

# Peale Says . . .

N LOOK Magazine there ap-peared an article by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale; following is an

excerpt:
"Question: Do you believe there is any possibility of reincarnation?
"Answer: If you mean as an animale or in another human form, no. I believe that at physical death, the human soul leaves the body and is with God in the spiritual dimension. One's existence thereafter is in spiritual form, but the identity of personality continues.

"Thelieve that we meet our loved ones after death and that we will know each other. Spirits seem to return to the earthly sphere occasionally, but always as spirit, not in reincarnated physical form."

# What Do They Fear?

THINK there is a lot of interest in the field of psychic research but I also know this interest is dormant simply because people do not have the nerve or freedom to reveal their interest."

So says William H. Leach, editor of an orthodox magazine, "Church Management," published at 1900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 15, Ohio. This follows through with a recent editorial pointing out that people in so-called high places have always lived in fear insofar as letting anyone know they were actu-

# Crenshaw Scores

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# Catherine LARNEY

# a Tribute

CATHERINE, LARNEY, pastor founder and president of The Scientific Center of Chicago, Illinois, passed into the Higher Life suddenly on April 19, 1956. Funeral services were conducted from the Lain Chapel, Chicago, April 21, 1956, by Dr. B. F. Clark, vice president of the National Spiritualist Association, state president of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists and pastor of the Psychic Science Church, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Larney is survived by a

Church, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Larney is survived by a sister, Mary Walsh, Indianapolis; two sisters in Ireland and cousins in Chicago.

Born in Ireland, Mrs. Larney came to Chicago in her early youth. Although she did not become interested in Spiritualism until the early twenties, she heard voices and received manifestations at an early age.

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For several years Mrs. Larney was in the business world and after Spiritualism was revealed to her, began an intensive study of the tenets of this religion and the unfolding of her own unique mediumship. Affiliated with the Illinois State Association of Spiritualists, a certified medium and Incertiate minister, she had studied under the able direction of the late Rev. Thomas Grimshaw, N.S.A. officer and principal of the Morris Pratt Institute.

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Little does the world know the important niche this gifted medium rolled and the thousand the solicy of the couraged and helped in hours of distress and grief. Ministers of other denominations became interested in Spiritualism through her presentation of the teachings, ever emphasizeing Nature's Laws as the basis for demonstration of phenomena. Many professional people received through this channel the truth they were seeking and remained Continued Page 2, Col. 4)

HOW TO OBTAIN

# Independent Writing

ON SLATES OR CARDS AT HOME

By PIERRE L. O. A. KEELER

Known the World Over For Independent Writing

This phase of mediumship provides mutual solace and happiness when you bend all energies in the proper direction.

THE RULES to be observed in the acquirement of independent writing are few but important. There is nothing unatural about these occult forces that requires any mysterious, absurd or unreasonable performances, attentions or appurtenances to utilize them. These powers I believe, are reached fully in accord with natural laws, and we know that all nature is inflexible and simple when understood.

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PIERRE L. O. A. KEELER

fulness except that which found important birth with their own being.

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Therefore, in contemplating development, it is wise to learn as far as possible which department of occult power you are best fitted for, and bend all your energies in that particular direction.

If your greatest desire is for Independent Writing, and you experience a constant wish for the power to obtain messages from your spirit friends with a consciousness that this method of intercourse with loved ones gone before will provide a mutual solace and happiness, evidently that is the direction marked out for you by the great creative power.

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For by such influences, our controlling bands strive to impress upon our minds the importance of devoting our attention to the phase for which we are most thoroughly fitted. My entire ambition seemed centered in the Independent Writing, and I was uneasy in mind and dissatisfied with every department of the phenomena until I gave it due attention.

# · Spiritual Comfort

I have been the recipient through Independent Writing of greater blessings and spiritual comfort, and more positive evidence of the almost constant presence with us of those we were taught to believe dead, than the possession of all other phases combined could have extended to me in a lifetime. My reasons for preferring Independent Writing and for recommending its development in others in instances where it is possible for them to make a choice are many, among which I may mention the important fact that in our communion, whether for ourselves or for others, we remain in the thorough possession of our normal faculties and in the full enjoyment of the converse occurring through (Continued Page 2, Column 1)

# Psychic Research Group and the Historic Churches

WILLIAM H. LEACH

think I must have always had this. But, not until I founded Church Management did I appreciate the lack of respect given some of the minority groups in the Christian

Church.

Minorities do not find their existence too easy under dictatorship, nor are they spared ridicule in a democracy. "Splinter groups" is hardly a respectable term. I recall hearing a large congregation laughing with glee when their minister quoted two lines about the Seventh-day Adventists.

As for the Seventh-day Adventists their numbers are such, If they do break the Sabbath, they don't break it much.

Not alone have we refused to take the time to know the spiritual history and tenets of some of these "splinter groups," but we know less of their real social and spiritual idealism. In our own land, the Spiritualist churches have been one of the most scorned of these minority groups.

incidents.

Another often pleasant advantage is our ability to commune with our loved ones without the presence of a third party—a thing we cannot do when sitting in an abnormal or trance condition. It is a power which we can utilize with certain effect in demonstrating to skeptical friends that an intelligent unseen world reigns over us.

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And even another among the many reasons for desiring this beautiful gift is the readiness displayed by friends at any time, day or night, to communicate without the preparation of any special dark or other conditions.

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Eagle-eyes of Science

Thus we can, with a few leisure moments and an easily acquired condition of passivity, welcome the direct greetings from denizens of another and more beautiful world of life and activity.

Where can be found consolation sweeter or more divine than when alone with the most sacred and tender emotions of a breaking, yearning heart, smothered to others perhaps by the busy bustle of the daily routine but perfectly papable to our own inner senses, crying in all its bitterness and desolation to a seeming void for some response from the companion of a lifetime whose journey of life has been swifter than our own, to behold the cheering message that, though gone before, he still lives and loves.

Where can one point out a more sacred moment than when a fond mother, gazing in sad remembrance upon the vacant seat at the fireside and the empty cot from whence was borne in death's repose all that was mortal of the sweetest bud that ever could have blossomed into lovely youthfulness, and with nearly fatal despair that those she loved are lost forever, she grasps two little slates that her children perhaps used in school and hears with boundless joy the moving pencil, and reads an assuring message that they are not dead—are not lost, but ever present, striving to comfort and bless with their presence and never-ending affection.

Did ever the Christian theology paint a more divine picture or reveal transformed from misery and desolation a purer joy than this?

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# WHAT I OBSERVE

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We have been bitterly disappointed to find this country so sinful and faithless."

"The attack on Roberts' air healing has come chiefly from two quarters. Jack Gould, TV-radio critic of the New York Times, challenged the ethics of selling air time to healers who claim 'magic results unsupported by the slightest shred of rational evidence.' Last week, a commission of the National Council of Churches, in an obvious though indirect reference to preachers like Roberts, condemned the sale of TV-radio time to religious groups or individuals and requested adequate free time for 'representative' churches."

### How To Proceed

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In late years it has become difficult to obtain school slates. The public schools have discontinued using them, and most of the former dealers no longer handle them.

If accessible obtain two hinged school slates, 5x7 inches in size. If this cannot be done, secure or construct any small receptacle, such as a pasteboard or wooden box about the size of the slates, and an inch or two in depth.

In the slates or the receptacle place five or six clean white medium-weight bristol board cards cut to size 57xx67x inches. Hold in the left hand a few moments a piece of ordinary lead pencil as large as a grain of wheat, then drop it in with the cards.

Place them on a wooden-top table and rest the ends of the fingers lightly upon the receptacle. Sitting in a room where, or at an hour of the day when, it is very light, it is better to place a dark covering over the slates and hands—a requirement which can be dispensed with after development.

Do not be eager to have the writing occur. Direct your mind as much as possible from your work, not allowing it to be concentrated upon any special person, or anticipating any particular communication.

Be Unconcerned

our agency, while, if not entirely so, in nearly all other important phases we are dead to our surroundings, only imperfectly know-ing anything about them by a subsequent relation of the attending incidents.

Another often pleasant advantage is our ability to commune with our loved ones without the presence of a third party—a thing we cannot do when sitting in an abnormal or trance condition. It is a power which we can utilities and problems and hurling them back into the light of its own wake for our understanding to skeptical friends that an intelligent unseen world reigns over the many reasons for desiring this beautiful gift is the readiness displayed by friends at any time, due to played by friends at any time, due to preparation of any special dark or other conditions.

Eagle-eyes of Science

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In plain language, they have sat too long a time at each sitting and destroyed or retarded what availability they really did possess for the accomplishment of the undertaking. Thus, unconscious of the stringent laws governing this particular development, they have, through that ignorance, sacrificed their ability and given up the experiment in the belief that they held no inheritance of mediumship.

The available qualities necessary for achivement of the phase of Independent Writing can be crippled or destroyed, and the possibility of ever perfecting its development, under some circumstances, sacrified, by over-timing the sittings, i. e., sitting too long at each experiment.

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tings, i. e., sitting too long at each experiment.

It is, as all my readers must know, an established fact that a youthful person in the possession of a naturally melodious and interesting voice, by singing or exercising it very much or very long at a time can destroy all its melody and disqualify it for subsequent culture; and because of unenlightenment upon this matter we not infrequently pay the penalty by passing through life destitute of one of the loveliest accomplishments which nature in her bounteousness can bestow. The remedy is not yet known.

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The moment you invoke, mentally or otherwise, a message from a special person or upon a specified subject, that moment you be come positive to the invisibles about you and render yourself unavailable to the operators upon whom you must depend for success. It seriously frustrates their best designs.

Sit with as much unconcern as possible and with perfect willingness that any one shall write upon any subject. Fear not the socalled dark forces. Remember: "Like attracts like."

Then as one after another of your friends—governed by the several degrees of strength, interest and affection which they may possess—gain admission to your such to preache the possible and with they may possess—gain admission to your such they are called dark forces. Remember: "Like attracts like."

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It is known that some people reclaining in sleep rest better when the head is to the horth. The magnetic currents flowing length with the currents flowing length with the course of follow in such and will when they understand the laws of development.

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# PRESIDENT OF CUBA A Spiritualist



The photograph above, showing Major General Fulgenico Batista, President of Cuba, was taken when he was a Colonel. In the foliage of the background (extreme upper right) the face of an "Indian Chief" is visible.

According to Fidel de Varona C, Barcelona 56, Habana, Cuba, the "Indian Chief" is the guide and guardian of the president of Cuba. The Cubans look upon this picture as proof of psychie phenomena and that the General receives protection and help from the spirit world.

Mr. Varona further states: "I am a good friend of our dear good President Major General Batista. He is a Spiritualist and when we celebrated our Pan American Spiritualist Confederation Congress in Cub, a he contributed five thousand dollars for expenses and gave his attention and help, making the Congress one of the biggest events ever celebrated in Santiago de Cuba city, a real success and a golden page in the history of Cuban Spiritualism."

If you are passive you need a positive, and vice versa. (I apply these terms as they are generally understood in order to make my explanation clear.)

This can be done by engaging a person- to sit with you in perfect harmony and sympathy of feeling, who temperament differs from your own and whose natural magnetism is in a more positive or negative state, as the necessities of the occasion may require, limiting your sittings to strictly twenty minutes.

