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In the year 1931, many changes will come to nations now engaged in bitter struggle. Nature, in her great benevolence, will remove the hand of bondage. Individuals, who are now in mental darkness, will be brought into the light of Knowledge. As the year approaches the new revelation the tide of human affairs will recede and understanding between individuals will be established. Astounding Revelations of coming world events, will be written in the heavens, so to speak, as they will be on the lips of prophets of all nations.

As the Summer approaches and turns to gold, many will be driven to shelter from the storm of the aroused populace. Read between the lines ye prophets and world degraders of human intelligence. Peer closely into the archives of the past—open your vaults, ye hoarders of the people's wealth, lest the vengeance of He who said "Suffer the little ones to come unto me" be poured upon you when the Great Harvester gathers the fruit of the vine.

The Fall of 1931, marks an epoch filled with unrest among those who hold the nation's destiny in their power. Fearful are the mutterings of those who do not want Justice—yet the abiding faith of those who see the light, will stay the revengeful hand of he who goes out to slay. Awaken, ye sleeper! The wild beast seeketh thy young, at the threshold of thy habitation. Cans't thou not hear the wild cries—dost thou not see the fangs of the foe as he stands ready to spring at thy throat?

Thou who sittest in prayer, dost thou not feel the Presence of the Mighty One, whose finger of scorn didst write the word "Justice" upon the sands of the seashore? Dost thou not know the meaning of "the handwriting on the wall," O! thou King of those who bring suffering to thy brethren?

This is the time when thou wast commanded to "watch and forsake thy cunning." Pay the tithe thou hast taken from these, thy faithful followers, lest their blood be upon thy head.

NINETEEN THIRTY-ONE shall indeed take toll of many in the high places, in the nations, between the dawn and the twilight of the year.

Answer the Call to Duty, ye mighty men in Power, if ye would not bring the wrath of the slain upon your nations.

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HILE we are all looking forward to the Birth of the New Year, let us realize how quickly the old has slipped away and remember that the one we so eagerly await, will not tarry with us.

We must be on our guard lest the manly little fellows turn the hands of the clock around the dial before we have even caught our breath.

What are we planning for the New Year, what are our hopes, what secret do we hold, what goal have we chosen and are our feet set upon the Path of Progress? Can we take our brother's hand and give him of our strength or are we nursing an angry scar of revenge, carrying a knapsack filled with plagues to scatter, as we journey? "What will the New Year give to us?" is a question whose answer is, Just what you give the New Year as the moments come will they give back to you as they pass.

¶ The Power to Possess

HO has not wished for that power that draws to them the wealth of the world, the secret to compel those we love to abide with us, the gift to reveal the hidden treasures of the Earth, the enchantress' wand to take the bitter cup from our lips and the obstacles that lie in our path? Who has not wished for all of these, but who of these have sought the place where these gifts may be found, who of you are willing to take the step that will lead you to this coveted possession of those whom you envy? Think you these things are to be gained by wishing, by praying, by sitting in the silence, by giving, by conjuring, by asking, by witchcraft, by burning incense, by faith, by casting thyself at the mercy of the waves or by trusting in an Almighty Power to remove from thy path these things?

None of these, my brothers, will give you these things. It is thy strength of purpose, thy fearlessness, thy determination to master, to meet the storms and vicissitudes in life, with an unerring judgment, with a compassion in your Souls that can forgive all things, through the power to see the weakness of thy offender and forgive all his offenses, not because you are good and holy or because you expect a special dispensation, but because you cannot be successful carrying around such dead bodies. There is nothing outside of yourself, that can help you; you might as well expect to be well fed and well clothed by looking at your neighbor's well-filled storehouse. You must pos-

sess the power you crave, by making use of the power you have in much the same manner you increase your strength of muscles, by using them. You know these truths but you are blinded to the greatness of yourself because you are looking at the achievement of your neighbor and the exercising of your wishing wand, when you should be giving all your attention to your own problems.

No matter what you are facing, retreat into your inner shrine. All that you can wish for in another, you possess. You do not lack power; you lack determination, and are blind, deaf and dumb to the urge within that would set into vibration the only force that would give you the gifts you crave.

We praise others too much and ourselves, not enough. Refrain from rebuking yourself when your Soul is flooded with Light. Be joyous and let your Soul sing its glad song.

¶ When to Sit in the Silence

HE question of sitting in the silence is always one of great speculation and anxiety. Each one who has accomplished any degree of satisfaction feel they have found *The Law*.

No, my brethren, every individual is a Law unto themselves in this universal and most important moment of their Life. We do not want to offend any, neither do we act as judge or criticize their methods of teaching. We are concerned wholly in breaking down barriers to the progress of those who are handicapped and cannot avail themselves of the opportunity so many are able to grasp.

We know there are those who must have rituals—must have seclusion; we know also that the multitude of earnest souls do not have the money, time or place for these things; yet they must have their soul longing satisfied. It is to these I would speak for they carry their silence with them wherever they go. They have not awakened to this fact perhaps, because of their anxiety to possess that ritual that is out of their reach—that room where they will not be disturbed—that time where nothing will occupy their minds.

They are losing the greatest opportunity that any life ever had because they do not know that these things are not necessary to them—if they were they would have been put in their hands. If they only knew that their Law was to grasp the pearls of experience in whatever form it came—their silence is within themselves and cannot be found elsewhere. If they could realize that the restlessness would not be overcome by study—would not be lessened by being alone, quite the

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contrary—it would increase their restlessness—better still if they would comprehend this fact, that self control is silence.

To be silent does not mean to shut out the noise of the street. To be really silent, one must have tumult—everything is governed by opposites, harmony is the crowning glory of discord, light masters the darkness—darkness cannot overcome the tiniest ray of light—sound cannot break your silence for silence is the master of your soul and where silence rules there must be peace. The silent master comes at the insistent call of the Soul. It does not matter to the master where you are—who you are—what you are. It is your need that opens the flood gates to your Soul—your desire sends forth the call and your call is answered by the master.

Do not break your silence by worry—by seeking that which you already possess. Your ritual is the holy book of your own Life's experiences—your inner chamber is the shrine of your greatest desire for knowledge. Your silence is the master of your impulses to fret and worry—to find fault—to cherish envy and hate. Let YOUR Master of silence rule your house of discord and you will quickly be freed from bondage—the garden of your Life will burst into bloom and you shall see your God, for you will be filled with the overflowing fountain of understanding.

¶ Limitations

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ELL me what is the matter with me?" is the question so many people are asking of the Seers. Why do I have so much trouble, why am I poor, why can't I make friends, why do I not keep my friends? These and a thousand more are asked continuously by those who put limitations upon their own powers to achieve. You send a messenger out after success and then send a messenger of discouragement after him to bring him back; you spend hours in the silence, imploring whatever source, by whatever method you use, to give you strength in your hour of trial and immediately, upon leaving your chamber of silence, flood your mind with thoughts that kill; you go to meet your creditor with an air of being beaten already; you send out a letter knowing you won't get an answer; you eat food telling yourself it will make you sick. You constantly and continuously, feed your aura unhealthy thoughts, crying the while for help.

Our bodies are machines and must be adjusted to the rhythm of our desires, if we would travel the Highway of Success and have comfort as we journey. The master of the flesh must always and eternally be admonished; you cannot relax your vigilance one minute if you would have your command obeyed. You are the controlling power and if you confuse the faculties in command of the various departments of your body, you will have chaos.

The first step to take is to decide what is to be done and then how it is to be done, when and where. Hold in check, your commands, your wishes and your desires until you know how to command these lesser heads. Learn to be relaxed at all times. It is not faith that brings these gifts to you, but the understanding of the law of your own great universe of which you are one of its planets. Refrain from lamenting, remove the bands of limitations and "arise and walk."

¶ Our Nation Is Threatened

HOULD not the power of the press be used to suppress crime and uphold law? Does not the publicity given to crime by the great newspapers, the stage and the screen propagate crime? Is it not true that this overwhelming display of crime is the chief cause of the repetition of atrocities, each a little more gruesome than the other?

Display has an irresistible attraction for youth. To instruct youth is within the power of these three great institutions. Should they not then be made to realize that the power is vested in them to save the nation from this disgrace?

Shall we who uphold law and order not feel that this question is of the utmost importance in preserving the integrity of our nation? Must we longer permit crime to be flaunted above everything else without one word of protest?

Fellow-citizens, defenders of our country and the home, this menace is greater than the invasion of a foreign foe. We must protect our country from this deadly peril which threatens the life of every boy and girl—our nation's greatest asset.

We made this appeal in January, 1925, and many periodicals quoted us. Today—these children for whom we made the appeal, are among the boys and girls held in the Houses of Correction, many are serving life sentences while a few have given their lives to the State to satisfy the clamor of Society for Justice in the name of the Law, while others fill suicide graves.

We ask, how long will this DAMNABLE OUT-RAGE against our boys and girls continue?

Mothers and Fathers—Statesmen and Publishers—you are the keepers of the Nation's *Youth*. SPEAK, that the thunder of your voices will resound down through the ages.

# Awakening The DIVINE SELF

### By URIEL BUCHANAN

HY should material things or events have power to control? Mind is the builder. Your thought and attitude will determine your strength or weakness, your success or failure. Do you believe that disease can destroy the body, that poverty can enslave the mind, that misfortune can destroy the will? In the storm and confusion of trying times, when unexpected events defeat some cherished plan, withdraw from the strife, let go the tension of body and mind and look at yourself from the inmost center of consciousness where the divine self abides. See the troubled and confused senses, the busy hands and hurrying feet. What is the goal of the mad rush and endless What is it you are fretting about? Is it the fashions, the beautiful clothes, the ephemeral pleasures? Is it what people say about you, or the indifference of some friend, or the fear of possible harm? Seeing yourself from within, these things which have filled your mind with delusions and your heart with formless fears will dissolve like a wreath of mist and you will realize that nothing can hinder your progress, that no evil can befall you, that no barrier can retard or check your unfoldment and final realization of all that is good, all that is true and desirable.

Listen to the inner harmonies. Smile upon the world with brightening eyes aglow with the hidden fires of love. Life is always expressing itself; always unfolding from the invisible center into beautiful forms. From the heart of the rose bush comes the rose; from the heart of the tree, the fruit; from the heart of man, transforming love and the graces of human righteousness. Discord affects the surfaces of life; within there is always peace and joy. Discord is like the turbulent waves of the sea tossed into foam by every wind; peace is like the sea's tranquil depths forever unmoved by the storm. When vexed and discouraged, look within, away from the surface. Deny the power of trivial things to rule your world. Is not that which discovers a thing greater than the thing discovered? Is not that power which creates a world greater than the world created?

A veil of illusion hangs over humanity. Men appear wise and are overwhelmed with the importance of their achievements. They rush forever from one unfinished task to another, insenate and blind to the deep realities of being. But some grow weary of the endless self-seeking and learn that happiness is found not in the abundance of things a man has,



mind endowed with spiritual vision; in the wide-rejoicing heart that throbs with enkindling sympathies. The inner self lies deeper than another can see. And it is held fast in bondage to the physical sense-mind which thinks in the shadows and sees only matter and force in the world where all things are hurrying towards death and the dust. Every vestige of the outer

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the dust. Every vestige of the outer man must lose its dominating power before the divine self can awaken to its inheritance and grow joyous in the vision of its glory and freedom.

Out of the invisible center comes every creature of life. Every seed from which anything grows, contains in its heart the tiny germ which is quickened by the kisses of the sun and the earth's enfolding love. The fish swimming the seas, the birds flying the winds, the flowers and trees that make the beauty of the gardens and the greatness of forests and orchards, come forth and multiply in response to the creative impulse. The bark cannot tell you the tree's great secret of how it carries the sap up from the earth through its trunk and spreading

branches to burst into radiant blossoms. Nor can the petals of the blossoms tell you what is concealed in the depths of their white purity. But when the surface petals have fallen, the growing fruit is revealed, expanding in spheric beauty to mature and ripen in the sunshine of summer days. And so with man. Out of a sphere's divine center yearns into life each babe. Seeing the body, you cannot know the man. Nothing of the external can tell you of the great life unfolding, the great truth thinking, the great soul dwelling in a radiance that sends through the darkened senses only a flash of the glory that enfolds it.

Nothing of the external can satisfy. The rose is beautiful; but you tire of it, even before it fades. Entrancing music after a time sounds discordant. A beautiful picture loses its charm, somehow growing old, as the face of a friend will through the hurrying years.

The fatal mistake that has made the world's history a story of discord and sorrow lies in the false belief that the external is the great reality. Think about the deeper things, and your vision will broaden. Look into the soul of things and the soul of you will expand and radiate its love and joy. When you look for the soul of each thing you will always find beauty abloom in the flowers and love smiling at you in the face of your friend. Within the center is the true self, abiding in the divine reality. find the center of yourself is to find the inmost life of the universe. You can feel the throb of the Infinite heart deep within the beating of your own. This is your home to which you return when you tire of the strife. Here you will find peace. Here you will find joy. Here you will realize perfection of being. No more will you be in bondage to anything external. Only the spirit is your master, and you are the spirit. You have had the true vision. Within you is every power of the universe-all love, all wisdom, all life. In this consciousness you may realize truth. You are all that you think. You are all that you dream and desire. You abide in the glory of essential being where hope becomes vision and faith becomes sight.

### REFLECTIONS

### By JOHN H. DEQUER

E are supposed to be Masters of our Fate and Captains of our Souls. Are we? question obtrudes itself again and again. In our ordinary condition of consciousness we are not Masters of our Fate. We are on the Sea of Life. influenced by the tides, the currents and the winds. Our unenlightened efforts may modify one or all of them. To ignore them, is to be their victim. To obey them, is to be their servant. To learn their laws and adapt ourselves to their requirements, is all the mastery we can attain.

Years ago I started out to become a scientist. I studied hard. I read much. I experimented and observed. I did my best to become a materialist. I turned out to be a mystic. I started out to be a physician, I turned out to be a teacher. I started out to disprove supermundane forces, I ended up by teaching them. I started out to deny Deity, I ended by teaching His existence and power. I am nothing what I wanted to be. I am everything that seemed to me impossible. I am drifting further and further away from the goal I had set for myself. I am getting closer and closer to an actual realization of those things which I denied. I find myself caught in the drift. I am being landed in a world not of my choosing.

My will is a sail on the Boat of Life. I set it for the harbor of materialistic science. Behind it was the wind of public opinion. I was aware that a scientist must not fool with meta-physical nonsense. The winds of life blew me straight toward their laboratory. Alas, I did not know the currents or the tides in the Ocean of Existence. So here I am, far away from my self-determined port.

I was determined to render a material service. I was literally thrown into spiritual work. It is absorbing my entire time and attention.

During the last 8 or 10 years I have literally filled my mind with knowledge, the existence of which I denied. I have achieved a working knowledge of Astrology; of the Egyptian Tarot; the Jewish Kaballa, Comparative Religion and a lot of other things, which directly bear upon the immaterial side of life. Yes, I have even studied the Bible; the Apocrypha; the Koran; the Vedas and Upanishads. The cry of my soul 's now, as it has always been, "Light, more Light."

tial in one of these books, you also find in the others. The Bible is the most complete: In the light of Astrology and the Tarot, it becomes a new book; absorbingly interesting, profoundly wise. At the same time without these keys, it and all the others remain hopelessly veiled and mystifying.

Every word written under inspiration, is filled with meaning beyond its



literal interpretation. Have you ever asked yourself the question-Why is it that the first letter in the Bible is "I" and that the first word is "In". The letter "I" is equal to the Hebrew letter "Yod." A "Yod" is the picture of a candle flame. A flame is a symbol of Spirit in action. The "Yod" is a wind-blown flame. When written on the Northern wall of the Temple, typifying the physical body, the flame is blown to the West. The East has always been considered the source of Light and Power. Therefore, the first letter in the book is a picture of Spirit in Action. It is equivalent to the Latin letter "I" and the Tarot number 10. Ten is the opening of a second cycle, and Creation opens the cycle of manifest existence. In Divination the No. 10 is the Planet Uranus and has for its keyword "Change." Needless to say that creation consisted of a change from invisible to visible things. Uranus as a Planet ordinarily is invisible to the naked eye. It is on

The first word in the Bible is the word "In." "I" being 10 and "N", 14. Fourteen is the number of Regeneration. It typifies bringing forth, but

the border of visibility.

I soon discovered that what is essen- when we add the two numbers together, or 24, which being more than 22, must be added crosswise in this fashion-2 plus 4 are 6. Thus in the word we see that the moving spirit typified by "I", 10, was tempted by "Love" Vau-6, to bring forth creation. But the crosswise addition, known as "theosophic involution" is not the only rule to be applied. The super root indicates the basic nature of a word, person, thing or question. What life does to it. The Ruling Factor shows the conditions surrounding the matter. In our problem it is No. 13 or Transformation and the Object becomes 25 involving to 7 with a power of 19, signifying the victory of Creation. Thus, the harmonious action of Love expressed in the spirit of wisdom, starts the creative work. word "In" conveys to us the information that the physical world is born of Spirit or Infinite Intelligence according to the Law of Love. Then, what happened? To this the Tarot also makes answers.

The Tarot powers as represented by the 22 basic wave lengths of human speech, give us an insight into the hidden meaning of the written word as they apply to physical, vital, emotional, mental, spiritual, religious, social or economic life. These forces, when properly understood and applied, throw a flood of light upon all problems and greatly increases our respect for ourselves, and the forces that make us. We owe it to ourselves to look behind the veil. To find the inner light is the first duty of all thinking per-

Through the Tarot we may contact the vital and eternal spirit underlying our ancient faiths. It will help us to put this spirit into the thought processes of our lives and re-establish ourselves upon a firm foundation.

### Genius

"Genius is the hallmark of the advanced soul" Which lived its previous lives and paid its toll; The forerunner of the Superman evolved Through Rebirth, the consequence but solves.

EDITH ELDEN ROBERTSON.

# The Astrologer's Conception of GOD

### By ALFRED C. GROTE

have endeavored to understand the nature of God. With the progress of spiritual and scientific knowledge our conception of God has become more and more noble. In order to get an idea of the greatness of God we must have a knowledge of the extent of His creation. The student of astrology or astronomy contemplating the grandeur of the sidereal heavens, though he does not fully understand them, obtains a better conception of the limitless power and understanding of the Almighty than those who are indifferent to the study of these sciences or pay little or no attention to the observation of the celestial sphere. It is the mind that is narrow because of its ignorance or bigoted because of its love of the concrete and unnatural that does not appreciate and can never understand the profound lesson they have to teach.

Light travels at a speed of 186,000 miles per second. This comes to 670,-680,000 miles an hour. The distance through which light moves in one year is the unit used for measuring stellar distances and is known as the light year. The distance of the nearest star, Alpha Centauri, is 4.8 light years, over 25 billion miles. A train traveling at a constant velocity of 37 miles an hour would require nearly 75,000,000 years to cover the distance which separates us from this star. Sirius, the brightest star in the heavens, is at a distance of 8.8 light years. So vast is our entire sidereal system, however, that light would require 300,000 years to cross it.

Our vast universe is but one of many other universes. One, known as The Great Nebula in Andromeda, is situated at a distance of nearly one million light years from our solar system. Another nebula, Messier 33 in the constellation Triangulum is 900,000 light years distant. Beyond these there are still others. These great systems, many over 200,000 light years in diameter, are so distant that even in the largest telescopes they appear only as faint wisps of light. All these universes, the number of which we do not know, are contained in the infinity of the Superuniverse.

With powerful telescopes we penetrate deep into the boundless abyss of infinite space. With more powerful in-

LL minds since minds have been have endeavored to understand the nature of God. With the ress of spiritual and scientific ledge our conception of God has me more and more noble. In order tan idea of the greatness of God nust have a knowledge of the exof His creation. The student of logy or astronomy contemplating grandeur of the sidereal heavens,



be but one unit in a cosmical plan entirely beyond the understanding of finite mind.

Every day we behold the Sun, our star. This body is alone wonderful enough to impress on our human minds the inconceivable omnipotence of the Omnipotent.

Our earth, a minute particle of the universe, moves around this central orb at a mean distance of 92,930,000 miles, a distance across which sensation could not travel in a life-time. The volume of this tremendous orb of day exceeds the earth's 1,300,000 times. The Sun is 324,000 times heavier than the earth. The total amount of heat radiated into space by the Sun in one second of time is sufficient to melt 300,000,000 cubic miles of ice, but the earth receives only an extremely minute fraction of the total amount of the Sun's heat, about the 1/2, 200,000,000th part. The temperature of the Sun's visible surface is doubtlessly well over 10,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

Such are the dimensons and such is

the power of the Lord of Life. All physical life is dependent directly or indirectly on the bounty of the Sun. The food manufacturing cells of plants would not be able to do their work without light and without plant foods animals could not live. The Sun made possible the growth of the extensive carboniferous forests that were the direct cause of the formation of coal beds one of our most important sources of heat and energy. The Sun's heat raises the clouds of water vapor from whence come our rains. The body depends largely on the Sun's light and heat for vitality as the solar rays are important for the preservation of health and the curing of disease. If the Sun ceased to send us its bounty of light, heat and energy all physical life on earth would perish in a comparatively short time. What, then, is the Sun?

The Sun is the physical vehicle of the Solar Logos, the God of our solar system, the material body through which the Great Spirit sends the physical needs of His physical creatures.

We have a physical body, so that we can manifest in the physical world. Likewise the Lord of our system has a physical body wherewith he manifests in the physical world. The Incas were not wrong when they bowed in reverence and humility before the glorious orb of day. It was not the physical Sun to which they turned in prayer, but the Great Being of whom the Sun is but the outward vesture and in the glory of whose spiritual splendor the resplendent radiance of the Sun would be as darkness.

