King Christian X was enthusiastically celebrated on 14 May 1937.

Iceland is in a period of transition economically, and great changes have taken place within the last decade. In place of foreign shipping, the Icelandic

mercantile fleet now takes care of the greater part of all transport to and from the Mediterranean, Great Britain, Scandinavian and Baltic countries.

Hundreds of miles of roads have been constructed, an engineering feat of no small magnitude in a mountainous country like Iceland. The telegraph system covers the entire country, and in many districts every farm has a telephone installed.

On 1 February 1936 social insurance was made available covering accident, sickness, invalidity and old age, and unemployment.

The permanent neutrality of Iceland is established, and the Nation possesses neither army, navy, nor fortifications.

Cultural Life:

Since the twelfth century Iceland has had a seat of higher learning, though its University was formally established only 25 years ago.

Beside a network of elementary, secondary and grammar schools, agricultural, navigation, mechanics, commerce, handicraft, domestic, and folk schools diversify the education of the people.

There is great creative originality in art, music, drama and poetry.

A poet with great depth is Einar Benediktsson, a popular lyric poet is David Stefánsson, and a most popular novelist is Halldór Kiljan Laxness.

The outstanding sculptor is Einar Jonsson, whose early contact with Theosophy is reflected in his idealistic "poetry in stone." One of his relief busts is that of Dr. Annie Besant as a young woman, strong, true, graceful—a replica of this is at Adyar.

Among the liberal clergy are to be found adherents to the New Theology, Spiritualism, and Theosophy.

Theosophy in Iceland:

General Secretary: Gretar Fells 1935-.

The Section reports a year rich with many kinds of work—music recitals, community singing, lantern slides, social gatherings, radio broadcasts. The artistic journal *Gangleri* has a popular appeal.

The General Secretary says: "On the whole the outlook is promising. Onward!"

INDIA

British India: Viceroy and Governor-General: His Excellency the Marquess of Linlithgow, P.C., K.T., G.C.I.E., O.B.E., April 1936-.

Capital of British India: Delhi.

Area: British Provinces, 1,318,346 sq. m.; States and Agencies, 490,333 sq. m.; Total India, 1,808,679 sq. m.

Pop. 1931: British Provinces, 289,491,241; States and Agencies, 63,346,537; Total India, 352,837,778.

Indian States: Though closely affiliated with the British Empire, the Indian States are governed by Rajas or Maharajas, with or without the aid of Ministers and Councils. A Chamber of Princes, established in 1921 as a permanent consultative body, discusses matters relating to affairs of Imperial or common concern, so far as they affect the States.

Chancellor: H. H. the Maharaja of Nawanagar.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Aryan civilization and culture—Dharma—latent in India as she is today, but moving towards renaissance. India is the heart of the Aryan world." (G.S.A.)

India's achievement is thus summed up by Dr. Annie Besant, who worked forty years for India's renaissance:

"To India, root-stock of the mighty Aryan Race, were committed those treasures of spiritual wisdom which are held by her for the healing of the Nations, and also the fundamental principles of man in Society, on which alone can be built a civilization which shall endure. She has vindicated her birthright by her long existence as a

Nation; contemporary with Babylon the Mighty, she is yet alive and pulsing with new life today. Not in tombs is India to be sought, but in the full glare of modern life.

"Nor in mere length of existence is her title to glory, but in the fulfilled treasures of her splendid Past: she was a wealthy trader, sending her ships over the seas, heavy-laden with precious cargo, two thousand years before Hiram of Tyre sent to Solomon his cedar trees, and fir trees, and gold; so well cared-for and well-irrigated were her lands, that her villagers raised on them two and sometimes three crops a year; mighty were her warriors, her kings, her statesmen, her republics, kingdoms and empires, and Alexander felt the strength of her free citizens when he was turned back, the ever-victorious, and found the end of his conquests in that strength.

"World-famous are not only her philosophers, from whom Plato and Pythagoras sought to learn their wisdom, but also her poets and her dramatists, her artists and her craftsmen, her astronomers, her mathematicians, her architects.

"Surely India, with such a past, has some message for the modern world, some spiritual inspiration, some principles of civic polity, which are the secret of her long-continued life."

"**New India**": There are still in India a number of workers who co-operated with Dr. Annie Besant in her immense service to India, and who strive to retain what may be called the "Besant tradition." An occasional bulletin *New India*, which will attempt to voice a reflection of her great policies and principles, was first issued 8 August 1937, with the supreme objective of a "Free India within an Indo-British Commonwealth of Nations."

In her *Commonwealth of India Bill*, which some of her colleagues propose should be recast into a modern charter of Indian liberties, a unique emphasis was laid on a revival of the *Panchayat* system which has its roots deep in India's own past, and is well adapted to the needs of the Indian body politic.

This system includes *decentralization of function*, so that each area, from the village upwards, should be responsible for all that exclusively concerns itself; together with *graded franchise*, so that each citizen should have the right of vote only upon those questions with which he is mentally equipped to deal.

Speaking of the "Plan in which each race, sub-race and nation plays its own part," Dr. Besant said: "In that Plan, as often said, the bringing together of India and Great Britain was for the helping of the world; partly in order that India's priceless treasures of spiritual knowledge be circulated over all the world in the language that is most widely spread at the present time, and thus reach and influence the virile but unspiritual younger generations springing from the sturdy British stock. Partly also that the Indians . . . might be driven together by a foreign rule and prepared to make a united nation. Partly that the literature of Freedom, found nowhere in such splendid form and instinct with such fiery passion as in the tongue of Milton, Burke and Shelley, might reawaken in India her sleeping traditions of intellectual freedom, out of which all other forms of freedom grow, and might drive that mighty force into modern channels, to irrigate the vast extent of Indian life. Through the union of India and Great Britain, at first as ruled and ruler, and then as willing, equal partners in a world-wide empire, the foundations of a new civilization were to be laid."

India took an important step toward this "partnership" of responsibility when the provisions for the establishment of Provincial Autonomy, under the Government of India Act of 1935, came into force 1 April 1937.

New Ministries: In the elections held during preceding months, the National Congress Party showed great majorities in Bombay, Bihar, Central Provinces, Madras, Orissa and the United Provinces.

On 27 March 1937 National Congress Party leaders in Bombay and Madras decided to refuse to form Ministries, unless a guarantee of non-interference

were given by the Governors of the Provinces. The other four Provinces followed this lead.

Though no promise could be given by the respective Governors which would tend to subserve Constitutional rights, the Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow, declared: "Apprehensions that Governors will seek occasions for interfering with the policy of their Ministers, or for gratuitous and uncalled-for exercise of their special responsibilities, have no justification, nor is there any foundation for the assertion that the Governor is entitled under the Act at his pleasure to intervene at random in the administration of the province. The Governors' special responsibilities are restricted to the narrowest limits possible. A Governor will at all times be concerned to carry his Ministers with him."

A conference was held, 7 July 1937, at Wardha, at which the Congress Working Committee decided on the acceptance of office. Though still pledged to "combat" the Government of India Act, the Congress Ministries, forthwith formed, are planning constructive programmes.

Mr. Gandhi believes that "so long as people remain non-violent, the Congress Ministers have enough freedom of action for national growth," and "that vast opportunity is at the disposal of the Ministers in terms of the Congress objective of Complete Independence, if only they are honest, selfless, industrious, vigilant, and solicitous for the true welfare of the starving millions."

As a preliminary to more elaborate reforms—revision of agricultural rent and revenue, etc.—Congress released a large number of prisoners; nor were these amnesties opposed by any Governor. It was also decided that, in line with the emphasis on simplicity, no Congress Minister should accept more than Rs. 500 (under £40) monthly, which is a tithe of what could be claimed under the Government of India Act.

In Madras and Bombay prohibition is being introduced in certain Districts. Prof. K. C. Mukherji voices the feeling of many that rather than prohibitory measures, "improvement of conditions,

introduction of good music, drama, education, etc., would slowly produce a more stable effect."

Women are taking their part with men in achieving India's freedom. Fifty-one women occupy seats in the Legislative Councils and Assemblies. India's first woman Minister was Mrs. Vijayalaxmi in the U.P. Cabinet.

At the 1937 All-India Women's Conference (Allahabad), the women of India appealed to the women and Governments of the world to use their influence and authority to put a stop to scurrilous and misleading anti-Indian books and films.

The proposal made as an integral part of the new Indian Constitution that the *Indian States*, previously largely autonomous, should join the All-India Federation, was accepted in principle at a conference of the Princes and Ministers at New Delhi on 23 February 1937. The final accomplishment of this Federation will probably be delayed until 1 April 1939.

His Majesty's Message to India on the inauguration of Provincial autonomy declared: "A new chapter is opening, and it is my fervent hope and prayer that the opportunities now available to them will be used wisely and generously for the lasting benefit of all my Indian people."

Economic Recovery: The slight rise in commodity prices noted in the autumn-fall of 1935 has swelled into a wave which apparently has not yet touched the crest. The maladjustment between the cost of manufactured goods and raw materials, from which India has suffered heavily, is in process of correction. Home production in many commodities is taking the place of importations. Indian manufacturers are demanding the latest and most efficient processes and types of plant. Research workers at Bangalore, Cawnpore, and Indore are striving to devise the best method of utilization of waste material for the benefit of agriculture. An All-India Village Industries Association, formed in 1934 at Wardha, has for its object the encouragement and improvement of the industries and moral and

physical development of India's 700,000 villages. More territory (40,000,000 acres) has been brought under cultivation by irrigation in India than in any country in the world.

Cultural Life:

India's present objective is the re-Indianization of India. Its motto has been voiced by Shrimati Rukmini Devi, a cultural leader of young India as: "Not only buy Indian but *be* Indian."

Education: Schools are teaching children in the mother tongue instead of a foreign tongue. The ancient crafts of beauty are being revived. Education is being co-ordinated to the needs of village life. Higher education is reassuming its rightful place as a training-ground for scholarship and the ranks of civic and industrial service, rather than as a mere certificate of proficiency for clerkship, a field into which graduates have too long been crowding. University men are being inspired to return to their villages and lead in their rehabilitation.

Among the significant movements in the renewal of Indian culture are: the Academy of Rabindranath Tagore at Santiniketan; the Theosophical schools and colleges at Adyar, Benares and Madanapalle, the School in the Rishi Valley near Madanapalle.

The projected Travancore University at Trivandrum will exemplify the spirit of creative art under the guidance of Dr. James H. Cousins. Their Highnesses the Maharaja and the Maharani are particularly concerned that from the University there shall go back to the elementary schools young men and women who will carry the spirit of Beauty to the people.

Scouting: An effort is being made through the Seva Samiti Scout Movement to make Indian Scouting really Indian. The Provincial Commissioner for Madras Presidency, Dr. George S. Arundale, states: "In India, Indian Scouting must build its own superstructure upon the universal principles of Scouting. Through Indian Scouting, we must draw Hindus and Mussalmans together, all castes together, all warring

differences together, into a great Indian solidarity wherein differences of whatever nature strive for the common good."

Art and Religion: At the Fifth International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art, held at Rome, 10 August 1937, India was represented by two films: "The President," portraying an industrial and social aspect of modern India, and "Sant Tukaram," dealing with a well-known chapter in Mahratta religious history.

The spiritual essence of Indian art was revealed by Shrimati Rukmini Devi, a foremost exponent of the classical Bharata Natya dance:

"Religion is Divinity expressed inwardly; Art is Divinity expressed outwardly. . . . Religion endeavours to express in words and ideas the concept of Divinity and to raise man to it. The classical dance endeavours to express that concept in terms of movement, of colour, of symbol, of music, and so to exalt the onlooker as to bring him into closer understanding with those rhythmic potencies which the dancer strives to embody and release. It is thus that the dance, properly understood and performed, becomes a religious ceremonial, a great mantram, a bridge to the great Rishis who brought it to India. And the dancer, properly inspired, should thrill with the very joyousness of life and endeavour to convey some of the scintillation of the sparkling qualities that are inherent in the reservoir of creative art that she is trying to release . . . for India is a reservoir of spiritual force."

Toward the unification of India a magnificent step was taken by H. H. the Maharaja of Travancore on 12 November 1936: His proclamation, allowing temple-entry to outcastes, reads in part: "Solicitous that none of our Hindu subjects should, by reason of birth or caste or community, be denied the consolations and solace of the Hindu faith, we have decided, and hereby declare, ordain and command . . . that there should henceforth be no restriction placed on Hindus by birth or religion on entering or worshipping

at the temples controlled by us and our Government."

This action was followed by a similar decree on the part of His Holiness Azhakapra Swami, head of the Naduvile Mutt at Trichur in Cochin State.

Dr. Arundale in an editorial comment said: "The glorious action of His Highness in permitting temple entry to outcastes is not merely a gesture. It is a sign of the times. It shows that India is moving forward and that India is slowly but surely becoming united."

In a Parliament of Religions, held at Calcutta in March 1937, Sir Francis Younghusband (England) and Col. Lindberg (U.S.A.) attending, besides delegates from many lands, and from all India's many faiths, Sir Brojendranath Seal said the gathering was "only a prelude to a larger parliament, the Parliament of Man, voicing the federation of world cultures.

Yet India is best known not in its outer stirrings but in its silences, where one "contacts a sense of eternity, a sense of being, a sense of greatness.

"Daily you can hear chants expressing the real majesty of the great teachings of the Manu, who gave them to the Hindus. The rhythm which comes with them is like an eternal pulse that beats with the heart-beat of the universe. You hear that in the silence. It is the atmosphere of *centuries of spiritual thought* which makes India different—like old age, beautiful.

"Those who have the eyes to see and the ears to hear can ever pierce through into its essential glory." (Shrimati Rukmini Devi).

Theosophy in India:

General Secretary: G. N. Gokhale, 1935-.

The work of Theosophy and The Theosophical Society through its leaders in India has been vividly expressed by V. P. Madhavrao, C.I.E., former Dewan of Mysore and Travancore: "When Madame Blavatsky and Colonel Olcott came to India, young India, dazzled by the achievements of the ruling race in the departments of

science, of the art of war, of politics and administration, had begun to believe that its advancement lay in the direction of adopting the manners and customs and the social practices of the Europeans. It had lost the key to the interpretation of the symbolism and ritual of its religion and its sacraments, and had come to believe that it was all superstition, unworthy of men who would claim equality with the Englishmen . . . When young India was in this plight, down descended, as if from the skies, the pioneers of the Theosophic movement to arrest, as it were, the process of denationalization, and to tell us that we were fools to run after the dazzling objects of the senses and lose the inestimable spiritual treasures of which we were heirs."

Theosophists are still the vanguard of India's future greatness in this crucial period of transition.

The Sixty-first Annual Convention of The Theosophical Society was held at Benares in December 1936, five hundred delegates attending, some from overseas and the rest from all parts of India.

The lecturers included the Vice-President, (Mr. Hirendra Nath Datta), Mr. Jinarajadasa, Dr. Bhagavan Das, Mrs. Ransom, Mr. Sri Ram, Dr. J. H. Cousins, and Shrimati Rukmini Devi. The President (Dr. Arundale) opened the Convention.

The keynote of India's Greatness was struck throughout the Convention, Mr. Datta urging that Benares must be "revivified for the sake of the Indian Section and our Motherland generally by our combined efforts and sacrifices, so that India may again be what she was in ancient days, the Spiritual Hub of the Universe."

The Indian Bookshop at Benares was modernized and re-opened during this Convention. This Bookshop caters not only to the Lodges throughout the Section, but to seven Universities in North India.

A Youth Federation of 35 Lodges and 406 members is flourishing in India under the stimulus of its active Federation Secretary, Mr. Rohit Mehta, and

the encouragement given by far-seeing elders, who recognize that the appeal to youth must be "Freedom and Friendship" rather than a sole stress on the Ancient Wisdom.

An effort is being made to form Lodges in the mother-tongues that more women may be attracted to membership. The Ladies' Lodge at Chiknayakanhalli in the Karnatak Federation is a pioneer in this direction.

The Federations are autonomous, practically fifteen "Sections within a Section." All are interested in social service and civic development, and active in Theosophical propaganda. Many

Federations conduct schools, both day and night. Journals are published in the vernaculars. Among these is the *Divyajñana Dipika*, a Telugu monthly which since 1908 has dealt with Religion, Ethics and Philosophy in the light of Theosophy.

The Federations also send out lecturers among the Lodges in their territory. Important tours of the Northern Provinces in 1937 were those of Mr. C. Jinarajadasa, Mr. N. Sri Ram, and Mr. G. N. Gokhale (General Secretary). Mr. Gokhale broadcast over the All-India Radio, Delhi, on *The Cultural Blending of the East and the West*.

IRELAND

Irish Free State: Executive Council President, Eamon de Valéra, re-elected 21 July 1937.

Capital: Dublin. Area: 26,592 sq. m. Est. pop. 1936: 2,965,854.

Northern Ireland: Governor, The Duke of Abercorn, 1922-34; 1934-40.

Capital: Belfast. Area: 5,237 sq. m. Est. pop. 1937: 1,279,177.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Culture and of closeness to Nature. Perhaps a beautiful bridge between the human and the angelic kingdoms." (G.S.A.)

Irish Free State: A new Constitution, approved by referendum 11 July 1937, is to come into effect in 1938, in which "The Irish nation hereby affirms its inalienable, indefeasible, and sovereign right to choose its own form of government, to determine its relations with other nations, and to develop its life, political, economic, and cultural, in accordance with its own genius and traditions."

While the national territory "is declared to be the whole of Ireland, its islands and territorial seas," partition is recognized by inference in Article 3.

The new State is to be known as "Eire" and is proclaimed "sovereign, independent, democratic."

The Senate (Seanad Éireann) will be restored to the National Parliament

(Oireachtas), and its composition will be vocational with a proportional representation of culture and education, agriculture, labour, industry, commerce, and public administration.

Every citizen of 21 is eligible for membership in the Dail. The total number of members will be not more than one member for every 20,000, or less than one member for every 30,000 of the population.

"Titles of nobility shall not be conferred, but orders of merit may be created."

As regards the family, "the State recognizes that by her life within the home, woman gives to the State a support without which the common good cannot be achieved. The State will therefore endeavour to ensure that mothers shall not be obliged by economic necessity to engage in labour to the neglect of their duties in the home. The State pledges itself to guard with special care the institution of marriage, and no law shall be enacted to provide for the dissolution of marriage."

The State guarantees to pass no law attempting to abolish the right of private ownership.

While the State recognizes the special position of the Roman Catholic Church as the faith professed by the great majority of its citizens, free practice of religion is guaranteed, and the State

will not endow any religion or make other discrimination.

A President (An Tuachtaran) will be assisted by a Council of State.

While no mention is made of the King in the Constitution, Mr. de Valera stated that he had decided to assent to the accession of King George VI because of his dream of a United Ireland whether within or outside the Empire.

The General Election held in July 1937 indicated that the De Valera and opposition parties are numerically equal, and unless Labour supports the Government, as it has previously done, it will not have a majority in Parliament.

Eire has granted a transatlantic base to the British Navy and Air Forces on the Shannon, and refused an offer for a German Air Base.

The Government proposes to erect a short-wave broadcasting station in Dublin so that Irish residents in America and abroad may hear its programmes.

The Irish Free State in the last prison census (1934) had a record low prison population of only 19.4 per 100,000.

Northern Ireland: The North of Ireland is a self-contained integral part of the United Kingdom. While it enjoys the privilege of representation in the Imperial House of Commons, it has its separate Parliament and Supreme Court.

King of Country: Vittorio Emanuele III, born 11 November 1869, succeeded to Throne 29 July 1900. Prime Minister and Head of Government, Benito Mussolini, 29 October 1922.

Capital: Rome. Area: 119,714 sq. m. Pop. 1936: 42,527,561.

Italian Foreign Dependencies: (Eritrea, East Africa, Libya, and the Aegean Islands). Area: 1,011,231 sq. m. Pop.: 9,925,734.

Rome, See and Church of (Città del Vaticano): A State set up in Rome by the Lateran Treaty of 1929, giving the Pope, His Holiness Pius XI (Achilles Ratti) sovereign jurisdiction over 108.7

Nearly a million people, including contingents of loyalists from the Irish Free State, joined in Ulster's tumultuous greeting to the King and Queen on their Coronation visit to Belfast 28 July 1937.

Cultural Life:

The people of Ireland, whether from the Protestant North or the Catholic South, are imbued with the Celtic cultural traditions of beauty. The educational standard is high both in Dublin and Belfast. The revival of the Gaelic script and melodious Irish language is an important factor in this synthesis of the national Culture.

Theosophy in Ireland:

General Secretary: Mr. T. Kennedy, 1937.

Theosophy in Ireland is not "partitioned," but the members from North and South work in deep sympathy and understanding for the spread of Brotherhood and Goodwill.

The four oldest Lodges are the Dublin Lodge and the Irish Lodge founded 1909 in Dublin, Belfast Lodge (1910) and Lotus Lodge of Belfast (1913). These with Erin (Belfast), Hermes (Dublin), Maiden City (Londonderry), Cork Lodge and other Centres comprise this Stronghold of Theosophy.

ITALY

acres with a population Dec. 1932 of 1,025.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Independence, permeated by the Spirit of Law. Culture in its western aspect." (G.S.A.) Dynamic Will and Heroism of the individual fulfilled in the State, as Will and Idea. The Fascist emblem: the Lictor's rods, symbol of Unity, Strength, Justice.

(See the 1937 Year Book for a Summary of the Ideals of Fascism, and the organization of the Corporative State.)

Italy has arrested the abnormal growth of its cities which was proceeding at the expense of the countryside, and in the

past sixty years has reclaimed over thirteen million acres of marsh lands. In retreating these new lands, a place has been made for the family to expand, and for the child to grow into happy and useful service.

These reclamations not only provide farm land for the thrifty, hardworking populace, but are associated with hydraulic power operations which establish new industries. A new method of utilizing the power of the sea is on trial.

Italy has also great projects in progress in her colonies, namely £130,000,000 to be spent in Italian East Africa for road construction, maritime works (including inland waterways), hydraulic works, hygienic improvements, especially in malaria-infested areas; mining plant; house-building and town-planning; reforestation and land reclamation; communications, etc.; also miles of windbreaks to protect the soil from the terrific sand-storms of Libya's deserts.

Following Il Duce's official progress through Libya in March 1937, it was announced that Libya was to be given a new Constitution and added help.

Some foreign alliances of the year 1936-7 have been those with Germany, Austria, Hungary, Yugoslavia, and England (as regards the Mediterranean). Signor Mussolini stated that he would be pleased if a conference were called under the aegis of President Roosevelt to discuss measures for the promotion of arms limitation. He also expressed himself in favour of a Peace conference dealing not only with territorial questions but with all questions of economic and financial interests, but he hoped that preparations for such a conference would be thorough.

Cultural Life:

In Italy it is recognized that the physical and moral power of the Nation rests in the wellbeing of mother and child. Marriage loans are given to wedded couples whose ages do not exceed 26, 10% to be cancelled upon the birth of one child, 20% for the second, 30% for the third, and the balance for the fourth. Taxes are very moderate for

the family man and proportionately heavy for the bachelor.

The 40-hour week in industry was approved on 12 December 1936.

As from 9 May 1937 a ten per cent increase in wages was decreed for the first 1,500 lire a month (about £16) of a man's income.

Every Saturday is people's night in the theatres of Italy; tickets for one-tenth of the seats are given free to recipients of government subsidies, and others pay no more than for a neighbouring cinema.

Plans for the 1941-2 International Exhibition in Rome involve the creation of new parks and roads, an underground railway, and buildings stretching from the Eternal City to the sea.

While the Catholic Religion is the State Faith of Italy and religious teaching is given in the schools, other creeds are permitted, and in North Africa, and other Muhammadan areas, Government has built a number of beautiful mosques, opened Koran-schools and has richly endowed a "High School of Islamic Culture." In Tripoli, during Signor Mussolini's progress through Libya, he was presented with the "Sword of Islam," as protector of its faith.

The Italian radio station at Bari broadcasts in all European languages, in Arabic, Hebrew, Hindustani, Chinese, Japanese, and Esperanto.

Italy is one of the foremost nations in stratosphere exploration.

Among the many discoveries recently made by Italian scientists are certain rays which Prof. Mancini of Milan has so utilized as to render human beings and other objects invisible.

On 20 July 1937 passed Marchese Marconi, world-famous pioneer of wireless telegraphy.

The 200th anniversary of the death of Antonio Stradivari, master violin-craftsman of Cremona, was celebrated January 1937.

Theosophy in Italy:

General Secretary: Avv. Tullio Castellani, 1934-.

The scientific presentation of occultism, philosophy, and ethical problems

is attracting audiences of a high cultural type to Theosophical gatherings.

A sympathetic response has been made by Theosophists and the public to the various Campaigns launched from Adyar.

An Art Group recently formed in Milan is emphasizing Theosophy as beauty. Many well known Italian artists sent in their works to an Exhibition of Spiritual Art held during the Annual Convention at Genoa in 1936.

Recent publications are three Theosophical books by Mario Brandi and

Emma Tedeschi, and Italian translations of several of Dr. Arundale's articles.

The General Secretary is reorganizing the Order of Service in accord with the changed conditions of Italian life and spirit. Special emphasis is given to anti-vivisection activities and work for the blind.

The Youth Movement started in 1936 under the leadership of Mr. Edoardo Bratina of Trieste is showing increasing interest in Theosophy.

Theosophical ideals are being blended with patriotic activities in the reorganization of the Nation.

JAPAN

Reigning Sovereign: Emperor Hirohito, born 29 April 1901, succeeded 25 December 1926.

Capital: Tokyo. Area, including Korea, Formosa, etc.: 260,662 sq. m. Est. pop. 1935: 97,694,628.

National Survey:

Keynote: The ideal of the Samurai of uncompromising manliness, self-control and loyalty to death has for millenia dominated the Japanese people. The "seven duties of the soldier" are "loyalty, valour, patriotism, obedience, humility, morality, and honour." The life he leads is frugal, simple, and Spartan.

In pursuance of the policy of "Pan-Asianism" or the "achievement among Asiatic nations of racial solidarity, political interdependence, and economic co-operation," and to guard what is felt to be the Peace of Asia, Japan in 1931 proclaimed Manchuria as the Free State of Manchukuo, with the former Chinese Emperor as ruler. A virtual protectorate was established over five Provinces in North China.

In July 1937, Chinese troops refused to withdraw from what the Japanese considered as protected territory, and war again broke out, spreading down to Shanghai.

The Emperor, opening the Diet in Tokyo on 4 September 1937, declared that Japan was always solicitous about

attaining peace in East Asia by means of mutual Sino-Japanese co-operation. He regretted that China had failed to understand Japan's true intentions, and hoped to persuade China to reconsider her attitude and thereby establish peace in East Asia. He hoped that the whole Japanese people would unite in unswerving devotion to the State.

Earlier in the year the Government of Japan, confronting a grave crisis, had considered it necessary "to strengthen national defence sufficiently to repulse an attempt by any nation to disturb the tranquillity of East Asia."

After a three-months' Government under General Senjuro Hayashi, on 31 May 1937 Prince Konoye formed a "Cabinet of all the talents" on a coalition basis. Prince Konoye is the head of an ancient family of Court Nobles entrusted with the duty of guarding the Emperor; his mentor has been Prince Saironji, the last of the "Elder Statesmen." The new Prime Minister broadcast that his Cabinet would heal strife and promote co-operation: "Our external policy seeks peace based on justice, which is not the same thing as mere maintenance of the *status quo*."

A Five-Year Plan was announced by the Konoye Government for increasing Japan's production by (1) expansion of productive capacity; (2) balancing of international accounts; (3) adjustment

of supply and demand by regulation of imports.

The whole of the national production is regulated in accord with carefully drawn up plans.

On 17 June 1937 a Central Economic Council of 34 members was appointed to formulate a co-ordinated economic policy embracing both Japan and Manchukuo as a single unit. A 15-year plan for the settlement of one million families in Manchukuo is in progress.

Pointing to the development which Japan has made in Malaya, Viscount Tadashiro Inouye spoke (3 July 1937) of the undeveloped New Guinea oilfields as follows: "I am hopeful that a concession from the Dutch Government which would afford such opportunities may sooner or later be encompassed. It is in such regions—hitherto uninhabited and hardly considered as 'worth while' by earlier exploiters—that Japan seeks her salvation in establishing free access to raw materials."

The cultivation of tropical fruits, especially pineapples, the building of roads, hospitals, schools and public works, is proceeding rapidly in Micronesia.

Though Japan has created highly efficient large-scale enterprises ranking with the best of those in the West, the major reason for Japan's economic success in the markets of the world is to be found in her small-scale rural industries fostered by Government. The transmission of power, the growth of motor transport and the invention of all kinds of simple automatic machinery have brought industry to the door of the farmer.

Another important factor is the proverbial thrift of the Japanese people—old photographic plates become mirrors; used corks are made into sandal-soles, the husk of the Soya bean into millions of tons of rayon pulp, the ragged kimono is transformed into a handsome sash. Japan has even found a use for jazz to kill the parasites on silkworms.

The annual report of the Japanese Institute for Science of Labour indicates an intensive interest in working conditions, vocational testing, psychological

fitness, occupational disease, dietetic requirements. A bill was drafted by Government 10 July 1937 to reduce the number of workmen's hours from fifteen to twelve.

Cultural Life:

The Japanese are a kindly, laughter-loving people, with a deep appreciation of aesthetic values. Japan is a land where children are beloved and happy.

The slums are fast being abolished and the criminal element is disappearing.

To improve the physique of youth, it is planned to extend the period of compulsory education from six to eight years.

Japan is the second-largest film-producing country in the world. The studios, co-ordinated and assisted by the State Film Institute, turn out about 500 full-length films every year. These films embody the ideals and culture of the people and are strictly national in character.

One of the great architectural achievements is the Tokyo Diet opened in November 1936. This palatial structure, which was begun 19 years ago, is surmounted by an enormous granite pyramid imposed on a massive central tower, which at night is floodlit. The central hall soars to an enormous height, and the chambers assigned for the meeting-places of the Peers and Commons are lit from flat glass ceilings.

Japan is continuing her huge preparations for the Twelfth Olympiad which will take place in Tokyo in 1940.

Five Japanese mountaineers conquered Nanda Kot, a peak 22,530 feet high in the Himalayas.

The Divine Wind, an airship built by airmen trained in Japan, carried an illuminated address from the Japanese nation to the people of Great Britain, expressing greetings and goodwill for the Coronation. The plane made the record time of 3 days, 22 hours, 18 minutes.

A Buddhist World Congress has been planned for 1940 in Tokyo.

Theosophy in Japan:

Presidential Agent: A. F. Knudsen.

The Miroku Lodge in Tokyo, Miss E. M. Casey, Secretary, and a Centre in Kioto under the direction of Mrs. Beatrice Lane Suzuki, wife of Japan's famous poet-philosopher, constitute a nucleus for the spread of Theosophy in Japan.

Mr. Jinarajadasa gave many public and private lectures in East Asia in the

summer of 1937. He was greatly interested in the old Temples of Japan and the gorgeous colourings and artistic designs of the ancient costumes.

Japan has had an intimate link with The Theosophical Society since the visits of the President-Founder in order to promote the cause of Buddhist unity.

JAVA

(See Netherlands East Indies)

MEXICO

President of Republic: General Lázaro Cárdenas, 1 December 1934—30 November 1940.

Capital: Mexico City. **Area:** 763,944 sq.m. **Pop.** 1930: 16,552,722.

National Survey:

Keynote: The Spirit of Freedom; Loyalty; Beauty through Colour and Rhythm.

(For the history of the Socio-Economic revolution in Mexico, see 1937 International Theosophical Year Book.)

Far-reaching measures were passed by the Cárdenas Government in 1936-7: A bill giving power to expropriate private property "for the ends of the State or in the interests of Society in general," became law 26 November 1937. "Public use" is defined as "the equal distribution of wealth held and monopolized to the exclusive advantage of a few persons with prejudice to society in general, or to any particular social class," and/or "the establishment, maintenance or conservation of an industrial concern for the good of society."

Similar measures have been taken to bring agriculture under the control of the State through a Central Agricultural Marketing Board for the handling of surpluses, and the regulation of production and prices. Speculation will be made impossible, and farmers will be guaranteed a minimum price.

The number of Government Banks for the fostering of agricultural production among small rural property owners

was greatly increased. Chartered Co-operative Societies number nearly 3,000.

On 2 March 1937 Government was placed in supreme control of the country's oil resources. This step is part of the Government's 6-year plan for the "Mexicanization of industry."

On 14 June 1937 Government expropriated 14,400 miles of railway in which it had long held a 51% interest. It hopes thus "to remedy a chaotic financial system."

The reforms of President Cárdenas are not limited solely to the economic and financial domain, but extend to all fields—social, cultural, etc. By means of new social legislation every Mexican worker will be assured protection under collective agreements binding in the most diverse industrial and agricultural employments. An inquiry is on foot to establish the basis of a minimum wage scale.

Cultural Life:

On 12 February 1937 President Cárdenas issued an amnesty to all accused or convicted of "rebellion, sedition, uprising or disturbance." The State has abolished the death penalty for civilians. Since the Penal Code of 1930 there have been no criminal courts—a commission of alienists and other specialists attempts to re-establish in social life men who have broken the law and all sentences are indeterminate. The humanizing influence is indicated in the provision of a food allowance at

Vera Cruz so that the prisoners may choose their meals.

Local Hygiene Commissions have made an intensive fight against social evils, tuberculosis and alcoholism. Women are granted periods of leave with full salary before and after childbirth.

Culture is literally being "imposed" on Mexico's peasantry. Weaving and agricultural methods are taught, and food is distributed. Within the last three years village schools have increased from 4,000 to 15,000. Besides the numerous primary schools, kindergartens and normal schools set up in 1935, the Minister of Public Education has created 315 new rural libraries and six travelling libraries. In 1935 alone more than 1,500,000 books were published for public education in the rural schools. Eight new laboratories were equipped for Polytechnic Institutes. The Universidad Obrera in Mexico City gives higher education free to manual labourers.

Within the League of Nations Mexico's voice has always been heard in defence of weak nations and in support of liberal principles. . . . The country's doors are open to foreign political refugees, as a token of her international and human solidarity. The State of Michoacan, Mexico, adopted 500 Spanish war-orphans, who are given higher education and attention at Government expense.

In the Mexicans the religious, artistic and musical temperament is blended with fidelity to a leader and rebelliousness against oppression. The Spirit of Beauty finds expression through the unmatched pottery and textiles (zarapes) which are famed throughout the Americas. Such a people are blending the Old with the New in the rebirth of a nation, as well as in the evolving of a genuine "Mexican type."

Near Oaxaca, some very finely preserved tombs of Zapotecs were opened

in the spring of 1937. Excavations are also revealing pearls and jade.

Stones, codices, and books as old as the Mayan *Popol-Vuh* trace the origin of Mexican civilization to a "land from the other side of the sea"—Aztlán (*i.e.* Atlantis). The Pyramid at Cholula is larger than that of Cheops near Cairo, and exemplifies the meaning of Toltec—"Artificer."

Theosophy in Mexico :

General Secretary : Dr. David R. Cervera, 1935-.

Among the active workers of long standing are Mr. de la Peña Gil, unanimously re-elected six times as General Secretary ; Señora Consuela R. Aldag, whose lecture tours have greatly assisted the Section ; Señora María S. de Cervera ; Señora Emilia Sales de Escalante and Francisco Escalante Sosa at Merida ; and Dr. Alfredo Cuarón at Tampico. Mr. Fernando Bengoechea, a young F.T.S., transferred from Nicaragua, has stimulated the Mexican Section with his art and lecture tours. The General Secretary also makes extensive tours.

The monthly Section Bulletin is mailed to 500 readers, including Spanish-speaking Lodges in Central and South America. A new pamphlet, *Amistad*, was distributed to 2,000 people.

In addition to sixteen active Lodges the Section has twelve Centres, nuclei for future Lodges.

Several Lodges own their own homes. Headquarters in 1930, through the Co-operative Society "Fraternidad Universal," acquired a massive house located in the heart of Mexico City, which is utilized by Theosophical and allied movements every day. A lecture hall and shrine are being built. It is hoped to add a stage and cinema. Youth is attracted by special lecture courses.

The Section is spreading "the present Theosophical mood : Art, Understanding and Fraternization."

NETHERLANDS

Sovereign : Queen Wilhelmina Helena Pauline Maria, born 31 August

1880, succeeded to the Throne 23 November 1890 ; crowned when of age,

31 August 1898. Crown Princess, Juliana, born 30 April 1909.

Capital: Amsterdam. Area: 12,579 sq. m. Est. pop. 1935: 8,474,506. *Colonial possessions in East and West Indies*: Area: 790,000 sq. m. Pop. 1934: 60,954,890.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Common Sense, of Probity, and of Receptivity for Practical Idealism." (G.S.A.)

With simple ceremony and sincere national rejoicing Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, only child of Queen Wilhelmina and heir to the Dutch Throne, was married 7 January 1937 to Prince Bernhard Zur Lippe Biesterfeld, who by Royal Decree is now a Prince of the Netherlands, and a member of the State Council.

The Crown Princess is happy, spontaneous, and an incarnation of the Dutch ideal of progressive youth.

Of Queen Wilhelmina it is said that her principal characteristic is light: the light of a frank and open countenance, the light of direct and simple speech; from her entire person emanates an impression of goodness and intelligence. She is a Queen who "sees all, studies all, is informed of all, and within the limits of a democratic constitution, directs all herself." Her Majesty has a deep understanding of the best in other nations, and, born of that understanding, a delicate sympathy with their problems.

"Holland has for centuries played a noble part in the history of Europe and especially in recent years has stood in a very remarkable manner for freedom and tolerance. Her whole attitude towards peace has won the confidence of the nations of the world, as witness the International Court at Den Haag, and the receptivity of the people generally for all great ideals and movements in search of Truth." (G.S.A.)

Holland is one of the Oslo signatories, who express the "open-door" attitude in trade relations. On 9 June 1937, these privileges were extended to Great Britain without asking any concessions in return. Sir Henri Deter-

ding has backed a barter scheme between Holland and Germany in which Holland is to send food, and Germany industrial products.

To lessen the possibility of business failures, under a measure enacted in 1935, permits to trade are granted only to applicants who can show the local authorities that they have knowledge and financial strength.

The amnesty granted on the occasion of Princess Juliana's wedding affected 50,000 prisoners, including many in the East Indies.

Unemployment in the Netherlands is decreasing.

Cultural Life:

The fifth Boy Scouts world jamboree was opened officially 31 July 1937 with a two-hour parade of the 31 national contingents before Queen Wilhelmina. Lord Baden-Powell was awarded the Wateler Peace Prize founded by a Dutch subject, to be given to whoever renders the "most valuable service to the cause of peace or has contributed to finding means of combating war."

The Royal Academy of Sciences at Amsterdam submitted a proposal to the International Council of Scientific Unions, which met in London 26 April 1937, for the appointment of a committee to co-ordinate views advanced in recent years regarding the social responsibilities of science and scientific workers. Questions to be considered are nutrition, special areas, location of industry, prevention of accidents and industrial disease, distribution of food and of general commodities, and the alleviation of poverty and misery. A special study will be made of the prostitution of scientific knowledge to ignoble ends; also of racial relations and feelings. The goal proposed is "the scientific spirit linked with a sense of human values," so that man's mind and spirit, released from the cramping influence of poverty, disease, and war, may attain a stature and creative fertility hitherto unknown.

Holland is famous for the scholarship of its scientists. The 1936 Nobel Prize for Chemistry was awarded to

Prof. P. Debye, a Dutch research worker in the University of Berlin, for his discoveries in the structure of the molecule.

The Catherine Wolfe Bruce Gold Medal for 1937, together with the Alexander F. Morrison Memorial research associateship in the Lick Observatory of the United States, to be given an astronomer who has made great contributions to the science, was awarded Prof. Ejnar Hartsprung, director of the University Observatory, Leyden, on 30 January 1936.

Among many interesting horticultural experiments is that of Dr. J. W. Roodenburg, who through the use of Neon rays induced strawberry plants to yield fruit on 30 January, and on 13 March forty times the yield of non-irradiate fruit.

Theosophy in the Netherlands:

General Secretary: J. Kruisheer, 1931-.

The Section is taking Theosophy, as it has always done, into every sphere of life. The attention of the public is concentrated on civic, social and humanitarian problems, and audiences are deeply interested in applied Theosophy.

Every Lodge has its own library, and the Section Headquarters in Amsterdam has a fine collection of some 15,000 volumes, from which during 1936 4,500 volumes were circulated.

The Section holds its Annual Convention in June at Headquarters, which is splendidly equipped for large gatherings. A mid-year Convention alternates in the greater cities. Provincial conventions are held, generally during the spring-time. Every year at Whitsuntide a Camp is held on the Drafna-estate, belonging to the Theosophical Lyceum schools at Naarden.

The radio and all modern methods of propaganda are utilized to the fullest extent.

A very active Young Theosophist movement in the Netherlands holds conventions twice a year; one of the features is the fine dramatic programmes.

A focus of spiritual life in the Netherlands is St. Michael's Centre at Naarden (Huizen) which co-ordinates Theosophical impulses in the Northern Hemisphere.

The Netherlands Section with its 2,000 members, 45 active Lodges and 25 Centres, is one of Theosophy's great strongholds.

NETHERLANDS INDIES

Head of Country: Governor-General, Jhr. Tjarda van Starkenborg Stachouwer, appointed September 1936 by Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands.

Capital: Batavia. Area: 735,297 sq.m. Pop. 1930: 60,727,233.

National Survey:

Keynote: Religion, Mysticism and Beauty, expressed through Symbol, Drama and Dance.

This island Empire, lying between two continents and two oceans, is steadily growing towards autonomy, assisted wisely and tactfully by an understanding Government.

Cultural Life:

Centres of craftsmanship, organized by private enterprise under sympathetic

governmental supervision, give an outlet for the creative skill of the Islanders.

The delicacy and beauty of the Javanese Wayang (dance-drama) in the Courts of the Soesoehoenan and the Mangkoenagoro at Solo, were noted by Their Highnesses the Maharaja and Maharani of Travancore, and Dr. James H. Cousins, during a recent tour in Indonesia to study comparative Oriental art.

Every effort is made by the Government to preserve the indigenous cultures, and in consequence the people live natural, happy lives, free to express themselves at their highest.

Theosophy in Indonesia:

General Secretary: A. J. H. van Leeuwen, 1928-.

The Silver Jubilee of the Section, founded 5 April 1912, was celebrated 26 March 1937, but Indonesia can look back upon 56 years of Theosophical effort. During these years has been built up a magnificent system of Theosophical Schools with a range of training from infant to college and technical work.

Most of the 27 Lodges and 13 Centres have their own libraries; the Lodge library in Batavia lends 5,000 volumes.

Theosophical bulletins and journals are published in five languages, and a handbook in two. Radio talks apply Theosophy to humanitarianism.

Membership is steadily increasing. Through the efforts of Mr. Geoffrey Hodson the Youth movement established

centres which are "sparkling with enthusiasm."

The Javanese people, having an inborn sense of art and beauty, quickened by the loveliness of the land, find a natural expression in music and drama; the highest Theosophical ideals and ancient occult teachings are brought into daily life through the drama-dances and shadow-plays. The European members have worked along the line of revealing Theosophy through tableaux, mystery-plays, eurhythmic dances; these draw great audiences.

One of the most important movements in the Section is that of the *Pemitran Tjahja* (Friends of Light), numbering over a thousand members, which takes Theosophy out to the villages. In simple direct words the Ancient Wisdom is given to the masses.

NEW ZEALAND

Governor-General of Dominion of British Empire: His Excellency Viscount Galway, G.C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E., 12 April 1935.

Capital: Wellington. Area: exc. annexed Islands, 103,722 sq.m. Est. pop. 1935: 1,573,810.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Britain in youthful and beautiful setting." (G.S.A.)

With a Labour Government still in power the early part of 1937 was one of consolidation of recent far-reaching and experimental humanitarian legislation. (See 1937 Year Book.) After careful observation of this programme, amending legislation is rectifying, as far as is humanly possible, any apparent injustice. A fine sense of balance and fairness continues to be shown in meeting conflicting interests.

The claims between employer and labour are carefully considered. The ideal of a fuller life for the masses is kept in view, and there is no reliable evidence so far of this being attained by any unfair partisanship. A forty-hour week was recently introduced, and

is working smoothly. The initial difficulties were quickly overcome.

The money question still looms large in the minds of the people, but beyond the nationalization of the Central Bank, the Government so far has been strictly orthodox. This is probably due to a careful approach to the whole problem, and a desire to avoid conflict with existing interests. The declared policy of the Prime Minister (Mr. Savage) is a national monetary system for internal use, within the existing world system. Again a substantial surplus in March 1937 indicated the buoyant financial status.

Keen interest is centred on a national insurance scheme, which formed the major part of the legislation during the August session. When finally mature, it aims to bring together under one administration a national pension scheme for all over 60 years of age, together with invalid pension, health insurance, and unemployment insurance.

A very full Public Works policy is absorbing the unemployed, and a previous total of 60,000 has been practically halved. Thousands of men are at work extending Government railways to link up towns previously isolated.

There is a strong body of opinion in New Zealand determined to cope with the social problem and eliminate the anachronism of poverty amidst plenty. Individuals and organizations are working enthusiastically to educate the people to a less individualistic outlook and to put into practice a truly Christian Social Order. One of the significant indications of its approach is the decrease in the prison population from 1,500 to 800.

Cultural Life :

Within the space of approximately 1,000 square miles is to be found not only the impress of sub-tropical beauty, as in North Island, but the fjords, glacial caverns, beautiful lakes and majestic mountains of South Island. New Zealand is a land of picturesque homes and gardens.

New Zealand is one of the countries (See Australia and America) which has a special part to play in the unfoldment of the sixth subrace.

In an impressive ceremony outside the Parliament House, Wellington, crowds of unprecedented size gave a moving display of love and loyalty to the Throne, on May 12, the day of the Coronation. At Auckland 60,000 people acclaimed the King in brilliant scenes.

Among the important events of the year was the Seventh Regional Conference of the New Education Fellowship held in four centres in July 1937. Noted educationists from overseas lectured on new trends in education. The schools throughout the country were closed, and thousands of cultured men and women focussed their attention on methods for the improvement of education. Miss B. H. Darroch, F.T.S. (q.v.), was elected on a Committee of seven leading educationists for the organization of N.E.F. Groups.

A trial flight from Oakland, California, to Auckland in March 1937 was

made in less than 50 flying hours. It is hoped that by the end of 1937 a regular four-day flying service will link the United States and New Zealand.

Theosophy in New Zealand :

General Secretary : Mr. William Crawford 1925-.

Conventions are held in the four great Centres of New Zealand in rotation, and the Convention on 27 December 1937 was scheduled for Dunedin.

Theosophical leaders and lecturers have visited New Zealand almost every other year, the latest visit being that of Miss Mary K. Neff in March-June of 1937. Her lectures were highly successful, appealing strongly to the public, and her friendliness and brightness charmed all who met her. Miss Nettie Ockenden has assisted in the lecturing field.

The Section is represented in the political and educational life of the Nation. The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice (Hon. H. G. R. Mason) has been a valued member of the H.P.B. Lodge, Auckland, since 1926.

Vasanta Garden School, now in its 20th year, through the introduction by its principal, Miss Darroch, of a modified form of the Dalton method, has happily solved the problem of ordered freedom.

The Youth Movement is very vital, Working through the Round Table (Rev. H. H. Banks, Chief Knight) and the Theosophical Order of Service (Mr. A. J. Mills, Chief Brother), youth plays a vigorous part in ritual, peace drama, health, and animal welfare work. *The Torch*, youth's monthly magazine, edited by Milton Thornton, and illustrated by Mrs. Marjory Mills, is eagerly read by old and young. The Youth Movement indeed promises well for the future of Theosophy in this favoured country.

NORWAY

Reigning Sovereign : Haakon VII, born 3 August 1872, second son of the King of Denmark, elected to the Throne

by a plebiscite in 1905 after the formal establishment of Norway as an independent Kingdom. On 21 February 1937

was born Prince Harald, third child of Princess Martha and Crown Prince Olav.

Capital : Oslo (formerly Christiania). Area : 124,556 sq.m. Pop. Dec. 1930 : 2,814,194. Spitsbergen, Bear Island, etc. add a total est. area of 24,294 sq.m., with a few thousand population.

National Survey :

Keynote : "Nearness to Nature, Simplicity, Spirit of Adventure." (G.S.A.)

A steady, strong, and progressive nation : Norway was one of the first countries in Europe to grant woman suffrage, to protect the rights of mothers, and to recognize the principle of arbitration in civil cases. The death penalty is abolished.

Oslo has become famed throughout the economic world for the bold step taken there in 1930 (since renewed and intensified in 1937 at The Hague) by several nations who wished to demonstrate that the open door in trade relations is not impracticable. Several of the nations signatory to the Oslo Convention who were economically competitive, have taken the initiative in an experiment which the world is watching with deep interest.

The economic outlook in Norway is distinctly favourable. Industrial production is about 19% higher than in the peak year of 1929. The number of unemployed is steadily decreasing.

Cultural Life :

Majestic mountains, waterfalls and sapphire fjords of exquisite loveliness, draw hundreds of thousands of visitors

every year to this "Land of the Midnight Sun."

In every field of art, Norway has given the world greatness. An advanced note is to be heard in modern Norwegian harmonies and rhythms, and to be seen in the works of the sculptor Vigeland, and the timeless and Cosmic Christ of Sorøsen.

A Norwegian scientific expedition is investigating the relation of the Island of Tristan da Cunha to the sunken Atlantis.

Deeply interested in cultural origins, Norway has preserved the Gaelic language in phonetic transcriptions.

Educational methods are advanced, and physical welfare is carefully considered. An "Oslo breakfast" of milk, bread and butter, and fruit awaits the child who arrives half an hour early at school.

Theosophy in Norway :

General Secretary : Fru Dagny Zadig, 1936.

Theosophy is presented through its aspects of religion, occultism, art and civics. Many members carry Theosophy into the fields of social and national welfare. The Section as a whole is stressing Co-operation and Brotherhood. It was well represented in the European Congress at Copenhagen, July 1937.

Lodges are deeply interested in the study of *The Secret Doctrine*. Training classes for workers have produced successful results.

The Norwegian Publishing House is working on the translation and distribution of recent Theosophical books and pamphlets.

PARAGUAY

Provisional President of the Republic : Dr. Paiva, placed in office after a bloodless revolution on 16 August 1937.

Capital : Asunción. Area : 61,647 sq.m. (100,000 sq.m. are in dispute between Bolivia and Paraguay.) Est. pop. 1935 : 926,580.

National Survey :

The Paraguayans are a brave and independent people, descendants of the ancient Indians (Guaranis) and Spanish adventurers who conquered the country in 1527.

The recently deposed Government had inaugurated a programme of bold

social experiment, and the country is awaiting with interest the application of the new Government's policy.

Cultural Life :

A Ministry of Health established in February 1937 is working for the physical upbuilding of the nation.

Education is concentrated on rural uplift and adult schools.

Paraguay opened its doors at the request of the League of Nations to refugees from the Saar Basin.

Theosophy in Paraguay :

One Lodge maintains a centre of Theosophy, as a nucleus for an eventual reinstatement of the Section.

PERU

President of Republic: General Don Oscar Raimundo Benavides, 1933-6, 1936-9.

Capital : Lima. Area : 482,133 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936 : 6,500,000.

National Survey :

A strong, brave, and beauty-loving people in a land whose tradition dates not only to an Inca Empire, but to still older civilizations "of the Sun."

On 14 November 1936, the provision in the Constitution that a President cannot succeed himself was set aside, and President Benavides was re-elected. Congress voted its own dissolution by a vote of 39 to 30, and conferred dictatorial powers upon the President for three years.

The economic progress achieved by Peru during 1936 was so widespread as to mark that year as one of the most satisfactory periods in the country's history. Conditions in the basic agricultural and mining industries were favourable, and the absence of drastic changes in the social and political order permitted the nation to take full advantage of the rising world prices of Peruvian specialties. Sugar alone remained depressed.

A \$12,500,000 highway construction and repair programme is in progress.

The Nation celebrated 24 June 1937 its national holiday—"day of the *indigene*"—devoted to its Indian population, with appropriate ceremonies.

Cultural Life :

An expedition left England on 11 March 1937 to investigate Lake Titicaca, and the Island of the Sun in the Bolivian area. The ruins in the vicinity of this ancient lake are entirely unlike the structures built in the thirteenth to fifteenth centuries by the Incas.

(The International Theosophical Year Book 1937 calls attention to many striking similarities between this seat of ancient culture and Egypt, pointing to a common origin before the Atlantean Deluge).

Many layers of culture are also being unearthed in the Valley of Caffete.

Theosophy in Peru :

The young Section formed in 1929, with A. Benavente Alcazar as General Secretary, was unable to consolidate its position as a Sectional entity, and the last report lists one strong and growing Lodge.

PHILIPPINES

President of Commonwealth: Manuel Quezon, 15 November 1935-41. American High Commissioner: Paul Vories McNutt, 1937-.

Capital : Manila. 7,083 islands with a total area, 114,400 sq.m. Est. pop. 1935 : 13,099,405.

National Survey :

Keynote: Idealism, Craftsmanship, Friendliness.

(See 1937 Theosophical Year Book for the history of the newly formed Commonwealth and its progressive Constitution.)

After a visit by President Quezon to Washington in the spring of 1937, requesting greater autonomy, especially as regards the regulation of foreign and American trade with the Philippines, the United States Government appointed a committee of experts to open an inquiry 16 June 1937 as to the question of complete severance of existing ties. After conferences in Washington, the Committee proposed to hold a similar inquiry in Manila. President Roosevelt's plans included a visit to the Islands in the fall of 1937.

President Quezon in July 1937 announced his intention to call a special session of the National Assembly to vote public works jobs for the underprivileged, and to appropriate money from excise taxes in order to purchase some of the great haciendas and divide them into small farms for the common people.

The new Government is endeavouring in every way to balance the needs of the people and the rights of the land-owners.

Under the guidance of General Douglas MacArthur, who is filling the rôle of Army Chief, the defences of the young Nation are being organized,

through a campaign of physical fitness, sanitation, and elementary drill.

Cultural Life :

The expenditure on public school education for 1935 was approximately 50% of the budget of \$27,000,000, and the Islands have a fine system of elementary and trade schools, universities, and colleges of liberal arts.

While the dominant religion is Roman Catholic, many religions are represented. Over 500,000 Roman Catholics from all parts of the world attended the Eucharistic Congress held at Manila 3 to 7 February 1937.

Theosophy in the Philippines :

General Secretary : José Espina, 1937-.

Theosophy has a cosmopolitan appeal. Special emphasis is laid on the Youth Movement, whose "circles" attract many university students to the literary and musical programmes. With the assistance of three of the Lodges, the Youth have organized a "Philippine Theosophical Institute" which conducts regular classes, and a circulating library in Manila. It is intended to extend these activities throughout the Section.

POLAND

President of Republic : Ignace Moscicki, 1926-33 ; 1933-.

Capital : Warsaw. Area: 150,052 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936 : 33,823,000.

National Survey :

Keynote : "Mysticism, Art, Endurance, Freedom." (G.S.A.)

The plan for "Polish National Unity," launched by Col. Adam Koc on 21 February 1937, was wholeheartedly supported by President Moscicki and Marshal Rydz-Smigly, Poland's "Second Citizen."

The new political platform for consolidating the constructive forces of the Polish nation was set forth by Col. Koc in a broadcast, February 1937: Defence of Poland is the foundation of the programme, and the object is to arouse the national consciousness of all

Poles who are prepared to subordinate personal and material considerations to the welfare of the nation.

