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Ralph G. Pressing



Juliette Ewing Pressing

Health Reasons End 20-Year Editorships

The Psychic Observer, Spiritualism's leading pictorial journal, will be edited and published by new management beginning with this August issue.

As was announced in the July edition of the paper, transfer of the publication was deemed imperative by its founders and publishers, Ralph G. and Juliette Ewing Pressing, because of the ill health of Editor Ralph Pressing and the overwhelming responsibilities that Mrs. Pressing would incur should she attempt the editing and publishing single-handed.

The new management of this Spiritualist journal have been associated with the Pressings for many years. They are Agnes F. Reuther and Edward J. Byrne, both professional newspaper people.

Assuming the editorial post will be Agnes Reuther, now a reporter and press photographer. The new editor has known both Mr. and Mrs. Pressing since she was a young girl. Upon her graduation from college, she worked in their business and editorial offices for more than three years before moving to the West Coast.

Mr. Byrne will be business manager for the journal. A daily newspaper man for more than 20 years, Mr. Byrne is now editor and pub-

Pressings Plan For Immediate Future

The "Psychic Observer family" will be happy to hear that R. G. Pressing is having a satisfactory convalescence and recovering satisfactorily from the illness which struck him last fall. As a further step in the road back to good health he and his wife plan to take an extended cruise along the South American coast later this fall.

Before embarking for the voyage, the Pressings plan to spend several weeks in Puerto Rico.

If the former editor's health permits, upon their return to this country, they intend to take a motor trip through several of the states.

Currently, they are still residing at their home in Camp Chesterfield and in all probability, will not leave for their extended tour until the end of October.

The two Spiritualist leaders have promised to keep this journal posted as to their experiences, especially concerning the progress of the Movement in the several countries they will be visiting. To them both—Bon Voyage!

AN EDITORIAL

With this month's edition of the Psychic Observer, two internationally-known figures will bow from the active foreground of Spiritualism's journalistic field.

For nearly 20 years, Ralph G. and Juliette Ewing Pressing have devoted every minute of their time reporting the activities of the movement, encouraging mediums, speaking all over the country and carrying on an extensive research program in psychic science.

We would hardly be exaggerating to say "they gave their very lives for a philosophy and religion they believed in." This is exactly what has happened and why they are passing on to others a newspaper that they gave birth to, gave loving and expert care to through trying years, helping it grow by adding new life in the form of material presented, and now can view it as a mature publication with a foundation that is impenetrable and possessing thousands of loyal and satisfied subscribers.

Even a mental giant must succumb to physical limitations. Together they were a team that functioned smoothly and produced constructive results. When the serious illness struck Editor Ralph, in a vicarious way it struck Publisher Juliette. The toll was high for a schedule that demanded long hours, seven days a week from the Pressings.

However, if each of us could reach a point in life, when we were able to glance back and feel that we had accomplished what the founders and editors of Psychic Observer had, the world story would be a far different one than that we read today.

We propose to do two things that we hope will indicate our respect and admiration for these two Spiritualist leaders. Mr. and Mrs.

Pressing have accepted the position of editors emeritus of Psychic Observer, so to them, this, and every issue of the journal, will be dedicated. Further, an editorial policy they have established will be maintained—their aims and aspirations have become ours. Stimulating the growth of a religion that has a destiny beyond our present-day comprehension will be the primary reason for the publication of this journal.

Secondly, our green masthead. Those of you who have visited Psychic Observer offices may remember the green signs, and green colors used in the decorating of the offices. As well, Mr. and Mrs. Pressing chose green for their office stationery, billing forms and subscription wrappers.

We intend, printing processes allowing, to always carry a green masthead as a reminder to each of us of the two persons who made this journal live.

It is our hope that Psychic Observer will continue to show a strong growth, continue to act as a mouthpiece for the religion of Spiritualism. By so doing, the dreams of Mr. and Mrs. Pressing will continue to unfold for they will always be part of Psychic Observer.

As Ralph Pressing so aptly expressed it when turning the paper over to the new editors: "I tell myself only this—I have raised my child and now I am sending it away to college." We need not explain to you, our readers, the emotions both he and his gracious wife were experiencing at that moment.

We say only this—will you help us to earn that coveted college diploma—to earn a sheepskin that will have stamped upon it—"graduated summa cum laude."



AGNES F. REUTHER

lisher of the Jamestown Sun, Jamestown, N. Y. It is at this plant the Psychic Observer has been printed for more than five years and during this time, Mr. Byrne and Mr. and Mrs. Pressing have had a close personal and business relationship.

The editorial offices of Psychic Observer will be moved from Chesterfield, Indiana to Cassadaga, N.Y. The paper will continue to be printed in Jamestown, N. Y.

In August and September, there will be only one edition each month. However beginning with the October 10th issue, the paper will be published twice monthly, the 10th and 25th, as has been the policy in the past.

There is an eternal cry in the world: God is beseeching man to answer, to turn, to fulfill. In every act, we either answer or defy, we either return or move away, we either fulfill or miss the goal.

Theologian Heschel.

BOOKSHOP LOCATION

The Psychic Observer Bookshop will continue to operate at Camp Chesterfield during the regular camp season. Orders for books may still be made by addressing the request to:

Psychic Observer Bookshop,
Camp Chesterfield,
Chesterfield, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Pressing anticipate disposing of their entire stock so now is an opportunity to add to personal libraries. Numbered among the several hundred volumes to be sold are several rare and out-of-print books by authors of outstanding note.

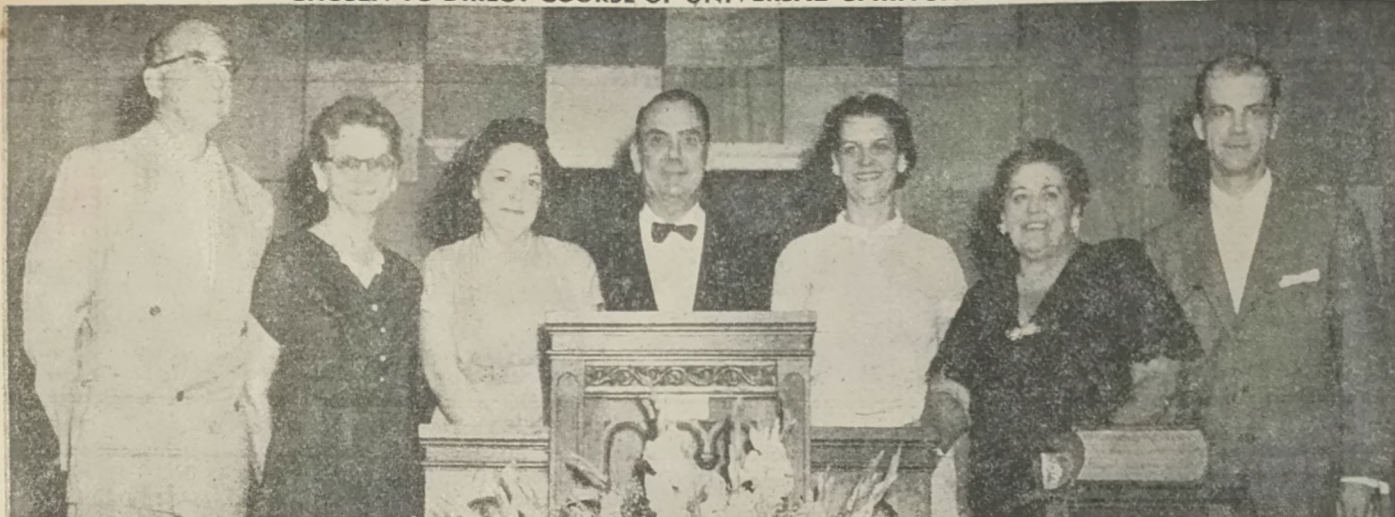
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OFFICERS ELECTED at the first conclave of the Universal Spiritualist Association held at Camp Chesterfield in June are: the Rev. Lytle Sensabaugh, treasurer general; the Rev. Pinninah Umbach, trustee; the Rev. Rosemary Jackson Thomas, trustee; the Rev. Clifford Bias, president; Mrs. Pauline Swann, secretary general; the Rev. Lillian Dee Johnson, president-elect; and the Rev. Austin D. Wallace, trustee.