If your powers are destroyed it

If your powers are destroyed it will be utterly useless to merely commence again, sitting at the limited time in the hope you can have it restored in that way. You must add to that some auxiliary powers, such as are mentioned in this article. It is the combination of magnetic influences you require to restore that which you have unintentionally thrown from you. But be very careful to not further exhaust your natural forces by the selection of a companion sitter whose temperament and magnetism are the same as your own, or so vastly different as to be of more damage than benefit. You must not further injure your prospects.

To those readers who are sor

Catherine

LARNEY

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over-exertion at sittings—is to begin a new series of sittings, surrounding yourself with the most delicate and harmonious conditions, and have some positive or negative influence brought in conjunction with your own.

Only Twenty Minutes

If you are passive you need a

lost, ever annihilated.

Many spirits tell us that their fondest memories cluster around the associations of their earth life, and they love to come back and linger around them. They strive to make their presence known to us, and to give us assurances so kind that they are often near us. And when we turn a deaf ear to their entreaties for recognition, and bar them out, and turn them away from us, the sorrow we cause them can never be equalled by any we experience here by their decease.

Try, therefore, to let them come to you and you will be enabled to dry those bitter tears and hush those deep, heart-broken sighs. However dark may look the way now, the light will soon shine, because to every dark cloud there is a golden lining.

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Without free speech, no search for truth is possible; without free speech, no discovery of truth is useful; and the nations no longer march forward toward the nobler life which the future holds for man.

Better a thousandfold abuse of free speech than denial of free speech. The abuse dies in a day, but the denial slays the life of the people, and entombs the hope of the race.

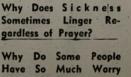
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to join her classes and unfold their own spiritual powers.

A living monument has been left by Catherine Larney in the excellent work she did, the many friends made, and her years of service to the Spirit World. She never missed a service, or an opportunity to serve someone. And greatest of all was her preparation of students and members to carry on her work in the church. Through her insight, an assistant pastor, Grace Turnbull, some time ago appointed, will continue to head a group of loyal mediums and workers in the Scientific Center.

Rev. Verna K. Kuhlig 

# These Questions Need Answers

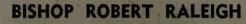


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# Spirituality Versus Psychism

UPSTITUTING the word "spiritual" for "psychic" by the various groups of modern psychic researchers has caused to rise in the minds of the laymen a harmful and far reaching menace to the cause of Spiritualism. Spiritual and psychic achievements are as far apart as the poles, yet the terms as used by these various groups confuse the average mind.

Psychism deals with physical, concrete powers of independent, individual demonstrations of one mind, working conjunctively with another mind or on another mind. While spirituality is an expression of an individual portrayed by kindly thoughts and deeds and a loving attitude toward others.

For example: one says, Lindy was spiritually led to fly to Paris, or, that he was very spiritual, when they mean he was psychically directed or that he was endowed with an abundance of psychic mineral, with sufficient directing power to use it intelligently or to have it used by a spirit sufficiently versed in its use to intelligently direct him when, where, and how to fly safely.

# Philosophical Dreamers

The term spiritually among the philosophers arises from the use of the word spirit, meaning one who has passed through death; and in that sense it refers to guidance by another which may be for one's good or the reverse.

It would be well if these various groups using this term "spiritually" would adopt a phrase "psychically led" rather than the confusing one of "spiritually led." The layman would appreciate and recognize the appellation as worth while and give it his immediate attention. Psychism and flying are developments of the Aquarian age as also is the Radio and the levitation of the human body by the power of the mind which will come to pass in the near future.

More common sense reasoning and less philosophical dreaming will open the eyes of the blind on this all important

It is easy to understand why theologians, doctors and lawyers are against the world accepting psychic science as an integral part of the affairs of man. Why writers and publishers of so-called Christian literature are bitter on all subjects pertaining to psychic revelations, is easy to understand, but why the bolters from these Ecclesiastical methods of thinking and living should absolutely and viciously destroy their own progeny, is a question worthy of contemplation. There is nothing for them to lose and everything for them to gain by joining hands with those whose eyes see beyond the veil of death and whose ears hear a whisper in the stillness.

# Cease Your Wrangling!

If those whose eyes have beheld the greater vision, whose minds have grasped the greater truths of life would join forces, proclaim the universal truth of personal conscious survival, lay aside their credal robes and meaningless ceremonies, stand forth as emancipators, shoulder to shoulder as one man in a super-struggle to abolish ignorance and poverty, the world would be freed from falsehood and crime.

"I am it. You are a gnat," is the cancer at the root of the tree of Truth. Universal unity on this question of life after death by those who have triumphed over the physical limitations would soon illumine the world with a light that could never grow dim, a knowledge that would never grow old, a wisdom that would never fail, an understanding among men that would vanquish hatred and destroy caste.

Teachers of modern thought, your duty is to consume the dragons that blanch men's faces with fear, rendering them unable to think. You are the gateway, leading to that eternal city of life. Cease your wrangling as to who shall be first; move forward as one man and become the conquering hero of ignorance, poverty and crime.

The article in no sense answers anything Powell wrote, even though the Rev. Nickerson says it is in reply to Powell's article. The Nickerson article does, however, voice many Spiritualist's attitude toward intelligent inquiry into the many phases of Truth. That attitude is intolerance.

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This article is a diatribe against everything that does not agree with preconceived views. It villifies many of the honored dead, sneers at the illumination of the saints, and in general exposes a sourgrapes view of its author toward those who have attained an understanding beyond the reach of ANY intolerant person,

I am particularly interested as

I am particularly interested as one of those who are drawn to Spiritualism by its "definite philosophy of immortality," so I can positively assure Nickerson that we are not repelled by intelligent discussion of mysticism or reincarnation.

tion.

We are repelled by such discussions as this one, which confuses mysticism with mystification, Francis Baeon with Roger Bacon, lumps Christian Science, Theosophy and the jargon of the alchemists within one feared group of ideas, and warns readers against sane consideration of any or all of them.

If there is any real reason why

If there is any real reason why the "definite philosophy of immor-tality" of Spiritualism cannot stand up against comparison with other philosophies-of immortality, let us

know it.

If Nickerson wants to appeal only to the ignorant, this article should not have been inserted in Psychic Observer. In my short acquaintance with that paper, it is obvious that its readers are able and willing to read with open minds and judge the merits of philosophies

Judge the merits of philosophies it presents for themselves.
You have not been "tacking on the theories of vague and unfroven cults" in printing pros and cons of vital themes. Anything which is Truth concerning immortality is certainly part and parcel of Spiritualism. Please allow no censoring of your paper!

CLIFFORD ALLEN

7957 Hathon, Detroit 13, Michigan.

# SPIRITUALISTS UNITE!

The time has come for all, sincerely interested in promoting spiritual truth, to willingly forego differences. We must unite with all organizations of similar objectives in the presentation of spiritual truth in order to successfully counteract the false impressions generally held deeming the Spiritualist movement as Fortune-Telling.

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This propaganda on the part of our opponents has greatly injured, distorted and thereby belittled the true intent of Spiritualism. Therefore, it is incumbent on the part of every true adherent of spiritual truth to aid in the removal of this false stigma upon our noble cause.

Let us not underestimate the formidable determination of our powerful opponents to sidetrack our movement. They are fully awake to the fact that if knowledge of the true teachings of Spiritualism became generally known it would be to their great detriment and mean the exposition of the absurd doctrine of the Vicarious Atonement, which keeps mankind from the true teachings and purpose of the life of the Nazarene.

Therefore, let us stress this truth at every available opportunity to a bewildered and misguided mankind by subordinating the personal message seeking. We must also stress the higher and nobler purpose of Spiritualism.

This great responsibility rests upon you and me. Let us be true to it. A splendid opportunity for amalgamating our forces is afforded in the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations, Inc., in-as much as it is not a legislative body. All retain their individual identity, the only requirement thereof is expressed in their slogan "In Essentials Unity" and "In Non-Essentials Tolerance."

It is significant that the 1956 Convention is being held in Newark (New . Ark), N. J., may it be the means of uniting us all by cementing all spiritual organizations into a New-Ark of Covenant namely "Freedom from Material"

Over a superb editorial, you ask,
"Are Spiritualists Getting Intolerant?" The question is answered fully by the article, "Mysticism, Theosophy versus Spiritualism," front paged in the same issue.

The article in no source and minimum. As a loose general rule only signed letters of the superscript. All letters subject to condensation and deletion of matter considered libelous or in poor taste, but we try to hold editing to a minimum. As a loose general rule only, signed letters of 200 words or less have preference. No letter attacking an individual by name will be considered unless the writer permits his own name and address to be printed.

INTEREST IN A SURVEY

I would like to comment on the item "Twas Ever Thus," April 10. You speak of the pathetic attitude of people and the poor circulation of good psychic publications. In our church we usually place used papers on a table at the rear; there we have Psychic Observer, Psychic News, Two Worlds, etc., and invite those new to our philosophy to help themselves free. Half the time only one or two papers are taken even though free.

Our local papers refused an ad I wished to put in offering free healing. The real reason was that they have a whole page of Sunday ads for orthodox churches and giving a Spiritualist a break might offend the ecclesiastical powers that be.

A survey I made last year gave this information: People that did not know the meaning of the word "psychic," ten per cent; those that heard it was the work of the devil, twenty per cent; those that heard about it and thought it was all rot and fraud, twenty per cent; those that believed it was so, but could not see what use it was, thirty-five per cent—and so it goes.

This personal survey is reasonably accurate. Then as to the type that think with fear and trembling that it may be true, but say: "If I saw a ghost I would faint—well these seem to run about ten per cent.

RENE HARRIS

Beverly Hotel, Victoria, B. C.

# Here's The Article

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It is evident and clear that reincarnation is a necessity. It is a psychic law to which the human spirit is subjected. It is solely by it, that the human soul can view the road to perfectability; to sense its progress; perfect itself; purify and elevate itself to the angelic state of the pure spirit.

The pure spirit has no more need; is not required to take a physical body to evolve and work in this world; it has completed its apprenticeship, having attained the intellectual and moral degrees of advancement required.

Reincarnation, besides being a necessity, is also the means of its salvation for the reparation of faults and errors, thus giving proof of a sincere repentance. One life, one physical existence, however long it may be, is uncontestably insufficient, for a creature, no matter how intelligent he may be, to acquire the total knowledge, which are the capital or stock equal to this treasure of humanity. Besides, intelligence develops and evolves as all else in the Universe; it does not surge complete and perfectly like Minerva from the head of Jupiter.

If a pupil fails his year's studies because of indolence; or because his intelligence was not lucid enough, he is not stopped from repeating the course. His father does not deprive him; he comforts him; he compels him to try again. Why then should Infinite Intelligence impede one of its particles, its creatures, from repeating its course in this school, thus depriva-

Error, through the Knowledge of Spiritual Truth."

HENRY DIEHL
20 Orange Place, Irvington, N. J.

INTEREST IN A SURVEY

I would like to comment on the item "Twas Ever Thus," April 10. You speak of the pathetic attitude of people and the poor circulation of good psychic publications. In gur church we usually place used papers on a table at the rear; there

possible; Infinite internation in iniquity.

Reincarnation is then, a law.

The law of Spiritual progression, which cannot be frustrated; to which all spirits have necessarily and absolutely to submit them selves without one single exception, ab initio in oeternum.

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# EXCEPTION TAKEN

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In May 10th Psychic Observer,
I note that Mariam Buckner Pond
claims to be the only living survivor of the Fox family. She is
not a Fox—only by marriage, while I
am the only direct descendent
and very much alive.