Col. Koc enumerated a series of measures considered necessary for improving the condition of farmers ; for raising the level of education and culture ; for industrial development to reduce imports and increase exports ; and for "preparing our towns and villages to accomplish their important mission."

A £40,000,000 investment works project for 1937 provided for electrification, gas installations, harbour and hydraulic works, government buildings, communications, roads and bridges, housing, etc.

Poland stands for the free circulation of capital and goods. To prevent extortion, the prices of many basic commodities are controlled.

Government is encouraging the manufacture of synthetic raw materials, such as the new milk, wool, etc.

A drop of 50% in emigration is noted in 1936 as against previous years. Poland has a genuine population problem, and requests other nations to be fair with immigration quotas. Approximately seven million Poles now live in other lands. The question of a Polish-Jew emigration to Madagascar has been under consideration with France.

While certain professional organizations have voted for a limitation of Jewish membership, the Government has stated that anti-semitic reactions which degrade the national dignity and honour, and lower the level of cultural life, are not approved. "Order and security must reign."

The Minorities Convention in effect for the last fifteen years in Upper Silesia expired 15 July 1937. On 27 July Poland passed a Bill that the German minority may share with the western districts the privilege of using their own language in the Courts.

An understanding was arrived at with Germany and the Free City of Danzig which has reconciled conflicting interests.

The Polish Government believes that the world must cease to be divided into opposing camps, and is determined to maintain equilibrium of friendship with

all nations. Situate as Warsaw is at the heart of cross-roads, north and south, east and west, Poland holds a strategic position as a centre of peace. Among several interchanges of goodwill was that of King Carol's visit to Poland in July 1937.

Cultural Life :

The revival in art, science, and literature which swept through the country after the attaining of independence is still active in the national culture. Within the mystic poetry of Poland, a deep fount of occult wisdom continually wells up.

Theosophy in Poland :

General Secretary: Mme. Stefanja Siewierska, 1934-.

The solution of life's actual problems in the light of the Ancient Wisdom deeply interests the Polish public. Theosophy presented from the scientific aspect also appeals.

In "club evenings" a friendly contact is established through discussion and artistic programmes.

Theosophists and social workers in co-operation are building a New Poland, working to the utmost of their capacities, for the amount of work to be done in all the departments of cultural, economic, and educational life is tremendous.

PORTUGAL

President of Republic: Marshal António Oscar de Fragoso Carmona, 1926-35; 17 February 1935-. General António Salazar, Prime Minister and Dictator. (See 1937 International Theosophical Year Book).

Capital: Lisbon. Area (inc. Azores and Madeira) 35,490 sq. m. Pop. Dec. 1935: 7,260,000. Colonial possessions of Portugal in Africa and Asia: Area: 812,606 sq. m. Pop. 8,915,705.

National Survey :

Keynote: "The Spirit of Culture, Independence and Adventure." (G.S.A.)

The eleventh anniversary of the establishment of the present regime was celebrated in June 1937 with many festivities.

The financial position of Portugal continues to be satisfactory; Budget surpluses accrue every year with un-failing regularity, and large sums of money are set aside for public works and general improvements. Unemployment has been reduced to a minimum.

Government maintains the policy of the "open door" in the economic development of its colonies.

Cultural Life :

Government is spending considerable sums on education. The number of school children is 200,000 more than ten years ago.

The Portuguese are a deeply humanitarian, beauty-loving people, whose creative ability finds outlet through craftsmanship, invention, musical and artistic composition.

Theosophy in Portugal :

General Secretary : Mrs. Jeanne Sylvie Lefèvre, 1937-.

Leaflets on Theosophy are being printed in three languages and distributed.

The Section is linked with many civic and social movements for the aid of the poor, for children, and for animals.

Not only are all the Great Days of Theosophy celebrated, but special festivals of Brotherhood, Solidarity and Friendship give emphasis to the fundamental ideals of Theosophy.

PUERTO RICO

Governor of Territory appointed by the President of the United States of America : Major-General Blanton Winship, 5 February 1934.

National Survey :

An independent, religious, enthusiastic people.

Puerto Rico (" Rich Port ") has been given an increasing measure of self-government since the Island came into American hands 19 October 1898. The Tydings Bill passed in 1936 by the U.S.A. Congress provides that the Islanders may vote on their independence in a future plebiscite.

Cultural Life :

Women have great power in the Legislature ; the State recently decided to establish birth control clinics after the vigorous campaigning of Señora Areclay, woman deputy.

Theosophy in Puerto Rico :

General Secretary : A. J. Plard, 1930-.

The pursuance of " There is a Plan " campaign by most Lodges has resulted in increased interest. The Section is busy with the Campaign for Understanding.

One of the daily newspapers of San Juan, *La Correspondencia de Puerto Rico*, publishes a weekly article on Theosophy, generally in the Saturday edition.

(The Puerto Rico Section includes a Lodge in the **Dominican Republic** : President : General Rafael Leonidas Trujillo Molina 1934-. Capital : Ciudad Trujillo. Area : 19,332 sq. m. Pop. May 1935 : 1,478,121. In this progressive Republic women may vote. Among the Ministries is one dealing with Health and Social Services, and one for Education and Fine Arts.)

RUMANIA

Reigning King : Carol II, born 16 October 1893, succeeded to Throne 8 June 1930-.

Capital : Bucharest. Area : 113,884 sq. m. Est. pop. January 1937 : 19,422,666.

National Survey :

Keynote : " Art, Mysticism, Efficiency." (G.S.A.)

On 1 December 1936 Rumania celebrated the realization of her national

unity (1918) and the formation of the Little Entente. In unveiling the new Arch of Triumph King Carol said : " In times of old arches of triumph were erected to glorify men and conquests. We today have raised this arch to glorify a race and a faith."

Rumania's new Youth Movement, the *Straja Tsarii* (Vigil of the Realm), founded by King Carol, is making rapid progress. Its principles are: Faith, love, loyalty for the country ; work and

virtue; respect for duty, discipline and public property. Emphasis is laid on the national costume, folk-song and dances.

A new Bill tends to give Rumanian citizens of "Rumanian blood" a favoured position in the general economic life of the country.

A surge of power marks the industrial development of Rumania. Oil (Government controlled) is exported to 40 countries. The capital city is being remodelled with wide straight boulevards.

"In the present chaos of international life," said King Carol in a Speech from the Throne, November 1936, "Rumania pursues with clarity and firmness a policy of peace and territorial integrity. My Government is convinced that these aims can only be achieved within the frame-work of the League of Nations and by fortifying our alliances."

In pursuance of this policy Rumania, a country of the Little Entente, is also closely linked with the Balkan Entente, Britain and France. In March 1937 the Soviet Government formally recognized Bessarabia as Rumanian territory. A recent interchange of visits with Poland resulted in agreement for cultural and intellectual contact, and a firm determination to erect a Polish-Rumanian bridge of friendship between Eastern and Western Europe.

Cultural Life :

Two international congresses were held in Rumania in 1937 : Radio Communication 21 May—8 June ; and Anthropology and Prehistoric Archeology 1-8 September.

Because so many civilizations have centred in Rumania, the country is a mine for the archeologist, and excavations have uncovered artistic pottery as early as the third millenium B.C.

Theosophy in Rumania :

General Secretary : Mme Eugenia Vasilescu, 1934-.

Many and varied methods of spreading Theosophy are used by the Section : Public lectures and study groups in the Lodges and at the beautiful Headquarters overlooking Bucharest ; the Lodge Libraries ; the Section journal ; agencies for social welfare, arts and crafts, and international peace.

Lodge Unirea records the loss of its President, Mme Toth, a Russian by birth who worked faithfully and efficiently for Theosophy in Rumania.

Attached to the Russia-outside-Russia Section the Annie Besant Lodge was recently formed.

The Rumanian Section in 1937 sent to the Adyar Museum a statue of a Rumanian woman in a reverent attitude as, in the fields, she hears the Angelus.

RUSSIA

(UNION OF SOCIALIST SOVIET REPUBLICS)

Government of Country : The Union Central Executive Committee (with a joint chairmanship of representatives from each Republic), and the Union Council of People's Commissars, (President, V. M. Molotov) divide the legislative, administrative, and judicial authority of the Union. Sovereignty in the Soviet Union derives from the Communist Party, of which Joseph Visarionovitch Stalin is General Secretary.

Capital : Moscow. Area : 8,095,728 sq.m. Est. pop. 1933 : 165,847,100.

National Survey :

Keynote : Essentially, but now largely submerged—Human Solidarity and

Equality, Intensity of Purpose, Creative Intelligence, Mysticism, Beauty.

(For a discussion of Communist Ideals, the new Constitution, and the formation of the Soviet Union, see the 1937 International Theosophical Year Book.)

The new Constitution was adopted unanimously by the All-Union Congress at Moscow 5 December 1936. One of its provisions is the promotion of Kirghizia, a former nomad land to the status of the eleventh Union Republic.

Commenting on the present condition of the Soviet Union, Stalin stated that it had reached only the lowest form of Communism, namely Socialism. The

higher form of Communism epitomized in the phrase, "From each according to his capacities; to each according to his needs," did not yet exist in Russia, but it would probably come in the future.

Racial equality, Stalin emphasized, has been realized in the Soviet Union of sixty national groups speaking eighty-six different languages. Under this "profoundly international Constitution" all citizens are equal, no matter what their national origin, position, education, or sex.

Stalin defended the restoration of civic rights to priests, former aristocrats and landholders, because "they were no longer opposed to the Soviet regime."

The new Constitution, according to Stalin, embodies the Socialist ownership of land, forests, factories, etc.; the abolition of profit-making; the abolition of poverty for the many and luxury for the few; the abolition of unemployment; work as a right, an obligation and a matter of honour for every able-bodied citizen; the right to education. All these obtain the force of Law.

To give each citizen a voice in the making of policy and choice of party leaders, all officials and new members are to be elected by secret ballot.

The Communist Party, closed since 1932, has been reopened to new members.

Foreign Relations: M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to London, said that while Russia today felt sufficiently strong to defend herself with success single-handed against any Power or combination of Powers, her main goal was not to win but to prevent a war.

A Russo-Japanese border skirmish was amicably settled by mutual withdrawal of troops from the Amur River. 1 July 1937. Russia granted Japan a further five-year extension of oil concession "to play an effective rôle in developing economic relations."

Rumania was notified that Russia relinquished any claim on Bessarabia.

Friendly conversations were exchanged with Finland.

The United States for the first time granted the Union the most favoured nation clause.

Economic Expansion: on 1 May 1937 the Moscow-Volga Canal, four years under construction, was opened. This is part of the Volga-Don canal system which gives Moscow a waterway to the Volga and through other canals an outlet to the sea. Great hydro-electric stations will further stimulate industry.

Now that the Soviet's second five-year plan is reaching conclusion, the third plan is to be started in 1938. Particular emphasis is to be laid on expansion of automotive industries.

The Soviet gold industry by the end of 1936 had exceeded the goal set for 1937. The Soviet is now well on the way to becoming the world's largest gold producer.

Seventy million roubles was spent on the electrification of farms in 1937, as compared with forty million in 1936.

Approximately 75,000 miles of roadway were built in 1936.

A hundred billion rouble budget for 1937 covered the country's expenditures. The national income for 1936 was estimated at 56,300 million roubles more than in 1928, with an increase in wages for the same period from 8,200 million to 63,400 million roubles.

There is a passion in the Soviet for increased output and a contempt for laziness. The labour unions believe that the greatest possible output benefits the community. The best workers enjoy greater amenities, as to living quarters, vacations, etc.

Agriculture: Four million acres of farms in South Russia, the Caucasus and Siberia are being redistributed among small farmers who will share the profits with the labourers.

State insurance of farms, which provides protection against disaster, is gaining ground.

Overhead irrigation ("artificial rain") is to be used to reclaim a vast area of country.

Much progress has been made in botanical research: Two wheat crops per season have been produced near Odessa; in the polar circle agricultural station, through artificially sprouting seeds prior to sowing, growth has been

speeded; wheat crossed with couch grass has been made frost-resistant.

The Arctic: Through the energy and skill of brave settlers, backed by a resourceful Government, the long northern coast of Russia, hitherto regarded as a forbidding "no-man's land," has been opened up to transport, agriculture, and industry. Cinemas, clubs, kindergartens, newspapers, libraries, etc., make these polar towns real centres of civilization.

Ninety-five Arctic expeditions in 1937 were sent as surveys beyond the 62nd parallel. A special Arctic airfleet of 125 planes act as pilots for ice-breakers, keep communications open, etc. Winter as well as summer flights have been attempted.

The North Pole: the Schmidt expedition on 21 May 1937 established a permanent camp on an ice-floe near the North Pole, and on 23 May wirelessly greetings to Moscow from "Upol." These men are studying the depth, currents, animal and vegetable life of the Arctic Ocean, and collecting data for a magnetic chart of the Central Arctic, so that flights can be made in the long winter nights.

Trans-polar Flights: Several trans-polar flights were made between Russia and the United States preparatory to the establishment of a regular Moscow-Los Angeles air route.

Health: A sanitary aviation service maintained by the Red Cross of the U.S.S.R. saves hundreds of lives in almost inaccessible areas.

There has been a marked decline in neuropsychiatric disorders, among the factors held accountable being the drop in alcoholism and the abolition of unemployment.

The Gorky Institute is reviving the use of the traditional home remedies of the various nationalities, with emphasis on eastern medicine.

A plague culture medium of wheat proteins is a step beyond the animal culture media.

The birth rate in January 1937 was 21.7% higher than in January 1936.

For health protection £753,000,000 was spent in 1937, against three-fourths of that sum in 1935.

Cultural Life:

Science: £94,000,000 was spent in 1937 for the maintenance of scientific institutions, an increase of £13,000,000 over 1936.

Applied science is the aim of the Russian Academy. With the approach of the third Five-Year Plan, attention will be concentrated on key positions in industrial and social life. A further function of the Academy is to study the cultural and economic achievements of mankind and to help in their rational application for the upbuilding of the new society.

Today half the physicians in the Union, 15,000 or 29% of the scientific research workers, and 200 of the nation's leading scientists are women.

Education: Approximately one-fifth of the 1937 Soviet budget was spent on education.

A United States survey of nursery schools in Europe stated in March 1937: "In scientific planning for the staffing of nursery schools, the Soviet Union is pre-eminent with a net-work of institutes preparing the teachers who are to take care of the 3½ million children between three and seven years of age."

Article 121 of the new Constitution establishes the right of every citizen to a free higher education. A system of State salaries will make this possible. The Soviet has 529 universities and independent institutes providing tuition for 645,000 students.

The problem of the criminal is regarded as educational. Gangsters, thieves, assassins through rational education are being transformed into excellent citizens.

Art and Leisure: People enjoy themselves spontaneously in the Russian cities. The craving for art and knowledge in every field is intense: 67,186 libraries lend 66,000,000 books. The average man knows and appreciates Mozart, Beethoven, Verdi and Bizet as well as Tchaikovsky. Over ten thousand

people attended a Rembrandt exhibition in one rest day, and clamoured for a Rubens and a Raphael exhibition. The art of the minorities is encouraged through theatres. Over what was once the city rubbish-heap rises the vast Maxim Gorky Park, Moscow's Park of Culture for the people, and one of the many thousands of beauty spots recently laid out in Russia.

Religion: Government is adopting an attitude of moderation. Orders have been issued to local authorities to refrain from hurting the religious feelings of the population.

Official statistics indicate that the League of the Militant Godless has fallen in membership from five to two million; the Commissariat of Education has closed five anti-religious museums, and there are still 30,000 religious societies in the U.S.S.R.

Theosophy outside Russia:

During the vigorous prosecution of the anti-God Movement in the early years of the Soviet régime, the Russian Section ceased functioning in Russia. In January 1926, a charter was issued to Russian Groups *outside* Russia, of which there are today twelve, scattered through Europe and East Asia, with isolated members or centres in Africa,

Australia, the Philippines, Palestine, and South America.

Russian Section outside Russia: General Secretary: Dr. Anna Kamensky 1908-. Headquarters: Geneva.

A very successful Convention was conducted in Paris 29 May 1937.

In this wide-flung Section the fine little magazine *Vestnik* keeps the members in touch with each other and with Theosophy. Russian translations have been made of Theosophical works, and several are now awaiting publication.

Some of the Lodges, situated in territories where the Theosophical Movement is active, co-operate with the Section. In other countries, for example Estonia, the Russian Lodge is the pioneer, forming the nucleus of a future National Section. In all centres, and particularly East Asia, the members are doing active social work. Many are active in Arts and Crafts.

The World Peace Movement finds active adherents throughout the Section, particularly among Geneva members.

The Theosophical Order of Service (Russia) is working in nearly all Lodges, studying Russian history, psychology and traditions, and proclaiming the ideals of brotherhood, chivalry and beauty.

SCOTLAND

Reigning Sovereign: King George VI. Capital: Edinburgh. Area: 30,405 sq.m. Est. pop 1936: 4,966,300.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Practical Capacity, and of making out of deserts oases, fragrant with intimations of other worlds. (G.S.A.)"

[As Scotland is an integral part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, for recent achievements, see "England (Great Britain)."]

The eight-day Coronation visit (5-12 July 1937) of the King and Queen was an occasion of great rejoicing. H.M. the Queen was installed as the first Lady of the Order of the Thistle at a service held in St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh,

7 July 1937. Her Majesty is the first woman to attend a service of the Order.

Noteworthy progress has been made in slum clearance and rehousing projects.

The experiment of self-government camps for young lawbreakers has yielded splendid results. Scotland's prison population is at the low figure of 26.7 per 100,000 and is fast decreasing.

Voluntary Health Workers in Scotland assist municipal authorities in establishing and maintaining child-gardens and nursery schools and playgrounds, mothercraft classes, ultra-violet ray and other curative and preventive clinics, and friendly visits to the homes of needy people.

A series of great dams and power houses is under construction in the vicinity of Loch Ericht, which in 1938 will generate 110,000 h.p. of electricity.

A Scottish Empire Exhibition is to be held in Glasgow from April to October 1938.

The Tenth International Scout Conference has been scheduled to be held in Scotland in 1939.

Cultural Life :

The World Conference on Faith and Order held in Edinburgh 13 August 1937 took a noteworthy step towards religious unity by recognizing that there is no ground for maintaining division between the Churches.

Scotland lost an eminent novelist and playwright in the passing of Sir James Barrie 20 June 1937.

Theosophy in Scotland :

General Secretary : Christopher Gale 1933-.

Many novel methods are used for spreading Theosophy throughout Scotland. Response to Theosophical ideals is especially keen among social and civic workers. Any lecture with an international appeal draws a good audience.

The Section takes advantage of seasonal interests. A series of daily "Talks" on Wagner a week before a Grand Opera Season; an "At Home" with exhibition of unusual pictures or embroideries; a performance of Margaret Morris dancing, garden parties, all attract large numbers of people.

The Olcott Lodge lends travelling book-boxes containing about 60 volumes to aid Centres.

A typescript periodical of original and transcribed articles on Theosophy is to be issued by Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson, Largs, as a Supplement to *News and Notes*.

A very successful Convention was held 19 June 1937, Mrs. Adelaide Gardner in the chair.

Miss Clara Codd toured Scotland in January 1937, attracting audiences of definitely larger numbers. Mr. Fritz Kunz toured the Section in September.

Miss A. Norbury, active for many years in the International Correspondence League, has been appointed National Secretary of the Theosophical Order of Service.

Mrs. Lilian Kilpatrick, Section Publicity Secretary, attended the 1936 Convention at Benares, and spent several happy months working at Adyar.

By the passing on 23 February 1937 of Mr. John Begg (q.v.), the Society in Scotland lost a distinguished member.

Upon the departure of Mr. Tom Watson to South Africa, the Order of the Round Table elected Miss Margaret Lister as Chief Knight.

The Arundale Youth Lodge of Glasgow uses study groups, social evenings, whist drives, and theatre parties to interest young people.

Friendliness is one of the secrets of the success of Theosophy in Scotland.

SOUTH AFRICA (UNION OF)

(Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Transvaal, Orange Free State)

Governor-General of Dominion of British Empire: Hon. Sir Patrick Duncan, K.C., G.C.M.G., appointed 16 November 1936.

Capital : Cape Town. Area : 472,550 sq.m. Est. pop. 1935 : European, 2,003,512; other races, 7,585,117.

National Survey :

A virile, independent Dominion.

South Africa, originally the home of Bushman and Hottentot, has been the ground wherein Zulu and Bantu from the North, and the European from the Sea have endeavoured to establish supremacy.

The problem of racial adjustment is still predominant in South African national affairs. There are two schools of thought : (1) The Segregationists favour allocating certain specific areas to

the black races where they have priority of opportunity. In the words of Mr. Heaton Nicholls, a member of the Native Affairs Commission: "The European shall be in the native areas only to serve the needs of the native people, and the native shall be in European areas only to serve the needs of the European." Acts of 1937 (see 1937 International Theosophical Year Book) give effect to this policy.

(2) The Anthropologists urge a scientific study of native institutions and beliefs as a basis for conditions of development which "without turning the native into a black European, would open the way to growth along lines congenial to native character and institutions, and yet would admit him to share in the development of the country to the advantage of white and black communities alike." The Anthropologists point to the process of acculturation taking place in certain of the colonial territories under indirect rule, which is producing a system of religious belief and social organization, neither entirely European nor wholly African, but congenial to the African temperament—this they believe to be a potentiality of further cultural development along progressive lines.

Both schools realize, as General Smuts has said, that "South Africa more than any other country in the world, is a great human laboratory where experiments in racial co-operation are essential to success."

Government decided in February 1937 to spend £2,250,000 to provide Cape Town with one of the finest artificial harbours in the world, capable of accommodating ships of any size.

Every year a substantial net revenue is accruing to South Africa's State-owned railways, steamship and airway services. Increased prosperity is indicated by a five-year plan for railway development in the gold-producing areas.

The Empire Exhibition at Johannesburg, closed on 15 January 1937—(see 1937 International Theosophical Year Book)—was attended by 1,970,000 visitors. Johannesburg is growing at the rate of 6,000 new buildings annually.

In the Rhodesias there is a body of thought in favour of union of North and South into a new Dominion.

Southern Rhodesia will open in 1939 a quarter-mile suspension bridge over the Zambesi River.

In honour of the Coronation, Southern Rhodesia planted a fourteen-mile avenue of flowering trees from Fort Victoria to the famous Zimbabwe ruins.

The Governments of Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland are establishing rest camps, food depots, and dispensaries at various points on the main routes used by natives.

Cultural Life :

Upon installation as Chancellor of the University of Cape Town 2 March 1937, General Smuts gave a magnificent statement of the function of a University, which is "to fit graduates spiritually into a world in which they have not merely to earn their living, but also to play their part worthily. . . . Universality and humanity together should form the keynote and essence of university culture," and this should give "above all a vision of harmony in the universe, of the principles of order and beauty . . . Science, philosophy, poetry, religion can all help to clarify and deepen that experience."

Kirstenbosch, the National Botanic Garden, is credited with a great amount of work in the preservation of the indigenous flora, and the introduction of selected plants.

A distinctively South African literature is developing in both English and Afrikaans, the official languages.

Theosophy in South Africa :

General Secretary : Dr. W. A. Humphrey, 28 March 1937.

The first National Convention of the reunited Sections was held Easter 1937. The Section now comprises three autonomous Federations: Cape, Natal, and Transvaal. Miss E. M. Turner is editor of the Section journal, *The Link*.

Great hopes are entertained that this new administration will solve the question of distances between the Lodges and maintain closer contacts.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodson, and Miss Helen Veale of Adyar visited South Africa in 1937. Miss Codd is planning to tour the Section in 1938.

The Theosophical Society in South Africa embraces not only the Union of South Africa, and the Rhodesias, but also Lourenço Marques in Portuguese East Africa.

SPAIN

President of the Republic: Don Manuel Azaña Diaz, 11 May 1936.

Capital: Valencia. Area 196,607 sq.m. Est. pop. Dec. 1934: 24,583,096. Catalonia, the Basque Republic, and Aragonia were declared autonomous by the Central Government. Spanish Colonial possessions in Africa: Area 128,696 sq.m. Pop: 934,686. General Franco declared the autonomy of Spanish Morocco.

National Survey:

Keynote: "The Spirit of Culture, Independence and Adventure." (G.S.A.)

On 1 October 1936, the insurgents set up the *Gobierno del Estado Español*, General Franco as its chief, with diplomatic seat at Salamanca. Germany, Italy, Guatemala, and Nicaragua have officially recognized this Government.

At the beginning of the second year of hostilities (see 1937 International Theosophical Year Book for outbreak of civil war) both sides are still confident of victory.

In July 1937 General Ponzal, Commander-in-Chief of the Government forces in Aragonia and Catalonia, summed up the situation: "In spite of the fall of Bilbao the future is promising. In Aragonia alone, the Loyalist Army

disposes over a force of 200,000 men, well equipped and fairly well trained."

On the other hand, the Franco Government in September occupied sixteen of the twenty-seven Provinces; and about 55% of the population and all the colonial territory were under its control.

The hope of the world is that out of this welter of civil war will gradually emerge a united Spain, free from local and regional jealousies, conscious of her national unity. The world will rejoice when again the old-time courteous Spanish greeting can be given: "There is peace upon your land, señor."

Cultural Life:

"There is a perfect passion for education, knowledge and culture in Spain today," observed Dr. Hewlett John, Dean of Canterbury, after a recent visit. Art treasures have been stored for safety.

Theosophy in Spain:

General Secretary: Louis García Lorenzana 1931-.

Theosophists in Spain are organizing and supervising homes for refugee children, and other welfare relief work. The difficulties which surround the Theosophist in Spain furnish him with a splendid field in which to spread the spirit of Understanding.

SWEDEN

Reigning King: Gustaf V, born 16 June 1858. Succeeded to Throne, 8 December 1907. Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf, born 11 November 1882,

Capital: Stockholm. Area 173,347 sq. m. Est. pop. Dec. 1935: 6,249,489.

National Survey:

Keynote: "Culture, Rectitude, Efficiency." (G. S. A.)

While Sweden, under the administration of its Socialist-Agrarian Government, literally spent its way from depression to prosperity, it is now "saving its way" out of an incipient boom.

There is happy co-operation between State and private capital in many enterprises. Mr. Albin Hansson, Prime Minister, states: "My Government will not force private enterprises to

become State institutions. There will have to exist economic reasons before any change is made. Nationalization will not come on any theoretical ground of principle. My programme is one of social reform for the present rather than socialization."

The secret of Sweden's success is to be found in the spirit of co-operation everywhere prevalent—co-operation of consumers, of producers, of industrial workers in strong trade unions, of political parties, and of Sweden itself with other nations.

An amendment to the Constitution to enable male members of the Royal Family to marry foreigners not of royal blood without forfeiting the right to succeed to the Throne was passed by both Houses of the Riksdag on 3 February 1937.

Prince Gustaf Adolf, eldest son of the Crown Prince, at the Boy Scout Jamboree in Holland, July 1937, was made Chairman of the International Scout Committee. His wife, Princess Sybille, plays an active part in the Girl Guide organization.

Cultural Life :

Swedish people are keenly alive to Beauty. Every station and flagging-

point of a 4,500 mile railway is a garden. No billboard advertising is permitted along the tracks.

Not only are films with terror and vulgar crime prohibited, but also those which might interfere with friendly relations towards other countries.

There are still real dynasties of rustic minstrels throughout Sweden who have inherited their fiddles, their gift of music, and the old folk songs from their forefathers. A systematic attempt on a national scale is being made to record and preserve these old tunes. Out of 18,000 which have been noted, 6,000 are already in print.

Theosophy in Sweden :

General Secretary : Eric Cronvall, 1936-.

Mr. Lilienfeld made an extensive lecturing tour of the Section in 1937. The Summer Schools are well attended. Many students in Sweden are working for an original and vital approach to Theosophy, and for new ways of presenting Theosophy to the people.

Sweden took an active part in the Scandinavian co-operation in the Copenhagen Congress, July 1937.

SWITZERLAND

President of the Confederation for 1937 : Dr. Giuseppe Motta (Tessin), elected for the fifth time.

Vice-President of the Federal Council for 1937 : Dr. Johannes Baumann (Appenzell Rh. Ext.)

Capital : Berne. Area : 15,490 sq.m. Pop. Dec. 1930 : 4,066,400.

National Survey :

Keynote : " Freedom, Probity, Nearness to Nature." (G.S.A.)

The Swiss Confederation is made up of 22 small but sovereign States, differing from each other as to religion, political structure, industry, social customs, and language, yet forming a unified and deeply patriotic nation. Switzerland is regarded as a model for

a United Nations of Europe. The Government of each village is vested in an Honorary Council. The people are the final authority both as to the affairs of their individual State and the Confederation as a whole, and a referendum is often taken on Federal legislation. Unity in diversity is indicated by the National motto ; " Each for all and all for each."

The sense of absolute justice and fair play inherent in the Swiss Nation has made Geneva a logical seat for the League of Nations.

As a matter of principle Switzerland maintained the integrity of its franc until the very last, in spite of the immense strain on the country's resources. Devaluation by 30% took place in

October 1936, and with it a revival of prosperity. Unemployment is now rapidly decreasing.

Insurance plays a considerable part in Swiss economics: accident, harvest, unemployment insurance; even the cow, on which Swiss cottage industry depends, is duly insured. Electricity and other modern conveniences are widely distributed.

Switzerland is completely reorganizing its defence lines, which are to be permanently manned by volunteers. Gold reserves amounting to £125,000,000 have been stored in specially prepared caves in the Alps.

Cultural Life :

The beauty of the Swiss Alps draws a continuous stream of visitors, and Switzerland houses about 400,000 foreign residents.

On 11 July 1937 Romansch was recognized as Switzerland's fourth national language. As an example of Swiss solidarity, in a recent play written on the theme of a Federal Switzerland, Act

One was written in German, Act Two in French, and Act Three in Italian.

Theosophy in Switzerland :

General Secretary : M. Georges R. Tripet, 1935-.

On 30 May 1937 the Swiss Congress at Lausanne sent a declaration of loyalty to Dr. Arundale and appreciation of his message of greeting.

The 1936 World Congress held in Geneva brought Theosophy to the attention of the Swiss public, and gave a real impetus to the work of the Section. (See World Congresses, p. 52.)

With the problem of many languages in a small area, the Section has done exceptional work in enthusiastically promoting the President's annual Campaigns.

The Young Theosophists of Switzerland, among whom is the General Secretary, constitute one of the most vital groups of the World Federation.

(See International Theosophical Centre, Geneva, p. 133.)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

President of Republic : Franklin Delano Roosevelt, born 30 January 1882, re-elected November 1936 to hold office 20 January 1937-41.

Capital : Washington, D.C. **Area :** Land and Water, Continental United States, 3,026,789 sq.m. Non-contiguous Territory (Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Philippine Islands, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Panama Canal Zone) 711,606 sq.m. **Total :** 3,738,395 sq.m. **Est. pop. 1936 :** Continental, 128,429,000 ; non-contiguous territory 1930 : 14,233,389. **Total :** 142,662,389.

National Survey :

Keynote : "The Spirit of the Quest of the New Age, and of giving spiritual values to material things." (G.S.A.)

The re-election in November 1936 of President Roosevelt demonstrated not only that leadership is possible in a democracy, but that a leader chosen by overwhelming popular vote in a free

election may stand as a symbol and rallying point of that democracy. Both labour and agriculture stood solidly behind the President's progressive leadership.

Inaugurating his second term, President Roosevelt pledged his Administration to continue its efforts for a higher standard of living: "The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much ; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little. . . . We are beginning to abandon our tolerance of the abuse of power. . . . We will not listen to opportunism or timidity. We will carry on !"

The Supreme Court : One check upon the furtherance of the Social Security and relief programmes initiated by the President (See 1937 International Theosophical Year Book) was the judgment in 1936 by the Supreme Court that several of the measures passed by

the people's representatives in Congress were unconstitutional.

As this conservative attitude was in the main taken by the older judges of the Supreme Court, President Roosevelt sponsored a Reform Bill designed to permit retirement on full salary for all members of the Supreme Court bench at seventy years of age. If any member refused to retire, the President would have the privilege of duplicating him with a younger Judge. Congress approved the first half of this suggestion. However, the resignation of Mr. Justice Willis van Devanter, aged 78, and the nomination 12 August 1937 of Senator Hugo La Fayette Black, shifted the balance of power from a conservative to a liberal majority.

Even before the change in personnel, the deadlock was broken by three important Supreme Court decisions 30 March 1937, approving New Deal legislation: (1) The Railway Labour Act of 1934, a tantamount recognition of collective bargaining, declaring certain activities of employers "unfair labour practices" and creating a national Labour Relations Board; (2) the Frazier-Lemke Farm Mortgage Three-year Moratorium Act; (3) the Washington State Minimum Wage Law for Women, similar to the New York statute, declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court in 1936. The last important act of legislation to be tested—unemployment insurance and old age pensions—was passed as constitutional on 24 May 1937.

The Second New Deal: The Programme includes:

(1) Minimum Wages and Maximum Hours Bill for labour, setting up a commission to make codes for each industry, passed by the Senate 1 August 1937. In its present form every worker is assured at least \$16—£3-4s—a week.

(2) Child Labour Bill to prohibit from inter-State commerce all products of children under 16.

(3) Ever-normal-granary plan for agriculture through crop control quotas to prevent overproduction, Government storage of surpluses and voluntary crop insurance to protect against lean years.

(4) Help to farmers to acquire land, to prevent small owners from losing farms, to retire unsuitable land, transferring owners to productive areas, and to improve the general leasing system.

(5) State Planning Boards, Agricultural Demonstration Stations and Farm Advisors are teaching good farming practice.

(6) The Agricultural Farm Chemurgic Council is working to advance the industrial use of farm products through applied science. Particular emphasis is laid on the utilization of agricultural waste.

(7) Seven regional authorities, like the Tennessee Valley Authority, are proposed to control the water resources of the entire nation for the social and economic reconstruction of each district.

This Second New Deal plan, which will require \$5,000,000,000 and many years to complete, would remake the map of America, conserving its soil, preventing floods, and producing vast quantities of hydro-electric power.

Great Projects: Extensive Reorestation includes a wind-break of trees running from North to South of the Continent on nine million acres; 50,000,000 young trees were planted in 1937.

The Housing Bill, passed by the Senate on 6 August 1937, provides for \$7,000,000 to be spent for slum clearance within the next three years, with a continuing direct Federal subsidy of \$20,000,000 annually. The construction of playgrounds in connection with each project is made mandatory.

A Reservoir of Public Works Projects on a six-year basis will release Government funds when private spending is low. Government also makes an effort to control unduly rising prices by diverting its purchases for army, navy, etc. to fields where the market is falling.

A reorganization of the Federal Government proposes to simplify 100 bureaux, boards, commissions, etc., to twelve; to widen the scope of civil service examinations; and recommends the creation of a Cabinet Secretary of Social Welfare, and one of Public Works.

Unfair trade practices, speculation, and income tax evasion are to be sternly curbed.

The President's powers to control the huge stabilization fund, and to devalue the dollar, together with the life of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, were extended until 30 June 1939.

The President anticipates a completely balanced budget by 1939.

More than 48,000,000 are now directly under the protection of some phase of the Security Law pensions. Unemployment has been reduced from 10,000,000 in 1933 to less than 4,000,000; business failures are 28% of the high figure of 1933. The National income is again equal to expenditure and 63.4% of its 1929 high mark; while per capita income shows 74.5% of 1929.

Labour: The Committee for Industrial Organization, under the leadership of John L. Lewis, has come to the front, in a determined fight to unionize the motorcar, steel, rubber, textile, oil and many other mass-production industries hitherto unorganized. Signed agreements have been obtained with United States Steel and General Motors, two of the nation's largest corporations.

A 36-hour week was voluntarily granted for the first time in the history of a major industry by Firestone Tire and Rubber Company.

Interdependence: The American dream of a land with no barriers of class or privilege, in which a man may rise as fast and far as his ability may carry him, which translated into action became a rugged individualism, is now giving way to the ideal of social solidarity, a "more abundant life for all," as it is expressed by President Roosevelt, who adds: "We have learned the glories of independence. Let us learn the glories of interdependence."

In this remoulding of the Nation women are taking a prominent part. Seventy per cent of the nation's private wealth is controlled by women; two-thirds of property left by will, together with 80% of death claims, go to women.

In 34 State legislatures 135 women have seats.

Civic Experiments: The one-house State legislature adopted in Nebraska to eliminate a dual responsibility for legislation and save expense. Each legislator is selected on his own non-partisan platform. More than half the States have introduced measures for the one-house legislature.

City managers are growing in popularity.

Proportional representation has broken the grafter's hold in New York, Toledo, Cincinnati, and many other cities. No longer can a small majority elect 100% of its own nominees.

Attempts to have this method declared unconstitutional were defeated.

Social Welfare: An Anti-Lynch Law of imprisonment, varying from 5 to 25 years for anyone participating, was passed in the House of Representatives on 27 April 1937.

In August 1937 Tuskegee Institute unveiled a bronze in honour of George Washington Carver, the negro scientist, whose discovery of many by-products has done much to save agriculture in the South.

John Davison Rockefeller, who spent \$750,000,000 of his vast fortune in foundations for the welfare of mankind, died 23 May 1937 at the age of 97. His money benefits science and the humanities throughout the world.

Another great foundation is that established by the will of Charles Hayden, who left \$50,000,000 to be devoted to the moral, mental and physical well-being of boys and young men.

"Good Neighbours of the World": President Roosevelt, forecasting the United States of the future, in his second inaugural address, said:

"I see a great nation upon a great continent, blessed with great wealth and great resources. Its 130,000,000 people are at peace among themselves. They are making their country a good neighbour among the nations."

In furtherance of this ideal, reciprocal trade agreements have been concluded with sixteen nations, and negotiations are under way with twelve

other nations. All but one contain the most favoured nation clause.

The Pittman Neutrality Bill—termed by its sponsor "The Peace Act of 1937"—which came into effect 1 June, empowers the President to hinder war, by prohibiting the aid with supplies and funds of those so engaged. This principle has been applied to Spain and East Asia.

The Pan-American Peace Conference, held in Rosario (Argentina) 13 December 1936, was called by President Roosevelt with the aim: "(1) To prevent any future war among ourselves; (2) To prevent the creation of those conditions giving rise to war, as well as to perfect the mechanism of peace." The President stated: "I am profoundly convinced that the plain people everywhere wish to live in peace."

Out of this Conference a Pact of mutual protection and consultation was followed by a Protocol which declared that "no nation has the right to intervene either directly or indirectly in the internal or external affairs of any other nation. Any violation of this article will lead to immediate consultation with other nations with the aim of arriving at a pacific solution."

The Rosario Conference also agreed to other conventions for the exchange of cultural relations, the revision of school text-books, the suppression of pro-war films and plays, a general moral disarmament, a Pan-American broadcasting hour.

Foreign Policy: Forty nations replied in approval of the following statement 16 July 1937 by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, of America's foreign policy:

(1) There can be no serious hostilities anywhere in the world which will not affect the interests, rights, or obligations of America.

(2) America constantly and consistently advocates the maintenance of peace and abstinence by nations from the use of force or interference in the national affairs of other nations.

(3) America advocates the adjustment of problems in international relations by processes of peaceful negotiation and

agreement, and faithful observance of international agreements.

(4) America advocates lowering or removing excessive barriers in international trade.

(5) America believes in limitation and reduction of armaments.

A "No Foreign War" Crusade was launched on the Anniversary of America's entrance into the Great War twenty years ago.

The United Mothers' World Peace Movement held a conference 4 July 1937 in which Shirley Temple greeted a child messenger from every nation in the world.

An International Garden of Peace is being constructed on the Canadian border (see Canada).

In February 1937 Elihu Root passed at the age of 91. A great statesman, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for 1912, and from 1910 to 1925 was President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Aviation: Hong Kong was linked by air to the United States in 1937. Newspaper men are flying the Atlantic to convey picture scoops. In co-operation with Great Britain (q.v.), regular service is to be established shortly over the Atlantic. It is planned in 1938 regularly to fly planes at a height of 20,000 feet on Continental flights. The test flight of Howard Hughes showed a long distance average of 332 m.p.h. at these heights. In May, the United States Government prohibited participation to its flyers in an Atlantic Race organized in Europe, as its primary objective is to stress the safety of air travel.

Bridges and Exhibitions: On 12 November 1936 President Roosevelt opened the world's longest bridge, approximately $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles over water and connecting San Francisco with Oakland through an intermediate island. The bridge with approaches is 8 miles in length.

On 27 May 1937, the Golden Gate Bridge, with a length of 9,200 ft, was opened.

New York is planning a World Exhibition for 1939 to celebrate the 150th

anniversary of George Washington's entry into office.

Cultural Life :

The future of the American people foreshadows itself in the present in many ways: the restless eager search for truth is unending in every department of knowledge. In the field of education alone, 2,971 studies were made by 145 institutions, covering research on the subjects of apprentice training, business depression, correlation of school subjects, crime prevention, exploratory courses, leisure-time activities, orientation courses, rehabilitation of the disabled, etc.

The numerous tests, intelligent, musical, etc., applied to students and employees are an outcome of the desire to explore the unknown depths of hidden potentialities far more than a mere wish to evaluate capacity.

The people of the United States are a people of the future and have not yet established themselves in the present, as have older nations. Future-dominated, they have as yet acquired few of the traditions and conventions that make for self-assured poise and an easy skill in leisure enjoyment. On the other hand, intensity of purpose, flexibility of method and warm human sympathy are taking them ever nearer their goal—the blending of heart and mind in a new principle of Understanding.

Educational Trends: Several of the universities offer courses in personality development, pre-marital problems and marital adjustments, child development and care. Courses are given in politics for both young and old, as a result of a growing sense of obligation to the social order. University "Farm Folk Schools" establish the dignity of the farming profession and develop rural citizenship. Law students plead for the rights of the poor. On every hand the universities are entering into the life of the people.

In the Ojai Valley, the *Gateway* is a school noteworthy for the all-round development of the child in an ideal of dedication to compassion and service.

Duke University has started the *Parapsychology Journal* to record its inves-

tigations in extra-sensory perceptions. This work is being corroborated by Columbia and other Universities.

Science: Columbia University is investigating the electrical waves or emanations from brain and nervous tissues, and the possibility of feeding the neurones by micro-electric waves. These discharges are made audible by microphone and amplifier. In this way is science approaching occult investigations of the aura.

Among outstanding discoveries were: a new atomic particle intermediate between the electron and the proton, (Dr. Carl D. Anderson and Dr. Seth H. Needermeier, California Institute of Technology); a great globular envelope or atmosphere more than a million miles deep surrounding the sun and dominating the coronal streamers (Harvard University and American Museum of National History through stratosphere pictures over Peru during June 1937 Solar Eclipse); the magnification power of stars (Prof. Albert Einstein); a non-explosive solid gasoline (Dr. Adolph Prussin, New York University); a border-line protein molecule with the power to reproduce and to mutate, thus linking the so-called non-living with the living (Dr. W. M. Stanley, Rockefeller Institute); a special gun which, fired into an ocean-bed, uncovers 6,000 to 25,000 years of sea history (Dr. C. S. Pigott, geologist).

Medical Advance includes the theories of Dr. William F. Koch of Detroit as to the basic origin of disease; music therapy in the hospitals and operating rooms, together with a new spirit of beauty and humanity in the wards.

In 1937 a National Medical Council on Birth Control was formed to control and supervise the medical policies of the American Birth Control League.

Art: Andrew Mellon gave his \$15,000,000 collection of paintings and sculpture (with \$8,000,000 to build a suitable art gallery) to form the nucleus of a National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. The collection includes works by Raphael, Rembrandt, Titian, Reynolds, Van Dyck, Holbein, Gainsborough, Vermeer, Velasquez and Hals.

Eugene O'Neill, playwright, was awarded the 1936 Nobel Prize in literature. His best-known play is "Strange Interlude."

Among National movements is that of the Little Theatre, which has spread from 60 groups to 2,000; and the National Folk Festival, whose programmes include presentation of folk music, plays, dances, legends, and crafts of North, South, East and West. St. Louis, Chattanooga, Dallas, and Chicago have held such Festivals.

Theosophy in the United States of America :

General Secretary : Sidney A. Cook, 1931-. Vice-President : Norman Pearson. National Secretary : Miss Etha Snodgrass.

Since the inauguration of the Straight Theosophy Campaign three years ago the American Section has based much of its Lodge programme work on suggestions originating from Adyar. The Campaign for Understanding is in progress in the Lodges through a well outlined Lodge Study Course prepared by the Section.

Audiences and readers in America are interested in the occult, scientific, and artistic phases of Theosophy, and are deeply alive to Theosophy as applied to human problems.

The very successful two-season lecture tour of Captain Sidney Ransom was completed in May 1937. Miss Mary K. Neff is touring the Section in 1937-8. Lecture tours were also made by Dr. Pieter K. Roest, Miss Anita Henkel, and Mr. Fritz Kunz.

Valuable work is being done by the Research Seminar under the direction of Mr. Fritz Kunz in New York City, in co-ordinating Theosophy with modern thought through special films. The latest are films in colour depicting the human emotional atmosphere in many living subjects of all ages and conditions, prepared under the direction of Dora van Gelder (Mrs. Fritz Kunz). Emphasis is also laid on the visual presentation of Theosophy through the excellent "reel-slides" of Mr. Norman Pearson.

During 1937 the following standing committees were organized, each under the chairmanship of a member of the Board of Directors : Class Organization and Study Courses, E. Norman Pearson; Publicity, Dr. George W. De Hoff; Youth and Culture, James S. Perkins, Jr.; Theosophy in Action, Robert R. Logan; Membership (the Friendship Committee), Miss Marie Poutz; Lodge Interrelationships, Miss Etha Snodgrass. The personnel of the committees includes representative members of the entire Section, constituting a channel through which the membership is bound into closer relationship with the Administration.

The Theosophical Camp idea is growing. Indralaya, an estate on Orcas Island near Vancouver, draws every year a group of enthusiastic members from both the United States and Canada.

Preceding the Convention of 1937 (7-11 August) was a week of Summer School, and three Theosophical camps held respectively on the eastern and western seaboard and in the centre of the country. One of these was directly under the auspices of the Headquarters, and the others were attended by its representatives.

The theme of the Convention was Understanding, which drew out fine lectures and helpful discussions.

Among the features of the Convention were :

The ceremonial dedication of Aubrey Garden, gift of the General Secretary in memory of his son; the Sellon Grove, gift of Captain and Mrs. Sellon, and consecrated to her memory; and the Pierre Bird Sanctuary, expressing the devotion of Mrs. Pierre to her husband and to all living things.

"The Mirror," a reincarnation play, produced on the new stage by the Olcott Players.

An Exhibition of Arts and Crafts, including pottery, handweaving, raffia, wood-carving from Berea College, and other centres of craftsmanship.

A Children's Camp.

The *Olcott Daily News*, published by the Young Theosophists during the Convention period.

The return of Miss Neff from Adyar via Australia and New Zealand, with many slides and intimate comments.

Mr. L. W. Rogers, veteran lecturer, and for many years U.S.A. General Secretary, announced that after 34 years

of strenuous service, he was retiring from the national field to devote the rest of his life to meditation and writing.

It is anticipated that the Convention of 1938 will be held in Chicago, chosen for its central location to better accommodate the large attendance which will be drawn by the visit of the President and Shrimati Rukmini Devi.

URUGUAY

President of Republic: Señor Dr. Gabriel Terra, elected 1 March 1931-4; 1934-8.

Capital: Montevideo. Area: 72,153 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936: 2,040,356.

National Survey:

A progressive and internationally minded nation, Uruguay has consistently taken an active interest in the League of Nations.

The 1934 Constitution insures that the two leading elements in Uruguayan politics, conservative and progressive, shall have adequate representation in the Council of Ministers and the Senate.

Cultural Life:

While the majority of those professing religion in Uruguay are Catholic, a goodly percentage of the population list themselves as "liberals."

Education is free, both primary and higher. There are schools of arts and

crafts for adults, and for the handicapped.

Theosophy in Uruguay:

General Secretary: Señora Julia A. de la Gamma, 1936-9.

The Tenth Annual Convention (1936) approved a scheme put forth by Karma-Marga Lodge "to encourage the study of the sciences of economics, industry, politics and the arts."

A social group holds conferences on Art and presents musical programmes with explanatory comments.

A new "group for popularizing the public library" has attracted the interest of the public by organizing a circle for discussions on topical questions.

The Library of the Section consists of nearly 1,000 volumes.

The Section has adopted the International President's motto: "Forward with Theosophy and The Theosophical Society." The members keep in close touch with Adyar and with the world movement of Theosophy.

WALES

Sovereign: King George VI.

Wales is an integral part of the United Kingdom. For the achievements of the Welsh people see under "England (Great Britain)."

Cultural Activities:

Keynote: "The Spirit of a Culture different from, yet like that of Ireland—closeness to Nature. Fragrant too with intimations of other worlds." (G.S.A.)

Ancient Druidic stronghold, in whose soil the sacred oaks were long intertwined,

whose Isle of Anglesey (to which tradition still gives sanctity) may well have been that mystic Ierna, shrine of the perpetual fire, which Strabo places "on an Island near Britannia"; whose white-robed priests, according to Pomponius, "taught the secrets of the universe, the harmonious progress of the heavenly bodies, the formation of the earth, and above all—the immortality of the Soul." Stronghold of the Christian faith in the early Christian era, whose patron Saint, David, united in one Christian body the British Isles,

Still a centre of Friendliness and Unity, whose children since 1921 have on 18th May broadcast a Message of Goodwill to other children the world over, and have in turn received replies from over seventy countries.

A strong desire to express the National soul has led to a cultural revival of the Welsh language and traditions. The founding of the University of Wales (1878-1905) marked an immediate widening of horizons, and this present century has built up a contemporary literature of high quality both in technique and beauty.

Theosophy in Wales :

General Secretary : Peter Freeman, since formation of Section 28 June 1922-.

A Theosophical Inquiry Bureau at the Cardiff headquarters is available to all F.T.S. and recommended non-members. Its departments comprise : (1) Library ; (2) Study, Research, Meditation ; (3) The Spiritual Life ; (4) Health, Nature-Cure, etc. (5) Psychological, etc. ; (6) Organization. Personal interviews are arranged upon request.

The general work of the year 1937 included lectures, classes and youth activities. The Annual Convention was scheduled for October in North Wales.

YUGOSLAVIA

Reigning King : Peter II, born 6 September 1923, son of the late King Alexander I, succeeded to the Throne 9 October 1934, after the assassination of his father. Chief Regent during the King's minority, H. R. H. Prince Paul, aided by Dr. Radenko Stankovitch and Dr. Ivo Perovitch.

Capital : Belgrade. Area : 95,558 sq.m. Est. pop. 1936 : 14,950,372.

National Survey :

Keynote : " Art, Emotion, Freedom." (G.S.A.)

Like the late King, "the Heroic Unifier", the present Government is aiming at the introduction of wide popular autonomy, to "enable real participation by the masses in the direction of affairs of State."

Miss Clara Codd toured Wales 12-25 February 1937. At a special Initiation Ceremony, 21 February, she admitted sixteen new members.

Mr. Fritz Kunz visited the Welsh Lodges in September.

The Merthyr Tydfil Lodge has started Theosophical activities in the nearby town of Aberdare.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cheetham, who have both passed into the Greater Light, played an active part in the establishment of the Welsh Section.

After years of faithful service as Section Treasurer, Mr. Herbert H. Pratt, retired, and Miss A. Ridler has succeeded him.

A "Win the World for Theosophy Campaign Fund," suggested by the General Secretary, with a goal of £100,000, was welcomed by Theosophists everywhere.

The Section voices the opinion through the General Secretary that the world's greatest need is the Campaign for Understanding in which it is now sharing.

Miss Margaret Griffith (q. v.) and Miss Sarah Magee, stalwart members of the Section, attended the Benares Convention 1936 and spent several months at Adyar.

A genuine effort is being made to adjust religious differences between the Serbian-Orthodox Church, with 49% of the religious population, and the Roman Catholic Church, with 37½%. Feeling rose high over a Concordat recently proposed by Government, to promote religious understanding with the Catholic Croats and Slovenes. Following the death of the Orthodox Patriarch, Dr. Varvana, 24 July 1937, the Yugoslav Premier, and other members of Government who had worked for ratification were excommunicated. A *rapprochement* of the two elements seems imminent.

The settlement of peasants' debts on a sliding-scale basis brought relief to the agrarian population.

A record harvest in 1937, a record tourist season, and a balanced budget were evidences of a prosperous year.

The New Parliament House, a magnificent structure, whose foundation stone was laid in 1907 by King Peter I, was opened in October 1936. A long succession of national vicissitudes had delayed its erection, and its completion is a symbol of Yugoslavia's national triumph.

Friendly relationships have been established with Yugoslavia's seven neighbours both through the Little Entente and other pacts. The wise diplomacy of Prince Paul has been one of the factors toward making the Balkans a source of general peace. At the beginning of 1937 a series of new and advantageous trade treaties was concluded with Germany, Britain, France, and Italy. On 25 January 1937 age-old differences with Bulgaria were resolved in a Non-Aggression Pact. Yugoslavia is a firm supporter of the League.

Cultural Life :

The aesthetic and heroic spirit, high morals and fine sentiment of the South Slavs were embodied in their national poetry sung through the Middle Ages by their famous blind bards. The cathedrals, monasteries and castles of Dalmatia bespeak their art. Dubrovnik was a centre of civilization from the fifteenth century. Greek, Roman, Byzantine and Teutonic cultures here have merged.

"Three men of creative power stand forth in the world today : Nikola Tesla, a master of electricity who transforms these waves into symphonies of light ; Ivan Mestracic, a master of

beauty, who in his architectural structures transforms life into symphonies of Victory ; and Jakob Gotovac, a master of sound, who transforms the soul vibrations of the South Slav Nations into the ' National Symphony of Yugoslavia '." (Jelisava Vavra).

Theosophy in Yugoslavia :

General Secretary : Jelisava Vavra, 1925-.

The spirit of reverence for greatness is deep among Yugoslavian Theosophists, and every great Day in national and Theosophical history, as well as birthdays of leaders, is celebrated by the Lodges. "The League for Peace and Freedom" grew out of a week's celebration in 1936 of the birthday of Shrimati Rukmini Devi. Theosophists respond to requests to assist in civic activities, acting, for example, as host on the Great Silence Day, etc. Theosophical youth participated in a dramatic celebration 12 December 1936 "to greet joyfully our Boy-King, H. M. King Peter II, on December 13, his Patronal Festival, 'Krsna Slavu' of St. Andrew."

The motto of Young Theosophists is "in service to humanity and loyalty to the Flag."

Representatives of Yugoslavia's fifteen Lodges and thirteen Centres met 27 September 1936 Dr. Arundale and Shrimati Rukmini Devi. "This very welcome visit brought much fresh life into the Section's activity, giving a splendid impetus to the work to be carried out in the future."

Yugoslavia's message after its Adyar Day Celebration in 1937 was : "Our only desire is to plan together, to work together, to give together, for the Flaming Centre of the World."

THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, GENEVA

IN 1937 Mr. A. J. Hamerster, formerly Assistant Director of the Adyar Library, was appointed by the President as Head of the International Centre at Geneva. Mr. Hamerster brings to his new office a

trained mind and wide experience not only of the science of Theosophy but of practical affairs in Europe and the East. It is hoped that with Mrs. Hamerster's help, he will be able to make the International Centre at Geneva a still greater

source of Theosophical influence, which will have a constant effect upon the work of the League of Nations. The immense possibilities in this direction were impressed on Dr. Arundale during the Theosophical World Congress held in Geneva in 1936.

The chairman of the new working committee is Mr. G. Tripet, General Secretary of the Swiss Section.