MRS. EDNA HUMPHREY (extreme right) of Flint, Mich., was ordained minister during the conference of the Universal Spiritualist Association. Those who received deacon papers were: from left, Howard Dills of Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Josephine Huber of Chesterfield, Ind.; and Mrs. Martha Smith of Crawfordsville, Ind.

Memorial Service For Carl Slade

San Francisco, California: Special memorial services were held at the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, 1901 Franklin St., for Carl H. Slade, a faithful member who passed into the world of Spirit on June 12.

Paying tribute to Mr. Slade, the Rev. Florence Becker-Simmons, pastor of the church, wrote of him: "He served this church with all his heart. He was a student of truth—a friend to all. Upon his countenance, Spirituality smiled, for he carried before him the Light of his religion of Spiritualism. On that day in June when Carl Slade's mortal span ended on earth, his Illumined Spirit stepped onward through a flowering arbor to outstretched arms of Love Ones waiting on the Heavenly shore."

"Without loss of consciousness, he took his step through the change called death. He had perceived the Divine Plan of Life and had applied the laws of God. He had kept faith with the invisible. Carl Slade's application has become to us a spiritual symbol, a signpost upon the path we all shall one day tread."

An archway of flowers had been erected near the rostrum where the speaker gave her address, "What Must a Man Believe." There was special music for the service by the church choral group.

On Saturday evening, June 8, during the church social hour, the program featured a tribute to the late Mr. Slade written and narrated by Leta Giedt.

Lansing, Michigan: The 25th Anniversary services of the John W. Bunker Memorial Church held recently (June 9) were well attended. Assisting in the success of these services: Dayton Fisher, Mary A. Smock, Lena Roberts, Mrs. Will Hicks and Rev. Austin D. Wallace.

APPORTS MOUNTED

Rings, pendants, lapel pins, cuff-links, earrings. All work hand-wrought in sterling silver; designed and executed by impression. Quiet Hills Craftshop, Dorthea Thompson Silvermith, RD 1, Great Hill Road, Newtown, Conn. (P-454)

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U S A Group Organizes

The Rev. Clifford Bias was elected president of the General Board of the newly-organized Universal Spiritualist Association. Election of officers was held at the first meeting of the group on June 14, 15 and 16 at Camp Chesterfield, Indiana.

Representatives from 21 chartered churches were in attendance and the other officers they chose to serve with the Rev. Bias are: the Rev. Lillian Dee Johnson, president-elect; Mrs. Pauline Swann, secretary general; the Rev. Lytle Sensabaugh, treasurer general; and the Rev. Austin Wallace, the Rev. Pinninah Umbach and the Rev. Rosemary Jackson Thomas, trustees.

Mrs. Swann reported that among the membership of the Association are 42 ordained ministers, 11 deacons, 24 healers, 37 missionaries and 14 members at large in addition to the 21 member churches.

During the three-day meet, Mrs. Edna Humphrey of Flint, Mich., was ordained a minister of the Association, and Mrs. Josephine Huber, of Chesterfield, Ind., Howard Dills of Flint, Mich., and Mrs.

Martha Smith of Crawfordsville, Ind., were received as deacons.

Ordination for Mrs. Nora Gustin of Streator, Ill., who successfully completed her examinations, will be held this fall in her home church, the Universal Spiritualist Church of Streator. At the same time, Mrs. Rosemary Keith will be presented the missionary certificate.

During the second evening of the conference, a mass demonstration of psychic phenomena was given with Lytle Sensabaugh conducting the meeting. Mediums participating in the public seance were: the Rev. Johnson, independent cardwriting; Nellie Curry Hickok, clairvoyance; Fred L. Felix, blindfold billets; and Austin Wallace, apports.

Delegates were welcomed to the camp by the Rev. Mable Riffle, secretary of Chesterfield. Others who participated in the conference were the Rev. Juliette Pressing of Chesterfield; the Rev. Beulah Brison Jarrett of Charleston, W. Va., and the Rev. Pal Strakey of Cincinnati, O.

Hollywood, California: According to announcement by the Church of Divine Power, no services will be held during the months of July and August. Opening service will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8, in a new location, 1141 North El Centro Ave. (one block north of Santa Monica and one block east of Vine St. Plans are also being made to hold regular healing services each Thursday, beginning Sept. 12. Both services will be conducted by the Rev. Lorraine LaVan, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Darrell Mulford, assistant pastor, and the Rev. Jean Burkhardt.

New York City: Every Monday evening at 8, George Henry Clark is featured by the National Congress of Healers and Spiritual Consultants, Inc., at 211 West 57th Street (downstairs).

Talks, lectures and spiritual guidance are featured every Friday evening at 8, according to Rev. E. Strassburger, 983 Ogden Ave.

St. Joseph, Missouri: Services continue at the Christ Memorial Church, 21st and Felix St., according to Bernice McGrew, secretary, 209 South 15th St. Since the resignation of the former pastor, Rev. Floyd Thornton, local workers have been conducting services Wednesday and Sunday evenings. The class continues every Friday evening.

Lansing, Michigan: At the recent membership meeting of the First Spiritualist Episcopal Church, 700 South Holmes Road, a new board of directors was chosen as follows: Allan Mingus, president; Glenn Cornell, vice president; Thelma Alger, secretary; Mabel McCrumb, treasurer; trustees are Bud Brown, Julius Hosmer, Joseph Aton.

New York City: (CORRECTION) In a recent edition of *Psychic Observer*, on page 15, column 2, we published in our July issue a picture of Rev. Cleopatra Wright, which we said was Mrs. Bunkovsky. Sorry!

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There are many people, however who can attune their eyesight to a different rate of vibration and they can see the spirit body in visible to the normal eye. Such people are known as "clairvoyants" or clear seers. Others again can hear sounds which are inaudible to normal ears. They are called "clairaudients" or clear hearers. Because these people are in a small minority the great mass of people does not believe them or has perhaps not even met them.