The Sun is but one of the millions of other suns in the Superuniverse. There are, then, a great many solar logoi, but over all these, over all that the Superuniverse contains there rules an omniscient Essence that controls every atom, electron and molecule that goes to make up the Superuniverse and regulates with inconceivable precision the motions of the millions of suns and the billions of worlds contained in its infinite expanse. He knows the past, present and future history of every particle, every plant, every animal, every world, every sun, every solar system and of every universe. This Essence is the Absolute

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### The Known and Unknown POWERS OF MAN

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modern thought, although convinced that man, the microcosm, is a miniature universe in which all the potentialities of the macrocosm exist, have been as yet unable to formulate practical rules by which man can bring into actual and immediate operation those inherent potentialities. They frequently grant that each atom contains within itself some power which makes its evolution a foregone conclusion and necessity; but they fail to clearly link man to his exhaustless source, from which he may borrow now the conscious strength of its omnipotence.

There is a Science of Life which takes man behind the mere outer "scenes" that are but effects, and not only shows him his rightful place in the universe as master, but also shows him how he may deal with causes, and thus exercise his powers of mastery.

True esoteric power, though it exists everywhere without stint, is in reality appropriated only by the few. Why is this? Is it not because of the limited vision of the individual, or is it because the individual feels no special need of aspiring beyond his narrow field of action?

Strong men and women in history have aspired, reached their zenith and have fallen. They sought worldly gain by outward means. Their spiritual gifts were either unheeded or unknown. Within the realms over which they ruled, humble philosophers have lived, thought and worked, perhaps as peasants. Love was their tenet of faith, and their religion was without pretensions of any sort. Their sovereigns, even at the zenith of their glory, were not as truly great as they.

Aladdin's lamp, which accomplished such wonderful things for him, only illustrates the true principle that man has within himself a power, which if understood would enable him to gratify his every desire by the magic of a wish, and entirely without effort or strain.

There are many wonderful secrets which Nature holds for man, waiting only to disclose them to him until he is ready to use them wisely, just as the sun awaits only the necessary conditions to send forth its life giving

HE acknowledged leaders of rays to cause the seed to sprout and grow. Yet, if man does nothing to take advantage of these rays, does not prepare the soil and plant selected seed, cultivate and protect it, the sun with all its magic potencies cannot do more than bring forth the cruder and less evolved forms of vegetation, or bake the earth into desolate sterility or into stagnant morasses.

> Similarly, if man persistently live in cold, damp cave or cellar, and shut

### Steps of Wisdom

By SENAYI

The steps of wisdom lead into the temple of Truth within whose walls we find a medium of communion with GOD, the great spirit that is from everlasting to everlasting, who didst make the earth, the sea, and all that in them is. The starry heavens are His to command and His infinite love goes out to all creation thrusthem. Out of this infinite love every man can build what he will. To all those who strive earnestly, greater love and knowledge will be given until they become one with all Love, serving Him and growing ever more in His likeness thru this unselfish service.

out every ray of sunlight, he will be benefited but little by the sun's shining, although it will be shedding its benign radiance upon the earth as freely as ever. If we do not work with Nature, we set up causes that will shut out the Soul's shining light, and the memory of lessons learned will be temporarily lost.

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Again and again we are asked the question, "Who or what is God?" God is that part of man which we call the Soul. Man is an undivided segment of the Great Over-Soul, a manifestation of the Almighty Power in the Universe. There is no personal God in the sense of a great Being separate and apart from ourselves.

God is the mighty outbreaking of Divinity; the great Urge or Force, or Divine Love which is everywhere pushing forth into greater and greater expression. Each portion of this undivided Soul grows more and more God-like in its expression as it unfolds the God-powers within it. Thus, man does not grow spiritually by worshipping in abject servility some external Supreme Being.

Nor is God afar off in some distant place, bestowing favors only upon those who express great fear, and with trembling ask for the necessities of life.

Life is a great reality and is governed by scientific principles and laws. The indvidual who most earnestly and wisely seeks to understand and then apply these laws, is the one most apt to reap a rich harvest of true success, which is the legitimate and natural reward of self knowledge. The coming events which cast their shadows before, can easily be foretold and made satisfactory by him, who through knowledge creates his own opportunities and then makes the most of them. Thus, to him all hidden treasures are unveiled.

The story of every Soul is more or less a story of wasted opportunities. There are few, if any persons, who have not at their disposal a larger amount of physical, mental, and spiritual capital than they themselves know. That they do not make better use of it, and attain better life results, is not the fault of their intentions or desires, but the fault-if it be a fault-of their ignorance. Ignorance, mistakes, limitations, and penalties go together. It is ignorance of our inherent talents that leads us to adopt business methods and ways of life, which when compared with esoteric methods, are as ridiculously laborious as it would be to walk across the continent to deliver a message that could be sent by telegraph or radio.

All of us are more or less the selfconvicted slaves and prisoners of worn-out creeds and dogmas, and of that conglomeration of fictions and prejudices which bind us to the illusions of ignorance, doubt, error and unbelief, and blind us to the Truth, which, if entertained, might, by developing these inherent powers which relate us so intimately to the Infinite, thus be powerfully helpful to us in overcoming our weaknesses and limita-

The weaknesses and limitations which seem so apparent to us now, are in reality but the absence of those powers which are ours when we have unfolded the unlimited potentialities that lie within the realm of mind.

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### Through the-

### GATEWAY OF THE PAST

### By RONA E. WORKMAN

HE first time Elizabeth Arden heard the name of Angkor, it was for her like the tearing of the veil from the future. She knew surely now that the mighty marvelous city of the Khymers was the goal which she had all unconsciously been seeking. "Angkor, the magnificent"chance heard words in a tea-room at Singapore, but they sang themselves into her being and formed a chant to which she had traveled by boat and car and sampan, through storm and flood until now at last only a mile of jungle road and the dark of a tropic night separated her from this city of ancient days.

"Angkor, the mighty," she whispered to herself the following day, as in the blinding sunlight she paused on the wide, chariot rutted viaduct leading across the now dry bed of a lake to the mighty temple, still almost untouched by the destroying fingers of time. Leaning against a carved pillar she waited until the guide and the two unknown tourists had passed up the worn steps and out of sight, for she wanted to be alone. She needed to grasp and analyze the strange feeling which possessed her. Why should all this seem more familiar than the memory of her English home? Why did she seem to recognize each turn of the winding corridors in the great temple, the marvelous carvings, the exquisite towers carved until they looked like grey lace against the brilliant sky?

She thought of the strong compelling urge to visit these strange, tropic countries which had driven her on in spite of the well-nigh overwhelming advice of friends. Only one bit of encouragement had she received, and that had come from one who was almost a stranger. He had watched her with dark, penetrating eyes, then had spoken softly, so that only she could hear,

"Follow the call, my child. It will bring you joy and a great understanding."

And she had followed; at first blindly, idly, drifting dreamily along the well-traveled ways, until quickened by the heavy perfume of strange tropic flowers and the ancient, pungent odor of the jungle growth, her psychic sense had awakened, and she pushed eagerly forward knowing that she was being directed to some certain destina-

tion.

The sight of the great tower of Angkor Vat, soaring, a cloud of grey stone, above the surrounding jungle, had welcomed her like the clear call of a temple bell, but to what strange experience she could not fathom.

Wearily she passed her hand across her eyes and turning followed the distant voices of the others.

Among the many wonderful palaces, libraries, and public buildings now but giant ruins beneath the burden

Heaven

I like to think of Heaven as a really human place,

Where I'll meet my friends and loved-ones who have journeyed on apace,

Perhaps beside a babbling stream with willows bending o'er,

And daisies, ferns and rushes in profusion 'round the shore;

Or perchance I'll take a winding path and when I reach the bend,

I'll see a vine-clad cottage in the woods just near the end, And inside my little Mother will be busy getting tea,

Then, indeed, it will be Heaven if she's set a place for me.

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of centuries, was one, smaller and set apart in what had perhaps been a flower-filled courtyard, now overrun with great jungle vines and shaded by huge trees. Here Elizbaeth lingered, leaning against the still beautiful doorway of carved stone, the thick,

doorway of carved stone, the thick, cloying perfume of some unknown jungle flower heavy on her senses as

she waited, listened.

Suddenly, as if a curtain had been torn aside, she saw the great city alive, glorious, draped in silks and 'broidered banners; the voices of a joyous multitude ringing out; near at hand the cry of a flower girl, her tray heaped high with gorgeous blooms, while from far off, but coming rapidly nearer, sounded the mighty roar of conch shells.

Almost afraid to move lest the vision vanish, she raised her eyes to see the great temple terraces crowded with brilliantly garbed people; jewels blazed in the hot sunlight, banners waved, while quickly deepening into a thunderous roar the conch shells announced the coming of some returning king or mighty, victorious warrior. Down the long crowded avenue there

flashed into view the brawny, bronzeskinned trumpeters, clad in gorgeous leopard skins, behind them came a vanguard of soldiers, brilliant in trappings and armor, then a heavy bronze chariot, drawn by savage horses reined tightly back by a warrior clad in strange chain mail, which blazed bronze-red in the sunlight. Straight toward her down the long flowerstrewn way he drove, lifting his head to search with intent gaze the barred, carven window above her as his chariot flashed onward.

For a moment longer the vision held, the crowding, laughing people, a hunchback teasing the little flower girl, the receding roar of the conch shells, then—nothing but ruins and jungle growth and the strange fading perfume of the unknown flower.

Tensely Elizabeth waited, a longing so deep it was actual pain possessing her. It had been her city welcoming her warrior lover's returning. She knew. Those wide dark eyes beneath level brows, that black hair, thick-set with grey at the temples, those firm lips and chin, even the scar of some old savage sword cut across his dark face were all more familiar, more dear, than anything she had ever known in this life, and in that moment, from the hunger of her heart, was born a plan. Surely alone in that dead city, which once was home, under the white light of the tropic moon, she could force apart the gates of the past and perhaps look upon his face again.

Night and jungle sounds in the once mighty Angkor, capital city of the Khymers! Great courage it had taken to come with only a native guide along the jungle road, greater courage yet to leave him waiting on the temple stairs while she slipped away to the little palace by whose doorway she hoped to enter again into a vision of the past. Hoped? Nay, knew. For now she walked in sure knowledge that tonight the high gods held some great gift for her, and boldly she reached out her hand to take it.

Silently she waited within the great room, the only one now remaining of the once lovely dwelling. A warm wind swayed the heavy foliage drooping near, and again the strong sweet fragrance of that unknown flower eddied about her. A grey mist passed before her eyes, then with the sharp-

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### Is Death Necessary?

### By DR. FRANK B. ROBINSON

ET us remember in considering the question whether or not death is necessary that just because a thing always has been so is no reason for believing that it always must be so. We are living in an age in which the scientific and psychological discoveries are coming at such a rate that it is very unsafe for one to assume any dogmatic attitude on any question dealing with man and his mind and his life principle. And the farther one studies along this line, and the more research one gives to the mighty subject, the more convinced is he that he had better tread a little carefully whilst delving into the "unseen" realm.

Every thinker is agreed that the old world seems to be on the verge of some "mental" or "spiritual" discovery or awakening which might very easily upset every so-called fact dealing with life and death. One hundred short years ago the statement that sound could be sent through the air without wires would have branded the person making such a statement as being of unsound mind. And the same thing applies to electricity and to the hundreds of other discoveries which have been made in the last one hundred years and less. And it is not beyond the bounds of possibility that some daring scientist or psychologist might adduce evidence showing that our entire line of reasoning about death is false. That is not at all beyond the bounds of possibility. We are creatures of habit surely-and it is very possible, as every psychologist of standing knows. for habit and race tendencies to so impress the race as a whole that it can be very truthfully said that such habits and tendencies do very materially if not altogether control a great many of our present actions. And if this be a fact, then why may it not be that the "dying" habit is nothing more nor less than a race tendency-entirely unnecessary, unscientific, and abhorrent to

It might not be natural for any to die and it might very easily be a fact that this thing we call death is but a result of the beliefs and race tendencies of millions of years behind us. We believe what we believe because of what someone else taught or told us. We believe we MUST die and we believe it because it is so ingrained in our very nature that we cannot conceive of a person living forever.

And yet that very thing is the core of most of our religious structures to-day. Eternal life. And if eternal life is not living forever—then I wonder what it is. None of us want to die. We all want to live as long as we possibly can live. But one thing is certain—until the idea of eternal life or living forever is accepted by the human mind as a possibility, by no means can it become an actuality. It is a psychological law that before any desir-



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able thing or condition can possibly manifest itself in your life or my life, there must be in us first of all, a belief, whether conscious or unconscious, that such a desirable thing CAN come. If we do not take for granted that certain things COULD be manifested to us, if we do not believe that such things could happen—then the psychological law operating there is that by no means can such things ever be.

But in the very moment in which you and I can believe or mentally picture such a thing, then is that very thing capable of being brought into existence. And so I say that before death can ever be banished from this earth, it will first be necessary for the idea of living forever to replace the race-old idea that we must die. Just as long as that idea is firmly implanted in our minds—then just as surely must we die—and will we die.

I am not saying that overnight some man will arise who can and will demonstrate the power of life over death—although that might very possibly happen—but I AM saying that all psychological thinking and research seems to be leading to the point where it is at least pertinent as to whether or not you and I MUST die.

As a child I saw my mother carried

out cold and buried beneath six feet of earth. Advanced tuberculosis. I could not possibly last until I was twenty-one nor could my brothers. It was inherent in us. And we were raised in the center of the belief that this same dread disease would take us all before long. But it did not. Fortunately we made up our minds that we WOULD NOT go that way—and we didn't. And all are over forty and some fifty today and certainly the very pictures of physical health.

But, according to all the natural laws in existence, we should have died. And we would have died had we allowed that thought to sink too deeply into our minds. But we did not allow it to so anchor-we thrust it from us in its entirety—and we all still live. In this particular case when the future picture was changed the material and physical results and circumstances changed. And as every practicing psychologist of reputation and standing knows, in practically every case does the absolutely changed mental attitude change the material and physical circumstances. There can be no question about that. The only question is-how far can we go along that line?

Personally, after many years of thought, study and practical work I would not care to say just where the limit may be placed—for such a limit has not been found yet. There may be a limit—I am not saying there is not-but I am saying that neither myself nor any other psychologist I know has ever found it. And this being the case, then who has the right to say that the power of the "mind" or the power of "something else" cannot so change the mental picture and the mental impressions imbedded in our nature as the result of millions of years of thinking along the same line, that we may begin to see that IT IS NOT necessary for one to die. Certainly it is not desirable—and it may not be necessary. I am not saying yet that it is not necessary, but there is a strong presumption that it MIGHT NOT BE NECESSARY.

All leading thought is along this line. Psychological discoveries are coming so thick and fast that only a bigot would dare to say where the end may be, and only one not in touch with the thinking psychological world would state that eternal life, or, living forever, is not possible, and that death is unnecessary.

# Occult By COLBY DAM Reprint from THE BEACON Ontacts

E are all citizens of a solar system which, in its seven great planes, has both a life and a form aspect. As human personalities we sense the mineral and vegetable life in our physical bodies; we use the animal life which comprises our physical energy; and we express in thought, emotion and aspiration the self consciousness which makes us human. Our achievement of self consciousness by which we synthesized the three lower kingdoms, was our last, great, planetary initiation and a major event in our long journey in the solar system. Between the day some millions of years ago when we raised our eyes and arms to the stars and said for the first time "Lo I am a man!" and that future day when we can say with full knowledge of its implication and responsibility, "Lo I am divine" we must function as personalities.

Now a personality, like the mineral, vegetable and animal life from which it sprung, is a definite type of energy which we call human consciousness and which lies midway in the great solar progression, between instinctive animal life and the first initiation into group consciousness wherein we begin to sense the inner reality of the solar system, as formerly we discovered our own reality. It is this great journey from animal to God on which we are now engaged; and the purpose of our many incarnations with all the struggles of the personal life is simply a preliminary adventure in group consciousness. We are expanding intelligent love from personal to racial and planetary dimensions, and this is the essence of our work as personalities.

To speed up this great journey on which we are all engaged, we need in our daily living certain new methods, qualities and attributes. Our primary concern is the energizing and expanding of the group sense first in ourselves and then in the human souls around us until they know for certain that they are inevitably a part not only of a family, city or nation, but of a planetary system which, like the smaller units, has its own methods, laws and purposes. Our personal intellects and emotions are sufficient to deal in a small way with the small group problems of cities and nations; for our larger concern as planetary citizens, we need soul-faculties which transcend the personal mind by as

great a margin as that transcends animal instinct.

Our present work as planetary citizens has mainly to do with occult contacts with the human souls around us. The subject, in relation to our present civilized situation, is broad and deep and we can touch here only on some of the major aspects, subjective and objective.

Our practical daily work with human souls just now involves primarily a careful discrimination between mere intellectual values and genuine spiritual intuition. It is our duty to nourish the life in people in whatever mental and emotional form we find it, and at whatever level of growth. The intellect today overwhelms emotional energy and we need a proper balance between love and intelligence. We must honestly think what we feel and feel what we think. For a pure love will instantly solve most of our intellectual problems and a trained intelligence will instantly solve most of our emotional problems. It is this difficult relation between the mind and the heart that constitutes the real problem of the personality. So much of our knowledge comes from feeling and so much of our feeling comes from knowledge. Only as we become trained psychologists can we skillfully strike the rhythm in ourselves and in our neighbors which admits the true spiritual energy. So our skill as occult workers depends on our recognition and feeling of the universal love equality inherent in ideas and emotions. Every personality has two or three central ideas and motives which dominate and create its daily life. We can reach other souls only through these contact points where they recognize and touch within themselves the margin of the unknown. Every man and woman has this secret spark of fire and life around which his experience evolves. It is with these secret sparks that the Masters of the Wisdom are mainly concerned.

Because the lower intellect is growing so rapidly all around us, our work requires more careful coordination between moral, emotional and intellectual values. To affect men and institutions we must present specific, accurate and well-shaped thought forms which strike instantly at the central motives behind our human activities and relate them intelligently to the broader purposes of our spiritual evolution.

As a nation we are now largely dedi-

cated to the production of physical conveniences. Our problem with the business man is to gradually show him that it is the psychological rather than the crude physical aspects of business which really interest him. Thus we shall bring him to think of life and of himself in psychological rather than physical terms—which for him is a great advance.

Our work with the theologians is especially important because they nourish the spiritual life of the masses. We must establish in the theological minds the theory of evolution both on the life and the form side, the doctrine of reincarnation and man's logical spiritual position between animal and divine nature. The theologians need a more scientific and practical terminology for the invisible planes and must recognize the laws of analogy between the life of the personality and the life of the ego that supports it. Many Christian ministers are fighting for their spiritual existence and are sorely in need of a sensible and scientific adjustment between the visible and invisible kingdoms.

Our work with modern scientists is of vital importance just now because of their power and authority and the occult importance of their physical discoveries. We must show them that all their research is essentially a soul-product, dependent on ideas and motives which lie far beyond the realm of chemistry and physics. The conversion of our great scientists to occult philosophy will perhaps be the outstanding spiritual event of this century. Already many of the leading minds in this field have moved secretly from physics into metaphysics.

Our work with the artists and literary people lies in the linking up of their aesthetic and social intuition with the genius of the egoic plane, so that they may be consciously inspired and adjust their imaginative work to the souls of the people instead of their personalities. The artists are quick and sensitive intuitionally and much can be done through occult contact to increase their inspiration.

The work to be done with statesmen and politicians is slower and harder because they must work at mass levels and cannot force the development of their great electorate beyond its natural impulse. Our statesmen are now concerned mainly with economic

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### MYSTIC GEMS OF THE ZODIAC

The sixth installment on the Astrological significance of your birthstone. By ROY MASTER

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ZODIAC STONES FOR CAPRICORN Dec. 22 to Jan. 19 RUBY, SPINEL, MALACHITE, JET AND ONYX

HE HOUSE of Capricorn offers a fine variety of stones for those who may be partial to color, all of which are appropriate and well may be worn. The Ruby ranks highest, of course, this stone being valued equally with the diamond, from a monetary standpoint, and often higher in price. The finest of the species is "pigeon-blood" in color. Barmah yields the best gems, while other varieties come to our markets by way of Ceylon and Siam. The latter rubies vary in color from light pink to deep, rich carmine. In countries native to the stone the Ruby is said to guard its wearers from violence of enemies and to reveal the presence of poisons by changing color. Long life and happiness are its virtues in China. The Ancient Chaldeans attracted the favor of those in authority through the power of the Ruby. It was said to prevent stiffening of the knees and to make its wearer fleet of foot.

### THE SPINEL

This stone has often been confused with the Ruby and is frequently sold to the unsuspecting for the genuine stone. It has similar color values, though it lacks brilliancy and hardness and is found in much smaller particles. The stone is useful in forming borders around a larger stone of similar Zodiacal affinity.

The famous Balais Ruby was really Spinel and not a genuine stone. The virtues of the Spinel are largely those ascribed to it by ancient writers who gave it the power to drive out evil thoughts, to protect the body from plague, poison and fevers, to secure love and to cure disorders of the liver.

#### MALACHITE

Malachite is a beautiful green stone, sometimes displaying a lovely grain, like rare wood. Carbonate of Copper produces its color. From its resemblance in color to the Mallow leaves, it was named by the Ancient Greeks "Malaka," from which word, Malachite many and parts of the United States produce some of these stones. Its hardness being comparatively low, the stone is always cut Cabochon to safeguard its durability. It is claimed for the stone by many Ancient writers that the Malachite is a preventative of colic, rheumatism of the lower extremities. The Hindus wear the stone to prevent Cholera. It is said to induce sound sleep and freedom from evil dreams, also to dispel the despondency and depression which Capricorn people are often afflicted with.

While Jet is not a mineral, being of Vegetable origin and a woodfossil, it is quite hard and of a beautiful black when highly polished. The best Jet is the Whitbey variety, originally discovered by Monks of the famous Abbey, prior to the Reformation. Jet was known as Black Amber during the Middle Ages. It was worn to prevent epilepsy and fits and strangulation of the womb. It was dedicated to Cybele, the goddess of all things, and was worn to obtain her special favors. It was said to cure toothache if powdered in wine and held in the mouth.