The International Centre was established in 1928 by Mrs. Margaret Cousins, with the assistance of the European Federation, and until 1937 was carried

on with untiring devotion by Dr. Anna Kamensky.

The Centre is in close touch with a number of International Movements, of which eighty-two of various kinds have offices and activities in Geneva. Theosophists are at times invited to broadcast on Theosophy and on the activities of the International Centre from the Geneva Radio Station. The Centre studies the work of these international associations and has sent a quantity of interesting material concerning them to Adyar.

OUTPOST LODGES

There are many outposts of The Theosophical Society, centres of future Sections :

IN EUROPE

Estonia : The Kitej Lodge in Tallinn and the H.P.B. Lodge in Noehme belong to the Russian Section outside Russia.

Luxemburg : Two Lodges are attached to the French Section.

Monaco : Esperance Lodge, 1907, belongs to the French Section.

Cyprus : Hilarion Lodge is in the Greek Section.

IN AFRICA

North Africa : Seven Lodges in Algeria and one in Tunisia, attached to France : one Lodge in Morocco attached to Spain.

In April 1937 Prof. J. E. Marcault addressed an Educational Conference, organized under the auspices of the Lodge in Tunis. There was an attendance of 250, the President of the Lodge, Mr. Gistucci, having enlisted the active sympathy of the Director of Public Instruction.

East Africa : There are four Lodges : Nairobi (Kenya), Mombasa (Kenya), Krishna Lodge, Zanzibar; and Narayana Lodge, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika. The Lodge at Zanzibar was formed as the outcome of an East African tour by S. N. Upadhyaya.

West Africa : Accra Blavatsky Lodge (Gold Coast) has concluded a year's fine record of work.

IN ASIA

Malay Peninsula : Lodges at Singapore and Kuala Lumpur (Selangor). Selangor Lodge has had helpful visits from several Indian F.T.S., and Singapore Lodge was favoured in 1936 and 1937 by visits from the Presidential Agent for East Asia (Mr. A. F. Knudsen) Mr. Jinarajadasa, and others.

See also China and Japan.

IN THE PACIFIC

Hawaiian Islands : Honolulu Lodge chartered 1894 by U.S.A.

West Indies : A Lodge at Barbados in the West Indies.

At Georgetown, Demerara, British Guiana, Mr. H. MacDonald Hassell has been presenting from the local Radio Station a series of semi-scientific talks in which he made extensive use of Mr. Jinarajadasa's *First Principles of Theosophy*.

AWAITING REINCARNATION

In the past there have been Lodges in Turkey, Gibraltar, Canary Islands, Persia, Mauritius, Hankow, Cambodia, Kioto (Japan), Venezuela, Latvia; and in the West Indies, Lodges in Haiti, St. Thomas, Grenada, and Trinidad.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

WORLD FEDERATION OF YOUNG THEOSOPHISTS

THE Young Theosophists came into existence at the Vienna Congress in 1923, at a time when youth the world over was waking up to its responsibility to build a better world. The Movement spread very quickly. Of recent years, the aim has been to transcend the national point of view and to work internationally.

The World Federation of Young Theosophists was inaugurated at the Diamond Jubilee Convention, 1935, and is gathering membership and momentum, and becoming effective in organization. The World Federation incorporates existing National Federations and Groups in numerous countries. Shrimati Rukmini Devi is President of the World Federation and of several National Federations.

The objects of the World Federation are: (1) To spread the teachings of Theosophy among the youth of the world; (2) To support and strengthen in all possible ways The Theosophical Society; (2) To promote good citizenship—national and international.

Young Theosophists work in special ways in different places. The Youth of the universities offer a fine field in most countries. The Youth of Adyar maintain close touch with the student youth of Madras, and a recent festival at Adyar was attended by over 500 men and women students of Madras Colleges. An International Headquarters building is in course of erection at Adyar, and this will shortly become the centre of Young Theosophist world activity.

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the particular needs of the community, the only pledge binding on all being the motto of the Order: "Live Pure, Speak True, Right Wrong, Follow the Light."

The Round Table was founded in 1908 by George Herbert Whyte with the help of Mrs. Maud S. Sharpe and the approval of Dr. Besant who became its first Protector.

The Order exists in 34 countries, which report 1,140 members.

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THE LOTUS CIRCLE

TWENTY years ago, the Lotus Circle was a flourishing movement for young people the world over, but most of the Lotus Circles have been merged in Round Table or Golden Chain groups. The Lotus Circle originated in America, the first Group meeting being held on 30 November 1892 in the Aryan Lodge, New York. Stories and songs were written, and the work spread to other countries.

In 1894 it reached London and a Circle was formed at Avenue Road, and placed in charge of Miss A. J. Willson and Mrs. Kate Whyte, the mother of Lieut. G. H. Whyte, who later on played a conspicuous part in its development. When, in 1895, Mr. C. W. Leadbeater went to live at Avenue Road, he was interested in the Lotus Circle, and soon became the life and soul of the movement, not only in London, but in other English towns and in other countries in which it was established.

When Mr. Leadbeater left England in 1900 for America, he put G. H. Whyte in charge of the Lotus Circle. The Lotus Lodge was then formed, and Mr. Whyte with the help of the Sidley and Dyne families carried on regular weekly meetings and circulated a typewritten monthly journal. In 1902 this was printed as *The Lotus Journal*, and for eleven years it was edited and circulated by Mr. Whyte and Ethel Mallett (afterwards Mrs. G. H. Whyte); then *The Lotus Journal* was replaced by the *Young Citizen*, but it reappeared later as the *Young Age*.

In 1907 the idea of turning this young people's activity into an Order of Chivalry came to Mr. (later Lieut.) Whyte, and the Round Table was inaugurated in July of that year. Thus the Round Table grew out of the Lotus Circle, but the Lotus Circle has continued to be a source of inspiration to many children.

THE GOLDEN CHAIN

A MOVEMENT mainly for children, expressing the Principle of Love Universal in its pledge:

"I am a Link in The Golden Chain of Love that stretches round the World, and I must keep my Link bright and

strong. I will try to be kind and gentle to every living thing I meet and to protect and help all who are weaker than myself. I will try to think pure and beautiful thoughts, to speak pure and beautiful words, and to do pure and beautiful actions. May every Link in The Golden Chain become Bright and Strong."

The Golden Chain was founded in 1899 by Wm. John Walters of the United States, and protected throughout many years by Dr. Annie Besant. The first

International Secretary was Miss A. J. Willson (1904) who after several years was succeeded by Mrs. G. Herbert Whyte, then by Mrs. Hemsted (1929).

The Golden Chain is now an International organization and affiliated with the Theosophical Order of Service through the Order of the Round Table, of which it forms the Junior Section. Each Link, Group or Country is perfectly free to work in any way it chooses. Creative expression and correspondence between Links is encouraged.

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THE THEOSOPHICAL ORDER OF SERVICE

The Theosophical Order of Service was founded by Dr. Annie Besant in February 1908, six months after her election as President of The Theosophical Society. The motto which she chose for the Order was: "A Union of all who Love for the Service of all who Suffer."

A HISTORY of the Order is inevitably linked with Dr. Besant's great educational work in India, including that which went into the building of the Central Hindu College (later the Hindu University at Benares), and also with the Order of the Sons and Daughters of India, the movement against child parentage, advocacy of foreign travel for Hindus, work of the various Leagues in India for religious education, women's education, the Theosophical Educational Trust, and other lines of work inspired by her famous lectures, published under the title of *Wake Up, India!* All these movements were linked together in Dr. Besant's mind, and in her own words (*The Theosophist*, November 1916): "This Order of Service was an expansion of the idea that those who thought alike on any object for which they wished to work might unite into a League for the purpose, without committing any members of the Society who disagreed with them."

In Great Britain between 1908 and 1912 there existed about nineteen Leagues of a similar kind of which there are records. These included the League for the Abolition of Vivisection, Vaccination and Inoculation; League for National Education; League for Sociology; the Braille League (which has done immense work for the Blind); League of Helpers (Secretary, Mabel Collins); League of Healers (now League of Healing, and still associated with Mr. F. E. Pearce); League for Daily Meditation; Preparation League; League for Social Service; Friends of India League (Secretary, Mrs. E. M. Whyte); Esperanto League; League of Redemption (coupled with the name of

Capt. St. John); League of St. Christopher; League for the Promotion of Humane Methods of Research and Hygienic Treatment of Disease; League for Supplying Clothing to the Poor; The Golden Chain (A League for Children), and others.

The first Organizing Secretary of The Theosophical Society Order of Service (as it was known for many years) was Dr. Louise Appel, from 1908 to 1909, when she left England for India. Miss Elizabeth Severs was the next Organizing Secretary, appointed in October 1909, and was in charge until Mrs. Whyte was appointed in her place about 1912. Mrs. Whyte continued to act in that capacity until August 1919, when Arthur Burgess became Organizing Secretary and so remained until his death in 1926.

An immense amount of outstanding and useful work was inspired and carried out by Mr. Burgess despite great physical disability. The meeting at which the National Council for the Abolition of the Death Penalty (London) was formed was the outcome of a joint invitation sent out by Mr. Burgess (on behalf of the Order) and the Society of Friends. The Servers of the Blind League (started by Mr. Burgess, as an extension of the work of the Braille League), and (later) the Ellen Terry Homes for Mentally Deficient and Blind Children at Reigate have now become national undertakings of magnitude and importance.

Arthur Burgess was succeeded for a short period—before his untimely passing in 1926—by his devoted companion and assistant, Ralph Thomson, who was loved by all who knew him.

Mr. Max Wardall, at the express desire of Dr. Besant, succeeded Ralph Thomson as the International Head of the Order. (See Autumn issue of *Service* 1927). He had been National Head of the Order in U.S.A. for some years. Mr. Robert R. Logan succeeded him as National Head in U.S.A., and Mr. Robert Spurrier became National Head in England. In the same issue of *Service*, the Chart or Plan, with its Triangle and Seven Departments of Activity, was published. This rather ambitious scheme was never fully carried into practical effect, except perhaps in the United States, where, under the inspiration of Mr. Logan, the various activities are in operation under national departmental heads, including Social Service, Animal Welfare, World Peace (including the World Peace Union and International Correspondence League), Healing and Natural Living, Arts and Crafts, and so on. A great deal of work has been carried out along these lines in various countries.

During Max Wardall's term of office, there was a strong development of the international work and activity in several countries on the continent of Europe and in South America, especially in Brazil.

The Triangle consisted of the President and the two International Counsellors of the Order, who, together, form a Council which is responsible for the appointment of an executive head who is known as the International Director. Dr. G. S. Arundale succeeded Dr. Besant as President. Miss C. Dijkgraaf, Holland, and Mrs. Robert R. Logan, U.S.A., are the two Counsellors. The present International Head is D. Jeffrey Williams, and the central office of the Order is at 1, Crediton Hill, London, N.W.6.

In 1933, Mr. Max Wardall wished to be retired owing to ill-health, but though he was persuaded to continue, he did not take further active part in the direc-

tion of the international work, which he left in the hands of Mr. Robert Spurrier. In 1934 Mr. Wardall passed, and the International Headship fell to Mr. Spurrier. The work extended under his leadership, especially among other organizations. In addition to the previous activities, Mr. Spurrier developed the National Council for Animals' Welfare, which is now an independent and vigorous national movement in the British Isles, and its monthly journal, *The Animals' Friend*, edited by Mr. Spurrier, is one of the best of its kind. Mention must be made also of the National Food Reform Association, the Nature Cure Hospital Council, and the Central Council for Social and Economic Reform (all of which began with the help of the Order), and the support given to the National Peace Council, and the Goodwill Day movement. The Order also encouraged the work carried on till his death by Mr. John Payne for prisoners, including a hostel for men on discharge.

Mr. Spurrier retired from active work in the Order in May 1935. His untiring efforts were those of a great humanitarian. At this juncture the Order also lost the valued services of Miss A. L. Hargrove, who had been Secretary for many years.

Mr. Jeffrey Williams succeeded Mr. Spurrier as the National Head of the Order in England in June 1935, and at the Geneva World Congress, July 1936, he was appointed International Director. The present policy is a continuation of what has been done in the past, but with a constant eye to the need for adaptation to new circumstances. National and individual initiative is being emphasized in order to deal with today's many problems. Information as to lines of work in various countries may be obtained from any of the National Heads, or from the International Director.

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THEOSOPHICAL PUBLICATIONS

The Theosophical Publishing House, Adyar, is steadily increasing its output. Among its periodicals with an international circulation are the following:

THE THEOSOPHIST

THE pioneer Theosophical journal, and the personal organ of the President of The Theosophical Society. Founded in 1879 by H.P. Blavatsky, *The Theosophist* has had a vigorous life of nearly sixty years, devoted to the pursuit of Brotherhood, the Eternal Wisdom and Occult Research, synthesized in the one word Theosophy.

Colonel Olcott was Editor from 1887 to 1907, Dr. Besant from 1907 to 1933, and on her passing Dr. Arundale in 1934 became Editor as her President-Successor.

In "The Watch-Tower" the President surveys the world from month to month, and comments on the progress of world events, their relation to the Plan, and their meaning to nations and individuals. Many writers with intimate knowledge of world affairs and Theosophical Science also contribute.

The Theosophist is dedicated also to the application of Theosophy to those insistent questions of the individual: Whence come I?—Who am I?—Whither am I going?

The wide range of its intellectual and spiritual interest is revealed in the

following attractive articles which have appeared in recent issues:

The Religion of the Future.
Theosophy—a Living Science.
The Leadership of Asia.
India's Message to the World.
The Intuition as an Instrument of Research.
The Dark Powers in Nature.
Dance and Drama: Their Place in the Plan.
The World's Disordered Psyche.
Theosophy and the Montessori Method.
The Occultism of the Atom.
Clairvoyance in Shakespeare.
Robert Browning and the Monad.

The Theosophist is a Journal of Vision, Insight, and Understanding. It shows how the great Way of Happiness may be trodden by one and all, whatever may be their circumstances.

THE THEOSOPHICAL WORLD

This delightful monthly journal is published at Adyar. It was launched in January 1936, with the President as Editor and Marie R. Hotchener as Associate Editor.

As stated by the President in the introductory issue, *The Theosophical World* is a little journal for the busy

Theosophist, giving him news of the family everywhere, helping him to feel that The Theosophical Society is very much alive, but a journal which he has time to read, however busy he may be.

The Theosophical World discusses family affairs, plans family ventures, considers family needs, makes a special feature of differences of approach to Theosophy, of interpretation of Theosophy. It gives news of Sections, Lodges, members. It is informal, but at the same time informative.

The issues of the last two years have contained Theosophical anecdotes; press clippings with Theosophical quality; personal memories of Madame Blavatsky, Colonel Olcott, Dr. Besant, and other leaders; and the work of Adyar and the progressive plans of the President and his staff.

Other items of interest in *The Theosophical World* have been: Questions and Answers of immediate interest to Theosophists; news of the various Campaigns for Theosophy,—the Campaign for Understanding, 1937-8, and Theosophy is the Next Step, 1938-9; information for the lone or Lodge-less member; live ways of interesting the general public in Theosophy.

The journal met with immediate success and has shown a steadily increasing subscription list.

THE YOUNG THEOSOPHIST

An International Journal of Youth, *The Young Theosophist* is the official organ of The World Federation of Young Theosophists, edited by Shrimati Rukmini Devi (President of the World Federation) and Alex. Elmore, one of the international General Secretaries. Special numbers are devoted to particular aspects of life in relation to Youth, thus: "Youth and the Arts"—"The Ancient Wisdom and Modern Youth"—"Youth Takes Stock of Itself"—"Youth and the Animal Kingdom"—"Youth and Education"—"The Spirit of Genius."

Much thought is given to the artistic production of the journal. The Art

Editor is Conrad Woldringh, a talented young Dutchman. So many appreciations have been received as to indicate that *The Young Theosophist* is becoming a valuable journal of Theosophical Youth the world over. Shrimati Rukmini Devi constantly suggests new ideas and points of importance for the consideration of Youth.

A direct appeal is made to the Youth of India to maintain the high and ancient standards of their great Motherland, and both Dr. Arundale and Rukmini Devi through trenchant and important articles address direct the Indian young citizen.

BRAHMAVIDYA

The Adyar Library Quarterly. This journal has a dual purpose: (1) the publication of rare texts in the Adyar Library; (2) the dissemination of the Divine Wisdom of which the Library is a repository. The publication dates are February 17, May 8, October 1, December 1—all significant dates in the Theosophical calendar.

Special articles in recent numbers: "How the Adyar Library was founded," by Dr. C. Kunhan Raja (Curator, Oriental Section); "The Name Kalki," by Prof. F. Otto Schrader (formerly Director of the Adyar Library); "H. P. Blavatsky on Occult Tradition," by Josephine Ransom.

Serial publications current:

"The Rig Veda Commentary of Madhava." Edited by Prof. C. Kunhan Raja.

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"The Mela-rāga-mālikā," by Mahāvaidya-natha Sivan.

Bhavasankarānti Sutra and Nagarjuna's Bhavasankrānti, with the commentary of Maitreyanatha. Edited by N. Aiyaswami Sastri.

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tion, and a credit to a world-famous Library. The Editor is Dr. C. Kunhan Raja, curator of the eastern section of the library, and head of the Sanskrit Department, Madras University.

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By GEORGE S. ARUNDALE

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The author describes in musical and graphic language the illuminating force of Kundalini as it travels through the various vehicles of consciousness, awakening a realization of Universal Life in terms of Light, Sound and Power.

The book is beautifully bound in a cover of unusual and striking artistry.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

By Josephine Ransom, with a Foreword by its present President.

For the first time a consecutive story has been compiled from the authentic documents, diaries and letters of the great founders and leaders of The Theosophical Society. The Short History shows the preparation that took place, especially in the year preceding The Society's formation, and the directions for its growth given by the Masters of Wisdom.

The book indicates how the great ideals of Theosophy challenged and broke through conventions and orthodoxies, leaving a fair road upon which modern life might move more safely to

a happier future. Its crises are seen as trials of strength to fortify it to deal with difficult situations and emerge triumphant.

Great Theosophists move through the pages of this book, each contributing a remarkable and different quality to the building of The Society and the spread of Theosophy.

A SOURCE BOOK OF WISDOM

A book of 1,000 quotations from the classic literature of Theosophy. With a Foreword by G. S. Arundale. No fewer than 350 subjects are illustrated with explicit definitions and explanations of Theosophical ideas and teachings. The logical arrangement of the Quotations gives this book a special value. Beauty and precision of phrase are combined in rare excellence and ability. Besides being a daily companion, this Source Book may be used as a glossary, a summary of wisdom and a guide to lecture material and information.

UNDERSTANDING

An indispensable series of pamphlets was written by the President for his Campaign for Understanding, 1937-8. They deal with the World's Need of Understanding, the Laws of Understanding, Understanding in many aspects. The ten pamphlets were bound together as a booklet entitled *Understanding Is Happiness*. Thousands have been sold for dissemination of the world over.

The President also wrote *Understanding Godlike*, a poem sounding the note of harmony and goodwill. The President pictures pioneers of the New Age spreading world-wide the sense of Brotherhood until the whole world is enfolded in courage, peace and friendship. There is a deep sense of unity flowing through the poem. Its metre approximates closely to that of Longfellow's *Song of Hiawatha*.

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SAUNDARYA LAHARI: THE OCEAN OF BEAUTY

This ancient Sanskrit work is translated, with Commentary, by Pandit S. Subrahmanya Sastri.

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Sri Sankaracharya has commented on this and has written the fervent hymn, *Saundarya Lahari*, in praise of the World-Mother as the Shakti of Beauty, dealing with this particular kind of Yoga, whereby the inner forces are aroused, and their currents directed through the various centres.

The mystical talismans—the foremost being the "Sri Chakra"—which are found in the great monasteries of the School of Sankaracharya throughout India, are clearly drawn.

This edition contains the text, both in Sanskrit and Roman, a translation into English, and a detailed commentary based on independent and authoritative sources. Various readings are given as foot-notes. A fine tabular statement gives details of the methods used in Hindu worship.

This book is very helpful for understanding the literature of Tantras, and for the special reference to the subject of chakras or centres, and the value

and power of the sounds of the Sanskrit alphabet.

MEDITATIONS ON THE OCCULT LIFE

By Geoffrey Hodson, with a Foreword by Dr. George S. Arundale.

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THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

H. S. OLCOTT—PRESIDENT-FOUNDER

OLCOTT, Colonel Henry Steel. President-Founder, The Theosophical Society, 1875-1907. b. 2 Aug. 1832 at Orange, New Jersey, U.S.A. Gained international renown at 23 for his work on the model farm of Scientific Agriculture at Newark. Declined Chair of Agriculture in University of Athens offered by Greek Government. Co-Founder of Westchester Farm School, near Mount Vernon, New York, first American Scientific School of Agriculture. His first book *Sorghum and Imphee* became a school textbook and brought him at 25 offers of a governmental botanical mission to Caffraria, S. Africa, Directorship of Agricultural Bureau at Washington, and managership of two immense properties, all of which he declined. At 26 he toured Europe in the interests of agriculture and his report was published in the *American Cyclopaedia*. Became American correspondent of *Mark Lane Express* (London), Associate Agricultural Editor (1858-60) of *New York Tribune*, and published two more books on agriculture. For his public service in agricultural reform was voted two medals of honour and a silver goblet.

As reporter for *New York Tribune* in 1859, Olcott was present at hanging of John Brown, and though in considerable danger, extricated himself under the seal of Masonic confidence. Joined the Northern Army and fought through North Carolina Campaign, invalided to New York (1862-5). Drafted as Special Commissioner of the War Department and later Navy Department for the

investigation of frauds. Received high commendation for purifying the Public Service and cleansing these departments in peril of life and reputation. In 1868 admitted to the Bar. Practised till 1878, specializing in customs, revenue and insurance cases. Published valuable report on insurance while Secretary and Managing Director of National Insurance Convention, a conference or league of State officials to codify and simplify insurance laws. A statute drafted by H.S.O. and another lawyer was passed in ten State Legislatures. As Attorney he had such clients as New York City, N. Y. Stock Exchange, Mutual Equitable Life and Continental Life Insurance Companies, Gold Exchange Bank, Panama Railway, The United Steel Manufacturers of Sheffield, England. Also Hon. Sec. to Citizens' National Committee working with French Government for first International Exposition of World Industries; also served on International Italian Committee to erect statue to Mazzini in New York. Was nominated by retiring Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and listed by President Johnson to succeed in that office, but he took sides with Congress against the President and lost the appointment. Member of Lotos Club, and intimate friend of "Mark Twain," and other famous authors.

Interested in Spiritualism from the age of 19, he reported the psychic phenomena at Eddy Farm in 1874 for *New York Sun* and *New York Graphic*. Single copies sold at \$1 and seven publishers contended for book

rights. Published as *People from the Other World*, 1875, one of the earliest books on psychical research, highly praised by Sir Alfred Russel Wallace, F.R.S. and Sir William Crookes, F.R.S. At Eddy Homestead met Helena Petrovna Blavatsky and together they threw themselves into defence of reality of spiritualistic phenomena while attempting to purify spiritualistic movement of its materialistic trend. Helped with the preparation of her book, *Isis Unveiled*. Together they founded The Theosophical Society at New York, 17 November 1875. Organized the first public cremation in the U.S.A. in 1876. In 1878 the Co-Founders moved T.S. Headquarters to Bombay, India. Before leaving, H.S.O. received from U.S. President autographed letter of recommendation to all U.S. Ministers and Consuls; and from Dept. of State a special diplomatic passport, and a commission to report to Government upon the practicability of extending the commercial interests of U.S. in Asia. Held first Swadeshi Exhibition in Bombay, 1879. As President of the T.S., championed in India, Ceylon, Japan and other oriental countries the revival of Hinduism, Buddhism, Zoroastrianism, Islam and other faiths. Stimulated Sanskrit revival. United the sects of Ceylon in the Buddhist Section of The Theosophical Society (1880); the 12 sects of Japan into a Joint Committee for the promotion of Buddhism (1889); Burma, Siam, and Ceylon into a Convention of Southern Buddhists (1891); and finally Northern and Southern Buddhism through joint signatures to his *Fourteen Propositions of Buddhism* (1891). With delegation of Buddhists (1882) in a Hindu Temple at Tinnevely, planted "Tree of Friendship" as the first act of fraternization for hundreds of years between Buddhists and Hindus. Founded Adyar

Library (1886) at which for the first time in history the religious teachers of Hinduism, Buddhism, Zoroastrianism and Islam united to bless a common cause.

Through H.S.O.'s vision the principle of autonomous Sections with an international Headquarters was developed. In one year (1882-3) of mesmeric healing treated 6,000 cripples, deaf, dumb, blind and insane with phenomenal success. Started Olcott Harijan Free Schools for the education of the outcasts of India. Throughout India founded Hindu schools, Boys' Aryan Leagues and libraries, and sponsored and published *Arya Bala Bodhini* for Hindu boys. In Ceylon established schools for Buddhist children. Secured for Ceylon Buddhists freedom from religious persecution and Wesak as public holiday. Sponsored informal conference 1891 on possibility of Women's National Society in India. Planned institute of technological education for the Maharaja of Baroda (1888).

Lectured and travelled for T.S. many thousands of miles yearly by land and sea. Made Hon. Member of many famous clubs and learned societies. Received official blessing of Pope Pío Nono; blessed by the Buddhist High Priests of Ceylon, Burma, Siam and Japan, for his work for Buddhism (he took Pancha Sila as a Buddhist in 1880); and adopted into the Brahmin caste for distinguished services to Hinduism.

Publications: Editor *The Theosophist* after H.P.B. left for Europe 1885; *The Buddhist Catechism*, 44 editions, translated into 20 languages, an internationally used textbook; *Old Diary Leaves*, history of T.S. (in six volumes); and many pamphlets and articles on Theosophy, religion, psychic phenomena, etc. (see also above). d. 17 Feb. 1907, at Adyar, nominating as his successor Annie Besant.

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Behind our organization gathers a Mighty Power that nothing can withstand—the power of Truth.—H. S. OLCOTT.

H. P. BLAVATSKY—CO-FOUNDER

BLAVATSKY, Helena Petrovna. Co-Founder with Colonel H.S. Olcott of The Theosophical Society. b. 11-12 Aug. 1831, on her father's side, daughter of Colonel Peter Hahn, Captain of artillery, and granddaughter of Lieutenant-General Alexis Hahn von Rottenstern-Hahn (a noble family of Mecklenburg, Germany, settled in Russia); paternal grandmother née Countess Probsting, who after husband's death married Prince Vassiltchikoff; on her mother's side, daughter of Hélène, née Fadéew known as the "Russian Georges Sands" (whose youngest brother was General Fadéew) and granddaughter of Privy Councillor Andrew Fadéew and of the Princess Hélène Dolgorouki, of the elder princely line, tracing back to Rurik, 9th century A.D. Entitled to a coronet emblem with 9 points. Pupil of Moscheles. In London as a young girl played with Clara Schumann and Arabella Goddard in a 3-piano piece of Schumann's.

m. 7 July 1848 General Nicephoré V. Blavatsky, Vice-Governor of the Province of Erivan, Caucasus, a very elderly man, from whom she soon separated. Travelled in Egypt (1848-9), learning occult lore from an aged Copt. Belonged to a secret sect, the Druses of Lebanon. Was present as a volunteer with other European ladies with Garibaldi at the battle of Mentana (1867) and was picked out of a ditch for dead with the left arm broken in two places, musket-bullets still imbedded in right shoulder and in leg, and a stiletto wound in the heart. While walking with her father in London in 1851, she saw a tall and stately Rajput whom she recognized as a Protector known from childhood in her visions. He spoke to her of a future work she was to do under His direction after preparation in the East. She attempted in 1852 and again in 1854 to cross into Tibet, without success. Between 1858-63 she was in touch with her family in Russia, bringing under control her marvellous power to produce phenomena at will,

and in the Caucasus engaging in several successful commercial enterprises (a trade in the high-class woods of Imeretia and Mingrelia, and head of an artificial flower factory in Odessa, etc.). Between 1867-70 reached Tibet where she learned to manipulate occult forces. In 1870, she was one of few rescued from shipwreck. From this time on was increasingly conscious of the work to be done, though not yet informed as to methods of accomplishment. In early 70's made concert tours in Italy and Russia under the name of "Madame Laura." Made an unsuccessful attempt in 1871 to found a Spiritual Society at Cairo upon the basis of phenomena. In 1873, while living in Paris with her cousin, painting and writing (she was a fine artist and very clever caricaturist), she received orders from the "Brothers" to go to New York to await instructions. Landed America, 7 July 1873, without funds, having changed her first-class passage to steerage to give steerage tickets to a poor woman and children who had been swindled. Worked for a maker of cravats, though in her trunk were 23,000 francs entrusted to her by her Master for another purpose. An unprofitable venture in a Long Island Farm used up her little legacy of 1,000 roubles sent after the death of her father.

In 1874 she was ordered to go to the Eddy Homestead in Chittenden to find her future colleague—Colonel Henry Steel Olcott (q.v.). With him in 1875 founded The Theosophical Society. For a description of various types of phenomena produced by H.P.B., and other biographical data, 1874-91, see *Incidents in the Life of Madame Blavatsky* (A. P. Sinnett), *Old Diary Leaves* (H. S. Olcott), *The Occult World* (A. P. Sinnett), *Reminiscences of H. P. Blavatsky* (Bertram Keightley), *H.P.B. (Constance Wachtmeister); and In Memory of Helena Petrovna Blavatsky*, by some of her pupils. Acted as Corresponding Secretary, T.S. 1875-91. *Isis Unveiled*, a magnificent attack on the materialism of religion and science

begun in the summer of 1875, was published 1877, the first edition exhausted in ten days; three editions in seven months. All the money received from Russian newspapers and journals and her first receipts from *Isis* were sent to the Red Cross in Russia to help her wounded compatriots fighting in the Russo-Turkish war. 24 Nov. 1877 is the date of her Masonic diploma, Rite of Memphis, which she received together with a rose-cross in rubies as tribute to her inner Masonic knowledge displayed in *Isis*. 8 July 1878, she was naturalized as a citizen of the U.S.A. Acting under orders, the two Founders left for India in Dec. 1878, landing Bombay, Feb. 1879. October 1, 1879, *The Theosophist* was started to take care of voluminous world-wide correspondence. 1879-84 made a series of tours of India. In 1880 the two Founders made a triumphal tour of Ceylon on behalf of Buddhism, both taking Panchasila as Buddhists 19 May 1881. Treasurer T.S. in 1882. T.S. Headquarters moved from Bombay to Adyar in 1882. 1884 the Founders visited Europe and in their absence came the Coulomb plot, followed by the *ex parte* report of The Society for Psychical Research, causing much disturbance. Returning to Adyar 1884, her stay was short; on medical advice she went back to Europe early in 1885. In 1882 and 1885, as well as in Philadelphia in 1876, her Guru intervened to restore her failing health. In Wurzburg she worked at *The Secret Doctrine* and was there joined by the Countess Wachtmeister, who records that the Adept Brothers were the real authors of the book. As before in writing *Isis Unveiled*, They collected the material, passed it before the inner gaze of H.P.B. and corrected the manuscript. In 1887 at Ostend, H.P.B. was very ill, but made another strange recovery, explaining she had "elected" to work for a few more years in her suffering body. By invitation of a group of London students H.P.B. went to Norwood in the summer of 1887, moving later to Avenue Road, London. This became

the centre of the Theosophical work in Europe, assisted by occasional visits of the President-Founder. In 1888 she founded the Esoteric Section of the T.S., later renamed the Esoteric School of Theosophy. The first two volumes of *The Secret Doctrine* published in 1888. d. 8 May 1891, London. After her death, a second revised edition was issued, releasing hitherto unpublished material in Third Volume. Other Publications: *Key to Theosophy*; *Nightmare Tales*; *Caves and Jungles of Hindustan*; *The People of the Blue Mountains*; *Practical Occultism and Occultism vs. the Occult Arts*; *A Theosophical Glossary*; *The Voice of the Silence*; edited *The Theosophist*, *Lucifer*, *Le Lotus Bleu*; innumerable articles on Theosophy, Spiritualism, etc., in many journals and newspapers; her nom-de-plume in Russia "Radha-Bai." Her ashes were divided between New York, India and London, a portion being interred under her statue at Adyar. In her last Will and Testament, dated 31 Jan. 1885, she requested that annually on the anniversary of her death members should assemble and read a chapter of the *Light of Asia* and one of the *Bhagavad Gita*.

The secret of H.P.B.'s remarkable power in producing swift changes in the lives of those about her is summed up by Colonel Olcott as due to:

"1. Her amazing occult knowledge and phenomena-working powers, together with her relation to the hidden MASTERS.

"2. Her sparkling talents, especially as a conversationalist, with her social accomplishments, wide travels, and extraordinary adventures.

"3. Her insight into problems of philology, racial origins, fundamental bases of religions, and keys to old mysteries and symbols."

Unflinching self-consecration to the Great Ones irradiated the life of H.P.B., and she will ever be known as the "Light-Bringer" of the Nineteenth Century.

ANNIE BESANT—SECOND PRESIDENT

BESANT, Annie. President, The Theosophical Society, 1907-33. Reformer, statesman, author, "the world's greatest woman orator." (G. Bernard Shaw). D. L. (Benares Hindu Univ. 14 Dec. 1921 for services to education in India). b. 1 Oct. 1847; d. of William Page Wood and Emily, d. of James Morris; m. 1867, Rev. Frank Besant (d. 1917), Vicar of Sibsey, Lincolnshire; son, Arthur Digby Besant (q.v.) and daughter, Mabel Besant Scott (q.v.). Educ. privately in England, Germany, France; honours in botany at Preliminary Science Exam. Lond. Univ. and at South Kensington Science and Art Exam. In 1872 broke with the Church of England and ruined her social position through her passion for Truth. Joined the National Secular Society, 1874; worked in the Free Thought and Radical movements led by Charles Bradlaugh, M.P.; was co-editor with him of the *National Reformer*; wrote many political and free-thought books and pamphlets, 1874-88; was prominent in the Labour and Socialist movements and member of Fabian Society and Social Democratic Federation; took active part in Trade Union work among unskilled labourers, and with Hebert Burrows led great Match Girls' Strike to successful conclusion; aided defence of public meetings in London; was member London School Board (for Tower Hamlets) 1887-90, but refused re-election. In 1889, there was scarcely any modern reform for which she had not worked, written, spoken and suffered: women's suffrage and equal rights, better housing, school meals, abolition of sweated labour, penal reforms, Empire Federation, anti-vivisection, organization of Trade Unions, reform of land laws, the right to freedom of thought and speech, a reformed system of electorates, the rights of subject peoples (championing the cause of Afghanistan, 1879; the Transvaal, 1881; Ireland, 1882 and afterwards; Egypt, 1882; the Soudan, 1885; working with Charles Bradlaugh

and Dadabhai Naoroji for India). Materialistic philosophy failed to satisfy her truth-seeking mind and heart from 1886, in spite of its appeal through ideal of disinterested service to mankind. Two Theosophical books by A. P. Sinnett suggested a new line of investigation. "From that time forward I looked for other clues," she said. "I had experimented then and before in Spiritualism and found many facts and much folly in it. In 1899 I had a book given me to review . . . entitled *The Secret Doctrine* . . . I knew on studying that book that I had found the clue I had been seeking, and I then asked for an introduction to the writer, feeling that one who had written it might tell something of a path along which I might travel." She joined The Theosophical Society, 21 May 1889, and became devoted pupil and helper of H. P. Blavatsky. A. B. was appointed before Mme. Blavatsky's passing in 1891 as "Chief Secretary of the Inner Group of the Esoteric Section and Recorder of the Teaching," and as her successor in Outer Headship of the Esoteric Section. Among other duties, she had the custodianship of H. P. B.'s unpublished teachings, as explained by the President-Founder in 1891 at the European Convention a few months after H. P. B.'s passing: "H. P. B. has not gone away and left us absolutely without unpublished remains; on the contrary she has left a large body of them, and in the custody of her chosen depositary, Mrs. Besant, who in the proper way and at the proper moment, will give them out to the world." Following the death of H. P. B., Mrs. Besant pledged her utter loyalty to the Founder-President and the Cause of Theosophy, and ever remained faithful to her vow. In 1892, the first of the Theosophical Manuals was written by her, and from that time forward her pen and voice were constantly used in the exposition of Theosophy. In 1893 she represented The Theosophical Society at the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago,

U.S.A. 1893-4 she made a tour of Indian Lodges in the company of the President-Founder, whose Guru told him that here was the promised "messenger" to aid him. By her splendid presentation of Indian philosophy and her undisguised personal preference for the Indian religions, she won support of orthodox Brahmins to Theosophy. In 1893 she started her famous Annual Convention lectures, which, with a very few years' exception, were continued till 1930. Most of her best-known published works are lectures given at Conventions or on tour. From this time forward until 1930, she travelled the globe over in the service of the T.S.; 1895 awarded the Subba Row Medal. In 1897 reorganized American Section. In 1907 was nominated by the President-Founder as his successor, and subsequently elected as President of the T.S.; re-elected, 1914, 1921 and 1928. As President and as an individual, she protected and co-operated with many reform and forward-looking movements: the L.C.C.; the Theosophical Order of Service; the Round Table; the Golden Chain. Organized Indian Boy Scout Movement (1918) for which she was appointed by Lord Baden-Powell "Honorary Commissioner for all India of the Boy Scouts Assn." and 5 Oct. 1932 was awarded the "Silver Wolf" for her service to the movement. In Co-Masonry she pioneered in Britain in 1902, India in 1903, later becoming M.P.G.C. of the British Federation, and Sov. Lieut. G.C. of the Supreme Council of International Co-masonry, and 33° Mason. Her London Lectures in 1909 and 1911 culminated in the announcement of the appearance of a Great Teacher in the not distant future, who would give a fresh spiritual impulse to a distracted world. She warned, however, that the Teacher's message would be striking, even challenging, appealing to intuition rather than intellect. She protected the world-wide Order of the Star in the East, herald of the Coming. In India she worked for many social reforms: the abolition of child-marriage and the reform of the caste-system. Her early years' work went to the revival and up-

lifting of eastern faiths, and especially of Hinduism. Then came her educational work: the founding of the Central Hindu College, Benares, (1898-9), the Central Hindu Girls' School (1904), and the aid given in founding the Hindu University, serving on Court, Council and Senate; her lectures to Hindu College students, inspiring them with patriotism and devotion to the Motherland. Finally her work for the Freedom of the Motherland, the dignity of an Indian Nation, a self-ruled member of the British Commonwealth of Nations. She founded the Home Rule League and was elected President, 1916. Though she stressed the need for constitutional procedure, her work brought her into conflict with the authorities, and in 1917 she was interned. Three months later her unconditional release was ordered, amidst scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm. Shortly afterwards she was elected President of the Indian National Congress, but owing to her firm attitude against all violence, she lost popularity. General Secretary, National Convention of India, 1923. The *Commonwealth of India Bill*, which she drew up in consultation with Indian opinion, was introduced in H. of Commons in 1921, and passed Second Reading. Dr. Besant's attitude to the struggle between two possible World-Empires was defined after the outbreak of the Great War, when she declared that Great Britain in standing for freedom, with ever-increasing self-government of peoples, was destined to be a Protector of Humanity.

On 20 Sept. 1933, she laid aside her body at Adyar, passing as she had lived—A Warrior Soul.

Publications: 330 books and pamphlets, some of the principal being: *History of the Great French Revolution* (1876 and 1883); *Marriage: As it was, as it is and as it should be* (1879); *Free-Trade vs. "Fair" Trade* (1881); *Light, Heat and Sound* (1881); *Eyes and Ears, Six Chats on Seeing and Hearing* (1882); *Physiology of Home* (1882), the last three being Hall of Science Manuals; *Legends and Tales*

(1885); *The Seven Principles of Man* (1892); *An Autobiography* (1893); *The Building of the Kosmos* (1894); *In the Outer Court, Karma, The Masters as Facts and Ideals, The Means of India's Regeneration, The Self and Its Sheaths* (1895); *Man and His Bodies, The Path of Discipleship* (1896); *The Ancient Wisdom, Four Great Religions, The Three Paths* (1897); *Esoteric Christianity* (1898); *Dharma, Evolution of Life and Form* (1899); *Death—and After, Thought Power* (1901); *The Pedigree of Man, A Study in Consciousness* (1904); *London Lectures, The Wisdom of the Upanishats* (1907); *An Introduction to Yoga* (1908); *The Changing World* (1909); *Popular Lectures on Theosophy* (1910); *The Immediate Future, Psychology* (1911); *The Spiritual Life, A Study in Karma, The Ideals of Theosophy* (1912); *Wake Up, India* (1913); *Lectures on Political Science* (1919). In collaboration with others,

she wrote 25 books, among them: *Thought Forms, Occult Chemistry* (1909); *Man: Whence, How and Whither* (1913). Edited and introduced 21 books, among them the Third and Revised Edition of *The Secret Doctrine* (1893) with G. R. S. Mead; *The Universal Text Book of Religion and Morals* (1911). Edited 12 periodicals, notably *The National Reformer* (1881-7) in collaboration with Charles Bradlaugh *Our Corner* (1883-8); *The Link*, founded and edited jointly by W. T. Stead and A.B. (1888); *Lucifer* (1890-1906) partly in collaboration with H.P.B. or G. R. S. Mead; *The Theosophist* (1906-33); *The Adyar Bulletin*, since foundation (1908); *The Young Citizen* (1913-15); *The Commonweal* (1914 et seq.); *New India*, an Indian daily and Weekly (1919—); *United India*, London weekly. Translated 6 volumes, notably *The Bhagavad Gita* (1895); *Force and Matter and Mind in Animals* (Buchner), *Israel* (Soury).

G. S. ARUNDALE—THIRD PRESIDENT

ARUNDALE, George Sydney, M.A., LL.B., D.Litt., F. R. Hist. S. (Lond.). President of The Theosophical Society since June 1934, elected for seven years in succession to Dr. Annie Besant. b. Surrey, England, 1 Dec. 1878. Educ. Italy and Germany, graduating from St. John's College, Cambridge, B.A., with honours in moral science, LL.B. with honours, and M.A. in 1902, researching on the French Revolution at the Archives Nationales, Paris. m. Rukmini, (q.v.) daughter of Pandit Nilakanta Sastri, Madras, 1920. Joined London Lodge, The Theosophical Society 1895. In 1903 went to India at Dr. Besant's request as Professor of History at the Central Hindu College, Benares, affiliated with the University of Allahabad; became examiner both to University and Government of the United Provinces; in 1907 Headmaster, and in 1909 Principal of the C.H.C. In 1911 established at Benares a movement to help Mr. Krishnamurti in his work and in 1913 resigned C.H.C. in

order to help him more fully. In 1915 was one of the workers in the British Red Cross Society, and some time in charge commissariat Endsleigh Palace Hospital for officers, London. General Secretary, English Section, The Theosophical Society 1915-16. Returning to India, joined Dr. Besant and was Organizing Secretary, All-India Home Rule League, a strenuous activity which brought about in 1917 his internment with Dr. Besant under Defence of India Act. In the same year was founded at Madras under Theosophical auspices Society for Promotion of National Education, for which he established schools and stimulated education everywhere in India, his chief activity being Principal, National University, Madras, of which Rabindranath Tagore was Chancellor. Dr. Arundale became Principal and head of Teachers' Training Department; for his services to education the National University conferred upon him the degree of D.Litt. In 1920 became Minister of Education to H. H. the

Maharajah Holkar of Indore and introduced many improvements in that State. In 1925 travelled extensively in Europe, lecturing and studying educational, political and social conditions. In 1926 visited Australia, elected General Secretary Australian Section, The Theosophical Society, 1926-28, and threw himself into humanitarian activities: founded Australia-India League, *Advance Australia* journal, and was first Chairman of Directors, 2GB Theosophical Broadcasting Station. Left for Europe and U.S.A. Was General Secretary for India 1928. In 1929 returned to Australia and inspired "Who's for Australia" League, devoted to Australia's political regeneration; on Easter Day 1930 in a public address designated Australia "The Land of the Larger Hope." Visited Europe and America every year from 1931 to 1934. After election as President, spent 1935 at Adyar, reorganizing the Administration, and developing his Seven Year Plan. Launched Straight Theosophy Campaign in last quarter of 1935, culminating in Diamond Jubilee Convention, and there projected 1936 Campaign "There is a Plan." Again toured Europe 1936, presided over the fourth World Congress held at Geneva, July

29—August 4: theme of Congress, "Theosophy Demands Justice." Outcome of Congress was the International Theosophical Campaign for Understanding, 1937-8. Is deeply interested in internationalism, and works for the national regeneration and freedom of India within the British Empire. Joined international Co-Freemasonry in 1902; became in 1935 Most Puissant Grand Commander Eastern Federation, British Empire, and Representative of Supreme Council. In the Seva Samiti (Indian Scouts) is Provincial Commissioner for Madras Presidency.

Publications: 1911, *The Growth of National Consciousness in the Light of Theosophy*; 1912, *Brotherhood, Talks to a few Students*; 1919, *Thoughts on "At the Feet of the Master"*; 1924, *The Bedrock of Education, Thoughts of the Great*; 1926, *Nirvana*; 1933, *Mount Everest*; 1935, *You, Freedom and Friendship, Gods in the Becoming*; 1937, *Understanding Is Happiness, Understanding Godlike* (poem), *Kundalini: An Occult Experience*; also 32 pamphlets on education, economics, etc., and many articles in Theosophical journals and the Public Press. Ed.: *The Theosophist* and *The Theosophical World*.

FIRE-PILLARS

How great is the need for the world to honour its pioneers—both living and dead—those men and women whom Carlyle has so admirably described as "the fire-pillars in this dark pilgrimage of mankind," who "stand as heavenly signs, ever-living witnesses of what has been, prophetic tokens of what may still be, the revealed, embodied possibilities of human nature."—G. S. A.

WHO'S WHO IN THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

These biographies are by no means exhaustive, and additions will be made in subsequent Year Books as space permits. For members passed over who are not included in this issue, refer to the International Theosophical Year Book 1937. Abbreviations will be found at the end of the Who's Who section. Names beginning with d', da, de will be found under D, and van under V, where resident in English-speaking countries.

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Acosta, Julio: Vice-Pres. Exec. Council T.S., Central America 1935-; one-time Pres. Costa Rican Republic; 2nd Pres. Teotile L., T.S. Salvador '14-16.

Acuna Jose B.: B.H.: B.L.; Pres. Agent Costa Rica 1927; Gen. Sec. pro tem. several times; b. 7-2-97; F.T.S. '13-; War decorations; Knight, Légion d'Honneur. Prof. Psychology and Logic, Lyceum, and Latin in Normal School, 1931-. Sec. Exec. Council T.S. Central America, 1935-. Suffragan Bishop (L.C.C.) for Central America and Colombia '37-; Add: Apartado 633, San José, Costa Rica.

Adair, Mrs A. E.: Theos. worker Perth (W. Aus.) and Adyar; lectured Brahmavidya Ashrama on art; wrote articles for *The Theosophist* and *New India Art Supplement*; organized with others the Adyar Players '25; organized Art Exhibition, Conv. 1935; Add: Hotel Medina, Royal Crescent, Weston-Super-Mare, Somerset, Eng.

Agoston, Gyula: Gen. Sec. Hungary 1908-10. In late 90's a pioneer, d. '10.

Aksakoff, Hon. Alexandre: Vice-Pres. T.S. '81-8; b. 1832; F.T.S. '77; Prof. St. Petersburg Imperial Univ. 1875; State Councillor Russian Emperor 1896. P: *Psychische Studien* (Journal), *Partial Dematerialization of a Medium* (1896), etc.

Albarus, Hedwig Selma: B.A.; b. 15-9-62; F.T.S. '07-; Taught Musaeus-Higgins School, Colombo '08, and C.H.C. Benares '08-11; P: articles in Theos. Journals; Add: van Breestraat 73, Amsterdam (Z), Holland.

Albeary Saint Just, Rafael d': Gen. Sec. Cuba '08-26; under him and José M. Masso Theosophy spread from Cuba throughout Latin America, Cuba sponsoring countries which have since become autonomous; b. Havana 4-4-70; Educ. Spain; Ex-Lieut. Cavalry Spanish Army; m. 7-9-93; F.T.S. 26-6-02; Sec. Concordia L. '02-6; Pres. Annie Besant L. '08-26; Heracles L. '29-. Add: Apartado 365, Vedado, Habana, Cuba.

Aldag, Consuelo R. V. de: b. 8-9-88 Oaxaca, Mexico; Educ. German and American schools; F.T.S. '10-; Pres. Aura L. '14-18; at The Manor, Australia '24-9; Theos. Lecturer U.S.A. and Mexico.

Aldhouse, Rev. F. H.: M.A.; Rector, Clonmethan, Oldtown, Co. Dublin; F.T.S. 7-5-25; member of several learned societies; writer of Theos. tales and verse.

Alfonso, Dr. Eduardo: M.D. (Madrid); Naturopath; Pres. Schola Philosophicae Initiationis; Ateneo Teosofico. Ex-Pres.-Founder Iberic Fed. Sec. for Welfare Animals and Plants; Hon. Pres. Vegetarian Soc. Malaga and

Santa Cruz; Vice-Pres. Veg. Soc. Madrid; Vice-Pres. Choral Mass, Madrid; T.S. Lecturer, Pianist. P: *Cómo os cura la medicina natural*; *El Egipo misterioso*, etc. Add: Paseo de la Castellana 80, Madrid, Spain.

Allan, J.P.: Gen. Sec. Scotland '29-33; one of earliest members; gave splendid service to Theos. for many years; d. '33.

Allan, Mrs.: Competent propagandist, Add: 17 Queen's Crescent, Glasgow, C. 4.

Amery, Miss Ethelwyn Mary: B.A. (Lond.); b. 19-10-73; F.T.S. 16-11-13; Brother of Service 1917-30; Educationist in India; now in Press Dept. Adyar; P: *A Story of the Holy Grail*, articles and poems in Theos. journals; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Angervo, Dr. Willie: Gen. Sec. Finland '17-18; Army physician '18-31; P: *Kaukomieli*, a Mystery Play; many trans.; Ed. *Teosofi* '31-, continuing trans. *Secret Doctrine* begun in '10.

Anklesaria, Dhanjisha Ardeshir: A.A. LL.B.; Advocate High Court Rangoon; m. Aimai Dosabhoy Cooper May '03; F.T.S. '11; class leader; P: *Talks on Zoroastrianism*; Add: 61 Barr St., Rangoon.

Araujo, Alvaro A.: Gen. Sec. Uruguay '33-5; Sec. Fed. S. American Natl. Societies 1936-.

Aria, Jal Rustomji: b. Aug. '68; F.T.S. 1900; Hon. Rec. Sec. T.S. '09-28; Treas. Blavatsky Lodge, Bombay; gave his earnings to T.S.; 1917, founding member Order of Brothers of Service; donated Besant Grove to T.S.; d. 9-6-28.

Armour, Miss Edith Florence: b. 20-2-82, Chicago; Educ. Univ. Michigan; F.T.S. July '05. Add: Larkspur, Colorado, U.S.A.

Arnason, Jon: b. 5-6-75; Pres. Reykjavik L., Iceland 16 years; P: Ed. *Temperance Monthly Magazine* for 12 years.

Arnold, Miss Dorothy: 1922 aided T.S. Poland; 1925 started Theos. educ. work, and now Principal large Besant Girls' School, Shanghai, China.

Arroyo, Mario Martinez de: Gen. Sec. Argentina 1920-2.

Arumugam, S.: Sec. Fed. Malay States, 1936-7; Add: Java Street, Kuala Lumpur.

Arundale, Miss Francesca E.: Aunt and Mother by adoption of G. S. Arundale, P.T.S.; F.T.S. 1881, joining in London with mother; her house, 77 Elgin Crescent, became a British nucleus of the T.S.; Sec. London L.; with G. S. Arundale devoted herself to educational work in India from 1903; though she also taught in boys' division of C.H.C. Benares, she will be remembered most as leader in educational work for women in India; Principal of C.H.C. Girls' School, Benares, for many years; Principal, National Girls' School at Mylapore, Madras: 1922 Hon. Head of the Women's Branch of the Education Dept. of the Holkar State, an office created for her where she worked indefatigably for a year, helping in the establishment of the Lady Reading Training School for Women Teachers; P: *My Guest—H. P. Blavatsky, The Idea of Re-Birth*, etc. d. 23-3-24.

Arundale, George S.: (See. p. 162).

Arundale, Rukmini: Pres. International Academy of the Arts; President World Federation of Young Theosophists, and of several National Federations; b. 29 February '04, Madura, S. India; her father, by profession consulting engineer to an Indian Prince, was widely known and respected for his learning, especially in Hindu philosophy and Sanskrit. Rukmini Devi educ. Madras; has travelled much; specially interested in the regeneration of Indian women, in the revival of Indian culture, and in the Arts. In Jan. 1936 founded International Academy of the Arts at Adyar, Objects: (see p. 60). On 15 March 1936 gave a dance recital in the Adyar Theatre inaugurating the interpretation of Theosophy as Beauty; critics acclaimed her a genius of the dance. Was inspired to dance by Anna Pavlova. In summer 1936 toured European Sections and addressed Geneva World Congress on "The Message of Beauty to Civilization." Married in 1920, to Dr. George S. Arundale. Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Asbeck, Baroness Melline d': Theos. lecturer 3 languages Java '12; one of founders Amersfoort Internatl. High School for Philosophy, Holland, '15; also Université Synthétique, Nice; a Fraternity of Art, France, '17. P: many articles Theos. journals '13-
Ateko, K. Brakatu: Pres. Accra Lodge, which he founded; F.T.S. '18; Knight R.T.; b. 22-6-83; Master Achimota Coll. Accra, Gold Coast.

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Bajinath, Rai Bahadur Panda: B.A., Gen. Sec. India '34-5; b. 9-9-67; m. Sunderbai; F.T.S. 22-8-90; Provincial Sec. C.P.; On Indian Sec. Council and Exec. Ctee. many years; Asst. Gen. Sec., India '28-30; Dewan and Supt. and Dewan in Patna and Bastar States, retiring 1922. P: Trans. early Theos. books, many Hindi pamphlets, etc. Add: Kamacha, Benares.

Baillie-Weaver, Gertrude: b. of old Quaker family; m. Harold (q.v.); worked unceasingly in humanitarian causes, especially welfare of animals; P: twelve novels under pen-name "G. Colmore," including *Priest of Progress*, also *Trades That Transgress*, etc. d. 1926.

Baillie-Weaver, Harold: Gen. Sec. England '16-21; Barrister; "During his administration he systematized the work at Headquarters. The Society spread and expanded to a remarkable degree. He was a tower of calm and peaceful strength." (A.B.) Adviser Theos. Educ. Trust England; Chairman European Fed. T.O.S.; Active in Starry Cross (Anti-Vivisection); d. Mar. '26.

Baker, Florian A.: Manager Theos. Book Assn. for the Blind; Pres.-Founder Am. Brotherhood for the Blind; b. 15-12-66; F.T.S. '08; Add: 184 S. Oxford Ave., Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.

Banks, Rev. Harry Hirst: b. 5-10-88; F.T.S. 21-7-07; Chief Knight R.T. New Zealand; Chief Link Golden Chain; Natl. Lecturer '20-21; toured Great Britain and Ireland; Priest L.C.C. '23; Vicar-Gen. for New Zealand '35; P: Theos. articles and stories.

Add: Vasanta House, Belvedere St., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3, N.Z.

Barron, Rev. John: b. 16-7-67; F.T.S. 1891-; Unitarian clergyman, Devonshire and Ashton-u-Lyne; organized district Boy Scout Movement; helped organize Irish Sec. T.S.; Supported L.C.C.; P: Theos. journals, edits *The Non-subscribing Presbyterian*; Add: Ballyhemlin Manse, Ballywalter, Co. Down, N. Ireland.