No one would have believed 50 years ago that a box could repeat the talks, songs and music at the moment of performance in America or Australia, yet we believe it now. Popular radio has made it possible—not because we all understand it, but because most of us have such boxes in our homes. If the means of communication with the so-called dead were more widely known and used, people would cease to ridicule and disbelieve and it would become, like radio, a part of our ordinary lives.

We Can Communicate

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Famed Musician Had Vast Spiritual Powers



FLORIZEL REUTER

MUSIC lovers of a half-century ago will doubtless remember a great Spiritualist known then as "Florizel" the boy violinist, who made a tremendous sensation at the time in England.

Florizel V. Reuter not only developed into the stature necessary to become and continue to be a great Spiritualist, but he went on to accept with great humility numerous honors in Europe and America. He also came to be a great author.

Here is an exception to be

envied. Florizel, the boy violinist, was gifted widely and well. He was Florizel the great Spiritualist. He was, in addition, Florizel, the fine and effective writer. Thus writers, Spiritualists and musicians not only understandably envied him any one of his talents, but the wise among them let him serve as a fine inspiration.

Possessed Flair

Because he was these three wondrous things, he was also the possessor of another talent . . . showmanship. This latter quality means he was by necessity an extrovert . . . it follows that he had a complete faith in the source of his gifts and of his ability to carry off his duties with considerable aplomb. This he did.

While he had these three gifts, the main interest here lies in his Spiritualist tendencies. This gift was placed carefully by an understanding God. His mother had, long before his birth, developed automatic writing, receiving messages in at least seventeen languages! Many of these messages, in this tongue or that, were evi-

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dential in character and often coming in mirror writing. He was guided carefully, through his mother's understanding of the Spirit world, both Spiritually and materially.

As a musician . . . a psychically gifted musician . . . he went on to obey his fate and become widely and affectionately known as another Paganini.

Liked by Doyle

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, a man who knew greatness (and ahem) when he saw it . . . was not reluctant to act on it. He wrote an introduction to one of Reuter's great books, "Psychical Experiences of a Musician."

Sir Arthur cites, in this introduction, the numerous achievements and honors of this musician he describes as "Joachim Bach's legitimate successor," due to his understanding of the greats of the music world, Bach, Brahms and Beethoven.

Reuter, Doyle continues, appeared unsupported twenty times in the largest halls of London and he presented eighty-five concerts in the provinces and appeared as well three times in Buckingham Palace before Queen Alexandra and King Edward VII.

By this time Reuter was a grown man and a polished musician and in addition felt the stirrings and impulses of the need to commit his psychic experiences and beliefs to writing. Though his career was interrupted by a war, he had already at this time won for himself a name which even today is second to none among the great violinists of Europe.

Many Decorations

On the continent and in America he enjoyed a great career, being decorated at least five times. Reuter composed three operas and numerous works for full symphony and some music reference volumes refers to Reuter as "the greatest technician on the violin."

The romance-writer in Doyle was more or less unmoved by musicianship, but somehow strangely felt pulled to interest himself in this son and mother, both highly gifted, spending long winter days

and evenings in occult experiment in a mediaeval castle amid huge and dark forests, and the instrument with which they worked being invented and made by the isolated old man who dwelt near the village.

Could Doyle accept results which issued from so unreal-like and picturesque a source? These doubts faded away like a July frost. The psychic talents of this unusual mother and son duet greatly impressed Doyle and the whole world. They are no less great today.

The Greats Assist

Many are there who insist that Paganini had a very real bearing (psychic) on Reuter. Viewed from the distance of several years, the conclusion grows that Paganini and the other greats favored this talented child of the arts from their own wonderful world.

In "The Psychic Experiences of a Musician," Florizel V. Reuter gives a full analytical account of these phenomena. His second volume, "The Consoling Angel," narrates the return of a school friend of his mother's with over 300 proofs of identity! All these dealing with matters absolutely unknown to Reuter and his mother.

A third book of Prof. von Reuter, "A Musician Talks With Unseen Friends," is a record of automatic scripts received by himself alone . . . dealing with ethical and philosophical matters, and given, as in the case of Stainton Moses, by a band of communicators.

The mother and son went on in their developments, (with Reuter continuing his musical career without interruption), in direct voice and the receiving of apport phenomena in their own circle.

Fine Inspiration!

All in all . . . this great musician and writer used his psychic talents, and they were powerful and numerous, to spread the knowledge of Spiritualism and done much to heighten its stature as a positive science. His lectures throughout the world on psychic phenomena had a profound effect on all who attended them or read in their homes the transcripts from the many and wonderful appearances.

Florizel von Reuter obeyed his destiny, his urgings of talents to etch for himself a permanent place in the annals of the great ones of Spiritualism! He inspires even today the thousands of lovers of Spiritualism to greater and still greater efforts.

ORDAINED



EVELYN CLEOPATRA WRIGHT was ordained recently (May 12th) at the Divine Psychic Mission of Consolation, 419-38th St., Union City, New Jersey. The service was conducted by Rev. Herbert C. Millar; assisted by: Rev. Alma Gundlach, Rev. Charles Smith, Rev. J. D. Ford, Rev. G. V. Gandi and Marie Youskewich.

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THE JOB AHEAD

How often you have heard the quotation, "the Pen is Mightier Than the Sword."

From the deluge of letters in reply to the announcement in the July edition stating that Mr. and Mrs. Pressing were planning to give up this journal, it would seem justifiable to say the pen of Psychic Observer has drawn a fortress in the religion of Spiritualism that would be almost impossible to eradicate.

At the same time, the reams of mail give this editor a sense of awe at the task about to be undertaken—that of stepping into the shoes of two people who have followers with unswerving loyalty and who look upon this journal as their prime source of information concerning their religion and philosophy.

We know that Spiritualism is as "old as the ages" but as an organized religion, it is still an infant. The work to be accomplished requires laborers who are forceful and aggressive and yet humble and meek.

Through the pages of this journal we intend to print just what is going on in the movement, not only in this country but in all of the countries of the world. We hope to tell what strides have been taken, what victories won and even what failures experienced.

To do this job will require the help of every Spiritualist. We ask that you send your news to this office with pictures of your activities whenever possible. If you have an idea that you feel is worth telling others about, do not hesitate to write us.

This editorial office extends an invitation to mediums who may be interested in experimental work. We are particularly anxious to use photography so as to illustrate for our readers the medium in action and the phenomena produced.

We must face facts. Our religion is a minority and it will never become a majority until we do something about it. We cannot do it alone, that we know, but we know too, if we do our share, Spirits will do theirs.

By the reporting of clear, concise facts of the activities in the movement, by the printing of articles by writers who are experts in the field of our religion and philosophy, by the use of pictures, many, many pictures, we are taking a proverbial "giant step."

Remember this, however, we are printing "local news on a national level" and in order to do so, each of you must become a reporter for your vicinity.

Your first assignment—what are you, your church, your organization doing or planning to do?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM ALL

I am indeed sorry to hear that you are not feeling up to par. I do hope someone else will take over the Psychic Observer if you should decide to retire.

REV. GRACE E. WAGNER

I read with regret the sad news of our most interesting newspaper, the Psychic Observer, being discussed as to its changing hands or going under another name.