The Onyx of the Capricorn is black, sometimes marked with a white stripe across its face, or appearing in the form of a circle, which gives it the appearance of a Lynx Eye, as it is familiarly known by natives of India where the finest black Onyx is mined. Fine rosaries have been fashioned from black Onyx beads for many centuries, because of its virtues in subduing passions, supplying spiritual strength to resist evil temptations. To Capricorn people having Saturn favorably in their House, the Onyx is a suitable

### ZODIAC STONES FOR AQUARIUS Jan. 20 to Feb. 19

GARNET, ZIRCON AND HYACINTH The Garnet is a beautiful, deep red stone, resembling the Ruby but not so

hard or brilliant. The Bohemian gem

is derived. Siberia yields the most is the finest of all Garnets, because of beautiful of these stones. Africa, Gerits depth of color. The Mexican, Brazilian and North American Garnets are usually of a cinnamon color. Modern jewelers sometimes sell these stones under the name of Cap Ruby, which is a misnomer and should be avoided. Ancient Greeks and Romans prized the Garnet very highly. Many historical portraits have been engraved on these stones. As an Amulet protecting from plagues and poisons it was well known among the early Persians and Indians, who also believed in its power to disperse lightning. To the Ancients it possessed a Ruby-like quality of giving warning in time of danger, by changing color, but it was believed to attract ill fortune for those who had no right of birth to wear the stone. As a remedy for inflammation of the lower extremities, as well as a stimulant to the feet and ankles in walking or running, the Garnet was reverently regarded by Ancient Hebrews. It was said that Dan, the Fifth Son of Jacob, whose House of the Zodiac was Aquarius and whose Stone was Garnet, was well known for his alertness and fleetness of foot.

### THE ZIRCON AND HYACINTH

These two stones belong to the same family and differ only in color. The Zircon is distinguished by its range of yellow-brown-green colors, usually found separately but occasionally two or more shades blended together, displaying one color under artificial light and another color in natural sunlight. The stone is transparent and very hard. Through artificial treatment, Zircons are rendered colorless and when cut with facets closely resemble a Diamond. They are often sold in Eastern Bazaars under such names as "Rangoon Diamond."

The Hyacinth is a stone so called because of its resemblance in color to the Hyacinth flower of the Greeks, famed in Mythology as the flower which Apollo caused to grow from the blood of Hyacinthus, whom he killed, accidentally, with a quoit. Its rich, bright red is very pleasing.

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### Reflections of

### By CHESTER G. WOOD

### A Reputable MYSTIC

"TE SHALL know the truth, and all times and a member of the Greatest it shall make you free"—these few words carry to the seeker for the path, all the trials and tribulations of the Mystical lore of ages, "Ye shall KNOW the truth." As a usual thing, the Bible means just what it says, needing no argument, no creed or dogmatic discourse to bring understanding.

"So many Gods, so many creeds, so many words of tongue and pen"-and in the end we become horribly tangled in the threads of thought, and either give up entirely, or pick some inane and ineffective course of attempted positivism, missing the truth entirely, or securing only half truth.

There is nothing more fascinating than the study of mystical and occult lore, there is no form of knowledge that brings more results of fulfillment to the student. Yet there is no line of endeavor from which I would more gladly discourage the student from attempting-still hoping they have the courage to resist all discouragement and enter the field-for it takes a real endeavor, and much discouraging work to reach the goal of the Adept.

Yet never in the history of the world has there been such strides made in the study of the occult. The torch has been held for ages by the faithful, and its initiates have been pledged to secrecy and mystery. The edges of its fields have been the playground of the charalatan and the money making fake, until today the public holds many false ideas of the true mystic such as Count Gagliostro, whose history is one of brilliancy and endeavor. But from all this cloud of doubt and untruth, there is emerging the pure, undefiled truths of the ages.

The question today is to separate the false from the true, the imitation from the real and take for study and consideration, that which we need as there are many, many good first class schools of mysticism, that are worthy of the name, yet in all of them there are things open to argument. But beware of the school that sells its secrets at so much per secret-and demands it in advance. The knowledge of the ages is not at the beck and call of the dollar sign, and the true sign of the mystic of old has been the beggar's bowl. Christ had no place to lay His head and no habitation can yet be found that was His personal property -yet He was the Greatest Teacher of

of all Occult Schools-The Essene Brotherhood. Did one who placed his trust in the Divine, ever hunger? No. They may not have had fortunes, magnificent homes, or extravagant meals, but they have managed to place their knowledge before the people and pass into transition, satisfied and happy.

The materialist says "Philosophy never paid any returns for the effort

### A Prayer to St. Anthony

(Who restores all lost things.)

Anthony I'm kneeling at your shrine here all those who have lost, seek and find. Tis not a bauble nor yet gold I seek But a loving heart that once to me did But a loving heart that once to me did speak.
There is no loss in finite mind or sphere But time and space have intervened And I would have you bring him near. Perhaps upon some breeze which flees You will whisper words of love from me; Or in the clear call of some bird He will think my voice he has heard. St. Anthony I kneel to thee Lay my heart upon your shrine-for your fee,
'Tis not a bauble nor yet gold I seek
But a loving heart that once to me did

speak.

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expended and they all died in poverty" -surely, for the philosopher has had no need for the material things of life, nor does he desire them for in themselves they are a detriment to his progress. The day of the materialist has passed and although there are still among us, those who hunger for the fleshpots of Egypt—they themselves are realizing the futility of their desires. It is not wealth and power of money that gives happiness in this world. It is the contentment and satisfaction that brings about true peace and happiness, so do not look for wealth or power, to be given you in return for your effort, but the power of knowledge and the wealth of contentment by knowledge.

Through the Occult and the Mystical schools on one side and the Meta-physical school on the other, we are gradually reaching a harmonic connection between religion and science, although as yet, neither will admit it. Through these same teachings there is gradually becoming a complete elimination of atheism.

Mysticism, is simplicity. There is a connection and a very distinct one between religion and the mystical teachings. True, the student of the mystical, can locate the connection between

the Buddhist-the Brahmin-the Confucian-the Mohammedan, the Christian and all others. Yet today, only in the way the Christian religion is taught, do we find the Gospel of Hatred preached from the mouth of the minister of the God of Love. The demoniac spirit of distrust and suspicion has been loosed on the land and man is no longer the Captain of his Soul. He is too busy trying to be the Captain of the other fellow's life. Instead of being a leader, he tries to be a driver. As a result, our lives have become a tangled skein of many threads. There is in us, the ability to connect our lives with the lives of others, as is distinctly shown through the love of a Mother for her child, the love of a Father, the love of a Brother, Sister or a Friend. These bring about association and an interconnection and an interweaving of the psychic beings. Through unasked interference with the lives of others, either when given with the best intentions or through the medium of mischievous meddling, the same result may be achieved, and the last decade in this country has shown the folly of interference with other people's affairs. The mystic does not give advice, instruction or help, unasked and unwanted. He does not give demonstrations of his ability, nor does he advertise the fact of his adeptship. "Seek and ye shall find, ask and it shall be given ye."

The day is here when man must open his eyes to the facts of real spiritual awakening and truth. No longer may he hide his head and close his ears to the facts of Life and let others do his investigating for him. While he is ignorant, he must KNOW THE TRUTH if he would be set free.

There is another very important phase in the Mystical teachings. There are, what we call, discussion classes, in which are brought together those of equal standing in the Mystical study, discussing different subjects and bringing out new views on them (a very good means of elaborating and exchanging ideas). There are two mental attitudes to avoid in a class; the Thrill Seeker, who is a very serious detriment to the study of the Occult for they are usually of a very shallow and vacillating mind; and those who enter the study with the idea that it contains some peculiar or intensifying Sex Knowledge.

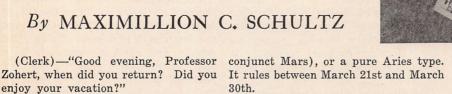
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Another interesting dialogue of Prof. ZOHERT

Astrological Symbology of

### PLAYING CARDS

By MAXIMILLION C. SCHULTZ



(Prof.)—"I returned yesterday, and had a most enjoyable vacation. Let me have a box of my favorite cigars. You are not very busy at present."

(Clerk)-"No, not for another hour or so-as most of my customers are eating their dinners.

"Professor Zohert, I am very much interested in what you told me about the playing cards. I would be very grateful to you if you would tell me about their astrological values, as you promised to the last time you were here."

(Prof.) - "Very well, George. I have some time to spare.

As I have already told you, the fiftytwo playing cards are symbols of the ancient Egyptian year of 360 days, and of the zodiac, composed of twelve signs or constellations, each of which is allotted one month of the year. Each suit represents one season of three months. Each sign is divided into three parts of ten degrees each, called decans. There are nine such decans to a season.

The picture cards or King, Queen, and Jack of a suit represent the three months of the season allotted to the

The Ace and nine numerical cards represent the decans of the months.

The King of Clubs represents the sign of Aries, (the Ram). It is the first sign of the zodiac and the first month of the spring quarter; of a cardinal quality, the element of fire; ruled by the planet Mars, a fiery planet, that symbolizes action, strength force, temper, strife, contention. The sign rules the month between March 21st and April 20th, both dates inclusive.

The Ace of Clubs is the first or Aries decan of Aries, ruled by Mars. It is a cardinal quality decan, (Mars

The Two of Clubs is the second or Leo decan of Aries, ruled by the Sun, a fiery body. This is a fixed quality decan, (Sun conjunct Mars). It rules between March 31st and April 9th.

The Three of Clubs is the third or Sagittarius decan of Aries, ruled by the planet Jupiter. This is a mutual quality decan, (Jupiter conjunct Mars). It rules between April 10th and April 19th.

The Queen of Clubs represents the sign of Taurus (The Bull). It is the second sign of the zodiac and the second month of the spring quarter; of a fixed quality and earth element; ruled by the planet of Venus. This planet symbolizes love, friendship, peace, pleasure. The sign rules the month between April 20th and May 19th.

The Four of Clubs is the first or Taurus decan of Taurus, ruled by Venus. It is a fixed quality decan. (Venus conjunct Venus), or a pure Taurus type. It rules between April 20th and April 29th.

The Five of Clubs is the second or Virgo decan of Taurus, ruled by the planet Mercury. It is a mutable quality decan, (Mercury conjunct Venus). It rules between April 30th and May

The Six of Clubs is the third or Capricorn decan of Taurus, ruled by the planet Saturn. It is a cardinal quality decan, (Saturn conjunct Venus). It rules between May 10th and May 19th.

The Jack of Clubs represents the sign of Gemini, (The Twins). It is the third sign of the zodiac and last month of the spring quarter; of a mutual quality, of the air element; ruled by the planet Mercury, a volatile and adaptable planet, it is called "The Messenger of the Gods". It symbolizes mind, adaptability, shrewdness. The sign rules the month between May 20th and June 19th.

The Seven of Clubs is the first or Gemini decan of Gemini, ruled by Mercury. It is a mutable quality decan (Mercury conjunct Mercury), a pure Gemini type. It rules between May 20th and May 31st.

The Eight of Clubs is the second or Libra decan of Gemini, ruled by Venus. It is a cardinal quality decan, (Venus conjunct Mercury). It rules between June 1st and June 10th.

The Nine of Clubs is the third or Aquarius decan of Gemini, ruled by Saturn and co-ruler Uranus. It is a fixed quality decan, (Saturn or Uranus conjunct Mercury). (In the cards the old style rulership should be used.) It rules between June 11th and June 20th.

The day does not follow the night, neither does the night follow the day; the dawn intervenes in the first instance, and twilight in the second; so also with the seasons. There is one day allotted between each season and this day is called the "Epagomene."

The Ten of Clubs is the card that is allotted to the day intervening between spring and summer. It rules June 21st.

The King of Hearts represents the sign of Cancer, (the Crab). It is the fourth sign of the zodiac, and the first month of the summer quarter; of a cardinal quality, of the element water; ruled by the Moon, which rules the soul of Man, his inward desires; her chief function is to fructify everything. The sign rules the month between June 20th and July 21st.

The Ace of Hearts is the first or Cancer decan of Cancer, ruled by the Moon. It is a cardinal type decan, (Moon conjunct Moon), a pure Cancer type. It rules between June 22nd and July 1st.

The Two of Hearts is the second or Scorpio decan of Cancer, ruled by Mars, in its negative phase. It is

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(Continued from Page 17) of the fixed quality decan, (Mars conjunct Moon). It rules between July

2nd and July 12th.

The Three of Hearts is the third or Pisces decan of Cancer, ruled by Jupiter, in its negative phase. It is a mutable quality decan, (Jupiter conjunct the Moon). It rules between July 13th and July 22nd.

The Queen of Hearts represents the sign of Leo, (the Lion). It is the fifth sign of the zodiac and the second month of the summer quarter; a fixed quality, of the element fire, ruled by the "Fiery Sun", known as the giver of life in this particular sign. It has rule over the physical stature of man, his outward expression. The sign rules the month between July 20th and August 21st.

The Four of Hearts is the first or Leo decan of Leo, ruled by the Sun. It is a fixed quality decan, (Sun conjunct Sun), a pure Leo type. It rules between July 24th and August 2nd.

The Five of Hearts is the second or Sagittarius decan of Leo, ruled by Jupiter. It is a mutable quality decan.

(Jupiter conjunct Sun). It rules between August 3rd and August 12th.

The Six of Hearts is the third or Aries decan of Leo, ruled by Mars. It it a cardinal quality decan, (Mars conjunct Sun). It rules between August 13th and August 22nd.

The Jack of Hearts represents the sign of Virgo, (the Virgin). It is the sixth sign of the zodiac, and the last month of the summer quarter; of a mutable quality, and of the earth element; ruled by the Planet Mercury, in its negative phase. This sign is called the house of Bread. It is the month when the harvest is gathered and stored away for the coming winter. It rules the month between August 21st to September 22nd.

The Seven of Hearts is the first or Virgo decan of Virgo, ruled by Mercury, (Mercury conjunct Mercury), a pure Virgo type. It rules between August 23rd and September 1st.

The Eight of Hearts is the second or Capricorn decan of Virgo, a cardinal quality decan, ruled by Saturn in his Negative quality, (Saturn conjunct Mercury). It rules between September 2nd and September 11th.

The Nine of Hearts is the third of Taurus decan of Virgo, ruled by Venus, in its negative phase, of the fixed quality decan, (Venus conjunct Mercury). It rules between September 12th and September 21st.

The Ten of Hearts is the card that represents the transition from summer to fall and rules the 18th of September.

The King of Spades represents the sign of Libra, (the Balance). It is the seventh sign of the zodiac and the first month of Autumn or Fall quarter;

of a cardinal quality, and of the element, Air; ruled by the Planet Venus in its positive force. It rules Art, beauty, love, pleasure, peace. This sign rules the month between September 23rd and October 22nd.

The Ace of Spades in the first or Libra decan of Libra, ruled by Venus. It is a cardinal quality decan (Venus conjunct Venus), or a pure Libra type. It rules between September 23rd and October 1st.

The Two of Spades is the second or Aquarius decan of Libra, ruled by saturn (old ruler) or Uranus (the new ruler). This is a fixed quality decan, (Saturn or Uranus conjunct Venus). It rules between October 2nd and October 12th.

The Three of Spades is the third or Gemini decan of Libra, ruled by Mercury. This is a mutable quality decan, (Mercury conjunct Venus). It rules between October 13th and October 22nd.

The Queen of Spades represents the sign of Scorpio, (The Scorpion). is the 8th sign of the Zodiac and the second month of Autumn or Fall. It is the sign of Satan as it rules the sex organs. The fall of mankind and the death of the spirit is brought about through the abuse of the sex organs. This sign is of the fixed quality and of the watery element, ruled by the planet Mars, in its negative phase. During the period of conception the child drops in the womb and falls from spiritual grace, during the eighth month. The sign rules the month between October 23rd and November 21st.

The Four of Spades is the first or Scorpio decan of Scorpio, ruled by Mars, it is a fixed quality decan, (Mars conjunct Mars), or a pure Scorpio type. It rules between October 23rd and November 1st.

The Five of Spades is the second or Pisces decan of Scorpio, ruled by Jupiter (old ruler) or Neptune (modern ruler). It is a mutable quality decan. (Jupiter conjunct Mars). It rules between November 2nd and November 11th

The Six of Spades is the third or Cancer decan of Scorpio, ruled by the Moon, it is a cardinal quality decan. (Moon conjunct Mars). It rules between November 12th and November 21st.

The Jack of Spades represents the sign of Sagittarius, (the Archer). It is the ninth sign of the Zodiac, and the last month of Autumn or Fall. It is a mutual quality, and a fiery element sign, ruled by the planet Jupiter. (This sign is allotted to religion and philosophy. Most religious garbs are black. Jack of Spades black. This sign rules the month between November 22nd and December 21st.

The Seven of Spades is the first or Sagittarius decan of Sagittarius, ruled

by Jupiter, a mutual quality decan, a pure Sagittarius type. (Jupiter conjunct Jupiter). It rules between November 22nd and December 1st.

The Eight of Spades is the second or Arias decan of Sagittarius, ruled by Mars, a cardinal quality decan, (Mars conjunct Jupiter). It rules between December 2nd and December 11th.

The Nine of Spades is the third or Leo decan of Sagittarius, ruled by the Sun; a fixed quality decan; (Sun conjunct Jupiter). It rules between December 12th and December 20th.

The Ten of Spades represents the transitional day between the autumn and winter, and rules December 21st.

The King of Diamonds represents the sign of Capricorn (The Goat). It is the tenth sign of the Zodiac, and the first month of winter, of a cardinal quality and earth element. It is a sign that symbolizes honor, promotion, business, profession. It is ruled by the planet Saturn in its negative phase, it is the indicator of hard labor, restriction, depression and long tedious and drawn out affairs. This sign rules the month between December 22nd and January 20th.

The Ace of Diamonds represents the first or Capricorn decan of Capricorn, ruled by Saturn; it is a cardinal quality decan; (Saturn conjunct Saturn) or a pure Capricorn type. Just like the mountain goat its natives climb to the greatest heights, yet seldom during their lives do they retain them. It rules between December 22nd and December 31st.

The Two of Diamonds represents the second or Taurus decan of Capricorn, ruled by Venus; a fixed quality decan. (Saturn conjunct Venus.) It rules between January 1st and January 10th.

The Three of Diamonds represents the third or Virgo decan of Capricorn, ruled by Mercury; a mutable quality decan. (Saturn conjunct Mercury.) It rules between January 11th and January 20th.

The Queen of Diamonds represents the sign of Aquarius, (The Water-Bearer). It is the eleventh sign of the Zodiac, and the second month of winter. It is of a fixed quality and air element. It is ruled by the planet Saturn in its positive phase, according to the old system, and by Uranus, in the new system. (Old system preferred.) It crystallizes and solidifies; therefore, it is a preserver, keeper, or friend. This sign rules the month between January 21st and February 19th.

The Four of Diamonds is the first or Aquarius decan of Aquarius, ruled by Saturn (old) or Uranus (new). It is a fixed quality decan; (Saturn conjunct Saturn). It rules between January 21st and January 30th.

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# Capricorn Children of 1931

By ALFRED C. GROTE

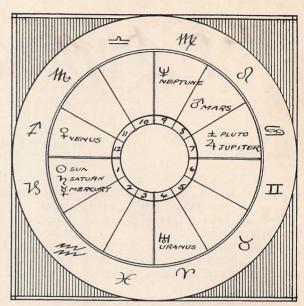


CHART FOR JANUARY

It is wise to choose a proper time according to astrology to have children. Children born when the celestial influences are favorable will naturally be fortunate and healthy. A great deal, however, depends on the health and character of the purents. It is strange that the inherited as well as the individual traits in a child's character are indicated by its horoscope. According to the stars January will be a poor month for the conception of children as the influences operating during most of September and October are unfavorable.

APRICORN, the Goat, is one of the oldest of the zodiacal constellations. In ancient star-maps it was portrayed as half goat with the tail of a fish. This sign is therefore often referred to as the Sea-goat. In Greek mythology the fish-goat is the animal into which Bacchus transformed himself in order to escape the terrible Typhon who came upon him suddenly while he was feasting with other gods on the bank of a river. Bacchus plunged into the river and the part of his body which was under the water assumed the form of a fish. According to some Capricorn is the symbol of the god Pan. Among the Egyptians Capricorn was the sign of the god Oannes sometimes pictured as a tall, stately man standing inside of a fish with one hand uplifted and the other holding a basket containing articles of great value.

Two thousand years ago the Sun was in the constellation Capricorn at the time of the winter solstice. It was the part of the heavens which marked the extreme southern declination of the Sun. Cancer was the constellation through which the Sun passed when it was in its extreme northern declination. Since that time geographers indicate a line 23 degrees and 28 minutes north and another 23 degrees and 28 minutes south of the equator known respectively as the tropics of Cancer and of Capricorn.

Capricorn is a cardinal and an earthly sign. As an earthly sign it represents the mountains of the earth with their noble peaks rising into the

clouds. Like mountains this sign signifies things that are grave, impressive, aged and dignified.

The children born this year during period of the Sun's passage through the sign Capricorn (December 23rd, 1930, to January 20th, 1931) will be steady, cautious, reserved and patient. Children of Capricorn are inclined to be bashful, retiring and somewhat sensitive. The slightest provocation causes them to take offense. Later in life their desire to rule and lead makes itself apparent, for Capricorn is the sign of leader-The 1931 Capricorn children will make very good friends, but bitter enemies. They will find it difficult to forgive an offense real or imaginary and will brood over wrongs done to them. They will make very faithful friends when once their confidence and esteem is won. These will be ambitious children, their strong desire to lead and dominate becoming stronger as life advances. Forethought and concentration will be conferred upon them, for Saturn is in conjunction to both Mercury and the Sun.