My grandparents and great
grandparents moved to Michigan
in 1846, from a farm between
Rochester and Hydesville. My
Great Grandfather Fox was a
brother of the father of John Fox,
the father of the Fox Sisters. I
would like that statement recorded
and would thank you never to
again publish that Mrs. Pond is the
only living survivor of the Fox

Mrs. Pressing introduced me last

Mrs. Pressing introduced me last year at one of the outdoor meetings at Chesterfield.

I know where the "Fox Family Bible" is and am going to try and get it so that I may donate it to the Chesterfield Spiritualist Camp Museum Museum.

REV MAE JOAN (FOX) SNYDER 2214 Brown St., Flint, Michigan.

# GERMAN VIEWPOINT

We shall send you our monthly magazine LICHTHORT. You will notice our purpose by reading the articles which, in many ways, conform to your own way of thinking. For better explanation, we bring also quite a few illustrations in a way not quite usually applied until now for our kind of magazine. We try to bring enlightenment in general; we also point to the real disturbing factor in our world, who does not permit mankind to find rest. The repeated atom bomb explosions in all parts of the world are noticed in an increased radioactivity of our atmosphere. The results are diseases, unknown to the scientists and not to be cured by known methods. Humanity, in a squeeze, looks in despair for remedy and help.

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CHAPTER XIX

Jeremiah

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WE NEXT come to the Book of WE NEXT come to the Book of the Weeping Prophet Jeremiah. His date is about 626 to 580 B. C., about a century, and a quarter after Isaiah. Jeremiah began his work in Jerusalem during the reign of King Josiah, about the year 626 B. C. In the latter part of his life he went with the deportation of his people into captivity, although he himself was not carried away with them. Later he went with many of his countrymen into Egypt, and there he died.

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Jeremiah probably wrote the whole of the book attributed to him, as well as the Book of Lamentations. Lamantations was written during the Babylonish Captivity. Jer. 51:64, says: "thus far are the words of Jeremiah." The latter part of the appendix is, almost identical with the same story as it is told in the Second Book of Kings.

# Poor Jeremiah

Poor Jeremiah

I think Jeremiah was an honest prophet, but in some of his predictions he was woefully mistaken.
"Thus saith the Lord," and "Thus saith the Lord of hosts," seems to be mentioned in almost every chapter of Jeremiah. In fact they are of such frequent occurrence that I will pay little attention to them. Jeremiah's badge of spiritual authority seems to rest in this dictum.

The communications in the

Lord" again came to him. In verse 8, the prophet accuses Israel's prophets of departing from the guidance of Yah-weh, and accepting the guidance of Baal. Yah-weh, through Jeremiah, accuses the nation of changing its gods, or guides. Verses 9 and 11. The prophet thinks they had gone so far astray that even soap and nitre would not cleanse them.

In chapter 4 9, 10, Jeremiah

would not cleanse them.

In chapter 4 9, 10, Jeremiah thinks he has discovered the secret of the nation's turning from Yah-weh to other gods. Yah-weh had deceived them! Verse 10 says: "Then said I, Ah, Lord, God (Yah-weh), surely thou has greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul."

### About the Prophets

About the Prophets

In Chapter 5:13, he tells the prophets that they shall lose their mediumship. "They shall become wind, and thy word shall not be in them." In verses 30, 31, he opens out severely on the mediums he does not like. He says: "A wonderful and a horrible thing is committed in the land; the prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so; and my people love to have it so; and what will ye do in the end thereof?"

The prophets to see the least

and what will ye do in the end thereof?"

The prophets, to say the least, were about as hard cases as some of the opposers of Spiritualism have tried to prove mediums to be. I believe I promised that when I came to the Book of Jeremiah I would indulge in a few quotations from him on that subject. They will fit as well here as anywhere. In Jer. 6: 13, 14, he says: "For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely. They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace, when there is no peace."

Here they were not only "covetous," and false dealers, but they prophesied falsely. These prophets got even with Yah-weh by asserting that he was as bad as any of them. Jeremiah, himself, acknowledged that Yah-weh deceived him. Jer. 10:8.

Sword and Famine

# Sword and Famine

itual authority seems to rest in this dictum.

The communications in the book, like all the others in the Bible, whether coming from "God," "the Lord," or from any other source, are all from the same sources as those which come through mediumship today. Spirit intelligences must speak through the instrumentality of a mouthpiece on earth, — mediumship Jeremiah, I have no doubt, supposed that if he was not born with a "double veil over his face," he was marked for a medium.

When Jeremiah first learned of his mediumship, his guide told him, in language I prefer not to quote, that he had been selected long before he was born to be a medium. Please turn and read Jer. 1.5. Jeremiah was no speaker, and he tried to beg off. Verse 6.

But he was informed that the power controlling him could use him. Verse 7 Jeremiah was afraid of the people, but his control touched his mouth and put words into it (verses 8, 9), and told him to be not afraid of faces, for he would confound them. Verse 17. Poor Jeremiah was however, humself confounded.

In chapter 14: 13 to 17, Jeremiah god! the mich says: "Then said I, Ah, Lord, God! behold the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the sword, them, Y

### Lord of Hosts

Lord of Hosts

In 23: 11 to 16, Jeremiah goes for all other prophets as follows: "For both the prophet and the priest are profane; yea, in my house have I found their wickedness, saith the Lord . . And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err. I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem a horrible thing; they commit adultry and walk in lies; they strengthen also the hands of evid doers, and none doth return from his wickedness; they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

Therefore saith the Lord of hosts concerning the prophets, Behold I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall; for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you; they make you vain; they speak a vision of their own heart and not out of the mouth of the Lord."

In verse 16 he says: "Hearken not unto the words of your

Lord."

In verse 16 he says: "Hearken not unto the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold the vessels of the Lord's house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon; for they prophesy a lie unto you."

# False Prophecy

False Prophecy

In 28: 10 to 17, not only the mediums but the influences get into a quarrel. Verses 10 and 11 say: "Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it. And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the Lord; even so will I brake the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way."

In verses 15 and 16 Jeremiah goes for Hananiah: "Then said the prophet Jeremiah to the prophet Hananiah: Hear now, Hananiah; the Lord hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie. Therefore, thus saith the Lord, Behold I will cast thee from off the face of the earth; this year thou shalt die, because thou hast rebelled against the Lord." Verse 17: "So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month."

In chapter 29: 8, Jeremiah says: "For thus saith the Lord of heets."

the same year in the seventh month."

In chapter 29: 8, Jeremiah says: "For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Let not your prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you deceive you, neither hearken to your dream, which ye cause to be dreamed. For they prophesy falsely in my name; I have not sent them, saith the Lord." Verse 31 says: "Thus saith the Lord." Verse 31 says: "Thus saith the Lord concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite; because that Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you to trust in a lie; therefore, thus saith the Lord, Behold I will punish Shemaiah."

In Lamentations 2: 14 Jeremiah says: "Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee;

and they have not discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy cap-tivity; but have seen these false burdens and causes of banish-

burdens and causes of banishment."

In Lam. 4: 13, he says: "For the sins of her prohets, and the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her."

This is surely enough for the present, about the jealousy and the quarrels between the ancient mediums or prophets of the Lord. As long as these texts remain, we need not fret too much about the schisms and the jealousies of present day mediums. Even Paul, complains sharply of just the same sort of troubles he encountered among the leaders of the churches which he founded.

God of Israel

### God of Israel

In Jer. 7: 1 to 11, the word of Yah-weh comes to Jeremiah concerning the conduct and the fate of those who believe in these lying mediums and spirits who make both Jeremiah and his guide so jealous. It is too lengthy to quote, but they are exhorted to "amend their ways and their doings," they are told that they "trust in lying words," and their prophets have led them to commit all of the crimes in the calendar; and Yah-weh says that he himself has seen it.

In verses 17, 18, Yah-weh says

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In verses 17, 18, Yah-weh says they have provoked him to anger by worshiping the "Queen of Heaven." Yah-weh would not tolerate the worship of any other God, but when they so far departed as to worship a female God.

Heaven." Yah-weh would not tolerate the worship of any other God, but when they so far departed as to worship a female God, who called herself "the Queen of Heaven," that so excited him that he said: "Behold mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place." Verse 20.

In chapter 11: 1 to 4, "The Word" came to Jeremiah again, and he pronounced curses upon every one who will not obey the "Lord (Yah-weh) God of Israel, as he reveals himself through Jeremiah. He finally concludes by saying that if they will "obey his voice, he will consent to once more become their God."

In 17: 15, it seems that the people doubted the mediumship of Jeremiah, and they ask: "Where is the Word of the Lord? let it come now." Jeremiah was like other mediums, he could not be entranced at all, but he said to Yah-weh: "That which came out of my lips was right before thee." All this shows that the people had as little confidence in Jeremiah as he had in them.

In 18: 1 to 8, the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah again and told him why it was that all his predictions were not fulfilled. The people repented, and then Yah-weh repented. Is it possible that the great Creator would ever repent, or ever feel the need to repent? Infinite Intelligence knows all things from the beginning; how men's minds will act, and what will be the results of all their thoughts. Jehovah, a personal God of the Hebrews, would naturally be expected to say and do the things which he did; and, so, he often acted rashly and had need to repent if he would continue to hold his people.

In chapter 19: 14, Jeremiah was (Continued Page 5, Col. 1)

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sent as a medium to Tophet, where he was to stand up and prophesy; the burden of his prophecy was that Yah-weh would surely bring all the evil that he had threatened through the lips of Jeremiah. In chapter 21: 1 to 4, Zedekiah wanted a communication from Yah-weh, but he could only get it through the mediumship of Jeremiah.

We often head mediums, in giving a communication, which perhaps is not clearly understood at the time, say "it will come to you after a while." So Jeremiah, when he gave a communication, sometimes said, "In the latter days ye shall consider (understand) it perfectly." Verse 20 of chapter 23.

fectly." Versc 20 of chapter 23.

Jeremiah's influence tells his people that they shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years; but they did not. Their service lasted less than six'y years. Perhaps the sense of time had something to do with the correctness, or rather the incorrectness, of this prophecy. The spirit world does not relatively consider time, hours and minutes, or even years, as we of earth realize them.

In chapter 26, 13 to 19, when

minutes, or even years, as we of earth realize them.

In chapter 26: 13 to 19, when the people determined to put Jeremiah to death for terrifying them with prophecies which never were fulfilled, he dodges out of it by arguing that Yah-weh repents, and undertakes to prove it by references to the case of Micha, prophesying that "Zion shall be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps,"—a prophecy which failed of fulfillment because Yah-weh repented.

In chapter 27: 9, 10, he wants them to give up all the naughty influences and all the naughty influences and all the naughty mediums—to communicate only with Yah-weh, and only through himself. He says: "Therefore heaken not ye to your prophets nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak

nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon, for they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you from your land, and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish."

# A Prophecy Fails

Sometimes Jeremiah's impres Sometimes Jeremiah's impressions were not as strong as he could wish and he had to wait for the fulfillment to find out whether it was the "word of the Lord," or only his imagination. In 32: 6, 8, it was the fulfillment of his impression that caused the prophet to say: "Then I knew that this was the Word of the Lord."

was the Word of the Lord."

In chapter 34, verses 2, 8, and 12, Jeremiah was sent to Zedekiah and others with important messages. Jehovah seems to be using Jeremiah as a very special psychic instrument. Those who received the messages must have trembled with fear. The sight of the pessimistic Jeremiah bearing doleful tidings was about as cheerful as Poe's Raven who incessantly croaked "Nevermore!"