I do hope it will be continued. I have taken it since it was a small magazine. With God's help, I am sure someone can carry on with it. We all need this spiritual guidance and I, for one, would deeply miss it.

MRS. CAROLYN B. SPACKMAN
R. R. 1,
Monticello, Ind.

I saw your notice in my last Psychic Observer. I am more than sorry to hear Mr. Pressing and yourself are considering retirement, but I am not surprised as I have both had a heavy burden as I well know and I have been so sorry.

As you know, I have been a very interested subscriber for many

years and now a life member. I am very interested in Psychic Observer and should miss it dreadfully as it is the best psychic paper there is.

MRS. DOROTHY M. DOWNS
530 Kingston Rd.,
Toronto 8, Canada.

It is repetitious to tell you that Psychic Observer is one of our favorite papers. What the future will be—we pray for better conditions during your days of retirement from your present activities.

We trust that your successors will really know the profession and understand the required editorial slant and readers' points of interest. Disregard of the law of sacredness can quickly wreck the Psychic Observer or any publication. This we do not want to see.

MR. AND MRS. WESLEY RUBLE
2659 Ellendale Pl.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Psychic Observer has been a Godsend to me. Am sure it will be a great blow to many others as well as myself should it be discontinued. May God be with you and Mr. Pressing now and always.

MARTHA R. P. KING
Paris, Kentucky.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Agree? Disagree? Comment to make or line of thought to suggest? This is your section of Psychic Observer and we heartily welcome your letters. Type or write legibly on one side of the paper and keep your letter short. Your name and address, legibly, must accompany your letter. Letters may be condensed. Psychic Observer does not necessarily identify itself with any views expressed by a reader.

I was shocked to read the announcement in your last issue of Psychic Observer and I am sure that a great many of the readers of your paper will be too. I do hope and pray that help will be forthcoming so that the paper will continue as it has in the past.

I am praying that your health will improve so that we may continue to receive the wonderful news we get in your paper and may God bless and keep you both with us for a good many years yet.

EDWARD HILL
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

As an old subscriber to the Psychic Observer, am more than sorry to hear that you will have to stop issuing the paper. More than sorry to hear your health is being impaired with just too much work. Hope both you and Mr. Pressing are feeling better when this little note reaches you.

May God bless and keep you both for a long time.

LAURA GIERMAN
264 Bellfield Ave.,
Elyria, Ohio.

Just a few words in answer to your request to let you know if we are interested in the continuity of the Psychic Observer.

I am interested. I have been a subscriber from the beginning and before that I took the Progressive Thinker so I guess I would be lost without it.

I hope Mr. Pressing is regaining his health. Twenty years is a long time and I know you must be tired.

MRS. C. J. WORDEN
1113 Boynton St.,
Glendale 5, Calif.

Hope this finds Mr. Pressing improving in health. Received the July Observers and they were gone in no time. Can't understand why others thought they wouldn't sell. There is so much news and spiritual education in the Observer when one will take the time to read it.

God bless you both and may God's Spirit World give you the strength to carry on.

RUTH WALKER SUTTERBY
116½ S. Main St.,
Elkhart, Ind.

Notice in the last copy of the Observer that you two are thinking of going into retirement. I am sorry as I hope you'll both be around many more years as editors of the Observer.

If and when you two do retire, I hope some arrangements can be made to keep the Observer in circulation.

CLAIR FELLOWS
Frederick, Md.

It is not difficult to understand your wish to retire after many years of effort in the psychic field. However, the Psychic Observer fills a great need. There is no publication to equal it. None to replace it.

I sincerely hope you will decide to continue its publication although it must be a tremendous task. Your decision will be awaited with eagerness by many I am sure.

JEANNETTE C. LEIDY
535 W. 113th St.,
New York 25, N. Y.

I am writing in response to the announcement in the July number.

We get the Observer at our church meetings and have read it for ten years. We read it from cover to cover. It is our textbook on Spiritualism. We feel that it reports Spiritualism very worthily giving all sides of the question a say-so.

One had the feeling that the paper would be there as long as one could read. Then in October came the break of Mr. Pressing's suddenly having to give it up. But as far as the calibre of the paper is concerned, it must have been a tremendous thing for you to have full responsibility for getting it out.

It is to be hoped that the paper can be passed on to other owners

who will continue to carry out its purpose.

MRS. FOREST L. SMITH
Toledo 9, Ohio.

LEPROSY TREATED

The Psychic Observer printed a letter to the editor concerning the great healer, Dr. Reginald Mills of Hollywood, Calif. I too would like to make a statement of gratitude to you.

Earlier this year I wrote to Dr. Reginald Mills in Hollywood, Calif., and asked him to give absent treatment to a friend of mine here in San Antonio, who suffered from an acute heart disease which would have required heart surgery. The patient recovered after one week of absent treatment by Dr. Mills.

In March, this year, I asked Dr. Mills to treat a case of leprosy by absent treatment. The patient was Valerian Paller who was treated in Culion Sanitarium, Culion, Palawan, Philippine Islands, for about 20 years as an incurable leprosy patient.

The disease spread to his kidneys and he suffered such excruciating pains that he couldn't stand erect. After absent treatment by Dr. Mills, the patient suddenly was filled with energy. As his wife testified in a letter: "My husband is full of pep and energy. He has a healthy appetite and sleeps all night. His kidneys do not bother him any more and he feels so strong that I have to find more and more work for him. Last month, the blood test revealed that many parts of his body are GETTING NEGATIVE OF LEPROSY."

I sent some copies of the Psychic Observer to the patients in the Culion Sanitarium and they appreciate it very much because it brings them new hope.

GEORGE LAGUS
809 N. McCullough Ave.,
San Antonio 12, Texas.

HELPED BY EDITORIAL

I read your editorial tonight and I think it is most inspiring and so well put. I am sure you are going to do a wonderful job and am so happy that you are going to continue to edit the paper.

I am not a Spiritualist (not that I don't want to be, I just do not know enough about it, but am learning), but when I read your paper I get such a blessing from it. I feel so good inside and so inspired from the wonderful articles. I look forward each month with avid interest for the next paper. If I had to do without all my reading and take your paper, the latter would be my choice. So please be assured that you are making one person very happy by continuing your work.

Please remember me again to Mr. Pressing and I do hope he recovers more rapidly than you said in the paper. He is such a jovial person I know he is taking it like a good soldier. My prayers with you both.

MRS. R. O. SMITH
Uptown Theatre,
Marble Falls, Texas.

ENJOYED EXPERIENCE

We enjoyed seeing and hearing you at your recent appearance in Chicago.

Rev. Camardo's new church on Altgeld is really beautiful.

At the banquet we rubbed our elbows thin against our neighbors—some crowd.

We went back Monday evening for the Frank Decker seances—very interesting to hear his guides work. We understand we have you to thank for his being there. It was a very worthwhile experience.

ADALE and NORVIN VAUGHAN
1413 Farwell Ave.,
Chicago 26, Illinois.

All, who you would win, must share it; happiness was born a twin.

Lord Byron.