The opposition between Jupiter and Saturn in force during the entire period will bestow an unhappy, impressionable and indecisive frame of mind lacking in optimism and buoy-



CAPRICORN, THE GOAT

ancy. This aspect has an unfortunate influence on finance and business.

These children will be thoughtful, quiet and serious. Disappointments will often beset them, but they will never be completely discouraged, being hard workers and of a persevering and determined nature. They will be careful, frugal and economical and make the most of opportunities. Criticism will be a prominent trait in their characters, but often the criticism of these children will not be constructive, though they will possess much common sense. They will be liable, however, to make mistakes in reasoning and judgment. Mistakes in judgment will be the cause of frequent annoyance and trouble and will endanger their position in life. They will fulfill in detail any plans which they themselves formulate, for when they have once made up their minds to do a thing they will do all in their power to do it unless they are greatly discouraged by others. Their shrewd and calculating natures will make them well fitted for the domain of business. They will do well in an executive position where systematic management is required. They will be somewhat lacking in self-confidence and will therefore be more fortunate when working for others than in a business of their own.

The 1931 Capricorn children will be subtle, reserved and calculating, somewhat conservative in their tendencies and respect for conventional opinions on everything but religion. They will be somewhat cold by nature and think too little of the feelings of others. Their methodical and painstaking way of doing things will enable them to master difficult tasks and overcome obstacles and hindrances of various kinds. They will be zealous, exacting and remarkably studious. They will

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# An Egyptian Episode

### By DAYE KNIGHT

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"GOSHDING, ain't it swell with the amethyst ring?" asked Joe waving his arm around for their admiration.

"What'll yuh take fur it, Mr. Mac? I'll trade yuh my Fannie hound. She's a fine hunter and got eleven the cutest pups yuh ever did see."

"Don't want to swap," said Mac shortly. "Besides, what do you want with a watch? You can't tell time."

"I can too," declared Joe.

"What time is it now?" asked his father.

Joe squinted at the watch, then he said:

"Half past eight."

The hands of the watch indicated ten minutes after eight. He had missed it by twenty minutes. Uncle John laughed and said:

"Thet's purty good. Yuh got jes about as much use fur a wrist watch as a teal duck hez fur a pair of wadin' boots."

Joe handed back the watch reluctantly, adjusted his spectacles, and walked off. He started down the river towards the Willets' place where the other crew were working, about half a mile away. About midway they saw him step close to the brink and look down at the water.

"Why didn't you trade with him?" asked Grace.

"His dog is a fine hunter," said Mac. "And worth a dozen watches like this. Ain't his glasses the funniest things you ever saw? Joe is all right. Of course the fellas down here tease him a lot and kid him along, making him think they're going to beat the tar out of him. But it's all just fun. They talk mean and cuss a lot but they really wouldn't hurt a hair of his head. They all think too much of Aunt Lizbeth to touch him, no matter what he does. He shouldn't stand so close to that bank now, it's dangerous."

He hallooed several times and whistled but Joe did not hear him. Uncle John started down to call Joe back to his team. Swiftly and without warning, Joe and the ground he was standing on disappeared from view beneath the seething gurgling water. With a murmured oath, Mac grabbed a rope lying on the ground and started running towards the spot, followed by Grace and the rest of the

crew. In a few minutes the patrol came around the bend and Mac signalled to them for help. They let down hooks and chugged back and forth many times over the spot where he fell; dragging the river bed, but could not find the missing boy. Some of the men wanted to dive, but Mac forbade them to attempt it. An expert swimmer would be helpless in those boiling whirlpools and treacherous currents. At this point, the river bed has no rock foundation; but is shifting quicksands with virtually no bottom. If Joe was unable to come to the surface, it was madness to dive into those whirling cauldrons of resistless energy. He pointed out the chances were that Joe had already been sucked down beyond reach of their help.

As Grace stood watching the men frantically dragging the river and calling back and forth from shore to launch; she was overwhelmed with an oppressive feeling of disaster. As the turbulent brown waters whirled by with scarcely a sound, they gave no hint to the danger that lurked in their depths. The absence of loud noise was appalling in its significance. She had heard the roar of surf pounding on the shore. Also, she was familiar with the noisy splash of mountain streams through rock-strewn canyons. But the tones of this river were muffled. The faint swish, swish of swiftly leaping water against the yielding banks; and the hissing sibilance of the sucking whirlpools were ominous in their subaued tones. They chilled her heart with terror. With a feeling the search would be futile, she fled back to the little house that nestled to leeward of the bridge.

She did not return to the City that day. It was several days before she felt that she ought to leave those two with their burden of sorrow. To be sure, Joe was only a half-witted boy, of little economic use to the world at large, but he was the only beloved son of two brave souls, and they were crushed by their loss. Sympathetic neighbors renewed their attentions with more than their former zeal. When they became somewhat accustomed to the change in their lives, Grace made a second start for home. As Uncle John drove her into Cairo, he talked of their plans.

"O' course," he said, "I'd be willin'

to go back to Kansas, but ma don't wanter. Joe loved this ol' river, and would spend hours down on the bank jes lookin' at it. Since it took him frum us, she wants tu stay here close by it. If we hev a good crop this year, I guess we'll start payin' in on tha place and spend the rest o' our days down by tha bridge."

Grace returned to the City and was soon immersed in another case. It was several weeks before she heard directly from the people down in Egypt. One sunny June day she received a call from the registry. Some people from Cairo were down at the station. They asked the registrar to locate Miss Wilson and ask her to meet them there. Grace hurried down and found Aunt Lizbeth and Aunt Sally Doolittle. They had come to the City to consult a medium and wanted Grace to pilot them out to the address given them. The eager look in Aunt Lizbeth's eyes caused an affirmative decision. The address proved to be a large stone house, set back in a well kept lawn in a prosperous looking neighborhood. They were too early for the seance, but several people were already in the living room when they entered. A tall angular woman sitting on Aunt Sallie's left began to rock her chair violently, suddenly threw up her hands and as suddenly dropped them limply to her sides. Her knees sagged, she stopped rocking and her head dropped back against the chair. With eyes half closed she began to talk in a queer sing-song voice:

"Oh, I see water, lots of water, it's black and muddy looking, and there's things floating in it—logs—dead pigs—and lots of things go whirling by. The torrents are swift and angry looking but they make very little noise as they move along—they whisper, whisper Danger! Beware! I see the sides of the bank cave in. There's trees and patches of grass falling down into the swift muddy current. Oh! there's a man now! Surely he is lost!"

Aunt Sallie and Aunt Lizbeth had grown more and more excited during this talk. At this point, Aunt Sallie could keep silent no longer so she

"Can you describe the man?"

"He is a young man," went on the singing voice, "Hardly more than a

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# Dream

By DR. ANN PERRY

Stuff?

HAVE asked myself the question many times why it is that sometimes, without the slightest effort, desire or knowledge of anything being different, strange experiences come; at other times, no matter how similar the situations apparently are or how keenly some of them would be appreciated, nothing happens to disturb the smooth tenor of affairs.

Perhaps it is the element of desire. conscious or unconscious, that lends the ever-so-slight difference in conditions. It may be a minute something, the lack of which, that throws all the other ingredients or factors out of balance; as in a delicate chemical experiment everything must be exactly so to the last detail even to the addition of the various parts in their exact time and relation: one instant there will be a clear homogeneous solution; the next, with the addition of some infinitisimal ingredient, all is changed and out of the crystal-clear substance comes something else, tangible and visible. Going back over the experiment we know what we have done; we are able to count the steps from the beginning to the final triumph; then carefully, we are able to repeat.

Not so with an experiment of the soul or with mental stuff or dreams. All we are able to do is stand in wonder. We try to retrace the various acts and steps that led up to it. We attempt to repeat; there is nothing. We ask, "Was it a dream after all? Or were conditions exactly right for those invisible ones to suddenly congeal into visibility?"

I am setting the following experience down just as it occurred and will let the reader decide if possible if it was a dream.

I had finished my training in a large city hospital and had taken a position in the small hospital in my home town. Immediately I had been given the night shift. For a few nights all was quiet. My floor was light as the few patients there were nearly ready to go home. For that reason and because nurses were scarce, a cot had been placed in the hall where I could get some sleep and be subject to call during the day if the necessity arose. So it happened that the cot was there even when there was no time to use it. Then suddenly there came an influx of desperately

sick patients.

Two were placed on my floor. Oddly enough, although they were cousins and devoted to each other, neither knew the other was there and they occupied rooms immediately across the hall from each other. I had known them both in school. One was a young man, Tom Lathrop, who had fallen with a rotted telephone pole and had his right arm crushed. The other was Mrs. Hewett, or as we still called her, Lucy Lathrop. She came in need of a serious operation. Each of these patients was in such a precarious condition that it was deemed best not to tell either one of the other's presence.

The cot was just outside Lucy's door. If I were lying down on it, I could see down the hall past the stair railing to the turning. The hall was fairly well lighted and the floor was covered with a rubber matting of some sort that lessened noise.

That first night was very full. I was constantly in attendance back and forth between the two rooms. A consultation had been held over Tom's arm and the surgeon wished to remove it at once. The verdict had been to wait. The pain was dreadful. Opiates did not hold it and in consequence Tom was very restless. He was a brave lad, but once I found him crying for his mother. He was only twenty. Whenever I could snatch a minute I would sit beside him and smooth his good hand and let him cry or tell me of his hopes and plans. He told me of a little girl in high school and how they had planned to be married soon. Now he'd be a one-armed man and could never ask anyone to take that handicap. As soon as he would get a little easier I would slip away across the hall where his cousin was going through a terrific struggle.

Lucy's struggle was one of fear. She was desperately and horribly afraid. She came to the hospital with her mind made up that she would never go home. The fear dated back to childhood when her mother had been taken away to the hospital from which she did not return. People had always told her that because she was so like her mother that unless she took particular care of herself she would go as her mother had. She would weep silently and I would go in there to find her pretend-

ing she was asleep, but the pillow all wet with her tears. Then she told me of her fear. She did not want to be operated on. She had a pair of twin baby girls at home and she did so want to live to raise them. They were only a few months old.

So, when I went off duty that first morning, these two patients whom I knew well and loved, had so affected me by their dreadful conditions that I was weary unto exhaustion.

The next evening when I went on duty Lucy had been operated. She was far enough out of the ether to be left alone for short intervals. We had no specials, but the rest of the floor was so light that I was practically on special to Lucy and Tom. Tom was in a terrible shape. He had a high fever and the pain was intolerable. That day Dr. Linden had begged to be allowed to remove the arm to save the boy's life, but the parents would not give their consent. They had sent to the city for a noted surgeon and wished to await his arrival. They could not understand that nature would not wait.

Once I saw dear old Dr. Linden pacing up and down the corridor in the rear, great tears coursing down his old cheeks, his hands clasped behind his back and his head bowed. We had all known him for years. He had been present when Tom was brought into the world and he had signed my application when I went away to the training school. He had been our friend and adviser. Now he was stricken because he could not do what he knew must be done to save a young life.

Lucy gradually came out of the ether completely and as I sat there beside her she told me again of her grinding fear. I did everything I could to re-assure her. I pointed out that the operation had been successful and that she was now surely on the mend. The doctor told her there was no reason why she should not get well if she would make the effort to set herself to get well. Nothing seemed to make any difference; the fear still held. She seemed so certain that she was making her last stand. So again I spent the night passing back and forth between the two rooms where death fought with his victims and life struggled to hold itself in the bodies

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### About

### The CALENDAR

By CARYL BURTON

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in the proposed Calendar Reform, we offer a few points of information for those who may not have access to such data. Further historical facts and valuable references may be obtained from the following works on the calendar: "Jewish Calendar for 64 Years," E. H. LINDO (1838); "Measures, Weights and Moneys of All Nations," W. S. B. WOOLHOUSE (1869); "Kalendariographische und Chronologishe Tafeln," R. G. SCHRAM (Leipzig 1908); "Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics," Vol. 3 (1910).

The Calendar received its name from the Roman Calends, or Kalends, a method of distributing time into certain periods adapted to the purpose of civil life, as hours, days, weeks, months, years, etc.

The Solar Day is distinguished by the daily revolution of the earth and the alternation of light and darkness. The Solar Year completes the circle of the seasons. The phases of the Moon yield the Month. The Solar Day, the Solar Year, and the Lunar Month, or lunation, are called the natural divisions of time. The hour, the week, and civil month are conventional divisions. The subdivision of the day into twentyfour parts, or hours, combines a natural with a conventional division. The week, a period of seven days, having no reference whatever to the celestial motion, might have been suggested by the phases of the Moon, or by the number of planets known in ancient times, an origin which is rendered more probable from the names universally given to the different days of which it is composed.

The English names of the days are derived from the Saxon. The ancient Saxons had borrowed the week from some Eastern nation and substituted the names of their own divinities for those of the gods of the East.

SAXON Sun's Day Moon's Day Tiw's Day Woden's Day Thor's Day Frigg's Day Seterne's Day LATIN ENGLISH Dies Solis Dies Lunae Dies Martis Dies Mercurii Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Dies Jovis Dies Veneris Dies Saturni Thursday Friday Saturday

The present calendar of 12 months of different lengths is the Gregorian calendar. It is the result of several revisions of the Egyptian calendar. At the time of Julius Caesar the civil equinox differed from the astronomical

ECAUSE of the universal interest by three months, so that the winter months were carried back into autumn. Caesar abolished the use of the lunar year and the intercalary month and regulated the civil year entirely by the Sun. It was Caesar who fixed the mean length of the year at 3651/4 days, although it had perhaps already been determined by the Egyptians. Egyptians had divided the year into 12 months of 30 days each, which division left 51/4 extra days which they

> If I can meet each gladsome day With courage in this glad new year And greet my fellows on the way With just a little friendly cheer

If I can only see the good Of each one as they pass my way Brave Manhood and fair womanhood

'Tis only then that I shall say, this year was filled with wealth untold this wonderous year a thing apart for I have searched and found the gold Deep hidden in my brothers heart.

A. M. ALCORN

accounted for by devoting that amount of time to festival holidays; evidently not a difficult compromise.

The ecclesiastical calendar which is adopted in all the Catholic and most of the Protestant countries of Europe is luni-solar, being regulated partly by the Solar, and partly by the lunar year, a circumstance which gives rise to the distinction between the movable and immovable feasts.

The solar astronomical year is the period of time in which the earth performs a revolution in its orbit about the Sun, or passes from one point of the ecliptic to that same point again. It consists of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds of mean solar time.

The Egyptians divided the month into three 10-day periods as did also the Orientals, upon which division is based the decan rulership of the planets. The Oriental system arranges the rulers of the decans by the triplicities as for instance: Aries, first decan Mars, second decan Sun, third decan Jupiter; Taurus, first decan Venus, second decan Mercury, third decan Saturn, and so on through the twelve

signs. The Egyptians and the Chaldeans probably assigned the decan rulership by order of the planets in relation to their orbits as Mars, Sun, Venus, Mercury, Moon, Saturn, Jupiter, which would place Mars, Sun and Venus as decan rulers of Aries; Mercury, Moon and Saturn of Taurus; Jupiter first decan of Gemini, with Mars coming in again as ruler of second decan of Gemini, and continuing thus in rotation around the circle.

Prior to the adoption of the present seven-day week the Romans used an eight-day week. In 46 B. C., when Julius Caesar conquered Egypt, he adopted the Egyptian calendar but for reasons unknown turned the five festive days into work days by adding one day to the first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth and eleventh months, thus forming a year of 12 months alternating in 31 and 30 day lengths. It is recorded in history that in 28 B. C., in order to keep peace in the family, Julius added one day to August, the month in which his brother Augustus was born, that it might equal in number of days the length of his own birth month, July. This day was taken from February, leaving that month but 29 days. This incident should serve as a brake to the enthusiastic objections from those who regard calendar reform as a direct interference with divine prerogative. However, the year did not glide along as smoothly as desired. Property owners objected account the third quarter being three days longer than the first. (Rentals were made by the quarter instead of monthly as in modern times.) Besides these economic objections, time was accumulating and hanging heavily on the hands of the court accountants, so in 1852 Pope Gregory XIII instituted the present leap year arrangement which evened matters.-insofar as time is concerned. This distribution of days by the allotment of extra time forms the basis of our present calendar and inspired the pedagogic rhymster whose lines are so indelibly impressed upon the adolescent mind with more truth than poetry-

Thirty days hath September, April, June and November; All the rest have thirty-one, Except the second month alone, Which hath but twenty-eight in fine, Till leap year gives it twenty-nine,

### BEYOND The HORIZON

A Revelation Given to Mildred L. Bischof

It was one of those warm, sweet spring evenings, when a beautiful symbol was shown to me, an incident which I like to remember as a fleeting glimpse or prevision of the passing from Earth plane of a dear little old lady. The actual passing later was accompanied by tears and heartaches, but on this spring evening out in the garden, there was only peace and beauty.

You will remember, perhaps, that spring came late in 1926, in fact, we had almost despaired of having any, and it was nearly May before the lilacs and daffodils were at their height. A friend of mine, whom I will call Beth, had promised to dig up some plants from her garden, and give them to me for the little garden of my own that I was trying to create from a bit of sandy back yard. I lived near the shore, while Beth's home was nearer to the town. So one evening, after supper, my mother and I went up to pay a little visit, and dig up the promised plants. Beth's mother, a delicate little old lady, had not been well, and so our two mothers and Beth's married sister, a Mrs. D-, sat in the living room, watching through the open window while Beth and I proceeded to dig.

Twilight was falling when the three ladies came out to join us, and pres-

ently Beth's mother (Mrs. S-) offered to go back into the house for paper and twine with which to wrap up the plants. After she had passed by us, pressing rather close to avoid the rose arbor, I stood talking to Mrs. Dwhen I noticed a tiny sound coming from the sewing bag which hung on Mrs. D-'s arm. I asked her if something alive were in it, and she laughed and said "Nothing but my sewing," but she had heard the little sound too, which upon investigation proved to be a spool of thread dancing about as it unwound. The other end of it had in some way caught and remained attached to Mrs. S- as she passed. At that same moment Mrs. S- emerged from the house, and stretching out her arms, showed us that she was all entangled in the thread which in the deepening twilight we could not see. I, however, reached out and touched it, feeling the slender thread, that even I, who held it, could hardly see. Then Mrs. D- began winding it up again, thereby slowly drawing her mother out into the garden.

As the mother stood there with her arms outstretched, she seemed for one instant transfigured, and I saw her striking resemblance to the beautiful painting of the Ascension. Then she came slowly forward under the overhanging leaves of the rose arbor, fac-

ing the last rays of light that still lingered in the west.

The others laughed a good deal as they untangled her, but I felt that tears were close to the surface, for I had most surely seen her drawn from her home by the little thread of destiny that none can see, and there in the garden, I remember sending out a wish that when it should draw her, as I knew it presently would, out of her home and into the Great Garden of the Hereafter, that she might go happily, and surrounded by her children. When we arrived home I mentioned the incident and the interpretation I had placed on it, to my mother, and then it was forgotten.

Two months later Mrs. S- passed away suddenly. She went peacefully at twilight surrounded by her children, the same two who were with her that night in the garden. A married son was away from home at the time in another city. Later when we could speak of these things, I reminded them of that spring night among the flowers, and they remembered and understood. Months afterward, Mrs. Dtold me that the memory of that night with its symbolism, was gradually taking the place, in her mind, of the memory of the real passing. I wonder if that isn't just what the symbols are shown to us for!

### A Wonderful Night

Experience of Nellie B. Olson

I am giving this experience to the public as an incentive to them to believe that spirit friends are constantly guiding our path and endeavoring to help us. A firm believer in Spiritualism, it did not need this to make me believe, but I am glad that I was given this helpful and wonderful message.

It was Spring of 1925 and I came home for Easter from teaching school, never to go back again. I had caught a very bad cold and as I was never very strong, it soon had a very firm hold on my lungs. A month went by and I was up and around the house, but on the 6th of June I had my first hemorrhage from the lung. Two weeks later I experienced another. It was then I lost courage and longed for word of help from some source and my friends "on the other side of life" responded.

The night was warm and yet with door and windows wide open, a gentle breeze drifted through the room making it very comfortable. I had suffered the hemorrhage at about 10 p.m. At eleven the lights were lowered and the household sank to rest. I had my call bell near and a dim light cast shadows about the room.

Suddenly a strange sensation began stealing over me. It seemed to me that I was floating into the air. Then I thought I could see two bodies lying in the same position but one about a foot above the other. As I lay puzzling over this and enjoying the freedom from pain and fatigue, I heard the clock striking and counted 12 strokes. As the last stroke died away, I heard the most beautiful music that I ever heard. As I puzzled where that could come from, at this hour, I heard voices singing very faint but very distinct

and I heard these words, "Spirit hands are wafting,

Help and health to thee."

The next that I remember I heard the clock strike one. Again the music and again the singing. Thus each hour until 5 a. m., I would first count the strokes and then hear again the song.

I wondered a little if I would not be tired the next day, but no—the next day found me much improved and oh, so rested and happy.

I have prayed many times to experience this again but such has not been my good fortune but I have recovered my health and have done much work since.

My medium friends tell me that my spirit did leave its earthly shell, at that time, and I feel now that death is but a blessed release from pain and not a horrifying experience.

### Take the NEXT STEP

By H. EDWARD MILLS

There is no stopping place; always we must go on. Not always is it the struggle of ascent. There are great plateaus lying at high elevations above the common valleys of life. To reach them we struggle and climb, but to find them attained is to enter upon easy progress.

The assurance that all is spirit is a state of mind far, far above the gross concept that all is matter. At present most of us are laboring to rise above the "matter" concept on to the high level of spiritual certainty. Others have scaled this precipitous ascent and we know that we can do the same. Others have called back to us that the air is both balmy and bracing on the heights; that the on-going exhilarates; that the sense of freedom is glorious; that comradeship is ideal; and that the Infinite Presence is a constantly realized inspiration.