Barroso, Mateo Hernandez: Superior Chief Civil Service Spain; Musical critic *La Libertad*; late Gen.-Director Telecomunicacion; b. 21-9-74 Madrid; m. Juana Mendez Illora 30-4-98; F.T.S. Sept. '25; T.S. Lecturer. P: *La IX Sinfonia de Beethoven*; *Cables Submarines* (a technical work); articles on art, music, science; Add: Gaztambide 17, Madrid, Spain.

Bashya Charya, Pundit N.: First Pundit Adyar Oriental Library; b. Apr. 1835 Sriperumbudur; m. '55; Spoken languages; Lecturer; F.T.S. 24-11-86 because he found H.P.B.'s *Secret Doctrine* coincided with his own researches into ancient Vedic lore; classed by Orientalists as "greatest Vedic scholar" of his time; presented '86 and '88 his library to Adyar; gave up lucrative law practice to work for Theos. P: '76 Sanskrit treatise justifying widow marriage from the Shastras; '80 *Sahitya Kallolini*, treatise on Rhetoric; '82 1st vol. *Ancient History of India*, collaborated on other volumes of same; '87 Visishtadvaitic Catechism in English; Sanskrit trans. *Light on the Path*; many Theos. articles; d. 22-12-89.

Basu, Upendranath: B.A., LL.B. (Calcutta); b. '62, Konnagar, Bengal; Interpreted for H.S.O. at Pundits' meeting 1879; F.T.S. 1884-; Founding member and 1st Sec. Benares L. 1885; with Dr. Besant on several Indian tours; one of 7 founders C.H.C. Benares, 1898-9; Vice-Pres. Board of Trustees and Vice-Chairman Managing Ctee. C.H.C. 1898-14; life member Court B.H. Univ.; through his exertions as Joint Gen. Sec. India '97-01, '07-8, and Gen. Sec. '01-7, is largely due the Section Headquarters, Benares; Sec. Benares Standing Congress Ctee. '90-5;

co-organizer 1909 Independent Theos. League, and its head till 1916. P: Articles in *Prasnottara* (later *Theosophy in India*); Ed. *The Pilgrim*. Add: Chaukhamba, Benares.

Baumann, Miss Elsa: b. 27-7-86; F.T.S. 17-12-18; Vice-Pres. Swiss Sec. '31-4; Lecturer to German Switzerland; sometime Pres. Vahan L., Basel; Add: Steinengraben 51, Basel, Switzerland.

Baverstock, Mrs. Virginia Adams: Class teacher and lecturer Theos. in S. Calif. Lodges 35 years; H.P.B. Training Class organizer, m. Ralph S. Baverstock, both T.S. pioneers; Add: 1315 Montana St., Los Angeles, Cal., U.S.A.

Bayer, Mile Cecile: b. 29-6-79; F.T.S. 6-3-06; Sec. Vidya L., Nice '07-14; Pres. '14-26; On Exec. Council, France; Medals for Military Hospital service; gives illustrated lectures on Theosophy and Symbology; at Diamond Jubilee Conv. '35; lectured in India; Add: 4 Square Rapp, Paris, VII, France.

Bayly, Maurice Beddow: M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.): b. 36-3-87; Educ.: St. Dunstan's Coll. (Lond.); m. E.F.M.T. Gillam 29-8-18; F.T.S. 16-9-09; held many offices T.S.; Vice-Pres. Medical Practitioners' Union; on Health Education and Research Council, London; P: Numerous pamphlets and articles on health, anti-vivisection, etc.; Add: 51 Gore Road, S. Hackney, London, E.9.

Bean, Mrs. Isabelle: Asst. Gen. Sec. Australia '02-24; Helped to organize Brisbane L. '01; as Mrs. Isabelle Edelfelt, m. Wm. Geo. John (q.v.); later Dr. J. W. Bean (q.v.); accompanied A.B. on 1908 Australian tour; R.T. pioneer; T.S. lecturer and class leader. Add: as below.

Bean, John Willoughby: M.A., M.D.; Gen. Sec. Australia '19-24; Major in World War; m. co-worker Mrs. Isabelle John (q.v.); Add: "Leyton," Dornoch Ter., S. Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Becerray Castro, Antonio: Poet, b. 1860; F.T.S. '17; Pres. Mercurio L. Mexico 3 years; P: Theos. articles and poems.

Beckwith, Rt. Rev. Edwin Burt: B.A. (Harvard); M.D.; Bishop Suffragan, L.C.C.; b. 8-6-70; m. 1st, Grace Street; 2nd, Ella Blanche Huntington 29-6-10; F.T.S. with wife '12, both untiring workers; lecturer, Lodge and Fed. Pres. founder many Lodges. P: *Public Ownership of Utilities*, etc. d. 3-3-29. Add: Mrs. Beckwith: 4356 Greenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.

Bedrnicek, Jan: Gen. Sec. Czechoslovakia '09-25; seceded 8-12-25; Charter trans. to Oskar Beer.

Beer, Oskar: Gen. Sec. Czechoslovakia '25-7; loyalist during Bedrnicek secession 1925; Charter transferred to him.

Begg, John: Past V.P. of R.I.B.A.; Past Pres. R.I.A.S.; b. Sept. '66; m. Edith Mary, d. of Benjamin Dods; Consulting Architect to Government of India '08-21; designed many public buildings in Bombay and New Delhi; Head of Edinburgh School of Architecture '22-33; designed Grassmarket housing scheme; F.T.S. '14; active member Orpheus Lodge, Scotland; P: articles in *Theosophist* for over 20 years; d. 23-2-37.

Bendit, L. J.: M.A. (Cantab.). M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.M. (R.C.S. & P. Lond. & Eng.); Medical Psychologist; Asst. Phys. Inst. Med. Psychology, Lond.; b. 14-5-98; m. May Impett 1925; F.T.S. Nov. 1912; Pres.-Founder Verulam L., Cambridge 1920; Writer, lecturer; on Natl. Council Rules & Exec. Ctee., English Sec.; Priest L.C.C.; Pres. Action L. '36-; P: *Renaissance in the Art of Healing*; *Analytical Psychology*. *Whither?* articles in *Theos.* and other internatl. journals. Add: 52 Bathgate Rd., Lond., S.W. 19 and 41 Harley St., London W. 1.

Bensusan, Samuel Levy: J.P., b. 29-9-72. Literary Adviser to T.P.H. London, and Editor *Theosophical Review* '25-8. Ed.: *Jewish World*, '97-8; Special correspondent in European countries and Canada; sometime musical critic *Illustrated London News*, *Sketch*, *Vanity Fair*; Ed. *Homes and Haunts Library*; Adviser to Publications Branch Ministry of

Agric. '19-21. P: *Morocco*, 1904; *The Man in the Moon*, 1906; *A Country-side Chronicle* and *Wild Life Stories*, 1907, and 17 other works of prose, verse, drama, the latest *Annals of Manchester* ('36); Add: 21 Holland Pk., London, W. 11, and Godfreys Langham, Colchester, Eng.

Berg Fru Elma: Gen. Sec. Sweden 1932-.

Bermudes, Felix: Pres. do Conselho Director da Soc. de Escritores e Compositores Teatrais Portugueses; Vice-Pres. da Féd. Internatl. des Soc. d'Auteurs et Compositeurs Dramatiques; b. Porto 4-7-74; m. Candida Borges 24-7-07; F.T.S. Apr. '24; Vice-Pres. Portuguese Sec. T.S.; Pres. Annie Besant L.; Lecturer; P: 101 dramatic works performed in Portugal and Brazil; Add: Rua Renato Baptista 94, Lisbon 3° Portugal.

Besant, Dr. Annie: (see p. 160).

Besant, Arthur Digby: B.A., F.I.A.; Owner Theos. Pub. House, London; Gen. Manager Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Soc. 1906; Actuary 1906-31; Pres. Inst. of Actuaries '24-6; b. 16-1-69 Cheltenham; s. of Rev. Frank and Annie Besant (q.v.); m. 1894; Children: Digby '96-7; Phyllis Armorer, b. '99, m. Marrocco; Sylvia Lewis, b. '05; Fellow and Joint-Treas. of Univ. College, Lond., 1924; has held high offices in many national insurance associations and Royal Commissions. P: Works on Investment and Insurance; *The Besant Pedigree*, 1930; Add: 9 Hampstead Hill Gardens, N.W.3.

Besant Scott, Mabel: d. of Rev. Frank and Annie Besant (q.v.); m. Feb. 1892 Ernest Scott; one d. Muriel Annie '93-24, m. Grisch Shapiro; F.T.S. 1890; copied index to *The Secret Doctrine* for H.P.B.; worked in Australia (helped husband start first T.S. magazine in Melbourne), at London Headq. and at Adyar; resigned 5-2-34; P: *Life as Ceremonial* and Theos. articles. Add: 11 Christchurch Ave., London, N.W. 6.

Best, Clifford S.: Lecturer and organizer for T.S. Eng.; was on Natl. Council and Exec. Ctee. Eng.; assisted at Adyar

'11-14; created first psychic laboratory on scientific lines '21.

Bhagavan Das, Dr.: b. 12-1-69, Benares, of Sah family of bankers and landholders; at 16 B.A. Calcutta Univ.; M.A. (Philosophy) 1887; D. Litt., *honoris causa*, B.H. Univ. 1929; m. Shrimati Chameli Devi 1885; 2 sons. 2 d.; F.T.S. 1884-; Governmental service 1890-9; resigned to take Hon. Sec. Board of Trustees and Managing Ctee. C.H.C. 1898-9, till 1914; also Hon. lecturer Sanatana Dharma; elected on Court B.H. Univ. 1914; 1921 Kulapati and Pres. Board Kashi Vidyapitha opened by Mahatma Gandhi; T. Subba Row Medal 1900; Gen. Sec. India 1911-12; represented Theos. 4th Internatl. Congress of Philosophy, Italy, 1911; Pres. U.P. Provincial Congress Ctee. 1920-1; on All-India Congress Ctee. for many years; collaborated with C.R. Das in draft of outline scheme of Swarajya; Chairman Benares Municipality 1923-5; M.L.A. '34; P: *Pranava Vada*, (3 vols.); *Science of Social Organization*; *Science of Peace*; *Science of the Emotions*; *Annie Besant and the Changing World*; *Ancient and Modern Scientific Socialism*; and many other scholarly contributions in Hindi and English. Add: Benares City.

Bibby, Joseph: Founder of J. Bibby and Sons, Ltd., manufacturers, Liverpool; J.P. City of Liverpool; b. 12-1-51; m. Ruth Pye 1-3-81; F.T.S. 14-3-89; Founder Wirral L., Birkenhead; on Exec. Ctee. '20-3; P: Editor *Bibby's Annual*, each year from 1906 to 1922, valedictory issue 1936; Theos. articles on economic subjects; *Towards the Light*, etc. Applied his own theories of right relationships between employer and employed in a well-thought-out plan of benefits for his own employees. Colleague of Dr. Besant. Add: the Priory, Bidston, Birkenhead, Eng.

Bilimoria, J. C.: B.A. (Bombay); Law lecturer Univ. College, Rangoon; F.T.S. '10; m. 14-2-10; both workers T.S. Burma; delegate Diamond Jubilee Conv. '35; P: Ed. Rangoon Law

Reports; Add: Kokinc Rd., Sooniram Park, Kanbi P.O., Rangoon.

Bilimoria, Nasarwanji Framji: b. '50; F.T.S. '86; for his Theos. services, '16 elect. first hon. life member Blavatsky L. Bombay; anti-vivisectionist; P: Ed. *The Theosophical Gleaner*; founded *Cherag '00*; *Zoroaster Our Guide* (in Gujarati); *The Message of Zoroaster*; Eng. compilation *Zoroastrianism in the Light of Theosophy*, etc.; d. 15-8-22.

Bird, Mrs. Anna Pennock: Author and Lecturer; teacher applied psychology; b. a Hicksite Quaker; m. '03 C.L. Bird; founded first Kindergarten, Lancaster, Pa.; F.T.S. '01-; Pres. Harmony L. Toledo '10-; P: *Inside Our Own Doors*; *Creative Force in the Vegetable, Animal and Human World*; frequent writer to newspapers and journals; Add: 2583 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio, U.S.A.

Bjerregaard, C.H.A.: Librarian New York Public Library; "A learned and thoughtful Theosophist" (H.P.B.); P: *The Inner Life and The Tao-Teh-King*.

Blackwood, Algernon: Novelist, who delightfully masks occult truths as fiction; b. 1869; 2nd s. late Sir Arthur Blackwood, K.C.B. and Sydney, Duchess of Manchester (widow 6th Duke); Educ. Edinburgh Univ.; on staff *New York Sun*, *New York Times*; P: *The Empty House*, 1906; *The Listener*, 1907; *John Silence*, 1908; and 25 other occult novels, also *Karma: a Re-incarnation Play*, 1918; *The Bright Messenger*, 1921; and *Dudley and Gilderoy*, 1929. F.T.S., charter member Toronto Lodge, Canada; lives abroad; Club, Savile.

Blake, Mrs. Muirson (Jean Delaire): Lecturer on Theosophy, stressing Psychic Research, Gnosticism; President 3 Lodges covering a period of 12 years; founded a Christian T.S.L.; P: *A Pixie's Adventures in Humanland*; *The Mystery Teaching in the West*, and essays in many journals; Ed. *The Christian Theosophist*, Add: Mon-Abri, Chorley Wood, Herts, Eng.

Blakeney, Brigadier-General Robert Byron Drury: T.S. Lecturer in Cairo in '20's.; C.M.G. 1918; D.S.O. 1898; b. 18-4-72; a brilliant army career from 1891 until retirement 1921; from 1906 assisted in direction of Egyptian State Railways, Gen. Mgr. 1919-23; Add: 25 Iverna Gardens, London, W. 8.

Blavatsky, Helena Petrovna: (see p. 158).

Blech, Mlle Aimee: Lecturer and writer, known for her "graceful and lucid expositions of Theosophical truths" (A.B.); military hospital service; elementary Theos. class in Paris over 25 years; formed in Paris "The League of Unity" to promote goodwill between disciples of different Teachers; P: *Lights and Shadows*, etc.

Blech Sr., Charles: Head of an old Alsatian family which suffered cruelly as exiles; "Father of Theosophy in France"; the Blech family "have been the rock in France upon which The Society's activities were based . . . 'la famille Blech' is a household word, not only in France, but in every country where Theosophy is known." (A.B.) Donated Alsace Grove, Adyar, 1918; d. 6-7-03.

Blech, Charles: s. of Charles Blech, Sr.; Joint Gen. Sec. France '07-8; Gen. Sec. '08-34; retired manufacturer, 1905; elected to General Council T.S. on its incorporation; Treas. European Fed. T.S. 1913-; visited Adyar 10-11-25; served country during war, in 1918 receiving Rosette Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur; d. Mar. '34.

Blech, Mlle Zelma: "A quiet strength and unflinching devotion which makes her a centre of steadfastness and peace." (A.B.); visited Adyar '12-13; Add: 21, Ave. Montaigne, Paris VII.

Blichfeldt-Petersen, Aage P. E.: B. Sc., B.A.; Actuary; b. 31-7-91; m. 1920; F.T.S. 10-2-20; Treas. Aarhus Lodge '20-36 and Pres. 1937-; Lecturer; P: Trans. of Theos. literature; Add: Villa Sirius, Fredensvang pr. Aarhus, Denmark.

Blytt, Fru Eva: Founder Norwegian Sec.; Gen. Sec. '13-19; F.T.S. 11-4-05; visited Krotona, U.S.A. and Adyar

(1911); with Henrik Lund founded Norwegian Theos. Pub. Concern 1936; P: *Lotus-letters*. Add: Ullernvei, 19 Bestun, Norway.

Boggiani, Col. Oliviero: b. 1-2-59; F.T.S. 24-12-96; m. Gretchen Wagner 1-8-01; Formed with others Feb. 1897 the nucleus of the Rome L.; First Gen. Sec. Italy 1901-4; '19-29; P: Theos. trans.; d. 6-10-33.

Boissevain, J.W.: LL.D., Librarian, Dutch Section; formerly Ed. *Theosophia*; Pres. Amsterdam Lodge; P: Trans. *Bhagavad Gita*.

Bolt, Rev. Edwin C.: Lectures Scandinavia and Iceland; organizes Summer Schools; Add: Edgaardsveg 21, Charlottenlund, Copenhagen.

Bonde-Jensen, Charles Richard: Gen. Sec. Denmark 1935-; Chemical Engineer; b. 10-8-95; m. 9-11-18; F.T.S. 10-2-20-; Pres. Aarhus L. '20-35; Lecturer and interpreter; organizes Theos. propaganda in Denmark; P: Theos. articles and pamphlets; Add: "Dharma," Libravej 12, Fredensvang, pr. Aarhus.

Bondonneau, Emile Gatien: b. '75; m. '01; F.T.S. '21; Edits Theos. books in French T.P.H., Paris, and is in charge of Publishing Department.

Boxell, Edward Carty: Ph. G., M.D. C.M.; b. 13-11-63; m. Mary Elizabeth Hess 25-6-02; F.T.S. 27-5-20; on Natl. Board Directors T.S. Am. Sec. '24-36; Pres. St. Paul L.T.S. '22-7; Priest L.C.C. '27; Add: 865 Dayton Ave., St. Paul, Minn., U.S.A.

Braddon, Claude: Theos. lecturer and author; Architect, Artist in the Theatre, Fellow of Am. Inst. Architecture; Master of Arch. (Univ. of Mich.); Scammon Lecturer Chicago Art Inst.; Lecturer on Arch. Princeton Univ.; Teacher Contemporary Arts Briarcliff Junior Coll.; b. 1-8-66; m. Charlotte Wilkinson 3-11-02; Eugenie Macaulay 13-7-12. P: *The Golden Person in the Heart*; *The Beautiful Necessity*; *Episodes from an Unwritten History*; *Four-Dimensional Vistas*; *A Primer of Higher Space*; *Projective Ornament*; *Architecture and Democracy*; *Oracle*; *Old Lamps for New*; *The New Image*; *Merely Players*; *The*

Eternal Poles; *The Frozen Fountain*; *An Introduction to Yoga*; *Delphic Woman* 1936. Co-trans. with Nicholas Bessarackoff of Ouspensky's *Tertium Organum*. Add: The Shelton, N.Y. City, U.S.A.

Brandt, Miss Marie-Louise: Painter; F.T.S. 1904-; Vice-Pres. Swiss Sec. '10-26; Co-Founder with Miss Stephani of Swiss Natl. Sec. 1910; Add: rue du Stand 6, La Toude Peilz, nr. Vevey, Switzerland.

Bright, Miss Esther: b. 19-2-68; d. of Rt. Hon. Jacob Bright, M.P., and Ursula M. (q.v.); Educ. violin under Joachim; F.T.S. 7-9-91; from 1890 co-worker with Dr. Besant; through a voluminous correspondence worker in many humanitarian movements; interested in International Politics, P: *The Ancient One*; *Old Memories and Letters of Annie Besant* 1936. Add: The Camp Farm, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Bright, Mrs. Ursula Mellor: m. Rt. Hon. Jacob Bright, M.P. (one of Privy Councillors of late Queen-Empress); "One of the great fighters of her generation, a gallant soldier in all noble causes; joining The Theosophical Society in the last decade of the nineteenth century, she was one of its strongest supporters, nor wanting in perfect loyalty. To her generosity we owed the making of the Benares centre, and since Avenue Road was given up, my English home was with her." (A.B.); d. March 1915.

Brioude, Manuel de: M.D.; Gen. Sec. Spain '27-8; b. Seville; F.T.S. 15-4-16; Pres. Zanoni L. Seville; Prof. in Faculty of Medicine, Seville; writer on Theos. in Spanish papers; talented pianist, played at Vienna Congress; P: *Antroposofia*; d. 21-2-32.

Bristow, Leonard T.: b. 14-10-37; m. '94 Hilda Florence Power; F.T.S. 10-11-16; Judge in Pretoria, S. Africa; transf. to Eng. '21, served on Ex. Com. and Nat. Council; d. '35.

Brisy, Serge: Theos. Lecturer and author; b. Brussels; at 8 wrote plays; at 18 won a prize for *The Bird of Paradise*, satire against dogma; F.T.S. 1916; has made prison reform a veritable

apostolate; founded *Bulletin of Light* circulated in all Belgian prisons by order of Crown; for this service, received ribbon of "Chevalier de l'Ordre de Léopold II"; specialist in creative education for children through drama; Knight-Councillor R.T., and organizer in Belgium; P: *La Divinité des Choses, À Travers les Barreaux, Doubt the Liberator*, etc. Add: 37 rue J. B. Meunier, Uccle-Bruxelles.

Brosse, Therese: Commissioned by French Gov. to attend Diamond Jubilee Conv. '35 and study Indian systems of Yoga; on teaching staff Paris Hospital. P: Works on neuro-cardiology recording experimental work. Add: Les Anémones, 29 Boulevard Bazin, Paris.

Browning, Miss Kate: M.A. (Cantab.); organized New Zealand Sec.; taught C.H.C. '09; Principal Girls' Coll., Benares '16; P: *Epitome of Science of the Emotions; Notes and Index to Bhagavad-Gita*. Add: 1 Crediton Hill, London, N.W. 6.

Buchholdt, T.S.: b. '93; F.T.S. 11; Priest L.C.C.; m. Erikka Colban; both Theos. workers Norway; Add: Bakkegt. 23 II, inng. Munkedamsven, Oslo.

Bull, Evelyn Benham: A.B., Mus. B. (Yale); m. June '29 Lawrence Bull; 2s. 1 d; F.T.S. Nov. '31; lecturer; Works: Poem *Immanence* set to music by herself, sung '36 at Festival of Contemporary American Music; *Choral Symphony* sung by Westminster Choir, Princeton Univ. '37; P: poetry and musical and philosophical articles in Theos. and other international journals. Add: 770 South Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, Cal., U.S.

Burdett, Miss: Dr. Besant's private secretary in Theos. political and other work, '19-30.

Burgess, Arthur: Hon. Sec. Servers of the Blind in Eng. and Wales (later amalgamated with Braille League) '19; Hon. Organizing Sec. T.O.S. '19; though crippled, superintended its activities, the greater number of his own originating: Accommodation Bureau, Catering Dept., Information Bureau, Fellowship Arts and Crafts, Research Ctee., Russian Relief Dept., Publicity Speaker's Class; also Leagues: Anti-

Vivisection, Internatl. Corres., Braille, Healing, Mental Help, etc.; Ed. *Service*; d. '26.

Burn, David William Murray: M.A.; b. 7-11-62 Geelong, Victoria; m. Alice Meredith '88; F.T.S. 10-11-99; 40 years educationist; Theos. lecturer and writer; P: 5 Volumes of verse as "Marsyas." Add: Hilarion House, Coney Hill Rd., St. Clair, Dunedin, S.W.1, New Zealand.

Burnett, Mary Weeks: Rep. of American loyalists '05 in European Congress; Colleague H.S.O. and A.B.; '19 Corres. Sec. Theos. Educ. Assn. of Am.; Author of books on Theos. healing; d. '32.

Burt, Rev. Lawrence W.: b. 9-6-83 N.Z.; m. Josephine Mary Sewell 17-3-10; lecturer and lodge organizer '11-, Australia; Vicar St. Albans L.C.C., Sydney '30-; many years on Exec. Ctee. Sec.; Chairman Section Theos. Broadcast Ctee. '36-; P: *St. Alban Answer Magazine* '34-6; *Australian Theosophist* '36-7; Add: The Manor, Mosman, N.S.W.

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Calvari, Decio: Gen. Sec. Italy '04-5. b. 26 Jan. '63; F.T.S. 24-12-96; m. Olga Giaccone 12-8-99; Add: Roma, Via Gregoriana 7.

Campbell, Elliston Fauna: B.E. (Syd.), A.M.I.E.E. (Lond.), A.M.I.E. (Aust.); lecturer in Elec. Engineering (Sydney Univ.); m. Phillis Caspersz, composer; F.T.S. '14; past Pres. Blavatsky L.; on Sec. Council and Exec.; Add: 5 Kardinia Rd., Mosman, N.S.W.

Castellani, Avv. Tullio: Gen. Sec., Italy 1934-; b. 29-5-92; Lawyer, Dr. of Economics and Commerce; Prof. Political Economy; m. Elena di Colbertaldo; F.T.S. 26-12-26; Pres. Giordano Bruno L. '29-37; Head Italian Order of Service; Pres. Centre of Spiritual Culture in Genoa and Milan; Member Fascist Party; Add: Cas. post. 1019 Genoa, Italy.

Cather, Margaret Matilda: b. 9-5-65; m. R.G. Cather 28-6-87; F.T.S. 30-3-11; Secretary and later Pres.

Central London L.; Add: 35 Circus Road Mansions, London, N.W. 8, Eng.

Cervera, Dr. David R.: Gen Sec. Mexico 1935-; b. 1895; Chiropractician; F.T.S. '21; Pres. Mercury L. for 3 years; P: Ed. Sec. *Organ Amistad*; Add: 28-A Calle Iturbide, Mexico, D.F.

Chakravarti, Rai Bahadur Dr. Gyanendra Nath: M.A., D.Sc., D. Litt., LL.B., I.S.O.; helped with incorporation of Indian Section and founding of C.H.C., Benares, '98-9; Prof. Maths. and Phys. Science, Allahabad; Inspector of Schools, Allahabad; Rep. India at World Parliament of Religions, Chicago 1893; 1st Vice-Chancellor, Lucknow Univ.; Delegate to Univ. Congress and to 250th Anniv. of Royal Soc. 1912; d. 1936.

Chambres, Miss Josephine B.: Publicity Sec. London 1919-30; co-worker with Dr. Besant; Add: Adyar, Madras.

Chandrasekhara Aiyar, Dewan Bahadur Raja Dharma Pravina K.S.: Was Chief Judge, Mysore High Court; F.T.S. '91; Colleague C.W.L. and A.B.; 1912 built a house in Adyar; retired from Gov. service 1924 but served as Chairman on important State Ctees.; on Gen. Council T.S.; Pres. Karnataka Fed.; munificent gifts to charity; P: *Mainsprings of Life*. Add: Chandra Vilasa, Bull Temple Rd., Basavangudi, Bangalore.

Chandrashekara Aiyar, Mrs. (Shrimati Parvati Ammal): m. Raja Dharma, etc. (q.v.). Founder and first Pres. Mahila Seva Samaja; Pres. Mysore Child Welfare Soc.; 1st woman member Bangalore Dist. Board; Vice-Pres. Mysore Constituent Conf. All-India Women's Conf. on Educ. Reform; delegate to Delhi; Kaiser-i-Hind gold medal for philanthropic services; d. '29.

Chandra Singhjee, H.H. Daji Raja (Thakore Saheb of Wadhwan): Vice-Pres. T.S. 1881-8.

Chappel, Geo. H.: F.T.S. Mar. '91; Diploma signed by H.P.B. and W.Q. Judge; worker Australia '92; Natl. Lecturer '19; Add: 25 Bligh St., Sydney, N.S.W.

Charitos, John N.: Head of Dept., Bank of Greece, Athens; b. '95; F.T.S.

'23; with Basile D. Krimpas organized Greek Section; Sec. Fed. Hellenic Lodges '24-8; Jt. Gen. Sec. '28-9; Founder and now Hon. Managing Vice-Pres. Athens T.P.H.; P: many translations Theos. works. Add: Homer St. No. 20, Athens, Greece.

Chase, Mrs. Muriel: Social Editress *The West Australian* (Perth); philanthropist; aided Silver Chain District Nursing Assn. and Bush Nursing Soc. for sick and aged; pioneer in women's movement; d. 12-2-36; daughters, Mrs. Sandra Poignant and Mrs. Richenda Parkes, active in Perth L. Add: 42 Outram St., West Perth, W.A.

Chatterji, Mohini Mohun: M.A., B.L., (Calcutta); b. '58; Charter member Bengal T.S., 16-4-82; Priv. Sec. H.S.O.; accompanied Founders on 1884 European tour, assisting to spread Theos. in Europe; gave the oriental turn to writings of poets AE and W. B. Yeats; m. niece of Rabindranath Tagore; gave evidence as to reality Adyar phenomena before S.P.R.; P: Books in Bengali and English in prose and verse; trans. *Crest Jewel of Wisdom* (Vivekachudamani); co-translator as J. C. Chattopadhyaya with G.R.S. Mead of *The Upanishads* '96; d. Feb. 1936.

Chatterji, Sir P. C.: Late Judge of High Court, Lahore, Vice-Chancellor, Punjab Univ.; for years generous pioneer member of Lahore L.; P: Valuable monographs on Indian History of Buddhism.

Chetty, Rao Sahib G. Soobbiah: b. Mar. 1858, Salem, India; F.T.S. 27-4-82; instrumental in purchase Adyar; colleague of H.P.B. and H.S.O.; decorated by Gov. 1913 for 30 years' flawless honesty and integrity in Gov. service; Supt. Adyar 1907-10 and recalled to Gov. service; "Over 50 years uninterrupted membership of The Society." Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Chetty, R. Mudaliyandan: B.A. (Madras); b. 2-5-68; m. Shrimati R. Rajammah (also F.T.S.) June '82; Asst. Sec. S. Indian Conference '19-20; Sec. '20-21; Hon. Supt. T. S. Laundry '23-9; Add: Krishna Vilas, Adyar.

Chiplonkar, Wasudev Lakshman: b. 4-8-77; F.T.S. 4-12-01; Sec. Akola

L. '03-; Theos. Lecturer and Writer; Sec. local Home Rule League '17-20; Hindu religious preacher in gaols '12-25; Add: Akola.

Chochon, M. H.: Directeur du Domaine de l'Etoile, Nice-Pessicart, France; founded "L'Entr'aide Fraternelle Internationale," '23.

Choksy, Nariman Kaikhushru: Advocate Supreme Court, Ceylon; Gen. Sec. Ceylon Sept. 1926 to Apr. 1928; b. 6-3-96; F.T.S. June 1922; Add: Colpetty, Colombo, Ceylon.

Christensen, Carle A.: Pres. Young Theosophists America; b. 27-7-09; F.T.S. 4-5-28; Add: 313 Keystone Ave., River Forest, Ill., U.S.A.

Christie, Catherine Wallace: b. 28-6-57; F.T.S. 22-12-97; Joint Organizing Sec. and Natl. Lecturer New Zealand Sec. '12-20; Student Adyar, '21-2; Pres. New Zealand and India League '20; Tour Great Britain and S. Africa '23; P: *Theosophy for Beginners*; d. Oct. '23.

Cimr, Vaclav: Gen. Sec. T.S. Czechoslovakia, 1936-; b. 15-6-88; Electrician; m. Marie Hemerová 24-12-21; F.T.S. 1906-; Lecturer and chairman Prague T.S.; P: Ed. *Espero-Teozofia*; Esperanto articles. Add: Prague, Sporilov 1114, Czechoslovakia.

Claessens, Joannes Antoon Edouard: Artist; Prof. Drawing in Upholsterers' City Schools and Professional School of Tapestry; b. 14-11-79; F.T.S. 19-9-01; served many years Antwerp L.T.S.; P: articles. Add: Isabellalei 4, Antwerp, Belgium.

Clarke, R. Balfour: For some years Pers. Asst. to C.W. Leadbeater at Adyar and Sydney; m. Paula Hamerster; Add: Banjari Hill Rd., Masab Tank, Hyderabad, Deccan.

Climent-Terrer, Federico: b. 26-12-60 Valencia; B.Sc. Madrid; F.T.S. 15-5-03; 25 years a popular T.S. and cultural lecturer; Authority on Pedagogy; P: *Educación Cívica*; *Educación de la Niñez*; *Le Ama de Casa*; *Enseñanzas del Quijote*, etc. (under nom-de-plume); *Enciclopedia Masónica*; *Manual de Ciencias Ocultas*; *Teosofía Práctica*; Trans. 250 Theos. and general educ. works.

Cnoop-Koopmans, A. J.: Doc. Juris. (Leiden); Gen. Sec. Netherlands 1907-14; b. 31-10-67; aided in organizing first concerts of chorus and orchestra; Assist. Sec. T.S. Holland, and legal adviser under Mr. Fricke; started mystery-ceremonies for the Seasons; advanced educationist, assisted by his wife; from 1914 Pres. of Council for Navigation in Holland, and his able management during the War was much valued; d. 25-9-23.

Coats, John Balfour Symington: b. 8-7-06; m. Elizabeth Ann Horlick 31-10-33; F.T.S. 2-11-32; Pres. Youth Centre, London; both active in international Y.T. work; at Diamond Jubilee Conv. '35; Add: Adyar, Madras, India, and Anton-Dolwells, Milverton, Somerset, Eng.

Cobb, Dr. John Storer: LL.D.; present at formation T.S. 7-9-75; 1st Rec. Sec. 30-10-75-'77; Treas. '77-9; Pres. Commissioner to organize British Theos. Soc. 27-6-78; P: Ed. *New Era*, organ of the Reformed Jews.

Cochius, Peter Marinus: C.B.E.; Gen. Sec. and Treas. Fed. European Natl. Soc. 1929-; Treas. Netherlands Sec.; on Board St. Michael's Trust; on General Council T.S. '35-7; Pres. Netherland Assn. Industrial Art; b. 27-4-74; m. H.E. Selleger '07; Add. Herdersweg 20, Laren, N.H., Holland.

Codd, Miss Clara: b. 10-10-76, Barnstaple, N. Devon; F.T.S. 16-12-03; Gen. Sec. Australia '35-6; 1st Natl. Lecturer English Sec. '06-; suffered imprisonment as pioneer in woman's suffrage movement, England; declined office of organizer Women's Social and Political Union to work for Theosophy; lecturer many countries; Internatl. Chief Link The Golden Chain; P: *Theosophy as the Masters See It*; *The Consecrated Life*; *Meditation*; *Theosophy for Little Children*; *The Understanding Life*; *On Lecturing*; *Masters and Disciples*; *The Technique of the Spiritual Life*; *Looking Forward*; *The Secret of Sin and Suffering*; many articles in *Theosophist* and other journals; Add: 50 Gloucester Pl., London, W. 1.

Codd, Miss Dorothy Mary: Formerly Chief Link for Europe in The Golden

Chain of Love; P: *Freedom and Brotherhood*; Add: 49 Canfield Gardens, Hampstead, England.

Collins, Mabel (Mrs. Kenningale Cook): b. Germany 1851. Asst. Ed. with H. P. B. of *Lucifer*, Sept. 1887 to Feb. 1889; resigned 1889; founded the Incorporated Parliamentary Assn. for the Abolition of Vivisection; P: *Light on the Path*; *Idyll of the White Lotus*; *The Story of Sensa*; *When the Sun Moves Northward*; *The Story of the Year*; *As the Flower Grows*; *A Cry from Afar*; *Fragments of Thought and Life*; *Through The Gates of Gold*, etc.; d. June 1927.

Comfort, Will Levington: b. '78; F.T.S. '09; P: *Routledge Rides Alone*; *She Buildeth Her House*; *Fate Knocks at the Door*, etc.

Coniar, Axel von Fielitz: Gen. Sec. Germany 1919-20; '21-8; invaluable in re-organization of Sec.; Add: 156 Tolstraat, Amsterdam.

Coodé-Adams, William: B.Sc. (Lond.), M.A., M.Sc., Ph.D. (Cantab.), A.I.C.; b. 11-8-95; F.T.S. '18; m. 8-9-33; Founder and Pres. Verulam L., Cambridge; 6 years Sec. Exec. Ctee.; sometime Hon. Librarian Eng. Natl. Sec. P: *Primer of Occult Physics*; *Elementary Chemistry*, etc. Add: 59 Sheen Pk., Richmond, Eng.

Cook, Sidney A.: Gen. Sec. U.S.A. 1931-; b. 18-5-87, Eng.; m. Ellen Mary 1912; F.T.S. 2-8-14; Exec. Vice-Pres. of an internationally known manufacturing automotive concern; Clubs: Union League and Executives Club of Chicago, Oak Park Country Club. Add: Olcott, Wheaton, Ill., U.S.A.

Cooper, Laura: See Mead, Mrs. G.R.S.

Cooper, Rt. Rev. Irving S.: b. 16-3-82; m. Susan L. Warfield 1927; in early years field worker in Am. Sec.; Hon. Sec. National Slum and Prison Improvement League; many years Sec. to C.W.L. in India and Australia; pioneer in Liberal Catholic Church, ordained as Priest '18; 13-7-19 consecrated Regional Bishop U.S.A., and 1922 estab. Pro-Cathedral Los Angeles; 1923-30, 1933-5 travelled in

interests L.C.C.; P: *Methods of Psychic Development*; *Reincarnation: the Hope of the World*; *The Secret of Happiness*; *Theosophy Simplified*; *Ways to Perfect Health*; d. Jan. 1935.

Cooper-Oakley, A. J.: M.A., (Hons. in History Tripos St. John's Coll. Cambridge); b. 1853; m. Isabel Cooper (q.v.); F.T.S. 1884, giving up school project Enfield to accompany with wife H.P.B. to India; sub-edited *The Theosophist* under H.P.B. until Apr. '88; on 1st Exec. Ctee. '85; Rec. Sec. T.S. '85, '86-7; Conv. Lecturer '87; Prof. Pachaiappa's Coll. Madras; Gov. service as Registrar of Univ. Madras; deep student Indian Philosophy and Sanskrit Literature; P: In collaboration with R. Ananthakrishna Sastri, trans. *Lalita Sahasranama*; d. 16-4-99.

Cooper-Oakley, Mrs. Isabel: née Cooper; m. A. J. Cooper-Oakley (q.v.). educ. Girton Coll.; '84 accompanied H.P.B. to India; '90 formed one of her London circle; lectured in and represented Australasia at World Parliament of Religions, Chicago, U.S.A., Sept. '93; app. by H.S.O. '94 Federal Corres. in "Hands across the Seas" movement; travelled over Europe gathering groups round her, thus spreading Theosophy; organized Hungary's first Lodge 1905; '14 helped to reorganize Hungarian Sec.; Italian Sec. owes her gratitude for untiring efforts for many years; A.B. appointed her '07 Pres. Internatl. Ctee. for Research into Mystic Traditions; results of this work embodied in following; P: *Comte de St. Germain*; *Mystical Traditions*; *Traces of a Hidden Tradition in Masonry and Mediaeval Mythology*; d. 3-3-14, Hungary.

Corbett, Sarah: F.T.S. 14-10-97; keen worker; P: Frequent articles *The Theosophical Review*; also *The Evolution of Character*; *Extracts from the Vahan*; d. '08.

Cordes, Rt. Rev. John: Gen. Sec. Austria '12-16, '19-31; F.T.S. '98, in Africa, corresponded with H.S.O. and in '02 found sponsors; '07, T.S. worker in Natal; '10 invited by A.B. to Adyar and worked in T.P.H.; helped

in reorganization of German Sec. '10; created Austrian Natl. Soc., gaining Gov. authorization '12; Treas. European Fed. '21; lectured in Central Europe, assisting in formation of 5 Natl. Socs. of T.S.; '30 consecrated Bishop L. C. C. Add: Theosophenheim, Weidlingau, Vienna, Austria.

Coronado, His Excellency don Jose: Ex-Minister Foreign Affairs; On Exec. Council Central Am. Sec. '27-.

Coronado, Marione L.: Organizer and 1st Gen. Sec. Central America 1929-33; on Exec. Council '35-; b. 20-6-95 San José; F.T.S. '22; estab. and operates short-wave broadcasting station *Cultura* for promotion of culture and international understanding; Pres. Virya L., Costa Rica.

Correa, Fernando Patron: b. Yucatan, Mexico '73; Treas., Theos. lecturer and Pres. Mercurio L. '33-4.

Coster, Miss Geraldine: Former Headmistress, Wychwood School, Oxford; P: *Yoga and Western Psychology*, *Psycho-analysis for Normal People*; Add: Court Farm, Letcombe Bassett, nr. Wantage, Berks, Eng. **Courmes, M. le Commandant Dominique Albert**: b. 4-8-43, many decorations (Legion of Honour, etc); retired to give himself wholly to Theosophy; student of Spiritualism; '76 read H.P.B. in *Révue Spirite*; '77-8 published first message of Theos. in France; '80 F.T.S.; '83 trans. *Buddhist Catechism* (H.S.O.) on T.S. Gen. Council '88; organized French Sec. and 1st Theos. Congress Paris, 1900; Vice-Pres. Exec. Council France; P: Ed. *Le Lotus Bleu*, '96-14. Trans. *The Secret Doctrine*; *Bhagavad Gita*, etc. His *Questionnaire Théosophique Élémentaire* '98 was trans. into English and Spanish; d. 17-1-14.

Courtwright, Mrs. N. A.: Supt. '01-7 Olcott Panchama Free Schools; educ. work Chicago, Louisville, U.S.A.; lectures and classes Panama Canal Zone.

Cousins, James Henry: Poet, World Traveller and Cultural Educationist (Ireland, India, Japan, America). *Kulapati* (Teacher of Multitudes) be-

stowed by South India Teachers' Union; the *Veera Srinikhala* (bracelet of heroism) and pundit's ceremonial robe given by H.H. the Maharaja of Travancore for organizing the State Gallery of Asian painting, Trivandrum; D. Litt (Keiogijuku Univ. Japan and Imperial Ministry of Educ.) for services as Professor of Eng. Poetry '19-20; has taught in universities of four continents and made two world lecture tours; b. 22-7-73 Belfast; m. Margaret E. Gillespie 9-4-03 (q.v.); co-founder with A.E. and W.B. Yeats of Irish Literary Revival '97 et seq.; F.T.S. '04; as Pres. Agent aided Irish Sec.; '15 joined literary staff *New India*; on Senate and Academic Council and Board of Studies in Fine Arts, Univ. Madras; Vice-Pres. the International Academy of the Arts, Adyar, 1935-; Principal of the Theosophical College, Madanapalle, on leave, helping in organizing the new State University of Travancore, head of Departments of Fine Arts and English studies; P: 20 vols. poetry (collected '33) in *A Wandering Harp* and *A Bardic Pilgrimage*, and 20 vols. prose summarized in *A Study in Synthesis*, *The Bases of Theosophy*, etc. Add: The Theosophical College, Madanapalle, India.

Cousins, Margaret Elizabeth: Mus. B. (Royal Univ. Ireland); Chairman Board of Studies in Western Music, Univ. Madras; Pres. All-India Women's Conference; b. 7-11-78; m. James H. Cousins 9-4-03 (q.v.); F.T.S. '04; Woman's suffrage worker; T.S.L. service Dublin and Liverpool, '04-15; Teacher Theos. Schools, Madanapalle and Mangalore, S. India; lecturer on Natl. Educ. '17; Brother of Service '18; Senator Natl. Univ. (India) '18; Theos. lecturer; 1st woman appointed Hon. Bench Magistrate in India '23; Jt. Sec. Women's Indian Assn. '23-31; has initiated many movements: Irish Vegetarian Soc. Dublin '04; Women's Home of Service, Madras, and Baby Welcomes '23; 1st All-India Women's Conference '27; 1st All-Asian Women's Conference; International Theos. Centre, Geneva '28; New York Vegetarian Soc. '32; Warden girls' hostel,

The Theosophical College, Madanapalle, '33-; P: *The Awakening of Asian Womanhood*, '23; *The Music of Orient and Occident*, '85; Ed. *Stri Dharma* '23-31.

Cowan, Sada: Motion picture and radio writer, dialogue director and coach New York Little Theatre, Hollywood British School of Theatre, etc.; b. Boston Mass.; ed. Frankfurt (Germany) Conservatory of Music; m. Dr. Ernest Commons, July 1932; F.T.S. Apr. 1934; Sec. Besant L., etc.; P: *Original Screen Plays: Peter the Great, Smouldering Fires, Trouble with Wives*, etc; voluminous writer to magazines; speaks French and German and has lived in most civilized countries; Add: 1720 N. Taft Ave., Hollywood, Cal., U.S.A.

Crawford, Kathleen Millicent (née Hunt): b. 17-5-85; m. Wm. (q.v.) '16; F.T.S. 10-8-07; Theos., R.T., L.C.C., worker; Add: see below.

Crawford, Rt. Rev. Wm.: Gen. Sec. New Zealand '25-; b. 15-10-80, Scotland; m. Kathleen Millicent Hunt (q.v.) 8-5-16; F.T.S. '03; Treas. H.P.B. Lodge, Auckland '07-18; '18 Asst. Gen. Sec.; '25-32 Natl. lecturer; many years owner book depot New Zealand; Knight R.T.; Consecrated Bishop L.C.C. 24-2-35; attended '34 Adyar Conv. with wife and son; P: Sec. Journal and propaganda leaflets; Add: 11 Belvedere St., Epsom, Auckland S.E. 3, N.Z.

Crookes, Sir William: b. 17-6-32; F.T.S. '83; for scientific achievements see 1937 Year Book.

Cronvall, Erik: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia '15-21; Sweden '21-3, '36-; aided Denmark and Iceland to organize as Sections '18.

Crow, Rev. William Bernard: Ph.D. (Lond.) D.Sc. (Lond.); M.D. (Am. Acad. Med. & Surg.); D. Lit. and D.D. (Internatl. Orth. Cath. Univ.); b. '95; Hon. Prof. Biol. Lond. Coll. of Physiology; Head. Dept. Biology, Huddersfield Tech. Coll.; (affil. Univ. Leeds); Hon. Vice-Pres. Natl. Assn. Masso-Therapists; and Internatl. Phrenological and Psych. Inst.; Pres. of Search Soc.; Priest L.C.C.; P: *The Human Body as a*

Colony of Animals; The Human Body as a Solar System; Voice and the Vocal Apparatus; Biological Rhythms; The Science of Dreams, etc.; Ed. *Proteus*.

Cuaron, Dr. Alfredo: M.B.; b. '86; F.T.S. '22; founder and Pres. Hypatia L. '22-8; Theos. Lecturer; Priest L.C.C. '36; Add: P.O. Box 272, Tampico, Mexico.

Cuffe, Hon. Otway: Gen. Sec. England '98-1900; gave up office to work for material uplift of Ireland, where he spent some £70,000 in promotion of Kilkenny industries; d. Feb. '12, Fremantle, Australia.

Culubrett, Rev. Salvador Sibecas: Gen. Sec. Cuba '33-6; b. Spain 5-1-78; m. 22-10-33; F.T.S. 1-5-09; Priest L.C.C.; P: *Factores Morales; Tormentas de Amor*; Add: Apartado 365, Habana, Cuba.

Curtis, David A.: 17-1-79 appointed Corres. Sec. *ad interim* (Founders' voyage to India).

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Dahl, Ole W.: b. Norway 23-8-69; Research Chemical Engineer; one time Mgr. Cross & Bevan Experimental Works, Erith, Kent; F.T.S. 15-3-94, and worker Norway; after '98, Boston, U.S.A.; President-Founder Assn. for Transposing Theos. Literature into Braille (later Book Assn. for the Blind; '10-19; on staff Krotona Institute '15-21; P: trans. many books into Braille; ed. *Theosophical Braille Monthly* '12-15; Add: 11 Concord Sq., Boston, Mass., U.S.A.

D'Amato, Mme. P. Cazin: Supt. Leadbeater Chambers '25-35, '37; b. 14-5-82; F.T.S. 4-3-22; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Damodar: See Mavalankar.

Darroch, Miss Bertha Hazel: b. 7-2-92; F.T.S. 25-10-21; Princ. Vasanta Garden School, Auckland, '22-; one of leading educationists, N.Z.

Datta, Harendra Nath: M.A., LL.B., Vice-Pres. T.S. '34-; b. 17-1-86 Calcutta; F.T.S. Jan. '94; with wife, Shrimati Indumati, constantly attends T.S. Conventions; on General Council since '09; foundation member C.H.C.

and its Board of Trustees; found. memb. Natl. Council Educ. Bengal, for many years its Sec.; now a Vice-Pres. and Trustee Rabindranath Tagore's Visva-Bharati and deeply interested in new Bengal Art School; found. memb., for many years Sec., sometime Pres. and Vice-Pres. Bengal Academy of Literature; Conv. Lecturer T.S. '30, '33, '35, '36; Hon. Legal Adviser to T.S. and Indian Sec.; Solicitor, Calcutta High Court '94; P: *Deva Tattwa* (Philosophy of the Gods) and books on Vedanta and Vaisnavism in Bengali; articles in *Theosophist* and other journals.

Davidge, James L.: Assoc. Editor, Theosophical Publications, Adyar, 3-11-34; some years journalist Australia; 1926 joined Dr. Arundale as Jt.-Ed. in Sydney; '28 organized Advance Australia News Service; '29 Asst. Gen. Sec.; '33-4 Publicity Officer 2GB; b. Eng. 9-1-81; ed. Adelaide Univ.; F.T.S. '08; Priest L.C.C. 30-3-30; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Davidson, Ian: Mem. Australian Sec. Exec. '23; Trustee and Chairman Exec. The Manor; b. Yorks, Eng. 4-7-81; ed. Sheffield Univ.; F.T.S. '09; officer Sydney L.T.S. '12-19; Blavatsky L.T.S. '22—and Pres. '37; Add: The Manor, Mosman, N.S.W.

Davidson, Frank: Treas. T.S. '05-6; F.T.S. 13-11-95.

Davis, Rev. J. Tyssul: B.A. (Lond.); 1st Pres. Cardiff L.; Principal Ananda Coll. Ceylon, '07; P: *A League of Religions*, '20; *The Religion of Krishnamurti*; *Colour, Sound and Number*, '26; *A Man's Religion*; *The Indwelling God*, etc.

de Abrew, Peter: s. of Wm. de Abrew (q.v.); M.R.A.S.; O.B.E.; Managing Director, Co-Founder and Trustee Musaeus Coll. and Buddhist Schools of Colombo; on Govern. Board of Education, Ceylon; on Library Ctee. Colombo Municipal Council.

de Abrew, Wm.: Intimate friend H.S.O. '80; his interpreter first Ceylon tour; one of three Buddhists who with H.S.O. planted "Tree of Friendship" Hindu Temple Tinnevely 21-10-81;

generously supported Buddhist and Theos. work; d. Feb. '05.

Deakin, Hon. Alfred: Australian Statesman; b. Melbourne 3-8-56; Educ. Melbourne Univ.; called to Victorian bar '77; Ent. Victorian Legis. '80; from '83 onwards held important ministerial posts; vigorously championed the cause of Australian Federal Union and helped to achieve it in 1900; was first Commonwealth Attorney-General, '01; Prime Minister '03; his Cabinet promoted social legislation; 3 times Commonwealth Prime Minister ('03-4; '05-8; '09-10); Leader Opposition '10-12; friend H.S.O. and A.B.; P: Wrote books on irrigation in Western America ('85), Egypt and Italy ('87), in India ('92); Irrigation Act of '86 largely his work; d. Melbourne, 7-10-19.

De La Warr, Muriel Agnes Countess: 2nd d. of 1st Baron Brassey; m. 8th Earl De La Warr; 2 d. and 1 s.; supporter of Dr. Besant; assisted movement for better conditions for women workers; for years on Exec. Ctee. Eng.; d. '30.

Delville, Jean: Idealist Painter-Poet; b. 10-7-67 Louvain, Belgium; prize-winner in School of Arts, Brussels at 17; '85 first painting "Cycle Passionel" exhibited; won Grand Prix de Rome '95 for "Christ Glorified by the Children"; "Treasures of Patin" (Brussels) painted '95; formed Salon d'Art Idéaliste '96; other honour works: "The School of Plato" '99; "Love of Souls" etc.; met Scriabine, '05; painted "Prometheus" '08; Organizing Sec. and first Gen. Sec. Belgium '12-13; '14 Murals in Palais de Justice, Brussels; P: *The Haunted Horizon*; *The Shudder of the Sphinx*; *The Unknown Splendours*; etc.

de Silva, B. P.: Helped organize and first Pres. Singapore L. 23-1-89.

de Silva, John Robert: First F.T.S. in Ceylon, joining by letter to N.Y.

de Silva, W.A.: M. Sc.; friend of H.S.O. and worker in Ceylon since 80's.

Dickenson-Auner, Mrs. Mary: Violinist, Composer, Music Master, b. 24-10-80, Dublin; F.T.S. Oct. '20; Corres. Sec. Austrian Sec.; Mgr. musical

productions T.S.; one of creators musical mind-educ. in Vienna primary schools; P: *Irish Love Song, etc.*; Add: Rathausstrasse 19, Vienna 1, Austria.

Diedrichsen, Miss Henny: Famous Danish sculptor; b. '56; 28-12-11 presented marble statue group to Adyar Headq.; '05-20, prominent Theos. worker Scandinavia; d. 36.

Dijkgraaf, Mej. C. W.: Gen. Sec. Netherlands '18-27; b. 1-3-65, The Hague; F.T.S. 1-2-96; Headquarters (Holland) worker 1900-7; Gen. Sec. European Fed. T.S. '21-9, organized Vienna Congress '23; Delegate Adyar '25; world lecture tour '27-8; organized World Congress Chicago '29; Sec. 4th World Congress Geneva '36; on St. Michael's Trust Board, Huizen '32; first Chief Knight R.T. Holland; member many brotherhood organizations; organized Dr. Rabindranath Tagore's tour Holland; Add: Naarden, Holland.

Dijkman, Henri: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '09-10; Pres. Agent. '08 and organizer S. African Sec.; Important Gov. post. **Diomedes, Mme Julie**: Throughout life of Greek Section, has materially aided its organization.

Dodge, Miss Mary Hoadley: generous benefactor, helping T.S. leaders in many ways; d. '33.

Doubleday, General Abner: F.T.S. 30-6-78; Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; ad interim Pres. T. S. 17-1-79 to Feb. '79; on Board of Control for America 13-5-84; charter member Am. Sec. '86; b. 1818; "Father of Baseball," a centenary shrine erected 1936 at Coopers-town, N.Y. where he introduced the game; d. 26-1-93.

Douglas-Fox, Miss Kate: b. '65; F.T.S. 9-5-04; Founder several T.S.L. inc. Bath; originator Group Tour System for lecturers; Publicity Sec. Eng. '16-18; on Exec. Ctee. Natl. Council; founder Stead Hostels for women; d. 4-2-35.

Drinkwater, G. Nevin: B. Sc. (London); Museum Curator; on Theos. Research Centre, Science Group; special study of geology, anthropology, and archeology as corroborative of clair-

voyant research; P: Theos. articles; Add: 15 Grange View, Sunderland, Eng. **Duany, Antonio A.**: In charge Fed. of Oriente and Camaguey, Cuba; Ed. '34-6 *Revista Teosofica Cubana*.

Duany-Navarro, Miss Maria Graciella: Sec. Young Theosophists Cuba; Mgr. '34-6 *Revista Teosofica Cubana*; Add: Vista Allegre, Santiago de Cuba.

Duckworth, Mrs. A. C.: Founder of Wirral, Chester, Wallasey and other T.S.L.; prominent member T.O.S., Theos. Educ. Trust; worker in movements to improve conditions of women and children; Vice-Pres. Servers of the Blind '18; Rep. World Peace Union; greatly assisted Egyptian Sec.; d. 4-8-30 in England.

Dunlop, Daniel Nicol: O.B.E.; b. of Quaker stock Ayrshire '68; m. Eleanor Fitzpatrick; son and 2 d.; held important posts in British Electrical and Allied Manufacturers' Association (B.E.A.M.A.); gained world renown as founder of the World Power Conf., opened 30-6-24; joined T.S. in Dublin; pioneer of Summer Schools; P: *The Path of Attainment; Nature Spirits and the Spirits of the Elements*; d. 30-5-35.

E

Echeverria, Francisco de B.: Vice-Pres. T.S. Chile; acting Gen. Sec. '35.