The Ascending Path

by
A. B. MORDAING

The Everlasting Life

From the High Spheres of the invisible Kingdom of God, which is also known by the word Heaven, comes to us of the material plane of existence a constant outpouring of divine emanations which express themselves in the form of incomparable symphonies and showers of iridescent lights, the magnificence of which can hardly be described.

These emanations are reaching us through the constant interplay of the auras of the invisible Hierarchy and of the loving souls of elevated consciousness and can be discerned by the ones who are gifted with clairvoyance and clairaudience.

And today, as of old, we can say as the Scripture says: "... They have eyes and they see not; and they have ears and they hear not." for mankind at large is still completely unaware of the reality of these emanations which constantly permeate our Cosmos. But we all could perceive them if we could only get attuned to the harmonious vibrations of those finer realms of expression which are part of the Kingdom of God.

We still see through "a glass darkly" and we are not yet conscious of this encompassing glory which comes from the Spirit world which some day be our own true inheritance, the Everlasting Light or Perfect Harmony with "our Father which is in Heaven."

However through the Spiritualist movement, many have been the ones who have become aware of the Spirit world through phenomena and other manifestations. This is in reality the great mission of Spiritualism—to bring to men the realization of the continuity of life and to dispel from their hearts the fear of death and to relieve their minds from the shackles of orthodoxy and dogmatism.

The messages of the world of Spirit also serve the purpose of bringing comfort in moments of despair and tribulation and encouragement when we tread the "Narrow Path" of spiritual progress. However Spirit messages primarily are meant to help mankind to realize that one life span is not the only hope of existence and that some day we will share for ever the "life" or light of the higher realms which encompass us.

A greater awareness of this fact can only bring to our minds and hearts a constant upliftment and the ineffable feeling of being constantly protected and guided by those angels of light whose sole purpose is to fulfill the will of God; that is to say, to bring about the harmonious completion of His creation.

As Master Jesus said "In My Father's house there are many mansions," for there are indeed many heavenly realms, and so according to our spiritual progress, that is to say according to the expansion of our consciousness, we

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Noah Zerdin Presents Comprehensive, Brief Study of Spiritualism

By NOAH ZERDIN

SPIRITUALISM is the name by which the idea of survival and communication is commonly known. Survival is the idea that man—or the human personality—survives the death of the earthly body.

What Is the Evidence?

Survival of the human personality or spirit after death is not a matter of religious belief or faith, but a scientifically established fact, based upon a tremendous amount of evidence, carefully collected and critically examined by some of the world's greatest scientists and men of affairs, and testified to by many thousands of ordinary men and women who have had personal proof of the truth of survival.

What Is a Spirit?

Psychic science demonstrates that man comprises a physical body and a spiritual (or etheric) counterpart. Within this spirit body is the Divine Spark, that spiritual germ of life which is God's contribution to our make-up and is responsible for our life and intelligence. This etheric or spirit body is a replica of our physical body and in certain circumstances this spirit body can be and has been seen.

What Is Death?

Psychic science further demonstrates that the physical body is merely the covering for our etheric or real self; a covering which, like the diver's suit, is essential for our existence under the physical conditions of our earthly life. We regard the loss of this matter-body as death.

What Survives?

Continuing the analogy, when our earthly "diver's suit" is cast off, our real self goes forth free and unfettered to a higher and fuller life of progress, but we take with us all our knowledge (or lack of it), memory, ambitions, love and affections. We take with us all that to us means life, even most of our likes, dislikes and other characteristics.

Not the End of Life

Death, therefore, is not the end of life but a change in the form of life, a change comparable with that of the chrysalis to the butterfly, the egg to the chick, or the human embryo to the visible child. The reason why we cannot see that part of us which survives is because the spirit body is conditioned to a higher rate of vibration than our physical body.

Modern man knows that everything is in a state of vibration, that the rate of vibration is not common to all objects and that there are rates of vibration to which our eyes are unresponsive and objects with such vibrations are therefore invisible to our ordinary sight.

There are many people, however, who can attune their eyesight to a different rate of vibration and they can see the spirit body invisible to the normal eye. Such people are known as "clairvoyants" or clear seers. Others again can hear sounds which are inaudible to normal ears. They are called "clairaudients" or clear hearers. Because these people are in a small minority the great mass of people does not believe them or has perhaps not even met them.

No one would have believed 50 years ago that a box could repeat the talks, songs and music at the moment of performance in America or Australia, yet we believe it now. Popular radio has made it possible—not because we all understand it, but because most of us have such boxes in our homes.

If the means of communication with the so-called dead were more widely known and used, people would cease to ridicule and disbelieve and it would become, like radio, a part of our ordinary lives.

We Can Communicate

That communication between the living and the so-called dead is possible, has been scientifically proven beyond the shadow of a



NOAH ZERDIN

doubt. Scientists in many branches of science who have set out with the idea of discovering and exposing the fraudulent basis of spiritual phenomena, have been forced to admit, after years of careful study of the subject, that they have been in direct communication with the dead.

Lawyers, writers, journalists, business men and women in every branch of trade and profession, have themselves been in communication with their dear ones and have received indisputable evidence of their continued life and of their continued affection and interest in our life and affairs.

Where Are the Dead?

This question will be asked by all who believe that everything has a location and I shall try to give as concise an answer as possible with the knowledge that a scientifically tested answer is at present not available.

We all know that this world of ours is a mere speck in the great universe. Scientists are just beginning to study the nature of space and from the little they have already discovered, they have realized that the space around us is not quite as empty as they had imagined. In fact, they state that it is full of something—at present an indefinable something—and, for want of a better name, they call it the "ether of space."

Many of its characteristics or peculiarities have already been discovered, one of them being that it is the medium through which radio, light and heat waves radiate, and just as we know of the many wavelengths, a term made popular by modern radio, so there are many layers of "ether" of varying density.

It is in this unknown and unexplored ether of space that our spirit friends who communicate with us tell us that they live. The more advanced spirits are "further" from the earth and some spheres are so far removed from us that direct contact is not possible, and communication is only possible by means of thought waves which, like wireless waves, can penetrate where we cannot.

Locality of the Spirit World

In a recent chat with the group of my spirit advisers and teachers, I asked them if the spirit world had a locality as we understand the expression and if they could explain it in clearly understandable language. This is how it was conveyed to me.

"Can you imagine a ring round the earth?"

"Yes," I said.

"Well, there are several such rings round the earth representing the various spheres, from the nearest and lowest one close to the earth known as 'The Summerland,' to the highest, described by some as 'The Christ Sphere.'"

"There are, however, spheres which penetrate the earth in which are located the 'hell states.' Not that there is such an actual place

as hell, but to these lower spheres gravitate the evil doers and those who, in life, deliberately made others suffer and who passed over without repeating. It is their state of mind (or conscience) that creates their own hell for them."

Can All Communicate?

Yes, all can communicate with their dear ones, provided that there is a sufficiently strong bond of love and affection, or interest, and provided also that there is present the necessary psychic power possessed either by the communicator or others with him at the time.

The possessor of any psychic power is called a medium. The medium is an instrument of communication with the unseen world around us, just as the wire-less receiver is the medium through which is communicated anything that is transmitted within reach of its wavelength.