We look up. The end of the long road seems so far away. Can we stand the journey? A Voice whispers, "Take the next step; that is not difficult." We obey, and the Voice repeats the gentle admonition, "Take the next step."

Each step brings some new delight, some new opportunity, some new chance to prove how much we ourselves surpass our conditions. Enraptured with these interests we forget how far it is to the top. And then some unexpected moment we arrive. The "Son of man" has come, come to the lofty level of pure spiritual consciousness. The experience thrills us beyond measure. We did not dream of such glory while on earth; but here it is all about us. We would not ask for more heaven. We have all the heaven we can hold. What shall we do? Why, simply, go on; take the next step. In that supernal consciousness there is still great progress to be made, there are still new worlds to be conquered.

Were this not so our natures would have to be so changed that static states of mind could satisfy us. At present we are incapable of imagining satisfaction from non-progress. And we have reached that place in understanding where we see the possibility of eternal progress. Our great lesson right now is to learn the art of taking one step at a time and always that step which is just before us.

How strange it is that we do not perceive the simplicity of life, the naturalness of attaining the ultra-natural. Listen quietly enough and the Voice of Wisdom will always admonish the same thing. Take the next step.—From The Truth, Emma W. Mills, Editor.

### Faith the Key to Success

BY VESTA LA VESTA

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NE evening my husband came home and announced that by ten o'clock the following morning he just had to have eighty-five dollars.

"Well," I said, "if you have to have it, it will come." "How?" he shouted forcibly. Anxiety making him irritable. "I've only one dollar!" . . .

"I'll see," I replied quietly, as a walked up and down the room to collect myself, and get hold of my inner LIGHT; and, after a few moments, I put a shawl over my head and lay down on the couch . . . "All you care about is to go off into dreamland, while I have to worry and fret about getting this money!" remarked my husband rather irritably.

I paid no attention, but quietly laid there until I received LIGHT . . .

My vision was this: An O with a one in it, and a ten-cent piece on it . . . Then a blur . . . Another O, red, with 36 on it . . . blur . . . 36 . . . blur . . . . 36; another O with two O's in it. To me this was quite unintelligible, but I told my husband just what I had seen. Without one word, he went out, slamming the door after him.

"Oh, dear Lord," I pleaded, "why did I tell him that stupid vision!" For I felt that he was worried and I had given him no help. However, a feeling of peace seemed to steal over me and I ceased to worry.

About an hour later, when he returned he brought ice cream, cakes and dainties for me, and with his pockets filled with rolls of money. "I knew that you didn't know anything about roulette," he said laughingly, "but I followed your instructions and made quite a pile. Then I began to play on my own account, and, I lost . . . so I thought it was time to come home."

This is only one of the many, many experiences I have had which have proved to me beyond a doubt that, if each and every day we go to the LIGHT within, to the ALL-Knowing, and seek the "substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," it will bring us many times over the things we need for the day.

But the same vision will not do for another time. Each day we must go within to the FOUNT OF ALL GOOD and we shall receive consciousness which will supply the manna for the needs of the moment.

When we are sad and depressed, our faces take on a solemn, lifeless, dull expression, but when Faith stirs within us we open our channels of thought to the GREAT INFLUX OF LIFE-ENERGY. Then our faces will light up, our eyes will grow bright, and every faculty of our being becomes illuminated, like a brilliantly lighted street in some vast city. Therefore, if we keep FAITH constantly alive within us, we carry with us an atmosphere which dispels gloom and brightens life's pathway for others.

Often I have been asked to explain just what FAITH is, and to show how it may be analyzed, and one day when I had been thinking deeply about this, I had the following vision: I stood on a V-shaped cliff, the edge of which extended over a vast body of turbulent water. I walked to the extreme edge of the precipice and looked down on the surging mass of water below. Suddenly the earth seemed to crumble beneath my feet. I turned to go back, but my path was blocked by a huge, crawling monster. . . . Apparently there was no way of escape, yet in my breast there was the Faith that a way would be found, and very confidently I waited. . . . A little later, a dark cloud enveloped me and a beautiful figure in a flame-colored robe appeared, and I was caught up in that flame-colored robe and carried into safety.

And as it was in my vision, so it is in life. If we keep the lamp of *Faith* burning within us, we shall always find a way out of our difficulties.

Keep on smiling, keep on with your FAITH, and even if you are not as successful as you would like to be, thank GOD for what you are and have, and you will receive more and more of HIS BOUNTY, for a thankful spirit will always receive.

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Your spirit, or ego, or self, or whatever you may call that inner invisible something that is more really you than your body; that something which thinks, loves, feels, imagines and wills, is well worth a little training.

Here is a suggestion. There are certain great ideas, represented by certain great words. These words have powervolts in their very sound. Every time you think one of them you grow greater.

Take to bed with you the following seven words. As you lie, waiting for sleep, say them over, one by one, to yourself.

Or better, take a half hour during the day, in silence and solitude, and practice the feeling of these terms.

God. Never mind about your belief or disbelief. Say that word ten times, slowly, with pauses between. Think of what is above, below, around, and in all things. Spread your mind out upon the universe. Practice the sensing of the infinite.

Stars. Say stars. Think stars. Try to reach the feeling of stars. Let your fancy climb to the top of the night sky. Get the vibrations of those measureless distances, those suns, galaxies, sweeping worlds; all silent, luminous, immense, swift whirling yet orderly. Happy you if you can induce a bit of star feeling within you!

Mountain. Repeat some names of individuals: Mount Blanc, Himalaya, Orizaba, Matterhorn, Popocatepetl. Get Reprint from THE COSMIC DAWN

your mind up among the noiseless heights. Let the serenity, the eternity of the words filter into you.

Ocean. Go a-sailing out of sight of land. Be surrounded for a moment by waste, wild waters. See on all sides only horizon. Stand, in your imagination, by the seashore. Hear the surf boom. Do not talk. Do not make phrases. Feel!

Tree. Call in mind the most majestic tree you know. Touch its trunk. Look up at its wide branches. Stand from it and see its outline against the sky. Get some of the tree feeling into your spirit. Think tree; it's a wonderful relief from thinking dishes and dust-rags.

Think of sunrise, of the Dawn. freshness of life, of hopeful beginnings. Induce, if you can, a sense of sunrise.

More. It is a sonorous word. Repeat it-slowly, significantly, and note how you grow. The word lifts you up, ex-

Don't try to argue. Just say these seven words. Let them bloom across your consciousness. Somehow they will still and banish your littleness. You will come to a great calm. You will have a sense of poise. You will get a sense of remoteness from affairs. You cannot describe, nor impart it. It is a

Your self-contempt will vanish. You will cease to think yourself a nothing, a puppet, insignificant.

You will feel that you are, deep in your hidden life, great and strong and wonderful. For who can think such thoughts and be wholly contemptible?

### Cosmic === = Career

BY FRANCES E. SHELLY

HOULD one look through all the pages of human expression, one might not find a more inspiring resolution than that of the regal adventurer, Ulysses, as related by Tennyson:

"For my purpose holds

To sail beyond the sunset; till I die To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."

And but three things, three attributes, are needed for the achievement of a life of eternal sunset,-a career that shall be a continuous stepping forth into the golden glory of a new existence. These are Faith, and Plan, and Will. They are all implied in PURPOSE.

To have faith is not necessarily to be enslaved by the dogma of an outworn and primitive cult. It is to sense the essential importance of being, to be not deceived by the curtain of appearances, but to look beyond it.

Through the perturbations of Uranus, Neptune was known to exist, though Neptune had never been seen. No one has ever seen an electron or a vitamin.

Yet an electron has been weighed and vitamins are weightily important in the continuance of the vital processes. The electron is only "a something out there," Phenomenon as opposed to Noumenon, a concept as opposed to "real" things and still it is the brick out of which the physical universe is built. Without it physical reality collapses into nothingness.

The world in which we live is a transcendental one. Reality transcends experience. Carlyle expressed it more powerfully than has any one in his famous apostrophe, "Man, Symbol of Eternity, imprisoned in Time." How recently we have been presented with the idea of a space-time continuum, by which we are told that Time and Space must not be considered separately but as one inter-related fundamental. The "antinomies" of Kant very strongly suggested that we should have to modify our notions of these dimensional modes. It has been suggested that, could we apprehend a fourth dimension, we could step into a new kind of reality. Doubt it not, physical dissolution will bring just such a freedom. It is a subtle, unconscious sensing of this inevitable inheritance of freedom that makes one restive of all petty restraints

Life; how we value it. And yet it is but one of the many modes MIND adopts for projecting itself against the curtain. Every thing in Nature goes

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### The Known and Unknown Powers of Man

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Every possibility conceivable to man is his to attain, and, as the inner strength unfolds, these possibilities become unlimited.

It is always the tendency of our highest ideals to become externally real. The perfect ideal is the only reality, in the absolute sense. We are what we wish to be, and more. We should hold to our ideals, and they will quickly become externalized. We should array on their side, instead of against them, all the powers of our imagination; our desires, our faith; our intuitions; our understanding of esoteric laws; our love and our will.

We should use every intellectual and spiritual faculty as a means of giving clearness and definiteness to their outlines. We should be sure that our ideals are in line with our individual tendencies and the natural laws and higher tendencies of the human constitution; for, otherwise, their powers would act as a boomerang and bring us evil instead of good.

Nature's forces are so constructed that its only method of self-protection is the boomerang. A deep insight into the constitution of man is an absolute necessity in the work of finding happiness. We should formulate our ideas in the silence, and when the mind and forces are entirely stilled, we should hold those ideas in thought, and mentally see them grow into perfect fulfillment.

The path to a deeper understanding of our own nature and that of others, and to the complete realization of our ideals, leads by the stream of Love. And this is why the philosophy of life and power convincingly teaches Universal Love, and that our love should begin at home, with ourselves, in the changed attitude which can truly love common things and common people, however glaring may be their faults. When we understand the underlying laws of things, we will perceive the Infinite promise which lies below the surface of the most lowly exterior. When we truly know, we shall not condemn these lowly works of the Divine Creative Law. Nor will we be too hasty in discarding the common things of external life; for in our changed attitude, we will extract happiness from them, instead of misery or discontent.

Esoteric students who catch fragmentary glimpses of the beauties of the higher spiritual life, are liable to ignorantly assume that earthly things are a misfortune and a mistake, and that they are to be disposed of at the earliest possible moment. This broad assumption that God's method

in accord with true esoteric principles. What mysticism demands of its students is the changed and spiritual attitude which is able to sympathetically perceive the interior meanings and lessons in common things, and consequently to obtain happiness and good from all things.

Man's principle of Immortality or Soul, is his power to think, and its counterpart is Truth, or God, which is the irresistible magnet that will keep the Soul alive as long as Truth exists, which is forever.

Man's indestructible power to think implies constant growth until he has acquired the complete knowledge and experience which will enable him to demonstrate the complete mastery and coexisting immortality of himself and his Source. "Knowledge is Power." God's method of manifestation is through man.

Limited observation is sufficient to teach that Nature's relentless law of necessity taunts and insults man with the pains of cold, hunger and starvation, until he is forced to learn how to supply himself with warmth and food; but at each step, with each new thought, a new want is created; and so it will ever be until he answers his true, intimate and unlimited relations to all persons and things.

Every instinct in man is a thought, and as such, contains within itself the indestructible power to satisfy its wants. Painful experiences in the early stages of evolution are for the purpose of awakening that sympathy, which shall never rest satisfied until it is able to minister to and relieve the wants of all other sufferers.

It is a good thing for philosophers and religionists to argue that man's real wants are very few, and that he should not allow his selfishness to conflict with the rights of others; for their arguments substantiate the fact his non-separateness from his fellow-men, and unknownigly confirm the very principles of a deeper philosophy; that man's constitution and nonseparateness from others implies that sympathy and the loving desire to serve them, and that in turn implies the strength and power to do so, which only comes from widened and ever widening relations.

We are morally responsible for the use we make of our force, and our first duty is to ourselves. It is a duty of keeping closely in touch with the Higher Self, that we may act from it in all that we do. To do this is a matter of knowledge faithfully applied through concentration. To neglect this practice is almost criminal neglect, of manifestation is wrong, is hardly for we are the chief losers; on one

side are almost endless penalties; on the other side, endless rewards. should try to silently summon our forces sufficiently to absolutely settle the question as to whether or not this is true, and then decide what we are going to do about it. We should let it be one thing or the other. No one can escape the self-acting punishments of infringed natural law.

We must abide by the unchangeable principles and laws of our own constitution, if we would attain success and happiness. We must in time learn and practice the art of scientific devotion or concentration. Will it be now, or when we are driven to it?

Students naturally clamor for something esoteric, and seem incapable of understanding that thought concentration leads the way, in the right direction, not to the jungles of Himalaya, but to the Source of all esotericism which is within themselves.

None can find that which they so ardently seek until they observe those simple esoteric practices which inevitably lead to God, or Divine Law Within.

Concentration and meditation, by connecting the consciousness more closely with the Higher Self, awaken its vibratory forces and also the vibratory sediment of knowledge previously gained through experience.

Each individual in his Soul principles is representative of the law of vibration. His brain cells are but the accumulated vibratory sediment which is the essence of all his past Soul experiences during countless ages. The brain and mentality represent the latent knowledge and wisdom thus acquired. This latent knowledge should be awakened that it may become active for good in the life.

If an exact and unchangeable law underly all life, all sensation, all consciousness and all happiness, then there are exact principles and laws of happiness which may be definitely known and applied.

Happiness is a necessary consequence of complying with the law of vibration and of thus awakening its consequent forces. The harmonious flow and activity of those forces is happiness. Their inharmonious flow is misery.

The purpose of consciousness, sensation and life itself is happiness. All happiness is necessarily derived through the Soul consciousness which includes sensation. All consciousness and all sensation is necessarily vibratory in its nature, and all vibration is but the result of a definite law. The law is the one Infinite Law called

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### Reflections of A REPUTABLE MYSTIC

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In its pristine loveliness, there is nothing quite as beautiful as Mystical and Occult lore as handed down through the ages. From it we learn the true meaning of many sayings and teachings of the Book of Books, that has been a closed door to us, after we learn to read it. Through the teachings of many years, we have absorbed a false conception of the true meaning but it must all be learned anew. Many schools of Mysticism insist that the Bible be forgotten and laid aside for a time until the student has time to forget the ideas he has formed. How foolish to sit and argue as to what is meant by a simple statement. You and I are capable of interpreting the meaning, when we learn the key. We cannot do it by taking a section of a paragraph and thinking the entire meaning is contained therein. Many people know today that the real mystical portion of the Bible is left entirely out. The Apocrypha, fourteen complete books which, when read understandingly, give an entire new meaning to the Bible.

If the true Mystic would open his mind to the seeker and give of his knowledge as does the Adept of the Orient to his Chela, the unique ability of the path to conquer obstacles would be presented to him. Today, we cannot get over the worship of that great sign of the demoniac world-the dollar sign, and that very fact is keeping many true seekers from the knowledge they desire. The excuse set forward is that man must live. Surely man must live, but he can never live by selling his knowledge. One of the greatest and most learned of all Mystics today, has over the gateway entrance to his mountain home in the Sierras-"Welcome to all"-and he means it. His boast is that no one ever was refused a share in whatever he has, either money, food or knowledge. Sitting beside the fireplace in his wonderful living room (that is what he calls it—and that is what it is) there will be gathered the Doctor, the tramp, the Banker and the Laborer, the Wealthy and the Poor and before

morning there will be a real comradeship established that in some cases, has lasted for life. This man is himself poor.

Reach out a helping hand, Brothers, open your mind, assist those who would wish to enter, welcome all into the path of Knowledge. God has granted you this gift, share it with others. Do what He would have you do, help drive from the Arcane Schools, the charlatan, and the fake for there is so much of the true and so many who really hunger for it. There is a great awakening sweeping over the world today. There are times when one fully believes that we are entering a new and more complete age. That the Cycle has again returned to the point where true learning has become the real compelling force of the world. No Occultist will argue against the fact, that there are times when the forces of nature compel the entire world to do things few can understand. It may be likened to the so called mob psychology. We have passed the Machine age, and money and business are not the important things we thought them. Our poor muddling world is emerging into the sunlight of "Old knowledge made new."

"As ye give, so shall ye receive"the enlightened see in this ancient law, the whole Karma of the world. The world has been mainly concerned in "getting" and now the Wheel has turned and for a time has compelled the reverse. Mankind may argue on "Economic Law," efficiency of all his petty man made ideas, but unless they co-operate with the laws of the Universe, they are as ineffective as a summer breeze, they bring a lot of comfort but they do not help to drive the ship. The Dark Ages are not to be compared with what was in store for man if he had not, through some compulsory force, accepted what was in store for him and opened his eyes to learning. God has many wonders to display to mankind and science has not, as yet, even scratched the surface. While the materialist argues and says "You will

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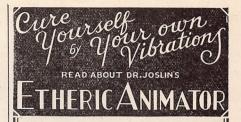
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### Through the Gateway of the Past

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ness of a trumpet blast the room sprang into vivid beauty.

Rich hangings hid the grey stone walls; soft, thick rugs of marvelous colors covered the floor, piled in turn with silken cushions. In the far corner, upon a dais, stood a gilt couch, its feet carved like lion's paws. Pillows of silk-covered down were heaped upon it in gorgeous confusion. Upon the gilded steps leading up to the dais lay a flame colored shawl of exquisite texture, evidently dropped there by some careless hand.

Soft laughter came from beyond a curtained doorway, through which presently glided a girl, slim and golden-colored, her sleek dark hair bound with gold, her slender arms and ankles laden with a wealth of dusky, smouldering jewels, while twisted about her supple body, outlining each lovely curve, yet covering her from breast to ankles, was a garment of richest silk the color of beaten gold. Following her, still clad in his chain armor, his dark eyes warm with love, came the warrior whom Elizabeth had seen the great city welcoming home.

He was pleading as only strong men can plead, that she would come with him. Far through the jungles he would carry her swiftly, so swiftly that the great king of mighty Angkor, whose well-loved favorite she was could not overtake them.

Softly she touched his face, tracing the scar upon his dark cheek with one slim, tinted finger tip as she listened, then asked softly,

"Wouldst give it all for me, beloved? The acclaim of Angkor, loveliest city, thy king's trust and favor, thy wealth and—yes, thine honor? What woman is worth so much?"

Roughly he caught her to him, crushing her slender, yielding figure close in his arms as he cried, "Gladly will I give it all for thee, my sweet. What joy do I have from all the things you name, when I cannot call thee mine; cannot see thee save when like

a thief I steal to thee through the service of some bribed slave?"

Slowly, unobserved by them, the curtain at the doorway was pulled aside and Elizabeth caught a glimpse of a thin dark face, whose heavy brows were bound with jewel-studded gold. A long moment he looked upon the lovers, then the curtain dropped noiselessly into place. Vainly she sought to cry out, to warn them that the king had seen them, but the weight of a thousand years held her silent and the tragedy of the past moved on unchecked before her.

Words of love, spoken in a language dead for centuries, but to Elizabeth

they were as if spoken in her own tongue. She, who had never known love as Elizabeth Arden, was swept forward upon its mightly flood, living through this vision of her long-dead self, all its agony and joy, all its coquetry and tenderness.

The clear knowledge that she was looking upon herself as she had been when Angkor was capital of a mighty people, filled her with joy. What matter the colorless present when she had lived life so richly in the past?

Slowly the man's impassioned pleading was overcoming the girl's reluctance to let him risk all for her small self. At last, turning to him in sweet surrender, she laid her hands along his cheeks and smiled.

"Take me with thee, then, beloved," she whispered softly, "but let us fly swiftly for death will follow fast behind."

Gently he gathered her closer into his arms, bending to kiss her upturned lips, when the sudden clink of steel behind caused him to spring into swift action. Through the doorway leaped three savage dark-skinned soldiers, armed with swords and daggers. Fiercely they rushed upon him, while, holding the curtain aside and leaning carelessly against the archway, watched the king, a cruel smile twisting his thin lips.

Backing toward the dais, to which the girl had fled, the warrior fighting grimly, silently, held his assailants at swordspoint. The deadly quiet, save for the clash of sword blades, gave token of the grimness of this struggle. Slowly, surely he was forced ever backward, closer to the girl who stood watching with terror-filled eyes. More and more fiercely, yet still silently, the unequal combat continued. At last, a false step, a swift thrust, and one soldier sank upon the soft rugs, over which a crimson stain spread slowly.

Unheeding his fall, the other two pressed the warrior even more closely. Nearer still to the steps he was forced, and now a cry welled up in Elizabeth's throat. Oh, God, to warn him. She knew, she remembered so vividly what had proved his undoing. So slight a thing—only a silken shawl dropped upon the steps by a girl's careless hand, yet it entangled his foot, he slipped, and like jungle tigers they were upon him.

Silence, chill, numbing silence! The girl stood motionless, staring with wide eyes at the slow spread of his blood across her jeweled feet, then with a little whimpering cry, she crouched down and drew his head to lie upon her breast.

Swiftly the king strode into the room, dismissing the two bloodstained

soldiers with a quick commanding gesture. Without a backward glance, leaving their slain comrade where he had fallen, they withdrew, the heavy rugs dulling the sound of their departing footsteps.

Still weeping softly, the girl tried to wipe the blood from the man's lips with the silken shawl, when the harsh voice of the king caused her to lift her eyes to his face.

"His ears are deaf now to thy voice, my lotus bud; his eyes blind to thy beauty. Truly it seems he paid a great price for thy kisses."

Receiving no answer, he laughed cruelly and stooping grasped her wrist. With a low cry she leaped to her feet, tearing loose from his hold, and flinging wide her arms, cried wildly:

"Too great a price, think ye, O king? Shall I not also pay the price? I follow where he goes, and sometime, if Brahma wills it so, we shall meet again."