Edger, Miss Margaret Lilian Florence: M.A.; b. 8-1-62; brilliant Univ. career Canterbury Coll. (N.Z.); first N.Z. woman to take M.A. degree, second to take B.A.; F.T.S. '91; oldest N.Z. living member; Pres. Auckland L. '95; 1st Gen. Sec. N.Z. '96-7; joint tour with H.S.O. of Australasia '97; Adyar Conv. Lectures '97 and '08; toured India with H.S.O. '98; from 1899 gave active service to Theos. Lodges, chiefly in New Zealand and India; received special Gold Medal for best Theos. contribution '98; Principal C.H.C. Girls' School '13-19; tutored sons Maharaja Darbhanga (Behar) '19-29; P: *Theosophy Applied; Gleanings from Light on the Path; Elements of Theosophy; Obstacles to Spiritual Progress; Studies in the*

Pedigree of Man; Add: 40 a Lakshmi-kund, Benares City.

Edison, Thomas Alva: b. 11-2-47; F.T.S. 5-4-78; d. 18-10-31; (for scientific achievements see 1937 Year Book.)

Eeghen-Boissevain, Mevrouw Mary van: 25-7-25 gave Dr. Besant St. Michael's Foundation; Acting Head S. Michael's Centre; b. 27-10-69 Amsterdam; m. 20-9-88; F.T.S. 6-3-23, Bussum; Add: Meentweg 5, Naarden, N.H.

Einarsson, Pall: Judge Supreme Court Iceland; Gen. Sec. Iceland '28-9; b. 25-5-68.

Elder, Miss Eleanor: Assoc. with Arts League of Service to bring art to poor of England; Art classes, Aesthetic Dancing, Adyar; P: *Dance a National Art*.

Ellingsen, N. A.: Gen. Sec. Scotland '27-9.

Elmore, Alex: Jt. Gen. Sec. World Fed. Young Theosophists, '36-7; Jt. Ed. *The Young Theosophist*, Jan. '37; on Exec. Ctee. Internatl. Academy of the Arts; Stage Mgr. and Sec. to Shrimati Rukmini Devi; b. 10-7-06; F.T.S. '26; m. Mary Nauta 14-7-27; with wife served nine years the Huizen Centre, organizing Youth Movement, National Weeks, dramatic productions; in charge Vasanta House, etc.; Priest L.C.C. '28; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

English, W. A.: Rec. Sec. T.S. '95-04; Treas. T.S. '04-5; 1st Supt. Olcott Panchama Free Schools '94; with daughter Della helped the Musaeus Buddhist School for Girls in Ceylon '92-5; indispensable co-worker with H.S.O. and A.B.; P: Assoc. Ed.: *The Theosophist* '95-97; Pres. The Oriental Pub. Co., releasing rare Sanskrit works monthly; d. Nov. '17.

Ensor, Mrs. Beatrice: née de Normann; m. Capt. R.W. Ensor. F.T.S. 8-2-08; gave up Gov. Inspectorship of Schools to work for Theos. educ.; several years Sec. International Fraternity in Education; Charter memb. Cardiff L.; St. John's Wood L. London; decorated by Hungary for child welfare work in Central Europe, '20; Organizing Director and Chairman New Educa-

tion Fellowship since inception; Edited educ. journals; Add: 29 Tavistock Sq., London, W.C. 1.

Erassy, Nicolai Ivanovitch: Prof. Mathematics, Geodesy, Geology; b. '59; m. '99; 2 children; F.T.S. '10; studied theology; on Council of Russian Section outside Russia and its Sec.; founded Russian Lodge in Reval, Brussels, and a centre Berlin; P: many articles and a book; d. '31.

Ervast, Pekka (Peter Elias): b. 26-12-75; at 12 wrote a comparative grammar of 9 languages; earlier visioned a universal language; F.T.S. '95; his lectures '03-07 brought into being the Finnish Sec.; Gen. Sec. Finland '07-17, '18-19; formed and headed Rosy Cross Finnish Occult Research Soc. stressing Christian mysticism '19; P: 70 greater and lesser works: *The Key to Kalevala, Finland Reborn*, etc.; started trans. *The Secret Doctrine*; from '03 ed. Theos. journal; his life-work—the elucidation of northern sagas; d. 21-5-34.

Erwin, Margaret: Gen. Sec. S. African Fed. Y.T. Add: 30 Springfield Crescent, Durban, Natal.

Estrom, Froken L.: Gen. Sec. Sweden '29-31.

Evans, O. F.: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '31-2; d. July '37.

Ewen, E. D.: First Sec. Scottish T.S. Edinburgh, July '84.

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Fahleranz, Hugo: Gen. Sec. Sweden '23-9.

Falp, Francisco Diaz: Gen. Sec. Uruguay, '27-8.

Farinas, Rt. Rev. Federico J.: Prominent Cuban worker.

Farquharson, John A.: F.T.S. 31-5-09; served Melbourne L. as officer (incl. Pres.) since '09; Co.-Dir. new headquarters; Add: 181 Collins St., Melbourne, Australia.

Fekete, Leona de (née de Szegedi-Maszák); Painter; b. '74; m. Pál Fekete '23; F.T.S. 3-5-11; Pres. Blavatsky, L.T.S. '14; Theos. lecturer; P: *A teozófus és a háború*; *A mondá*; *Karma*; *Teozófus hétkoznapok*; etc.;

Add: Boszorményi ut 13-15; Budapest I, Hungary.

Fells, Gretar: Gen. Sec. Iceland 135-7; Educ. Reykjavik Univ.; b. 30-12-96; m. 29-6-29; F.T.S. '25; P: *Séances; Love and Marriage*; Poems and trans.; Add: Ingolfsstr. 22, Reykjavik.

Felt, Geo. Henry: Geometer, Engineer; present at formation T.S. 7-9-75; one of two Vice-Pres. 30-10-75; P: *Lost Canon of Proportion of the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans*, praised by W. E. Gladstone.

Fernandez, M. le Commandant F. W. (Argentine Navy): Pres. Agent S. America; Pres. Vi-Dharma L. '01. Trans. pamphlets at his own expense for distribution in thousands.

Flammarion, Nicolas Camille: French Astronomer; F.T.S. '80; Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; b. 25-2-42; d. 4-6-25. (For scientific achievements see 1937 Year Book.)

Flores Fiallos, Federico: C.P.A.; Former Minister of Finance, Honduras; Pres. Subirana L.; P: *Administración Financiera de Honduras*; Add: P.O. Box 70, Tegucigalpa, Rep. Honduras, C.A.

Folquer, Honorio: Gen. Sec. Argentina '32-5; Ed. *Kuntur* '32-.

Fournier, Frans Louis Paul Gerard: Engineer; b. 22-1-84; m. Hubertha van Blokhuisen 7-7-17; F.T.S. Feb. '12; on boards of several Lodges; Vice-Pres. Netherlands Indies Sec. '28-; Bishop N.I. diocese L.C.C.; Add: Bandoeng, Java.

Fraser, Mrs. M.: Gen. Sec. Burma '22-24; inaugurated a Brotherhood Campaign '23; Supt. T.S. Schools '18-26.

Freeman, Peter: b. 19-10-88; F.T.S. 19-10-09; m. Ella, d. of Sir Andrew Torrance; Gen. Sec. Wales 1922-; Pres. the Vegetarian Soc. of Gt. Britain; M.P. (Lab.) '29-31, and other civic service; Welsh Lawn Tennis Champion '19-21; P: *The Druids and Theosophy; Brotherhood; Our Younger Brothers, the Animals; Our Duty to India; World Peace and Vegetarianism*; Add: 3 Rectory Rd., Penarth, Wales.

Frei, Henri: b. '82; Rec. Sec. T.S. '33-4; Educ. Switzerland; F.T.S. '04-; Reorganized Ceylon Sec. and Gen. Sec. '26-7; Asst. Gen. Sec. Australia '27-9; Priv. Sec. C. W. L. '29-34; on T.S. Gen. Council '34-7; on Headquarters Exec. Ctee. Adyar '31-4; Add: Madampe, Ceylon.

Fricke, Willem Barend: b. 4-11-42, Weesp, nr. Amsterdam; military training 14-16 yrs.; commercial career in Cape Town '58-75; m. '75; contacted Spiritualism '88 and travelled the world over investigating phenomena; F.T.S. 9-1-91; Pres. Dutch-Belgian L. '91; aided in forming Dutch Sec.; Gen. Sec. '97-'07; Hon. Memb. its Exec. Ctee. '07-; Rec. Sec. etc. Adyar '08-09; propaganda work Ceylon, Dutch E.I., S. Africa; educ. work Amsterdam, founding Wilhelmina Catharina School; d. 15-3-31.

Fuller, Rafael: Gen. Sec. Uruguay '35-.

Fullerton, Alex: b. 12-9-41 Philadelphia, U.S.A.; B.A. Princeton '64; Priest Epis. Church 10 years; admitted Bar '77; Civil Service Reform Assn. 82-5; joined T.S.; visited Adyar; Asst. Gen. Sec. Amer. Sec. '88, on Exec. Ctee. and Sec.-Treas. until '95; appointed by Pres.-Founder Gen. Sec. *pro tem.* during Judge secession, and served until '07; lecturer; "Fairy Godfather" of Panchama Schools; P: Theos. leaflets and pamphlets distributed through an effective tract mailing scheme; d. 21-7-13.

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Gale, Christopher: Gen. Sec. Scotland '33-; Add: 28 Great King St., Edinburgh, Scotland.

Gamberini-Cavallini, Signor Giovacchino: m. Luisa Gamberini (q.v.); Founder Florence L. Italy; d. 8-4-21.

Gamberini-Cavallini, Contessa Luisa: b. 21-2-70; m. Giovacchino Gamberini-Cavallini (q.v.) 28-9-95; F.T.S. '11; Gen. Sec. Italy '29-34; Pres. Annie Besant L. Florence '23-5 and G.-Cavallini L. '26-34; P: Ed. *Il Loto* '29-34; Add: Via Martelli 9, Florence, Italy.

Gamma, Sra. Julia A. de la : Gen. Sec. Uruguay '30-33, 36-; Pres. Federation of S. Amer. National Societies, '37-
Ganganath Jha : M.A., Vedic scholar; P: Trans. '99, first four chapters *Chandogya Upanishad*; '36 *Yoga-Darshana*; Add: The University, Allahabad, India.

Garcao, Col. Oscar Cybrao : Founder Portuguese Sec. and Gen. Sec. '30-1; b. 26-8-69; d. 27-8-35; m. Bertha; many years T.S. workers.

Garcia, Antolin : Fine lecturer; in charge Fed. Central Lodges, Cuba; co-founder Amor L.T.S.

Garcia, Rev. Isaac Lorgio Vargas : Gen. Sec. Cuba '36; teacher and inspector Havana Univ.; b. Sancti-Spiritus, Cuba 3-6-81; m. '05, '30; F.T.S. Dec. '03; Lodge founder and organizer '04 (seven Lodges); Pres. Leadbeater L. 15 yrs.; Priest L.C.C. '28; P: *The Feasts of the Months; Reincarnation*; many trans. Add: Cespedes 66, Sancti-Spiritus, Cuba.

Gardner, Edward Lewis : Gen. Sec. Eng. '24-8; on Ctee. Internatl. Centre Geneva '28; Head of Stamford House, Theos. Community Centre, Wimbledon; b. Coggeshall, Essex, Eng.; m. Clara Beard '92 (d. '20), Eliza Adelaide Draper (q.v.) 28-7-22; F.T.S. 17-4-07; P: *The Fourth Creative Hierarchy*, 1913; *Matter is the Shadow of Spirit* '18; *Notes on The Secret Doctrine*, Vol. III, '29; *The Web of the Universe*, '36, etc. Add: Stamford House, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Gardner, Eliza Adelaide : Gen. Sec. England '36; B.A. (Vassar N.Y.); b. '84 Illinois, U.S.A.; m. E.L. Gardner (q.v.) 28-7-22; F.T.S. 6-1-14; Theos. Lecturer '16; P: *Indications of a New Culture; Healing Methods Old and New; Vital Magnetic Healing*, etc.; Add: 50 Gloucester Place, London, W. 1.

Garnsey, Miss Gwendolyn : Born of a family of Theosophists; Pres. The League for American Womanhood; Add: 19952 Stratford Rd., Detroit, Mich., U.S.A.

Garrido-Ramos, Julio : Major of Staff. b. 3-10-80; m. 27-1-09; F.T.S.

2-1-09; Asst. Pres. Agent 7 years and 2nd Pres. Agent.; 1st Gen. Sec. Spain '21-6; Pres. Madrid L.; P: *Ciencia y Teosofia*; Ed. *Sophia* 2 yrs.; Trans. many Theos. works, inc. 2nd edition *Doctrina Secreta*; Add: Lagasca 125 pral. A, izquierda Madrid 6, Spain.

Garro, Jose Antonio : b. Spain 5-5-83; F.T.S. Mexico '15; Theos. Lecturer; enthusiastic worker Mexico.

Gernet, Miss Nina Constantinovna de : Heroic nurse Russo-Japanese war; Educ. Geneva; F.T.S. Eng.; worked in Germany, France, Switzerland, Italy, up to '02; helped organize Swiss Sec.; travelling from North to South, she interested many groups in Theos. P: Theos. articles, describing spiritual movements in Russia; d. 25-4-32.

Ghosal, Srimati Svarna Kumari Devi : d. Debendra Nath Tagore; sister Rabindranath Tagore; b. '57; m. Babu Janaki Nath Ghosal, F.T.S., Zemindar; F.T.S. 9-4-82; formed and became Sec. and Vice-Pres. of first Ladies' T.S. Bengal '83; philanthropist, founded Widows' Home, giving training for zenana teachers; P: First woman Editor in India, founding *Bharati*, a famous Bengali magazine; *Dipnirvan Chinnamukul; Fulamala; Snehalata; Hughiri; Imambari; Kahake; Bidroha; Mibarraaj; Bichitra; Swapna Bani; Milanratri*; Drama: *Raj-Kanya* (trans. in German as *Kalyani*); *Dev-Kantuk; Juganta Kabya Natya; Nivedita*; Science: *Prithivi*, many short stories and poems, some of her works trans. and published in England; d. '33.

Gilliat, Miss A. A. : Pharmacist; Worker for Woman's Suffrage; prominent social and political worker in Borough of Fulham; first woman Mayor '34-5; F.T.S. 4-1-19; Add: 6, Stevenage Rd., Fulham, London, S.W. 6.

Ginwala, Framroz Jamshedji : M.A., LL.B.; Solicitor, High Court, Bombay; b. 27-9-84, Ankleshwar; ed. Elphinstone Coll., Bombay; m. Bapaimai Dorabji Sethna, 16-1-14; F.T.S. '23; Pres. Bombay Fed. '31-37; Pres. Blavatsky L. '33-35, and Vice-Pres. '35; Hon. Solicitor to Blavatsky Lodge

and Vasant Co-operative Housing Soc., Juhu; Class leader, lecturer, writer; Add: Hardinge House, Gowalia Tank Road, Bombay.

Giri Rau, Rayachoti: B.A., b. 25-8-65; m. Kamala Bai; F.T.S. '91; founded High School, Madanapalle, which became Theos. College; charter member Jignasa L., Madanapalle; Pres. '01-18; fostered beneficent public activities; d. 8-9-18.

Glen-Walker, Miss Jean: Toured European countries, promoting Theos. at Summer Schools and Conventions. Add: Pioneer Club, Cavendish St., London, S.W.

Gmeiner, Miss Leonora: b. '62; left S. Australia '05 "to serve India's daughters"; Head Indraprastha Girls' School Delhi, which, through her able management, by '32 became a degree college of Univ. of Delhi; she inspired founding of Stri Shiksha Pracharni Sabha '08; played no small part in removal of purdah and raising marriage age; organized crafts, girl-guiding, religious dramas; vigorously supported Dr. Besant's political work; awarded Kaiser-i-Hind Medal, '34; Add: Shanti Ashrama, Tacoma, Belgrave, Victoria, Australia.

Gobel, Johannes: K.U.K. Lieut. A.D.; b. 27-12-96; F.T.S. 24-5-18; Sec. Alaya L.; Pres. Paraceth L.; on Sec. Exec. Ctee. P: *Lebenslogik*; *Sieger Seele*; mystical poems. Add: Vienna, V, Ziegelofengasse, 41, Austria.

Goculdas, Narottam Morarji: '11 youngest sheriff Bombay; Sec. of important public movements; large donations to C.H.C. and Benares Hindu Univ.

Goculdas, Seth Dharamsey Morarji: Initiated with Shroff '03 Sanatana Dharma Exam. in Hindu Religion, Bombay; a generous benefactor to Theos. activities; d. May '12.

Godefroy, Mrs. C. V.: Lecturer in Netherlands; some time resident at Adyar; T.O.S. worker; Add: 4 r. St., Philippe, Nice, France.

Gokhale, Gangadhar Nilkanth: B.Sc., L.C.E., I.S.E. (Retd.); Gen. Sec. India '35; b. '87; m. '07 Indira-bai; F.T.S. '14; Principal Nadirshaw

Eduljee Dinshaw Civil Engineering Coll., Karachi '23-'36; P: *Practical Education*; *Scientific Religion*, Vols. I-II. Add: Theosophical Society, Benares, India.

Gokhale, Hon. Gopal Krishna: C.I.E.; "Greatest pioneer of Indian Liberalism" (A.B.); F.T.S. 2-8-98; For twenty years devoted himself to cause of education among his Mahratta countrymen by serving as Prof. in Ferguson Coll. Poona, on nominal pay; actively identified with National Congress movement; Pres. of Congress '05; Founder of Servants of India Society '05; legislator, etc.; d. 20-2-15.

Gola, Antonio A. Duany: b. Santiago de Cuba 29-12-84; m. 2-10-09; F.T.S. 5-4-21; from New York L. sent trans. English lectures, methods of work books, etc. to Cuba; aided in formation Loto Blanco L. and Oriente L.; Pres. Loto Blanco L. '31; P: With his own printing press ed. and pub. *Loto Blanco*; also *Revista Teosofica Cubana* '34; Add: Avenida No. 17, Vista Alegre, Santiago de Cuba.

Gomez, Jose Farinas: Chief Brother T.O.S. Cuba.

Gopalacharlu, S.E.: Rec. Sec. '90-2; Treas. T.S. '90-2; First Director Adyar Library; P: *An Introduction to Mantra Sastra*, etc.; d. Aug. '93.

Goudey, Ray F.: Pres. S. Calif. Fed. T.S.; Sanitary Engineer on official staff City of Los Angeles; m. Gladys Jewett; P: *Reincarnation, A Universal Truth*, etc.; Add: 3845 Aloha St., Los Angeles, Cal., U.S.A.

Gowland, Mrs. Annie Menie: Gen. Sec. Argentina '22-4; Uruguay '25-7; S. Africa '28-9. Helped organize several Sections. Add: Ashlar Hall, Annandale St., Gardens, Cape Town, S. Africa.

Gradisnik, Miss Milica: Head of Yugoslavia World Peace Union; Vice-Pres. Sava T.S. Lodge.

Gray, William Robert: Gen. Sec. Ireland '22-3; Civil Servant I.F.S.; b. 21-4-74 England; m. 10-8-98; helped Egyptian Sec. as Pres. and life-member Isis L.; Chief Brother T.O.S. Ireland '26-28; Gov. survey work in S. Africa, Egypt, Irish Free State; lectured on

Pythagorean interpretation of life; Add: Dugort, Achill Island, Co. Mayo, Ireland.

Green, Phirozshah Ratanji: b. 15-6-83; F.T.S. '06; Lay Brother in Brothers of Service; Vice-Pres. (former Sec.) Bombay Theos. Fed. and Blavatsky L.T.S.; Add: 1, Forjett Street, Bombay 7, India.

Greenlees, Duncan: M.A. (Oxon.), Archaeologist, Egyptian excavations; b. '99 S. Africa; F.T.S. '22; Headmaster Theos. High School, Madanapalle; P: Poetry, articles on Educ., etc.

Grenside, Mrs. Dorothy: Theos. lecturer and writer, England; P: *Concentration and Character Building; Thought Ships; Little Builders; The Meaning of Dreams*; Add: Lobb's Wood, Cedar Grove, Weybridge.

Griffith, Miss Margaret Theodora: b. '68, England; F.T.S. '11; T.S. propaganda and press-work; '24 supports a North Wales Centre; P: *The Seven Rays*, a dramatic ceremonial for young people; Add: Plas Bendith, Colwyn Bay, Wales.

Grosec, Ivan: Gen. Sec. Bulgaria, '32-5; b. 5-7-72; Degree Sofia Univ.; Prof. literature '94; Vice-Pres. 2nd Bulgarian L. '07; P: *Semela, Boyan the Magician* (prize-winners), *Our People; Job; The Golden Cup* (all dramatic); *Visions and Contemplations* (poetry).

Grove, Mrs. Daisy E.: b. '79 Adelaide, Australia; Educ. Sydney and Frankfurt, Germany; m. '02; F.T.S. '20-; former Pres. Christian Mystic L., and Pres. Jersey L.; P: *The Apocalypse and Initiation, The Mystery Teaching of the Bible*, etc.; Add: Seabright, La Rocque, Jersey, Channel Islands.

Guest, Maj. Leslie Haden: M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; Author, Journalist, Doctor; Gen. Sec. England '14-15; b. 10-3-77 Oldham; notable service in European War in organizing Hospitals and founding Anglo-French Commission Red Cross Soc. and Order of St. John; travelled through many countries to save children during war reconstruction; M.P. (Lab.) '23-7; Parliamentary

Priv. Sec., Minister of Health '24; Founder and Hon. Sec. Labour Party Commonwealth Group, etc.; on Empire Delegation to Newfoundland and Canada '23; P: *Theosophy and Social Reconstruction; The New Education; The New Russia; The New British Empire*, etc.; Add: 2 Ashley Pl., S.W.1, London.

Guimaraes, Oswald de Souza: Gen. Sec. Brazil, '35-6.

Gulick, Alma Kunz: Writer of children's books; worked with brother, F. Kunz (q.v.) and husband in Ananda Coll. Colombo, '16; P: *The Book of Real Fairies*, etc.

Gurtu, Rai Iqbal Narain: M.A., LL.B. Vice-Chancellor Allahabad Univ.; Gen. Sec. India '12-16, '23-4, '25-7; Under-Sec. 1st Reform Council '21; on United Provinces Council '27; Hon. Headmaster C.H.C.; '16 Headmaster T.S. Boys' School; helped organize Hindu School Almora, '09.

Gurumurti, D.: Ph.D. (Madras); Prof. Philosophy and Vice-Princ. Theos. Coll. Madanapalle; P: *Sapta-Padarthi*, or a Manual of the Seven Categories; m.

Gurumurti, D. Lakshmi: B.A.; returned unopposed for woman's seat Chittoor Dist. Board '32 and '35; Vice-Pres. Dist. Educ. Council; both Senators Andhra Univ. '26-.

Gustam, A.: Rec. Sec. T.S. '77-9; Librarian '79.

Guyard, Mme Celine: Educator; b. '76; F.T.S. 1-9-14; Head Golden Chain in Spain; many years service in Madrid L.T.S.; Round Table, etc.; P: *Ed. Golden Chain Review*; Add: Abascal 5, Madrid, Spain.

Guzman, Enrique: b. '77 Mexico; F.T.S. '11; Treas.-Sec. 12 yrs.; Pres. Aura L. '24-5.

Gyde, C.E.: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '27-8; many years Pres. Pretoria L. add: 32, Cutchliffe Grove, Bedford, Eng.

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Hack, Roberto: b. 30-7-89 Winterthur, Switzerland; Educ. Florence, Italy; m. Maria Luisa Poggesi, 15-7-14; F.T.S. 4-3-22; Vice-Gen. Sec. Italy

'29-36; Pres. Annie Besant L. '26-9, G. Cavalini L. '34-5, Florence L. '35; Theos. lecturer; P: Theos. articles; Ed. *Il Loto* '35-. Add: Via Leonardo Ximenes 67, Florence, Italy.

Hadjipetro, Paris: Jt. Gen. Sec. T.S. Greece, '35.

Hall, George H.: b. 22-11-79; F.T.S. Jan. '10; with wife, Grace S. (q.v.) attended Golden Jubilee Conv. Adyar, '25; Vice-Pres. Am. Sec. '20, also Natl. Lecturer several years; Gen. Mgr. Krotona Inst. '19, now Sec.-Treas.; Sec.-Treas. Happy Valley Foundation, and Ojai Publishing Co., since their inception; Add: Krotona, Ojai, Calif., U.S.A.

Hall, Grace S.: b. 18-10-85; m. George H. (q.v.); Trustee Krotona Inst. '20-9; Librarian Krotona '26-9; Ventura Co. Fed. Women's Clubs, '32-4, now its Parliamentarian '36-8; Rec. Sec. Calif. Fed. Women's Clubs '34-6; Add: Krotona, Ojai, Calif., U.S.A.

Hamel, Armando: Gen. Sec. Chile '25-.

Hamerster, Agnes Louise: née Tydeman; b. 24-8-83; Normal diploma; m. 15-10-08 Albertus Jacobus H. (q.v.); F.T.S. 30-4-05; Pres. Batavia L. (Java) '27-30; Huizen L. '31-2; Chairman Headq. Service Ctee. Adyar 35-6; P: *The Soul and Beauty of Adyar*, etc.

Hamerster, Albertus Jacobus: Head of International Centre T.S. Geneva '37; Treas. T.S. '33-4; Joint Dir. Adyar Library and Curator Western Section '35-6; worker for many years in Java and at St. Michael's Centre, Holland; Priest L.C.C.; b. The Hague, 11-5-83; Educ. Leyden Univ.; m. Agnes Louise Tydeman 15-10-08 (q.v.); F.T.S. 2-2-04; 25 years service in Indonesia; P: many Theos. articles. Add: rue Marignac 3, Geneva.

Hampden, Walter: Actor, regarded as one of the greatest of Hamlets; F.T.S. 6-6-11; in '18 gave up lucrative engagements to play the title role in *The Light of Asia* at Krotona, then T.S. Headq., for America.

Hampton, Charles: Regionary Bishop L.C.C. in U.S.A. and its possessions, with juris. over Central and S. America

'35; b. 23-2-86, Palmerston N.Z.; Educ. Eng.; m. 3-5-18; F.T.S. '80; Asst. Director natl. publicity '14-8; 1st Priest L.C.C. ordained in U.S.; cons. Auxiliary Bishop, 13-9-31; P: *The Occult Side of Healing; Reincarnation, a Christian Doctrine; The Mysticism of the Mass.* Add: 2041 Argyle Ave., Los Angeles, U.S.A.

Harden, Ray: Chief Knight for Round Table in America; Add: 985 Prevost St., San José, Calif., U.S.A.

Harding, Wm.: Australian Attorney, expert in taxation legislation, Sydney, N.S.W.; Served in Garde Civique '70 in siege of Paris; Advocate Single Tax, Free-Trader; F.T.S. '05; generously helped Dr. Arundale's Australian campaign; d. '35.

Harishingshi, Rupsingshi, H. H. Prince of Varal, Kathiawar: Cousin Maharaja Bhavnagar; b. '61; Educ. Rajkumar Coll.; F.T.S. with Princess before '82 in Bombay; she died '88 after giving money to erect a gateway transported from a ruined temple to Adyar as a memorial of her daughter Kusumavati and son Ranjitsingshi; the Prince presented the carved doors of the Adyar Library on which are depicted the Ten Avatars of Vishnu; generously offered in '92 to support H.S.O.; Pres. Bhavnagar L. '91; P: Poems in Gujarati; d. 2-1-03.

Harrison, Albert James: ("A.J."): Sec.-Treas. Canadian Federation '30; b. 29-11-84; Civic Serv. '11; Chief Clerk Building Dept. Vancouver; Sec. City Council for Town Planning; F.T.S. '22; Sec. Vancouver L.; 1st Sec., later Pres. Hermes L.; Helped form Orcas Isl. T.S. Camp; Add: 3615 Knight Rd., Vancouver, B.C.

Harrison, Frank Drake: b. 27-10-58; F.T.S. '90s; Charter Member Bradford L.; and 12 yrs. Pres.; assisted in formation of a number of Lodges, also Northern Fed., and for a time Pres.; d. Apr. '32.

Harschulin, Ing. Miroslav: 1st Chief Bro. T.O.S.; 1st Head T.S. Youth Group, Yugoslavia.

Harte, Ethel Bret: P: *Zodiacal Influences from Seed to Flower.*

Harte, Richard: Rec. Sec. T.S., '88; Gen. Sec. England "in partibus" '88-90; Charter Memb. Am. Sec. '86; F.T.S. '77-; Gave up journalist career on *New York Telegram* '88 for Assoc. editorship *The Theosophist* and other work Adyar; P: *Hypnotism and the Doctors*.

Hartmann, Franz: M.D., Author; one of organizers T.S. in Germany in '80s; seceded with Judge '95 but later returned; Delegate '83 Conv.; on Council '84, loyally supporting Soc. through Coulomb difficulty; took Pansil as Buddhist '83 Ceylon; attempted to establish "lay convent" for ascetics Switzerland '88; P: *Paracelsus*; *Magic, White and Black*, and many other books; d. 7-8-12.

Hartmann, Carl Heinrich: F.R. Hort. S.; Father of Theosophy in Australia; left Germany in '50's and settled Toowoomba, Q'ld; numerous diplomas for nursery garden exhibits; conducted Govt. scientific missions; propagated Theos. in Q'ld; left estate to T.S., which H.S.O. returned to rightful heirs, who all joined T.S., and helped form nucleus of Australian Sec.; d. 'Dec. '87.

Harvey, Sir Charles: Donated Lead-beater Chambers and Theosophical Publishing House building to T.S.; also fine laboratory to Madanapalle High School; Rs. 15,000 toward purchase of Besant Gardens, and other generous gifts; d. '28.

Havrevold, Erling: Gen. Sec. Norway '28-9; '34-36; b. 5-2-97; F.T.S. 30-5-21; m. Louise (q.v.); to them is due inauguration of first Summer School in Norway, '32; Add: Villa Karma, Blommenholm pr. Oslo, Norway.

Havrevold, Louise: b. in Sweden; m. Erling (q.v.); several years Chief Knight R.T. Norway; work for Y.T.

Hawliczek, Iwan Alex: B.Sc.; b. 16-7-93 Eng.; Educ. Univ. of Sheffield; Queen's Univ. Belfast; m. Maud Broughton (née Head) 3-8-18; F.T.S. 23-4-12; Lecturer T.S.; Librarian Eng. Headq. '30-; taught in 1st T.S. Eng. School; also St. Christopher's School, Letchworth; Founding Memb. and 1st organizing Sec. New Educ.

Fellowship; P: *Principles of Self-Government in State and School*; *Evolution of Man*; *Next Step in Evolution* (in collab. Prof. Marcault), *Mankind*; *Today and Tomorrow* (Blavatsky Lecture, 1937), etc.; Add: 65 Lytton Ave., Letchworth, Herts., England.

Heiskanen, Gustaf Wilhelm: b. 20-6-69; F.T.S. '07; Theos. propagandist; Add: Sampokatu 7, Helsinki, Finland.

Hell, Louise, Baroness van der: T.S. worker over 25 years; leader Karma and Reincarnation Legion, Netherlands; 1st lay member L.C.C.; resided at Huizen and Sydney Centres, and at Adyar; d. 24-4-36.

Hellner, Herman: ret. accountant; b. 9-12-48; m. Mathilda Sofia Laurell 5-1-92; F.T.S. Wagen L. 10-5-96, chairman '07-11, '22-33, and Sokuren L. '11-25; Founder Theos. Library, Helsinki '96; carried commissions between Scandinavia Section and members in Finland before Finnish Section was formed—a difficult task; P: Theos. articles, *Kalevala* (Theos. poem), etc.; Add: Raholmen, Helsinki, Finland.

Helmholtz, Miss Cecilia Ludvigovva: Prof. of Languages; b. 14 May, '67 Riga, Russia; F.T.S. '05-; follower of Tolstoy, nurse in epidemics typhus and cholera; 12 yrs. teacher in Popular Courses for Workmen; on Russian T.S. Council, Treas. many years; fled from Russia '21 with Dr. Kamensky; Vice-Pres. and later. Sec., Russian T.S. outside Russia; first head Swiss T.O.S.; P: Ed. *Vestnik Theosofia*; many Theos. articles; d. 21-12-36.

Hemsted, Alfred Rustat: B. Sc., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.E.E.; b. '81; F.T.S. '03; Past Pres. Newcastle and Glasgow L.T.S.; m. Margaret Crawford (q.v.); Priest-in-charge L.C.C. Glasgow; on Natl. Council T.S.; Add: 52 Springvale Terr., Glasgow, Scotland.

Hemsted, Margaret: (née Crawford); b. 29-3-84; F.T.S. '06, Glasgow; worker Auckland N.Z. till '10; active in National Anti-Vivisection Soc. '10-14; m. A.R. (q.v.) '15; Knight

Percivale R.T.; T.O.S. worker; International Chief Rep. The Golden Chain '28; Add: 52 Springvale Terr., Glasgow, Scotland.

Hemsted, Miss Margaret Helena Maud: b. '16; d. of A.R. and Margaret (q.v.) Natl. Sec. W.F.Y.T.; on Natl. Council Scotland '37-8.

Henkel, Miss Anita Mackey: Natl. Field Rep. T.S. in America '33-; b. 30-4-92; educ. Univ. of Mich., Univ. S. Calif., Central State Coll. Oklahoma, U.S.A.; F.T.S. '16; Sec. Southwest Fed. T.S.; 6 yrs. Dir. Health Educ. and 3 yrs. Exec. Sec. Tuberculosis Soc. Oklahoma City; on Natl. Advisory Ctee. Child Health Educ. for Natl. Tuberculosis Assn.; Sec. Exec. Ctee. Natl. Conf. Tuberculosis Secs.; invited by Pres. Hoover to White House Conf. '31 for Child Health and Protection; Add: Olcott, Wheaton, Ill., U.S.A.

Henseler, Eric Eugene de: Ph.D., LL.B.; Prof. School of Commerce and Girls' High School Geneva; m. Carmen Feuersenger von Zeysen 30-8-29; Pres. Swiss Theos. Internatl. Fed. '24-6 when it fused with Swiss Natl. Sec.; lecturer; Pres. Union L. Lausanne; Co-Founder Soc. for Psychological Research, Lausanne; Pres. Lausanne Section Internatl. Antivivisection League; P: Theos. articles; *L'âme et le Dogme de la Transmigration dans les Livres Sacrés de l'Inde Ancienne*; *L'Ectoplasme* (one-act comedy). Add: rue Cavour 13, Geneva.

Hinkovic, Hinko: LL.D.; b. 11-9-54; F.T.S. 17-1-12; presided over inaugural meeting of T.S. in Yugoslavia '25; '83 M.P.; became famous as first defender in the Treachery Process in Serbo-Croatian Coalition '08; in America, on Yugoslav Ctee., acquainted Presidents Wilson and Masaryk with problems of European minorities, assisting the South Slavonic Nations to unite as Yugoslavia; P: Ed. '79 *Sloboda* (Freedom), a Starcevic party newspaper; *Novo Sunce* (The New Sun), a spiritualistic journal in which appeared articles by H.P.B. on Theos.; many political and economic books, and legal monographs; d. 3-9-29.

Hodges, Lady Alice Belinda: b. 1-5-59; m. Sir Henry 27-11-09 (q.v.); F.T.S. 4-8-14; generously assisted Theosophical functions; Add: "Dreamthorpe," Macedon, Victoria, Australia.

Hodges, Sir Henry Edward Agincourt: Judge Supreme Court Victoria; b. 10-10-49, Liverpool; m. Alice Chirnside (q.v.), 27-11-09; F.T.S. 14-7-14; gave generously towards purchase of property for "The Melbourne Theosophical Society, Inc."; d. 8-8-19.

Hodgson-Smith, Alfred: b. '47; founder and for over 50 years Pres. Harrogate L.; England; as master mariner travelled the world; Colleague of H.S.O., C.W.L., A.B.; s. Walter Basil (q.v.) and 3 d.; d. 27-10-35.

Hodgson-Smith, Capt. Walter Basil: M.A.; b. 8-8-87, s. of Alfred (q.v.); met C.W.L. at 9 years; received gift from his Master of His miniature painted on ivory 7-2-98; 1900-6 toured world with C.W.L.; Second Lieut. 5th Battalion, Royal West Kent Regiment '14; rose to Second in Command, severely wounded '15 and '17; prisoner of war until '18; Sec. New Univ. Club Oxford; m. '19; d. '29.

Hodson, Geoffrey: Author and lecturer; b. Lincolnshire, Eng.; Educ. Public School, Bishop's Stortford; 12 years successful business career; served Great War from outbreak; engaged in occult research, checking vision by associate work with medical and scientific men in London, America, Europe; specializes in investigation of fairies, and angel evolution, also occult healing; assisted by his wife, Jane; lecturer and organizer Youth movements; P: *Fairies at Work and at Play* '25; *The Brotherhood of Angels and of Men*; *First Steps on the Path*; *The Kingdom of Faerie* '27; *The Angelic Hosts*; *Be Ye Perfect* '28; *American Lectures*; *Angels and the New Race*; *The Miracle of Birth*; *Thus Have I Heard*; *An Occult View of Health and Disease* '29; *New Light on the Problem of Disease*; *The Inner Side of Church Worship*; *The Science of Seership* '30; *The Coming of the Angels*; *Man, the Triune God* '32;

Some Experiments in Four-Dimensional Vision '33; *Destiny* '36; *Meditations on the Occult Life*; *The Kingdom of the Gods* '37; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Holbrook, Elliot: served the T.S. faithfully for many years; d. '35.

Holbrook, Miss Isabel: b. '63; very active Theos. worker and lecturer; educ. at Cornell Univ.; d. '35.

Holbrook, Mrs. Minnie C.: Theos. worker and colleague of leaders; mother of Carl and Phoebe; b. '59; d. '11.

Holland, Christopher F.: LL.B.; Vice-Pres. Am. Sec. and Trustee '16-36; b. '61; m. Louise Deleval '93; F.T.S. '08; lecturer and teacher specializing on Christian phase of Theos.; Legal Adviser Ctee. Happy Valley Foundation '27; Add: Los Angeles, Calif., U.S.A.

Hooper, Mrs. I. (Sister Ivy); F.T.S. '93-'08; Writer and lecturer; pen-name "Michael Wood"; P: *The House of Peace*; *The Double Road*; *The Penitent of Brent*; *The Mystery of Gabriel*; *The White Island*; etc.

Horne, Alex.: B.Sc.; Engineer; b. Odessa, Russia '97; Educ. China and U.S.A.; m. 7-7-21; F.T.S. '19; Pres. T.S.L. Shanghai, San Francisco; P: *Alchemy and the Secret Doctrine*; *Introduction to Esoteric Judaism*; *Theosophy and the Fourth Dimension*; *Some Experiments in Four-Dimensional Vision*; Add: 540 21st Ave., San Francisco, U.S.A.

Hotchener, Henry: Hon. Treas. T.S. Adyar '36-7; Hon. Mgr. T.P.H. Adyar '35-7; Amer. Business Rep. T.P.H. Adyar '37-; Pers. Rep. of President in Amer. '37-; b. 13-10-81; Educ. City Coll. of N.Y.; m. Marie Barnard Russak (q.v.) 9-7-16; F.T.S. '01; Field worker and Natl. lecturer Am. Sec. '04-; Pres. Eastern Fed.; Pres. S. Calif. Fed.; Sec. C.W.L. during American tour; Mgr. Theos. Book Concern Krotona, Calif.; Trustee Krotona Inst. Theosophy, Ojai; Published at Dr. Besant's request *The Theosophist* in America, '30; Publisher *World Theosophy*, America. 3 yrs; Attended Adyar Conv., residing some months '12, '16-17, '35, '36-7; Add: 6137 Temple Hill Drive, Hollywood, Calif., U.S.A.

Hotchener, Marie Barnard Russak: b. 7-10-67 Chico, Calif., U.S.A.; d. of Judge Allyn M. Barnard, pioneer of Calif.; educ. Mills Coll., Oakland; m. Frank Russak '97, widowed '15; m. Henry Hotchener 9-7-16; F.T.S. '06; renounced distinguished operatic career and engagement Bayreuth to become hon. private Sec. to Col. Olcott (Pres.-Founder), June '06, accompanying him to Adyar 7-11-06, and devotedly caring for all his many interests until his passing 17-2-07; Sec. to Dr. Besant for years; Deputy for Pres. '08; P: Many articles in Theos. journals; Ed. *The Channel*; Assoc. Ed. *The Theosophist* at Dr. Besant's request, when published in America '30; *World Theosophy* for 3 years; Assoc. Editor *The Theosophist* and *The Theosophical World* '35-7; rep. both journals in U.S.A. and South America '37-; Add: 6137 Temple Hill Drive, Hollywood, Calif., U.S.A.

Hubbe-Schleiden, Wilhelm: LL.D.; Gen. Sec. Germany '12-13; b. Hamburg 26-10-46; educ: Univ. Gottingen, Heidelberg, Munich, Leipzig; Attorney, Banker, Attaché; in West Africa '75-7 developed German colonial policy, adopted by Prince Bismarck; read *Esoteric Buddhism* '84; in Eiberfeld 27-7-84; Founder-President 1st German L.T.S.; '94 prolonged visit to India for first-hand knowledge Hindu philosophy, and dedicated himself to demonstrate scientifically the truths of Reincarnation and Karma; P: *Ethiopia* '78; *Oversea Politics* '80; Published and edited *Sphinx* '86-94; *India and the Indians*; d. 7-5-16.

Hugl, Oskar: D. Juris.; b. Vienna 7-2-93; Educ. Vienna Univ.; F.T.S. '32; Theos. lecturer Hamburg and Vienna; Add: Josef Schwarzgasse 11, Vienna V.

Huidekoper, Anne Louise: (née Janau) b. 26-3-72, B.Sc. Hons Physics (Lond.); F.T.S. 18-11-13; m. Jan Huidekoper (q.v.) 9-8-18; in Indian Educ. Service; Principal Bethune Coll. Calcutta; in charge educ. Holkar Princesses '23-9; Jt. Founder All-India Women's Conf. '27; Sec. Rajputana and C.I. Fed. T.S. '27-9; on Council Indian

Sec. '28-9; Add: 3 Blavatsky Gardens, Adyar.

Huidekoper, Jan: b. 4-12-73, Holland; Planter in Java; F.T.S. 12-3-09; m. Anne Louise Janau (q.v.) 9-8-18; in charge Adyar T.S. grounds Jan. '10-20; '18 in charge Agric. Dept. Natl. Univ. Madras; for some years Chief Commissioner Holkar State Scouts; P: Ed. Agric. Supplement for *New India*; d. 31-5-35 in Quetta Earthquake.

Hume, Allan Octavian: C.B.; b. 1829; ed. Haileybury and Lond. Univ.; I.C.S. '49-82; Magistrate and Collector in N.W. Provinces (now U.P.); Commissioner of Customs; Sec. to Gov. of India; Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; Pres. Simla Eclectic Soc. '81; received teachings from the Adepts which roused him to new vision of possibilities of Indian national life; founded Indian Natl. Congress '85, truly called its "Father"; from '94 Pres. Dulwich Liberal and Radical Assn.; ardent vegetarian and antivivisectionist; Hobbies: Botany from '99, endowing S. Lond. Botanical Inst. from his private fortune and collection of 40,000 specimens; ornithology, bequeathing 70,000 specimens to the British Nation; P: Many articles defending and explaining Theos.; *Audi Alteram Partem*; *The Old Man's Hope*; *The Star of India*; *Farewell to India*; d. 31-7-12.

Humphrey, Wm. Alvara: Gen. Sec. S. African Sec. '37-; Ph.D.; b. '76; ed. Univs. Cape of Good Hope and Munich; m. Esther Churchill '09, Elizabeth Drew Sims '35; F.T.S. '11; Pres. Capetown L.T.S. 4 yrs.; Principal Ohlange Ind. Coll. for Zulus, Natal '16-20; Field Geologist Govt. Surveys Transvaal '06-10 and S. Africa '10-16; P: Ed. *Theosophy in South Africa* 4 yrs; many papers on Geology in official publications; Add: Markham's Buildings, Capetown.

Hunt, Miss Emma: b. 2-11-86; F.T.S. Oct. '05; lecturer and Pres. Christchurch L.; founded R.T. Movement in N.Z.; Add: Adyar, Madras India.

Hunt, H. W.: Pres. Melbourne L.T.S. over 16 years; T.S. speaker and writer from early 90's; on Sec.

Exec. Ctee. '97-; chairman several Sec. Convs.; splendid war work in Melbourne, Australia; all Theos. activities shared by wife.

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Ilangakoon, Mrs. Cecilia Dias: Matara, Ceylon; donated money to publish first English and Sinhalese editions H.S.O.'s *Buddhist Catechism*; had copied for Adyar Library the Southern Church *Tripitika*; d. '89.

Imam, Syed Mehdi: M.A. (Oxon.); Bar-at-law; s. of Syed Hasan Imam (F.T.S.) sometime Judge High Court Calcutta; m. Sayeeda Hasmat Ara, d. Hon. Justice Fazl Ali, 5-3-32; F.T.S. 8-6-'36; P: articles in *Theosophist* reviewing major Eng. poets from Keats to Bridges; Add: Sir Ali Rd., Patna, India.

Isselmuden, Baroness Johanna Sophia Lucia van: b. 1-10-72 the Hague; F.T.S. 6-3-39; T.P.H. Adyar '25; Assoc. Ed. *The Theosophist* '26-33; on Exec. Ctee. '27-8; P: trans. *The Mysteries of Eleusis*; Add: Paeslo, Hierden, Netherlands.

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Jackman, Arthur: Organizing Sec. World Congress of Faiths, '36-; Publicity Sec. Eng. T.S. '35; Pres. Bradford Lodge 6 yrs.; Pres. Northern Fed. 4 yrs.; on Ex. Com. and Nat. Council; Add: Stamford House, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Jackson, Mrs. Margaret: T.S. Lecturer in England; F.T.S. 26-9-12; Gen. Sec. '28-33; Add: Montsalvat, Tekels Park, Camberley, Surrey.

James, Miss O.: Came to India '16 to organize Montessori Dept. Indraprastha Girls' School; later taught High School, Intermediate Coll.; active member Delhi Girl Guides; helped organize Delhi Baby Weeks; d. 5-7-26.

Janer Roman, Manuel: With Dr. R. Rogina was among the first F.T.S. in Cuba, founding first study group in Sancti-Spiritus '93; founded Bakti-Gyam L. Sancti-Spiritus '03.

Jayatilaka, D. B.: Gen Mgr. Buddhist Schools, and '03 member Ceylon Gov. Board of Educ.

Jehangir Sorabji (Taraporewala) : b. 8-10-57; m. Shirinbai Hormazdji B. Vicaji 15-12-77; F.T.S. 3-9-86; Sec. Hyderabad Deccan Lodge till '08; Gen. Sec. India '08-12; P: (pen-name Seeker), *The Eternal Pilgrim*; *The Voice Divine*; *The Book of Books*, etc.; d. 31-5-16.

Jenkins, Prof. Alfred K. : A. M. (Univ. S. Calif.); b. 20-11-71; F.T.S. 9-6-20; Pres. Glendale L. 4 yrs.; Professor in Glendale High School; Add: 612 N. Columbus Ave., Glendale, Cal., U.S.A.

Jewett, Mrs. Betsey : Natl. Sec. Am. T.S. for several years; Theos. worker with husband in S. Calif.

Jinarajadasa, Curppumullage : M.A. (Cantab.); Vice-Pres. T.S. '21-8; Head of The Manor, Mosman, Sydney, Australia '34-; Director Adyar Library '30-2; '35; Awarded T. Subba Row Medal, '13; gave Conv. lectures '14; shared Conv. Lectures '17, '21 et seq.; b. Ceylon, '75, in Sinhalese division of Hindu race, of Buddhist parents; at 13 met C.W.L. and in '89 went with him to London; F.T.S. 14-3-93; after private tuition, entered St. John's Coll. Cambridge '96 and in 1900 took degree in Sanskrit and Philology; also studied law; took part in College rowing as coxswain of the College boat; Vice-Prin. Ananda Coll. Ceylon 1900-1; studied Univ. of Pavia, Italy '02-3; started career as Internatl. Lecturer '04 in America, and since has addressed audiences in most countries of the world in English, French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese; a Lay Brother and Sec. of the Order of the Brothers of Service, '17; m. '16 Dorothy M. Graham; '34 succeeded C. W. Leadbeater as Outer Head of the E.S.T.; one of the foremost Theos. authors, his works cover a wide range; *First Principles of Theosophy* '21, trans. into 5 languages, and *Theosophy and Modern Thought* '14 on heredity, history and art. *The Wonder Child* '24; *Release*, '25; *In His Name* '13. Other works: *Christ and Buddha* '08; *Christ the Logos* '10; *Flowers and Gardens* '13; *What We Shall Teach* '14; *I Promise*; *How We Remember*

Our Past Lives '15; *The Message of the Future* '16; *The Nature of Mysticism* '17; *Practical Theosophy*; *The Heritage of Our Fathers* '18; *Art and the Emotions*; *The Faith that Is Life* '20; *The Meeting of the East and the West* '21; *The Early Teachings of the Masters*; *The Reign of Law* '23; *The Law of Christ* '24; *The Golden Book of The Theosophical Society* '25; *The Mediator* '26; *Art as Will and Idea* '27; *The Spiritual Factor in National Life*; *Offering*; *The Divine Vision* '28; *The Gods in Chains* '29; *Lecture Notes*; *The Personality of H.P. Blavatsky* '30; *The Flame of Youth*; *The Master* (Meditations in Verse) '31; *A Short Biography of Annie Besant*; *Karmaleness* (Theosophical Essays on Art); *Goethe's Faust* '32; *What Theosophists Believe* '33; *Did Madame Blavatsky Forge the Mahatma Letters?*; *Life! More Life!*; *Abul Fazl and Akbar* '34. Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Jinarajadasa, Mrs. Dorothy M. : Founded Women's Indian Assn. Adyar 8-5-17; one of first Brothers of Service '17; J.P. for Madras; m. C. Jinarajadasa (q.v.); Add: 37 Rajah Annamalai Chettiar Rd., Vepery P.O., Madras, India.

John, William George : Gen. Sec. Australia '02-16; b. Lond. '52; Ceylon '74-83; then to N.Z. and Australia. F.T.S. Brisbane L. '93; Sec. '95-00; Pres. '01; on Sec. Exec. Ctee.; m. co-worker Mrs. Isabelle Edelfelt (see Bean); his administration was marked by a great expansion of T.S. in Aus.; d. 14-6-16.

Jonsson, Hallgrimar : Pres. Reykjavik L., T.S. Iceland; b. 24-6-75; m. 26-9-03; F.T.S. '20; specialist Child Educ. and author of children's books; Add: Grundaretig 17, Reykjavik, Iceland.

Joseph, Senora Guadalupe Gutierrez : Gen. Sec. Spain '26-7.

Joshi, Shridhar Sarvottam : D.Sc. (Lond.); Prof. and Head Dept. Chemistry, Benares Hindu Univ.; b. 16-10-98; F.T.S. '19; Charter member Nachiketasth Youth L.T.S. '21-4; m. '29 Sontara Chiplunkar; P: Numerous

research publications in physical chemistry.

Judge, William Quan: b. Dublin 13-4-51; Attorney and Artist; to N.Y. at 13; '74 met H.P.B. and became her devoted pupil; present at formation of T.S. 7-9-75; elec. 30-10-75 as Counsel to T.S.; Rec. Sec. '78 and '88; Vice-Pres. T.S. '88-95; as Gen. Sec. U.S.A. '86-95 spread Theosophy in America; seceded from T.S. '95 with 3/4ths of Am. Sec.; (See *Old Diary Leaves*, 5th Series); P: *The Ocean of Theosophy*; assisted by "Jasper Niemand," edited *The Path*; *Echoes from the Orient*; *Letters that Have Helped Me*; trans. *Bhagavad Gita* and *Patanjali's Yoga Aphorisms*; d. 21-3-96.

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Kaaber, Ludvig Emil: K.D.O., G.K.I.F.O.; b. 12-9-78 Denmark; Gen. Mgr. Natl. Bank Iceland, Reykjavik; F.T.S. '10; one of greatest benefactors T.S. Iceland; presented Headquarters Hall; several times on Gen. Council; Priest L.C.C.

Kallinen, Yrjo Henrik: Vice-Pres. Finland T.S.; Natl. Lecturer; Lodge chairman 12 yrs.; Chief of Prop. and Educ. Dept. of Central Union of Co-operative Movement; b. 15-6-86; F.T.S. 22-8-09; P: pamphlets and Theos. articles; Add: Runeberginkatu 28, B. 45, Helsinki, Finland.

Kamath, C. Rama: Hon. Medical and Sanitary Officer, Adyar Headq.; Joint Gen. Sec. for India; Add: Adyar Madras, India.

Kamensky, Anna Alexeevna: LL.D. (Geneva); Gen. Sec. Russia '08-26; Russian T.S. outside Russia '26-; b. Pavlosk, Petrograd, 13-8-67; educ. Geneva Coll., Petrograd Women's Univ.; Teacher French, Stoyounine Coll.; F.T.S. '99; Dr. Besant's pupil '02; she obtained legal status for T.S. in Russia during late Czar's reign; 18 yrs. taught Popular Univ. for workmen; after downfall of Romanoff dynasty, fled to Geneva; Sec. T.S. Internatl. Centre '28; Internatl. Sec. World Peace Union '34-; Pres. Interconfessional Union; since '26 Prof. and lecturer on Comparative Religion,

Vedism, the *Bhagavad Gita*, the Philosophy of Beauty, Geneva Univ.; '17 collected ethnological specimens in India for Imperial Academy of Sciences; P: *The Role of the Bhagavad-Gita in the Religious Movement of India* won her a doctorate; trans. *The Bhagavad Gita* from Sanskrit into Russian and French; Ed. *Vestnik Theosfi* '08-17; *Vestnik* '23-; etc. Add: 2 Rue Cherbuliez, Geneva.

Kamensky, Margarita Alexeevna: Sister Anna. (q.v.); b. '69; educ. Pedagogy Petersburg and Geneva Univ.; Gen. Sec. Germany '20; Dusseldorf Div. '20-21; helped reorganize German Sec. after Steiner secession '19; linguist, lecturer, writer; F.T.S. Russia '09; spent two winters Adyar '10-11; Sister Superior on front of Galicia in Russian Red Cross; P: *The Teachings of Gautama Buddha*; *The King Asoka and his Edicts*; *The New Education*; etc. (Russian, German, Italian); d. '29.

Kanga, Darab Dinsha: M.A., A.I.C., A.I.I.Sc., I.E.S. (ret.); educ. Bombay Univ., Bangalore Research Inst., and Eng. b. 25-11-79; m. Avan, d. of S.S. Jasawala 21-10-14; F.T.S. 19-4-06; in charge Science Section, *The Theosophist* 1936-; working to correlate Theosophy and Science, and Science and Industry; P: *Chemistry and Industry*; *Materialism*; *Dietetics*; *Food and Race*, etc. Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Kapff, Sixtus von: M.D.; Gen. Sec. Germany '14; physician and lecturer; leader psychic research in Berlin; founder Du Prel L.T.S.

Karandikar, Vishnu R.: B.A. Hon.; Sec. Narmada Research Board, India; pioneer work for educ. Urur Village; d. '37.

Karas, Miss Evelyn: Gen. Sec. Poland '33-4.

