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AT THE PEACE TABLE

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Who shall sit at the table, then, when the terms of peace are made—
The wisest men of the troubled lands in their silver and gold brocade?
Yes, they shall gather in solemn state to speak for each living race.
But who shall speak for the unseen dead that shall come to the council place?

Though you see them not and you hear them not, they shall sit at the table, too;
They shall throne the room where the peace is made and know what it is you do;
The innocent dead from the sea shall rise to stand at the wise man's side,
And over his shoulder a boy shall look—a boy that they crucified.

You may guard the doors of that council hall with barriers strong and stout,
But the dead unbidden shall enter there, and never you'll shut them out.
And the man that died in the open boat, and the babes that suffered worse,
Shall sit at the table when peace is made by the side of a martyred nurse.

You may see them not, but they'll all be there; when they speak you may fail to hear;
You may think that you're making your pacts alone, but their spirits will hover near;
And whatever the terms of the peace you make with the tyrant whose hands are red,
You must please not only the living here, but must satisfy your dead.

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THE PASSING OF AN AMERICAN

Emerson once said: "As no true work since the world began was ever wasted, so no true life since the world began has ever failed."

The passing from mortal expression of Theodore Roosevelt has turned the heart of genuine Americans inside out and they are realizing under the touch of a common sorrow their mutual loss. His personal adherents feel that his time for final departure should have been moved forward cycles of years so that his fellow citizens of the civilized world might have longer profited by his forceful expressions of positive convictions upon many of the vital questions of the present period that can never be finally and fully settled until determined by just dealings between all classes and nations of mankind.

The sudden stilling of ranting misrepresentations of envious lesser minds in the ranks of his own political party and the quick substitution of the tenderest tributes to his personal worth by partisans of governmental principles diametrically opposed to his own is a most impressive spectacle.

A stranger strolling leisurely through a local cemetery came away concluding that all the good people of that community must be dead because during his stay there he had not heard the living inhabitants speak any good words of each other. A celestial visitor to the United States who came to profit by the customs and experiences of its people might likewise conclude that there were no Great Americans save the dead ones, if he should visit the American Congress.

That event of nature scarcely secondary in consequence to the one of earthly birth and the complement thereto has not instantly crowned Colonel Roosevelt with Sainthood. He is still the same individual he was on earth in so far as actual character is concerned.

What he now enjoys has been laid up for him by his manner of life among his fellow men here. He now knows something of the basic truth of Spiritualism in that he has made his happiness or unhappiness in the realm where he now dwells in just that degree to which he has obeyed or disobeyed Nature's Psychic laws. The suffering and blood of neither beast nor man have redeemed him from the consequences of willful wrong doing or deliberate omissions of known duties. The criterion for his rewards is now the motives on which he acted and not the ignorance he wanted to, but did not, overcome, nor the forgetfulness unwelcome, but lurking in the inherent nature of the human mind.

"If every man's life is a plan of God" the Colonel must have found the pattern handed him neither all pain nor all pleasure for he accepted his assigned or acquired lot as a "serious business, to be entered upon with courage and in a spirit of self sacrifice."

Restless in temperament, impulsive in speech and action, plain spoken in expression and courageous in undertakings where faint heartedness would have courted failures, some of his public achievements will endure as long as our Republic shall last and the minds of succeeding generations of Americans continue to remember.

He played the game of politics with a tactful leadership that compelled a machine politician of his own party to admit that Mr. Roosevelt's popularity with the plain people was so great that they sought to get rid of him by kicking him upstairs into the Vice Presidency, whence he became ruler of our nation at McKinley's tragic death and in that office he re-discovered the Ten Commandments and took a hand in applying them to American politics much to the disgust of the old school bosses of our public affairs.

It seems surprising that his intense Americanism should have led him to adopt complaisant quietude towards an exotic system of religion bitterly opposed to the separation of Church and State and bent upon complete disintegration of the American Free Public School System. Did he at this point lose a link from his chain of consistent practicability and sit as the original described by G. S. Hillard when he said: "A statesman makes the occasion, but the occasion makes the politician?" Did he on this matter become merely a player for popularity at the ballot box and with noisy multitudes?

Second to the fact of Col. Roosevelt's death is the supplemental one that editors, politicians, legislators, lawyers, academicians, priests and preachers all agree that this Great American is still a living, conscious, entity. We are pleased to note this almost general concurrence on the part of leaders of present day thought without the loss of a note in the lute.

If they are right, and we know they are, he is re-robed and living, not under the dispensation of Atoning Grace but under the operation of a Universal Law equally applicable to every soul once mortal clad.

We hear Paul, the Logician of Christendom, arguing: "If there is no resurrection of the dead, neither hath Christ been raised; then is our preaching vain, your faith also is vain. For if the dead are not raised, neither hath Christ been raised."

All once called dead, including Jesus, are living personalities because the Supreme Power of the Universe lives and He is the God only of Life.

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The lessons from Col. Roosevelt's life of activity on earth are many and will constitute a rich legacy for his countrymen whether in youth, middle life, or wearing the snow capped crown of age. His intensity of application and desire to do his best in everything he undertook made him forceful as an author, a soldier, a public servant, a naturalist, an explorer, and while always zealous for his country's true advancement and the whole world's betterment he was ever the model husband, the devoted father and the family home was to him the most sacred kingdom this side of Summer Land.

He made mistakes, for he was merely human and had not yet acquired Angelhood. Why magnify his foibles instead of treasuring his pronounced virtues? By his accomplishments on earth he was made worthy of continued life and of the comradeship of those other Great Americans who on the Eternal Shore unceasingly march the Picket Line of guardianship over their country's welfare.

GOLDEN GLEAMS OF LIGHT

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX—"You live, you love me! You have heard my call and answered in your own way. The proof so satisfies the soul of me, were all the hosts of earth to henceforth stand aloof till I recanted—my reply were this—one men call dead has sent me messages.
Though science sneer and school and church condemn—
Your dead dwell near—you may commune with them."

SIR OLIVER LODGE—"People cannot expect to receive proofs so long as they shut their minds to evidence.

"I tell you that it is so with all the strength of conviction that I can muster—the dead persist—still take an interest in things going on upon earth—still help us and know more about things here and there than we do—they are able from time to time to communicate with us. Communication is possible—I say it on definite grounds. One must obey the laws to find out the conditions."

DANIEL DUNGLAS HOME—Rarely gifted with Mediumship, largely for the physical phases, it has been said: "D. D. Home did not teach, he proved."

"The singular physical phenomena in my presence are most certainly not produced by me or by any other person in connection with me.

"I have no control over them whatever—they occur irregularly, and even when I am asleep. Sometimes I am many months, and once I have been a year without them.

"THEY WILL NOT HAPPEN WHEN I WISH, AND MY WILL HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM.

"I cannot account for them further than by supposing them to be effected by intelligent beings or spirits.

"Similar phenomena occur to many other persons."

STORY TOLD BY THE STARS

Horoscope of the National Spiritualist—Cast From the Date of First Issue

Prof. John N. Larson, the well known Astro-Physic of Titusville, Pa., and Lily Dale, N. Y., after a trained study of the planets in their courses and carefully noting their present positions in the zodiac, deduces the following forecast from their dominant influences:

"This very useful and practical newcomer as a Spiritualist publication and religious journal starts under very favorable vibrations. The planets Jupiter and Mercury will rule its destiny and anything started under these great planets will not fail to accomplish its purpose.

"The Mercury vibrations mean the beginning of a new cycle and an effort that stands out from all others by its freedom of choice and its untrammelled right to choose the kind of means and methods best suited to arrive at results at this Psychological moment.

"This publication will take a keen interest in the vital questions of the times we live in. It will be an original, inspired, and welcome visitor and companion, versatile and backed up with the best talents and experience in its lines, as well as inspired by interested ones on the other side who in reality are the cause of this new enterprise SO SORELY NEEDED AT JUST THIS TIME.

"This journal will travel very extensively and find its way to many places in foreign lands, for it is going to interest people in Spiritualism who never heard of that system, and in that way do a much needed work.

"THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST will be aggressive from the start; its mission is to build and educate. It will fight for rights and principles in the cause it represents and its strong aim will be Justice and Liberty for all.

"I am sure of success and prosperity for the new comer right from the modest start, and much good will come from this very worthy effort."

SOCIETIES DESIRING TALENT

Very frequently local Spiritualist Societies or churches write to headquarters requesting engagements of speakers and mediums, evidently believing the N. S. A. is supplied with such lists.

Likewise speakers and mediums often ask for localities in need of platform workers. These requests we have been unable to satisfy. But now there will be a possibility of publicity that will aid all parties concerned. The National Secretary will gladly issue a call for any locality or our public workers.

At present there are requests for platform talent from Globe, Arizona, George T. Acker, Secretary, Keyser, West Virginia, J. S. Cowger, President, 87 Chestnut St. Parkersburg, West Virginia, Mrs. Erving Hays, President, 1209 Murdock Av.,

PROPHECIES FOR THE YEAR 1919

Given By Spirit Aaron Through Mrs. Zaida B. Kates, at Unity Spiritualist Church, Washington, D. C., Jan. 5, 1919

Reported by I. C. I. Evans.