Before the king could grasp her meaning she had snatched his dagger from its jeweled scabbard and plunged it deep into her heart, then with a tired little sigh she slipped slowly down upon the blood-gilded steps.

Blinded with her tears, Elizabeth groped her way through the now empty, ruined room, toward where the moon made a vivid rectangle of light through the broken doorway. The curtain of the past had closed again but as she lifted her face to the moon-bright sky she was content. Truly once at least life had been rich with love.

As she hesitated in the wide portal, regretful that she must leave the charmed spot, a quiet voice at her side startled her, and turning swiftly she saw the speaker.

He stood waiting courteously, then smiled as he saw her alarm.

"Awfully sorry I frightened you, but your guide said you were here and it really isn't safe in these old ruins at night. If I may, I should be glad to see you safely to the bungalow."

His face was in shadow but his voice rang in her ears with the familiarity of an old memory, and she stepped swiftly closer. For a long moment she looked into his face, recognizing with a lift of the heart the wide, understanding dark eyes, the thick dark hair, grey at the temples, the firm lips and chin and the sun-darkened face with-O strange touch from the ancient past-the white scar of some old sword slash, then with the trust born of a perfect understanding she slipped her hand into his eager, waiting clasp and together they returned through the fragrance of the jungle night.



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### AN EGYPTIAN EPISODE

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boy. He is dressed in faded blue overalls, he wears eye-glasses without any glass in them. On his left hand is an old-fashioned ring set with a big amethyst inlaid with gold and pearl.

"Joe, are you near us?" asked Aunt Sallie in a tremulous voice.

"Yes, yes!" answered the sing-song voice. "Tell Ma I am so happy! Oh so happy! I can hardly wait for her to come over!"

"All in God's own time," answered Aunt Sallie reverently. Then she asked:

"Joe, can't you tell us where to find your body? Your Ma 'ud be a lot happier if she jes knew that."

There was a weird peal of laughter from the relaxed figure in the chair.

"Please try to tell us, Joe," pleaded Aunt Sallie. Aunt Lizbeth was weeping violently and Grace was alarmed. She thought such a nerve-racking experience would do her more harm than good.

"Tell 'em to look down by the babies' place!" intoned the voice, "Oh it's such fun! I am so happy now!"

The voice ceased and in a minute or two the angular woman sat up straight and looked around in surprise at the commotion. Aunt Lizbeth was so upset and crying so violently they led her out of the room. As soon as she was calm enough, they started for the station and did not wait for the seance.

Grace was afraid Aunt Lizbeth might collapse so she decided to go down to Egypt with them to see that Aunt Lizbeth got home safely.

"It's sure queer, an' I can't figger it out," said Aunt Sallie as they settled themselves in the coach for the ride down the valley.

"Can't figger out what?" asked Aunt Lizbeth.

"About them 'babies'!" she answered. "Nearly every house in Egypt has kids but I don't know airy one whar the whole family is babies.'

Aunt Lizbeth had a bright thought.

"I wonder if she could a' meant willa babies? There was a crew layin' 'em down thet day along Willits' pastir; an' that wan't so fur fromwhere it happened."

With that interpretation in their minds, all three women could scarcely wait for the train to reach Cairo. News travels fast in Egypt. Before sun-down, a dozen men had gathered at the point of Willits' pasture where the bank was known to be reinforced with willow babies. The river had receded to normal level. It presented quite a different picture from the fury of the flood tide, as it ambled lazily along. The last rays of the setting sun flickered over its rippling surface. It was placid, even benevolent looking.

The men arranged themselves in teams of two men each; and took turns, diving and searching the river bed. Most of them considered it useless but all were anxious to make the effort for the sake of Aunt Lizbeth. The first two teams, dived and came up without result. The third team, composed of Mac and one of the Jonas boys dived-then came to the surface and called for a rope.

Uncle John, Aunt Lizbeth and Grace sat in the twilight on the side porch of the little house waiting for news from the searching party. They saw Mac and the Jonas boys come through under the bridge and cross the pasture towards them. Something in their manner aroused both hope and fear. When they reached the porch, Uncle John asked:

"Didia find ennything?" "Yes," answered Mac.

"Oh, we must see him!" exclaimed Aunt Lizbeth, her tears starting again.

"No, I don't think you better yet," said Mac gently. "It ain't hardly human. The boys have taken it into Cairo. This was on the left hand."

Reaching over he dropped something in Aunt Lizbeth's lap. It was Uncle Jerry's amethyst ring.

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### CHILDREN OF 1931

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admire intellectual attainments and have ambition to gain them. Education and culture will be necessary for the proper development of these children. They will need encouragement or the despondency that lurks within their natures will assert itself and overcome what little confidence they will at first have in themselves. Some of their faults will be vanity, an inclination to melancholy and distrust of self. They will have to restrain their natural tendency to go to extremes in everything. Some of their ambitions will be greater than their ability to achieve them.

The square aspects between Saturn, Uranus and Jupiter will have an injurious effect upon the health of these children, the head and stomach being weak points. Parents of these children should be careful about their diet as troubles will arise through the condition of the blood. These influences give peculiar, imaginative and eccentric mental attitudes. These children will be erratic and inclined to ostentation. They will be quick-tempered and liable to sudden and unexpected losses through imprudence in financial mat-

Saturn in their birth sign (its own sign, in which it is strong) will make these children serious, apprehensive, suspicious, discontented and acquisitive. They will be grave in demeanor and will be deep thinkers. Though very anxious to rise in life they will meet with obstacles and restrictions and their plans will often be upset. These children will be wise to finish their education, because, as above stated, it will be necessary for their proper development. An unfinished education would be the cause of much trouble and annoyance.

Venus trine to Uranus from January 7th to the close of the period will give these children ability for the fine arts and a desire to master them. This aspect makes the personality attractive and magnetic. Jupiter and the Sun in opposition indicate an inordinate love of display. The desire which these children will have for show will induce them to be prodigal in monetary matters and overactive to obtain the things they desire. Venus in Sagittarius gives an impressionable, imaginative and susceptible nature. It will incline these children to religion of a mystical or spiritual nature and increase their love of intellectual and literary work, philosophy and law.

In our chart for this month a new symbol appears. This symbol is used to represent the newly discovered planet, Pluto. Jupiter was in conjunction to Pluto during the close of September and also during October, November and December. Pluto in classical mythology was the god of the lower regions, the ruler of the dead. His realm is called the kingdom of the shades. Though little is known about Pluto at present it will be interesting to note what influence the conjunction of the philosophical planet (Jupiter) and the planet of death (Pluto) will have upon the children born under it. After moving about three degrees beyond the position of Pluto, Jupiter began to move retrograde or backwards in the zodiac on the 9th of November. It will be in conjunction to Pluto on the 18th and 19th of December and will remain in conjunction to that planet during January.

### The Known and Unknown Powers of Man

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God, which is "all and within all." It is within us all-now and forever.

Concentration is the true method of connecting us with the original and inexhaustless fountain of Truth. It leads us to that primal Source of Being which enables us to perceive what things are, in their fundamental realities. It takes us behind the scenes, where we can know the relative importance, as well as the particular uses of all material things. How blessed is the privilege of seeing things as they are, of knowing the esoteric methods of seeing God face to face, that we may better manifest His Divine Creative Omnipotence!

The principle thing now is to concern ourselves with setting up the right causes, knowing as we do that they cannot be separated from their legitimate results. In finding the

Higher Self, we are reaching the Cause World, and until we do that, we can scarcely expect that which we are setting out to accomplish. We can find the Higher Self only through persistent practice and concentration.

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### Astrological Symbology of Playing Cards (Continued from page 18)

The Five of Diamonds is the second or Gemini decan of Aquarius, ruled by Mercury; it is a mutable quality decan: (Saturn conjunct Mercury, Positive phase). It rules between January 31st and February 9th.

The Six of Diamonds is the third or Libra decan of Aquarius, ruled by Venus; it is a cardinal quality decan; (Saturn conjunct Venus). It rules between February 10th and February 19th.

The Jack of Diamonds represents the sign of Pisces, (The Fishes). It is the twelfth sign of the Zodiac, and the last month of winter. It is a common quality and water element sign. It is ruled by the planet Jupiter, in its negative phase, (according to the old system), or Neptune, by the modern system. Both planets deal with excesses or indulgences that tend to self destruction. The sign Pisces rules the secret forces of one's nature. It releases the floods of early thaws, thereby at times causing destruction. Among humans it is a sign that causes the native to be his own enemy and the cause of his own undoing. rules the month between February 20th and March 20th.

The Seven of Diamonds represents the first or Pisces decan of Pisces, ruled by Jupiter negative (old style). a mutable quality decan; (Jupiter conjunct Jupiter) or a pure Pisces type. It rules between February 20th and February 29th.

The Eight of Diamonds represents the second or Cancer decan of Pisces, ruled by the Moon; a cardinal quality decan; (Jupiter conjunct Moon). It rules between March 1st and March 9th.

The Nine of Diamonds represents the third or Scorpio decan of Pisces, ruled by Mars; a fixed quality decan; it rules between March 10th and March 19th.

The Ten of Diamonds represents the transitonal day between the Winter and Spring, and rules the 20th of March.

This concludes the symbology of the cards.

Clerk: Prof., can this symbology be applied to anything?

Prof: Yes, it could be used to read the character of a person, and to get an idea of what the coming year promised, what department of life that is most active.

If you have the patience and inclination to try out this system, shuffle this pack of cards. While so doing-try and keep your mind as blank as possible.

Clerk: Shall I cut them after I shuffle them?

to me. I will lay them out thuscommencing at my left side and running around a circle:

Clerk: You do not arrange the cards as the card readers do. You only use thirteen cards in your lay-out. Would you kindly explain this to me?

Professor: As this is a method of reading cards based on Astrological symbolism, it becomes necessary to use the circular lay-out of the twelve houses, or mansions, or divisions of the heavens. Each house represents some activity of life, and a card placed in a house indicates the kind of activity.

The thirteenth card, or center card, is called the key card.

To interpret the symbols in your lay-out, I will start with card numbered one, the Four of Clubs (see chart).

House One rules the personal appearance of the native and influences the mind to some extent.

The Four of Clubs located in House One, or the first decan of Taurus, or Venus in Taurus, signifies a comely person, moderately fleshy; good looking, fair, sanguine complexion, light brown hair; temper good; captivating, fond of females, by whom he is highly respected; given to drink and pleasure. The disposition is good, generous, merry, and a good singer or musician. The voice is musical, sweet and even; they excel on the stage, or in any occupation or profession that brings them in contact with the multitude.

House Two rules the individual's wealth, income through own activities.

Six of Clubs located in House Two, or the Saturn decan of Taurus: Saturn promises much trouble in money matters; no success in business in trade.

House Three rules the brothers or sisters, near relatives, short journeys by rail or auto, neighbors, letters, writings.

Queen of Spades located in this House, or the sign Scorpio ruled by Mars, indicates danger in traveling by rail or auto; quarrels with brethren and neighbors; rebellious in mind.

House Four rules the father in this chart, also the home.

The Five of Spades located in this House, or Neptune, shows a chaotic condition in the home life, a scattering of forces that maintain the home. As this is the house that represents the end of the native's individual endeavors, show that the results of his activities are scattered through causes that he has no control over.

House Five signifies the offspring, success in betting, speculation, the wealth of the father.

The Nine of Spades located in this Prof: Yes, cut them and give them house; the Leo decan of Sagittarius,

ruled by the Sun; indicates that there may be but one or two children at most; loss by speculation or gambling.

House Six concerns the native's servants and inferiors, uncles and aunts, enforced labors, sickness and disease.

Ten of Diamonds located in this house, indicates a changeful condition when related to enforced labor. As this card has no planetary ruler, it will be used through the color of the suit as well as its emblem. (Diamonds indicate wealth, increase and expansion.) The day ruled by this card is March 20th; the native cannot expect much of a monetary gain until after this date.

House Seven signifies the marriage partner, lawsuits, public enemies and business associates or partners.

The Ace of Spades located in this house is a pure Libra type of wife who is above average height, graceful, sanguine complexion, light or light brown hair, very good looking, of an obliging courteous disposition; generally beloved and respected. Venus in the Seventh House shows domestic felicity. It likewise shows that the native gains by his adversaries.

House Eight signifies the native's death, wills and legacies, income through the marriage partner's activities.

Four of Diamonds in this house ruled by the planet Uranus, indicates difficulties or loss of a legacy, a squandering of money by the marriage partner and the native's associates. The marriage partner through her own efforts can demand a good income.

The Ninth House signifies long journeys, principally by water, the religion, dreams, visions and the philosophical mind of the native.

The Six of Hearts in this house (the Planet Mars in a positive phase); Mars rules the physical strength as well as the native's energy, and in this house would indicate that any calling of a philosophical or psychical nature could be followed successfully. The native during some part of his life will travel a long way and by water. His occult powers are exceptional and if developed should gain through the use of same.

The Tenth House signifies the parent of the opposite sex, his honor, trade, or profession.

The Five of Clubs located in this house signifies success in literature and trade or as a merchant; of a quick, pregnant wit; oratorical powers, gains by science and possessing original talents. Gain through the mother. In his science and profession well likedand esteemed, always just and honest both with his clientele and his colleagues. (Turn to page 37)

### The Astrologer's Conception of God (Continued from Page 10)

who is all in One and One in all existent from eternity and throughout all eternity.

The solar logoi are naturally lower in station than the Absolute and subject to His will. The planetary spirits are below the solar logoi and subject to their will. Below the planetary spirits are the angels and man and so ad infinitum.

The purpose of the hierarchy of Mercury in our solar system is to bring physical knowledge. Mercury is the planet of mind, the ruler of thought. Venus is the goddess of love. It is due to her influence that compassion is instilled in the hearts of mankind. It is she that sounds the call of love, the most divine of human traits. From Mars come force, energy and courage. It is Mars that produces Caesars and Napoleons and leads men to the study of the tremendous forces of nature. Jupiter is the planet of justice and Saturn the planet of retribution or Karma. Uranus is called the higher octave of Venus and is the planet of Altruism or unselfish love under whose influence characters like the saviours of the world are produced. Neptune, the higher octave of Mercury, is the planet of spiritual knowledge, the higher wisdom.

Throughout all time the glorious host of heaven will march on each star in its individual direction through space and each planet in its orbit around its central ruling sun. The planetary hierarchies are the seven spirits before the "throne" of the Solar Diety. They are the hands of the great Celestial Clock which move on eternally marking the time for the fulfillment of the Almighty's decrees. Throughout all time they will carry out His will and act as intermediaries between God and man. Powerful but invisible vibrations are emitted by these servants of the Supreme Being. The object, whether their vibrations are benefic or malefic, is to guide and give knowledge. The purpose is not vengeance or destruction, but education. The planets afflict us that we may learn to mend our ways and work off our past accumulated karma.

There is a spark of God in every human being, for we are a part of the great plan which is the object of all existence. It is to help us to progress on the path of attainment that the planets affect us. We will all be called upon to pay for what wrong we have done and rewarded for what good we have done until we realise

that it is only by right thought and right action that we can progress. As we advance the heavenly trait of altruism, the unselfish love of all our fellow creatures, will be ever more firmly anchored in our souls. We are being trained to take an active part in the management of the world's evolution and according to our earnestness we will advance more or less rapidly. Every good deed and every good thought is as one more stone added to the construction of the sublime temple of the soul and as one more falling in the destruction of the palaces of evil. Ultimately we must all attain to that perfection which will make us worthy of the important positions in the wonderful plan of God which we are destined to fill.

A mis-step cannot be taken under the direction of the stars. When you are in trouble or in doubt consult the vast open book of heaven, for there you will find the answer to your question and the solution to your problem. Astrology is the Master Key to the Lock of Truth and in it lies the solution to the mysteries of existence. There is hidden in the symbolism of astrology an astounding message; a revelation of Truth as yet beyond the understanding of those whose souls have not awakened. Astrology gives us a better understanding of ourselves and of others as well as of the higher beings, therefore there is no science that tends to broaden the human mind like astrology. Truly, there is nothing that impresses upon our limited minds a better conception of the illimitable intelligence, mighty power and omnipresence of the Supreme Being who is all there is in One and One in all than the study of His creation. He is the Lord necessary to control all that Infinity contains, whom finite minds cannot comprehend, but of whose constant and steadfast presence the perfection, beauty, order, sublimity and profundity of His creation tell more eloquently than words.

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### OCCULT CONTACTS

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forces; but as education increases they will necessarily become powerful, social and intellectual agents. Because they focus our international influence our statesmen especially need an intelligent spiritual point of view which can sense and express the groping spiritual instinct in the mass mind.

The legal profession, because they represent social and economic law and hold power over the lives and destinies of the people, need to recognize that they are handling souls instead of bodies and should formulate their laws accordingly. Our criminal and social code is still savage and uncivilized and will remain so until our lawyers and jurists discover what the personality really is and what it is blindly trying to accomplish on earth.

Because they deal with life, all our human contacts are powerfully occult in their effects which reach far into the future; and the most powerful of all contacts are those which affect the social, political, economic and educational institutions because here we are dealing with great numbers instead of individuals. The love and intelligence of the ego can emerge in our civilization only as the heads of these various civilizing agencies become actively conscious of the souls of the people under them and change the outward forms to meet the expanding inner life. This requires men and women who are intellectually soul-conscious and who always see their civilization as a spiritual rather than a physical and intellectual process.

Those who are not in a position to influence large groups and institutions can easily establish vital and useful contacts with individuals of all grades and types whom they meet in daily intercourse; and the cumulative effect of these personal contacts is greater than most of us have any idea. In spiritual life unlike the personal life, you cannot leave average humanity outside your plans and desires for your very existence in the spiritual planes depends on your active and constructive relationship with the group among whom destiny put you. Every soul is of great importance and none are too obscure and lowly for your best attention and efforts. All around you you will find men and women who are starved for intelligent love-not sex love, not love of the harassed and cramped personality, but the pure and unconditional love of the awakened and sympathetic spirit which comprehends the complete incarnation and the whole range of personal experience which occurred before birth and will eventuate after death. You cannot deal intelli-

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### OCCULT DICTIONARY

Occult Words, Terms and Expressions of All Ages

By W. STUART LEECH, M. D.

Lethe (G) A mystical potion which washed from men's minds the memory of bygone sorrows. "Crossing the bar" or physical death is the lethal potion. One great object of this potion is to prevent experience of a former life from overwhelming the present one while the ego is engaged in storing up fruits of a present life. The fruits of the experience later manifest themselves as instinct, intuition, or wisdom.

Lethean Pertaining to lethe. Souls were to drink of lethe before passing to the fields of paradise that they might forget earth's sorrows.

Leviathan It is the serpent of Levi or the cerebrospinal nerve force. Leviathan is well described in the book of Job. "It is Bethometh governed and augmented." See uraeus.

Levi, Eliphas The pen name of Alphonse Louis Constant, the French occultist of the nineteenth century. In 1839 he wrote The Gospel of Liberty, for which he received a six months term of imprisonment. Most of his writings are translated by A. E. Waite. His writings are valuable in spite of his R. Catholic leaning. He died in 1875.

Levitation The act of a body moving in any direction uninfluenced by gravitation. It has been reported to have taken place at many seances. There are two methods, one being a subtle manipulation of the ether and the other is by spirit hands. The apparent reversion of gravity or an insulation against this force is the scientific method. It in no way annihilates gravitation. Some occult writers claim that a full knowledge of this secret enabled the airships of Atlantis to raise from the earth the stones for the construction of the great pyramid of Gezeh. It is recorded that Mrs. Guppy, "nee Nicholls," levitated a number of times in the presence of Lewis Spence and other witnesses.

Leviticon Some French Templar gospels supposed to have been discovered in the temple of Paris.

Lewis, Mathew Gregory or "Monk"
Born 1775, died 1818. Was an English author. He formed the acquaintance of Goethe at Weimar, Germany. In 1798, at Drury Lane, his play, "Castle Spectre," appeared. "Tales of Terror" was issued in 1788 and "Tales of Wonder" appeared in 1801. At his father's death he found himself very rich; but his conscience bothered him owning so many slaves. On his journey to Jamaica he died at sea.

Libellus Merlini (Little Book of Merlin) Written in Latin at Monmouth, Eng., by Geoffrey. Vita Merlini is a different tract. H. C. Leach's Modern Philology '8, page 607, we find a detailed description.

Liberation After a Creative Hierarchy had completed its part of the work of evolution it is said to have passed to Liberation. This is the real meaning of the expression, they rested or passed to liberation. The Lords of Flame, Cherubim, Seraphim, and

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two nameless orders have liberated themselves which leaves seven of the Creative Hierarchies still active with man's evolution. Liberator He is the central head of

the earth's seven schools of the Lesser Mysteries, and the five schools of the Greater Mysteries.

Licking a Charm A medieval super-

sittion which required the licking of a child's forehead and face in the form of a cross.

form of a cross. ife The Word. It is. "In Him is Life." "In Him we live." Life never originated. We are informed by Life The Word. It is. originated. We are informed by those who have been initiated into the fifth degree of the Lesser Mysthe fifth stratum of the teries, that the fifth stratum of the earth's body is the original source of all life as we see it manifested on the crust. Here life was to be found before it appeared in any of its terrestrial forms. Forms are not life, but when life enters or creates forms, they are alive as long as the life remains within. The earth's life stratum corresponds to our plane of abstract thought. Life alone has feeling. Life's purpose appears to be to gather wisdom by experience. So far as we know the universe contains only one life. The life in all creatures and in all things is but a manifestation of God. It is, it was, and it always shall be—having no origin and no termination. There are four great currents of life: plant, animal, and man; the mineral not having an individual vital body—these are symbolized by the cross. "The lower limb of the cross indicates the plant with its roots in the chemical mineral soil. The group chemical spirit of the planets are at the center of the earth-they are in the region of concrete thoughts which interpenetrates the earth, as do all of the other worlds."—Man is represented by the upper limb of the cross being the inverted plant. "The animal the inverted plant. "The animal which is symbolized by the horizontal limb of the cross is between man and the plant. Its spine is in a horizontal position and through it play the currents of the animal group spirits which encircles the earth." Life builds the form to suit the conditions. All eggs and seeds are designed. ditions. All eggs and seeds are de-void of life until they are placed in the proper condition when the group spirit pours in the stream of life. Thus all life comes from God.