In chapter 36: 2, as a writing

In chapter 36: 2, as a writing medium Jeremiah indulges in cermedium Jeremiah indulges in cer-tain very severe denunciations. From verse 8 to 14, it will be found another message was writ-ten by the hand of Baruch, Jere-miah's secretary; when Baruch read the message to the people they demanded to know how he got it. Verses 17, 18, read as follows:

"And they asked Baruch saying: Tell us now, how didst thou write all these words at his mouth? Then Baruch answered them: He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book." Here it seems, they were not Jeremiah's words; they were only spoken by his mouth. It is as much a case of automatic speaking as has ever been found in Modern Spiritualism. In verse 28 this medium writes this same message a second time with certain very important additions. King Jehoiakim had burned the first writing.

In chapter 27: 17, the king "And they asked Baruch

In chapter 27: 17, the king causes Jeremiah to be taken out of the dungeon and holds a secret seance with him. The story reads as follows:

"Then Zedekiah, the king, sent

and took him out; and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, Is there any word from the Lord? and Jeremiah said, There is; for, said he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon."

The king asked Joremiah to prev.

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The king asked Jeremiah to pray unto Yah-wek for him, and Jeremiah tauntingly says: "Where are now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying the king of Babylon shall not come against you?" Verse 19.

you?" Verse 19.

Jeremiah further says to the king: "Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king, let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there."

I die there."

In chapter 42: 2, the people see that Jeremiah, in his predictions in the main had seen right, and the other mediums wrong, so they come and beg Jeremiah to pray for them; Jeremiah promises to pray, and that whatever answer he gets from Yah-weh, he will give it to them, keeping nothing back. On the other hand, the people promise implicit obedience to the words of Yah-weh, as spoken through Jeremiah. words of Yah-w through Jeremiah

through Jeremiah.

Verse 6. On the strength of this, Yah-weh repents, and a reconcilliation is effected all around. The reconcilliation does not last long, for, in 43: 2, 3, Jeremiah's enemies accuse him of being a false prophet and a liar, and deny that Yah-weh is his control.

In chapter 44: 17, 18, the people are not only tired of Jeremiah as a prophet, but they are tired of Yah-weh as a control, and many of them want to discard him, and adopt "the Queen of Heaven," who, they claim, had in their past done better by them than Yah-weh had. weh had.

### "Queen of Heaven"

Their language is: "But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of your mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; for then we had plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; for then we had plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil. But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to put our drink offering unto her, we have wanted all things, and and have been consumed by the sword and by famine."

famine."

This, of course, the jealous Yahweh did not like; he knew that
the "Queen of Heaven" was as
much a God as he was. On this
subject Joshua had said: "Ye cannot serve the Lord, for He is an unHoly God; he is a jealous God; he
will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins. If ye forsake
the Lord and serve strange gods,
then he will turn and do you
hurt, and consume you, after that
he hath done you good." Josh.
24:19, 20.

Here we leave the book of this

Here we leave the book of this earnest but jealous medium, and take up the next book of the Bible.

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# SUMMERLAND

SIMMS, Rev. Anna Doerner (81) April 29th, Union City, New Jersey; founder and assistant minister of the Divine Psychic Mission of Consolation Spirit unist Church; Rev. Herbert C. Millare officiated; assisting Rev. Michale Gib son and Rev. Alma Gundlach.

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the going very difficult. The papers were not inclined to sell them advertising space. Because I had published a brief editorial asking fair play for this and other minority groups, they asked me to do two things for them.

First, I was asked to intercede with the papers to ask that they be given the privilege of using paid advertising space in the papers.

Secondly, I was requested to act as master of ceremonies at the public demonstration. I satisfied myself as to the reliability of the medium who would be used an agreed to take on the task.

The medium was Arthur Ford, internationally known psychic. As the result of that cooperation we had between seven and eight hundred people at the demonstration. I formed a friendship with Mr. Ford, have had sittings with him, and respect his integrity. We did get the newspaper advertising space, but not one of the three papers gave a news mention of the event.

"Tower of Babel"

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To a great many churchmen the very word Spiritualism is anathema. Some feel that any person who dares to seek communication with the departed is beyond the pale of the church. It is hard to understand this when, Sunday after Sunday, churchmen and women lisp the Apostles' Creed, in which they affirm statements such as these: "I believe in the communion of saints; . . the resurrection of the body; and, the life everlasting."

Yet, despite this, anyone who aspires to experiments which might prove what we now take by faith is not too popular in church circles.

circles.

American recently An American recently visited England to discuss with the clergy there the work of The Churches' Fellowship for Psychical Study. Among those he visited was Dean W. R. Matthews of St. Paul's Cathedral. Dean Matthews is a member of the fellowship.

He asked the dean if the clergy of the Church of England faced any embarrassment in joining the

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of the Church of England faced any embarrassment in joining the fellowship.

"I would not want to answer that," replied the dean, "but if a clergyman joins the fellowship he would not be wise to seek a bishopric."

That, I feel sure, would also go for the United States.

A few days ago I read Andre Parrot's little book, The Tower of Babel. I had accepted the traditional interpretation offered by the book of Genesis. The tower was built by worldly and ambitious men who wanted to show they were equal with God. Mr. Parrot points out that this is not the correct interpretation. There were several of these towers in Assyria. They were built as places of retreat for prayer. Just as some of us feel closer to God at the top of a mountain, so these people of antiquity felt closer to him in the man-made tower.

On the wall of my office I have a small copy of a fifteenth century illustration of the Tower of Babel. It shows the tower nearing completion. Angels sent from God are pushing the workmen from the scaffolds to their deaths.

# Why Assume

Why Assume

I think there is a parallel between the relationship of the churches to the psychic study groups and interpretation of the Tower of Babel. The men and women in these groups are not irreverent, nor servants of Satan. They are merely trying to gain psychological of physical evidence of the persistence of personality beyond the grave.

Let me give another illustration. In a group recently a half dozen of us related psychic experiences which come under the head of telepathy. My proposition to them was this:

Assume that these communications are real contacts between two people in this world. Assume, next, that you really believe in personal immortality. Next, assume that one of these persons dies. Is it not logical to believe, if personality persists beyond the grave, that the communications can continue?

None in the group, except my-

self, was willing to make the as-

self, was willing to make the assumption.

I think that the right to investigate is a natural right, and any Christian who feels the call to make such a study has a right to do so. That right certainly fits into the historic picture of Protestantism. Any individual or any psychic group should feel that it has that freedom, despite the opinions of clergy or other leaders. Suppression is a greater sin than the study possibly could be.

"Communion of Saints"

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Secondly, I believe that Christians who wish to study in this area would do well to retain their membership in the historic churches. We all can appreciate the contribution of the Spiritualistic churches. But psychic research is well within the theological concepts of the historic bodies even if they do not recognize it. If I go to a seance, I see no reason why I should leave the Presbyterian Church. The Christian Church is the custodian of a world culture which should be maintained.

If in your own local church the

If in your own local church the nowledge of your interest creates knowledge of your interest creates ridicule or persecution, I just wouldn't tell anyone about it. So long as you are convinced in your own mind that it is the wise thing to do, continue your studies. You are a free individual and you are emphasizing something the New Testament sanctions. Were not the communications between Jesus and Moses and Elias at the mount of transfiguration psychic communications?

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Some of us have always felt that the words "communion of saints" have a psychic quality. The bread is broken for the entire household of God. That means the saints or members alive and those who have

members alive and those who have passed on to another world. The communion of saints is not limited to the local church. F. Heiler in The Spirit of Worship (page 23) defines it in this way:

The Church militant forms with

The Church militant forms with the Church triumphant one great community of prayer; nay this Church of Christ extends throughout the whole universe, the mighty choirs of which glorify the eternal Father through Jesus Christ, with one mind and one voice.

Once in a service, I saw moving into the balcony of the church old-timers who had been dead for a number of years. They were still in the household of God. I have talked with other ministers who have also experienced a feeling that their congregations are larger than the actual number of those sitting in the pews.

Fletcher Said It

# Fletcher Said It

Most of us can feel free to in-dulge our convictions without dis-turbing the church. There may come a time when theological issues will have to be decided. I have sat in a number of seances where someone in the spirit world has described his state of exist-

Arthur Ford's control, Fletcher, opened a seance with this statement: "Because you are a preacher ment: "Because you are a preacher you may want me to describe heaven. I can't do that for I have seen nothing here that looks like I was taught in the church. I have seen no flying angels. I have seen no pavements of gold. Each of us lives a busy and purposeful life. We come pretty close to the Bible verse, 'In my father's house are many mansions'."

My own father told me that he

My own father told me that he had a yard to care for and the had a small church where preached every Sunday.

A young man, a battle casualty, said that he was continuing his engineering training.

Another was perfecting his mu-sic technique.

These pictures are far from the traditional pictures of heaven. Eventually the movement may grow so strong as to really challenge the traditional concepts of awards and punishments. Outside of that I can see no conflict.

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My third point is that the psychic groups should seek a sympathetic, informal relationship with other specialized groups which are growing up today. The religious upsurge of today has more facets than the interest in personal immortality. The retreat houses have become strong centers for religious faith. The practices of prayer, silence, and meditation are filling a distinct need. In some of these centers spiritual healing has reached challenging proportions, and there is much sympathy with (Continued Page 6, Col. 2)

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# SURVIVAL in the WITNESS

What kind of evidence has created the Spiritualist Movement?

e That Spiritualism exists as a world-wide Movement is a matter of fact. This article shows the kind of evidence that has convinced thousands that those we call "dead" still live and can speak from beyond the grave.

# By CHARLES J. SEYMOUR

THE "terms of reference" that I have been given for this article are:—to consider what it is, principally, that accounts for, and so justifier the evidence of and so justifies, the existence of the Spiritualist Movement; this en-tails stating, briefly, the case for belief in demonstrated survival.

I would say that it is the exist-cnce of a mass of published weighty evidence for demonstrated survival which accounts for—which indeed made almost certain the rise and growth of—Spiritualism as a Movement.

Whence comes this weighty evi-

The occurrences at the Fox Sisters' home at Hydesville, almost a century ago, have already been described.

These strange happenings not only aroused ordinary-public interest, but attracted the attention also of many educated people—men and women of known first-class intelligence and of repute in the world of learning and of letters.

### Authentic Phenomena

Because here, they saw, might at last be something "concrete" that the meta-physicians, the psy-chologists and scientists could take hold of—apparent paranormal oc-

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This was surely to be looked into.

When they looked, some of them reported adversely (from the survival standpoint).

Either no authentic phenomena transpired in their presence or, if it did, it was all, they said, within the limits of natural law as they understood it.

Others among them, however, said, after studying mediumistic phenomena, to which they were led via Hydesville, that the Spiritualists' belief was probably correct; namely, that the so-called "dead" survive, and, under suitable condi-

# **PSYCHICAL** RESEARCH

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psychic explorations into the spirit

world.

Prayer groups in churches have made recognized valuable contributions. The Farthest-Out-Point movement has many devout followers. The intensity of conviction runs close to the psychic area. The Sure Victory by Madame Chiang Kai-shek describes very graphically what such a movement can mean to a whole people such as Formosa. In a lesser degree it is being duplicated in many places. Groups for prayer and faith healing, also, have a kinship for the psychic. We should seek close fellowship with them. The Fellowship of St. Luke of the Episcopal Church is a good example.