Our subject this evening is, "What Will the Year Bring Us?" For many years it has been the mission of one who is in my spiritual life, ever since I can remember, to discourse upon this subject at this time. We know that we are surrounded by the spiritual forces, and feel the interest of those who have gone out into the great beyond. All this is so entrancing and so peculiarly vital that it seems one could never grow lonely or feel that life is devoid of interest.

I do not claim to be a prophetess or a seeress, in the sense of simply trying to solve the many problems of life, but upon my spirit at this particular time of the year there always seems to center prophetic conditions. Last year brought sorrow from the passing on of many thousands of men and heartaches to many thousands of women; and then later in the year the affliction that reaped a mighty harvest through death and its attendant conditions depressed and clouded the thought and the lives of so many—and it is not done yet.

I wish to make the statement that I can not see what the year will bring forth of myself; but trust to the keen insight and the larger measure of the spirit Aaron, who has been my friend and comrade through all the years that have passed and who has led me consciously and unconsciously to myself.

The year will be crowded with strange and varied conditions, amid turmoil and strife and the bending forms of angels close to earth's children, so that when weary, worn and tired many will lay down the burden of the physical to take up the activities of the evermore, and death will reap a harvest of strange potency, touching with its signet kiss both young and old. The little child's laughter will be stilled and the footsteps will stop pattering and the little hands that are always reaching out, seeking for something that lies in the temporal, will feel this matchless power and the angels will touch the soft white hairs of our sires and mothers, and we will wish, many of us, that we had said tender words, cherished kindly thoughts and given caresses, that in a few months to come we would give much to be able to impart.

And there shall come strange murmurings and discontent. It had been said that in the past year I made a mistake when I told you that I did not see the hand of peace, and you have all made a tremendous effort to declare that peace is nigh. The armistice has been signed but that has not been the solution of the problem that faces you. You have disbanded your armies, largely, and yet at the clarion call you may have to recall them in larger measure than you have before, for the rumors of war are not over and the strife of central Europe is not through. There will be bloodshed and crime and misery yet, and the year will not see the end. The lurid glare of flame will burn on the borderlands. From east and west, north and south, will pass to and fro armies of men, and from the far ends of the sea they will come and go, and peace is not yet.

And there shall be sent to our shores men who gave their arms and their legs and part of their heads for the sake of humanity, and we shall see them in their wounded condition and our hearts will ache.

Political strife will be most assured; and under the dome of your capital there will be a constant warfare between your two political parties; for if you think there will be peace there you are thoroughly mistaken. There shall come strange misunderstandings, and man will be against brother and father against son in all the combinations of strange peace. There will come to us decisions in the courts of justice abortive of every nature of justice; and the angel of justice will cover her face with her mantle of white and it will surely and slowly put on the garb of black so that the people will marvel at its manifestations, for the plague of blood has not died all out.

If you think for one moment that we shall see in this next year a consolidated republican state for Germany and Austria-Germany, you are mistaken, for it never should be allowed until they thoroughly understand they are thrashed, and they don't know it yet. (Applause.) They brag of their victories. They go to sleep and think they are the lords of the earth; they have hunted little children with human bloodhounds and the memory of it shall burn in the hearts of men and women throughout the year, but their power shall be isolated. There may come a

time when they shall have no births to continue that power, and so blacken the ages. A past professor demonstrated this by the economy of children and prophesied that there should come to them the isolation of power.

I want to say that the conclusion of the year shall bring to those who sit in a position to bring forth humanity of the finest type, mentally, morally and spiritually, a slow death. The memory of their crimes shall burden and poison them and they shall live a life of anguish and pain. The law of compensation is a terrible law and is very subtle. The law of compensation is the compensation that shall give birth to the sons and the daughters bathed in thoughts of crime; for it shall return in full measure, for this is the day and the time of Jehovah and it shall reach the inward and mighty channels that are dangerous to him who indulges.

There will be a struggle for the reconstructing period not only of Belgium and France, Serbia and Roumania, but the map of Europe this year will be changed; and over the pages of the past will fall the curtain of oblivion and upon the pages of the future will come a new regime.

The consummation of the League of Nations is devoutly to be wished for; but that consummation is a rare utopian dream at present, irrespective of what our great executive may desire. It is a dream that comes to him in his sleep and lives with him when he wakes; and it is a dream, soft and subtle and marvelous. So long as one desires power at the expense of the other, there can never be a League of Nations, and such a league will be impossible because one nation desires the freedom of the seas, and therefore we are going to have some fireworks. I want to say that this will not materialize with very great force at this present time, but gradually it comes closer and closer until we shall ask, what next? But I am not afraid of the solution of the problems of the nations so much as I am of the strange stalking forth of the pestilence that will spread itself over our land and take away the highest and the lowest and shall leave the imprint of its fingertips. Let us pray to the great eternal force and the source of all life and power that it will not touch us; but we may have to pray a long time before our prayers might be possibly answered through the powers within ourselves.

We must be cautious in the spending of money and I wish to make my statements very clear that in the past few months of inflated commerce and inflated finance, many have been working for large wages and they have put it all on their bodies and they have not the wherewithal now to go home. I want to say to you that this is one of the crime monsters that stalks abroad and touches the brain of the weakest sex, because men have been so strong that they did not indulge in that, but they have indulged in some things that will leave its mark on them in the ages to come. Their bodies have been touched by a monster so hideous that unto the third and fourth and fifth generation in the handwriting on the wall will appear this crime. Your children and your children's children will carry it in their beings and they will pay the penalty of your wrong doing. But, you say, we are not to blame, we are only the puppets of women. Well, if you are only the puppets of women I would not be small enough or little enough or weak enough to admit it. I would be strong enough to say that as a man it was not necessary. It is not so much the things we recognize, wherein the danger lies, but it is in the unseen forces that we do not know how to touch.

You say I have no right to talk about these things, but I differ with you. I have the right from the charmed circle of everlasting life of the beyond to come to you and say that your sins follow you and there is only one course of life here and one course of life for the hereafter; and that is the righteousness of right living. If you are so weak and so modest and so impractically careful of these things that they are not to be spoken of, then the voice of women who have passed through the shadowland of understanding and have gone down in the garden of Gethsemane and learned the lesson of life through suffering and anguish, have a right to stand up before the people of the world and say to them that there is only one thing to do and that is to stop the raising of your children. With our every voice and through all the years that we are capable of speaking to you, the truth shall be spoken clearly for better efforts, for better laws, for more light; women shall speak for the betterment of the children, and there are men and women big enough to say and to know that the sins of the fathers are being visited on your children. How must it be to the man to look upon his son, who has been his boy, and feel that he is to be a weakling through all the

years of his life, because his father sinned. He may say: "Oh, the woman sinned, too!" But the woman sinned, the man sinned also, and the stone that you cast at a woman should be cast at the man. There should be no two codes of morality and in the years to come you will realize this and more. The same code of morals that you apply to man should be and must be applied to woman; you don't you are not doing your just duty. Within but a few years to come you will read the writing on the wall.

But what has this to do with the year? Wait and see. Wait and feel. Wait until you see the danger which is fraught by your misdeeds; and you will be driven deeper, deeper and still deeper into your conscience, for it will sink deeply, so deeply that you will drink of its bitter dregs. The year will bring this forth and you will understand what I have meant. And there is but one thing for the American people to do, and that is to do the righteous act by stamping it out. You say the white plague is taking thousands and thousands of people, but the black plague is taking tens of thousands of men and women, if you did but know it.

There will be strikes, and fires and fires and fires. The fires will appear in cities, in little hamlets and in the country, on land and on seas, and we shall be shocked and amazed by their progress, and all the world will seem to be in a bewildered state. Toward the later part of the year things will change and there will come more peaceful conditions.

During the summer time the sun will shine and the sky will smile at you with its ardent blue, and the mighty forest will murmur through its soft leaves, touching the young and the old, and the flowers will bloom and there will be a little more hope of peace, especially for those who have for the past five years drank the bitter dregs of sorrow and distress. Some of war-worn men and women will go back to their dismal homes and they will shelter them for a time; but it will be many years before Belgium and France will blossom again in the full flush of their beauty. But, peace shall touch them, and in a few years more there will come sunshine and fertility to the bigger part to express the everlasting Christ power.

Then we shall not worship at the shrine of a dead Christ. We shall not worship at the shrine of ignorance, but at the feet of angels; and it will grow within us like a wonderful, beautiful flower, until from its budding time to its full bloom of beauty we shall find the consciousness of God's gracious goodness.

In the reconstruction in our land will come strange and marvelous conditions; and in the year to come there will be a little wider tendency toward the unfoldment and development of power to womanhood. You men will realize that if women are good enough to bear your children through the travails of pain, in the valley of earth life, that they are good enough for you to feel comradeship with, good enough to think with you, good enough to reconstruct with you; and in the reconstruction you will find many changes take place.

Labor will never be just as it has been; and there will come changes to the races, including the races of America. The black skin will never meet you on the same level as it has met you before, and ever many years have run their course you will find you are going to have some clashes through race prejudice and race views, but you will understand that the power of Americanism is inborn and inbred in them as in you, and you are going to meet on different grounds, on different principles and on different conditions, and you will understand that the intermingling of the two races is not a good thing, and that out of the combination of the intermingling of these two races the very worst features of both races predominate. Within the coming years we will understand that, and there will come a time when thousands of the Negro race will go into Africa and into Liberia and then will come a time of more settled conditions in this country.