Life Cycle This is the circle in which the ego makes from birth through the portals of death, the period within the heavens back to rebirth. In the adult this cycle is ordinarily completed from a thousand to fifteen hundred years. It is the cycle of birth or the cycle of reincarnation (rebirth). First, and in the third heaven or the world of abstract, the (ego) soul is seized with a longing to return to earth in order to obtain further experience and soul-growth. In this region it gathers to itself all the right feelings for future acts and descends to the second heaven or region of concrete—thought where it gathers substance for a new mind. At the third step, it comes down to the first heaven which is the desire

world. Here substance for the construction of a new desire-body is attracted to it, and then at the fourth the there is the ethereal region of the physical world, where the dense body is born and it gathers for the vital body. This dip into matter by the soul can be called taking the "lethal potion." It is a descent, a beating a harried into matter by the soul can be called taking the "lethal potion." It is a descent, a baptism, a burial into matter, and later as it begins to ascend the resurrection commences. At the age of seven the vital body is born into the child, and at the age of fourteen the desire-body is born. About the age of twenty-one the mind is born, and then we find some souls doing abstract thinking. Passing through all of life's earthly changes the ego now passes the portal called death into the three regions of the first heaven, thence into the second heaven, where the good in past lives is built into the mind as right thinking, besides the work of new environment-from thence into the third heaven.

Life Element A term used by some corresponding to the Life Waves of the Rosicrucians. There are four of these, viz.: one each for the plant, animal, mineral and man.

Life Ether One of the four subdivi-sions of ether. Like the chemical, it has two poles. It the avenue of the forces of propagation. The positive is used by the female in gestation and in bringing forth the newborn.

Life Spirit It was awakened by the Cherubim in the sun-period and was linked to divine spirit by Lords of Flame. It is now in charge of the Lords of Individuality.

Life Waves See life. Terms used by Lindlahr and others to denote the various vibrations.

Light Ether One of the four finer subdivisions of ether. Like chemical and life ether, it possesses a positive and a negative pole. Ether is really physical matter and are mediums for the entrance of the quickening spir-its. A thorough knowledge of light ether explains the five senses, coldblooded and warm-blooded animals, and the circulation of the sap in the plants. There would be no coloring were it not for the forces of the negative pole of light ether. Ether is not homogeneous, as it has the four varieties. It is noteworthy that physical science considers it homogeneous.

Light Bearer Mercury is called the light bearer of the physical sun and Neptune is the light bearer of the spiritual sun, astrologically considered.

Lilith Lilith was the princess who presided over the succubi and according to Wierus she tried to destroy newborn infants. The Jews thought they would prevent her work by writing on the four corners of the lying-in chamber.

Limachie A small chip like, obtained from a slug and worn as an amulet to prevent fevers.

to prevent fevers.

Line of Despair The yawning chasm of individual extinction, "Beyond the reach of the soul element."

Lion Throughout all ancient times the lion was symbolical of the king of beasts within us, of the passions of man. Wine may be to one the lion along the path, undue love of woman to another, love of wealth, egotism, or vanity to others. All lions within must be subdued, not necessarily killed, before any spiritual advancement can be made. Hercules, the

strongest of the Greek gods, had his strongest of the Greek gods, had his first labor in the slaying of the lion. Samson as recorded in Biblical writ: "And behold a young lion roared against him. And the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid and he had nothing in his hands." Take notice, that he had nothing in his hand and on his return trip he found honey in the carcass. David found honey in the carcass. David also had to slay his lion; so it is by the nature of things each one must slay his lion before he can in any way obtain a seer's sight. The Egyptian slain by Moses was the lion within himself.

Lippares or Lipara A stone which enables its possessor to catch all wild beasts.

Liquor Alkahest A stone or substance which enabled one to compass the transmutation of all metals.

Litanies of the Sabbath On certain days Lucifer, Satan, Baal, Astoreth. Oliver, and a host of other spiritual celebrities were evoked to have mercy and pray for the petitioners.

Lithomancy A species of divination practiced by the ancient Greeks similar to crystal gazing. It bore a relationship to the Thummin of the Hebrews

Little, Robert Wentworth Mentioned as being connected with a pseudo-Rosicrucian society in England during the middle of the eighteenth cen-

Little World This was a secret society established in England for the cause of the Stuart dynasty. The uneducated thought the devil presided.

To the occultist and to the as-Liver trologer it is well to remember that the desire body is rooted in the liver, as the vital body is rooted in the spleen. The dense body is grounded in the heart.

Loathly Damsel, The Kundry, a Grail messenger. Was described as "a messenger. Was described as "a damsel more hideous than could be pictured outside of hell."

Lodestone A stone possessing mag-ical powers or a "cureall" for all cuts, bruises and injuries. Orphaeus refers to this stone.

Lodge, Sir Oliver An active English scientist now living (1930) and a great believer in occultism and spiritualism.

Lodge, the Great White Lodge, also Rosicrucian Order.

Logos, G. From lega, "I speak." It signifies the inner thought. Solomon expresses it as the wisdom, Prov. 8:22, and that it dwelt with God from the beginning; Job 28:20 claims that it had its office in the work of creation. With all of the Oriental nations it was but the personified manifestation of God. It was the property of John the apostle and the property of John the apostle and the whole elect.—East. Logos is God and is the vibratory personified manifestation of Life, Light, the Creator or archetypal system of ideas. The Word was the origin of all within our system, and is the vibration of vibration. See the first five verses of John. As it is Life, life is Light and light is sound, and as everything that exists vibrates, the Logos is the that exists vibrates, the Logos is the "All in All." In our solar system God is manifested first as the Spirit, sack of the Sun, his throne, and the seven Logoi or Logii are the seven Great Spirits before the throne, or the seven great spirits back of the seven great planets of our system.



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### IS THIS DREAM STUFF?

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that were gradually giving way. That morning Tom seemed a little better. His fever had dropped suddenly and he was having less pain.

That day I slept badly. When again I went on duty Tom still seemed to me to be better, but Lucy had not rallied. She was having spells of delirium in which she raved like a wild person. We could not account for her condition for she had always been normal and she stood the operation splendidly. But I noticed the thread of fear in her wild and incoherent speech. Several times I heard her speculating why her cousin Tom had not come to see her and I tried to make her understand that she was too ill to see anyone. Across the hall Tom had been wondering why she hadn't been to see him and he, too, had to be appeased. He would say every now and then, "Funy Lucy doesn't come to see me. Wonder how the babies are." And little things like that would have to be explained away at the time.

This night I had to be with Lucy almost constantly. Once as I leaned over her to catch some words she was muttering she suddenly reached up and had me by the throat. I tried with all my strength to free myself, but could not. However, my thumb had automatically clamped itself onto the emergency bell and a nurse came running to my rescue. Together we unclasped her fingers and as we did so she fell back upon the pillows utterly exhausted.

The whole situation seemed so queer because Lucy knew me and called me by name, but seemed to be in a fury. It was doubly puzzling, too, because in her right mind she was very fond of me. She had repeatedly expressed her confidence in me and hoped I would be with her during the nights as long as she was in the hospital. Her incoherence and partial delirium remained throughout the night.

In the morning when I went off duty she was in a doze. Tom's fever was raging again and that day would mark a decision for him one way or the other.

When Lucy awakened she asked for me. The nurse explained that I could not be called back, but would be on duty that evening. Immediately she became violent. She cried and begged them to call me. She said she wished to tell me something. The more she was unable to make them understand how important she considered it, the more violent and incoherent she became. She would not tell them what it was she wished to tell me and they would not call the night nurse out of

bed for what they considered a patient's whim. She cried and begged all day, but the nurses thought she was not herself. About four o'clock in the afternoon she slipped off into a quiet sleep from which she did not waken.

The nurses told me how she had begged all day for them to call me. They were as sorry as I was that they had not called me, but they had no idea that the end was so near. In fact, her death was not looked for at all. There was no symptom; her temperature was normal and she slipped off into an apparently normal sleep. Even her pulse was calm and the nurse in charge felt happy that at last the patient would get some rest.

Lucy's passing made me very depressed. Tom's fever had not abated and as I stood there looking down at his thin, flushed face I felt the tears blinding me. I could only sit down and pretend to adjust the covers to hide my face from his searching gaze. The damaged arm was still there in bandages. "So much time being lost. And for what?" I wondered. As I raised up, having regained my control, he asked, "What has happened to Lucy?" I was startled and wondered if after all they had told him she had been here. Then I asked, "Why, Tom? I don't think anything has happened." He answered, "I dreamed I saw her, I guess. I keep thinking about her." As I passed out of his room I noticed the cot was still there in the hall and the door of Lucy's room was sealed.

All that night Tom had spells of delirium with intervals of perfect lucidity. I was in and out of there continually. It was after midnight and the zero hour for hospitals was approaching. This is the time when even the most restless will slip away for a few moments of life-giving sleep. It is the time when the spirit leaves the body for good and all, when the vitality is so low that it cannot demand its return. I looked at the box for any registered bell that might have escaped my notice. All was quiet. I turned and lay down upon the cot.

I did not go to sleep. I have always considered I was wide awake and I still think so. I know I was very tired and depressed. I had been sleeping badly and was very distressed about Tom, that as yet nothing had been done. So I know I did not go to sleep, but I relaxed completely. All my senses were keen and my eyes were wide open. I could faintly hear Tom's breathing and an occasional low moan. He had at last dropped off to sleep.

Suddenly around the turn of the hall a person came walking toward me. At

first I thought it was one of the nurses and then I recognized Lucy. I did not move, but I know that my eyes turned toward the door of the room where Lucy had been, to assure myself that it was still sealed. She came on down the hall and paused beside the cot. She said no word, but just looked at me. Then I spoke to her.

In my surprise I said to her, "Why Lucy, I thought you had died." She made no answer and I continued, "I thought you passed away this afternoon. Have they moved you to another floor?" Still no answer. Then I thought of her desire to tell me something and asked, "Lucy, what was it you wished to tell me?" Now she made answer as clearly as anyone would speak. "I want you to be sure you are awake. Are you sure of it?" I said, "Yes, I am awake. See my eyes are open. I can see you and hear you perfectly. Listen, I can hear Tom breathing faintly." She looked toward his room and just then he moaned a low breath of a moan in his sleep. Then she said, "Yes, I hear him; he is still here. Poor boy, it won't be long now to his relief." I wondered afterward just what she meant and in thinking about it I was uncertain whether she had said, "Release," or "relief." Then she turned to me again and said, "If you are sure you are awake, count the posts there in the stair railing." I counted them aloud and there were eight of them. She repeated after me, "Eight, that is correct. Now, remember, there are exactly eight." Then she continued, I wanted to tell you that I did not mean to hurt you when I nearly choked you last night. I wanted only that you would save me. I was wild with fear. I begged all day that they would call you before it was too late. I had to tell you so I had to come. I would not have hurt you for the world. I loved you too much for what you tried to do for me and I did not want to die. I was so afraid and I did so wish to live for my babies."

I assured her that I understood. I told her I knew she was not herself and I wished her to realize that I did understand. I told her I would gladly have come to her had I known, for I was just upstairs, but the nurses did not realize that she was rational or how serious the need. She said she understood that now.

She started to go and then she turned back and added, "Everything is all right. I have found a better way. I will sit with Tom." Then she turned and disappeared into Tom's room.

I sat upright on the cot staring after her and then leaped up and looked in-

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### PLAYING CARDS

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The Eleventh House signifies the income from his trade, profession or business and the mother's wealth: his friends; his hopes and wishes.

The Eight of Spades located in this house signifies that there are many obstacles encountered and that the money earned will be spent as fast as it accumulates. The mother's wealth or income is not so very much and she has to use a great deal of physical energy to obtain sustenance. There are indications that evil and malicious friends injure the native, and through whom he loses much money, as he listens to their schemes.

The Twelfth House signifies the house of sorrow; of self-undoing, and imprisonment. It concerns the private or secret enemies of the native.

The Jack of Hearts in this house rather inclines the native to oratory, magnetic and mystic forces, teaching. The native is in danger of having his character injured by secret, malicious and underhand scheming by secret enemies.

The Thirteenth card is called the key card and is read before the circle. This card shows what houses of the card horoscope are active at the present reading, as well as the native's state of mind.

In this chart we have a spade for a key card, showing that the native was in a very gloomy frame of mind.

The houses most active at the present reading are the third, fourth, fifth, seventh and eleventh.

This ends the reading. Some day, I will show you how to give a reading using the twenty-two major arcanes of the Tarot which is an entirely different sort of symbology yet based on and taken from Astrology.

Clerk: Professor, I never thought that you could do such remarkable things with playing cards. I thank you very much for your kindness in teaching me all the wonderful things about the cards.

Professor: Before I go, I will give you an invitation to visit me at my studio, at any time you can sacrifice from your duty or your family. Good night and good luck.

Clerk: Thank you very much, Professor. Good night.

### AREPUTABLE MYSTIC

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never again see such a condition return to the world, we have arranged things so it is impossible"-the Mystic says "God will, in His own good time, return things to normal"-and the progress of man is entirely dependent on the forces of nature. Natural Laws are supreme and cannot be hurried or forced to the will of man.

Brothers, our time has come, let us put our many years of preparation to good use, give a helping hand to those who wish knowledge; we will not lose in doing it. Do not lose time, as time is the essence of creation. Let all schools and teachers work together for the advancement of true Arcane Knowledge and the reward will come as surely as fate. The Great Teacher said, "Come to me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give ye rest"-the rest of a knowing mind, the peace of learning and the happiness of doing good to your brother man.

It is such a satisfying work, to take the blind by the hand and lead them into the light, to give relief to those struggling with mental inaptitude. It would be very easy to found a "Religion of Goodness and Love" in the world today, for nearly every one has been sidetracked into the blind road of money. For example, the other day I received a letter from a school of Arcane Knowledge, short but sweet, the whole letter boiled down to one sentence, "Send us thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents and we will send you knowledge that will make you capable of becoming a millionaire." I was really afraid of it. In the first place, if they could not do what they said, they were in fact swindling me of my money; if they were able to give me this power, I would have to use that power to swindle some one else of their hard earned money, and lastly I do not want that much money as it is too much material responsibility for the time I have on earth, besides I did not have the thirty-seven fifty to spare.

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### Mystic Gems of the Zodiac (Continued from Page 15)

Many Ancient writers comment on the virtues of these stones. Leonardus, writing in 1750, recommends the stones for weak hearts, timid travellers and for jealous and suspicious persons. Marbodus claims these stones a medium for promoting agreeableness. Theophrastus charges these stones with the power to attract riches, honor and wisdom. These stones should always be set in Gold.

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AMETHYST AND AGATE

Oxide of Manganese gives to the Amethyst its lovely color, ranging from light lavender to deep purple. Iron also forms a part of this interesting member of the Quartz family. The Siberian Amethyst is the finest and most expensive variety of this gem. It is distinguished for its deep purple color and its brilliancy. The lighter shades as commonly seen in the shops come from Brazil and parts of the United States. The stone is hard and may be cut with facets, though stones of this family, known as Amethyst Quartz, are cut Cabochon because of their semi-opaque, crackled appearance. The latter variety is very popular, as it is now used in Costume Jewelry, but all Amethysts should be avoided by those in whose Zodiac House the stone is unfavorable.

All writers, ancient and modern, have recognized the occult virtue of the Amethyst as an antidote for Inebriecy. Its Greek meaning, "without intoxication," has much to do with its early traditions. This was also the stone of Napthali the Sixth Son of Jacob who was born in the House of Pisces. It was Aristotle who spoke of Amythystos as the lovely nymph

who plead with Diana to protect her from the sensuousness of Bacchus, upon which the goddess transformed Diana into a beautiful gem, to which, because of his love, Bacchus gave the stone its colour and the virtue of preserving its wearer from harmful effects of wine.

Ancient Egyptian soldiers wore the Amethyst to protect them from danger and to bring success to their exploits. Frequently the stone was carved with the images of the Sun and Moon, as a charm against witchcraft. Leonardus said of the stone: "It represses evil thoughts and all excesses, prevents contagion and gives good understanding to hidden things, making a man vigilant and expert in business."

Its use in ecclesiastical decorations has been long and interesting. It is a symbol of power and authority and is worn by the highest church officials. Combining the fire and energy of the red with the spiritual quality of blue, the resulting purple denotes power. Amethyst has been used for centuries in making rosaries. Saint Valentine always wore the stone and in olden times it was the custom to present the Amethyst, cut in heart shape and set in silver, at the time of marriage. During the Middle Ages the soothing effect of purple rays was evidently understood for the Amethyst was highly regarded for its sedative effect upon highly sensitive and nervous people, particularly in cases of sleeplessness and neuralgia. The Amethyst, unlike most gems, may be worn freely by anyone, with good results.

THE AGATE

The Agate has been described under the House of Gemini, to which the reader is referred. The End.

### Is This Dream Stuff? (Continued from Page 36)

side the room. Tom was alone and still sleeping.

I confess I was shaken. I walked back to the cot and stood there staring down at it as though in some way it was responsible. Then I thought of the rail across the stairs and counted the posts. There they were, all eight of them, standing straight and firm; no more, no less. I even walked over and touched them as I counted. Then I heard a slight noise in Tom's room and went in there. He was awake and rational, but very restless. He took a sip of water and asked me if I could sit beside him a little while. I told him I could. (It was a relief just then to me as well.)

"Tomorrow (but I guess it is today) they are going to take my arm off. I think it is too late." He said presently. And then he spoke again of the little girl who was finishing high school and

about their plans. I sat there most of the time until daylight, realizing it was the last night; soothing his good hand and letting him talk as he wished. Once he said, "Oh, we are so smart. We think nothing can happen. If I had only looked at that rotted pole before I went up to cut the wires." Now and then he would stare into vacancy as though out of his head. At those times he would mutter and shake his head. Once he smiled and nodded and I was able to catch the name "Lucy."

Just before I went off duty I slipped in to give him a smile and wish him well. "Good luck, Old Man," I said. "I'll see you tonight." He replied with just the flicker of a smile and then as I leaned over to kiss his thin, stubly cheek, he whispered, "It's all right; Lucy has been sitting here beside me, I see her now and then. Good-bye, nurse." That night Tom's room was sealed.

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B.B., N. Y.—Stop worrying and look at the brighter side of life. Sometimes we make life very unpleasant by our worry and crude thoughts. You are only cuddling false impressions.

S.K.T., Can.—I am positive that you can win in this race. Your own self confidence is bracing your efforts Party would make a splendid life-part-

Forget other party.

M.P., Calif.—Your shortcomings are not nearly as severe as you imagine Sensitiveness plays a big part in your life, overcome this. You could succeed at nursing. Your health will not prevent progress.

J.G.V., Pa.—Stop criticizing yourself.
You will be able to pull through your present trials, if you brace up and renew your efforts. You are too easily

discouraged.

A.P., Ill.—You are exceedingly sensitive and take the trials of life far too serious. It rests with yourself to conquer. Your ideals are very high. Pay no attention to idle talk, be convinced through your own eyes and your own judgment.

B., Mich.-You are of a moody, changeable disposition caused by your ardent love and your suspicious jeal-ousy. That which is yours and which you take into your heart, cannot be shared with others. "Yes" to your ques-

tion, but be careful.

E.E.E., Ill.—Be natural. Admit your love. You would do much better in me chanical work. Take care of your lung condition, and by all means, change your climate as you have partly ar ranged.

G.R., Can.—Party is hiding a secret from you. Wait until you are better ac-quainted. You are certainly gambling with life. Be more conservative and use

your good common sense.

A.C., N. Y.—Very methodical and possessing good tact and reasonable judgment. Very even tempered and efficient in business. You could overcome a little nervousness by bracing your self-confidence and trusting in your impressions and hunches more than you do.

X.A., Mich.—You are bringing all this unnecessary trouble into your life through your impulsiveness and your inclination to trust the wrong people. No, you have no dramatic ability. Your heart would not allow you to enter into

dramatic work of any kind.
W.G., Ill.—Ambition, pride and loyalty are indicated in your writing.
You have very high ideals and you will not falter until you reach them. You would make a very capable nurse. You have a pleasing personality and it is never an effort to help others.

A.M.A., Texas—Why stay in doubt? You have common sense and a normal heart; surely you are not thinking of marrying this person. To reform is never a success, so do not try it. You are a combination of fickleness and stability. Your lungs and heart are

E.K., Ill .- You are thrifty, proud, and observing. You seem to be making an effort to do something worthwhile and yet—something holds you back. You have a fine mentality and you are somewhat psychic. Try and concentrate more and by doing so you will gain more self-confidence and gain

your desires. Do not give up so easily.
E.R., Ore.—Build up your health.
First of all try to think right. You
have neglected yourself. Stop doubting. You even doubt yourself. True, you have suffered a great deal in the past but through your mentality and will-power you can recover your health

and be the success you should be.
J.E.L., Calif.—I am sorry, but you
will have to write again. This time use pen and ink on plain white unruled paper. Your penciled lines cannot give me any clues to your charac-

teristics or vibrations.