Kastinger, Eleonore: Pres. European Fed. Young Theosophists; b. 8-1-05 Vienna; Educ. in Gymnastic Art; F.T.S. '21; on Gov. Board Austrian Sec.; Pres. Theosophenheim Organization; worker at Sydney and Vienna; Natl. Rep. European World Youth League; Chief Knight R.T. in Austria;

2 years educ. work Benares School, India; Add: Weidlingau bei Wien, Knodelhuttestrasse 64, Austria.

Kaul, Balakrishna: Pioneer worker '02 Lahore; Co-worker A. B. Benares in earlier days; Head Lahore Medical School and skilled physician; d. '36.

Keightley, Archibald: F.T.S. '84; Rec. Sec. T.S. '88; Gen. Sec. Eng. '88-90; one of intimate band around H.P.B. in London '87, helping her arrange, edit and prepare for Press *The Secret Doctrine*; m. Mrs. Julia Campbell ver Planck ("Jasper Niemand"); seceded with Judge '95; seceded from Judge's successor (Mme Tingley) '97; P: Theos. articles; d. '30.

Keightley, Bertram: M.A. (Cantab.); Bar-at-Law (Inner Temple); b. 4-4-60 Birkenhead, Eng.; Educ. Germany and France; specializing mathematics; studied mesmerism while still at Trinity; F.T.S. '84; one of devoted group around H.P.B. in London, helping her publish *The Secret Doctrine*; Sec. London L.; sent by H.P.B. '89 as special messenger to America; in same year to India to found Indian Sec., its 1st Gen. '90-7 and Joint Gen. Sec. '97-01; shared Conv. Lectures '90; helped Dr. Besant found C.H.C. '98-9; Gen. Sec. England '01-6; assisted founding Internatl. European Theos. Fed.; P: *Reminiscences of H. P. Blavatsky*, etc.; Sub-ed. *Lucifer* till '82. (See Archibald Keightley); Add: Radha Vilas, Benares, and Villa Italiana 15 City Rd., Allahabad, U.P., India.

Kemperling, Frau Paula: b. Vienna; F.T.S. 30-8-19; formerly on Gov. Board Austrian Section; Founder and leader Parakleth L.; Sec. Alaya L.; Add: 1 Kohlmarkt 20/4 St. Vienna, Austria.

Kennedy, Thomas: Gen. Sec. Ireland '23-30; 37; b. '73; educ. Ireland, Poland, Germany; m. Ina. C. Casey 29-4-14; F.T.S. '10; Delegate to Golden, '25, and Diamond Jubilee Conv. '35; advocate Douglas Social Credit and other reform movements; P: Ed. Section journal and articles for Press; Add: 2 Upper Ely Pl., Dublin, Ireland.

Ker, Alice Sherman: b. 2-12-53; studied medicine at Extra Mural School Edinburgh Univ. till '74; further progress women barred; one of first students London School of Medicine for Women; worked in Boston, Mass., U.S.A. and Berne, Switzerland; qualified M.D. '79; pioneer medical work for women, woman's suffrage, and S.P.C.A.; F.T.S. '08; prominent worker T.S. and T.O.S.; holds official positions in British Union for Abolition Vivisection, Women Citizens' Council, Personal Service League; Add: 28 Hill Top, London, N.W. 11.

Kevalram Dayaram: B.A. (Hons.) (Natl. Univ. '21 Adyar); Pres. Sarnagati Trust; Trustee Dewan Metharam Dharmada Trust; Vice-Pres. Social Reform Assn.; Sec. Sindh Industrial Assn.; Chief Knight for India, R.T.; Chief Link Golden Chain, India; b. 20-9-97; m. 10-12-23; F.T.S. Sept. '17; P: *Dr. Besant as an Educationist*; Add: Seva Kunj, Rambaugh Rd., Karachi, India.

Khan, Raja Saheb Mohammad Amir Ahmed, Mahumadabad, Butler Palace, Lucknow; F.T.S. 28-1-37.

Khandalwala, Khan Bahadur Naoroji Dorabji: Longest membership record—F.T.S. 9-3-80; Charter member and Pres. Poona L. Dec. '81-23; Special Judge Poona; on T.S. Council '05; "One of the soundest advisers and most enlightened leaders in our movement in the Orient"; (H.S.O.) Add: Suny Vilas, Carmichael Rd. Bombay.

Kharpade, Hon. B.G.: B.A., LL.B.; Minister of Educ., Central Provinces, Nagpur; s. G.S. Kharpade, sometime Mem. Council of State; both father and son co-workers with Lokamanya Tilak in political activities; F.T.S. of long standing and eloquent speaker.

Kinell, Lieut.-Colonel Gustav: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia '10-12.

King, C.A.: Princ. College of Eng., Hindu Univ., Benares; d. 1936; "The College is what he made it." (A.B.)

Kingsford, Anna Bonus: M.D. (Paris '80); b. 1846; m. '67 Rev. Algernon G. Kingsford, Vicar Atcham; Shropshire; Pres. London Lodge '83; at

suggestion of H.S.O. founded Hermetic Soc. '84 for study of religious philosophy; vigorous crusader against vivisection and flesh-eating; P: *Beatrice: a Tale of the Early Christians* '63; *Rosamund, the Princess*, '68; in collaboration with Edward Maitland, *The Perfect Way* '81; d. 2-3-88.

Kingsland, Wm.: Electrical Engineer, M.I.E.E., Author; b. 5-5-55, Devizes, Wiltshire; Pianist; m. Phoebe Edmonstone Chambers; met H.P.B. '88; F.T.S. '89; one of Pres. Commissioners for Great Britain and Ireland; resigned '09; '23 one of founders Blavatsky Assn.; held commission in War; P: *The Real H.P. Blavatsky; Esoteric Basis of Christianity; Physics of the Secret Doctrine; The Art of Life; Our Infinite Life; The Gnosis or Ancient Wisdom in the Christian Scriptures*, '37 (posthumous); d. '36.

Kingsley, Bruce Gordon: organist and composer, specializing in Wagnerian interpretations; Add: Los Angeles, Calif., U.S.A.

Kirby, Sra. Maria Luisa: nee Fantoni; m. Wm. Henry (q.v.) 22-8-98; F.T.S. '02-; trans. many Theos. works into Italian; Add: Villa Gavotti, Mulledo di Pegli, Italy.

Kirby, William Henry: M.A. (Oxon.); b. 25-2-72; m. Maria Luisa Fantoni (q.v.) 22-8-98; F.T.S. '02-; served Theos. many years with his literary and musical ability; colleague of leaders; P: Musical compositions; Theos. and other articles; d. 30-5-36.

Klein, Walter: Doct. Juris.; Prof. of Music; b. 23-6-82, Czechoslovakia; educ. Univ. of Vienna; m. Erna '17; F.T.S. 10-3-14; member Austrian T.S. Gov. Board many years; former Chief Bro. and organizer T.O.S. in Austria; P: *Der Temple*, a Theos. mystery drama, and other musical compositions; Add: Vienna V, Franzensgasse 2, Austria.

Knos, Arvid: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia '01-8, '12-15; b. '56; Civil Engineer and Chief Engineer Gas Works, Stockholm; F.T.S. '92; Pres. Stockholm L. '96-01; d. '15.

Knox, Nathaniel Alex; b. '38; solicitor, "Father" of the Adelaide L.

"One of the pillars of the Cause in Australia from its earliest days." (A.B.); d. 28-2-08.

Knudsen, Augustus Francis: Pres. Agent East Asia '36-; Headquarters Shanghai; b. Hawaii 28-5-69; educ. New Zealand, Germany, America; Civil Engineer (Massachusetts Inst. Technology); inherited Scotch second-sight and as a result of a vision, came to India '96-8 to verify and study states of consciousness; F.T.S. Feb. '97; staying at Adyar with H.S.O. '97-8; Natl. Lecturer Am. Sec. 1900-20; Dean Krotona Inst. of Theos. '14-20; sent by Dr. Besant May '21 to lecture in Europe; Acting Princ. Brahma Vidya Ashrama '28-9; has made five world tours and worked in 22 Sections and East Asia; Add: P. O. Box 1705, Shanghai, China.

Kofel, Miss C.: Worked for the Olcott Panchama Free Schools from 1907 until retirement in '21; taught in Musaeus School for Buddhist Girls, Ceylon; d. '33.

Kollerstrom Family: Pioneers T.S. Australia since 90's; **Gustav**, Publicity Officer, Sydney L.; d. 26-2-27; m. **Gertrude M.**, hostess several years to C.W.L. and president Blavatsky L. Sydney, now residing The Manor, Mosman, N.S.W.; son **Oscar** practising psychoanalyst London; 2 d. (see Harold Morton).

Korner, Theodor: Ban-Ingenieur der Nieder-Oesterreichischen Landesregierung; b. 8-9-79 Vienna; m. '18; F.T.S. 26-3-26; Librarian Vienna Headq.; on Gov. Board Austrian T.S.; Add: Vienna XVIII, Dempschergasse 7.

Kotze, Sir Robert Nelson (Kt. '18); D.Sc.; Hon. Member and Gold Medalist Inst. Mining and Metallurgy; b. '70; m. '98 Maria Beatrix Faure; Govt. Mining Engineer Transvaal '08-10; Union of S. Africa '10-26; Vice-Chancellor Univ. of Witwatersrand '22-25; M.P. for Springs, etc.; F.T.S. 10-8-12; P: technical papers and reports; Add: 7 St. Andrew's Road, Parktown, Johannesburg, S. Africa.

Krimpas, B.D.: Gen. Sec., Greece '28-9.

Krishnan, Mahadev Supt. ; and Corres. Olcott Harijan Free Schools '23-; b. May '96; educ. Theos. Coll. Madanapalle, Natl. Univ. Adyar, and Viswabharati Internatl. Univ., Santiniketan, Bengal; F.T.S. '17; Gen. Sec. All-India Fed. Y.T. '25 and '26; Scout Commissioner; Warden Besant Scout Camping Centre; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Krishnaswami, S.: Rec. Sec. T.S. '85.
Kristinsson, Jacob: Gen. Sec. Iceland '21-8.

Kristjansson, Kristjan Sig.: b. 18-10-75; Treas. Gen. Council Iceland Sec.; P.: Poems and Adventures.

Krojanker, Paul: Gen. Sec. Germany '14-16.

Kruisheer, Jan: Gen. Sec. Netherlands '31-; Gen. Sec. Netherlands Indies '22-8; F.T.S. 1-9-08; m. S.E.M. Liedtke 25-7-29; travelled extensively throughout Orient; P: Several essays on Oriental religions and mysticism, the Javanese Wayang play; Add: 156 Tolstraet, Amsterdam, and Bikbergerweg 52, Huizen, N.H.

Kulkarni, R. K.: Victoria College, Gwalior, India; Head of League of Parents and Teachers, '15-; Joint Gen. Sec. for India; P: *Child Training in the Light of Theosophy*. Add: Lohia Bazar, Lashkar, Gwalior.

Kumar, Bhagat Ram: M.A., (Oxon.); b. 6-4-97, son of Hukum Chand (q. v.); educ. C.H.C.; m. Jayalakshmi 1-7-23; F.T.S. '12; Princ. Dayaram Gidumal Natl. Coll., Hyderabad, Sind.

Kumar, Hukum Chand: B.A.; on Gen. Council T.S. '35-7; lecturer and writer on Islam; late Vice-Princ. Sind Natl. Coll. Hyderabad; Add: Warden, Sevakunj Students' Home, Rambaugh Rd., Karachi, India.

Kunhan Raja, Chittinjoor: M.A. (Madras), Ph.D. (Oxon.); b. 18-9-95; m. K. Lakshmi Kutty Amma, May '27; F.T.S. '21; Curator Eastern Sec. Adyar Library Apr. '26-; Sec. All-India Fed. Y.T. '27; Ed. *Young Theosophist* '28; Exec. Council '33; on Gen. Council Jan. '34; Head Sanskrit Dept. Madras Univ. Aug. '27; connected with Univs. Annamalai, Andhra, Mysore, Lahore; P: Many rare works

in Sanskrit; Ed. *Adyar Library Journal* '37-; Add: Adyar Library, Adyar, Madras, India.

Kunz, Fritz: B.A. (Wisconsin); b. 16-5-88 Freeport, Ill., U.S.A.; m. Dora van Gelder 16-5-27; F.T.S. 16-5-02, life member; travelled as youth with C.W.L.: one of first Bros. of Service '17, working under Dr. Besant, Adyar; remarkable record Jan. '14 et seq., as Princ. Ananda Coll. Colombo, receiving highest Gov. code classification; Natl. Lecturer Am. Sec. many years; Head N.Y. Theos. Research Centre and originator its Visual Educ. Service; P: *Men Beyond Mankind*; *Sex Concepts for the New Age*; *To Those Who Rejoice*. Add: Room 203, 9 E. 40th St., New York City.

Kuverji Ruttonji (Jussawala): Garden Supt. Adyar some years from '16; b. 10-11-75; F.T.S. '96; Treas. Blavatsky L. Bombay, '13-16; worker for vegetarianism Bombay.

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Labberton, D. van Hinloopen: Gen. Sec. Netherlands East Indies '12-21; Asst. Gen. Sec. and head of Sub-Sec. before separation from Holland; Ph.D. (Amsterdam); b. 24-9-74; was Chemical Engineer sugar factories Java; later Gov. Official at Secretaries' Office Buitenzorg; m. Jacoba van Motman (who lectures on symbolism, etc.) many years Prof. native languages at Batavia Coll., speaking fluently four native languages, Japanese, Russian, French, English, German, Dutch; as Gen. Sec. brought the N.I. Sec. to a splendid height; two years Prof. of Literature Keiogijuku University, Japan; '20 started Theos. Lyceum, Naarden, Holland; '36- Chief Bro. T.O.S. Netherlands; P: trans. *Gita*, etc. Add: Naarden, Holland.

Lagos, Jose Maria: Prof. of Music; formerly Asst. Dir.-Gen. Honduras Bands of Music; F.T.S. 18-3-26; Ex-Pres. Subirano L.; P: *El Centenario de H.P.B.*; Add: Tegucigalpa, Honduras C.A.

Lansbury, Rt. Hon. Geo.: P.C. '29; M.P. (Lab.) Bow and Bromley Div. of Poplar, resigned '10-12 and failed secure re-election as a supporter of Women's

suffrage, regained seat '22; First Commissioner of Works '29-31; Formerly ed. *Daily Herald*; strong supporter Dr. Besant; b. 21-2-59; beloved by the poor whose cause he has upheld on many Commissions in Lond.; established first Poor Law Labour Colony; first Labour Colony for unemployed apart from Poor Law under public control; responsible for notable changes in Lond. public parks; uncompromising pacifist; twice in prison; '37 interviewed Hitler and Mussolini in cause of European peace; '37 July, addressed Copenhagen Congress T.S.; P: *Your Part in Poverty*; *What I Saw in Russia*, '20; *These Things Shall Be*; *The Miracle of Fleet Street*; *My Life*; *My England*; *Backwards and Forwards*, etc. Add: 39 Bow Rd., London E. 3.

Lauder, Col. William Bernard: m. Evelyn C.; both stalwart F.T.S.; colleagues of A.B. and travelled with her to Adyar; 2 d. and one s.; Col. Lauder d. 1-9-22; Mrs. Lauder, writer articles and poems; Add: Albion Court Hotel, Leinster Gardens, Lancaster Gate, London W.

Lauweriks, J.L.M.: Gen. Sec. Germany '13-14; served in difficult period after Steiner secession; helped found Vahana L. Amsterdam in '90's to link art with Theos. and study *Secret Doctrine*.

Lavender, Mrs. Elizabeth Marion: (née Taylor); M.A. (Liverpool); m. G.F. '17; F.T.S. '20; Sec. '24-30, Pres. '30-6 Southern Fed. Engl.; Press Agent Eng. Sec. '36; etc.; organized 11 resident Study Week-ends and 2 Summer Schools; lecturer; P: Theos. articles; Add: 150 Northumberland Rd., North Harrow, Middlesex, England.

Layton, Felix: B. Sc.; House Master Besant Memorial School, Adyar; Jt. Gen. Sec. World Fed. Young Theosophists '36-37; Pres. Y.T. America '33-4; b. 10-9-10; educ. St. Christopher's School, England, and Univ. Michigan, U.S.A.; F.T.S. '28; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Leadbeater, Charles Webster, Rt. Rev.: (1847-1934); Great Seer whose books have robbed death of its terrors; great Occultist, who unveiled

to the world the hidden side of life; Lover of humanity and spiritual teacher; Co-worker with Dr. Annie Besant for over forty years in The Theosophical Society; b. 17-2-47, Northumberland, England. His parents, while orthodox, were in contact with occult thought, and as a child he met the famous occultist Bulwer Lytton, at his father's home, and witnessed phenomena in Lytton's presence. His future powers were presaged by an early memory of past lives. At thirteen he went with his parents and younger brother Gerald to Brazil, whither his father, a director of a company constructing a line from Bahia, was sent to supervise construction. The father and brothers were captured by insurgents in a local rebellion, all being required to trample on the Cross. All three refused; the father escaped, Gerald was killed, and Charles was tortured, but was later rescued by his father and a Negro servant. Returning to England, he was about to enter Oxford, when the family was ruined in the Overend Gurney smash, cutting short this phase of his education. In later life he was known for his minute and accurate knowledge on innumerable subjects. He was a keen student of astronomy. He entered a bank, but after two years took orders in the Church of England 1878. He was a High Churchman, on one occasion preaching in St. Paul's at a Gregorian commemoration. Personally investigated Spiritualism during this period. While still a curate at Liphook, Hants, in the parish of his uncle, who was the rector, C.W.L. was attracted to Theosophical teaching by the writings of A.P. Sinnett. He met Mme Blavatsky several times. He was received into the London Lodge in 1883. On receiving two letters from his Master, he decided to go to Adyar in 1884, and under instructions joined H.P.B. at Cairo. Took Pansil as a Buddhist from the High Priest Sumangala in Colombo, 1884. Arrived in Adyar in Dec., 1884. Rec. Sec. T. S. 1884-8, succeeding Damodar K. Mavalankar. In the eastern octagonal bungalow in Adyar, he unfolded and perfected his psychic faculties

under the guidance of his Guru. Accompanied H. S. O. on first Burma tour, 1885. Appointed by H.S.O. on first T.S. Exec. Ctee. '85. Accompanied H.S.O. '86 on Ceylon lecturing tour. Remained in Ceylon as H.S.O.'s representative, with general supervision of affairs of the Buddhist Theosophical Society and its educational movement. Founded Ananda College, Colombo. Spent about three months of each year in India. Wrote his *Smaller Buddhist Catechism*, a classic. In 1888-9 recalled to Adyar by H.S.O. to edit *The Theosophist*, serving at the same time as Gen. Sec. Ceylon. Returned to England in 1889 with C. Jinarajadasa. Acted for two years as tutor of Mr. Sinnett's son and of G. S. Arundale. Worked for a while in the London office of *The Pioneer*. In 1893 he started the clairvoyant investigations which terminated only with his passing over forty years later. In 1894 published *The Astral Plane*. In 1895 investigated with Dr. Annie Besant by clairvoyance the conditions of the mental world and wrote afterwards *The Devachanic Plane*. Together C.W.L. and A.B. began the investigations in *Occult Chemistry*, published later as a joint work. In 1895-9 was a member of the household of workers at 19 Avenue Road, London, N.W.; 1896-1906 he made lecturing tours of many countries in Europe, America, Australasia, etc. In 1906, much acrimonious discussion was caused by advice given by him in certain cases of sex difficulty. Immediately he resigned from the T.S., discontinuing this advice. But in 1908 by a nearly unanimous vote of all General Secretaries, he was invited to return, and in February 1909, he came again to Adyar, where he wrote, lectured and continued his clairvoyant researches. Many of his most famous books were published in this period of six years, several in collaboration with Dr. Besant, who examined with him clairvoyantly many Akashic records, published in *Man: Whence, How and Whither*. In 1913, he went to Sydney, Australia, where he fixed his abode, and in 1922 became

head of The Manor, a community house at Mosman. There gathered around him for training pupils young and old from Australia, Java, U.S.A. and India. In 1916, he entered the Liberal Catholic Church and was consecrated Bishop. In 1922 he was elected Regionary Bishop of Australia, with the Church of St. Alban, Sydney, as his episcopal seat. Later became Presiding Bishop of the L.C.C. Joined the Order of International Co-Freemasonry, '15; and attained 33°. For some years Administrator-General for Co-Freemasonry in Australia; also Senior Knight of the International Order of the Round Table. With characteristic care, he undertook a series of investigations into the hidden side of Church and Masonic ceremonial and embodied them in a most interesting series of books. Among other tours from Australia, he attended the Golden Jubilee, Adyar, 1925. In 1927 he again made Adyar his home. After a visit to the Continent and England, in 1930, he returned to Adyar and was with Dr. Besant during her long illness. He took part in the Convention of 1933, giving a lecture entitled *Annie Besant as Occultist*. Upon her passing in September 1933, he succeeded her as Outer Head of the E.S.; in the course of a voyage to Sydney, he fell ill, was taken ashore at Fremantle and passed away in Perth 1 March 1934. His remains were embalmed and taken to Sydney for cremation.

Publications: *Smaller Buddhist Catechism* '89; *Astral Plane*; *Dreams* '95; *Invisible Helpers*; *Devachanic Plane* '96; *Clairvoyance*; *Christian Creed* '99; *Man Visible and Invisible*; *An Outline of Theosophy* '02; *Some Glimpses of Occultism*; *The Other Side of Death* '03; *The Inner Life* '10-11; *The Perfume of Egypt* '11; *A Text Book of Theosophy* '12; *The Hidden Side of Things* '13; *The Monad*; *Starlight* '17; *The Science of the Sacraments*; *The Hidden Side of Christian Festivals* '20; *Talks on "At the Feet of the Master"* '22; *The Masters and the Path* '25; *The Hidden Life in Freemasonry*; *Glimpses of Masonic History* '26; *The*

Theosophist's Attitude to Death and the Unseen; The Chakras '27; *Spiritualism and Theosophy; The World Mother as Symbol and Fact* '28; *How Theosophy Came to Me* '30; also 42 pamphlets and innumerable articles in Theosophical publications. In collaboration with Dr. Besant: *Thought-Forms* '05; *Occult Chemistry* '08; *Man: Whence, How and Whither* '13; *The Lives of Alcyone* '24; *Talks on the Path of Occultism* '26.

Leeuw, Johannes Jacobus van der: Gen. Sec. Netherlands '30-1; Subba Row Medal (*The Fire of Creation*) '25; b. 26-8-93; F.T.S. '14; Librarian '14-6, Holland Headq.; LL.D. (Leyden, treatise on cyclic law); founded Practical Idealist Assn. for youth; '21 priest L.C.C. Australia; '22 founded King Arthur S., Neutral Bay; mgr. The Manor S.; '31-2 univ. lect. U.S.A.; field organizer New Educ. Fellowship; fatally crashed S. African solo-flight, June '34; P: *The Dramatic History of the Christian Faith; The Conquest of Illusion; Gods in Exile*, etc.

Leeuwen, Anton Jacques Henri van: Gen. Sec. Netherland East Indies '28-; b. 27-2-87; educ. Tech. Univ. Delft; F.T.S. '11; once Chief-Eng. Gov. Wireless Serv.; rep. Gov. at World Congresses; Dir. Teachers' Coll. Lembang: Pres. several L.T.S.: mgr. Theos. journals; priest L.C.C.; Kt. Royal Order Oranje Nassau; Add: Lembang, Bandoeng, Java.

Lefevre, Mme Jeanne Sylvie: Gen. Sec. Portugal '32; b. 17-4-80 Chate-lineau, Belgium; Teacher in Portugal 1891-; Gov. School '20; F.T.S. 6-5-26; Organizing Chief Bro. T.O.S. Portugal '28-32; Add: Rua Passos Manuel 20, Lisbon, Portugal.

Leino, Eino: b. 6-7-78; F.T.S. '16-; Finland's greatest poet; many of his poems teach Theos.; P: Collections of poems, novels and dramas; d. 10-1-26.

Lemos, Caio Lustosa de: Gen. Sec. Brazil '30-5; Prof. Philosophy Military School, Rio de Janeiro.

Leo, Alan: Greatest British Astrologer; m. Bessie Birch (q.v.); "His life one long struggle against prejudice, bigotry and ignorance; his study of

Theosophy threw much light on Astrology, and none, perhaps, did more than he in England, to raise it to the rank of a science." (A.B.) In 1912 he boldly told the Astrological Society: "Astrology without Theosophy has no meaning." With his wife made two voyages to Adyar, giving Dr. Besant '11 her first motorcar; P: *The Art of Synthesis; Astrology for All; Casting the Horoscope; Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized; Dictionary of Astrology; Directions and Directing; Esoteric Astrology; Everybody's Astrology; Horary Astrology; The Horoscope in Detail; How to Judge a Nativity; Key to Your Own Nativity; Mars the War Lord; Medical Astrology; Mundane Astrology; My Friends' Horoscopes; Planetary Influences; Practical Astrology; Progressed Horoscope; "Reason Why" in Astrology; Saturn the Reaper; Symbolism and Astrology; Thousand and One Notable Nativities; Weather Predicting; What do We Mean by Astrology?; What Is a Horoscope and How Is It Cast?; '90 founded *The Astrologers' Magazine* (now *Modern Astrology*); d. '17.*

Leo, Bessie: née Birch; m. Alan (q.v.) F.T.S. '95-'31; Active worker in London; founded Astrological Lodge '15; P: *Astrological Essays; Life and Work of Alan Leo; Rays of Truth; Romance of the Stars*; Ed. *Modern Astrology*, '17-31; d. June '31.

Lewis, Muriel Lauder: b. 19-9-97; d. of Andrew S. and Sadie C. (F.T.S.); m. E.T. (F.T.S.) 13-1-29; 1 s., 1 d.; F.T.S. '20; Y.T. organizer '21-8; Pres. Ojai Valley Oaks L. '33-4; Vice-Pres. '34-5; Director Mothers' Advisory Group, Sec.; P: Ed. *Young Theosophist*, 4 yrs; *The Mother's Bulletin* '34; Add: Route 1, Ojai, Calif., U.S.A.

Lewis, W. Scott: Scientist; P: *Astronomical Rambles; The Building of Our World; The Evolution of Animals; The Evolution of Plants; In the Depths of Space*, etc. Add: 2500 Peachtree St., Hollywood, U.S.A.

Ley, Jelke Nicolaas van der: Prof. Electricity at Tech. Univ. Bandoeng; educ. Tech. Univ. Delft; former Chief. Gov. Hydro-electr. Service; m.

K. Triet '23; F.T.S. '05; Pres. Lodges at Bandoeng and Batavia; priest L.C.C.; Kt. Order the Nederl-Leeuw; Add: as above.

Lexow, Franz Friedrich Werner: B.A.; Authorized Translator; Teacher of Languages; lecturer Scandinavia; interpreter to foreign Theos. lecturers; trans. of Theos. literature; b. 7-12-46, Olgod, West Jutland, Denmark; F.T.S. Mar. '98-36; founded Olcott L. Copenhagen '11 and Pres. '11-29; d. 7-12-36.

Liander, G. Halfdan, Gen. Sec. Sweden, '31-2.

Liljestrand, P. Eric: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia, '99-01.

Lima, Prof. Manoel Bandeira de: Gen. Sec. Brazil '36-7; reorganized Section.

Litchfield, Ray G.: Gen. Sec. Australia, 1936-.

Ljungquist, G. W.: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia, '09-10.

Logan, Robert Restalrig: B.A. (Harvard), LL. B. (Univ. Penna.); Chief Brother T.O.S. America; b. 3-12-74; m. Sara Wetherill 6-6-98 (q.v.); F.T.S. '19; pioneer in and Pres. Am. Antivivisection Soc. '12; Trustee Happy Valley Foundation '27; Pres. Hermes L. Phila., '28-31; sometime Natl. Lecturer; Member Judiciary Ctee. Am. Sec. T.S.; the Logans co-workers with A.B. many years: Add: Sarobia, Eddington, Pa., U.S.A.

Logan, Sara Wetherill: b. 11-10-74 Phila., Pa., U.S.A.; m. Robert R. 6-6-98 (q.v.); F.T.S. Oct. 18; active worker Hermes L., propaganda for visiting lecturers, etc.; at Dr. Besant's suggestion, '26, experimented in community life and practical application of Brotherhood; attended Golden Jubilee Conv.; travelled with A.B. in U.S.A. tours and Europe; P: U.S.A. corres. for *New India*.

Lorenzana, L. Garcia: Gen. Sec. Spain '31-; Mining Engineer; b. León 26-5-90; m. Pepita Maynadé 5-12-35; F.T.S. 30-9-22; T.S. Propaganda Sec. for 3 years; P: articles and trans. and ed. Section journal; Add: Avenida de la Libertad, Conquero, Huelva, Spain.

Lorsy-Stephani, Mrs. Elsa: ("Elsa Stephani"); Journalist; b. 30-1-85

Brunn; F.T.S. '23-; Theos. lecturer and interpreter; T.O.S. work for World Peace, Prisoners and Animal Protection; Founder Pax L. '28, revived later as Youth L.: P: Volume of German poetry, Theos. and other articles in the Press; Add: Wollzeile 19, Vienna 1, Austria.

Loti, Pierre: (Louis Marie Julien Viaud); Capt. French Navy; French novelist: memb. French Academy '91; b. Rochefort 14-1-50; F.T.S. Benares 1900-; Grand Cross '21; d. 10-6-23. P: 23 novels, most of which have been trans. from orig. French: best known *Pêcheur d'Islande* (1888); also *Aziyadé* '76-77; *Le mariage de Loti* (first called *Rarahu*) '80; *Le roman d'un Spahi* '81; *Fleurs d'ennui* '82; his later works: *L'Inde sans les Anglais* '03; *La Troisième jeunesse de Mme. Prune* '05; *Désenchantée* '06; *Pèlerin d'Angkor* '12.

Lourensz, Mrs. E: Gen. Sec. Ceylon '28-30; m. Hans 8-9-06; F.T.S. '12; killed 31-5-35 in Quetta Earthquake.

Luna, Ignacio; b. '77 Mexico; Teacher and School Director; F.T.S. '19; Pres. Mercurio L. '34-5; benefactor Mexican T.S. Headquarters.

Luna, Mario Roso de: LL.D., Sc.D., Litt.D., Ph.D.; distinguished scientist, astronomer, historian, orator and writer; co-worker Xifré in Spain, founding several journals, the *Ateneo Teosofico*, Madrid, also *Hesperia L.*; spread Theosophy South America '10; b. Logrosán '72; educ. Madrid Univ.; F.T.S. 25-6-04; Published works about sun eclipses 1900, '05, '09, discovering a comet and two temporary stars; published many Iberic, Roman and Visigothic inscriptions and studies in Maya civilization and language; wrote for many newspapers in Spain and Latin America; P: 16 monumental works, among them an Encyclopedia of the Castilian language, *Beethoven as a Theosophist*, also innumerable articles; d. 8-11-31, Madrid.

Lund, Henrik, C.E.: F.T.S. '07-; Co-founder with Eva Blytt of T.P.H. in Norway. P: *The Religion in Religions*.

Lundgren, John A.: Merchant; F.T.S. 90's; co-founder first T.S.L. in Norway, chairman for many years; excellent *Secret Doctrine* study-class leader.

Luntz, Charles Eliot: Pres. United Aluminum Corp. (U.S.A.); b. 31-3-90, Birmingham, Eng.; m. Idelle Gertrude Weismantel 22-6-14; F.T.S. 7-3-23; 7 years on Board Am. Sec.; 10 yrs. Pres. St. Louis L.; 12 yrs. lecturer on Theos. in Central, Eastern and Southern States U.S.A.; specializes in occult interpretation of Bible and Esoteric Astrology; Dir. Natl. Social Credit Assn.; Official lecturer Shakespeare Tercentenary Soc. etc.; P: *Complete Course in Astrology*; *The Unit System of Judging Planetary Influences*, etc.; Add: 6678 Washington Ave., University City, St. Louis.

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Mackay, Maj-Gen. Hon. James Alexander Kenneth: C.B., O.B.E., V.D., F.R.G.S.; M.L.C. New South Wales '99-36; b. 5-6-59; m. Mabel Katherine; two d.; friend of C.W.L.; served Australia in statesmanlike capacities and in South African and European Wars; many times decorated; P: *Stirrup Jingles*; *The Yellow Wave*; *A Bush Idyll*; *Songs of a Sunlit Land*; *Across Papua*; d. '36.

Mackay, John: m. Mabel M. Gain; formerly Pres. Sydney L.; for many years on Sec. Exec. Ctee. and generous benefactor; Pres. N.S.W. Kindergarten Assn.; Pres. N.S.W. Graziers' Assn.; active in Red Cross during War; Add: 13 Burrawong Ave., Mosman, N.S.W.

Madhava Rao, V.P.: C.I.E. '99; b. Feb. '50; Ed. B.A. Gov. Coll. Kumbakonam '69; Fellow '99; Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal 1900 (its first year); 35 years in service Mysore State '98; Dewan of 3 States: Travancore '04-6; Mysore '06-9, introducing religious educ.; Baroda '14-6; presided over many political, social, industrial conferences; sent by Indian Natl. Congress to Eng. to tender evidence before Parliamentary Joint Ctee.; staunch T.S. worker and Pres. Kumbakonam Brahma Vidya L. several years; d. '35.

Madril, Adrian A.: Gen. Sec. Argentina '24-6; Public Notary; b. Spain; visited Adyar 1925 Jubilee Conv.; works on social lines of Henry George; musician; P: *Beethoven*.

Mahadeva Shastri, Pandit A.: Director Oriental section Adyar Library '16-25; formerly Curator many years Gov. Oriental Library, Mysore; F.T.S. since 90's; helped to establish Bharata Samaj, writing recurring Hindu ceremonies in purer Vedic forms; P: Booklets on Social Reform. Trans. *Bhagavad Gita* with Shri Sankara's commentary, also Sankara's commentary on *Taittiriya Upanishad* and *Amrtabindu*, *Dakshinamurti Stotra*, *Pranava-Vartika* and *Dakshinamurti Upanishad*; Ed. 4 out of 5 vols. *Minor Upanishads* with Sanskrit commentary Shri Upanishad Brahma Yogin. Ed. *Bharata Dharma*; d. 21-3-26.

Malalasekera, Gunapala: M.A., Ph.D. (Lond.); Head Dept. of Oriental Studies Ceylon Univ.; b. 9-11-99; F.T.S. '27; m. Clarice Wijewardena 17-12-33; Hon. Sec. Ceylon Soc. of Arts; Vice-Pres. The English Assn. (Ceylon); Hon. Treas. Colombo Buddhist T.S.; P: *The Pali Literature of Ceylon*; *The Mahavansa Commentary*; Add: Univ. Coll., Colombo.

Mallen, Prof. Rafael: b. '86; F.T.S. '08, Cuba; Theos. and socialist lecturer, inspirer of social reforms and co-operative movement in Mexico '25-38; Vice-Pres. Aura L.T.S. '25; Prof. Socio-Economy '37; P: articles in Press; Add: 28 Iturbide, Mexico, D.F.

Malvaux, Marie: b. Herve 8-3-73; m. Mr. Huybrechts 3-12-02; Pres. Vrede L., Gand; Add: 16, rue Lievin de Winne, Gand, Belgium.

Manuk, Malcolm: b. 1881, educ. Calcutta; founder Hong Kong L. '23 (now Manuk L.), its Pres. '23-32; Pres. Agent for China T.S. many years; frequently visited Australia; clairvoyant and healing powers; d. 7-4-32.

Manziarly, Mme Irma de: (née Luther of Russia); T.S. worker Germany, Austria, France, Russia '12; helped with village craft work Adyar '24; suggested Adyar Day; lectured in

several languages; nom de plume "Frau von Marriam."

Mapstone, G. Edgar: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '31.

Marcault, Prof. J. Emile: M.A., LL.B.; Gen. Sec. France '34; brilliant Theos. lecturer; deliv. Besant Lecture Diamond Jubilee 1935; Subba Row medal '36; toured parts of India 1936 investigating yogic states of consciousness; Prof. Psychology and French Lit. Univ. of Clermont '09-17; Univ. of Grenoble; Univ. of Pisa (Psychology) '17-24; on. Internatl. Centre (Geneva) Ctee.; '30 invited by H. B. M.'s physician to collaborate in application of newer educ. to Medicine and Health in British Med. Assn. Conf.; speaker World Congress of Faiths Lond., and Theos. World Congress, Geneva, '36; presided Copenhagen Congress '37; P: *The Psychology of Intuition*, etc. Ed: *Le Lotus Bleu*; Add: 4 Square Rapp, Paris VII.

Marques, A.: sacrificed much in Honolulu to serve as Gen. Sec. Australia '98-01; 1st Pres. Aloha L. in 90's; colleague H.S.O.; scientist, clairvoyant and author Theos. works, *The Human Aura*, etc.

Marques da Silva, Joao Salvador: Gen. Sec. Portugal '31-2; enthusiastic propagandist of Theosophy.

Marrocco, Mrs. Phyllis A.: d. Arthur Digby Besant, grand-daughter Dr. Annie Besant; 2 children, Hazel and Digby.

Marsal, Jose: Gen. Sec. Paraguay '29-31; d. Sept. '31.

Martinez, Gen. Maximiliano Hernandez: Pres. Republic El Salvador '31-9; former Pres. Teotle L.T.S.; now active member.

Martinovich, Erno: Engineer, metallurgist; b. 26-5-95; m. Olga Csermely 26-5-25; officer in Great War; F.T.S. 2-12-21; Pres. Rákóczi L.T.S.; late Vice-Pres. Hungarian Sec.; P: *Elet, haldl, reinkarnáció*; articles and trans.; Add: Csepel, M. Weiss Factory, Hungary.

Martinovich, Geza: LL.D.; Judge of Tribunal Court; b. '92; m. Margaret Németh '21; officer in Great War; F.T.S. 19-4-20; late Pres.

Rákóczi L.T.S.; Vice-Pres. Hungarian Sec. '35-; P: Trans. and Ed. Hungarian Bulletin '32-; Add: Hollán u. 24; Budapest V.

Martyn, T. H.: In early 90's Pres. The Theosophic League N.S.W.; Pres. Sydney L. '92; Australian Sec. Treas. '95; elec. Gen. Sec. Australia '98, but too ill to serve; Gen. Sec. '16-19; strong influence in Sec. for many years; founder Sydney Theos. Educ. Trust; because of differences as to the L.C.C. he resigned and when Sydney L. charter was cancelled '23, he became Pres. Independent Theos. Soc.; d. 9-10-24.

Masalin-Arvidson, Mme. Lotti Anna Emilia: b. 23-4-75; educ. Finland; F.T.S. 17-8-05; assisted organization Sec.; m. '14; Chairman Abo L.T.S. '09-15; also Vagen L., Helsingfors; lecturer and writer; L.C.C. supporter; Add: Lohja, Finland.

Massey, Charles Carleton: Went to U.S.A. to verify Eddy phenomena at Chittenden; met H. P. B. and was present at formation of T.S. New York, 16-9-75; Pres. British T.S. 27-6-78; Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; b. '38, y.s. Rt. Hon. William Nathaniel Massey; active on Council of old British Natl. Assn. of Spiritualists, and London Spiritualist Alliance; P: Contributions to Theos. and spiritualistic journals; trans. Zöllner's *Transcendental Physics*; Carl du Prel's *Philosophy of Mysticism*; and von Hartmann's *Spiritism*; d. 29-3-05.

Massingham, Henry G.: b. '50 Bristol; pioneer in practical application of electricity to huge lighting projects—Bristol Cathedral '80, and Taunton '85, which influenced London and other cities to introduce electric lighting; in '10 turned his home into food reform guest house; Add: 16 Norfolk Terr., Brighton, England.

Masso, Don Jose M.: Gen. Sec. Cuba '05-8; b. '45 Catalonia, Spain; Cuban broker '50-; m. '71; and contacted Theos. '84; studied Spiritualism; F.T.S. 4-12-97 and thereafter loyal server; '02 formed Annie Besant L. chartered '03; as orthodox printers would not publish his propaganda, he with his slender

means bought a press and printed the Theos. message, almost blinding himself through overwork; '05 organized Cuban Sec. with 6 Lodges in Cuba and one in Costa Rica; in '08, he left 26 Lodges, and the field of Theos. influence covered much of Central and S. Am.; staunch supporter of Pres.-Founder and A.B.; d. 26-7-08.

Matthiasen, Mrs. Kristin: Gen. Sec. Iceland '29-35; b. '85; Pres. L.T.S. '20-9; P: ed. Theos. journal '30-5.

Maung, Maung Thain: First Gen. Sec. Burma '12-14; earlier Natl. Lect. **Mavalankar, Damodar K.:** Rec. Sec. T.S. '82-5; Treas. '83; b. '57 a Mah-ratta Brahmin; when ill as a child he met his Guru who promised to take him under His protection; F.T.S. 3-8-79; threw himself into the work heart and soul with unsurpassed devotion; took Pancha Sila as a Buddhist; after meeting H.P.B. his interior vision gradually opened and again he knew the Guru of his childhood vision, his Master K.H., which sealed his devotion to Theosophy; his remarkable psychic powers made him the centre of many phenomena; between 25-27 Nov. '83 visited the ashram of his Master to undergo certain training; from frail, timid, deferential, he returned bronzed, robust, bold, energetic; left Adyar 23-2-85 to join his Master in Tibet, adopting Tibetan disguise brought by his escort to frontier; word from the Master's ashram June '86 stated that Damodar was alive and safe.

Max, Prof. Gabriel: b. 23-8-40, Praha; one of the greatest mystical artists of Germany; anthropologist, owning a splendid ethnographical collection; early member T.S. in Germany. **Mayerhoffer, Mrs. Valerija:** b. 18-4-70, Zagreb; Graduate Academy of Music; Prof. in secondary schools; Vice-Pres. Teachers' Soc.; F.T.S. 19-2-23; helped establish Yugoslav Sec. 17-1-29; in her house G.S.A. met first group, 1st Natl. Sec. Yugoslavija; P: Ed. Sec. journal; d. 28-3-33.

Mayes, Catharine, Gardner: b. 25-6-85; F.T.S. Jan. '27; m. Wm. Mayes Aug. '32; Theos. worker; accompanied Dr. and Mrs. Arundale

on world tour 1931; P: *Need We Grow Old?* Add: Krotona, Ojai, Calif.

Maynard, George Valentine: Treasurer T.S. '79-82.

Mazel, Rt. Rev. Jonkheer Julian Adrian: b. 17-9-69, U.S.A., his father Netherlands Minister U.S.A., St. Petersburg, Portugal, Sweden, Austria; Engineer Java; F.T.S. 28-5-27; toured with Bishop Leadbeater, later residing The Manor, Sydney; cons. Bishop L.C.C. '17, Regionary Bishop Netherlands Indies '18, and Holland '24; m. '20 Dorothy, née Shaw (now Dorothy Mazel, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.) 1 d. Joan; d. 12-1-28, Holland.

Mead, George Robert Stowe: M.A. (Cantab.); b. '63, s. Col. Robert Mead; m. '99 Laura Mary Cooper (d. '24); scholarship and honours in classics; '87 Mme Blavatsky's priv. sec., serving her admirably as student and scholar in editing *The Secret Doctrine*; also her posthumous works *A Modern Panarion*, and 2nd Ed. S.D.; Gen. Sec. European Sec. T.S. '90; British Sec. '91-8; Vice-Pres. and Pres. Blavatsky L.; Subba Row Medal '98; resigned T.S. '08 organizing "Quest Society"; intellectual mystic and authority on Christian origins; P: *Simon Magus* '92; *Orpheus* '96; *The Upanishads* '96 (co-trans. with M.M. Chatterji); *Fragments of a Faith Forgotten* '00; *Apollonius of Tyana* '01; *The Gospels and the Gospel* '02; *Did Jesus Live 100 B.C.?* '03; *Thrice Greatest Hermes* '06; *Echoes from the Gnosis* '07; *The World Mystery* '08; *Some Mystical Adventures* '10; *Quests Old and New* '13; *The Subtle Body* '19; *Pistis Sophia* '21; *The Gnostic John the Baptizer* '24; *The Sacred Dance in Christendom* '26; *Notes on Nirvana*; *Oriental Department Papers*; *The Chaldean Oracles*; *The Gnosis Crucifixion*; *The Gnosis of the Mind*; *The Hymns of Hermes*; *The Hymns of Jesus*; *Hymn of the Robe of Glory*; *A Mithraic Ritual*; *Mysteries of Mithra*; *Plotinus*; *Wedding Song of Wisdom*; *The Vision of Aridaeus*; trans. Chinese, Buddhist and Hellenistic writings; Ed. with A.B. and later alone *Lucifer* and *The Theosophical Review*; d. 30-9-33.

Mead, Laura Mary : d. of Frederick Cooper, C.B., I.C.S.; m. G.R.S. Mead '99 (q.v.); pupil of H.P.B. and worker London Headquarters '89; d. '24.

Meautis, Georges Leon Louis : Ph.D.; Prof. Univ. Neuchâtel; Gen. Sec. Switzerland '26-9; b. 24-10-90; educ. Neuchâtel, Paris, Munich; m. Liliane Jéquier, 29-12-31; F.T.S. 7-2-18; sometime Pres. Neocomia L.; P: *Une Métropole Egyptienne sous L'Empire Romain* '18; *Le Mythe de Prométhée* '19; *Recherches sur le Pythagorisme* '22; *Aspects Ignorés de la Religion Grecque* '25; *L'Aristocratie Athénienne* '27; *Bronzes Antiques du Canton de Neuchâtel* '28; *L'Ame Hellénique d'après les Vases Grecs* '32; *Maternité* '32; *Les Mystères d'Eleusis* '34; *Eschyle et la Trilogie* '36; trans. *Plutarch's Des Délais de la Justice Divine* '35; Add: 40 Crêt Tacconnet, Neuchâtel, Switzerland.

Mehta, Harjivan Kalidas : Jt. Gen. Sec. for Western India '31; b. 5-10-82; F.T.S. 9-3-03; m. '08, wife also F.T.S.; since '13 Provincial Sec., Fed. Sec., Gujarat and Kathiawar; Asst. Gen. Sec. '17-18; promoted A.B.'s activities; on Gen. and Exec. Ctees. Bhavangar State Village Uplift Fund; P: (Gujarati) *From Man to Master*; *Purity of Speech Will Lead to Power of Speech*; *Mystery of Death*; Add: Krishna Niwas, Vadva, Bhavnagar.

Mehta, Hasmanram Rohit : b. 3-8-08; educ. Bombay Univ.; m. 30-4-36 Shreedevi D. Oza; F.T.S. '24; Gen. Sec. All-India Fed. Y.T. and Lodge Organizer Gujarat and Kathiawar Fed.; P: *Theosophical Socialism*; *Psychology: Racial and National*; *An Outline of Understanding*; Add: Parsee Agiari Lane, Ahmedabad, India.

Melartin, Erkki : Finnish Composer; b. 7-2-75; educ. Helsinki Cons., Basle Univ., travelling scholarship Vienna, Rome, Berlin; F.T.S. '10; Conductor Vilborg Orchestra '08-10; Dir. Helsinki Cons. '11; awarded life pension by State; Memb. Swedish Academy of Music '20; Vice-Chairman State Musical Comm. '18-25; Works include *Credo*, symphonies, quartettes, and songs; Add: Helsinki.

Melian, Senor Don Jose : b. Madrid; F.T.S. 6-4-91 in first Spanish group; 1900- served S. American T.S.; P: Trans. *Esoteric Buddhism*, 1st & 2d vols. *The Secret Doctrine*.

Membrey, Mrs. Lily Marion : Gen. Sec. S. Africa '34-7; Assoc. Royal Coll. of Art, Lond.; b. 24-4-00 Melbourne, Australia; Educ. Durban, S. Africa; F.T.S. 3-6-21; m. W.J., 29-3-34; Add: 78 Nicolson Rd., Durban.

Menelao, Pasquale : Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; Pres. Ionian T.S. '77 and for many years; b. Molfetta, '22; co-worker with Founders; d. '07 Corfu.

Merikanto, Oscar : Finnish organist, pianist and composer of many works, chiefly songs; for Stockholm Conv. T.S. '13 composed cantata (words by Pekka Ervast); also Theos. dramas; b. 5-8-68; d. 17-2-24.

Mertens-Stienon, Marguerite : b. 13-4-73; Educ. Brussels, Belgium; m. July '98; F.T.S. 16-2-12; Lecturer and writer French, English; Pres. West London L.; Convener Symbolism Section T.R.C., Lond.; P: *Studies in Symbolism* (based on S.D.) '33; *Space and the Cross* '35; Add: 50 Gloucester Place, London, W. 1.

Mesquita, Juvenal M. : Gen. Sec. Brazil, '27-30; Foreign Office attaché; founder Hamsa L., Rio de Janeiro; organized 3d. Theos. Conv. Sao Paulo.

Meuleman, van Ginkel, Mevrouw Petronella (Piet) : Amsterdam. "Mother of Dutch Theosophy," from '92; Staunch colleague of Pres.-Founder; d. 24-12-02.

Mezerville, Senora Esther de : Gen. Sec. Central America '33; b. Guatemala of French family 29-4-83; educ. Europe, Central America; F.T.S. '10; notable work in Europe and Central America in education and social service, since 1900, member of Commission for Codification of Educational Laws; Pres. Feminist League, Peace League, etc. Add: 11 Calle Sur No. 438, San José, Costa Rica, C.A.

Michelsen, Julius : Gen. Sec. Norway '29-34; F.T.S. '13; Priest L.C.C.

Milheiro, Julio : Portuguese Rear-Admiral (retd.); b. Jan. '23; m. 12-10-12;

F. T. S. 21-11-21; Treas. Sec. Central Ctee. '24-31; Pres. St. Paul L.T.S. '28-31; Add: Rua Damasceno Monteiro, 126-A 1st. Lisbon, Portugal.

Mills, A.J.: Chief Brother T.O.S. in New Zealand; Add: 371 Queen St., Auckland, N.Z.

Minsal, Edelmiro A.: Gen. Sec. Cuba '26-30; Lawyer; b. 2-6-93; m. Feb. '21; F.T.S. 1-4-10; Sec. Annie Besant L. Havana '12-6; res. T.S. '34.

Miralda, Timoteo: Ex.-Pres. Subirana L.T.S. Honduras; Ex.-Magistrate Court of Appeal, Tegucigalpa and Univ. Prof.; one time Congressman, Diplomat, and Consul U.S.A.

Mitchell, Mrs. Isabella Buloid née Olcott and sister of H. S. Olcott, (q.v.); b. 23-2-35; m. May '60 Wm. H.; close friend of H.P.B., who showed her many phenomena; (see Vol. I, *Old Diary Leaves*); d. 1-6-96.

Mohgaonkar, N. K.: B.A., LL.B.; (ret.) Dist. Judge British C. P. Judicial Serv.; Judge High Court Nandgaon State C.P.; b. '76; married; F.T.S. '25; Theos. Lecturer, Nagpur; Add: Rajnandgaon, B.N. Ry.

Moncada, Salvador: Former Pres. Subirana L. Honduras; one time Congressman, Treas.-Gen. Honduras Republic; Dr. Veterinary Med.; Add: Tegucigalpa, Honduras, C.A.

Monod-Herzen, Prof. G.: D.Sc. (Paris); physicist; Faculté des Sciences, Kaboul Univ.; known in Europe for research on atom; pioneered Theos. in Indo-China; Diamond Jubilee speaker Adyar 1935; P: trans. *Plant Autographs and Their Revelations* (Bose); articles in *The Theosophist*, etc.; Add: Kaboul.

Montesano, Arturo: Gen. Sec. Argentina '26-8; P: numerous works on Theosophy and medical science.

Montoliu y de Tagores, Count Don Francisco de: b. Tarragona '61; Lawyer, Agric. Engineer; Prof. Alfonso XII Inst. Madrid; Dir. Agric. School Barcelona; with Don José Xifré responsible for organizing Theos. Movement in Spain; F.T.S. '89; Pres. 1st Spanish L.; Lecturer; Cellist; P: First trans. into classical Spanish *Isis Unveiled*, etc.; founded *Sophia*, which

spread Theos. through Spanish-speaking world; d. 10-5-92.

Morales, Salvador: Gen. Sec. Mexico '23-4.

Moreira, Col. Luiz Pinto d'Ascencio (Artillery); F. T. S. 3-2-22; P: trans. Theos. works; Add: Rua Luciano Cordeiro, 55, Lisbon, Portugal.

Morgan, Mrs. E.H.: Studied scientific agric. and was responsible for introduction into Ootacamund of Australian eucalyptus, Assam tea plant, and to a great extent the cinchona; m. Gen. R.E. Morgan (q.v.).

Morgan, Gen. Rhodes E.: With his wife (Mrs. E. H., q.v.) pioneer Theos. in Ootacamund; Pres. Doddabeta T.S. '83; Host and warm friend H. P. B., defending T.S. during Coulomb attack; one of first settlers Ootacamund '45; 8 sons and daughters (3 living); d. June '09.

Morton, Rev. Harold: Gen. Sec. Australia '27-34; b. 8-5-04; F. T. S. 19-10-21; m. Norna Hill Kollerstrom 9-4-28; director 2GB Radio Library, Sydney; Add: Castlecrag, Willoughby, N.S.W.

Moses, Rev. William Stainton: M.A. (Oxon.); life-long friend of Founders; b. 12-11-39; Educ. Oxford; Preacher in Diocese of Sarum, Eng.; Lecturer Philology Lond. Univ.; Prof. Classics and English, Univ. Coll. Lond.; entered Spiritualism, developing remarkable psychic gifts; P: Ed. *Light under nom-de-plume* "M.A. (Oxon.)"; brilliant writer in spiritualistic and Theos. journals; d. 1-10-92.

Motwani, Kewal Lediilas: Ph.D. (Iowa, U.S.A.); b. 2-8-99; Prof. Political Science two Indian Natl. Univs.; on edit. staff nationalist paper; Priv. Sec. Mayor Karachi Municipality; traveller, lecturing on India; P: *Manu: A Study in Hindu Social Theory*, etc.; m. 18-7-30 Clara Leona Heath; Add: care of T.S., Karachi.

Motwani, Clara Leona Heath: M.A.; b. 28-7-09 America; F.T.S. '25; m. 18-7-30 Kewal L. (q.v.); now Princ. Visaka Vidyalyaya, Women's Buddhist Coll. Ceylon; Pres. Olcott L. Colombo; Add: Vajira Rd., Colombo.

Mougra, Mrs. Pavla: Author Theos. works Czechoslovakia; pioneer worker.
Mudaliar, C. S. Govindaraja: helper of Dr. Besant for many years; Y.M.I.A., etc.

Mukerjee, Nivaran Chandra: Treas. T.S. '84-6; Sec. to H.S.O. '83.

Mukerjee, Rai Sahib Nriyalal: C.M.S.; Jt. Gen. Sec. for India; b. 17-2-77; F.T.S. 18-3-03; on Indian Sec. Council '34; Provincial Medical Serv. (retd.); lecturer; lodge organizer; P: Bengal Theos. journal *Brahma-vidya*; articles; Add: 10 Bhairab Mukerjee Lane, Belgachia Post, Calcutta.

Mukerjee, Rajendra Lal: ("The Dreamer"); M.A., B.L., b. '69, Calcutta; F.T.S. '93; law officer Calcutta Municipality; P: *Studies in the Bhagavad Gita: The Yoga of Discrimination; The Yogas of Action and Occultism; The Path of Initiation; The Life Waves; On the Threshold*, etc.; d. '36.

Murchie, Miss Margaret L.: Gen. Sec. South Africa '16-21, '29-31, '32-4. Add: Durban.