You women have learned in this past year a great many lessons from this very matter. You have learned to be a little more self-helpful and less indolent. You have learned more than ever that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach; and you have learned to do some things which you never would have thought possible for you to do, and, as a result, there are more blooming cheeks now than there were two years ago, for housework is a beautifier. You all know that it is a work of service, and the handsomest women of foreign lands are the women who have had to get right down to hard practical work, through understanding the law of existence.

Some of you boys who have been brought up to think that the French girls are more attractive

They are more helpful to their mothers than American girls, permit me to remind you that humanity is humanity wherever you find it, on American shores or French shores; and it is just the attitude you assume and the way you look at men and women. I do not believe you will find the American girls one whit better than the French, or the French girls one whit better than the American, if the same opportunity and conditions are in existence with them. Permit me to say that all women of the grander types of womanhood are on the same plane of thought and aspiration and feeling; and there are just as many lofty aspirations in this great United States of America as there are anywhere else.

But I doubt if you American women would have been willing to have sacrificed and suffered as the Belgian and French women have suffered, and that has been because you are more material. You have a little more touch of the Gaelic blood in you. You have a keener sense of thought power and of atmosphere, a keener sense of humor than the majority of other people; not because the German has not the sense of mirth; and you know it takes an Englishman 24 hours to see the beginning of a joke; but there is a mercurial element of consciousness in the American people. I want to say to you that you are a little bit of hash and mince meat thrown together, for you are a combination of every nationality mixed together and therefore you have more tolerance towards the others. We appreciate freedom, and after the other people have been here for three or four years they feel themselves in a different atmosphere, a different attitude of thought and aspiration than any they have previously known.

Now I am going to tell you something else: Unless there are laws enacted and enforced by you people during this present year, restricting immigration, you will be overrun with hordes of people from Europe. There must be laws enacted for the period of reconstruction, in keeping with American ideas, or you will find the demolition of force and earthly experience quite different from the peaceful environs to which you have been accustomed. France and Belgium were the greatest sufferers of all nations, and therefore the reconstruction period there is going to be vastly different and of larger purposes. There will be thousands of activities to do over there; and reconstruction will be the greatest problem, occupying vast numbers of the working people. While here, you Americans sent your men to fight for liberty and humanity, who took their places? The women. And the woman is going to be the greatest factor you will have to deal with in this present year; and if you do not believe it wait and see and then see more.

The men in the military in the next campaign will measure the rhythm by the power of the military; mark it well, the power of the military. The men who left their homes and their loved ones and faced death, have walked hand in hand with death, night and day. They ate death and drank death, and some met death and stayed with it, but some of them are coming back, who just barely escaped death, maimed, mutilated, but envired by just as much ambition and potency and power and thought of expression as they ever had. If the reconstruction period of America does not so believe, and place them in some condition of life to bring around them an environment or capability to sustain them, you will find by the next fall you will have the military power to deal with.

Look out for it, and see if I am not right. They say there is coming back to the shores of America a hero who will be hailed as a hero to come to bear this potent expression; but permit me to say that in America that is not the hero who will be made the most of. It is the man who can control the greatest amount of money, who is your hero. Just as soon as you can get away from the power of gold and into the vibration of the everlasting eternal spirit of culture and of love, then you will find that you have reached the true period of reconstruction; and the old earth will bloom again.

Now I hear some of you ask, "Will there not come a period of peace?" Oh, yes, a period of peace and a period of power, a period of expression, a period of love and a period of quietude; and we shall all go back into the matrix of activity where we belong, but unless there can be the possibility of a peace based upon the principle of equity and not one of power, it will not remain a peace, and 20 years from now, unless this is done, we shall have one of the worst wars the world has ever known. Do you think that this war has ended all of the madness, the touchstone of life? Not at all.

There are one or two things you are going to be compelled to do: To separate church and state, and to keep the central powers of Europe in such a

position that for years to come they will be incapable of making war; and unquestionably you must come together on this point or there will be everlasting trouble.

You are going to see considerable trouble this year. Capital is going to say to labor: I won't pay you the large wage you have been obtaining, and labor is going to say: Then, I won't work. You have large revenues that you can flourish on; and if capital is not willing to pay with their moneys and give us the wage we ought to have and are entitled to have, then we are going to object; and by the end of the year there will be war unless you get together for the great formative power of brotherhood and sisterhood for the purpose of humanizing all of humanity by the brotherhood of man, the sisterhood of woman and the fatherhood of God.

Has it ever occurred to you that churchianity is the dominant feature today of Christianity, from the Y. M. C. A. to the Knights of Columbus? It is stated that at no day since the beginning of the world has religion had such a hold on man; but permit me to contradict the assertion and say that never in the history of mankind has reason taken such a hold of the mind of man and woman as it has today, for a better understanding of larger measures! Some have said: "That was the religion my fathers had and my mothers had, and therefore it must be the religion for me." Permit me to say if that be the case you have no right to these electric lights and you have no right to sit in this warm room and have the same comfortable conditions here you have today. If you want to be and do the same as your father and your mother and your grandfather and your grandmother and your great-grandfather and your great-grandmother, take these lights out and use candles. Do away with your automobiles, for you have no right to them; you have no right to your telegraph; no right to your steamship, railroads or airships. If you are going to be a stickler for the religion of your great-grandfather, be a stickler for the same conditions under which he lived; and if you are going to stick by the old time conditions, stick there and they will stick by you; and if you are to believe in the old time heaven and hell as places, the same as your forefathers believed, keep on believing until you have gone into that great big plane of life when you will wake up, as Roger did, to the realization that he had "Gone West" from "over there."

He found that it was a living world he went into, a palpitating world, as real as this he had left; and he found out he could go to his wife and he could speak to her. She did not know that he had "Gone West," but she felt him and answered him and knew that he was there. Then he went to his mother, but he could not make her feel him, and it hurt him to know that they did not believe his wife when she told them he had gone out, but by and by a boy came with a telegram from the War Department stating that he had died in battle; and he stood by the side of his mother and placed his hand upon her head, and she knew that he was there and she sent a message back to him by wireless, for the wireless movement that we are using today is a grand output of this modern time and modern thought and modern revelation that is being unfolded, and we are sending across the distance of time and space its marvelous intensifications.

We have in our hall tonight Brother Keeler. He not only gets one writing on a slate, but sometimes he has half a dozen slates filled with messages by those that loved you and those that have touched the heart chords of your love, your spirit and your soul; and tonight, not only here but elsewhere, the cry is for a bigger, better humanity; a hungering for a larger measure of this comfort. Many do not understand that the dominion of spirit over matter is sufficient to bring these little messages from there to here, to let you know that they still share in your successes and feel with you in your cares. When your sons were across the water you never doubted for a moment that they were there and that they felt with you your every joy and care; and when their messages came you read them with avidity and with pleasure because they were from your boy.

When they, too, had "Gone West," you as anxiously have waited for a message from them, and when that message comes across you will say "I know they live. I know they are somewhere, and I know that they are working, active, energized, spiritual beings." The world is beginning to know this. It is touching the very centers of all religious aspirations; and this year it will shake the very foundations of the pulpit. It will enter into the vatican;

it will enter into the clerical pulpits. Ministers and priests, before many years have rolled by, will discover this fact in its reality.

When I said to you last year that there would be monarchical changes and that republics would rise where kingdoms have been, some of you said: "A fool again." But I say unto you, a fool, was I? Old kingdoms have gone, thrones have fallen and the erstwhile rulers and princes have found that they must work, as every other man works, with brain instead of power and money. The divine right of kingships has fallen and God has put the stamp of indignation upon it; and out of the fibre and fabric of the contemptible, ruthless, terrible invasion of the rights of man will come forth a new demand, the power of democracy, which will stand for the big principle of everlasting love and truth to rule the world.

There shall be no divine right to any power except the power of all men and all women, because women shall have their share in the outlining of this great democracy. It must come, because as long as women are disfranchised, there is no hope for truth and honor and justice; and to accomplish this there should be greater possibilities of schools, there should be a more liberal education; there should be more teaching of common sense and less of routine; there should be more capacity expressed for a better understanding of the things that make for true life.

When we have reached that, we will find the year so full we will wonder where the days have gone; and when the fall leaves turn to russet and gold and red there will come down the wind's sweet music from the heavenly shore and we shall realize the mighty power of the universe and we shall say "Thou preserved unto us a fair democracy of love and thought; and we, as loyal men and women, have entered into the kingdom of thy domain as great instrumental entities. Here and now, we have been touched by the spiritual entities of the past, and of the present."

History, art and science will make so much progress this year it will be amazing. There will be established new medical records and we shall have medical men who will be big enough to say there is something beside poison that can cure disease. There will be men big enough, through investigation, not only along the lines of bacteria but along the lines of practical common sense, that will tell you that the measure of life and health is a clear conscience and it is the basis of the everlasting truth.