All these are marginal groups within the framework of our churches. I do not think that organic merger is necessary or desirable. But the people who are interested in these movements will understand, before many others do, that Spiritualism is definitely a spiritual movement.

In the past, many of these marginal groups have broken with the churches and formed their own organizations. The church of the modern day has learned something of tolerance. I am hoping that it will be wise enough to put a flexible curtain around these activities and find in each one the spirit of the living God. Prayer groups in churches have

tions, can and do communicate with the living.

with the living.

They adduced a considerable amount of evidence to that effect, and it is that authoritative testimony to which Spiritualists point, at first call, as the most ponderable and convincing.

There are many cases where the thoughtful Spiritualist himself readily admits that particular messages that come through, or other phenomena associated with mediums, may more or less reasonably be explained in other than survival terms.

### Informed Spiritualists

Informed Spiritualists

Students advance a number of alternative hypotheses.

This mediumistic communication, they may say, does not at all necessarily indicate that a discarnate spirit was the responsible party—or even that there are any such entities as discarnate spirits.

All that happened might have been due, for instance, to telepathy among the living. Or to inspired guesswork by the medium. Or to suggestion put into her mind by the sitter—through the latter's having let fall some hint or pointers which the medium seized upon and built up into a "case." And so on—a spate of possible alternatives.

So the informed Spiritualist walks warily. He emphasizes that his best cases are of the type where it can be shown that a particular statement or statements made by a medium or sensitive about a "dead" person were un known at the time to anyone alive, but afterwards could be verified, confirmed as true, by inquiry—perhaps so considerable an amount of patient inquiry as to make the possibly still-proferred telepathy explanation look extremely thin.

Cases of the kind are for the most part very difficult to summarize, for as a rule they involve many factors which need to be stated to make them fully intelligible.

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I have space to give one example only, a simple one (simple from the statement standpoint).

Here the deponent was not a professed medium, and so far as I know he had no experience of Spiritualism.

James L. Chaffin, an American farmer, made a will giving his farm to his son, Marshal, and cutting out other members of the family.

He died in 1921, probate of the will was obtained, and the disinherited relatives did not contest it, as they knew of no valid reason for doing so.

Automatic Wrifing

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But some time later, another of the sons, James P. Chaffin, averred that his father had appeared at his bedside and spoken to him, telling him to look in his (the dead man's) overcoat pocket. Seeking the coat next day, J.P.C. learned that it had been given

He visited the recipient, and on examination found that the lining of one of the coat pockets had been

examination found that the lining of one of the coat pockets had been scwn up.

He cut the stitches and brought to light a sheet of paper on which was written, in the father's acknowledged handwriting: "Read the 27th chapter of Genesis in my daddie's old Bible."

Back home, J.P.C. called witnesses, and they searched for and eventually located the old Bible, in so dilapidated a state that if almost fell to pieces in their hands. In Genesis, between leaves, they found an informally-written document, again in the testator's undisputed handwriting, in which he clared that after reading this portion of scripture he had decided to make a fairer, more just, distribution of his property.

Then followed the terms of a new will which gave all surviving members of the family equal shares.

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shares.

The case went before a judge and jury, and eventually the second will was accepted, judgment going by consent.

J.P.C.'s comment was: "Many of my friends do not believe it is.

INTERNATIONAL SPIRITUALIST WEDDING



The photograph above was taken when Rev. Melvin O. Smith and Dorothy V. Turvey were married recently (April 28th) at the Ohio Avenue Spiritualist Church by Rev. Ralph A. Whitney, minister: matron of honor, Mrs. Harvey Houk; best man, Adam Shuman; Music: Rowland P. Downing; soloist: Mrs. Adam Shuman.

Noted guests present: Rev. Laura E. J. Holloway, president of the Ohio State Spiritualist Association; Rev. Bernice Omar Brock, Orlyss Ballmer, Mr. and Mrs. William Crumpler and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Porter. Attendance: 175.

possible for the living to hold communication with the dead, but I tempts were being made to communicate on new lines from "the ally appeared to me . . . and I tempts were being made to communicate on new lines from "the other side."

Sworn documents relating to this case were deposited with the (British) Society for Psychical Research.

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I would also instance for this aritcle what is now, among psychical researchers, the accepted "classic" case.

Briefly, a group of highly-competent researchers in this country found, scon after the death of one of their colleagues, F.W.H. Myers,

# Technique of Spiritual Healing

# MODUS OPERANDI AS PRACTICED IN INDIA

K, S. D. Ayer, member of the International Advisory Commit-tee of the Spiritual Healers Fel-lowship and leader of the Spirit-ual Healing Center, Coimbatore, South India, carries on his work in collaboration with the Center of Universal Psychic Science, St. Petersburg, Florida, Rev. J. Bert-ran Gerling, president.

Petersburg, Florida, Rev. J. Bertran Gerling, president.

Says Rev. Gerling: "Judging by the great number of recorded cases, as well as by the ever increasing number of applications from individuals seeking Spiritual healing, there is evidence that all institutions for this great work are expanding."

Mr. Ayers' letter to Rev. Gerling gives an outline of the modus operandi of Spiritual healing as practiced in India: "Assemble people of healthy personal magnetism together.

people with a broad and liberal outlook; patient under all circumstances and who try to improve by cultivating a spirit of love ... will find they have healing powers.

The power is latent in all, but love alone will awaken it. Love and daily prayers addressed to the Almighty, the Source of Life and Power, will be an aid to development.

"A clear room should be set apart with a seat or chair for the patient, and three chairs for

spiritual healers, who must sit around the patient. They form a circle. They tell the patient that he will have abundant health from the Center of Life, and one pass is made by each healer and then all three make a combined pass over the patient's head, etc. This is repeated during the course of the treatment.

"Always be selfless. Never try to keep the health forces for your own benefit. They are intended to be passed on to the ailing people . . . you will be kept healthy.

"The passes pour strength derived from the Divine Source. The force is transferred to the body of the patient. The immediate effect is invigoration. As strength increases, the resistance to diseases increases and the sickness vanishes. The hands respond to the force pouring through you. As you surrender to the force, the force will be evident.

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to the force, the force will be evident.

"When giving passes, the body should be completely relaxed and the attention bestowed on the hands and arms, till they begin to tingle, and the passes are made till the arms feel tired. As vital energy flows away, the arms will begin to tire out. Then it is time to stop giving passes . . . ask the patient to keep absolutely still . . . concentrate your mind on the passes until concluded.

"After making the passes, wash your hands in cold water. Allow an interval of at least five minutes before taking up a new patient. Do not give passes for more than three persons the same day. More will be exhausting and also useless to the patient concerned . . . the passes' should be done slowly, allowing for the energy to flow through steadily."

# The Challenge to

# **SPIRITUALISTS**

Mediumship provides the rock of Spiritualism. . . . We must fashion upon it a structure of high ideals, eternal standards, universal principles, and a pattern of noble living.

We cannot bring harmony into house in order.

> ---by--MICHAEL FLAGG 1725 Fulton Street, an Francisco, California

A LL existence — all life — is a challenge. It is a glorious and wonderful challenge, whether we know it or not; because, if we accept it courageously and serenely, it helps us onward and upward along the path of progression. Challenge is necessary to growth and unfoldment, as Nature reveals on every hand.

We are more fortunate. For we know that our spirit, the real us, survives so-called death, whether we meet the challenge or not. But whether we unfold or develop while we are on earth, whether we in any measure live up to the infinite possibilities that lies open to us all, depends on how we meet challenges, and on whether we prove that we realize that each challenge can be a stepping stone to greater and greater spiritual progress.

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Spiritualist has little ex-The Spiritualist has little excuse for not meeting challenge.
For he has the greatest incentive
to progress that anyone could wish
for — the priceless knowledge
that mankind from time immemorial has sought and hungered
for, the knowledge that we survive physical death, that we have
kinship with a Power far greater
than ourselves

Those of the old orthodoxies have to be content with the unsatisfying hope and faith that life continues, or that life may be resurrected in some remote aeon for a chosen few; but the Spiritual-

# SURVIVAL IN THE WITNESS BOX

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on close examination, were found to make excellent sense."

These correspondences (as they are called) had a core of very "difficult" material consisting of erudite and recondite literary quotations and allusions—such as it is reasonable to suppose a classical scholar of Myers' quality would have chosen as subject-matter, and which, it was testified, would be above the heads of most, if not all, of the reporting mediums.

The course judged to be followed by the communicators was as follows:

lows:

A subject was selected. It was then split up into fragments, deliberately made obscure so as to be unintelligible to themselves.

These fragments were transmitted through the mediums, and when, and only when, all the items were set out and analyzed could it be seen that they composed a single idea, or a body of cognate ideas.

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I cannot myself see how anyone who studies the full story (the sessions went on for many months) as told in the published Proceedings of the S.P.R., and who has not barred and bolted the door to his mind to "this Spiritualism," can fail to conclude that there were fully-conscious disembodied intelligences actively at work throughout.

Such influentially-sponsored testimony, coupled with numerous veridical cases of the Chiffin type which are on record, where subsequently-verified data came through both professional mediums and ordinary citizens who knew nothing of mediumism, are decidedly what puts heart—not to say spirit!—into Spiritualists.

our lives or the lives of others until we put our he knows — he does not believe, he knows — that we survive; and he knows that as we plant, so is

### A Real Challenge

The Spiritualist knows that all we meet on our journey through various expressions of life, here or in the spirit realms, is a challenge, a challenge to reach higher spiritual pinnacles.

Joy and sorrow are challenges, each in their own way. Cross and crown are challenges, each in their own way. Triumph and disaster are challenges, each in its own way. What is important is not these challenges themselves, but the way we respond to them.

There are too many Spiritualists who fail to meet the challenge. There are too many Spiritualists who do little to widen their horizons. From inertia, or laziness, or ignorance, they remain content with the knowledge that life continues; they make no effort to learn more of Truth, more of the Laws that are breathtaking in their beauty and perfection.

A challenge to Spiritualists is obedience to the Law of Service. The greater our aptititudes, the greater our authority, the greater our blessings, the greater becomes our responsibility to serve — to help others climb a rung of the ladder. One way of obeying that law lies in sharing — not only our material possessions, but, what is vastly more important, the Truth we perceive.

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For Truth, like all beauty, was never meant to be unshared. Freely given to us, freely should we give it. It is our responsibility to try to show others a glimpse of the wonder we behold.

Of course, that duty calls for judgment. We should not try to pour more into a vessel than it can hold. We should not choke a pipe by stuffing it with more than can pass through it easily.

# Truly Great Mediums

than can pass through it easily.

Truly Great Mediums

The challenge of sharing spiritual things calls for preparation and study. But too many Spiritualists are content to remain indefinitely in the first grade. They will not prepare, whether it is for an article, or a talk, or for help someone asks for, or for the Truth they may say they seek.

They expect Spirit to do everything for them. They forget the Law of Attraction. They forget that the quality and caliber of our spirit friends depend largely upon the quality ard caliber of our own Faculties, and upon how much we are prepared to do to unfold and strengthen those Faculties. Many Spiritualists are not prepared to pay, in toil and study and effort, for greater unfoldment.

They refuse to recognize that we are not only channels for our spirit friends—we are spirit ourselves, let us never forget — but that we are, if our preparations make us worthy of it, their collaborators also.

The truly great mediums — the Eusapia Palladinos, the Maude Lord Drakes, the Mary Pepper Vanderbilts, the Florence Beckers, to name just a few — provide shining examples of this.