Communication with the unseen world around us is a very wonderful thing but it is not advisable for all to attempt it, except through a well tried medium, but anyone investigating for himself must remember that spirit communication is not a hobby or a pastime, nor is it a new form of amusement. In colloquial terms, one should not dabble!

Psychic Science

The study of the evidence supporting survival is known as psychic science. Its investigation means psychic research, a work which requires a great amount of study, of reading some of the great works by those who have had first hand experiences. We must bear in mind that the seance (or sitting) room is not a place of amusement, but the laboratory of a great science, a science of which we know very little regarding its laws and workings, and it behooves us well to approach it only after considerable study and careful preparation, and in a spirit of humility and reverence.

The unseen operators often perform what to those present appear to be miracles. Inanimate objects move without contact, voices thought to be long since stilled forever, speak from space, giving messages of identity and love. Those seen lowered into the grave come to life again, shake hands, embrace and kiss their dear ones, manifestations almost impossible to believe unless one witnesses them personally.

These are some of the wonders of the seance room, the Laboratory of Psychic Science, and no student should go into the laboratory without preliminary knowledge and preparation.

May We Disturb?

Many people who harbor some belief, in a vague form, in after life, are opposed to spirit communication under the mistaken idea that this disturbs the dead. It is based on the assumption that the dead have gone to a place of rest until the day of Judgement and must not be disturbed from their long slumber. This belief arises from lack of knowledge of the principles of survival.

We do not disturb the dead because there are no dead. Death is only a change in the form of life. We do not disturb them or bring them to us when we communicate with our dear ones because the urge for communication in most cases comes from them first.

It is they who wish to communicate with us, the loved ones they have left behind. They urge-us to communicate with them. They long to tell us that they are very much alive, that they are still near us, that they still love us and watch over us and that they are still interested in our welfare and daily lives. If we ignore that urge to communicate, if we refuse to give them the opportunity, we make them sad. Indeed, they see that after the first few weeks of anguish in which our loss seems overwhelming, there is deliberate hush-hush, a disguised attempt to forget them.

Remember that they are not dead.
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Real Job Of The Sitter Has Many Facets

By HORACE LEAF

SITTERS are really the determining factor in all sittings, but in a very special way. In addition to their mental reactions they bring their psychic force, and results vary accordingly.

Unfortunately, no medium seems to have kept a curve of his results, although in a rough way I did during my Australian tour. Over a long period I had to give about a dozen private readings each day, as well as conduct group seances, and I found the curve varied with the investigator.

Results Vary

I might start the day with a low percentage of successes and end with a high one, or vice versa. Between these extremes the curve varied very much, and it became obvious that this was caused primarily by the sitter.

So true is this that the aim of the sitter seems to be a minor factor; the worst type of sitter may get good results, while a good one may draw a blank.

Even allowing for differences of this kind, there are other characteristics of a general nature which play a part, imagination being one of them. Make-believe is a characteristic common to all of us, and affection usually predominates in it. Give a young girl a doll, and she will to all intents and purposes turn it into a baby.

Serious Play

Opposition is also another emotion which affects imagination. Any football or cricket match will prove that. In these sham battles, people with no enmity in ordinary affairs will show the strongest resentment to each other until the game is over.

This trait starts early, and children at what we call the "playing age" treat their play in deadly earnest, making a world of pretense displace the world of reality.

Do not think this characteristic ever dies out; it is in the mainstream of human life; so much so that rules are laid down for sports and hobbies and these are sternly imposed, and to break them is a very serious thing.

This discipline is a real part of social life.

Instincts and desires, and even passions, may be aroused, as was shown recently when an Australian killed an Englishman in a dispute over the Test Matches. Adult play seems well nigh devoid of imagination, becoming for the time being, real.

These comments are meant to impress on you the vital part imagination plays when people are investigating mediumship. Here is a powerful force determining very often the attitude of the investigator or to the phenomena which can lead to much misapprehension.

Have you noticed how many people who experience spontaneous clairvoyance "read" into their visions their own prejudices by insisting that they saw, say, Jesus?

Simple Test

Question these men and women, and you will find that their vision corresponded with the popular notion of what these characters looked like.

This is due to the insistence of the mind to make order out of chaos, for it hates confusion and uncertainty.

A well-known example is the mirage.

While walking along the southern coast of Iceland, some time ago, I passed over a long stretch of igneous shingle, jet black and shiny. In the rear distance I thought I saw boats with people in them, and men, women, and children walking about in the water.

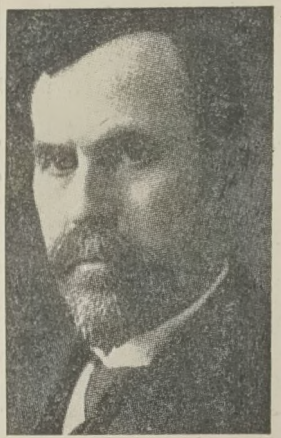
On reaching the place, I found nothing but black boulders scattered about. My imagination had conjured up the complicated scene.

In view of this, is there any cause for wonderment that Christians mistake controls for devils, and sceptics mistake them for creations of medium's subconsciousness?

Another grave cause of misunderstanding is the investigator's ignorance of the way spirits work through mediums.

These facts are disturbing, but

He Was Not Afraid



Professor James Harvey Hyslop, Columbia University, was one of Spiritualism's greatest pioneers. As president of the American Society for Psychical Research, he assembled data proving personal conscious survival.

allowance must be made for them if we are properly to evaluate the part investigators play at seances. For them a "close-up" to the spirit world is impossible, and they must form their own opinions on what the medium says.

If you would like to test the force of imagination try a simple experiment used in psychological laboratories.

At the end of a long passage place there a picture which cannot clearly be seen. Ask a number of observers to approach it, yard by yard, at each yard writing down what they think the picture to be, until they are close enough to see it clearly. Then read what each has written; and the results will amaze you.

Many Have Tried

So active is imagination that the picture is liable to alter profoundly from stage to stage. A rural scene may be conceived to be a battle or a shipwreck, or something equally outlandish.

Spirits have never been able, for some reason or other, to give a satisfactory explanation of exactly how they work through mediums, and we have to form our own opinion on the subject. I know of only one scientific investigator who undertook to solve this problem—James Hyslop, Professor of Logic and Ethics at Columbia University, New York.

His conclusion was that spirits, when controlling mediums, generally used what he called the "chain method," which necessitated the cooperation of a number of spirits, working in different states of matter, bridging the gulf between the spirit world and our own.

The Master of Ceremonies, as it were, in the spirit world, transmits telepathically the information meant for the sitter to the spirit involved in the degree of matter immediately below the spirit world. This spirit passes it on to the next communicator, who in turn passes it on to the one still lower, and so on until the spirit controlling the medium transmits it through the medium.

If this is correct, as I believe in most cases it is, it is not difficult to realize the immense possibility of error arising in the process.

We have a parlor-game which demonstrates this effectively. The company sits in a ring and a phrase constructed by the first person is whispered to the second, who whispers it to the third, until the entire company has received it.

It is usually found that the phrase mentioned by the last person has little or no relation to the original.