This year will find many, many deaths among the clergymen of high estate, lawyers and men in big business, who will snap the cord of life as quick as a flash, because they have not learned to use reason and judgment or mentality regarding their health and their mode of living, therefore their bodies will weaken and their hearts will not pump. Men and women will necessarily be forced to live in modified relationship with their stomachs, for you must remember that the stomach is one of the great keys to health, and makes you either feeble or brawny of body. When you have realized these things, you will be astonished at the marvelous inventions which will ensue.

Permit me to say that ere the year shall close there will be large passenger airplanes;—so many airplanes that our mail will not be dependent upon steam or electric railroads; and the electrification of railroads will take place along many of the trunk lines. You are going to see much advancement in these directions; and there are attractions of so many large scientific problems that if I were to talk for two hours I could not say to you but a portion of these manifestations.

At the middle of the year, when the sun enters Leo, we shall find at that particular time rather a series of struggles, of strikes, of rapine, in this nation; and we will then be more depressed than at any other time of the year. Then there will come a time within the hearts of men and women that questions whether there is a possibility of peace. You must remember that the armistice has been signed, but peace has not been proclaimed; and it will take more than a year to arrange for peace. At the end of the year, the peace that is arranged will be anything but peace. It will take nearly two years to have an equitable understanding that makes for progress; and when we are through with these conditions, then and then only will the League of Nations come like a wonderful ship over the horizon, with its sails beating rhythmically to the waves, coming out of the mists of the morning into the warm rays of the sunshine, and this ship of state will sail into harbors calm and peaceful.

America is going to feed Europe, but America is not going to feed the hand that cut the possibilities of peaceful living. You don't need to feed

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DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Adopted by the National Spiritualists' Association, U. S. A.

1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.
2. We believe that the phenomena of nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.
3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.
5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye also unto them."
7. We affirm the moral responsibility of the individual, and that he makes his own happiness or unhappiness as he obeys or disobeys Nature's psychic laws.
8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any human soul here or hereafter.

DEFINITIONS

Adopted by the National Spiritualists' Association October 9, 1914

1. A Spiritualist is one who believes, as a part of his or her religion, in the communication between this and the spirit world by means of mediumship, and who endeavors to mould his or her character and conduct in accordance with the highest teachings derived from such communion.
2. A medium is one whose organism is sensitive to vibrations from the spirit world, and through whose instrumentality intelligences in that world are able to convey messages and produce the phenomena of Spiritualism.

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At the present time we can use free of expense checks and drafts on Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis.

WHY THE N. S. A. ASKS

Parts enough may be on hand to form a complete automobile, but if lying disconnectedly about they have slight utility. An aviator can not fly unless every constituent piece of the airship is properly adjusted to its companion part and all are tuned before each flight to act together in harmonious rhythm.

There may be boiler, fire box, drive wheels, cylinders, pistons and rods in sight, but they will draw no trains until symmetrically joined together into a SMOOTHLY ACTING LOCOMOTIVE.

The whole is the sum of all its parts. A single segment cannot by any known principle in mathematics or physics be equal to the whole.

The impression made for a cause upon outsiders rests in an important degree upon first the numbers, and then upon the quality of its confessed adherents. Accurate and comprehensive statistics of a movement, cult or system are therefore of vital importance. Scattering returns are belittling of its mission both to strangers and its own followers.

The N. S. A. each year asks definite information of every subordinate body whether local or state, which if promptly and fully furnished will not only directly concern the questioner but be of great utility to the general cause of Spiritualism.

The laws of the N. S. A. require its Secretary to mail to the Secretary of each auxiliary body not less than sixty, nor more than ninety days prior to each annual Convention of the parent body blank forms for Reports. Such blanks are to be carefully filled and returned to our Washington headquarters. They are not furnished to be officially ignored, thrown into waste baskets or framed as souvenirs and displayed like charters on the walls of the recipient's church or society meeting place.

The blank form of Reports has been considered and adopted by the N. S. A. itself. Each local and state auxiliary has pledged obedience to the laws of the supreme body before being granted a charter from it.

Every Local is required to report annually the following matters: the number of enrolled members, names and addresses of officers, number of meetings held during the year, whether meetings are held in a church building or not, value of property owned, amount of receipts and expenditures for the past year.

Explicit similar information is also sought from every State Association conforming to the broader nature of its jurisdiction.

It will be readily seen that a full tabulation of complete reports from every subordinate organization would give the N. S. A. Secretary definite data to furnish the Census Bureau of the U. S. A. and the statistical Almanacs published yearly by the newspapers of our metropolitan cities and in that way reach the desks of very many students and writers, thus bringing to Spiritualism a prominence its numbers and substantial possessions warrant.

The aggregate thus obtained would lift Spiritualists themselves out of the doldrums of discouragement and substitute optimism for the pessimism which some of us cherish as earnestly as a baby does a nursing pacifier.

The neglect of local Secretaries to make out and return the yearly reports is a serious handicap to State and National Secretaries. Some of the delinquents must assume that the angels know it all and that the knowledge concerns no one but them. Neglect of plain duties is hardly excusable on such a plea. In such cases only a single name needs to be substituted in the inspired injunction: Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S.

Iowa and Texas State Associations made no official reports for 1918. The secretary of the first named body had resigned that office about mid-summer while our Lone Star auxiliary had a representative actually present in St. Louis for the N. S. A. Convention that was not called to order.

The State Association of Missouri reported only the number of its local auxiliary bodies and omitted

every other item of statistical value, thus rendering actual activities in the "Show me State" in an unfair light, the State Secretary being engaged in Government service.

Some direct auxiliaries of the N. S. A. in unorganized states also failed to report.

In spite of those wholly delinquent and of other reports but partially complete very instructive figures were summarized.

In the year following the 1917 Convention at the Waldorf-Astoria the unit bodies composing the organized N. S. A. movement held 18,503 meetings in the interest of Spiritualism at which the total of the AVERAGE attendance was 22,483.

The money received by those bodies totaled \$188,888.61, while their expenditures were \$164,039.70, of which \$25,259.84 was for rent, leaving a cash surplus of \$24,848.91.

The reporting societies owned property valued at \$799,248.52, in which were not included the holdings of Lily Dale Assembly and perhaps of other affiliated Camp Associations. Thus we can realize an improvement in the substantial character of American Spiritualism and better grasp the steadily broadening extent of its activities when accurately massed together. A marked advance step is shown in the fact of 112 settled Pastors.

Verily the whole of the movement is made up of the sum of all its parts. Let their co-ordinated results be more and more encouraged.

The Executive Committee of the N. S. A. official board has awarded an Honor Banner for Excellence in the 1918 Annual Reports to each one of the following organizations:

State Associations: Maine, Massachusetts Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Montana, Oklahoma, California.

Local and Camp Associations:

Compounce Association.....	Bristol, Conn.
The Spiritual Temple.....	Hartford, Conn.
First Church.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
Bridgeport Association.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
Progressive Society.....	Manchester, N. H.
Helping Hand Association.....	Haverhill, Mass.
First Camp Meeting Association.....	Etna, Maine
First Progressive Church.....	Wilmington, Del.
Unity Church.....	Washington, D. C.
First Church.....	Washington, D. C.
First Church.....	Baltimore, Md.
First Church.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
First Church.....	McKeesport, Pa.
First Society.....	Paterson, N. J.
Fontenelle Church.....	Omaha, Neb.
Progressive Church.....	Memphis, Tenn.
Church of Psychic Science.....	Reno, Nevada
Mississippi Valley Association.....	Clinton, Iowa
First Association.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
Second Church.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
Church of Science.....	Spokane, Wash.
Workers' Union.....	Seattle, Wash.
Western Chautauqua.....	Seattle, Wash.
Science of the Soul Society.....	Seattle, Wash.
Progressive Church.....	Denver, Colo.
Crescent Circle.....	Nuclea, Colo.
First Church.....	Pueblo, Colo.
First Church.....	Colorado Springs, Colo.
Building and Loan Society.....	United States

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Germany, for she has more food than you dream of; and when her stores are opened there will be very little danger of starvation. There are other nations that need feeding more than Germany; and I want to say to you as Americans you must share with the world's people this year. After that the necessity will not be so great; but we have heard many men and many women say "Now we will be able to live better; prices will cheapen and foods will be more plentiful, and we won't have any more trouble." Keep on with your dreams, your dreams of reduced prices, but you will have less this year than you had last year, because you won't have it to eat.

I want you to understand these things and in common sense plan your money carefully because you may need it before the year is over, for there will be stultification of business interests for some few months that will make for real shuddering, especially to the man who has disposed of his little all and sees no possibility of replenishing it.

I say this to you because I catch this thought but let us hope for better things.

In conclusion let us pray that health and strength and the love of brotherhood will enter into our hearts and into our lives and when we again clasp hands another year we will be that much nearer to the proclamation of the Master spirit and say that we love one another. (Applause.)

Forge and Field

St. Louis, Mo.—State Secretary Otto Vierling is again on duty at his old office, 4555 Adkins Avenue, St. Louis. As First Lieutenant in the Federal Medical Service he, along with 750 brother physicians at Fort Riley, Kansas, received honorable discharge just before Christmas and has resumed the duties of civilian and official life.