H.F., Ohio—No, do not make this sale yet. Wait. You are only doing this because of fear. Do not fear the future. Look at this depression in a sane way. You are not the only one who is suffering. Just do the best that you can do, and hang on to this old Homestead. There is a shining pathway ahead, but if you draw the heavy curtains of fear, you will not be able to see the opportunities that are tryto see the opportunities that are try-

ing to come your way.
A.F.G., Calif.—You are very magnetic. A believer in soul power and a great desire to achieve success so that you can help others as well as your-self. Your achievement color is blue and silver. Your personality color is tints of green and old rose. Artistic vibrations surround your letters and you are a lover of good literature and

W.J.H.W., Mo.—G.L. has many fine traits but is too trusting for you. You would impose upon her good nature and her soft, sweet personality. V. is harsh and stubborn and would be aggressive and hard to get along with; would never be able to find your good traits. You would never possess any, if you married V. These people any, if you married V. These people will always be your good friends, but would never be able to share responsibilities with you. Better think this over, before doing any proposing.

F.B., DeF., N.Y.—Overcome those moods, take a lively interest in all that

is going on around you, forget the past. You have good judgment and good business ability. You do not ap-

preciate yourself.

M.J., Ont.—Lung trouble indicated, but you can rectify it if you lose no time. There is no dramatic ability in your writing, but a vast amount of musical talent, which could be devel-

F.E.B., Ill.—You are ambitious and hard to discourage. Strong individuality and a warm, sympathetic nature.

R.D., Wis .- You are not a mixer; you are a harsh critic. You unconsciously freeze people to death with your affectedness. Be natural, laugh and let others laugh at your mistakes.

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M.E.R., Can.—Develop your sight and hearing. You have what is known as The Physical Psychic Power, used by the Spirit for materializing manifestation.-Thank you.

V.S.K., Wis .- The interpretation of your dream is made very clear in the dream itself. Do not run away from responsibility, stand your ground and face the issue as that which you feared, proved harmless. The clearness of your dreams should enable you to direct your course onto a calm sea and a successful voyage.

M.D., Calif.—Your dream is a warning to you to stop before it is too late. Hold everything as is, and all will be well.

M.O.C., Ill.—Your dream signifies great psychic power, the ability to travel in the Astral. Also symbolizes the power of an enemy, posing as a friend, until the duplicity is discovered.

G.E., Pa.—Yours are not dreams but psychic experiences and have nothing to do with grief. It symbolizes the bond of affection that death cannot break. A circle is always a symbol of success.

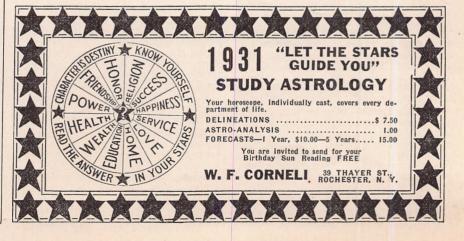
W.S., Can .- Your dream was a psychic experience and a warning not to fear, even though the odds are against you.

E.I.D., Mont.-Your dream is a warning to you to look ahead. Do not place your trust in promises when you are not sure of results. It is a direct rebuff to your planning to take up a new interest.

F.G.Y., Can.-You heard the voice of someone who was interested in your welfare; you were not dreaming. If you analyze the most prominent circumstance, at the time, you will readily see the meaning and realize the value of the call. In the future, answer the call and ask for a solution so that you may better profit by the service intended.

J.B.L., Can.-Your dream is a warning to you to be careful in the use of your words, symbolizing that they create much that is useless, make a great deal of worry and distress with very little returns to you. The dream portrays the need of heeding its warning, both in financial matters and domestic affairs.

W.A.G., Mass.-Your dreams are very symbolical of your life and represent your hemisphere. The first dream is symbolical of the first half of your year and the second dream symbolizes the other half of your life. Take the first dream; there are seven dividing lines, symbolizing seven changes in the first half of your life, the last one dividing your life. The past, up to that time, lies behind you and from that point on, it is carried forward. You are in the first quarter of the second hemisphere, of your physical experience. The drawing of the curtain or the darkness, is the heralder of protection and a new day. Your dreams are very interesting and if you make application of them, to your daily life, you will always be able to get the interpretation. Keep your dreams in mind; each one is a dominant factor in your life. Up to the present, you have made ten turns, each one taking you a little farther from the goal you chose but have no fear, the hand of those who understand, will point the way in the future as it has done in the past.



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C.L.M., N. Y.—General business conditions will improve. Personally, we must rely upon ourselves to master conditions, that is why we are endowed with good thinking power.

C.S., Ill.—Yes.—Mother will be taken care of.

R.A., Calif.—No.—Business will get better.

E.G.E., Calif.—Yes.—Remain where you are.

F.G.Y., Can.—Nothing, as you are born in opposite signs. A strong mind is needed to be harmonious.—Yes, you would be very successful.

M.L., N. Y.—They could all do a great deal if they were willing to give and take.

C.C.L.A., Can.—Unless you have the name under which he died, you can do nothing.—No indication of wealth given.

B.M., Ind.—No revealment on your questions.

C.P.G., Pa.—Do not sell.—Yes.

T.S.S., Calif.—Why worry about that.—Neither one. None of the things you anticipate, will take place as you have an entirely new deal within the next two years. Keep your eyes open for opportunities.

J.L.C., Mass.—In the coming year.
—Can depend on party.

E.F., Calif. — Yes. — Make the changes.

F.M.T., Can.—Forget all and make new friends.—None are connected with your future.

J.R.G., Can.—The fault is not your own.—Release from your present state of mind, is near at hand, hold the fort.

L.C.M., N. Y.—No.—Not always, you will travel later in life.

J.W.H., Can.—Your interests will be taken care of without your presence.

B.M., N. Y.—Party must ask their own questions.

A.H., Calif.—Only if the work provides well for your own needs.—With your high ideals, you should succeed in any work suited to your strength and power of conception.

E.M.R., Calif.—Do your work right and you will win over the other.—Not for a long time yet.

A.O.M., Calif.—Trouble caused by poor nerve stimulation. Cheerful surroundings would counteract mental activity.—Your business will pick up and become good again.

T.D., Ore. — Yes. — Unforseen trouble; will hear soon.

C.S., Ariz.—Yet to both questions.
M.A., Pa.—You feed them too much heavy food.—Quite long.

R.Y.N.E. — December. — Not before 1934.

R.W.H., N. Y.—You will go abroad but not within the year.—No.

B.B.S., N. Y.—No to both questions. W.W., Calif.—Later in the year.—Not before June.

H.B., N. Y.—Business will pick up and your old business will revive.

A.M.I., Can.—Not indicated.—Will make good at present occupation, if you concentrate on success and work to that end.

A.A.S., Calif.—No to both questions. L.M.V., Calif.—Yes.—No.

S.E., Tex.—Will not come back.— Build a new future.

L.H., Md.—No change.—Health will improve.

P.N., Okla.—You are not on that vein.—Offer will come from the North.

H.G.L., Ind.—Very good.—Not indicated.

A.W.M., Calif.—Rely on cousin to settle affair.—1931 brings settlement to your satisfaction.

L.A.McH., Calif.—You have a long pull before you but perseverance and hard work will bring success.—No.

G.E.M., Calif.—Any kind of needle work where you can create.—Not indicated.

J.B., N. Y.—Will prove very successful.—You are a natural home maker.

G.O., Ga.—Do not take the offensive.
—Loyalty is indicated.

W.A.K., Can.—Very successful.—Yes.

M.B., N. Y.—A high and dry climate.—Very good.

M.A.A., Conn.-Yes.-No.

C.E.F., Ind.—Extreme West.—Marriage indicated.

T.P., Ill.—No to your first question.
—9 and 21.

M.L., Me.—Yes.—Sooner than you think.

L.D., Calif.—Condition caused by shock; spine adjustment would remedy.—No indication of change.

M.J.M., S. H.—1931 brings success desired.—You need not fear failure.

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He wore reform shoes, and white socks.

He did his daily dozen daily.

The funeral of the late Benjamin Trebbitt will be held next Thursday. He is survived by eighteen specialists, four health institutes, six gymnasiums and numerous manufacturers of antiseptic appliances and sanitary foods. (He had forgotten about trains at grade crossings.) - Current Affairs, quoted by Persona.

Why is grass green? In the economy of nature, green in volume outshines all other colors of the earth a billion times. Why is this so? "The Maker made it thus" is the usual answer, but the Maker has a purpose in every phase of creation, which it is our privilege to find. The chemist finds a compound which he calls chlorophyl and to him this explains all; but this no more explains plant life than red of the blood stream explains hu-

man life. When we split the atom and turn gravity into electro-magnetic force, all that cosmos has to offer is in its elemental form, power, and only power, in various interchangeable forms. Under these conditions, every phase of nature, including color and form, are but manifestations of power. In the basic needs of life, blue of sky, and yellow, red or flame of sun, become negative and positive vehicles of magnetic force. In green the two are combined. The plant is thus by its green a self-contained power plant with the capacity to attract or repel such elements as it needs. Thus the plant by its magnetic battery becomes the cold storage of light and heat on earth and from it all animal life gets its vital sustenance of life. When green of vegetation departs, the life of man and all other creatures will forever end on earth.-New Era Magazine.

### THE THREE TRUTHS

There are three truths which are absolute, and which cannot be lost, but yet may remain silent for lack of speech.

The soul of man is immortal, and its future is the future of a thing whose growth and splendour have no limit.

The principle which gives life dwells in us, and without us, is undying and eternally beneficent, is not heard or seen, or smelt, but is perceived by the man who desires perception.

Each man is his own absolute lawgiver, the dispenser of glory or gloom to himself; the decreer of his life, his reward, his punishment.

These truths, which are as great as is life itself, are as simple as the simplest mind of man. Feed the hungry with them .- Idyll of the White Lotus. Reprint from The Canadian Theosophist.

### Occult Contacts

(Continued from Page 34) gently with souls by thinking of them, or treating them in terms of one incarnation. This is the great stumbling block which faces most of our western intellectuals who try to interpret life in terms of form. It cannot be done and one incarnation is a mere incident in the soul's long journey.

How then shall we establish the occult contacts which will help us to lead our associates from the personal into the group consciousness of the ego? A few simple rules here may be useful. Find out first the general type of mind

with which you have to deal whether it be scientific, aesthetic, mystical, political, social or executive. Then try to discover, indirectly, whether this primary direction of the ego finds real expression in the personality and if so in what direction and to what extent. Oftentimes the daily work and the social contacts provide no organized outlet for the vital desires of the ego and this situation requires an adjustment of activity and perspective which enables the man to feed his higher nature in another way.

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# **NEWS ITEMS** OF ESPECIAL INTEREST

### THE DEGRADATION OF THE DOLE

The swiftness with which unemployed men may degenerate into unemployables is the one striking lesson of the dole system. Any man who has had any experience in dealing with the conditions which the financial stranglehold has created in the ranks of the workers must have noticed the painful consequences following in the case of many who have been thrust out of employment-men who once carried their heads high, with a manly selfrespect, and said it is not charity we want, but work, not doles but a fair go. But human nature is weak, and under the dole regime, in the case of not a few, the manly breast has ceased to heave with self-respecting pride. The spirit has been broken, humiliated, bruised, and men are content to be mendicants. Nor is the horror of this degeneration apparently perceived, either by almoner or recipient. Men are content to receive rations, doles, gifts, as if by right, and with no feeling of compunction. Nor do we wonder. The system has wrought it. But the moral damage is irreparable. Why in the world the thousands of pounds that have weekly been doled out for nothing could not have been put into healthy employment, even though at a loss, it is hard to see. The position was difficult. Of course it was, but what is civic and administrative statesmanship for but to overcome difficulties? The moral damage we are suffering today in character deterioration will go on for generations.—The Federal Independent, Sydney, Australia.

### TUT JEWEL KEEPER DEAD

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LONDON .- Dr. Harry R. H. Hall, 57, famed archaeologist and keeper of Egyptian and Assyrian antiquities in the British museum, including the Tutankhamen relics, died Monday after a short illness. His death revived again the old superstition about the "curse of King Tutankhamen" which was supposed to descend on those connected with the disturbing of his tomb.—Clipped from Albuquerque paper.

### GHOSTLY APPARITION BRINGS ABRUPT HALT TO DANCE IN LONDON

London, Nov. 15 - (A.P.) - The Daily Express said this morning that a ghostly apparition of a man in armor, floating above the heads of the dancers in the Covent Garden Opera House last night brought the music to an abrupt halt while the conductor, Herman Darewski, sank into a chair and dropped his baton.

The paper quoted Darewski as saying he noticed the drummer had stopped playing and was staring with eyes of horror across the hall. Darewski, looking for the cause, saw a helmeted and armed figure resembling Wagner's Siegfried, he said. It was moving slowly through the air across the arena, he added, and it so shocked and unnerved him that he collapsed in a chair.

Some members of the band were credited by the paper with seeing the figure, but apparently none of the dancers noticed it. Darewski said he feared the apparition was an omen of disaster.

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# DAILY GUIDE

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FOR JANUARY

This Daily Guide covers from sunrise to sunset unless otherwise stated. When the influence is over during the day the hour is generally given.

### National Forecast

There will be much activity in the country during January, especially in connection with commerce, law and long distance traffic. Reforms and original ventures in religious spheres are indicated. Among the general public there will be a more than ordinary interest taken in occult and entirities. interest taken in occult and spiritual subjects. Many will be attracted to the fine arts and places connected with them.

them.

There will be trouble among the working classes. Strikes and radical tendencies are likely. Difficulties in connection with naval and military affairs and disarmament treaties will receive much attention. Strange occurances in government circles are foreshown. Progressive measures taken by the government will affect agriculby the government will affect agricul-ture and commerce.

An adverse crime condition will require much activity on the part of the police. Occult, religions and secret societies are under an adverse influence.

Daily Guide

1. Be careful in your dealings with others, especially with friends and acquaintances and any engagements you may have in prospect. It is an evil time for financial affairs and it will be necessary to guard against monetary losses. The afternoon is also somewhat unfavorable for financial matters. During the evening be on your guard against fraud and deception. Unusual occurances are indicated.

This is a good day for occult work and for the study of astrology. It will bring much activity in business

and original ventures. Make changes and encourage friendship. This is a rather unimportant day. It is slightly unfavorable. It will be wise to guard against impulse and haste.

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4. Avoid changes in the morning and an inclination to be wayward, abrupt and whimsical. Be guarded in your relationships with the opposite sex. The noon hour is a fortunate time for money matters. Be careful about correspondence and all literary work letters etc. and all literary work, letters, etc., in the afternoon.

5. Be careful of mistakes in speech or writing during the morning. There is danger of suffering through legal and financial troubles, also of separations and estrange-ments. The afternoon is very good

ments. The atternoon is very good for financial and social affairs.

6. Hindrances in connection with business activities are indicated. You will be inclined to be very careful of your own interests and be more than usually suspicious and careful. Avoid mental depression and an inclination to despondency. Guard against large financial losses in the afternoon.

A gloomy and depressing influence operates in the morning. Do not

enter into disputes in the afternoon or disagree with others. Attachments and engagements are likely

to go wrong.

8. Sudden and peculiar episodes in connection with friendships are likely to occur. A sarcastic turn of trouble speech will cause much trouble. Exercise great care in speech and avoid signing papers or entering into correspondence. A general interest in reform will be taken and people will tend to hold extreme views. The afternoon is very fortunate bringing success financially. It nate bringing success financially. It is a good time for dealings with superiors and general progress and advancement.

9. Peculiar experiences in the morning are shown and conditions which will be quite out of the common. The afternoon is somewhat averse

to new enterprises.

10. Guard against accidents in the morning. Carelessness and haste should be strictly avoided. The middle of the day favors business activities. After 2 P. M. (C.S.T.) the influences are adverse for finances and dealings with elderly peo-

ple.

11. Delays and disappointments will be experienced in the morning. afternoon is not important.

12. The morning is extremely fortunate, especially for literary and artistic matters, but also for finance and society. Do not act impulsively or abruptly during the afternoon. Hasty and rash tendencies will result in accidents.

13. All disputes and quarrels must be carefully guarded against in the morning. The morning is favorable for changes and finances, however. Delays and obstacles to progress will make the afternoon a ra-

ther harrassing one.

14. Beware of deception, frauds and shams during the early morning. It is slightly favorable for correspondence and literary work. The afternoon is good for financial and social affairs, but it will be necessary to take care not to act without thought or premeditation, or the influence operating will lead to difficult and trying conditions.

15. This day is good for astrology and conditions.

occultism.

16. The morning is a favorable time for spiritual matters and the practice of occultism.

The morning is not good for finances and indicates losses through haste and sudden changes. Form attachments in the afternoon, for these will be faithful. Financial gain and social advantages are indicated. Do not go to extremes of feeling.

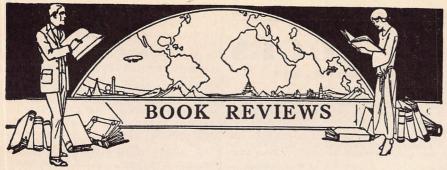
18. A very good day for investment and speculation. This is a good day on which to travel and make important changes. Connections with so-licitors, agents, literary persons and those who act as intermediaries will now be successful and advan-

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19. This is an excellent day for social welfare. The morning is a good time in which to form new friendships and will be a time during which all things will tend to go well. Finances are under a very benefic influence. Guard against in the afternoon. The afternoon of the afternoon of the afternoon. impulse in the afternoon. The afternoon favors speculation and invest-

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PRONUNCIAMENTO TO ALL THE WORLD—Ancient Order Rosae Crucis (AMORC). We are indebted to Spencer H. Lewis, Imperator of The Rosicucian Order (AMORC) of San Jose, California, for a copy of the second Official Fama issued by the Original Fraternity since the 17th century—an official communication to all humanity. We are taking the liberty of reprinting from this official document the following seven principles set for the guidance of man in his struggle to attain the illumination of the mind which brings him into perfect accord with his fellow man through the revelation of his own conscious mind:

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Rose Cross is no illusion.

"5. The universal contempt for this vital law and the consequent aberration from the truth has caused in the manifest world all social evils and revolutions, all hatred and all destruction, even the destruction of human life.

"6. The healing of the nations, every aid, sure advice, immense treasures of active force, old crystallized experiences; all these things are stored up in the secret wisdom of the Brothers of the Rose Cross, to be given to all who sincerely seek at the Portal.

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Listen to this: "And the Will therein lieth, which dieth not." Who knows the mysteries of the Will with its, vigor? For God is but a great Will pervading all things by nature of its intentness.

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Have you seen a giant locomotive standing in the station, furnaces aglow, steam pressure up, panting and throbbing as if eager to press onward? Your mind and body are like that. They are eager to do, to accomplish, if you will but turn their forces loose. There is that that is waiting within you. Sail beyond the sunset! Your career is a long one. Joy, shipmate!

### SPIRITUALITY

A knowledge of possible spirit-return and of communion between the two worlds, fosters the divine in man.

Generally it is hidden or weighted down by worldly cares and ambitions. Spirituality has a tendency to throw off the weight and inspire a longing for comfort, which consists principally in concord and harmony, the potent elements of happiness.

The inordinate desire for gain of money engrosses too much the mind of the modern mortal, so that the mind works automatically in a worldly way from force of habit. However, the divine in his nature crowds to the fore upon occasions. Its spirit grows restless, and at intervals he is led to reflect on infinite conditions, which he cannot comprehend, when restlessness asserts itself, which always is the effect of mental reaction, as the strain of overwork is to the physical body. Such condition is the natural result of evil thought, which builds its environment and its paths which it unwillingly trods.

The soul longs for a higher standard of life than that which the mind is involving in its desire for worldly gain, so that a knowledge of possible spirit-return has tendency to foster the divine in man, who realizes that material things do not satisfy. They glisten, but they blind the eye of the soul. They play music, but its noise deafens the ear of the soul, while their weight deadens the spirit of the soul. Hence the soul's restlessness, which only spirituality—a longing for spiritual things and their sublime emotions—can still. Spiritual food is the only nourishment that can appease the soul's hunger. —From Fate or Destiny, by Louis Lisemer.

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inal enterprises.

20. A good day for dealings with others, finances and society. It is a good day for dealings with the op-

good day for dealings with the opposite sex, one's sweetheart, etc.

Make the most of this day for it is a good one for all things.

21. The morning of this day is not good for dealings with superiors or elders. The afternoon is likely to bring you into touch with undering bring you into touch with undesirable persons and you will have re-markable dreams. You will come into contact with frauds and shams and suffer from weird and uncommon fancies.

22. Push financial affairs in the morning. Be careful about friendships and dealings with the opposite sex in the afternoon. It is a good day for dealings with elders and superiors.

23. Slight financial benefits are likely on this day. It offers opportunities to gain in honor and reputation.

The morning is good for business.

Be careful in correspondence and clerical work in the afternoon.

This day will bring matters concerning the affections to a satisfactory issue. It is a good day for pleasure, social success and general advancement and prosperity. It is also a good day for finance and monetary prospects and will bring gain, pleasure and profit in many directions.

The feelings and emotions are likely to suffer in some way on this day. Financial matters should be day. Financial matters snound be watched as there is some liability to losses. It is not a good day for domestic affairs and social concerns. It is good, however, for spiritual and occult matters. Psychic people will be able to receive im-pressions from the superphysical worlds with greater ease usual.

27. The morning is good for finances and changes. There is great danger of severe accidents in the afternoon and much trouble through correspondence, writings and papers.

28. The morning of this day is unfortunate especially for monetary matters. If haste and impulse are avoided in the afternoon it will prove to be beneficial in many ways.

29. The morning is very good for general advancement and prosperity. The afternoon will be a good time in which to study astrology and kindred subjects, also for engaging in new and original enterprises.

30. An unfortunate day socially and financially. The feelings and emotions will be adversely affected. Be very careful in all dealings with friends, or any engagements you may have in prospect. It is an evil day for financial affairs, and it will be necessary to guard against fibe necesary to guard against fi-nancial losses. All associations with the opposite sex will require great care.

Avoid sudden changes on this day. Do not act indiscreetly or impulsively, or give way to acts that will occasion remorse. It is an evil day for domestic affairs. Finances, how-ever, are under a good influence, but care will be necessary in all activities.

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