Musaeus-Higgins, Mrs. Marie: Pioneer educator in Ceylon; Founder of Musaeus College for Buddhist Girls, Colombo, '93, which became her life-work; b. Mecklenburg-Schwerin, d. High Court Judge; founding mem. Blavatsky L. Washington, D.C., '89; an appeal in *The Path* brought her to Ceylon 15-11-91; before her d., 10-7-26, the Musaeus College was appreciated by Gov. of Ceylon, and praised by many visiting celebrities. P: Charming stories of the Lord Buddha (*Buddha Jataka*). (See Peter de Abrew).

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Nadler, Robert: Gen. Sec. Hungary '11-16, '21-7; Painter and Professor Royal Technical Univ., Budapest; b. 22-4-58; m. '15; F.T.S. 22-12-06; P: a treatise on Theos. and the War; Add. Schwartz Ferenc-utca 4, Budapest 1.

Naganathan, N.A.: Gen. Sec. Burma '19-20, '28; F.T.S. '14; generous contributor to Section; prominent worker Theosophical education in Rangoon, Humanitarian League, Philosophical

Assn., Civic Intelligence Ctee. and kindred movements; Mrs. Naganathan organized Women's Indian Assn., Burma; Add: 102, 49th St., East Rangoon.

Nallainathan, Dr. Tambyahpillai: L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S. (Lond.); Gen. Sec. Ceylon '33; b. 8-6-00; F.T.S. '25; m. Somacanthi Ponniah 6-4-23; Pres. Ceylon Students' Assn. in Eng. '26; Sec. Lond. Youth L. '27-8; Pres. Ceylon Youth Congress '34; Lecturer College of Indigenous Medicine, Colombo '30; Add: "Sornatan," Frankfort Pl., Bambalapitya, Colombo, Ceylon.

Narayan, Chandra Deva: Advocate of Chapra; Fed. Sec. for Bihar; Edits *Bihar T.S. Bulletin*.

Narayanaswami Aiyar, K.: Joint Gen. Sec. India '07-8; abandoned legal profession to give his life to Theos.; one of organizers of Tamil Districts T.S. Fed. '03 while acting as Provincial Sec. for S. India; Lodge inspector and Theos. lecturer from 90's; largely responsible for organization of T.S. in Southern India; P: Many trans. from Sanskrit into English; died '23.

Needham, Miss Mary C.: b. Sheerness, Eng.; F.T.S. Feb. '99; T.S. Lecturer, class leader; Kt. R.T.; P: Works on Architecture (illus.), Myths, Sculpture, Schools of Painting, etc. Add: 149 Darlinghurst Rd., Sydney, N.S.W.

Neff, Miss Mary K.: b. 2-9-77 Akron, Ohio, U.S.A.; many years public school teacher U.S.A.; '11-13 Adyar T.P.H., Adyar Library, and priv. sec. to C.W.L.; in charge business dept. Boys' High School, Mananapalle; then Vasanta Ashrama, a Theos. boarding-school for Indian girls, Benares; 5 years at Lucknow, Princ. Middle School for Girls in Kashmiri Mohalla, introducing many reforms, also Organizing Sec. Women's Anti-Tuberculosis League, and Supt. Lady Students' Hostel King George's Med. Coll. 2 years; '22-3 assisted Dr. van der Leeuw in King Arthur's School, North Sydney, Australia; 2 yrs. Asst. Gen. Sec. Australian Sec. T.S.; 2 yrs. Natl. Lecturer; returned to Adyar '27 to catalogue archives of T.S.; '29 Sec. again to C.W.L.; at Olcott Sec.

Headq. U.S.A. '30; Lecturing Australasia '35-7; Lecture tour U.S.A. '37-9; P: *The "Brothers" of Madame Blavatsky*; *A Guide to Adyar*; *Personal Memoirs of H. P. Blavatsky* '37, and many Theos. articles. Add: Olcott, Wheaton, Ill., U.S.A.

Nelson, C. E.: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '10-16.

Newberry, Miss Gladys: Chairman Social Service Ctee. Headq. Adyar, '36-7; F.T.S. '22; Add: 12 Dourou Pl., London, W.8 and "Aut Even," Tekels Pk., Camberley, Surrey, England.

Newton, Henry J.: Present at formation T.S. 7-9-75; on Ctee. to draft Constitution and By-Laws; 1st Treas. 30-10-75; Pres. Photographic Sec. American Institute; inventor of dry-plate process of photography, Spiritualist; d. Dec. '95.

Ngaloga, Prince Surya: Ruler of the House of Paku Alam, Djokdjakarta, East Indies, '11.

Nichols, Miss J. M.: Gen. Sec. Ireland '33-7; b. 25-1-81; F.T.S. Oct. '17; Add: 14 S. Frederick St., Dublin.

Nickoff, Sophrony: Gen. Sec. Bulgaria '20-30; Chairman of Sophia L., the first Bulgarian L.T.S., founded in Sofia, 03; b. '74; formerly ordained monk, studied Theological Academy St. Petersburg, threw off the cassock to espouse Theosophy.

Nielsen, Ernst: b. 13-1-01; F.T.S. 20-2-20; held offices within Norwegian Sec. and many years a Council member; P: Ed. *Norsk Teosofisk Tidsskrift*.

Noble, Miss E. B.: from S. Africa became Prof. English, Madanapalle Coll. India '16; Princ. Mylapore Girls' School '20; d. 14-1-35.

Nusserwanji Mehta, Jamshed: "Maker of Modern Karachi"; b. '84, Karachi, India, a Parsi; Educ: Bombay Univ., E.J. Sindh Coll., Davar's Coll. of Commerce, Bombay; entered his father's business; m. Goolbai '09; became devoted pupil of Annie Besant; joined T.S.; entered Municipality of Karachi '15; serving as Pres. '22-33; and Mayor '33-4; during his regime Karachi was modernized by better drainage and water systems, lighting, road-

making, financial rehabilitation, co-operative housing and banking, relief of congested areas; encouraged local self-government, co-operative societies, and agriculture; Retd. 6-12-34; Pres. Sindh Haris Conf. '30; co-founder first co-educ. institution in Karachi, the Vasanta Pathshala; active in T.O.S. and youth movements (R.T., Scouts, etc.); daily visits Civil Hospital; lectures to Parsis at Young Men's Zoroastrian Assn.; Theos. lecturer; P: articles in *Parsi Sansar*; Add: Machimiani Rd., Karachi, Sind.

Nyssens, Rt. Rev. Ernest Walde-mar: M.D.; b. Chimay (Belgium); Educ. Brussels Univ.; m. Berthe Zoé Sophie Desecq 3-10-35; F.T.S. 7-10-96; Pres. Alcyone L. Brussels; Bishop L.C.C.; Add: 82, Avenue de Floréal, Brussels.

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Ockenden, Miss Nettie Evelyn: Field Worker and Lecturer, New Zealand; b. 26-3-77 Hamble, Eng.; F.T.S. 19-10-04, H.P.B. Lodge, Auckland; since '30 has given full time T.S. and R.T. service; visited Adyar 15 months, '31-33; P: in Theos. journals; Add: 4 Fairview Rd., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I.

Odhavji, Pranjivan Thakkar: b. Aug. '67; F.T.S. 1-1-94; extremely generous to any movement initiated by Dr. Besant for the spread of Theosophy; Brothers of Service, S.P.N.E., etc., P: Gujerati trans. 15 Theos. classics; Add: Panwadi Rd., Bhavnagar, Kathiawar, India.

Ofeigsson, Thorlakur: Architect; b. 22-4-87; Theos. lecturer in Iceland.

Olano, Dr. Jose Maximiliano: b. Cojutepeque, Salvador; physician and surgeon of Medical Faculty El Salvador; rep. Salvador at Red Cross Congress in Tokio, Japan; 1st Pres. Teotle L.T.S. Salvador, '10; died in Mexico.

Olcott, H. S.: (see p. 156.)

Old, Walter R.: one of H.P.B.'s workers in Lond. '89; Rec. Sec. and Treas. T.S. '93; Gen. Sec. England '90-1; P: many articles on astrology under nom-de-plume "Sephariel"; *What is Theosophy?* Assoc. Ed. *Theosophist* '92.

Olivares, Isidro de Jesus: b. 15-5-63; prominent T.S. worker Nicaragua; pioneer and 20 years worker in spiritualistic movement; in Karma and Reincarnation Legion; L.C.C., R.T., etc.; d. 14-10-34.

Oppenheimer, Miss Selene: Theos. lecturer, London, has visited Australasia and S. Africa; many years on staff T.S. Headq., Lond. Add: 34, Christ Church Ave, Lond., N.W. 6.

Orage, A. R.: Writer and Journalist; F.T.S. 10-5-99; Pres. Leeds L.T.S.; travelled France, U.S.A.; res. T.S. 7-3-08; P: began work *New Age* '07; founded *New English Weekly* '32; d. 5-11-34.

Orlo-Smith, Stephen: Co-Dir. Melbourne T.S. Head.; F.T.S. Feb '16; Treas. Melbourne L. '17, also Pres. and continuously on Exec. Ctee.; lecturer; Add: 181 Collins St., Melbourne, Australia.

Osterman, A.: (Colmar, Alsace); donated liberally towards purchase of Besant Gardens; benefactor of Adyar Library; shared with Blech family donation of Paris Headq. to Sec.; F.T.S. 9-10-00; untiring propagandist for Theos.; issued 12 picture post-cards giving Theosophy in symbology and allegory.

Oudh Royal Family: Muhammadan princes of: Members Lucknow L. 80's; His Royal Highness Prince Souleman Kadar Bahadur was Pres. Lucknow L. "The Oudh Theos. Soc." '82.

Ounkowsky, Mme Alexandra Zaharyne Vassilcovna: Prof. Music Cons. Kaluga, '14; Composer, orchestral leader, violinist; b. '60, d. of admiral; educ. Petrograd Cons., winning ('82) Gold Medal under Auer; m. an artist; travelled through Russia, giving operas; possessed a colour-tone vision, on joining T.S. '07, was amazed to see how her own vision corresponded with correlations given in *The Secret Doctrine*; '12 founded Art-Circle in Russian T.S., attracting composers, poets, painters into T.S.; leader of the new art in Russia, trans. great pictures into tone; lectured at T.S. Congresses, etc.; P: Songs for children; musical poems; *The Prayer of the Lord*; d. '27.

Outhwaite, Ernest: F.T.S. Sept. '93; Theos. lecturer; on Exec. Ctee. Sec. Council Eng.; Private Sec. to Lord Rothermere; assisted in revision of peace terms for Hungary; Ed. *Leeds Mercury*; d. 29-6-31.

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Paats, Senor William: Presidential Agent Paraguay 1936-.

Padshah, Sorabji Jamaspji: Jt. Librarian T.S. '79-80; b. '56; helped Founders to form Blavatsky L.T.S. Bombay and toured with them in propaganda work; d. 2-1-27.

Pagan, Isabelle Mary: (Edinburgh) b. Cupar, Fife, 6 p.m. 12-12-67; educ. St. Andrews, Edinburgh Univ.; F.T.S. '03 Geneva; has given Theos. teachings through drama: Ibsen's *Peer Gynt*, *Emperor and Galilean*, Rabindranath Tagore's *Sacrifice*, etc.; lecturer on Astrology, Theosophy, Shakespeare, Shaw, Masefield, in several European countries and India; Pres. Orpheus L. Edinburgh at its foundation et seq. P: 6 comedies adapted from Dickens; an *Astrological Key to Character*; *From Pioneer to Poet*; *The Palace of the King*; pamphlets and Theos. articles; Add: 22 Newbattle Ter., Edinburgh 10.

Palmer, Miss Sarah E.: B. Sc. (Minnesota); Fully registered pharmacist; b. 15-3-54 Minneapolis; 16 years Prof. in High Schools U.S.A.; H.S.O. accepted her offer to teach in Panchama Schools 13-12-98 to '01; Sanatana Dharma Boys School, Lahore '01-4; Princ. Girls' School Benares (C.H.C.) '04-17, refusing principalship of Girls' College in 1913; Benares again '20-23; Mylapore Girls' School '23-30; Guindy School over a year, retiring after a half century of educational work; is living at Adyar, and at 82 studying science, and trans. Theos. publications into Braille.

Pancoast, S.: Vice-Pres. T.S. '75-7.

Pape, Capt. Alfred Garbutt: b. 20-7-88, Eng.; m. Frances, d. of Mrs. Emily Hay, F.T.S. worker, 12-3-18; 2 d.; founded Scottish Sec. The New Education Fellowship; also St. Michael's Pioneer Education Movement (Edinburgh); Theos. lecturer; T.O.S.,

work for India; founded The New Political Fellowship (now The Centre Group); Hon. Sec. Edinburgh and Lothian Branch the Royal Anthropological Inst.; '23 addressed Anthropological Sec. of British Assn. for Advancement of Science on subject of New Race; P: *Is There a New Race Type? The Christ of the Aryan Road; The Preliminary Draft Education Memorandum for Scotland; The Politics of the Aryan Road; The Alternative to Communism; The Cure for Poverty and War*; Add: Royal Societies Club, 63 St. James's Street, London, S.W.1, and 20 Northumberland St., Edinburgh, Scotland.

Parchansky, Josef: Gen. Sec. Czechoslovakia '29-31; Electrician; b. 6-2-97.

Parthasarathi Aiyangar, C.R.: M.L.C., Madras; worked with Dr. Besant for Home Rule; donated T.S. Lodge building in Chittoor.

Partowirojo, Raden Mas: b. 19-11-76 Solo, Java; m. Raden Adjeng Samsinah 17-6-99; F.T.S. 23-12-05; Past-Pres. Wonogiri L.; Theos. Lecturer; Mgr. Journal *Koemandang Theosofie*; P: Ed. *Mahabarata*; Trans. *Bhagavad-Gita, The Voice of the Silence, Manuals* and other Theos. books from Dutch into Javanese; also several orig. books; Add: Poenggawan, Mangkoenegaran, Solo, Java, N.E.I.

Pascal, Theophile: M.D., B.Sc.; First Gen. Sec. France '99-07; Joint Gen. Sec. '07-8; Gen. Sec. '08-9; awarded T. Subba Row Medal '06; b. 11-5-60 Villecroze, France; Educ. Naval Med. School Toulon; m. 86; resigned from Mediterranean squadron, and practised as homeopathic physician Toulon; F.T.S. '91 after meeting D. A. Courmes; started '92 as lecturer, organizer, teacher, propagandist, administrator, prolific writer for the T.S.; to him France owes its firm Theos. foundation; P: *Reincarnation: A Study in Human Evolution*; Co-ed. *Revue Théosophique Française* (Le Lotus Bleu); d. 18-4-09.

Patel, Sheriarji D.: b. '61; F.T.S. Dec. '88; constant worker for Theos. as officer in Lodge; Add: 860 Dastur Meher Road, Camp, Poona, India.

Patron Correa, Fernanda: Ph.B.; b. Mexico '73; F.T.S. '28; Theos. lecturer; Pres. Mercurio L.T.S. '33-4; now with Brotherhood L., New Orleans, U.S.A.

Paul, Charles Clement: M.I.C.E., O.B.E., b. 9-12-82; m. Elsie Howick '20; F.T.S. 24-5-27; Chief Engineer Hyderabad, Deccan; carried out the surveys and designs of the Nizamsagar Project; opened Home for the Disabled; Add: 44, Oxford St., Secunderabad, Deccan.

Pavri, Pestanji T.: B.Sc., L.C.E.; Divisional Engineer and Prof. Math. (ret'd.); b. 25-11-72; F.T.S. '05; P: *First Book of Theosophy; Theosophy Explained; First Book of Brahmayajna* (Hindi), etc.; Add: care of 53 Shivalal Motilal Mansion, Lamington Rd., Tardeo, Bombay.

Pearce, F. Gordon: B.A., F.R.G.S.; Started troop of Sinhalese Boy Scouts in Mahinda Coll., Ceylon, when Vice-Princ., '18 Adyar as Chief Scout Commissioner; aiding Dr. Besant in organizing Indian Scout Movement; later Princ. Mahindra College; also Holkar Coll. Indore; P. educ; now Princ. Scindia School, The Fort, Gwalior, Central India.

Pearson, E. Norman: Natl. Vice-Pres. Am. Sec. T.S. '36; b. 18-12-87, Wolverhampton, Eng.; educ. New Brighton Coll.; m. 24-5-15; F.T.S. 7-12-11 London; Treas. Sheffield L. '13-4; Vice-Pres. Detroit L. '20-2 and Pres. '23-34; helped organize Michigan Fed. T.S. and first Pres. '26-8, '30-4; on Natl. Board Am. Sec. '31; organized Detroit Inst. of Theosophy to prepare and distribute lectures and class material illustrated by reelslides '36; P: Reelslide lectures; Add: 455 W. Hancock Ave., Detroit, Mich., U.S.A.

Pereira, W. A.: An early worker for the T.S. in Burma; through his efforts in 1899 the Sasana Dara Society for the revival of Buddhism was organized in Moulmein; it is still doing good work; inaugurated the Young Men's Buddhist Association in Burma.

Peirellade, Jose R. Villaverde: Lawyer; Gen. Sec. Cuba '30-3; b. 28-3-80; m. 19-6-05; F.T.S. 11-5-28;

P: several books and weekly articles in Havana press.

Pena Gil, Adolfo de la: Gen. Sec. Mexico '28-35; b. 25-9-82; F.T.S. May '15; Pres. Aura L. '22-4; Delegate Golden Jubilee Adyar, Student Adyar Nov. '24-Dec. '26; World lecture tour '27-8; with C. J. on '29 tour; Mgr. Co-operative Soc. "Fraternidad Universal" '29-38; P: Editor Sec. journal, '28-35, also trans.; Add: 28-A Iturbide St. Mexico City, D.F.

Penzig, Prof. Otto: Gen. Sec. Italy '05-18; Director of the Gardens and Botanical Inst.; Pres. Faculty Natural Sciences, Royal Univ. of Genoa, Italy (life appointment from '90); b. 25-3-56, Samitz, Prussian Silesia ('83 Italian citizen by Royal decree); graduated '78 Breslau Univ.; served in Botanical Inst. at Karlsruhe, Pavia, Padua; Dir. Royal Agric. Stn. of Modena 1 yr.; '86 by competition obtained Professorship Univ. of Genoa; his scientific world travels enriched his University with a splendid collection of plants; built '92 the Hanbury Botanical Inst. Genoa; spoke 8 languages; approached Theos. through Spiritualism after death of wife '01; F.T.S. '04; attained high intellectual position and generously aided T.S. in Italy; P: many works on Botany, incl. the prize-winning *Citrus* '85; Ed. botanical magazine *Malpighia*; d. 6-3-29.

Perez, J. H.: Gen. Sec. Egypt, '23-6; Pres. Agent '26-.

Peterson, Mrs. Adeltha Henry: b. 28-2-96 S. Calif.; Post-Grad. Cons. Music; F.T.S. 11-6-19; Lecturer, H.P.B. Training Class Organizer, conv. reporter, journalist; Kt. Errant R.T.; Sec. S. Calif. Fed. T.S. '21-3; Asst. Sec. and Dir. Nutrition Avocado Co-op. '26-33; Am. Headq. T.S. dietitian '33-5; on publications Adyar '35-; P: *Creative Cookery* '35, etc.

Pielou, Pierce Leslie: First Gen. Sec. Ireland '19-22; b. 3-9-70; educ. Wesley Coll. Dublin; m. 1st 23-8-06 Annie Gillespie, 2nd 29-4-13 Florence Josephine Gillespie (both F.T.S. 10-1-10); '12 Pres. Agent for Ireland; S. Ireland Sec. for Animals Welfare Week; Founding Member and Hon. Treas. the Irish

Animals Protection League; on 1st Dublin Ctee. of S.P.R., etc.; P: articles on *The Ancient Wisdom in the Myths of Ireland* etc.; Add: Annandale, 17 Sandford Rd., Dublin.

Pigott, Rt. Rev. Frank Waters: M.A. (Oxon.); Presiding Bishop of the Liberal Catholic Church, Pro-Cathedral St. Mary's, London; b. 20-4-74; F.T.S. '09; formerly Church of England priest; P: *The Parting of the Ways; Religion for Beginners*; Ed. *The Liberal Catholic*; Add: 29 Garratt Rd., Edgware, Middlesex, Eng.

Pinchin, Miss Edith Foord: Montessori Diplomat, M.R.S.T.; b. 7-11-95 of Theos. parents; F.T.S. 1-10-19; joined R.T. soon after its founding at age of 13, its English Sec. for 6 years; now English Chief Knight; T.S. Lecturer; P: *The Bridge of the Gods, a Study in Gaelic Mythology*. Add: 34 Lichfield Court, Sheen Rd., Richmond, Surrey, Eng.

Pissareff, Mme Helena Fedorovna: Writer; b. Jan. '55 near Moscow, d. of a Russian nobleman; educ. Heidelberg Univ.; m. Nikolai; F.T.S. '03; Founder-Pres. Kaluga L.; her home a centre for Russian T.S. Congresses and peasant uplift. P: *Edition Lotus*; many books and pamphlets; *The Hidden Sense of Life* (for which she was awarded T. Subba Row Medal '34); a biography of H.P.B. trans. all prominent works on Theos.; now at 84 translating *Mount Everest* (G.S.A.); Add: 13, via Maggini, Udine, Italy.

Plard, A. J.: Gen. Sec. Puerto Rico '30; b. France 1-4-76; F.T.S. '09 U.S.A.; helped form San Juan L.; Add: P.O. Box 3, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Polak, Gaston: Gen. Sec. Belgium '13; Civil Mining Engineer; b. 27-6-74 Brussels; m. Mme. Louise Joux, '06; F.T.S. '97; P: *Le Temps et L'Espace*, etc.; Add: 51 rue Commerce, Brussels.

Polak, Henry Salomon Leon: Attorney Supreme Court S. Africa; Solicitor, Privy Council Agent, Eng.; Journalist, Publicist; b. 22-6-82, Eng.; m. Millie Graham '05; F.T.S. '05; in Africa collaborated with M. K. Gandhi

in work for Indians; Hon. Sec. Indians Overseas Assn.; on Advisory Council, The World Foundation '37; Chairman Indian Natl. League, Eng., etc.; Ex-Pres. Lond. Fed. Eng. T.S.; Treas. and sometimes Acting Gen. Sec. Eng. T.S.; Add: 265, Strand, London, W.C. 2.

Pole, Major David Graham: First Gen. Sec. T.S. Scotland '10-20; Eng. '21-4; associated with A.B.; m. Jessie Elder; barrister in Scotland's highest courts, specializing in Indian Appeals '01-26; joined Royal Scots '99; Lieut. Col. 12th (Service) Battn. Northumberland Fusiliers; retd. permanently disabled with rank of Major; M.P. (Lab.) '29-31; Parl. Priv. Sec. to Sec. of State for War '31; Treas. Commercial Ctee. H. of Commons '25-31; prominent offices in Labour Party; Vice-Chairman and Hon. Sec. British Ctee. on Indian and Burman Affairs '16-37; on Burma Round Table Conf. '31-2; P: *India in Transition* '32; *I Refer to India* (with B. Shiva Rao) '29; *The Problem of India* '26; London *Corres. for New India and Modern Review*; Add: 31, Ennismore Gardens London, S.W. 7.

Poll, H. J. Neervoort van de: b. 28-7-89, Amsterdam; m. M. S. Ziegeler, Dec. '29; F.T.S. 30-4-19; Co-founder Yoga L.T.S.; Asst. Mgr. T.P.H. Adyar 31-12-35; Asst. Treas. T.S. 11-6-37; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Pond, Thomas: Pres. Baltimore L.T.S.; visited Adyar '32; chairman U.S. Adyar Ctee.; Add: 4608 Roland Ave., Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.

Ponte y Blanco, Agustín: b. Spain '63; Theos. lecturer and prolific writer Mexico; P: *Desde un Rincon del Anáhuac*; *Bajo el Cielo*, etc.

Potet, The Baron Jules Denis du (de Sennevoy): Hon. Fellowship in T.S. conferred '80; Vice-Pres. T.S. '81; foremost among western psychologists of the 19th century; pioneer in field of magnetic science, practising therapeutic magnetism for 60 years; b. 1796 descendant of Dukes of Burgundy; Hon. Pres. Magnetotherapeutic Soc. of Paris; P: *Exposé des expériences publiques sur le Magnétisme faites à*

l'Hôtel-Dieu en 1820, 1821 (Paris); d. 1-7-81.

Poutz, Miss Marie: b. 12-2-60 New Orleans; F. T. S. Mar. '98; "The friend and trusted helper of many hundreds" ('12 A.B.); '36 on Natl. Board Am. Sec.; has visited Adyar and travelled with A.B.; Add: Krotona, Ojai, Calif.

Povedano y de Arcos, Don Tomas: Pioneer of the T.S. in Costa Rica; b. Spain; took active part Republican movement; Prof. Fine Arts, Escuela Nocturna de Dibujo, Seville, Spain; Drawing School, Cuenca, Ecuador; School of Fine Arts, Costa Rica '97-; recipient of many gold medals at internatl. exhibitions, also "Condecoración del Busto del Libertador," Venezuela '95; engaged in executing important art assignments; Add: School of Fine Arts, Costa Rica.

Powell, Mrs. Hilda: (née Hodgson-Smith, q.v.); lecturer and field worker Eng. '99-; m. Lt.-Col. A. E. Powell; rendered long service to T.S. in England; continuously on Ex. Ctee. and Nat. Conv.

Pran Nath, Pundit Rai Bahadur, Sabha Bhushan: b. Lucknow '44; m. 1st '71, 2d '78; F.T.S. '79; toured with H.S.O. as Hindustani interpreter; organized and Pres. Gwalior L. T. S. till death; munificent donor to T.S. activities; founder women's education Gwalior; P: articles on education and Theos.; d. 18-8-31.

Preston, Miss Elizabeth Winter: M.Sc. (Hons.); b. 7-3-92; d. of Mrs. A. E. Preston, educationist Ceylon (d. '35); F.T.S. '10; Sec. Science Group T.R.C. London; Sr. Science Mistress James Allen Girls' School; P: *The Earth and Its Cycles* (with C. G. Trew); *Studies in Evolutionary Psychology*, etc.; Add: Stamford House, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Priest, Miss L.: Worker many years Indraprastha Girls' School, Delhi; also for Fiji Islands women '18; Add: 140 Victoria Ave., Claremont, West Australia.

Prikril, Bozidar: Pres. Sava L. Yugoslavia; Natl. V.-Pres.; P: Ed. *Teosofija*.

Prinaris, Cimon: LL.D.; Judge High Military Court of Revision; Gen. Sec. Greece '29; F.T.S. 1-12-24; Theos. Lect. and L. Pres.; P: legal, also trans. Eng. lyrical poems; Add: Homer St., No. 20, Athens.

Prince, Capt. W. C. Stuart: In 1902 was mainstay of Rangoon Lodge, newly formed, and of Theosophy in Burma.

Proctor, F. F.: Chief Brother T.O.S. Netherlands 1936-; born Dundee (Scotland) 7 March 1878; Ret. merchant.

Pru, U. Saw Hla: Gen. Sec. Burma '25-8; brought many Bhikkus into Theosophy.

Puraye, Leonard Godefroid: Prof. Technology (Armament-Making); in charge Provincial Tech. School, Herstal; decorated for service to Belgian industry; b. 13-1-89; m. Josephine Vandenbrande 12-10-18; F.T.S. 17-3-19; Pres. Liège L. '20-; Add: 12 rue Emile Tilman, Herstal, Belgium.

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Quadros, Arnaldo Costa Cabral de: ret. Artillery General; Great Cross of Aviz; Military value Medal; Colonial Medal; Victoria Cross; D.Sc. (Lisbon); F.T.S. 28-11-21; married; Add: Eua Goncalves Crespo, 11-3-E, Lisbon, Portugal.

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Rama Ayyar, Manjeri: B.A., B.L.; Physicist, Mathematician; b. '77; F.T.S. 3-1-03; Pioneer social reformer and Theos. organizer, Malabar; High Ct. Vakil; co-worker with A.B. for Home Rule; educationist and Prov. Asst. Scout Com. Madras Pres.; Dewan Nilambur Raj, 30-1; founded Kerala Buddhist League for upliftment of depressed classes '25; Sec. Brahmana Samoohani '37-; P: Ed. sometime *West Coast Spectator*; *Sanatana Dharma*; etc., Add: Calicut.

Ramaiya, Chittamur: B.A.; b. Aug. '67; F.T.S. 20-3-97; m. '83; Headmaster T.S. High Schools at Prodattur and Madanapalle, '14-17; worker Adyar '22-30; Jt. Gen. Sec. S. India, etc.;

P: ed. *Brahmavidyadarpanam*, *Divyajñanasaram*; Telugu trans.; d. 18-1-31.

Ramanujacharya, Hon. V. K.: M.L.C., Madras; Chairman Kumbakonam Municipality; F.T.S. '13; P; Text and trans. *The Bhagavad-Gita*.

Ramesam, Sir Vepa: B.A., B.L., Judge High Court Madras '20-; b. 27-7-75; m. Lakshminarasamma; F.T.S. 21-4-22; Govt. Pleader '16-20; Add: Gopal Vihar, Mylapore, Madras.

Ramondt-Hirschmann, Mevr. C.: Gen. Sec. Netherlands '27-31; b. '71; student Theos. '98; F.T.S. '03; for many years worker for Theosophy, women's movements, education; from '14 devoted to constructive peace; '15- on Internatl. delegation urging a Ctee. of Neutral Countries for Permanent Mediation; '19- on Exec. Ctee. Women's Internatl. League for Peace and Freedom, helping to organize, preside over and lecture for 12 Internatl. Congresses W.I.L.P.F. and since '15 Natl. Pres. Holland; Internatl. Chairman 35-; Add: Tolstraat 154, Amsterdam.

Ramos, Luis Aguilera: b. 1867; F.T.S. 6-4-02; helped in founding Arjuna Lodge Library 14-12-08 giving many books and serving as librarian; P: Trans. *Man Visible and Invisible*, and other books.

Ranganatham Mudaliar, Arcot: B.A., B.L.; on Gen. Council T.S. '34-; b. 29-6-79; Ent. Gov. serv. '01; ret. as Deputy Coll. '15 to assist A.B.; Legis. Council Bellary '20-36; on Natl. delegation Eng. '24; Minister for Development Madras '26-8; Hon. Sec. Young Men's Indian Assn. '16-; Bro. of Service; Joint Gen. Sec. Indian T.S. '31-5; Commissioner Tirupathi Tirumalai Devasthanam '36-; P: Ed. *The Indian Village—As It Is; The World in Distress*; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Rangaswami Aiyar, A.: B.A., B.L.; Co-organizer '03 Tamil Dist. Fed. T.S.; b. 16-7-69; m. '84; F.T.S. '96; Pres. Madura L. 22 yrs.; on Gen. Council 3 yrs.; Benefactor and Life-Pres. Madura Coll. Board; Pres. Sri Meenakshi Vidya-sala, a Madura Girls' School; Add: Madura.

Rankka, Uno Armas: Gen. Sec. Finland '31-; Architect, pianist; b. 19-8-78; F.T.S. 20-4-15; P: ed. *Theosofi*; Add: Yrjönkatu 1.C., Helsinki.

Ransom, Mrs. Josephine Maria: née Davies; Gen. Sec. Australia '24-6; S. Africa '26-7, Eng. '33-6; b. 22-3-79, Armidale, Australia; F.T.S. 23-11-97, Buddhist educ. work Ceylon, also India; with A.B. Benares '04-6; m. Sidney (q.v.) London 30-3-07; both Theos. propagandists Eng. and on Headq. Staff Adyar; J.R. lecturing tour Australia '12; Theos. Educ. work Eng., starting Harrogate T.S. Training Centre; founded Britain and India Soc.; sometime Mgr. T.P.H. Adyar; lect. America; European Fed. Exec.; on World Congress Ctee. '36; lecturing India '36-7; Adyar '37-; P: *Schools of Tomorrow in England*; *Indian Tales of Love and Beauty*; *Irish Tales, etc.*; *Madame Blavatsky as Occultist*; *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*; *Self-Realization Through Yoga and Mysticism*; founded *Britain and India*; ed. *Theosophy*; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Ransom, Capt. Sidney: m. Josephine (q.v.) 30-3-07; first Sec. H.P.B. Lodge; went to Adyar to design, erect, and 3 years run electrical plant; 5 years in charge London area electrical work Midland Railway; with wife keen promoters Theos. educ. work Eng.; pioneer Eng. Sec. lecturer; in war technical officer Royal Air Force; afterwards administrative and educ. work aviation; worked for L.C.C. Eng. and Australia; lecture tour Australia '25; 1st Gen. Sec. Central S. Africa '29-33; lecture tour America '35-7 and Acting Gen. Sec. '36; P: *Ethics of the Secret Doctrine*; sub-ed. *Theos. Review*; Add: 50 Gloucester Pl., London, W.1.

Rao, B. R.: Started Vegetarian Soc. Burma '22; '26 this became Humanitarian League; organized Indian Philosophical Assn., Rangoon.

Rao, Tumacherla Ramachandra: B.A., B.L.; Gen. Sec. India '16-19, '23; co-organizer Tamil Districts Fed. '03; b. '51; F.T.S. '83; an organizer Bharata Samaja; a Brother of Service; '99 dedicated his life to Theos.; d. 5-5-30.

Rath, Zoltan: LL.B.; Assessor Judge Orphan Court County Pest; b. '92; m. '20 Eugenie Zambra (F.T.S.); F.T.S. 26-1-20; officer decorated four times in Great War; late recording and Vice-General Sec. for Hungary; trans. and lecturer; Add: Verpeléti utca 8, Budapest XI, Hungary.

Rathonyi, Mrs. Elizabeth de: Gen. Sec. Hungary '27-32; b. 24-2-78; F.T.S. 13-3-12; reorganized Sec. and was a munificent donor; res. Oct. '36; P: Hungarian trans. of Theos. works; Add: Délibáb-utca 20, Budapest VI.

Rea, Miss Hope: Worker for T.E.T. and Letchworth School '15; charter member Letchworth L.T.S.; gifted writer of Theosophical plays and articles; d. 27-10-22.

Reales, don Vicente Cortes: Minister Public Instruction; Supreme Court Magis.; one time Pres. T. S. L. Salvador.

Reddy, B. Ranga: b. 18-7-54 Nellore; F.T.S. 8-5-82; for 55 years cherished the Sanskrit Patasala started by the founders and local Lodge, travelling to Nellore from Adyar after '07; '07-10 in charge T.P.H. Adyar; then Garden Supt.; engineer for construction of many Adyar buildings; '36 consulting Eng.; gave Rs. 4,000 toward Blavatsky Gardens and built at his own cost Bhojanasala; '17 pub. *The Commonwealth*; 3rd Longest T.S. record; d. '37.

Reghini, Nobil Donna Ida Carlotta: b. '60; F.T.S. '02; m. '82; Pres. 4 L.T.S. and T.P.H. ("Prometeo"); Add: Roma, Via Antonelli 41.

Reiching Rev. Milan: Head Sloga (Concord) L.T.S. Yugoslavia.

Reid, Matthew: Rep. Queensland in Australian Senate '17-34; assisted A.B. with Commonwealth of India Bill; member for many years Australian Section Executive; Add: Brisbane.

Revel, M. Gaston: Issued for several years from '10 a tolerant bi-monthly newspaper *La Théosophie*; trans. and ed. Theos. literature; member of well known family Theos. workers, with his father Liévin Revel, author and publisher, mother, and brother Louis.

Revoredo, Senor J. F. Aguilar: Pres. Agent Peru '36-; Add: P.O. Box 900 Lima.

Reyes, Benito F.: Y.T. organizer Philippine Islands; b. '15; Theos. lecturer; prize winner in Asiatic Essay Competition, N.Y.; P: Assoc.-Ed. Sec. Journal *Lotus and Univ. Philosophy Journal*; verse and articles; Add: 305 Dimas Alang, Sampaloc, Manila.

Richet, Charles: Professor of the Faculty of Medicine, Paris; b. 1850; F.T.S. La Société Théosophique d'Orient et d'Occident '83; takes a live interest in psychic science and in international arbitration; P: for many years director of *La Revue Scientifique*, etc.; Add: 15 rue de la Université, Paris.

Riedel, Karl: b. 19-1-96; mem. Board T.S. Austria and Acting-Sec. on occasions 14 years; Theos. lect.; pub. and mgr. *Theosophische Nachrichten*; Add: Weidlingau bei Hadersdorf, Knodelhutenstrasse 64, Vienna.

Robinson, Mrs. Margaret E.: Gen. Sec. Ireland '31-32.

Roeder, Egenolf Baron von: Gen. Sec. Germany '35.

Roerich, Prof. Nicholas K. de: Master Artist whose 4,000 paintings blend East and West in beauty; many decorations; Hon. member academies; Prof. Art and Archaeological Institutes; Hon. Pres. Roerich Museum and Master School of United Arts, N.Y. '23; Hon. Pres. Union Internatl. pour le Pacte Roerich (to preserve cultural treasures as inviolable); headed '23-8 art expedition Central Asia; Founder Urusvati Himalayan Research Inst., Naggar, Punjab, India; b. 10-10-74 St. Petersburg; m. '10 Helena Ivanovna Shaposhnikov; 2 s. (Georges, Svetoslav); F.T.S. 14-6-20; Made replica of his first painting *The Messenger* for nucleus Blavatsky Museum of Art and himself brought it to Adyar Jan. '25; P: *Fiery Stronghold* '35; *Realm of Light* '31; *Shambhala* '30, and many other works on Philosophy of Beauty; Add: Naggar, Punjab, India.

Roest, Pieter Kornelis: M.C. (Leyden), Ph.D. (Chicago); Natl. Lecturer American Sec. '34-; b. 17-10-98; F.T.S.

7-11-18; Lecturer Brahmagvidya Ashrama Adyar '26-7; Student at The Manor, Sydney '27-9; Anthropol. research for Dutch Govt. on race-crossing in Java '29-30; Prof. Sociology Univ. of Toledo Ohio, and Reed Coll. Portland, Ore. till '33; Dir. Greater America Plan '33-6; m. Neeltje Bloemendaal 18-7-23; 2 sons; P: *White Magic and Its Theories* (Ph. D. thesis); *Occultism—True and False*; *Race Crossing in Java* (Dutch); Add: Olcott, Wheaton, Ill., U.S.A.

Rogers, Louis W.: Gen. Sec. U.S.A. '20-31; b. 28-5-59 nr. Cedar Rapids, Iowa; m. May S.; 2 s. (Stanley, Grayson); '85 Free Thought lect.; '90 Labour Movement leader and Ed. labour journals Colo., Ill., Calif.; imprisoned for short term with Debs; F.T.S. '03, thence devoting life to Theos.; propagandist Am. Sec. '05; two world lecture tours; '31 re-entered T.S. lecture field and retired '37; P: *Dreams and Premonitions*; *Elementary Theosophy*; *The Ghosts in Shakespeare*; *Hints to Students of Occultism*, booklets, etc. Add: 1570 Donaldson St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Rogers, Mrs. May S.: F.T.S. 11-6-04; m. L.W. (q.v.); P: Ed. *The Messenger* Oct. '15 to Aug. '18; Sub-Ed. *The Theosophist* Nov. '28-Aug. '29; Acting Ed. *Adyar Notes and News*; Add: 2033 N. Argyle Ave., Hollywood, Calif., U.S.A.

Rogina-Carbonell, Ramon: M.D.; F.T.S. '93; Co-Founder of first L.T.S. "Annie Besant," Havana '02, and Bakti-Gyam L.T.S. Sancti-Spiritus '03, Banes L. and others.

Rojas, Rt. Rev. Federico J. Farnas: L.C.C. Bishop Cuba; lecturer, writer, teacher; b. Cuba; m. 31-8-05; F.T.S. 11-1-12; Add: Apartado 365, Habana, Cuba.

Rollier, Mme Louisa: Gen. Sec. Switzerland '29-35; head Inst. Rollier, Montreux; m. '91 M. Rollier (d. '02); F.T.S. '02; Vice-Pres. Internatl. Swiss Fed. '23-6; V.-Pres. Swiss Sec. '26-28, '35-; Pres. Internatl. Centre, Geneva its 1st year; some years Vice-Pres. S.P.R. Geneva; Add: rue St. Jean 15, Geneva.

Romano Munoz, Prof. Jose: Gen. Sec. Mexico '24; b. '88; F.T.S. '14; Theos. Lecturer; Pres. Aura L. '18-9.

Romnician, Mme. Helene: Gen. Sec. Roumania, '26-34.

Rooke, George Harry: Major Leinster Regiment; F.T.S. 3-2-94; P: trans. the *Meghaduta* with preface by Rabindranath Tagore; valuable bibliography on Indian Occultism published in *The Asiatic Review* Apr. '33; d. 24-6-36.

Rucart, Marc: Minister for Justice in French Cabinet 36-; F.T.S. 3-11-24.

Rossi, Reyes Arrieta: Salvador jurist; Pres. Supreme Court, Minister of Foreign Relations, Rector Natl. Univ. etc.; 3d Pres. Teotle L.T.S. '17.

Ruspoli, Don Fabrizio dei Principi: Vice-Admiral Royal Italian Navy; naval expert Disarmament Conferences Geneva; b. 17-12-78 Rome; m. Margherita, d. Sir Chas. Dutt '05; F.T.S. 8-12-02; both workers at Adyar and for Theosophy in Italy; Don Ruspoli d. '35.

Russell, George William (AE): Hon. D.Litt.; Irish Poet, Painter, Practical Statesman; b. 10-4-67; d. 17-7-35. (See 1937 Year Book for details.)
Russell John: F.T.S. '23; Pres.-Agent China '32-5; Pres. Hong Kong L.T.S.; Add: Argyle, Morrison Hill Road, Hong Kong.

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Sadasivier, Lady: (See Sir T.) Hon. Pres. Magis. first Children's Court in India (Madras) '25; lecturer to women; d. '35.

Sadasiva Aiyar, Sir Theagaraja, Dewan Bahadur: Gen. Sec. India '24-5; Chief Judge Travancore; Dist. Judge Berhampur; Judge of High Court, Madras '12; Kt., cr. '21; Natl. lect. '24; built house Adyar '12; d. 1-12-27.

Samuels, Henry C.: Jewish Lecturer and Writer; b. Russia 24-2-86; m. Nita Greenwood '13, Dora Greenwood '21; F.T.S. 15-8-19 at Spokane, Wash.; Vice-Pres. Spokane L.; Pres. Walla Walla L.; now Head Bro. T. O. S. Besant L., Seattle; P: *Theosophy and Hebraism*, etc.; was Pres. Amer. Sec. Assoc. of Hebrew Theosophists, founded

Adyar '25, and ed. *The Jewish Theosophist*; Add: P.O. Box 323, Seattle, Wash., U.S.A.

Sanders, C. W.: Gen. Sec. New Zealand '97-18; b. 13-8-35; educ. Eng., Homeopathy; F.T.S. and Founder Auckland L. '91; V.-Pres. '91-6; Pres. '96-7; voluminous Theos. corres.; propagandist; d. 4-2-18.

Sanjiva Rao, B.: M.A. (Cantab.); Princ. Queen's Coll. Benares; Sec. Rishi Valley Trust; worker C.H.C. '09-; m. Padmabai (q.v.); P: G. S. Arundale, etc.

Sanjiva Rao, Shrimati Padmabai: B.A.; m. B. (q.v.); worker C.H.C. '09; Princ. Girls' Theos. Coll. Benares '16; Kaiser-i-Hind 1st Class Medal '29; Ex. Ctee. T.S. '37.

Santos, Delio Nobre: M.A. (Lisbon); Professor of Grammar School; Professor of Superior School of Physical Education, Lisbon; b. 10-8-12; m. 4-7-36; F.T.S. 21-5-29; Pres. Koot Hoomi L.; lecturer; leader Portuguese Young Theosophists; Sec. Directing Council Portuguese Sec.; Add: Calçada da Tapada 109, Lisbon, Portugal.

Scheffranek, Moritz: b. 21-9-64, Szokolza; m. 30-8-96 Selma (q.v.); F.T.S. Sept. '22; Treas. T. S. Austria '26-; P: Plays; Add: Vienna III, Trubelgasse 4.

Scheffranek, Selma: Teacher; b. 5-3-73 Vienna; F.T.S. '19; on Board Austrian Sec.; former Pres. Theosophenheim; Add: Vienna III, Trubelgasse 4.

Schleifer, Fritz F.: Gen. Sec. Austria Jan. '31-; Ober-Revident der Oesterr. Bundes-Bahnen; b. 16-9-92; traffic expert; m. Hélène (q.v.) 10-11-19; F.T.S. 21-6-21; Found.-Pres. Gnosis L.T.S. '24; on Austrian T.S. Board Jan. '26-; Founder Bruderschaft L.T.S. '27; lecturer Central Europe; P: *Theosophia als Weltanschauung; Der Kreuzweg nach Golgatha, ein Tierkreis-Mysterium*; Add: Theresianumgasse 12, Vienna IV.

Schleifer, Frau Helene: b. 18-6-98; m. Fritz (q.v.); F.T.S. 21-6-21; 1st Sec. Gnosis L.T.S. '24- on Gov. Board T.S. Austria Jan. '31-; T.O.S. worker.

Schrader, F. Otto: Ph.D. '02; Dir. Adyar Library 30-9-05-'15; b. '76; educ. German Univs.; scholar Sanskrit, Pali, Prakrit; acquired for Adyar rare manuscripts whose very existence was doubted; many scholarly trans.; Subba Row Medal '12; T.S. delegate '12 Congress Orientalists, Athens; Prof. Univ. Kiel, Germany, '21- (his wife co-worker); P: Descriptive Catalogue of Sanskrit MSS. Adyar Library; among his most notable trans. *The Minor Upanishats*; Intro. to the *Pancharatra and Ahirbudhanya Samhita*, etc.

Schuurman, J.P.W.: Gen. Sec. Netherlands '14-18; Treas. Eur. Fed. '29-37; Treas. Neth. Sec.; Treas. St. Michael's Trust Board; Dir. T.S. Pub. Co., Amsterdam; Add: Vasanta House, Huizen, N.H., Holland.

Schwarz, A.: Treas. T.S. '07-33; Acting Rec. Sec. '28; b. 29-5-62; F.T.S. '95; 10 yrs. mgr. Volkart Bros., Colombo; resigned 16-2-08 to devote himself to Theos.; student, linguist, violinist; donated nearly 1½ lakh rupees to T.S., including Damodar Gardens, part purchase Shanti Kunja, Benares, and constant gifts to Theos. schools; helped reorganize German Sec.; d. 3-7-33; P: *Notes on Pedigree of Man*, etc.

Schwarz, Otto: Gen. Sec. German Natl. Soc. Hannover '20-21.

Scott, Cyril: Composer, Poet, Author; b. Oxton, 27-9-79; F.T.S. 27-11-14; m. '21 Rose Laure, novelist; 1st Symphony performed at 20; orchestral and chamber works in leading cities; P: songs, piano, violin, chamber, choral, and orchestral works; *The Alchemist* (opera); *The Incompetent Apothecary* (ballet); *Nativity Hymn* (cantata); books of poetry and prose, *The Influence of Music on History and Morals*, etc. Add: 37 Ladbroke Grove, London, W. 11.

Scott, James: M.A.; Gen. Sec. Australia '97-8; F.T.S. 90's; C.H.C. '99, Natl. Lecturer Eng. '22; Princ. Coll. Junagadh, Kathiawar; d. '30.

Scott-Elliott, W.: (W. Williamson), F.T.S. London L.T.S. '90; P: *The Story of Atlantis and the Lost Lemuria*; *Man's Place in the Universe*,

and various transactions of London L.; Subba Row Medal '99 for *The Great Law*.

Scott-Moncrieff, Rev. C. W.: M.A. (Oxon.); F.T.S. 12-5-09; former Warden St. John's Coll. Auckland, N.Z.; Rector Whitchurch, Middlesex '15-30; Theos. lecturer '09-21; P: articles, pamphlets, and verse; Add: 80 St. Cross Road, Winchester, Eng.

Scriabine, Alexandre Nikolaievitch: Russian composer and Master-Musician of Theosophy; b. '29-12-71; d. '15. (For details see 1937 Year Book).

Seculici, Miss Fanny: (Bucura Dumbrava); Gen. Sec. Rumania '25-7; Rumanian author historical romances under patronage Queen Elizabeth; advocate United Europe; Theos. lect.; b. '69; d. 30-1-26; P: *The Haiduk*, *The Pandur*, etc.

Seervai, Kharsedji N.: Jt. Rec. Sec. T.S. '79-81.

Seidl, Gen. Raymundo Pinto S.: Founder and 1st Gen. Sec. Brazil '20-7—a very productive administration; d. '29.

Selby, Countess E. Bille Brahe: First Gen. Sec. Denmark, '18-22.

Selever, Miss Flora de: '32; Gen. Sec. Hungary '22-4, '27; Sec. Eur. Fed. T.S., organizing Fed. Congresses and assisting organization Geneva World Congress '36; b. 21-11-84; F.T.S. 5-3-21 Austria; during War child welfare service; '25-7 organist St. Michael's Huizen; Add: Berkenye-utca 3, Budapest III.

Sellon, Mrs. Barbara Ann (nee Porter): b. '78; Art educ. London and Paris; m. E. M. (q.v.) 26-9-04; teacher Rye Co. Day School 4 yrs.; F.T.S. Nov. '25; Sec. N.Y. Fed. T.S.; six mos. Librarian T.S. Lond.; Publicity Officer Adyar '34-6; P: many Theos. pamphlets and articles; d. Sept. '36.

Sellon, Ernest M.: Treas. T.S. Adyar '34-6; b. 10-3-76; educ. Wellington Coll. and Lond. Univ.; m. Barbara Ann Porter (q.v.); F.T.S. '28; 5 yrs. Pres. New York T.S. Fed.; Underwriter Lloyd's; Add: The White House, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Servin, Agustin: Gen. Sec. Mexico '25-7; b. '88; Theos. lecturer; Chiropractician; Pres. Sirio L.T.S. '33-4.

Shah, Chunilal V.: Inspector buildings Adyar; m. Krishnabai (M.A.), teacher Besant Memorial School.

Sharpe, Mrs. Susanna Maud: Gen. Sec. British Sec. '08-11, '13-14; F.T.S. 20-11-91; A. B. paid high tributes to her devotion and genius for organizing; worked in H.P.B.'s Girls Club East Lond.; toured Am. with A.B. '07; R.T. organizer '07; Sec. British Isles Fed. '25; Add: 5 Branksome Wood Rd., Bournemouth.

Siloti-Lazareff, Kiriena: pianist, last surviving pupil of Liszt; F.T.S. 30-1-27; m. Vera, F.T.S. 30-1-27; Add: 257 West 74th Street, New York.

Shyama Shankar Roy, Raja: Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8.

Siewierska, Mrs. Stefanja: Gen. Sec. Poland '34-; Add: Krucza 23, m. 11, Warsaw, Poland.

Silva Jr., Antonio Rodrigo da: Pioneer Theos. organizer and Gen. Sec. Portugal '24-30; Engineer-Architect whose 300 edifices are beauty spots in Portugal, one winning the Valmor Prize; founded the Sanatory Aseptic Soc.; Pres. Portuguese Tech. Club; Member Academy of Sciences; b. Paris 29-4-68; m. Sophia de Almeida 22-4-16; F.T.S. 30-1-20; Founder-Pres. Natl. League for Defence of Animals; Sec. S.P.A. many years; P: many books, leaflets, and papers, technical and Theos.; Add: Avenida Almirante Reis, No. 58, 1st Lisbon.

Silva, Sr. Oswaldo S.: Gen. Sec. Brazil '37-; F.T.S. '24; former Sec. and Pres. Perseverança L.T.S.; founded Renascença L. and Theos. review *Dharma*; Add: Rua 13 de Maio, 33/35 Fourth Floor, Rio de Janeiro.

Simons, Mrs. Emogene Sanford: A.B. (Cornell); b. 4-5-80; Eng. Examiner N. Y. State Educ. Dept. '03-; m. Fred B. S. '01 (d. '20); F.T.S. '12; founder and teacher in several L. T. S.; Founder-Princ. Theos. Corres. School Am. Sec. '23-; worker in educ. T.O.S.; P: *Introductory Course in Theosophy*

'35; Add: 656 Myrtle Ave., Albany, New York, U.S.A.

Sinha, Dewan Bahadur Purnendu Narayan: M.A., B.L.; Gen. Sec. India '19-23; b. Kandi; F.T.S. 14-12-82; Subba Row Medal '23; Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal '06; Fdr. Behar Agric. Assn.; 21 yrs. Gov. pleader; founded many schools Bankipore and Patna '95-, and '02 Patna Industrial Improvement Soc.; Municipal Commissioner 20 yrs. and M. L. C.; P: trans. *Religious Thought in the East*; *Theosophy in the Light of Hinduism*; *The Chandi or The Great Plan*; (Bengali) *Puranik Katha*; *Sri Chaitanya Katha*; d. '23.

Sinnett, Alfred Percy: Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8, '95-07, '11-21; Acting Pres. 4 mos. '07; b. 18-1-40; m. Patience '70 (d. '09); both F.T.S. 26-12-79; '65 ed. *Hong Kong Daily Press*; later leader writer *The Standard*, Lond.; '72 ed. *The Pioneer* (Allahabad), influential Anglo-Indian newspaper; offered Founders friendship in letter 25-2-79; 9 days after their landing Bombay, sought information as to their Indian mission; host to the Founders for extended visits Allahabad and Simla; '83 his Indian sympathies not pleasing the proprietor of *The Pioneer*, A.P.S. returned to Eng. and became the centre of useful work in London L.T.S.; Subba Row Medal '96; resigned T.S. '08, forming the Eleusinian Society, but returned '11, at the request of his Master to whom he was devoted; experiments in chemistry in his own laboratory and with Sir. Wm. Crookes; P: *The Occult World*; *Esoteric Buddhism*; *Incidents in the Life of Madame Blavatsky*, '86; *Occult Essays*; *Nature's Mysteries*; *Rationale of Mesmerism*; *Super-physical Science*; *Collected Fruits of Occult Teaching*; *In the Next World*; Tennyson, an Occultist; *Expanded Theosophical Knowledge*; Novels: *Karma*; *United*; Play: *Married by Degrees*, produced Lond. '11; ed. *Broad Views*; *The Mahatma Letters* (private corres.) between certain Masters and himself pub. after his d. 27-6-21; Mrs. Sinnett wrote *The Purpose of Theosophy*, one of earliest manuals.

Sisic, Dabisa: F.T.S. at 12 yrs.; Composer whose *Pastorale* was rendered Armistice Day '35 Yugoslavia.

Sisic, Mrs. Milena: Chief Bro. T.O.S. Yugoslavia.

Sitarama Shastri, A. K.: established '04 Vasant Press, Adyar, which he managed till '37; b. '60; F.T.S. '92; lecturer S. India '01-7; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Skuta, Josef: Gen. Sec. Czechoslovakia '27-9, '31-36; Geometer; b. '95; m. Alma Cerná 3-7-19; F.T.S. '11; Theos. lect. and writer; Add: Brafava 1732, Moravska, Ostrava.

Slater, Victor Wallace: B.Sc. (Lond.); b. 19-11-00; m. Doris Edwards '26; F.T.S. 13-4-20; Industrial Chemist; Mem. Science Group Lond. T.R.C.; 5 yrs. Sec. Eastern Fed. Eng.; now Treas.; P: joint author *The Field of Occult Chemistry*, etc.; Add: 13 Blenheim Crescent, Luton, Beds., Eng.

Smith, E. Lester: D.Sc. (Lond.); F.I.C.; b. '04; married; F.T.S. '28; in Science Group T.R.C. Lond.; Vitamin Research Glaxo Laboratories Ltd.; P: joint author *The Field of Occult Chemistry*; Add: 177 Northumberland Rd., North Harrow, Middlesex, Eng.