Three St. Louis Mediums affiliated with our Missouri State Association, Mrs. Lena Dornner, Mrs. Elizabeth Gallo, Mrs. Emeline Stricker, lately arrested for telling fortunes, were discharged when their cases came up because Vice-President Frank D. Snowden, ranking member of the State board on that field did excellent work in showing the difference between fortune telling and Spiritualism. Great credit for the outcome is due to the intelligent and discriminating work of Bro. Snowden.

Rochester, N. Y.—Plymouth Church has Rev. Harry M. Wright as pastor, and Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds as his assistant, who are capable of very efficient team work. We are cheered by the tidings that Bro. Wright has almost recovered from his recent illness and is about to take up his Sunday work, which has been borne by Mrs. Reynolds, in addition to her own duties.

Massachusetts.—Bro. H. C. Berry of the Boston Banner of Life expresses a truly fraternal greeting in these words:

"I welcome the first number of 'The National Spiritualist with pleasure and bespeak for it all the success I know you can give it; and shall feel to work with it for the good of our religion.'"

The annual convention of the Massachusetts State Association was held on Tuesday, January 9, in Berkeley Hall, the center long historic in the local Spiritualism of Boston because of labors within its walls by a host of our pioneer workers.

Unlike meetings of similar bodies in Western States only one day was devoted to the purposes of the Convocation, divided between two business sessions and a formal public program in the evening.

It was a pleasure to note seated at the earlier sessions more than ninety officers and delegates, all alert to the business in hand and constituting an efficient-working body.

Some representatives of local auxiliaries had evidently found opposition stirred up on their home fields by attacks upon the Bible from visiting workers which they regarded as unnecessary since their neighbors were not actively assailing Spiritualism.

When State President Wiggin was granted a salary of \$250 in 1918 for official services in the year to follow he promised to raise that sum from public rallies on the state field and turn into the association's treasury. He realized \$132 more than pledged by him, or paid the salaries of the secretary and himself and left a surplus of \$57 for the organization from the activities of the year, which seemed to have been highly acceptable. Salaries for the current year were fixed at \$300 for the president and \$75 for the secretary.

The Banner of Life was continued as the official organ for the State body and \$25 voted for its publication services in 1918.

Mrs. C. Fanny Allyn was chosen Honorary State Superintendent of Lyceums and granted \$50 for her last year's work.

Miss Lillian G. Hall, connected with Boston Lyceums from early childhood, was chosen Active State Superintendent of that work and granted \$50 towards her expenses in visiting local fields, with a view of organizing new Lyceums. Confidence in her qualifications for the undertaking will lead to wide interest in her achieved results during the year.

General demand that Bro. Wiggin continue as president of the association another year compelled a persevering and positive effort to that end and under powerful pressure his predetermined declination was overruled and he yielded to the convention's will, with some modifications of the duties to be performed by him.

His official associates will be: 1st Vice-president, Edwin J. Foster, of Worcester; 2d Vice-president, L. N. Cushman, of Lowell; 3d Vice-president, A. E. Wilson of Malden; Secretary, Annie R. Chapman, of Brighton; Treasurer, H. C. Berry, of Boston; Directors, Albert P. Blinn, Emma B. Kalne, Frank Hall.

Tuesday evening there was music by Willis Milligan with solos and duet by Will Clough and J. Vanblascom and an address by the president of the N. S. A., but no messages by Mediums.

It was good to meet once more our New England workers.

California.—The city council of Oakland has undertaken to prohibit the practice of mediumship in every form, either for or without pay, whether engaged in by personal Mediums or by any firm or corporation.

Unfortunately, when that action was taken John Slater was absent from his home city, filling engagements on eastern fields.

Until this issue shall have been threshed out in the State Superior Courts, Spiritualists in all parts of the United States will feel at liberty to freely mention the high degree of religious toleration manifested by the City of Oakland and at the same time to do nothing to change the plans of their substantial followers and many non-resident sympathizing tourists for establishing winter centers in the state where the constitutional rights of American citizens are zealously guarded, irrespective of the creedal beliefs of individuals.

It is a wonderfully near-sighted public policy to attempt to punish an entirely law-abiding body of citizens of the community, the state or the nation because some brazen upstarts have assumed to represent a cause whose reputable adherents have no dealings with, and absolutely disown them.

The official board of the California State Spiritualists' Association, under the leadership of President H. C. W. Johnson is manfully struggling to obtain such local ordinances as shall make it possible to amply protect every legitimate Medium and minister of Spiritualism and at the same time insure the punishment of every arrant trickster. Its watchword is: Defend the innocent, but punish the guilty! Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty!

Chicago.—Much credit is due to President Burgess and the official board of the Illinois State Association for the very successful outcome of the joint mass meeting in West Side Masonic Temple on Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, January 16, 17, 18. Arrangement of the program and determination of the many details rested largely with the state and local workers. Official representatives of the N. S. A. participating in special assignments thereof were the president, Trustee Griffen and Missionary-at-large John Slater.

The two afternoon sessions were well attended and enlivened by symposiums on practical questions. Large audiences gathered on the three evenings and the only dissatisfaction we heard was as to over-lengthy programs, some preferring only one speaker and two message givers at any one formal public session. Managers of our public services face a puzzling problem in choosing just the right talent and not too much of it. It is always easier to tell how a thing should be done by others than to do it that way yourself.

Music by the DeCamps was as ever most enjoyable. Among the message givers were: Frank Joseph, Chas. F. Leon, Mrs. W. J. Howes, Mrs. Luella Eastwood, Mrs. Janie Avery, Mrs. Maggie Waite, John Slater. The participating speakers included President Warne, Thos. Grinshaw, Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader, A. M. Griffen, Oscar A. Edgerly, S. R. Maxwell, the last named being an unusual voice on our platform, but one destined to do much good.

After all bills had been paid there remained \$138.71 for both the N. S. A. and the Ill. S. S. A.

Springfield, Mass.—The First Spiritualist Society of this city, formerly the First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid, has about completed purchase from the Congregational Union of the French Protestant Church building and grounds in Bliss Street.

When planned improvements in the main assembly hall shall have been completed and the large basement room refitted for suppers and social affairs, *The Republican* says "Local Spiritualists will enjoy a center superior to anything they have ever had," and adds that the membership of nearly 100 "will grow as the society enters its remodeled quarters in a more central location."

Cincinnati, O.—The society led by Mrs. H. B. Rymer had a very successful opening on the last Sunday of September with Mrs. Marian Carpenter as speaker, in Hall E, one of the large auditoriums in the Odd Fellows' Temple. Supper was served, attendance large and the spirit of the day's services fine.

Before the next Sunday the board of health had promulgated an epidemic ban on public meetings. It has now been raised and the attendance is steadily growing, with a good class of people becoming interested.

Spokane, Washington.—Mrs. Dora Underwood Piercy has been re-engaged as pastor of The Spokane Spiritual Church of Science, and its meetings since December 1st have been held in a larger hall than formerly. The attendance is increasing and interest in the public services is stimulated by a Young Peoples Choir and an orchestra. A good sized class of new members is about to be admitted. A letter before us reads: "Never since I have been in Spokane has the interest been so great and so much harmony expressed."

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Follett, formerly of Minnesota, and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Stevens, late of St. Joseph, Mo., are adding their efforts for success of the church's undertakings.

Miami, Florida.—Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond admits that she did not wait to ask permission before starting: The zero weather was responsible for my rather sudden departure for a warmer climate. The cold brought on the heart trouble—all tied up in knots—that I have suffered from so long.

Here the climate is perfect, for me; about 59 or 60 degrees at night, and 70 to 76 degrees at noon.

I am temporarily with old friends who lived in Chicago many years ago. They have a wee cottage here and have been in Miami 8 or 9 years.

The roads are like a house floor in every direction, many, many miles, and they can take me out in their car any time I am able to go—it is delightful not to be "shut in" on account of Mr. Zero.

Grape fruit, oranges, strawberries, fresh vegetables now in their prime.

Everett, Wash.—We have two societies here at present, the Universal Spiritualist Church, under the N. S. A., and the Spiritual Science Church, and each seems to be doing good work. The Universal Spiritualist Church is growing slowly but surely.

The people here are awakening to the fact that Spiritualism is a religion and a truth not to be denied. It seems to me that this is an ideal place for our grand and beautiful truth to grow.

Here we have the great snow-capped mountains that are nature's monuments to higher things; then we have the beautiful Puget Sound at our feet, and as you stand on the heights and look out over the waters you cannot help but realize that life is continuous. As you see the many large steamers plying the waters and the wheels of commerce turning on every hand you see and know that the watch word is progression here and hereafter.

MRS. JENNIE LARSEN.

Baltimore.—It is with great joy we received the new banner "The National Spiritualist." Long may you live and carry the tidings of work and joy to all men. Your sheet was a comfort in its neat appearance, also quality of materials used.

We hope it will rapidly grow to be a larger and oftener issued sheet, but we sincerely trust it will not become simply an advertising sheet, where one-half the space is given to all kinds of ads.

Here in Baltimore we at the present time are very much alive. The audiences have been gradually increasing of late, and we note with a very good quality of intellect as the standard.