How can we expect the uninformed sitters to understand this sort of thing? To them the matter seems straightforward.

If spirits can communicate, surely, they think, they must do it in precisely the same way that we do, forgetting that when we communicate with each other we do not do so perfectly.

Sitters Error

Investigators also have the mistaken notion that, because they desire to communicate with a particular spirit, then that spirit wants to communicate with them. This is one of the commonest of errors.

There is no guarantee either that every spirit can communicate, even if he wishes to. They are often

quite as confused as some of the sitters, and, like them, need to be initiated into the technique of supernormal communication.

Spirits often try unavailingly to communicate with us. An excellent example is found in the history of physical research and recounted by Professor William James and Dr. Richard Hodgson.

They had been experimenting with that superlative medium, Mrs. Leonore Piper. The controlling spirit requested them to "hold" the medium as he was about to leave temporarily.

No sooner had he gone than the hand of the medium was controlled by another spirit, who gave his name, time, and place of death, and requested the investigators to inform his wife that he was living and happy.

The writing concluded with this pregnant phrase, "I have been 25 years trying to do this." The wife was found and the script verified. The man had died 25 years before.

There is good reason for believing that much of our memory is purely cerebral in nature and is, when we die, left behind in the brain. If this is correct, the wonder is that so much can be recalled by the emancipated spirit.

Many philosophers have expressed the conviction that this world of ours is more illusory than real, and some even insist that it is not real at all. Remember that we probably see things "through the wrong end of the telescope," as it were, and the next world differs from ours primarily because it is more real, more solid.

No one has ever seen an atom; in its final analysis it is non-material—a form of energy. Yet how potent it is! By splitting it we have that terrible instrument, the atom bomb, which is so powerful that nothing material can compare with its force.

Special Part

The average investigator is ignorant of this view of things and thinks of any extra-planetary states as more tenuous and less real than our own.

There is another factor we must consider when trying to communicate with the Beyond. This is that the consciousness is not the entire mind but only a specialized part of it, which in the course of evolution has penetrated the brain like a ray. Every psychologist knows that beneath the threshold of awareness lie the subconscious aspects of mind, wherein reside our real potentialities.

At death the consciousness withdraws into the total self and, much as a drop of water becomes lost when dropped into a bucketful, may lose much of its earthly personality. If this is so, the marvel is that anything sequential is recalled when communicating with those on earth.

Like distant memory, events may be recalled in part, but not necessarily in their original order of time. This accounts for the fragmentary nature of most spirit communications. But how is the sitter to know this, for he is full of false hopes and cannot always have his anticipations fulfilled?

Intellect is by no means the most fundamental part of our make-up. Instincts, which are in the mainstream of life, are far more important, for they alone ensure physical existence. Add to these emotions, which are also very powerful, and you have two blind forces which play a tremendous part in the hopes and aims of the sitter.

How true it is that love is stronger than death! The "I" definitely survives, but in a world far more real than this world of ours, a world in which time and space and matter are vastly different and superior.

Spirits Say . . .

Cleverness does not necessarily enable anyone to realize this, because cleverness is a planetary quality. The Beyond is full of moral values, and, in very truth, there the last shall be first and the first shall be last. Spirits have always assured us that it is the "good" man and woman who counts in their world. They certainly do not in ours!

We can now understand the difficulties that arise when sitters cross-question spirit communicators. Just as the professor sounds meaningless to the uninformed mind, so do spirit-communicators to carping critics.

The fact is that if investigators knew their business better they would be content to listen, and later carefully consider what has transpired; but alas, many are dis-

COMING EVENTS

June 2nd-Labor Day: Annual season of Edgewood Spiritualist Camp, Puyallup, Washington; for 1957 programs, write: Rev. Mary Crip, c/o Edgewood Camp, Route No. 2, Box 539, Tacoma, 22, Washington.

June 21-Aug. 18: Annual summer season of the Chesterfield Spiritualist Camp, Chesterfield, Indiana; for 1957 programs, write: Mable Riffle, Sec'y.

June 29-Sept. 1: Seventy-eighth annual season of Lily Dale Assembly, Lily Dale, N. Y. For 1957 programs write: Secretary, Lily Dale Assembly, Lily Dale, N. Y.

June 30-July 31: 45th Anniversary of the National Spiritual Alliance, Thompson Memorial Temple, Lake Pleasant, Mass.; Sec'y: Marlon A. Rockwell.

June 22nd-Sept. 2nd: Annual season of Camp Silver, Belle Ephrata, Penna. For programs, write: Ethel Post-Parrish, Mountain Springs Hotel, Ephrata, Penna.

June 30th-Sept. 1st: Annual summer season of the Chesapeake Valley Spiritualist Assembly, Freeville, N. Y. for 1957 programs, write: Sec'y: Ruth J. Craft, 11 Charles St., Cortland, N. Y.

June 30-Sept. 1: Annual Season of the Connecticut Spiritualist Camp Meeting Association, Pine Grove, Niantic, Connecticut. For information and 1957 programs, write: Sec'y: Henrietta Williams, 1 Cherry St., Pine Grove, Niantic, Connecticut.

June 30-Sept. 2: Annual season of the Western Wisconsin Camp Association, Wonegan, Wisconsin. For 1957 programs write: Mrs. L. E. Kress, 1522 So. 73rd St., West Allis 14, Wisconsin.

July 1-Sept. 2: Annual season First Spiritualist Church, Onset (Cape Cod), Massachusetts; classes, seances and lectures; for information, write: Rev. Kenneth D. Custance, Box 1059, Onset, Mass.

July 1-31: Annual season of the National Spiritualist Alliance of U.S.A., Lake Pleasant, Massachusetts; for 1957 programs write Sec'y: Marion A. Rockwell, 47 Mt. Vernon St., Fitchburg, Mass.

July 14th-Aug. 25th: Annual season of Temple Heights Spiritualist Camp Association, Temple Heights, Maine; for information, reservations and programs for 1957, write: Cynthia B. Meader, Box 239, Togus, Maine.

July 28th-Aug. 25: Diamond Jubilee Convocation of the Universal Valley Spiritualist Association, Mount Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa. For program write: Grace L. Struve, 2423 North 3rd St., Clinton, Iowa.

Aug. 19-31: Chesterfield Seminary sponsored by the Universal Valley Spiritualist Association, Chesterfield, Indiana; For registration information write Pauline Swann, Chesterfield, Indiana.

Aug. 23, 24 25-1957 Third Annual Congress of The American Federation of Spiritual Mediums, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. For information, write: Maria S. Carlyae, 4935 South Greenwood Ave., Chicago 15, Illinois.

Sept. 6-Sept. 12, 1957: International Spiritualists Congress, Paris, France; for information regarding special tour, write Rev. Melvin O. Smith, 2453 Kensington Road, Columbus 21, Ohio.

September 4-8: Peace Prayer Sanctuary, Hotel Albany, Denver, Colorado, sponsored by Rev. Dortha C. Denner and Rev. Dortha A. Morris. Dedication service 7 P.M., Sept. 4th; open daily from 8 A.M. to 10 P.M. for prayer for peace and meditation during the 13th Annual Convention of the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations.