The truly great medium in humility, often terms herself an instrument. But as many of us know, she is much more than an instrument of her spirit friends. She is not merely passive, but active. She is not merely pas

ship, in circumstances, in work, in labor in the vineyard, in sacrifice, in a hundred different ways, none of us will ever fully know. But those who are privileged to know her well have an inkling of what she endures, and endures gladly, for the caliber of the mediumship that is such a great blessing to so many of us.

Pure Spiritualism

If I emphasize this, it is not to praise anyone, but to hammer home one truth: we must earn our development, we must earn our progress, whether we are here on the earth plane or on the other side of life. The greater the challenge we meet, the greater our unfoldment.

A challenge to Spiritualists is the responsibility of keeping ourselves worthy of Spirit — by cleansing our universe, as much as we can, of all that is unworthy of the great blessings we possess. Water is no purer than the channel through which it flows, or the vessel into which it is poured. The purer and cleaner the vessel or the channel, the purer and cleaner the water. We should do all we can to be worthy vessels and worthy channels.

A challenge to Spiritualists is to

channels

channels.

A challenge to Spiritualists is to remember the importance of the right attitude — not just when the sky is cloudless and bathed in sunshine, but when, and especially when, we are enveloped by the storm. Then indeed can we test the spirit — our own spirit — and discover whether Spiritualism truly has a meaning for us, truly has enriched us as nothing else can, or whether it is just words whose significance we have missed completely.

can, or whether it is just words whose significance we have missed completely.

Lao-Tse said that the journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. We can add this: the tone of the journey depends on how the first step is taken. If we take it happily, willingly, courageously, we set the attitude for the entire journey. If the first step is slow, reluctant, unhappy, the journey will be miserable.

Fortunately for us all — no matter which side of life we are in — we can, if we genuinely try, reshape and remold our attitude. The doors of progress are always open to us. And each day, each moment, can mark the beginning of a new journey for us, a journey to higher spiritual levels, and to the greater happiness that is always found in greater spiritual heights.

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# RISING SUN OF JAPAN'S SPIRITUALISM

JAPANESE Spiritualism, once brutally mutilated by the gov-ernment, is again flourishing. Kodo Oomoto, a Japanese Spirit

Kodo Oomoto, a Japanese Spirit-ualist society, was formed around the remarkable mediumship of Nao Deguchi, a 57-year-old woman liv-ing with her invalid husband and their eight children. On the night of January—1, 1892, she fell into trance "and from her lips came prophecies as to God's plans for mankind."

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Though she had never learned to write, Nao Deguchi later developed the gift of automatic writing. The the gift of automatic writing. The messages she received "dealt with deep problems, such as the secrets of the universe and world peace."

### Purge By Government

When Nao passed on in 1918, her son-in-law, Onisabro, also a gifted psychic, became the leader of her earnest band of Spiritualists. By 1935 Kodo Oomoto had several hundred thousand members.

Then came the purge. The government of those days thought the members represented a secret society, probably plotting to overthrow their militaristic powers. Persecution and wholesale slaughter fellowed.

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In the early morning of December 8, 1935, several hundred armed police cordoned off both Ooomoto territories. The government intended sweeping the movement from the face of the earth on the sensational charge of treason.

Even before the trial started their sanctuaries, offices, houses, hostels and memorials throughout the land were destroyed.

The trial dragged on for ten years. But in 1945 Onisabro's innocence was established. He and his followers began to rebuild from the ashes.

the ashes.

Now, after eleven years' dedication and application, Ocomoto is once again a stronghold of Japan-ese Spiritualism.

"Two Worlds"

# Challenge To **SPIRITUALISTS**

(Continued from Page 7, Col. 3)

control of our language and thought. We must remember that thoughts are things, and that to clothe them in words is to give them form. We must take care what thought we invest with reality by our spoken word.

# Conan Doyle

A challenge to Spiritualists is to prove ourselves worthy of the pioneers, they who blazed a trail through the swamps and wilderness of ridicule, ignorance, and outhedays orthodoxy

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We Spiritualists have a snap today, compared with those who in earlier days espoused the cause of Truth — Conan Doyle, who spurned a fortune to write it; Judge Edmonds, who resigned his New York Supreme Court position to carry its banner; and many others, high and lowly, who, having found the Truth, were ready to give their lives for it.

We must try to be worthy of them. We must try to be worthy of them. We must be glad and proud to stand up and be counted. If we are not happy to rise and say "I am a Spiritualist!" we are not yet quite worthy of Spiritualism. A challenge to Spiritualisms. A challenge to Spiritualism what hampers unfoldment — whether it is envy, gossip, lying, tobacco, alcohol, or any of a thousand things. The extent of the flow of Spirit depends largely on our willingness to remove all obstructions. A challenge to Spiritualists is to keep tranquil under all circumstances. Our spirit friends give us much, and ask little. But if we enquire, they tell us: "Be as tranquil as possible"

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# "One Minute Treatments"

Award Winners Without Headlines

By ALBERT E. SCHEFFLER

MEN AND WOMEN, in all walks of life, just naturally crave for recognition for what they do. In this country we are set apart from our fellow workers by the awards of Medals of Honor, Nobel prizes and trophies.

But such awards recognize only a few, leaving hundreds of deserving individuals without are publication. His inborn goodness will urge him on to greater accomplishments.

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But such awards recognize only few, leaving hundreds of deserving individuals without any public acknowledgement of their achievemtnts beyond nominal rewards for service rendered.
Our idea of feeling "different" should not be to ennoble our position in the eye of the pub-

position in the eyes of the public, not for any award of recognition, but as moral

A. E. Scheffler tion, but as moral courage for others to follow; a willingness to reset golds for a sensible readjustment of ideas in order to help keep minds flexible. James, in writing to the twelve tribes, says: "Every GOOD gift and every PERFECT gift if from above . . . that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures."

### The Hidden Psychic Power

Men do differ in their knowledge of spiritual principles, also in tem-perament, and in material posses-sions; but there is no difference in the amount of the Spirit men have. None is a chosen soul; none is de-based to glorify another.

Jesus, the Christ, taught that all

men had a greatness capable of being developed and possessed a divinity sufficient to elevate them so they might share in the glory of God. "For my God shall supply

### Man Needs Seek Nothing

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Souls are constantly being enriched through the burning desire of some persons to resolve into good all the fine things of life which are already present in the person with a thankful consciousness and happy spirit.

Moses as one man, led the children of Israel out of captivity. Gideon achieved a great victory with only 300 men. Jesus ended with only 120 followers. Not an award winner among them, but all were laying the foundation of a new condition of living which would be enjoyed by legions.

The word Spiritualism has come to have two prize-worthy meanings.

(1) It means a different way of thinking and of living from the run of everyday application of thinking and of living from the run of everyday application of thinking and of living from the run of everyday application of thinking and of living from the run of everyday application of thinking and sally disorganized world.

Unquestionably, very few Spiritualist takes with him into crowded public places while facing a feverish and sadly disorganized world.

Unquestionably, very few Spiritualists make the headlines or become award winners in fact. They move along on the form of inspiration this religion begets which is a prize worth striving for. We should not become discouraged when our efforts are not met with a shower of immediate recognition, or when our cause has but few followers.

allow ourselves that error. But we can "resist the impulse, and with every stand the impulse will be easier to command!"

One of the greatest challenges to Spiritualists is to think universally. Too many of us are limited in our thinking. Apart from the knowledge that life continues, many Spiritualists are as narrow as many members of orthodox religions.

ligions.

They have no real perception of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. They still are bound by fetters of race, color, and creed. They still do not realize that there were great teachers in every age, and among every people, and that the great teachers thought not in terms of one person or one people, but in terms of all people, in terms of all mankind.

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terms of all people, in terms of all mankind.

To limit ourselves to a particular Bible, or a particular person, is to think narrowly, and the crying need is for breadth and universality in our thinking.

A challenge to Spiritualists is to remember that duty is a two-way street, and that we owe much to our spirit friends. We must try to be worthy of them, and to humbly help them where we can.

A challenge to Spiritualists is to put our Louse in order, and to keep it in order. Unless we do that we cannot bring much harmony into either our own lives or into the lives of others.

But the great challenge to Spiritualists, and it is the challenge of challenges, is to live our Spiritualists, and it is the challenge of challenges, is to live our Spiritualist, and it is the challenge of the artist may have glorious paints before him, but until he applies the paints to canvas they are of no value to him or anyone else.

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In essence, the challenge to Spiritualists is to apply, in our everyday lives, the knowledge we possess. Nothing is ours unless we apply it. Nothing becomes a part of our universe until we make use of it. The Laws are only idle words to us, unless we live by them.

ciples, and a pattern of noble liv-ing — only then do we meet the challenge to Spiritualists, which 's of course the challenge to all man-kind.

# CHURCH NEWS

wonewoc, Wisconsin: According to Rose Kress, vice president of Wonewoc Spiritualist Camp, Rev. Frederick Mitchell, Schenectady, N Y., will be featured August 4th-18th inclusive.

Somerset, Pa.: There is a Spiritualist Center in this town, located in the hills of central Pennsylvania. All the Spiritual work is under the supervision of Rev. Robert W. Hoover, 311 West Race St. Rev. Hoover is affiliated with the Universal Psychic Science Association.

Hanford, California: Edith Marie Schulz and Joy Wandell were married recently (April 15th) by Rev. Janet Stine Wolford, at the Church of Revelation Wedding Chapel, 1306 North Irwin St. Best man, Don Wandell.

The bride, who fermanly said.

The bride, who formerly resided

a Way of Life

COURSE OF STUDY IN 21 LESSONS



Lena Barnes Jefts

# Lecture Six

THE TEXT

St. John 14:2,3. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am there ye may be also.

THE SUBJECT

The Here and the Hereafter

THEOLOGY, in the many de-nominations of its churches, has bade us have faith in a life beyond this. Theosophy, Spir-itualism and other of the New has bade us have faith in a tilife beyond this. Theosophy, Spiritualism and other of the New Thought religions claim to have indisputable evidence of an existence in a world of Higher Spiritual, Consciousness after we have had tour earthly experience. After studying the laws of evolution and realizing the growth, step by step, of organic life and of God's greatest achievement, man, an image of Himself, we cannot believe that Divine Mind would take all of these thousands of years to create man and, after his three score and ten years of earthly existence, cast him into oblivion. Matter changes its status, but always remains and in another formation or vibration... so says science. Spirit is immortal and therefore it seems logical for us to believe that man as a Spirit lives on after this change called death, and that he moves and has his being in a higher plane of Spiritual Consciousness, and his physical body, no longer needed, goes back to chemicals and dust from whence it came.

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Gen. 3:19. In the sweat of thy face shall thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken; for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou

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The return of Spirit is a part of the teachings of the Man of Galilee, and He, Himself proved that there was a pathway back from the grave by appearing in a celestial body nearly a score of times after His crucifixion.

Again may I say that we draw no line of demarcation between the here and the hereafter. Man becomes an individualized portion of God at the moment of conception, and at birth begins his earthly experience which eventually leads him back to God.

Death, therefore, is not the end of the book, just the close of the first chapter, and, as we turn the page, the story of life goes on more beautifully, more Spiritually, than before.

MEDITATION

My heaven and hell are of my

without interruption for the past eight years and graciously given Dalals the best in Spiritualism.

"Probably one of the most significant phases of their work was the founding of the Junior League. Many church-goers from avrious parts of the United States have visited here and taken with them messages and teaching of great inspiration."