Our Thomas Paine memorial called out an excellent audience. We were favored at that time with a musical selection rendered by Miss Sparrow. She was new among us, but we hope she will become one of us. She possesses a voice of rare quality and power which captivated her audience.

On January 7th we had an oyster supper and secured the services of Wellman C. Whitney while en route south, so we held a most remarkable seance after the supper. Mr. Whitney was so well received by the people, we have made arrangements to have him stop on his way north in March.

The whole thing netted the Auxiliary a nice sum after all expenses were paid.

Just now there is quite a bit of enthusiasm in raising \$500.00. One good member notified us, if the church would raise that amount they would give us \$200 more, thus making \$700 in all. We have a committee at work and already over \$300 is in sight.

We are all hoping that ere long our N. S. A. president will be coming near enough so he can give us a call. Wishing our paper and its editor Godspeed and unbounded success.

We are most sincerely,
FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH,
Baltimore, Md.

WELCOMES FROM AUXILIARY STATE BODIES

Maine.—Mrs. Mary Drake Jenne, Secretary: "We rejoice in the advent of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST and predict for it an honored and valuable future. The needs of the hour have called it into visible expression. We feel that the official board of the N. S. A. is fully awake to them. The right thing has been done at the right time—when the Dove of Peace is circling over the nations of the earth seeking to find a resting place. Personally, I rejoice greatly in the reference made to Lyceum Work and the space that will be allotted to it is most appropriate and prophetic of great good, for the children of the Now are the Spiritualists of the coming days."

New York.—Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds of the General Assembly's board: "God bless the new-born child. If its first cry of joy was loud may its ever-increasing strength make it stronger and louder. The need for this paper was great, and I am sure it will be appreciated."

Mrs. Harriet M. Rathbun, State Treasurer: "My hat is doffed; I am bowing very low with my hand over my heart, my heart all aglow with joy, thanksgiving, and pride in beholding this new-born oracle which shall carry world-wide news of the philosophy and the comforting of Spiritualism."

"With bright lights fore and aft, and along the sides, our ship of spiritual enlightenment shall become a beacon of no small account."

"We have the gallant captain and his faithful colleagues; we need now the passengers, who will serve in financial and moral channels of support. Behold a great crowd of Spiritualists must man this laudable venture, and make it the unqualified success it aims to be."

"Listen, Spiritualists, in every state of the Union: Go to it! No slackers allowed. Seriously, let us every one recognize our privilege and responsibility in 'doing our bit' to send this creditable newcomer in the field of Spiritualist publications broadcast on its wonderful mission."

"It fills a much needed and greatly desired leadership in our current literature. With hosts of others I shall watch the growth and accomplishment of this national organ."

"I shall—but what is that shadow over my head? Why, it's the editorial hatchet! Surely the office is fully equipped. Do I imagine it, or is there really an inscription on the hatchet blade which reads: 'Too many words and off goes your head!'"

"My alarm is so great, doubtless I shall see stars at the end of every alternate paragraph. I'm stopping—but, here's for success."

Missouri.—Dr. Otto Vierling, State Secretary: "Glory to God and the Angel world, and success to the N. S. A. board in the launching of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST. Sooner or later it had to come. Perhaps it should have been sooner. You will remember my attitude while a member of the N. S. A. Board of Trustees several years ago. The belief in the sign 'No Thorougfare' has vanished."

"In my opinion, your action will have a splendid influence, and will mean a great acceleration in stalwart organizational Spiritualist propaganda. Our people, as a movement, now have something with which to reach all corners of the movement. You have placed a tool in our hands. Nor do I forget for one moment the great service, past and to come of privately owned Spiritualist newspapers; and I believe that this move, as well as the trend of events, will also increase THEIR sphere of usefulness."

"The letters published in No. 1, really a symposium, written by the individual members of the N. S. A. Board, prove that they have the proper vision, and the requisite determination to accept all the opportunities coming our way. I predict a vociferous 'Amen' from Spiritualists the country over. I believe that the various departments to be developed as an instrument to serve the Cause will increase in size and number. This has been a joyful day to me."

California.—State President Johnson: "THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST arrived at the best of times to give it a good introduction to the workers as they were assembled to listen to the proposed ordinance. We got to work at once and secured yearly subscriptions for the enclosed names."

"The Spiritualist receives from this section of California a most hearty greeting. We will do all we can to get it before and into the hands of the people."

Ohio.—Mrs. E. Schauss, State President: "Welcome—Welcome, again, and welcome still more! My soul rejoices in its birth; my heart beats in sympathy with its aims, objects and ideals; my brain and hand

pledge themselves to aid to the extent of my ability in carrying the work of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST to success."

Mrs. Abbie E. Farr, State Secretary: "Permit us to offer our most sincere congratulations upon the initial bow of 'Our' paper. Neat, concise, and above all NATIONAL, it represents the people, by the people, and for the people."

"Most of the affiliated workers have for many years recognized the need of an official organ, wherein all things pertaining to organized Spiritualism and its work might find record; such as all well known and well organized bodies have."

"Long may THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST live and prosper, carrying wisdom, knowledge and power into the ranks of our workers, and demonstrating to the world that Spiritualism is here to become the foremost of the religions of the day."

"Knowing that in order to make it a success a certain amount of financial backing should accompany our words of good will, we herewith enclose our check for subscriptions, taken at our mid-week meeting this evening, and shall make it our particular part of the program to continue taking them, until THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST shall be found in every home represented in our Church, as well as many others in the State."

Wisconsin.—Chas. R. Smith, State President: "Nothing that I have received recently has given me such genuine joy as the initial copies sent me of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST."

"The very name fills me with optimism. It is an augury for nation-wide fame. It expresses in name the thought of a United Spiritualism. It bids and commands the recognition by that part of our human family who have failed to recognize the individual Spiritualist. It speaks of organization, determination and the power to win."

It makes us feel that at last has come the day when we can walk erect, proclaiming boldly the great Truth that is Life itself. It tells the world that from this moment forth is the cause of Spiritualism not only a national issue, but a world's issue, an issue that when rightly understood will bring a real world's democracy. A democracy of religion, a democracy that sweeps away the petty jealousies that have grown through the false teachings of a narrow creed."

"The Spiritualists of Wisconsin shall this new organ of Light and Truth and we shall do all in our power to help secure subscriptions for this new visitor."

"May the journey of this new-born banner reach into all the states of our glorious U. S. A."

A BIRDSEYE VIEW OF THE OHIO FIELD

Ohio.—It occurs to me that your second issue might be glad of a little state and local news for its columns.

Our good old Buckeye State has been very quiet so far as news items for any paper has been concerned for some time, but not quiet in the matter of work for the Cause. From all parts of the State come the most encouraging reports, both from the Churches already organized and from new bodies of people, looking forward to organization."

Four of the latter have sent in for blank applications this month, evidently having formed New Year resolutions to become affiliated workers in the field, and, strange to say, nearly all of them from the "Western Reserve" district, so-called."

The older organizations are making bold strides, in point of membership and enthusiasm, and while, on account of the epidemic, many had to close their doors the latter part of 1914, yet the opening of 1915 has been most auspicious, and with the heralding of peace, came the natural sequence of more harmony and spirituality among that particular people whose watchword is Humanitarianism and Brotherly Love."

For the city of Cleveland, our organizations here are thriving as never before. Five organized Spiritualist Churches here, and every one active, the two working in the English tongue having capacity houses at every Sunday evening meeting, our three Hungarian Churches doing a vast amount of good among their own people. Rev. Wilson Armitage of the South Cleveland Church is rapidly finding his own, and we look for some exceptionally good things from them this year."

The Second Spiritualist Church, of which the writer is Pastor, have had a glorious season. Since the opening after the epidemic, our audiences have been constantly growing, and if it continues, we will be forced to seek larger quarters. The month of December, under the regime of Rev. H. G. Burroughs of Chicago as lecturer and messenger, was the open sesame for still greater achievements for

January, with Rev. Lina Schanbacher of Detroit as lecturer, and Mr. Burroughs remaining as messenger. The latter having determined to make Cleveland his permanent home, these two will continue to form our platform battery for the present."

Our "Mens Club," recently formed, are on the quiet lookout for a Church home for us in the near future, beside being active in most of the social functions of the Church. Our Ladies Aid, without which no well-organized society can prosper, has also been most successful during the past year."

"MINNESOTA"

I received my first copy of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST and it made me very happy to think that we are going to have our own paper, and that it is going to be called THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST BECAUSE I am a SPIRITUALIST and I feel that I am a part of THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST Association, am I not, Mr. Editor? I belong to one of the Societies of our own State Association, and of course I am going to support our own paper. I have given my subscription to one of the members of my Church already and I shall be looking forward to receive the February number after the second Tuesday in February. Of course I like to read my own letters and see how they read in print, but I am more interested in seeing what others have to say and in gathering beautiful thoughts that so many good people can express."

I hope to be able to write a few thoughts worth while sometime, because I think the world grows and we grow by our thoughts. I think our thoughts can make us happy or unhappy, well or sick, rich or poor, kind or unkind, strong or weak, and so I want to think and then to learn to express kind, strong, helpful thoughts. And I am told in the Lyceum that I can "DEVELOP" this by constantly trying."