Smythe, Albert E. S.: Gen. Sec. Canada '19; Ed. *The Canadian Theosophist*, and '28-35 *The Hamilton Herald*.

Snodgrass, Miss Etha: Ph.B. (Chicago); b. 28-8-91 Eugene, Ore; F.T.S. 1-2-17; Natl. Sec. Am. T.S. Sept. '31; Add: Olcott, Wheaton, Ill., U.S.A. **Soley Guell, His Excellency, Don Tomas**: Ex-Minister of Finance; on Prov. Council Central American Lodges '27; P: *Elementos de Ciencia Hacenaria*; Add: P.O. Box 314, San José, Costa Rica, C.A.

Solomon, Jacob E.: L.M. & S.; b. 8-9-84 Poona; Ben-Israelite; m. 30-12-13 Sarah Ezekiel; F.T.S. '12; Hon. Sec. Sanitary Assn. & Red Cross, Ahmedabad; Hon. Div. Sec. Gujarat, (Bom. Pres.) Baby & Health Week Assn.; Treas. Released Prisoners' Aid Soc.; Prob. Officer Ahmedabad Child Protection Soc.; on Ahmedabad D.L.B. Med. Ctee.; Exec. Ctee. S.P.C.A.; Kaiser-i-Hind & Jubilee Medals; specializes in

occult healing; with wife works for T.S., R.T., Y.T., etc.; Add: Manipur, Ahmedabad 2, India.

Solovsky, Helena Pavlovna: D.Sc. (Geneva); b. S. Russia; F.T.S. '21; organized L.T.S. Estonia, and Yaroslav L.T.S. Yugoslavia; Sec. & Treas. of Russian T.S. headq., '36; Chief Bro. T.O.S. Russia; and head of Youth Group; writer and lecturer; P: Theos. articles, also reports of scientific research on plant physiology (autonomous movements), etc. Add: 2 rue Cherbuliez, Geneva.

Sommer, Miss Julia K.: B.Sc. (Chic.), M.A. (Columbia); Theos. and Astrological lecturer and educator; b. Germany; F.T.S. '04; Chairman Chicago Theos. Assn. L.T.S. '12-19; Prin. School of the Open Gate Hollywood, Calif. '20-5; P: *The Dramatic Instinct*; *Educational Ideals*, etc.; ed. *Child Training in the Light of Theosophy*; Add: Krotona, Ojai, Calif.

Sonek, John: Gen. Sec. Finland '19-31; b. 5-11-65; F.T.S. '05; personal friend A.B.; pub. and financed *Teosofi*; travels to many Congresses; visited Adyar '35; U.S.A. '36.

Sotheran, Chas: present at formation of T.S. New York 7-9-75; on Ctee. drafting Constitution and By-Laws; Librarian 30-10-75; P: Masonic ed. *New York Advocate*; did literary work for Sabin and Sons, booksellers, New York, on *The American Bibliopolist*, later published a small short-lived journal called *The Echo*.

Souza, O. Guimaraes de S.: Gen. Sec. Brazil '35-6.

Sparre, Fru Agnes Martens: Gen. Sec. Norway '19-28; Vice-Pres. Natl. Council of Norway Women; social and civic worker; founder many L.T.S.; Chief Bro. T.O.S. Norway; estab. Montessori home; Add: 6 Vestgrensen, Blindern, V.A., Oslo.

Spurrier, Robert H.: F.T.S. '12; Priv. Sec. to H. Baillie-Weaver '12-26; Natl. Head T.O.S. '27-34; Internatl. Head T.O.S. '34-5; chairman Exec. Ctee. Natl. Council for Animals' Welfare; also Servers of the Blind League, and Ellen Terry Homes for Mentally Defective Blind Children; also Economic

Reform Club; Add: Woodcote Lodge, Camp Road, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Srinivasa Iyengar, K.: B.A., B.E. (Madras); Hon. Consulting Engineer Adyar Headquarters '34; On Exec. Ctee T.S. Headq. '37-; b. '78; m. Srimathi Janaki Ammal '99; Govt. service '03-34 in irrigation and building projects, lecturer Coll. of Engineering, etc.; T.O.S., specially interested in prison work; on Madras Vigilance Assn. Exec. Ctee.; Add: Sadhana, 46 Lloyd Rd, Cathedral P.O., Madras.

Srinivasa Murti, Capt. G.: B.A., B.L., M.B., C.M., Vaidya Ratna '32; title he values most: "Hon. Physician for many years to Dr. Annie Besant"; Deputy for P.T.S. '34, '36; Rec. Sec. T.S. '34; on Exec. Ctee. T.S. '24; Acting Treas. '36; Hon. Dir. Adyar Library; b. '87, Gorur, Mysore, a Srivaishnava Brahmin; educ. Madras Univ., etc.; awarded 2 State scholarships, the Johnstone and many other medals and prizes; m. Shrimati Sringarammal '02; F.T.S. 1-4-15; since 1913 has served as lecturer, surgeon, Supt., Prof., in many civilian and War Hospitals throughout India; Sec. Madras Gov. (Usman) Ctee. on Indigenous Medicine, whose report *The Science and Art of Indian Medicine* led Gov. to found a School of Indian Medicine giving the great sciences of Hindu and Islamic medicine their rightful place with western medical science in the curriculum; at request of Gov. of Madras, drew up curricula for School and was 1st Princ. 6-1-25; 1st Pres. Central Board Indian Medicine, Madras; Head of Dept. controlling over 350 institutions; Pres. Ayurvedic Conf. throughout India; one of founders Madras Med. Assn.; many years Sec. and Ed. *Madras Medical Journal*; worker in many movements promoting National wellbeing; Sanskrit scholar, student philosophy and eloquent speaker; P: Theos. and med.; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Sri Ram, Shrimati Bhagirathi: m. Nilakanta Sri Ram (q.v.); Head Baby Welfare Clinic Adyar; on Dist. Board

Chingleput; on Exec. Ctee. Adyar Headq. 36-; F.T.S. 13-12-12.

Sri Ram, Nilakanta: B.A. (Madras); Treas. T.S. '37; b. Dec. '89; m. Bhagirathi (q.v.) '08; F.T.S. '08; priv. sec. A.B. '29-33; Assoc. Ed. *New India Daily and Weekly*; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Stanford, Mrs. M. H.: Child Welfare Worker; F.T.S. 27-2-29 S. Africa; Hon. organizing Sec. the Madras Children's Aid Soc. '24-30; assisted in organizing similar movement Ceylon; Add: Plaston, E. Transvaal, S. Africa.

Staples, J. C.: English Artist who at A.B.'s invitation became Gen. Sec. Australasia '94-6, Australia '96-7; d. Apr. '97.

Stark, Lipot: Engineer; Gen. Sec. Hungary '10-11; F.T.S. '06.

Steiner, Rudolf: Ph.D.; Gen. Sec. Germany '02-12; Subba Row Medal '09; b. '61 Upper Austria; clairvoyant from childhood; F.T.S. '02; rep. Theosophy at 4th Internatl. Congress Philosophy '11; Founder The Anthroposophical Society; P: *The Way of Initiation*; *Initiation and Its Results*; *Truth and Science*; *The Philosophy of Liberty*, etc.; helped re-edit Goethe's scientific works; ed. *Deutsche Wochenschrift*; d. Apr. '25.

Stephani, Mlle Helene: Gen. Sec. Switzerland '10-26; F.T.S. '04; Co-Founder Swiss Natl. Sec. T.S. '10; ed. and mgr. *Revue Maurice*; singer; d. '34.

Stok, J. E. van der: Prof. Tropical Agric. Univ. of Wageningen; has undertaken various missions in Europe for Dutch Govt.; Trustee St. Michael's Centre, Huizen; m. Hilda Schalkwijk, LL.D. (Leyden); one s., two d. Add: Englaan 16, Wageningen, Holland.

Stone, Ernest: Sec.-Treas. Adyar Day Fund U.S.A.-'37; Add: P.O. Box 91, Ventura, Cal.

Stopel, Carlos: Gen. Sec. Argentina '28-32.

Studd, Samuel: retired company manager; b. 28-6-63; educ. Eng.; m. 22-12-90 Melbourne; Theos. student '87; F.T.S. Oct. '94; Sec. and Treas. Melbourne Lodge '95-07; Pres. from '08 for 13 years in broken periods, and

in '37 for opening of new Headq. for which he is largely responsible; on Melbourne L. Ctee. 1894; on Council Australian Sec. '94; on Council Australian Sec. '94; on Exec. Ctee. '97; Organizing Chief Kt. R.T.; P: *Salvation; Concerning H.P.B.*, etc.; Add: 187 Collins St., Melbourne, **Subbaramayya, Chittamur**: b. May '71; F.T.S. '03; Asst. Supt. Bhojanasala, Adyar '19-24; Supt. Mar. '29; Found. Sec. Bharata Samaja '20; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Subbarayudu, C.: Manager Vasanta Press, Adyar '35; Assist. '20-35; formerly Govt. serv.; '16-20 teacher Madanapalle H.S.; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Subba Row, T.: B.L.; Brilliant Madras lawyer; occult student whose stores of philosophical knowledge were unlocked '82 on meeting H.P.B.; b. 6-7-56, Niyogi caste Smarta (Advaita) Brahmans, Godavari Dist.; trained by his uncle (Dewan to the Rajah of Pithapur); educ. Madras Coll. '72-6 with 1st Hons.; Registrar High Court Baroda; P: *Discourses on the Bhagavad Gita* (Conv. lect. '86); *Philosophy of the Bhagavad Gita*; *Collection of Esoteric Writings* (posth.) etc.; d. 24-6-90.

Subramania Iyer, M.: Research Secretary, Adyar. Nov. '36; F.T.S. '96; on Sec. Council India '06-10; Burma '11-16; Ceylon '28; Jt. Gen. Sec. Burma '11-16; worker T.E.T. '05-16; lecturer S. India '19-28; Natl. lect. Burma '96-17; Mgr. T.P.H. Adyar '29-35; P: *Theosophy and Buddhism*; ed. *Message of Theosophy*, Rangoon; '04-16; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Subramania Iyer, Sir S.: K.C.I.E., LL.D.; Vice-Pres. T.S. '07-11; Rec. Sec. T.S. '05-6; b. 1-10-42 Madura; B.L. (Madras); first Indian to become Gov. Pleader '87 and Vice-Chancellor Madras Univ. '04; '95-07 permanent Judge High Court Madras, thrice Chief Justice; Kt. 1-1-07; Hon. LL.D. Mar. '08; F.T.S. '82; Founder-Pres. Madura L.T.S. '84; constant adviser P.T.S. from '85; founded C.H.C. annual Bhavani Prize '06; Co-Founder Natl. Congress of India '85; active worker as Hon. Pres. Home Rule League; appealed to Pres. Wilson

in famous letter of 1917 to use America's influence for Indian Home Rule; investigated many fields meditation; d. 5-12-24; '35 statue erected by Senate of Madras Univ., replica of statue at Adyar.

Sulli-Rao, Giuseppe: b. '68; F.T.S. 15-5-03; from '07 to d. 26-2-35 made Ars Regia Pub. House a centre Theos. propaganda; Pres. L.T.S. Italy. **Sumangala, Maha Nayaka Thera H.**: Great leader Southern Buddhism and staunch friend of Theosophy; b. 20-1-27 Hikkaduwa, Ceylon; dedicated at 5; novice 12; monk 22; High Priest Sripada Temple, Adam's Peak and Galle Dist.; Fdr.-Princ. Vidyodaya Coll., Maligakanda '73; sponsored H.S.O.'s work for Buddhism; his Imprimatur pronounced *Buddhist Catechism* orthodox; Chairman Priests' Assn. Buddhist Sec. T.S. '80; Hon. Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-8; Maha Nayaka, High Priest of the Low Country '90; an office 50 years vacant; d. 30-4-11.

Sundaram Chettiar, Dewan Bahadur K.: B.A., B.L.; retd. Judge Madras High Court; b. 18-11-75; F.T.S. 3-1-03; Add: Raja Villa, Salem, India.

Suzuki, Mrs. Beatrice Lane: F.T.S. 21-4-20; wife of Dr. D.T. Suzuki, poet-philosopher; Add: 61 Higashi-Onocho Koyama, Kyoto, Japan.

Svensen, Christian: Gen. Sec. Denmark, '22-9; Architect; b. 14-1-69 Copenhagen; m. 15-1-95 Mary; F.T.S. '08; Add: Gl. Kongevej 105, Copenhagen, V.

Sverrild, H.O.: Gen. Sec. Denmark '29-35.

Swamy, C.R.N.: Gen. Sec. Burma Fed. Y.T.; worker Humanitarian League; Add: 102 Forty-ninth St., Rangoon.

Syed, Mohammad Hafiz: Ph. D. (Lond.); D. Litt. (Montpelier); M.A. (Bombay); Lecturer, Oriental Dept. Allahabad Univ. b. '86; F.T.S. '04; lecturer India and Europe; Vice-Pres. Anand L.T.S.; P: books and articles on oriental and philosophical subjects, inc. *Optimism in Indian Thought* in 1933; Add: 13 A Chatham Lines, Allahabad.

Szentmarjay, Dezso : First Gen. Sec. Hungary '06-08; F.T.S. '06.

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Tagore, Maharajah Bahadur Sir Joteendro Mohun : K.C.S.I.; Zemin-dar; b. '31; on Supreme Legis. Council India '77, '79, '81; title of "Maharaja" made hereditary '91; charter F.T.S. Bengal L. 19-4-82; d. '08.

Tagore, Raja Sir Sourindro Mohun : Kt., C.I.E. '08; Mus. Doc. (Oxon.); b. '40; Pres.-Founder Bengal Music S. '71 and Academy '81; received over 30 distinctions, including foreign knighthoods, learned societies, etc.; P: 60 works in English, Sanskrit, Bengali; charter F.T.S. '82 Bengal L.; d. 28-6-14.

Takach, Bela de : Painter and architect; many years Vice-Pres. Hungarian Sec. prior to '24.

Talbot, James : Publicity worker with L. W. Rogers over 30 years, putting hundreds of books in U.S.A. libraries; b. 4-10-54; F.T.S. 10-7-03; Add: Hon-do, Calif., U.S.A.

Tapp, Stanway : b. '76; Mgr. Illustrations Dept. West Australian Newspapers Ltd.; Artist, writer, lecturer; P: *Aspiration, Twilight, Rhythm*, etc.; Add: Arundale Hall, Museum St., Perth, W.A.

Taraporewala, Irach J.S. : Ph.D.; writer on Iranian and Zoroastrian subjects; Princ. M. F. Cama Athor-nan Inst. for Parsi Priests, Andheri, Bom-bay; former Headmaster Central Hindu Collegiate School, Benares, and Prof. Calcutta Univ.; F.T.S. 5-4-09; Pres. Theos. Zarathosti League; s. of Jehangir Sorabji (q.v.); P: *The Religion of Zarathustra*, etc.

Tatya, Tukaram : cotton merchant Bombay; F.T.S. 2-5-80; in free Homeo-pathic clinic treated 40,000 patients mesmerically in 18 yrs.; Hindu press pub. Sanskrit and English classics; a T.S. Trustee; P: *A Guide to Theos-ophy* '87, etc.; d. 2-6-98.

Tauseca, Francisco Esteves da : Physician; b. Lamego, Portugal 3-3-62; m. Isabel James 17-12-92; F.T.S. '21; Vice-Pres. Portugal T.S. several years; Vice-Pres. Isis L. Lecturer for T.S.; with high frequency current apparatus

of d'Arsonval, made interesting research on auras; P: Medical treatises, Add: Rua Barata Salgueiro, 56 Rez de Chao, Lisbon, Portugal.

Taw Sein Ko : Archaeologist and student of Comparative Religion; earnest T.S. worker revived the Bud-dhist Lodge in Rangoon, '99.

Telang, D.K. : Gen. Sec. India '29-33; s. K.T.T. (q.v.); mgr. *New India*; on Gen. Council T.S. '35-7; Add: Vasanta-vihar, Adyar, Madras, India.

Telang, Kashinath Trim bak : Justice Bombay High Court; Speaker '79 T.S. Conv.

Telang, Pandharinath Kashinath : M.A., LL.B.; e.s. K.T.T. (q.v.); C.H.C. '09-; Princ. Theos. Coll. and Theos. Natl. Boys S. Benares; on Gen. Council T.S. helped ed. *New India*; d. 5-6-29.

Thiel Sr., Matthias van : F.T.S. 8-5-12; on Exec. Ctee. N.I. Section; Priest L.C.C.; b. 3-6-81; agric. educ. Holland; m. 2-11-04 Lilie (née Zell); Pres. Kediri L., F.T.S. 8-5-12. Add: St. Raphael, Djoenggo, East Java.

Thittila, Patamagyaw U. (Rev.) : a

Buddhist bhikkhu and Prof. of Pali in Rangoon monastery, now researching in Adyar Library, acting as Hon. Librarian '37; b. 1-7-00; F.T.S. 22-11-35; P: *How to write Pali*.

Thomson, Rt. Rev. John Ross :

Gen. Sec. New Zealand '18-25; Assist.

04-18; b. Scotland 29-5-73; social

worker in Britain; F.T.S. 30-10-00;

many years Pres. H.P.B. Lodge, Auck-

land; cons. Bishop L.C.C. 18-5-24;

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land, N.Z.

Torra, Mrs. Esther de (née Nicolau) :

Gen. Sec. Spain '28-31; b. Barcelona

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F.T.S. 30-9-13; Sec. the Internatl. Cor-

respondence League many years; Vice-

Pres. Spanish Sec.; Add: Claris 5,

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Torrente, Trinidad Matias Usero :

M.A.; Priest Salesian Order; b. 13-5-75;

F.T.S. '14; m. 25-8-32; P: many books

and newspaper articles, etc.; Add:

Retiro de San Felipe, Ferrol, Spain.

Trevino, y Villa, Manuel : earliest

living Spanish F.T.S.; b. '65; F.T.S.

15-2-92; Pres. Madrid L.T.S.; Vice-Pres. Sec. T.S.; P: *Escritura Egipcia*; *La Magia Egipcia*; etc.; ed. *Syphia* 20 yrs.; Add: Hustraction 2, 3d B., Madrid.
Trew, Miss Violet Corona Gwynne: B.Sc. (Hons.); Ph.D. (Lond); Lecturer Chemistry Lond. Univ.; Theos. lecturer; in Science Group T.R.C.; b. 26-6-02; F.T.S. Apr. '24; P: (collab.) *Studies in Evolutionary Psychology*, etc.; Add: Stamford House, Wimbledon Common, London, S.W. 19.

Trewman, H. F.: M.A. (Cantab.), M.I.E.E.; Prof. Engineering Woolwich; in Science Group T.R.C.; on Exec. Ctee Sec. '34-7; Theos. lecturer; b. 22-5-92; m. 6-1-22; F.T.S. Mar. '30; P: *Electrification of Railways*, etc.; Add: Military College of Science, Woolwich, London, S.E. 18.

Trifonoff, Nicolas: Gen. Sec. Bulgaria '30-2, '35-; b. 13-1-83; educ. Sofia Univ.; assisted in liberating Bulgaria; F.T.S. '10; ret. '34 from responsible Gov. post; P: *Orpheus* (Theosophic Review), etc.

Trilokekar, C. S.: M.A. (Bombay); Supt. Princess Shri Chand Kunwarji Orphanage and King George V Infirmary, Bikaner; b. 7-1-77; m. Shrimati Kamalabai, M.A., 7-3-35; F.T.S. Oct. '04; Prof. C.H.C. Benares '09-13; Princ. Madanapalle Coll. '13-18, '23-33; Princ. Sind Natl. Coll. '18; Bro. of Service '17; Teachers' Natl. Coll. '19-23; lecturer Brahmavidyashram Adyar '21-23; P: *Life of Chaitanya*, etc.; Add: Rishi Valley School, Dt. Chittoor.

Tripet, Georges Roger: Gen. Sec. Switzerland '35-; b. 12-1-03; m. Rachel Dunand 1-10-27; F.T.S. '30; Pres. En Avant L.T.S.; verbatim reporter The League of Nations, etc.; organizer (wife Treas.) Geneva World Congress, '36; Add: 1 Avenue Flournoy, Eaux Vives, Geneva.

Turin, Emilio: Gen. Sec. Italy '18-19; Engineer; m. Rosa della Valle '94; F.T.S. 16-1-07; P: *Elimenti di Teosofia*; d. '33.

Turner, Miss E. M.: Gen. Sec. Central S. Africa '33-6; House mistress Roedeaan, S. Johannesburg; musician; Camp

Organizer Girl Guides; P: ed. *The Link*; Add: P.O. Box 47, Pretoria.

Tweedie, Rt. Rev. David Morton: b. '57, old Scottish family; m. Mary Coulls Hamilton '91; F.T.S. '10; Priest L.C.C. '16; 11 yrs. vicar Brisbane; Regionary Bishop L.C.C. Australia 32; Add: The Manor, Mosman, N.S.W.

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Udny, Rev. Ernest Francis: M.A.; Priest L.C.C.; b. 16-8-53; F.T.S. '96; 45 years service T.S. as lecturer and writer; Pres.-Founder Ahimsa Crusade; League '26; P: *Original Christianity*; *Later Incarnations of Sir Francis Bacon*; *Christ's Love for Animals*; *The Church of the One Life*; d. 27-1-35.

Ulmansky, Alex: First head World Peace Union; Theos. worker Yugoslavia.

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Valle, Daniel del: Painter whose portraits of T.S. leaders hang in Mexican Headq.; Pres. Sirius L.; d. '35.

van Gelder, K.: publicity officer Australian Sec. in early twenties; Add: Lucknow, U.P., India.

van Ginkel, Johannes Jacobus: Commissioner of Oaths; F.T.S. '25; Provincial Sec. Transvaal Fed. T.S. 37; Pres. Pretoria L.T.S. '33, '35, '37; Rotary Club and social worker; banker and mgr. Southern Life Assn.; b. Amsterdam 31-12-83; m. '08; Add: Box 248, Pretoria.

van Hook, Weller: M.D.; Gen. Sec. U.S.A. '07-12; b. 14-5-62; educ. Michigan; Prof. Surgical Pathology Chicago Coll. Phys. and Surg.; introduced revolutionizing operations; invented surgical instruments; Prof. Surgery Northwestern Univ., etc.; built Rajput Press; gave life to Theos.; '12 founded Akbar L.T.S., Reincarnation and Karma Legion and Woman's Protection Legion; P: *The Cultural System*; *The Future Way*; *Voyages*, etc.; d. June '33.

van Manen, Johan: C.I.E.; F.T.S. 95; from '97 trans. for H.S.O.; '04-6 Hon. Sec. 1st Conv. Fed. Eur. Sec.; '09-16 Asst. Dir. Adyar Library, furnishing it rare MSS.; toured with C.W.L.; now Gen. Sec. Royal Asiatic Soc.

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Vargas, F. Valles: Gen. Sec. Argentina '19-20.

Vasilescu, Mrs. Eugenia: Gen. Sec. Rumania '34-; b. 25-12-81; educ. Switzerland; m. '05 Col. M.; F.T.S. '29; Pres. Activitatea L.T.S. '32-3; Add: Bd. Elisabeta 91 bis, Bucharest 1.

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Veale, Miss Helen F.R.: B.A. (Lond.); b. Nov. '76; F.T.S. '07; '16 co-founder Women's Coll. Benares; later Princ. and V.-Princ. Coll. and School; '23-5 in charge Sri Saraswati Patasala, Kumbakonam; '25-31 Benares; '31- in charge Natl. Girls' High School, Mylapore; formerly Sec. Blavatsky L., London; also Sec. Adyar L. and Pres. '37-; P: Theos. articles; Add: Sevashrama, Adyar, Madras, India.

Veale, Miss Kathleen: b. '74; F.T.S. 1-10-07; Sec. Croydon L. 3 yrs.; Pres. W. London L. till '16; '17 in charge Montessori co-ed. school Karachi for A.B.; later schools Jodhpur, Benares, Kumbakonam; now Mylapore assisting Helen F.R.V. (sister); Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Velasco, Joaquin: b. Spain '82; Theos. lecturer and Lodge organizer Cuba and Mexico '14-21; Pres. Aura L. '22; in Spain '24-38.

Venkateswaran, Manjappa Venkitakrishna: M.A., J.P.; b. 15-9-92; F.T.S. Feb. '14; educ. work Madanapalle, Madras, Bombay; Deputy Chief Commissioner Indian Boy Scouts and officer many Scout organizations; Officer-in-charge League of Nations (Indian Bureau) Bombay till '37 and transferred to Geneva; Add: Carlton Parc Hotel, Geneva.

Verhage, A.: Gen. Sec. Burma '14-19; '20-22; '24-5; F.T.S. '11; has given generous aid to Theos. and educ. activities; now Pres. Rangoon L.

Veronesi, Egizio: See Egypt, (National Summaries).

Vijayaraghava Charlu, T.: (Ananda) Rec. Sec. T.S. '85, '86-7,

'88, '94; Treas. T.S. '89-90, '94-03; many years Mgr. *The Theosophist*; Priv. Sec. H.S.O.; b. early 60's; d. Dec. '06.

Viking, Rev. Otto Emil: b. 2-10-83 Civil Engineer; F.T.S. '11; his home from '24 centre for Theos. Summer Schools, etc.; Priest L.C.C.; Vicar-Gen. '25-; Add: Tillitse, Denmark.

Vincenty, Francisco: Gen. Sec. Puerto Rico, '25-30.

Vreede, Rt. Rev. Adrian Gerard: LL.D. (Leyden); Kt. Order of the Lion (Netherland), Kt. Légion d'Honneur, Officer of Order of the Black Star (France); late Dir. Labour Office and Gov. Sec. Netherlands Indies; b. The Hague 2-7-77; m. '02 Johanna A. Bakker; both F.T.S. '00; many years T.S. Lodge Officer in Holland; Sec. Natl. Council Netherlands Indies; worker in Java '09-18, '21-34; Sydney '18-21; ord. Priest L.C.C. 6-7-19; cons. Bishop for Neths. Indies 15-8-28; app. for Netherlands May '35; Add: Zijdweg 38, Wassenaar, Holland.

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Wachtelborn, Karl: Gen. Sec. Germany '16.

Wachtmeister, Count Axel Raoul: only s. Constance (q.v.); conducted two orig. compositions World Congress T.S., Paris '21; Opera "Prince Siddhartha" performed English Conv., London, '36.

Wachtmeister, Countess Constance: b. Florence, de Bourbel family '39; m. '63 Swedish and Norwegian Minister Lond. (d. '71); F.T.S. '81 from spiritualism; magnificent work for Theos. throughout world; helped A.B. in her Indian work; P: *Incidents in the Life H.P.B.*; ed. 5 years *Theosophical Siftings*; d. 23-9-10.

Wadhwan, H.H. Daji Raja Chandra Singhjee: Rajput prince reigning in Kathiawar State; Vice-Pres. T.S. '80-5; m. d. Rajah Gajapati Row, a T.S. Councillor; d. '85.

Wadia, Khurshedji Jamshedji Bomanji: Propagandist, lecturer and writer; b. 28-10-77; m. Goolbanoo D. Moos 22-11-14; F.T.S. 30-12-07; Sec. Blavatsky L. Bombay '13-16, '20-30; Delegate of Parsi Matrimonial

Court and Social Worker; P: *Fifty Years of Theosophy*, etc.; Add: The Glory, Juhu, Bombay.

Walker, Rt. Rev. John: Gen. Sec. S. Africa '21-3.

Wallace, Sir Alfred Russel: O.M., etc.; British Naturalist; b. 8-1-23; F.T.S. '76 and prominent worker; d. 7-11-13; (for scientific achievements, see '37 Year Book.)

Wallace, Lewis Alexander Richard: Gen. Sec. European Fed. T.S. '06-13; F.T.S. 11-11-03.

Wardall, Capt. Max: LL.B. (Wash.); b. Iowa 13-11-79; m. Lillian Lewis '30; F.T.S. '98; Natl. Lect. U.S.A.; with A.B. on tours; Internatl. Dir. T.O.S.; P: *Mind Radio*, etc.; Ed. *Service*; d. '34.

Wardall, Rt. Rev. Ray: Bishop L.C.C.; m. Heloise; Add: 2616 Walnut Ave., Seattle, U.S.A.

Warrington, Albert Powell: Vice-Pres. T.S. '28-33; Acting Pres. '33-4; Gen. Sec. U.S.A. '12-20; on Gen. Council '35-7; b. 27-8-66 Maryland; Attorney; m. Betty Stoner; F.T.S. June '96; pers. rep. A.B. Am. '07-28; Co-founder Krotona, Hollywood, also Ojai; Vice-Pres. Krotona Institute; toured with A.B.; cultured lecturer; P: *Theosophy and Occultism in Encycl. Americana*, etc.; Add: Ojai, Calif., U.S.A.

Watters, Hallie: M.A. (Stanford); b. 17-5-86; F.T.S. 22-8-12; m. Warren (q.v.) 28-7-15; teacher World History Omaha Tech. H.S. '24; Theos. worker '12; P: *The Pythagorean Way of Life*.

Watters, Warren P.: b. 24-11-90; Supervisor of Music Palo Alto Pub. Schools; Dir. Inst. Music Omaha Tech. H.S. '24; m. Hallie McKowen 28-7-15; Theos. lecturer '12; Pres. West Central Fed. T.S.; Works: *Alma Mater* and other songs; Add: 3111 Pacific St., Stn. B., Omaha, Neb., U.S.A.

Wedgwood, Rt. Rev. James Inghall: D.Sc. (Sorbonne) '21; b. Lond. '83, descendant Josiah Wedgwood, Master-Potter of Etruria; trained as analytical chemist; studied organ construction and organist at 14, before 18 an architect, writing some standard

texts '04-; F.T.S. '04, giving up work as pupil of the organist York Cathedral to serve Theos. as lecturer, Eng.; Gen. Sec. Eng. '11-13, of Eur. Fed. '13-21; studied for Holy Orders Anglican Church; '13 ordained Priest Old Catholic Church by Archbishop Matthew; elec. Pres. Bishop reconstructed Church and consecrated Feb. '16 by Bishop Willoughby; soon after Eng. Division was changed from Old Catholic Church in Great Britain to Liberal Catholic Church, and Bishop Wedgwood (assisted by C. W. Leadbeater) was largely responsible for *Liturgy*, *Statement of Principles*, and *Summary of Doctrine*; world tours in service L.C.C., T.S.; '24-30 built up Huizen Centre; resigned '30 because of ill health; now at Tekels Park, Camberley, Surrey, Eng.; P: *The Distinctive Contribution of Theosophy to Christian Thought*; *Meditation for Beginners*; *Varieties of Psychism*; *The Presence of Christ in the Holy Communion*; *The Larger Meaning of Religion*; many Theos. and technical works; Add: as above.

Weeks, Miss Netta E.: b. 14-1-65; F.T.S. 18-1-94; Sec. Chicago L.T.S. in U.S.A. '95-6 and helped reorganize Sec.; Dec. '99- May '05 Sec. H.S.O. Adyar; as Asst. Rec. Sec. helped systematize records; now Hon. Member Am. Sec.; Add: 6060 Selma Ave., Hollywood, Calif., U.S.A.

Weisse, John A.: F.T.S. 24-5-78 Vice-Pres. T.S. 30-8-78 to '80; distinguished philologist and author of *Origin, Progress, and Destiny of the English Language and Literature*; analyzed *Isis Unveiled* and found it classically perfect English.

Wells, Mgr. Arthur A.: Gen. Sec. Eng. '00-1; musician; Catholic theologian; res. 18-1-08.

Westcott, William Wynn: D.P.H., M.R.C.S.; Learned Kabalist and authority on Symbolism; founded Adelphi L.T.S. '91 Lond.; P: *Numbers: Their Occult Power*; *Suicide, Its History and Causation*, etc.; d. July 1925.

Whyte, Mrs. Ethel Mary: née Mallet; b. '69; m. George Herbert (q.v.) '08; F.T.S. 19-7-94; from '95 gave her

life to Theos. service, specializing on youth activities: Lotus Circle, Co-Founder R.T. '07; conducted hostel Lond. for Indian students '08-10; charter-member Natl. Council, Eng.; on Exec. Ctee. Eng. T.S. '07-15; Adyar '31-4; Geneva '35-7; P: *First Steps in Theosophy*; co.-ed. with G.H.W., *Lotus Journal*; *The Young Age* '13-17, etc. Add: Whitwells, Isle of Wight, Eng.

Whyte, Lieut. George Herbert: M.C. (posth.) for storming the almost impregnable fort of Jerusalem 7-8 Dec. '17; shot while defending Jerusalem 21-12-17; b. Theos. parents '78; F.T.S. 25-5-94; m. E.M. (q.v.); Sec. C.W.L. '95; Founder Round Table; Sr. Kt. '07-; Asst. Mgr. many yrs. Theos. Pub. Soc. Lond.; with volunteer hospital unit France '14; 2d Lieut. Lond. Irish Rifles '16; while on special duty Malta, did research on Knights of Malta or St. John; P: *Is Theosophy Anti-Christian? The Great Teachers; A Sketch of the Life of H. P. Blavatsky; and Glimpses of the Great War* (posthumous from letters).

Wickramasinghe, Sugiswara Abeywardene: M.B., B.S. (Lond.), etc; b. 10-7-01; F.T.S. '25; m. Doreen Young, B.Sc. (Lond.); Gen. Sec. Ceylon T.S. '30-3; Add: Aturliya Akunesa, Ceylon.

Wiert van Coehoorn, H.P.A.: Only remaining charter member Netherlands Sec. (q.v.); Natl. Sec. many years; administrator Wilhelmina Catherina School.

Wilcox, Mrs. Ella Wheeler: Poet and Journalist, U.S.A.; b. '55; d. 30-10-19.

Wild, Henry Douglas: Ph.D. (Chicago); Prof. Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, N.J.; b. 19-11-93; m. Imogen Riley '26; F.T.S. '26; Pres. Ann Arbor L.T.S. '26-7; chairman Natl. Theos. Ctees. for Interpretation of Theos. through literature; P: *Brotherhood and Beauty*; etc.; Add: as above.

Wilder, Prof. Alex: M.D., F.A.S., Journalist, Author; Vice-Pres. T.S. '77-80; b. 14-5-1823 N.Y.; ed. *Syracuse Star* '52-3; N.Y. *Evening Post* '58-71; Prof. Psychological Science

U.S. Med. Coll. N.Y.; H.S.O.'s friend '62; wrote portion chapter *Before the Veil for Isis Unveiled* and compiled index; ed. *The Older Academy*; trans. and commentator many works on symbolism, philosophy, etc.

Williams, D. Jeffrey: Internatl. Dir. T.O.S. '36-; Publicity Sec. Eng. '36; b. 25-9-88; m. Jolan Polatschek, artist, '28; F.T.S. '15; formerly Natl. Organizer T.S. Wales; was on Glamorgan Co. Council and Court Univ. Wales; is on Exec. Ctee. Natl. Council for Animals Welfare; Natl. Council for Abolition of Death Penalty; London Ctee. for African Affairs; Sec. Pit Ponies Protection Soc., Lond.; P: *Druidic Teachings; The Pit Ponies' Case*, etc. Add: 1 Crediton Hill, London, N.W. 6.

Williamson, Arleigh Boyd: M.A.; b. '88; m. '22; F.T.S. '11; Theos. lecturer Pittsburgh '11-24; N.Y. '24-30; former actor and dir. professional theatre; from '19 Prof. Eng. and Public Speaking various univ.; '24- Administrative Chairman Dept. of Speech, Washington Sq. Coll., N.Y. Univ.; P: *Speaking in Public*, etc. Add: care of Olcott, Wheaton, Ill. U.S.A.

Willis, Frederick Milton: b. 16-6-68; F.T.S. '02; Pres. Several L.T.S.; Sec. '10 World Fed. League; P: *Recurring Earth Lives*, etc.; Add: 424 1st St. Brooklyn, N.Y., U.S.A.

Willson, Miss A.J.: Librarian Lond. Headq.; from '94 personal assistant to A.B. at Benares and Adyar and accompanied her on tours; '97- Hon. Sec. Girls' School Benares; Add: Adyar, Madras, India.

Wilson, H. Arthur: Gen. Sec. Australia '01-2; Asst. Gen. Sec. '96-01; b. '63 Yorkshire; F.T.S. '91; pioneer Harrogate L.T.S.; m. '97; Princ. Hindu High School, Srinagar, Kashmir.

Wittemans, Frans: Barrister; b. 22-1-72; m. Wilhelmine Hallo 12-7-00; F.T.S. 2-12-10; Pres. Perseverance L. '11-; P: *The History of the Rosicrucians*; Add: Haringrode St. 5, Antwerp, Belgium.

Wodehouse, Ernest Armine: educ. Oxford taking double 1st, and 3 Univ.

prizes inc. Newdigate; all-round sportsman, brilliant pianist; versatile linguist; Prof. Eng. Lit. Elphinstone Coll. Bombay '05; Deccan College, Poona; C.H.C.'11; Scots Guards outbreak of War, wounded; recruiting officer British Foreign Office; later at Adyar edit. work on *New India* and Theos. jnls.; again Deccan Coll. Poona-'34; bro. P.G.W. novelist; P: *A World Expectant*; witty verses and articles as "Senex" in *The Times of India*; d. Cheltenham, Eng. Oct. '36.

Wood, Miss Beatrice: Educ. France, U.S.A.; F.T.S. '22; Designer pottery; P: articles on art; 3 occult plays; Add: 11303 Sarah St., Hollywood, U.S.A.

Wood, Ernest: Sattwikagraganya (awarded by Head of Mysore monastery); b. '83 Eng.; m. Hilda Larmuth '16; F.T.S. '02; lecturer 30 years in 40 countries; '80 at Adyar assisted A.B. in educ. work, scouting, etc.; Founder Theos. Coll. Madanapalle; founder and Princ. Sind Natl. Coll. Hyderabad; Hon. Sec. some years to C.W.L.; Rec. Sec. T.S. '29-33; candidate for P.T.S. '34; P: *A Guide to Theosophy*; *Reincarnation*; *Concentration*; *Memory Training*; *Character Building*; *Destiny*; *Intuition of the Will* ('24 Subba Row Medal); *The Seven Rays*; *Raja Yoga*; *An Englishman Defends Mother India*, etc.; Add: Concord House, Ootacamund, Nilgiris, S. India.

Woods, Miss Charlotte Emma: Writer on Theosophy and Mysticism, etc.; Scholarly lecturer; F.T.S. '89; P: *The Gospel of Rightness*; *The Self and Its Problems*; *The Philosophy of Reincarnation*; biographies, etc. Add: Graythorpe, Kingswood, Surrey, Eng.

Woodward, F. L.: M.A. (Cantab.); Pali and Buddhist Scholar; F.T.S. '01; Princ. Mahinda Buddhist Coll. Ceylon '03-19; Acting Librarian Adyar and lecturer Brahmagvidya Ashrama '22-5; P: *Pictures of Buddhist Ceylon*; *Francis Bacon and the Cipher Story*; *Buddhist Stories*; some 20 Pali trans.; articles etc.; Add: Rowella, Tasmania.

Wright, George Herman: B. Sc., M. D. (Homeopath); b. 11-8-58; an authority on neurasthenic and psychopathic disorders, founder of first san-

itarium nr. Washington, D.C.; world lecture tour '20-1; Pres. Washington L.T.S. 7 years; d. 20-7-30.

Wrzesniewska, Mme. W.: Gen. Sec. Poland '29-33.

Wu Ting-Fang: Chinese statesman and pioneer Theosophist, wrote first Theosophical manual in Chinese; '16, Pres. Shanghai L., first T.S.L. in East Asia; b. '42; educ. St. Paul's Coll., Hongkong, and Lincoln's Inn, Lond.; LL.D (Hon.); Minister to U.S.A. '96, '07; Judge Internatl. Court Arbitration, The Hague '05; served China, Old and New, in many capacities; revised treaties, codified laws; negotiated peace between North and South and terms of Manchu abdication; d. '22.

Wyngaard, Raul A.: Gen. Sec. Argentina '35-; Add: Calle José Ingenieros No. 124, Rosario.

X-Y-Z

Xifre, Don Jose: b. '56 North of Spain; educ. with the late King Alfonso who claimed him as his "disinterested friend"; F.T.S. 22-8-89; scholar and nobleman; devoted his life and wealth to the spread of Theosophy in Spain; Pres. Agent '89-20; pres. Madrid L.T.S. until his d. Oct. '20; ed. and financed *Sophia* 21 years; '05 presented Vasantapuram gateway to Adyar.

Yeats, William Butler: Irish poet, pupil of H.P.B.; Hon. D. Litt. (Oxon.) '32; Senator Irish Free State '22-; b. Dublin 13-6-65; m. '17 Georgie Lees; left art for literature at 21; awarded Nobel Prize '23; P: 41 works of poetry and drama; Add: Abbey Theatre, Dublin.

Zalk, Louis: b. 28-11-83; F.T.S. 11-6-13; Pres. Happy Valley Foundation; Trustee Krotana Board of Trustees; Add: 6605 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., U.S.A.

Zander, Gustaf: Organizing Gen. Sec. Scandinavia '95-6; seceded '95 with Judge.

Zanelli, Armando: Gen. Sec. Chile '20-5.

Zapata, Ismael S.: Gen. Sec. Philippine Islands '33-37.

Zettersten, A.: Gen. Sec. Scandinavia '96-9; '08-9; d. July '10.

THE ADVANCE GUARD

The following well known Theosophists passed away during 1936-7:

INDIA: Mr. K. G. Ajrekar (U.P.); Muni Mohun Banerjee (Allahabad); Rai Bahadur Jogesh Chandra Das Gupta (Simla); Mrs. Laxmibai Kulkarni (Poona); Pandit Kulada Prasad Mallick (Calcutta); Mr. B. Ranga Reddy (Adyar); Mr. A. Sambasiva Aiyar (Adyar); Rai Saheb G. Sankara Rao (Cudappah); Mr. V. C. Seshachariar (Mylapore, Madras); Mr. S. Venkatarama Naidu (Travancore); Mrs. Anna-purni Ammal (Calicut).

EUROPE: Mr. John Begg (Scotland); Mr. Leonard A. Bosman (England); Mrs. Luenda Cameron (England); Mrs. Dearden (England); Miss Cecile Helmboldt (Geneva); Mr. Frank J. Leslie (England); Mr. Franz F. W. Lexow (Denmark); Miss Isabelle Mallet (France); Mr. A. P. Macmillan (Scotland); Mrs. Violet Redfern (England); Mrs. Zinaida Toth (Timisoara, Transylvania).

AUSTRALIA: Mrs. Hannah Cox.

CHILE (S. AMERICA): Mrs. Emma Sinclair.

U. S. A.: Mr. M. B. Hudson (St. Louis).

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The Theosophical World, 1936-7.

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Reports of General Secretaries, etc.

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NATIONAL SURVEYS CONTINUED

Owing to unavoidable circumstances the following Survey of China had to be omitted from page 79.

CHINA

President of National Government: Mr. Lin Shen, Feb. 1932, re-elected December 1935.

Capital: Nanking. Est. area (inc. Mongolia and Tibet) 4,480,992 sq. m. Est. pop. 1936: 457,835,475.

National Survey:

Keynote: The eight ancient virtues—Loyalty, Filial Piety, Kindness, Love, Faithfulness, Righteousness, Peace and Justice.

A border-line incident in Northern China, 8 July 1937, and the Central Government's refusal to withdraw the 29th Route Army from the area, not recognizing as valid an agreement made by Japan with the rulers of Chahar and Hopei, has been made the basis of a Japanese invasion.

(See 1937 Theosophical Year Book, p. 148, and this issue, p. 104, for the earlier history of Sino-Japanese relations.)

Today the peaceful millions of China, who for millennia have hated war, are united under the courageous leadership of the Prime Minister, Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek, and are resisting the invasion.

At the beginning of October the Japanese war front extended over 1250 miles in the five northern provinces, over which Japan had already formed a virtual protectorate.

Early in October international opinion was concentrated on finding means acceptable to both parties of peacefully composing the situation.

A League of Nations Sub-Committee of Thirteen urged that the "maintenance of treaty obligations was of vital interest to all nations." More important than their national and material interests was the "restoration and maintenance of peace."

President Roosevelt, in a speech at Chicago on October 5, touching on international morality, said: "If civilization is to survive, the principles of the Prince of Peace must be restored." And in a statement issued by the State Department at Washington, it was declared:

"Among the principles which in the opinion of the United States Government should govern international relationships, if peace is to be maintained, are the abstinence by all nations from the use of force in the pursuit of policy and from interference in the internal affairs of other nations, the adjustment of the problems of international relations by the process of peaceful negotiation and agreement, respect by all nations for the rights of others, observance by all nations of established obligations, and upholding of the principle of the sanctity of treaties."

The British Prime Minister (Mr. Chamberlain, in a speech at Scarborough acknowledged that President Roosevelt had voiced the conviction of Britain as well as America, and in his call for a concerted effort in the cause of peace Britain was wholeheartedly with him.

The East Asian situation was a grave danger, and serious efforts were being made to minimize it. While, on the one hand, some of the States signatory to the Washington Nine-Power Treaty were holding consultations with a view to a conference, on the other hand the Fascist States of Europe were openly supporting Japan.

Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek, broadcasting from Nanking on October 8 warned the Chinese Nation to be ready for a prolonged war, and said that while the international sympathy with China was

encouraging, false hopes should not be awakened.

The New China: The new spirit in China was clearly demonstrated in the waves of patriotic fervour that swept the nation at the Silver Jubilee of China's birthday, 10 October 1936; General Chiang Kai-Shek's 50th birthday, 29 October 1936, with its accompanying campaign for gift aeroplanes; the birthday of Dr. Sun Yat-Sen on 12 November 1936; and finally the spirited defence of the Province of Suiyuan against an invasion by combined Manchukuo and irregular forces, with its "One-Day" campaign to supply comforts for the soldiers. Rich and poor, young and old, virtuous and criminal, all participated in the national celebrations and self-denial.

The unconditional release 26 December 1936, following the kidnapping of General Chiang Kai-Shek by Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, was occasion for the greatest rejoicing. The impetuous young Marshal's misguided action was pardoned by the General, and his party was added to the United Front.

In March 1937, the Communists, who had called themselves "The Chinese Soviet Government," united their forces with the Central Government, changed their title to "Special Political Council" and accepted picked officers of the Kuomintang to train their Red Army.

A Chinese National Defence Council was announced in May 1937.

Two great forces have played their part in China's renaissance:

First, the impetus generated by the "three-self" policy laid down by Dr. Sun Yat-Sen: (1) Self-protection, which aimed at building up the people's strength for self-survival through militia, military leadership in students, and conscription in recruitment; (2) Self-government, which was achieved through the tuition of the people by thousands of rural workers; (3) Economic self-sufficiency, which has attempted the stimulation of production and the control of trade.

The beginning of 1937 marked the greatest prosperity that China has ever

enjoyed as a Republic. Bountiful crops, higher prices, better distribution, all stimulated purchasing power. Telephone calls, telegrams and radio services increased enormously. Great projects of road and canal building and land development were on foot. Aviation was in great vogue, particularly in solving transport problems in mountainous regions such as Tibet.

The Central Government spared no effort in putting China's finances on a stable basis. More than 6,400 exorbitant taxes were abolished, and a simple income-tax was introduced.

Courts were reformed and age-old injustices done away with. Today a bound servant girl, Min Isin, can obtain her freedom by applying to the police, though many prefer the security of a kind home. The Government is earnestly endeavouring to stamp out drug addiction and other vices.

Cultural Life:

The second factor in the regeneration of China has been a cultural and spiritual appeal through the New Life Movement, inaugurated by General and Mrs. Chiang Kai-Shek. This movement has its roots in China's ancient glories, and calls for a revival of the four great virtues: *Li*—courtesy (the regulated attitude of mind and heart); *I*—service (right conduct in all things); *Lieu*—honesty and respect for others' rights (clear discrimination); *Chih*—high-mindedness and honour (real self-consciousness).

The organization of this splendid Movement proceeded on natural lines laid out by its founder, who said it should be started: from oneself and gradually extended to others; from civil servants to the general public; and by the improvement of public organizations, schools, theatres, parks, etc.

The public are taught, first and foremost, through personal example, followed by lectures, literature, cinemas. Inspection follows instruction, and rewards are given.

Under the aegis of this New Life impulse public health and courtesy programmes are in progress; gambling is

disappearing; foreign and extravagant habits of dress are falling under the ban of adverse public opinion; college students combine in rural and city service teams to give their weekends and vacations to promoting the welfare of the people.

Three of China's modern great women are sisters: the wife of the late President Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, Mme Chiang Kai-Shek, and the wife of the Finance Minister, Mme H.H. Wung, all workers for New China.

China's goal in education is "no illiterates under 45 by 1942." Seven thousand schools now tune in for Nanking's daily educational and scientific broadcast. The Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movements have a wide appeal.

Chinese architecture has discovered the spiritual significance of "emptiness" and its smallest shrines give an impression of a chalice of inner life.

The Chinaman has also learned the secret of leisure. With the inner resources of millenia of culture, he lives easily and happily.

Of great interest to Chinese religionists was the official confirmation of the discovery of the new Dalai Lama. The face of the child, date and circumstances of his birth, conform with the previous Dalai Lama's death-bed prophecy as to his reincarnation.

The Chinese are widely tolerant in religion. Christians, Buddhists, Confucianists, and Muhammadans each account for 10% of adherents, with Taoists 5%; 55% blend Buddhism, Confucianism and Taoism, in varying proportions. In China can be seen a Christian and a Buddhist abbot working for the new movement to propagate "Confucian Cosmopolitanism."

Other modern movements are (1) The Meditation School; (2) The Pure Karma League (which insists on each member weighing the karmic value of every act); and (3) the revival of Yoga in the monasteries since the removal of a 400-year prohibitory edict.

Theosophy in China:

Presidential Agent for East Asia: A. F. Knudsen.

Theosophy has an important part to play in quickening and deepening the spiritual undertone in China's new Song of Life.

The immediate work of The Society has been to carry on the task begun by Dr. Wu Ting Fang: To make available to the Chinese people in their own language the splendid truths of Theosophy. This has necessitated translations, glossary-building, publication of new works, and many other activities.

Every Sunday night at 7.45 p.m., from Shanghai, the Presidential Agent, Mrs. Knudsen, and others have broadcast Theosophy for 14 minutes.

Theosophists assisted at the formation of a Vegetarian Society in Shanghai in July 1937. Contact has been established with several of the Clubs.

The Besant Girls' School at Shanghai under the direction of its founder, Miss Dorothy Arnold, attracts a high type of student.

Excellent co-operation is given by the Press in reporting Theosophical activities. Manuk Lodge, Hong Kong, displays a poster on the Star Ferry. The Campaigns from Adyar have proved most helpful.

A good proportion of the membership are young people who are active workers.

Spearheads of Theosophical activity in China are the Lodges in Shanghai and Hong Kong; Lodges under charter to the French Section in Saigon and Phuclong, Cochin China; Lodges under charter to the Russia Outside Russia Section in Shanghai and Tientsin, with a centre in Harbin.

The Presidential Agent and Mrs. Knudsen endeavour to cover the territory every year. In August 1937 they made a long journey up the Yangtse into Szechuan Province. One of the events of the year was the visit of Mr. Jinarajadasa to all the Lodges in East Asia.

ABBREVIATIONS

DATES are written day-month-year. Example 5 June 1878 as 5-6-78.

A.B.	Annie Besant.	K.C.I.E.	Kt. Com. Ind. Emp.
A.R.A.	Assoc. Royal Academy.	K.C.S.I.	Kt. Com. Star Ind.
A.R.C.M.	Assoc. Royal Coll. Music.	Kt.	Knight.
b.	born.	L.	Lodge.
B.A.	Bachelor of Arts.	L.C.C.	Liberal Catholic Church.
B.C.L.	Bachelor Civil Law.	LL.B.	Bachelor of Laws.
B.E.T.	Burma Educ. Trust.	LL.D.	Doctor of Laws.
B.H.	Benares Hindu Univ.	L.M.S.	Licentiate Med. Surg.
B.L.	Bachelor of Laws.	L.R.C.P.	Licent. Royal Coll. Phys.
B.S.	Bachelor of Surgery.	L.T.	Licentiate in Teaching.
B.Sc.	Bachelor of Science.	L.T.S.	Lodge T.S.
Cantab.	Cambridge University.	m.	married.
C.B.	Companion of the Bath.	M.A.	Master of Arts.
C.H.C.	Central Hindu College.	M.B.	Bachelor of Medicine.
C.I.E.	Comp. Indian Empire.	M.C.	Military Cross.
C.J.	C. Jinarajadasa.	Mgr.	Manager; Monsignor.
C.M.	Master in Surgery.	M.I.E.E.	Member Inst. Elec. Eng.
Coll.	College.	M.L.C.	Member Legis. Council.
Co-M.	International Co-Free-	M.P.	Member of Parliament.
	masonry.	M.P.G.C.	Most Puissant Gr. Com.
Conf.	Conference.	M.R.A.S.	Mem. Royal Asiatic Soc.
Conv.	Convention.	M.R.C.S.	Mem. Roy. Coll. Surgs.
C.P.A.	Certified Public Acct't.	M.Sc.	Master of Science.
Ctee.	Committee.	Natl.	National.
C.W.L.	Charles W. Leadbeater.	O.B.E.	Order British Empire.
d.	Died; Daughter.	O.D.L.	<i>Old Diary Leaves.</i>
Dewan.	Prime Minister.	O.M.	Order of Merit.
dir.	Director.	Oxon.	Oxford University.
D.L. (Litt.)	Doctor of Letters.	Ph.B.	Bachelor of Philosophy.
D.Sc.	Doctor of Science.	Ph.D.	Doctor of Philosophy.
D.S.O.	Comp. Dist. Serv. Ord.	Ph.G.	Graduate in Pharmacy.
Ed.	Editor or Edited or Edits.	Pres.	President.
E.S.	Eastern Sch. Theosophy.	P.T.S.	Pres. Theosophical Soc.
F.R.A.S.	Fellow Royal Astron. Soc.	R.A.M.C.	Royal Army Med. Corps.
F.R.G.S.	Fellow Royal Geog. Soc.	Rec. Sec.	Recording Secretary.
F.R.Hist.S.	Fellow Royal Hist. Soc.	res.	resigned.
F.R.S.	Fellow Royal Soc.	R.N.	Royal Navy.
F.T.S.	Fellow Theosophical Soc.	R.T.	Round Table.
G.C.	Grand Commander.	S.	School.
G.C.I.E.	Knight Grand Comman-	Sec.	Secretary, Section.
	der of the Indian Empire,	S.D.	<i>The Secret Doctrine.</i>
G.C.S.I.	Knight Grand Comman-	S.P.C.A.	Soc. for Prevention of
	der of the Star of India.		Cruelty to Animals.
Gen. Sec.	General Secretary.	S.P.N.E.	Soc. for Prom. Natl. Edu.
G.S.A.	George Sydney Arundale.	S.P.R.	Soc. Psychical Research.
H.P.B.	Helena P. Blavatsky.	Theos.	Theosophy-ical.
H.S.O.	Henry Steel Olcott.	T.O.S.	Theos. Order of Service.
I.C.S.	Indian Civil Service.	T.P.H.	Theos. Publishing House.
I.E.S.	Indian Educ. Service.	T.R.C.	Theosophical Research
I.M.S.	Indian Medical Service.		Centre, London.
J.P.	Justice of the Peace.	T.S.	Theosophical Society.
(q.v.)	which see.	Y.T.	Young Theosophist.
K.C.B.	Kt. Com'dr of the Bath.		

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