Wandell.

The bride, who formerly resided in Lima, Ohio, was a regular visitor at Chesterfield Spiritualist Camp. The groom, a Yountsvile, California, business man, was a former member of the Church of Revelation. The couple will reside in Napa Valley, California.

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Dallas, Texas: The 8th anniversary of the First Spiritualist Church was celebrated recently (April 25th) with a special service at 4921 Reiger St., according to Josephine P. Kagamaster. The services were conducted under the supervision of Nancy A Huston minister.

When describing the services, Mrs. Kargamaster said: "Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Huston organized the First Spiritualist Church at their home 4921 Reiger, April 25, 1948. The charter was presented to Nancy A. Huston by the late Charles R. Smith, President of the National Spiritualist Association, at the 1948 convention held in El Paso, Texas.

"The Hustons have held services "The Hustons have held services" and Donnabeth Baker; Coach: Margaret Grey.

I have to thank Rev. Converse D. Nickerson for rocking me back on my heels, with his stunning assertion that Francis Bacon "was ignorant of the higher branches of learning, and added but little to the knowledge of the world." Countless scholars and philosophers have expressed, in the strongest terms, exactly the opposite opinion, regarding Bacon as one of the greatest minds of all time. More of that presently.

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At the age of 13 (or was it 11), he left Cambridge University, having learned (so he said) all they could teach him. He made the famous declaration: "I have taken all knowledge to be my province"—a statement which endeared him to me some 60 years ago, when I first plunged into his famous Fssays

His own self-estimate would, I think, be substantially endorsed by those who have studied his works: "I found that I was fitted for nothing so well as for the study of truth; as having a mind nimble and versatile enough to catch the resemblance of things (which is the chief point), and at the same time steady enough to fix and distinguish their subtler differences; as being gifted by nature with desire to seek; patience to doubt, fondness to meditate, slowness to assert, readiness to consider, carefulness to dispose and set in order; and as being a man that neither affects what is new nor admits what is old, and that hates every kind of imposture. So I thought His own self-estimate would, kind of imposture. So I thought my nature had a kind of familiarity with Truth."

What an example, for Spiritualists and others, and an attitude, at which to aim!

Kindly note the almost Latin succinctness of style, and orderliness of thought, so typical of this great man. As our own Mark Twain said: "He had a wonderful talent for packing thought close, and rendering it portable."

The Encyclopedia Britannica devotes to Francis Bacon four pages, nearly a column of Bibliography. Bartlett's "Familiar Quotations" gives him four and one-half pages. His most celebrated work was the Novum Organum, his cherished project being to reorganize natural science, which in his day was in a chaotic state. He was a lawyer of the first order, with keen scientific insight, and great power of organization, because he was, above all, a humanitarian. His Essays are "widely read and universally admired"; his short, pithy sayings have become popular mottoes and household words. His Apophthegms, dictated, without a note, when he was too sick to do anything else, were thought by Mccaulay the best collection of jests in the world. Said Macaulay also: "With great minuteness of observation, he had an amplitude of comprehension such as has never yet been vouchsafed to any other human being."

Of Bacon, the orator, Ben Jonson said: His language, where he could spare and pass by a jest, was nobly censorious. No man ever spoke more neatly, more resply, more weightily, or suffered less emptiness, less idleness, in what he uttered. . . The fear of every man that heard him was lest he should make an end."

His objective, in founding science anew, was to give man sovereignty over nature, which can be based only on knowledge—not on vain notions and blind experiments. He considered "works themselves of greater value, as pledges of truth, than as contributions to the comforts of life." Are we not only now finding out that mechanical. "gadgets" are little but a quick-sand-foundation for human happiness?

ern times to recognize that dedge must be based on a foundation of observation, di-appeal to nature being the

only way to truth.

Thus have Francis and his famous namesake, Roger Bacon, come to be regarded as the initiators of the experimental, emurical method, which led eventually to the Industrial Revolution. He introduced to science the inductive method—reasoning from observed facts, "things that happen," as opposed to that of Aristotle, with his deductive method of formulating, out of nothing, as we might say, generalized notions, and from them deducing explanations of facts, or even sometimes facts themselves. We are familiar with Aristotle's statement that a fly had six legs, which was accepted for some 800 years, until some brave, bright lad iooked at a fly, and counted its eight legs! Such was the almost idolatrous prestige of the "authority" of Aristotle, who could not possibly be mistaken! Have we all outlived this preposterous position? By no means. Do not many millions today accord almost idolatrous prestige to certain books and writings?

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Bacon proclaimed that man, "servant and interpreter of nature, can act and understand no further than he has observed . . . the method of nature."

Locke's "Essay on the Human Understanding" was based on the Novum Organum.

According to the Encyclopedia, Bacon was the father of English psychological speculation and the empirical method in ethics.

The Encyclopedia concludes with "Whatever his positive achieve-ments may have been, we may accord to him his own claim that he 'rang the bell which called the wits together'."

One of Bacon's less-known works,

One of Bacon's less-known works, New Atlantis, is still well worth perusal. It is a Utopia, in which are foretold, in princple, at least a dozen of our modern inventions and discoveries, including (if my memory serves) power machines, airplanes, submarines, and many others.

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Bacon is said to have died of a chill caught while experimenting with preservation of food by refrigeration. Such was the width of his interests.

Are you still asking: "What bearing has all this on Spiritualism today?" I venture to think that Francis Bacon's attitude, methods and philosophy are needed as much now as ever, and always will be, until men become scientifically curious, open-minded, willing and prepared to observe and investigate, no matter what may be the consequences to previously held theories, notions, or "beliefs," and able to reason correctly, calmly, and with utmost goodwill and friendliness, on any subject whatsoever that has bearing on human life—which means, of course, virtually everything; for all life is dependent on environment, and everything that happens is part of our environment.

Many of us have still a long way to go before we reach such a position. Only too many still persist in judging a matter of fact, a "phenomenon," or a theory or a doctrine, by emotion, rather than by mind. They prefer to "believe" what they "like," rather than what "is."

The current furore in the Press over the Bridey Murphy story in

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His four famous Idola were: erroneous ways of looking at nature; fallacies inherent in the human mind; prejudices; received systems of thought. Once again, completely pertinent to modern Spiritualism. He held that all sciences were organically connected—in his day a revolutionary conception, and in our day still imperfectly realized. Knowledge he regarded as a pyra mid; experience, or natural history (phenomena), the base; then physics; the apex — metaphysics. Thus he was one of the first in

that on a accumulated more factual evidence.

Hence the continual, and continuing, imperative need for ever more and more evidence: in other understands of the continuing of the content of the content

in a spirit of goodwill, friendship, and fair play.

In the opinion of your screeder, Francis Bacon, Viscount St. Albans, did an inestimable service to the human race by his formulation of the inductive method, the method of "asking Nature": What she does; How she does it, and then the greatest question of all Why she does it. That last alone will keep body, feelings, mind and intuition busy through all foreseeable time.

I wish to thank Rev. Nickerson for his provocatively-inspiring assertion that Francis Bacon "was ignorant . . . and added little to the knowledge of the world," and also to calling to my attention a iamentable gap in my bookshelves, where Bacon's Essays and other works should be reposing, inviting me to read and re-read them, as I always do with fresh' appreciation and enlightenment.

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As for Bacon being a "scheming politician and corrupt judge, many and many a student and scholar, after studying the evidence (as did the present writer, years ago) came to the conclusion that Bacon was "framed" by "scheming politicians" and court intrigue, at that time

rampant.

When convicted of accepting "bribes" from litigants, which was the accepted practice of the day, Bacon, well aware that the practice was indefensible, refused to defend himself, severely condemning the custom, and called himself the "justest chancellor in the five charges since Sir Nicholas Bacon's time, stating that "presents" received had never swayed his judg ment.

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Do not the pages of history team with innocent men who have been judged at fault, and condemned? To name three only, from an august list, were not Socrates, Joan of Arc and Jesus Christ, well and fairly tried by the legal authorities of their day, and condemned to death? Does not the same apply to tens and hundreds of thousands of Christians who were found guilty, tortured and executed, often in fiendish, sadistic ways?

A wise and just man today would be extremely careful, before accepting the verdicts of history which, as Napoleon said, is "a set of lies agreed upon."

How is it possible that anyone could make the wild assertion that Emerson never even "considered the subject" of Reincarnation?

Even a moderate student would know that Emerson — known for decades as the "Boston Brahmin," was saturated with Orientalism. See, for example, "Emerson's Debt to the Orient," by Arthur E. Christy, in "East and West," Nov., Dec., 1929.

Rev. Nickerson, by such a statement, inevitably undermines, if not shatters, any confidence one might place in his assertions.

Here are a few gems from Francis Bacon:

"No pleasure is comparable to the standing upon the vantage-ground of truth."

"Virtue is like precious odors—most fragrant when they are incensed or crushed."

"I had rather believe in all the fables in the legends and the Talmud and the Alcoran, than that this universal frame is without a mind."

"Discretion of speech is more than eloquence; and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal is

"Discretion of speech is more than eloquence; and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal is more than to speak in good words or in good order."
"The greatest vicissitudes of things amongst men is the vicissitude of sects and religious."
"Books must follow sciences, and not sciences books."

Speaking of the Novum Organum, Mark Twain said: "No book ever made so great a revolution in the mode of thinking, overthrew

wrote:
"If parts allure thee, think how Bacon shin'd,
The wisest, brightest, meanest of mankind!"
("Mean" is one of those degenerated words. As Pope used it, it signified "humble".)

Myth Exposed

Spiritualism Unmasked

In "Life After Death, or Is Spiritualism Vindicated by Scientific Research," by N. S. Savur, published in Bombay, we are reminded that the newspapers, in 1871, rejoiced that the unmasking of Spiritualism had begun, for had not an eminent scientist just started his first major experiment to prove fraud and superstition?

In this eminent gentleman's own house, unconscious on a sofa, lay a woman in a black dress. One or two trusted colleagues were present; only a small phosphorescent lamp gleamed faintly; doors were locked, windows closed.

Suddenly appeared a woman, taller than the medium, in a dazzling white dress, who walked, talked, breathed, gave away locks of her hair. The scientist touched her, measured her heart-beats, felt her pulse—all different from those of the lady on the sofa, Florence Cook. The visitor had no earrings, but the medium had. Our scientist photographed the stranger more than 40 times. She said she had lived on the earth 200 years before.

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Then she just disappeared, leaving a very puzzled scientist. A number of other similar stories are told, together with opinions from some of the most famous names in science.

Be mereiful to my slipshod writing. I should have told you that the scientist was quite a famous physicist, and an eminent chemist, who later became president of the Royal Society, as well as of the British Association for the Advancement of Science—Sir William Crookes.

Well, even the greatest have their failures. Sir William seems to have failed to prove—to himself at least—either fraud or superstition. In this, quite a number of other famous scientists also failed dismally, to pierce the mask of Spiritualism,—as explained by our author at a lecture he gave to The Asiatic Society of Bombay.

# Healing Anywhere

Ubiquitous Healer

"Psychic News" relates that the healer, Phil Wyndham, 'gives healing anywhere, any time.

A dentist he was visiting had a bad headache. Wyndham gave healing and the "ivory snatcher" admitted, grudgingly, he was a little better. But before Wyndham left, he was much better. Next week, another headache, again successfully treated. Then the dentist complained of wristpain, from swelling produced by sinovitis. A doctor, after seeing Wyndham give healing, said he would like to see more. By the third week, one wrist was better, the other swollen and painful. Another healing soon put this right. Now all pain is gone.