I am glad to be allowed to write this letter to you because I want to tell you what I heard, and show our President that I can gather a little news although I am only quite young in the newspaper business."

I found out that our State Board held its QUARTERLY MEETING at the home of their Secretary, Mr. W. G. Koken, lately, and "W. G." I do not know what that stands for, but he's all right anyway, because everybody says so. Well, W. G. was very proud and happy because he had received and hung up in his parlor for the Board to see, a beautiful banner, from the N. S. A. for excellence of report to the N. S. A. I am sure he deserved it, for he is such a good man, and if the N. S. A. had not given him a banner for his report then he deserved one for having one of the best and sweetest little wives that ever lived in all this "BIG ROUND BEAUTIFUL WORLD." I know because I have seen her."

And after the Board had admired Mrs. Koken and the banner they got an inspiration and became very busy and made all arrangements for a mid-winter mass meeting to be held in St. Paul February 20, 21, 22 and 23, and I heard that Dr. Warne was to be invited to come."

I do hope he will be able to come because we Minnesota people all love to have Dr. Warne with us and when we see Mrs. Warne with him we must all think that Dr. Warne is entitled to a banner, too."

Then we are to have Mr. Alonzo M. Griffin for the Mass Meeting too, and he is going to lecture for us on Saturday evening and on Sunday afternoon. I hope they will all be here for Thursday evening because we are going to have just a dandy entertainment I know because I have been keeping my "ear to the ground." I think that is what reporters say, and if you want to know all about it just send a line to our Secretary, Mr. W. G. K., who lives at 1603 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, and he will send you one of the programs of the whole Mass Meeting and lots of other things. He just loves to send out programs because he says Minnesota gets out just the dandiest programs in the whole outside."

I wanted to tell you a few nice things about all our people in Winona and Wheaton and Bemidji in this letter, but their Secretaries have not written to tell me anything yet, so if they want me to put something in my next letter won't they please send me a letter before the last Tuesday in February, and then I shall have time to write them up "IN STYLE." And I want them to send their letters for me to Mr. J. P. Whitwell, 17 East Third Street, St. Paul, Minn., and he will see that I receive them. And I should like so much to have a good letter from the Secretary of every Society in our State by the last Tuesday of every month, because I am beginning to like my job and would like to hold it. Won't you please help me? I don't want to be fired."

MINNE-SO.

RECENT PROMOTIONS

"Death is another life; we bow our heads
At going out, we think, and enter straight
Another golden chamber of the king's,
Larger than this we leave, and lovelier."

GILLESPIE.—The final obsequies of J. Shaw Gillespie, husband of Mrs. Annie L. Gillespie, National Superintendent of Lyceums, were held at the family residence in Battle Creek, Mich., at 2 p. m., Sunday, January 19. Local Spiritualists were present in large numbers, including thirty-three ladies of Alice's White Circle, each wearing a bow distinctive of that name. Fraternal friends came from Jackson, Grand Rapids, Vicksburg and other neighboring localities, as well as from Chicago.

After Mrs. Claire Keith had sweetly rendered "Sometime You Will Understand," an invocation was offered by Mrs. Amanda C. Flower, words of tribute were spoken by Dr. Geo. B. Warne, Dr. Julia M. Walton made the closing prayer and Mrs. Keith sang impressively "Only Remembered by What You Have Done," after which the body was borne to peaceful Oak Hill Cemetery, where commitment to its final home was conducted by the president of the N. S. A.

Bro. Gillespie was born in 1868 in County Armagh, Ireland, a Protestant section of Erin's Isle. His parents were both school teachers, and later one sister and five sons, including Shaw, took up educational lines of work.

Bro. Gillespie, as a young man, was a member of the Irish Champion Foot Ball team, playing with it in match games against English, Welsh and Scotch clubs, and himself holding for four or five years the distinction of World's Champion Long Distance Kicker.

He came to America in 1887 in company with James Gillespie, who founded the house of T. A. Gillespie & Co., still ranking high in the cities of Pittsburgh and New York.

On February 16, 1898 he was united in marriage with Mrs. Annie L. Robinson and became an invaluable helper in all of her public work because of his alert mind, trained business methods, genial personality, musically trained voice and unswerving devotion to the advancement of Spiritualism.

After service with the Westinghouse Electric Co. of Pittsburgh that concern sent him to San Francisco, California, charged with the responsibility of auditor for its business on the Pacific coast.

He was for eight years with the Summerland Development Co. of Naramata, British Columbia, where a severe sun stroke in 1914 undoubtedly laid the foundation for his final fatal illness. Just before the recent holidays unpleasant symptoms led him to temporarily discontinue his duties with the Florist Review Co. of Chicago and return to Battle Creek for recuperation in health.

He had been recently serving as Secretary of the Chicago Spiritualists League. He was in San Francisco at the earthquake on April 18, 1906 and had been for nearly four years president of the California State Spiritualists' Association.

Besides his widow, four brothers, W. A. Gillespie of Glasgow, Scotland, R. and A. E. Gillespie of Erie, Pa., Alfred Gillespie of Norwood, Manitoba, and his stepsons, Fred C. and M. D. Manchester, will sorrow because of his transition, breaking another link in the golden chain of human kinship, while all who knew our departed brother will mourn his going.

HINMAN.—Warren W. Hinman passed to higher life Sunday, January 12th, of pneumonia, at Dr. Lee's Hospital, Rochester, N. Y., and interment was at his former home, Groton, N. Y. Mr. Hinman was a lifelong Spiritualist, and will be greatly missed by his many friends in Rochester, especially in Plymouth Church.

WHITE.—On Tuesday, January 14th, Mrs. Jennie White, wife of Wm. White, formerly of Philadelphia, Penn., passed to the spirit home after a long and happy life. Funeral was held at the home of her daughter, 227 Charlotte Street, Rochester, conducted by Rev. Tillie N. Reynolds.

CRELLIN.—Lewis C. Crellin passed from the mortal body Saturday, January 18th, of pneumonia, at Rochester, N. Y. Funeral services were held at his home, 65 Pennsylvania Avenue, Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Tillie U. Reynolds. He was a quiet, earnest Spiritualist and the heartfelt sympathy of his many friends in Rochester and Plymouth Church go out to his wife, father and family, for the absence of the body while rejoicing in the transition of his spirit to the higher life.

LOCKE.—American Spiritualists will feel to mourn the loss of one of Nature's Noblemen from their

earthly ranks, as they read of the transition of Hon. Thomas M. Locke at his home in Philadelphia on January 22, at the age of 89 years.

Born on a Gloucester County, N. J., farm, he developed many-sided abilities which impressed his influence on social, business, political, educational, charitable, fraternal and religious undertakings in every community where his lot was cast. Genial in manner, quick of mind, tolerant in thought, positive in conviction and sympathetic by nature, a sight of his sunny face was like a patriarchal blessing.

He was honored by his fellow citizens with numerous positions of official trust and discharged their duties with sturdy fidelity. At one time a member of the lower house of the New Jersey legislature, we believe he occupied the speaker's chair of that body.

Granted a longer period of activity in life's opportunities than falls to many men, he was president of the Philadelphia Spiritualists' Society for twenty-five years, an organizer and president of the Pennsylvania State Association and an efficient and esteemed Vice-president of the National Spiritualists' Association of the U. S. A.

Widely scattered hearts will send to the surviving wife warm, pulsing thoughts of deepest sympathy, while rejoicing with her that neither she nor we have finally lost him. The good he did on earth was not buried with his body but remains a stimulus for those who follow after him.

EMERSON.—Twenty years ago Edgar W. Emerson was in general demand as speaker and message giver from New England to the Mississippi valley. He worked as Medium during the evening sessions of the Mass Convention at Chicago in 1893, when the N. S. A. was organized. He numbered many personal friends on the fields he served.

Early in January, while in Boston, a lady whose home used to be a haven for him, told us his release from the body was drawing near. It came at Manchester, N. H., on the 18th of that month. He had been broken physically and his mental powers more or less eclipsed for several years so that the end brought release to him and relief to those immediately charged with his care.

It is a cause for thankfulness that generous Spiritualists of the country had made it possible for the N. S. A. to add from its Medium's Relief Fund monthly allowances for his needed care. Mention of his going will cause many who knew the genial, gifted man to recall him when at his best.

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METHODS OF A PRACTICAL TEACHER

When Andrew Jackson Davis founded his first Lyceum, it was with the idea of the harmonious development of the individual. Since that time public schools have taken over a large part of the work which he intended for the Lyceum. It will be remembered that he speaks of the "cultivation and just development of the intellectual part," to teach "all the approved branches of study and mental culture." The use of physical exercises and the teaching of hygiene, which Mr. Davis advised, have grown in importance until today they play a large part in every school curriculum.

To the Lyceum has been left principally the development of the moral and spiritual part of the child's nature.

How our teachings may be correlated with everyday life, how they may be varied and made interesting is the greatest difficulty of the Lyceum worker. Manuals should be suggestive not basic.

A summary of the lessons used last Sunday may give others some new ideas.

Class A, the youngest group, has been discussing "The Road to Success." A large pencil sketch graphically illustrates it. In the picture is seen a chariot drawn by four horses. The wheels are deep in the mire. The ruts in this mire are labeled the various vices and faults of man. The whip of ambition aids the driver. The reins are initiative, optimism, courage and hard work.

By passing through the mire, success is reached. Each of the ruts, each of the reins is the subject for one lesson. Last Sunday the lesson was selfishness, which has probably been used time and again, but it was presented in a different way.

Abstract truths have little appeal, but illustrations of those truths go a long way to make them clear and interesting. The story used, which I cannot tell here, brought out how happiness comes in the doing and how the community in which we live and of which we are a part is dependent on the individuals in it. It was the community idea around which the lesson was woven.

A chance remark of a previous Sunday: "Does Spiritualism take away entirely the fear of death?" motivated the lesson for Class A. References were made to "Spirits in Prison" from "Outlines of Spiritualism for the Young," and to Franchezzo's "A Wanderer" (which has been used several years by various classes). The conclusion was reached that he whose life has been gross and material may fear death because of conditions in which the individual will find himself.

Class C has used Lillian Whittings "The Adventure Beautiful" for a number of weeks. This class is made up of older girls and young ladies, which makes possible the study of a chapter like "The Unseen Reality." The points emphasized were that science, with its proof of ethereal realms and of vibratory forces of which we of ordinary physical development know little or nothing, has made us realize how limitless is the energy, latent in the universe, and how equally limitless are the power of thought and will, "implements with which to conquer in the realm of unseen realities."

The Adult Class used the eighth of the "Declaration of Principles." One of the gentlemen in the class read a letter which he had received from a man in prison whose name had been given to him and to whom he had written. As we heard it we could not help but think how pitiable it was that a man of his apparent education should be spending time away from the world's activities because of wrongs done. But the tone of the letter led one to infer that his reformation was in the "here" rather than the "hereafter."

The success of every lesson depends on the initiative of the teacher. The material from which she may draw is all around. Magazine articles and stories, books, Spiritualist and otherwise, anecdotes and current events are supplementary writings which will aid in interesting the pupil, while at the same time will open his mind unconsciously to the spiritual and moral truths which we wish to bring forth.

EDITH C. WALLENBERG.

Dear Friends in the Lyceum Work:

Massachusetts would like to stand up and be

counted, and sends its greetings to the Lyceumists of our beloved country.

I have recently been elected Active Superintendent of Lyceums for Massachusetts, to assist Mrs. C. Fannie Allyn, who you all know has worked for Spiritualism and the children for over fifty years, to carry on the work she has so faithfully started.

Our National Superintendent suggests that the need is for "young, enthusiastic workers with fresh, unwearied spirits," and evidently the friends here in Massachusetts have come to a realization of that fact, too, since they have elected me, only out of High School three and one-half years, to help carry forward the banner. Owing to illness, I have not as yet had a chance to visit any of the other Lyceums in our state, except our own, but I would like to offer a few words regarding the benefits of Lyceum work.

I have been a Lyceumist all my life, and in the Lyceum I have learned that Faith in the Unseen Forces, which gave me courage even to accept the position of Superintendent. If I did not KNOW with all my heart and soul that I have a grandmother ever by my side, who will help me through any difficulties, if I but seek her aid, I never should attempt some of the things I try to do, without that help.

I have seen mediumship which was genuine and true and some that was not so, and have learned to distinguish between the two. Then again, I have learned to see and hear from my unseen friends myself, and I have been taught to express what I see or hear, or what comes into my mind, in a truthful manner. My teachers have taught me the value of concentration, and the lesson of the "silent inner chamber," where we commune with our loved ones, away from the tumult of life. There's where the inspiration and help from unseen hands is most beneficial. All these things I have learned in the Lyceum, and many more, too. I have had a chance to exercise my talents of song and recitation, thereby benefitting myself and furnishing interest and enjoyment for others in the Lyceum.

And, oh, that infinite Lesson of Faith! We have learned that, too, in the Lyceum. Our Faith has even been carried over to Europe.

There were about twenty boys who went out from our Church, Unity Church, to the battlefields of France, and they had faith in the Spirit World that they would be safely guarded. Many of them have seen active service, having been through Chateau Thierry and other fights, but every one, without exception, I believe, is coming home without even a scratch. One of the boys is one of only fourteen survivors of his company, the rest having either been killed or wounded. Two of the boys have Grandmothers in Spirit, in whose hands they have put their lives, and they have both written home, saying: "I saw Grandma just as I was going 'over the top,' and I just knew I'd come back." One boy, my brother, only nineteen, wrote to me, "We have been through nine months of Hell, but the Spirit World has brought me through without a scratch." What a wonderful proof of what Faith in the Unseen can do! And when these boys return to tell us of the forms they have seen, and the voices they have heard, will it not be a wonderful tribute to our religion and our Lyceums?

Too much cannot be said or done regarding Lyceums, for they are the school-rooms from which we shall draw our future Mediums and teachers. So I say, let the good work go on, for we are bound toward success! I hope my few words will give some Lyceum courage to "keep on keeping on," until the time comes when Lyceums will receive the attention and interest that are justly due them.

I would be more than pleased to hear from other State Lyceum Superintendents in regard to their experience in the work, which is so dear to so many of us.

Wishing you all Success for 1919, I am,

Sincerely for the Lyceum,

LILLIAN G. HALL.

SPEAKING OUT OF REAL EXPERIENCES

The first thing I generally look for when I take up a Spiritualist paper is for the Lyceum Department, and I certainly must say that I was agreeably surprised to find such an interesting and instructive letter from our National Superintendent of Lyceums as appeared in the first issue of this valuable paper.

I think it is a blessed privilege to be allowed to work for the children, some of my happiest hours are spent with them.

I consider a church is not complete unless it has a Lyceum, for it is like trying to build up on the sands, but with a Lyceum you are building up your church on a solid rock, for we all recognize the fact that it is to the children of today to whom we must look for future workers; they will come

forward from our Lyceum fully equipped to carry on the work when we are called away. It requires hard work and perseverance, trusting in the help of the Angel world to make a success.

I find the secret of success is that of being able to hold the children when you have them. Make it attractive for them, do not show any partiality, treat each one kindly, and let them see that you have their interest at heart. Visit them when sick or absent, and you will soon find they will learn to love not only you but their Sunday School.

We oftentimes feel discouraged, and things look a little dark, then comes the sunshine; some little incident will occur that will convince you that your labor of love has not been in vain.

I would like to relate a little incident which made me feel very happy and spurred me on to still greater efforts. One of our old Lyceum girls was taken sick; she was not then a member, having married and now has children of her own. She phoned saying she wished to see my wife and me. We always keep in touch with our old Lyceum children. The first thing I noticed while waiting in the parlor was one of our hymn books open on the piano. I remarked to her mother, someone has been playing one of the old songs; imagine my surprise when she remarked: "Do you know, that one night each week the young people who attended your Lyceum as children meet here and sing together their favorite songs, and they never part until they have lined up, pledged themselves with their old class motto and each put a foot firmly down and said, 'I will dare to do right!'"

Is not that encouraging? The beautiful teachings they received in the Lyceum will never be forgotten for they are engraved indelibly on the tablets of their memory; they even rock their children to sleep humming one of the old Lyceum songs.

Oftentimes through the instrumentality of the children, the parents become members of our Church, for they question them regarding the lesson and read their memory gem cards. One parent remarked to me: "If that is the kind of teaching they receive it certainly is good enough for me." Both he and his wife are now valuable members of our Church.

On special occasions we have the children on the rostrum to sing and recite. All these things create an interest among the children in Lyceum work.

I am pleased to say that we are never at a loss for teachers, in fact we generally have two in reserve, we graduate them up from the ranks, our method is this; two of the best girls are selected from the senior class to serve for one year as guardians. At the end of their term they are given a class of the smallest children, and when a vacancy occurs in the other classes they are drafted to a higher one. I find this method teaches discipline, and makes the children work the harder for promotion.

I hope that these few remarks will encourage and stimulate those who are willing to promote the cause by forming a Lyceum. You will never regret the work for the Angel friends, and they will work for you. In conclusion, I would ask of each leader to send their best and loving thoughts to our National Superintendent of Lyceums in this her dark hour of bereavement by the transition of her beloved husband.

MOTTO

"I will dare to do right."

Angels waiting at life's Gate,

We would turn from sin and hate,

Loving ones in peace divine;

We would learn at wisdom's shrine

Live in goodness on this shore

Till we join you ever more.

W. J. HOWES,

West Side Spiritualist Lyceum, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. A. Ebert, one of our Minnesota State Mediums, who lives in Minneapolis, the city where they make so much flour to feed the world, went down to the Sunflower Lyceum in St. Paul not long ago and she says she is glad she went for she thinks they have a splendid Lyceum, and does not see how it can be improved. I think all Spiritualists and especially all Mediums should go to a Lyceum as often as they can.

READY FOR FIELD WORK

Aldrick E. Hanson, one of the graduates of the Norris Pratt Institute, who is a credit to his alma mater, will, after the middle of May, be at liberty to fill engagements with local societies or camp meetings either for occasional or permanent services. During the winter months he is supplying various accessible points in Wisconsin and Illinois. He has also rendered service in Minnesota.

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