Wyndham thinks healing should be given "right now." He is not in the least fussy. Patients gettit right on the spot: an elderly woman in a paddling pool; a coster monger sitting on a dustbin (gar bage can to you); folks in trains, buses, or in his grocery store, where healing is a regular procedure. And it doesn't go on the bill, either! A well-known international footballer got his in the kitchen of a famous West End

have so many prejudices, introduced so many new opinions."

"He was a genius," adds Samuel Clemens, "without a mate, a prodipther you matable. There was only one of him the planet could not produce two of him at one birth, nor in one age."

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# Science and God

God In Insects

"Psychic News" presents a thoughtful account of the views of Maurice Delarrey M. D., of Dijon, in the Belgian Journal, "Spiritualisms Moderne."

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He points out (only too truly), that many famous scientists do not reflect upon the implications of their discoveries, not from active atheism, but from sheer indifference to anything outside their own immediate fields. In a word, details of the trees keep them from perceiving the forest.

Curiously, extremists, in both orthodox religion and in materialistic atheism, have this in common: they oppose the idea of the "Infinity of the Universe," the tile of the Doctor's current series of articles.

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tor's current series of articles.

Atheists have a horror of infinitude, because it seems to savour of divinity, while theologians fear that science and philosophy may discover God, who, they claim, can be known only by faith in Revelation!

With approval, he quotes the biologist Leconte du Nouy: "Those who, without proof, strive to destroy and idea of God, are doing something vile and unscientific."

Du Nouy says he does not "believe" in God any more than he does in evolution or electrons, but "I believe in Him no less," and "I have sufficient scientific proof not to be deceived." It took him 30 years in his laboratory to find that those, who should have enlightened him, even while confessing their ignorance, "deliberately lied to me!"

Physics and biology brought him

Physics and biology brought him to his present position, and he is convinced that any scientific man, who reflects, will arrive at the same conclusions, "unless he be prejudiced and unfair."

Dr. Delarrey reached his position through astronomy and psychology.

or belarey reached psychology.

Henri Fabre, famous entomologist, however, reached his through his particular specialty; for it was he who exclaimed: "God? But I see Him every day, among my in-

Astronomers, adds Dr. Delarrey, find themselves confused, when faced by the question whether the

faced by the question whether the universe does or does not evolve. It seems, therefore, that, whether you be physicist or psychologist, astronomer or entomologist, scientist or mystic, your path converges, with all other paths, on the mountain-top of "God."

At the summit, what greetings and hand-shakings there will be! One will say to another: "Well, who ever would have thought of finding you here?"

# "Evidential"

Soldier's Will

"Psychic Science, quoting from "Light," gives an interesting story by E. M. Taylor.
Taylor's brother Fred made a will in 1916. He was reported "missing" in the "Battles of the Mud" in Belgium, his body never being recovered Death being officially "presumed", the will was executed.
Vout Peters, a medium, told Taylor that Fred said Taylor would receive a paper which would upset the will.
After the war, Fred's kit-bag was sent to Taylor. At the bottom was a soldier's will, which revoked the will that nad been proved and executed.

My personal intercourse has been limited, yet I have had spiritual communion with the departed, and one in particular, and that is my blessed and beautiful wife.

General Booth

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one 22-Aug. 19: 69th annual convoca of Chesterfield Spiritualist Camp, C terfield, Indiana; for 1956 progr write Mable Riffle, Sec'y.

one 24-September 2: 61st annual season of the Freeville Spiritualist Assembly Freeville, N. Y; for 1956 program write Ruth J. Craft, 11 Charles St., Cortland N. Y.

one 24th-Sept. 3rd; Annual season Cherry Valley Spiritualist Camp, Cherry Valley, Illinois; for 1956 program write Bertha Chamberlain, P.O. Box 114, Cherry Valley, Illinois.

June 24-Sept. 2: Annual season Lake Brady Spiritualist Association, Brady Lake, Ohio; for 1956 programs write Della Kingsbury. secretary, Brady Lake, Ohio.

une 30-August 30: Annual season Ashley Spiritualist Camp Association, Woolley Park, Ashley, Ohio. For 1956 programs write: Helen S. Ruff, P.O. Box 301, Ash-ley, Ohio.

une 30-Sept. 2nd: 77th annual season of Lily Dale Assembly, Lily Dale, N. Y. For 1956 program write secretary, Lily Dale Assembly, Lily Dale, New York.

July 1-August 26th: Annual season New Era Spiritualist Camp, Canby, Oregon, for 1956 programs write Herman Rich-ter, Route 1, Box 517, Canby, Oregon.

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ugust 22nd-26th, 1956: 12th Annual convention of the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations, Inc., Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, N. J.; Rev. Minnie Corb. 248 Kingsland Road, Nutley, N. J., chairman.

October 5-4-7, 1956; Second Annual Congress of the American Federation of Spiritual Mediums, Inc., National Headquarters, 4935 S. Greenwood Ave., Chiego 15, Ill.; for 1956 programs write secretary, Elsa Nye.

october 13-14: Annual convention of the Spiritualist National Union, Niagara Falls, Ontario; Canada; for information write Harry E. Woodhouse, 1143 Mor rison St., Niagara Falls, Ont., Canada

ser 16, 17, 18: 2nd annual convention the Associated Psychic Science arches, Inc., Wisconsin Hotel, Mil-akee, Wisconsin; secretary, Joseph 7728 West Center St., Milwaukee

ber 8th-13th: 64th annual convention the National Spiritualist Association, Ivania Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.: for formation write Rev. Anna K. Rose, 04 W. Wyoming Ave., Philadelphia 40.

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# PASSES AWAY



Rev. William H. Jackson passed away April 30th at Chicago, Illinois. He was the founder of the First Spiritualist Episcopal Church, 721 Belmont Ave., Chicago, Illinois. He is survived by his wife, Rev. Rosemary Jackson, who has been pastor of the church for the past several years.

Rev. Austin Wallace, Eaton Rapids, Michigan officiated. He was 52.

Northport, Maine: The annual summer sessions begin at the Temple Heights Spiritualist Camp July 22nd and close August 19th, according to secretary, Edythe B. Meader. Speakers and mediums to be featured the entire camp season: Rev. C. Harrison Engle, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Rev. Harre C. Milesi, Boston, Mass.

Others listed on the program: Rev. Mae Potts, Toronto, Canada; Rev. Mildred Mason, Buffalo, N. Y.; Rev. Melvina Krauss, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Arthur Ford, New York City. Northport, Maine: The annual sum

Winterport, Maine: Abbie Bates, Bowdoinham, Maine, and Newell S. Perry were married recently. Best man, John Carleton; matron of honor, Doris Baker. Mrs. Perry is superintendent of Lyceums for the State of Maine.

Philadelphia, Pa: The 64th annual convention of the National Spritualist Association will be held October 8th-13th at the Sylvania Hotel, Locust St., just off Broad, according to chairman Rev. Anna K. Rose, 1004 West Wyoming Ave., Philadelphia 40.

The convention will open with a banquet 6:30 P. M. October 8th. Reservations can be made by writing Mary Mooney, 5204 Akron St., Philadelphia, 24.
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\*\*Onset\*\* (Cape Cod) Massachusetts: Speakers and mediums featured (June 29th-July 1) at the annual celebration of the First Spiritualist Church, Highland Avenue: Rev. Arthur Ford, Rev. Ida Demopoulos, Meroy M. Morse, Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, Rev. Kenneth Custance and Gladys Custance.

Annual summer session begin July 2nd and close September 2nd. Speakers and mediums featured: Rev. Arthur Ford, Rev. Ida Demopoulos, Jean E. Wakeling, Meroy M. Morse, Rev. Harold Alderson, Rev. May Potts, Theodore Meinth, Rev. Kenneth D. Custance, Rev. Gladys Custance, Diana Blazar, Rev. William Hubbard, Gladys LaLiberte, Elizabeth Karlson, Gertrude Wier, Rev. Anna K. Rose and Beatrice Gifford.

Onset is 54 miles from Boston at the upper end of Cape Cod.

New York City: Speakers and mediums featured recently at the Temple of Light, 152 W. 52nd St. Rev. Lillie Briton, Rev. Dorthea Morris, Rev. Frances Parker, Rev. Bertha Murtha, Fred Schneider, Flora L. Chagnon Borg, Rev. Winifred E. Dawe, Rev. Nicolas Plastina, Rev. Harriet Whitehead, Rev. James Byrne, Rev. Margaret Sliffta, Frances Lorenzo, Robert Clancy, Nicolas Amidites.

The Memorial service for Rev. William Charles Owens, founder of the Temple of Light, was held May 20th last.

According to minister of the church, Rev. Marion Owens, they hold a charter with the Independent Association of Spiritualists.

# CHURCH NEWS

South Bend, Indiana: Rev. Vernon R. Cummins, business manager of the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associates, Inc., San Antonio, Tex., was featured recently (April 17) at special services conducted in the home of Paul G. and C. Ruth Helm, 938 Emerson Ave. At this service, application to ioin the FS.C.A. Inc., was made by Rev. Alice Gentry, pastor of the Fellowship Spiritual Haven Church of this city.

\*\*Davison, Michigan: Splendid attendance has been reported by Rev. Ethel Knapp, pastor of the Church of Spiritual Light, 8291 E. Atherton Road. (See photos this page). The occasion was their formal opening last Easter, featuring Dr. D. W. Meyers, Howell, Michigan; and Mrs. and Rev. George Young, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Speakers, medium and church members featured at the service: Nelson Knapp, Rev. Pierrette S. Austin, Hulmville, Pa; Beatrice Ziegler, Columbus, Ohio; and Rev. Floyd C. Austin, Music; Lela Marr; Nettie Riddell, soloist.

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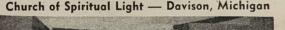
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St. Petersburg, Florida: Members of the International Spiritual Heal-ers Fellowship, organized in No-vember, have been announced by Rev. J. Bertran Gerling, business director

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1 1 The photographs above were taken at the Church of Spiritual Light, 8291 E. Atherton Road, Davison, Michigan. Upper photo, left to right: Herbert Griffin, Alvin Hodges, Nelson Knapp, Rev. Ethel Knapp tpastor), Boyd Shepler and Zell Meyers.

Lower photo, left to right: Rev. Beatrice Ziegler, Columbus, Ohio; Rev. Pierrette S. Austin and Rev. Floyd C. Austin, Hulmesville, Penna.

# Spiritualists Broadcast in Puerto Rico





Rev. Esther Rodriguez Perez (right) and Rafael Alvarez Leandri (left) pastor and secretary respectively of the First Liberal Psychic Science Center, Luna and Concordia Sts., Ponce, Puerto Rico.

Says Mr. Leandri: "For the first time in the history of Puerto Rico, thousands have become aware of the fact that Spiritualism is a religion. This is due mainly to our recent radio broadcasts made possible through the cooperation of Professor Jorge A. Vasquez.

Speakers and mediums featured at the Ponce Center recently: Perez Cadilla, Rev. Luis S. Sanchez and Prof. Vasquez.

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Rye, New Hampshire: Jane Elizabeth Caswell and Allen Forbes Brown were married recently. Rev. Frank Daley, pastor of the First Spiritualist Church, Portsmouth, N. H., officiated. Best man, Richard Knowles; matron of honor, Lucy Anderson.

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