Sept. 5-8, 1957: Thirteenth Annual convention of the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations, Inc., Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado; Host Chairman: Rev. Sophie Busch-Tracy, 1859 Lincoln St., Denver 3, Colorado.

Oct. 14-19, 1957: The 65th annual convention of The National Spiritualist Association, Eastland Hotel, Portland, Maine.

Nov. 9-10: Annual convention of the New Jersey Psychic Association, Association, Inc., Herman Hall, 589 Orange St., Newark, N. J. For further information write: Sec'y: Rev. Dortha A. Morris, 532 Springfield Ave., Newark, N. J.

inclined to do this, and—the principal culprits are usually the clever ones, learned in earth affairs but uninformed about spiritual matters.

By and large, the results have been remarkably convincing and justify the belief of millions of Spiritualists in the survival of bodily death and the existence of the spirit world. Every now and then there have come communications to deny the reality of which would be to deny logic, reason and the laws of evidence.

She Denied

I will mention one example. While working for the Society for the Promotion of Psychic Knowledge in Denmark, there came to me at my hotel the spirit of a young girl who told me that she had been burned to death at the age of 14. She requested me to describe her to her mother at a large public meeting where I was to demonstrate clairvoyance that evening.

"Show me your mother," I said, "and I will gladly do so."

The mother was a very beautiful lady seated in the front row, and I described the girl to her. I also mentioned the circumstances of her death, concluding with the words, "She says she is your daughter."

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Padre Pio Stigmatist and Psychic

IT IS A FAIR guess that Francesco Forgione, better known as Padre Pio the world over, now aged 70, may go down in history as the most famous Stigmatist of all time. The life-story of this saintly man, of tremendous character, is told in "Padre Pio," in a straightforward manner, by Rev. Charles Mortimer Carty (Radio Replies Press, Saint Paul 1, Minnesota, \$3.50).

Two days before the feast of St. Francis, 1918, in the isolated Monastery in San Giovanni Rotundo, Italy, after Mass, a piercing cry rent the silence of the chapel. Unconscious on the floor, lay Padre Pio, bleeding profusely from 5 deep wounds in hands, feet and side. From that moment, constant pain, often agonizing, has been present in the wounds, which never close or stop bleeding. Columns of medical reports on them have been written, doctors having failed to cure them, or to stop the bleeding, which is daily. After hearing Confession, the Padre converses with hundreds, day after day, sleeps but 3 or 4 hours at night, consuming only 300 to 400 calories of food—not enough normally to replace the cupful of blood he loses daily. Once, sick with stomach trouble, he took nothing but water for 8 days—yet gained weight!

The Church has silenced Padre Pio everywhere but in the confessional, for years his only battleground. He may not write letters, or preach. Daily there reach him an average of 600 letters, three-fourths from Italy, and 50-80 telegrams.

The Padre possesses many psychic faculties, such as astral travel, bilocation, the gifts of invisibility, reading thoughts, understanding languages he has not studied, being the cause of perfumes, often a great distance from his body; and, perhaps above all, healing the sick.

As an example of bilocation—it is said he makes the Holy House every evening at the House of Loretto. When asked if he has ever been in Loretto, he said "No." "But, Father, people have seen you there!" said a lay brother. "Oh, that is something different." Bilocation, in fact.

He refuses to hear confessions except in Italian or Latin, the only languages he understands, except for a little French. Yet sometimes he understands people when they talk in other languages.

He will tell a penitent the exact number of times he has missed Mass on Sundays and Holy days; he answers questions not yet formulated; he discloses what is in letters without opening them; some letters he will destroy without opening, because they do not merit an answer.

To a doctor he said: "You carry your own condemnation in your pocket; you are a delinquent; read the letter in your pocket." It was the recommendation of a friend that Padre Pio convert the doctor. The doctor read the letter, turned pale, knelt, and asked for pardon.

Two sisters with difficulty obtained permission to visit the Padre, but were instructed not to kiss the gloved hands, for fear of bringing infection from gloves that came in contact with so many lips. They promised. But they could not resist kissing the hands, as others were doing. Smiling, he withdrew his hands, and said: "How about the promise?"

During the war, the Americans had an air base 75 miles from San Giovanni. There were Germans near, and a munitions base. The American officer planned a raid, which he led. Nearing San Giovanni, he saw, in front of his plane, high in the air, a monk with arms outstretched as if to warn him off. So the General ordered return to base and the bombs were dropped harmlessly in an open field. When told that the figure was probably that of Padre Pio the officer went to San Giovanni immediately recognizing the Padre as the one he had seen in front of his plane.

When asked whether Genoa would be bombed, he replied: "Oh, how they will bomb the poor city. So many homes, buildings and churches will crumble." Then, cheerily: "Be calm, your house will not be touched." The only house that remained standing was the one whose preservation the Padre had foretold.

Drs. Festa and Romanelli confirm the pleasant odor that ema-

rates from the Padre's wounds, testifying also that the blood does not corrupt, as would normally be the case.

Perfumes are especially violets, lilies, roses, incense, or fresh tobacco. Dr. Festa relates that, driving in an automobile with a piece of cloth enclosed in a case, the others in the car smelled the fragrance very distinctly, saying it corresponded precisely with that which emanated from the Padre.

(A personal note: 2 or 3 days after writing to Padre Pio, my wife woke at 3 A. M., sensing unmistakably a very powerful odor of Russian violets. So the "odor of sanctity" is not just a figure of speech!)

Signor Todini, on leaving Padre Pio, in heavy rain, remarked that he would be soaked. Said the Padre: "I'll go with you—in the spirit, of course." Arriving at his lodging, the Signor showed that his clothes were perfectly dry.

Emma Meneghello, 14, very pious, had epileptic fits several times a week. While in prayer, the Padre appeared to her, placed his hand on the bed sheet, smiled, and vanished. She was completely cured; on the sheet was a cross of blood. A blood-stained square from the sheet is preserved to this day.

The Padre can always foretell the sex of an unborn child.

Several pilgrims went to San Giovanni Rotundo. They saw an almond grove, the area below so thick with black caterpillars they had to trample on them. A man explained that the Padre, asked for help, had gone to the church terrace, blessed the almond trees below, and in a few minutes the street was covered with the caterpillars.

Stories of healings, of every imaginable disease, occupy 75 pages of the book. Of these, one of the most spectacular was that of Gemma Di Giorgi, of Ribera, Sicily. Her grandmother took her to the Padre, where they were soon lost in the crowd. A voice called: "Gemma, come here!" The child knelt; she was told she must take her first Communion. The Padre heard her confession, and stroked her eyes. She did not ask for anything; she forgot to do so! "May the Madonna bless you, Gemma," said the Padre. "Be a good girl." Instantly the child cried out she could see. The cure is permanent and complete, though the eyes still have no pupils. Needless to say, doctors cannot explain.

The stigmata are circular, about 2 cm. in diameter, in the centre of the palms, front and back. The Padre cannot completely close the palms. Every so often the skin falls off to give place to the new that forms. Feet wounds are similar, the stockings always stained with blood, top and bottom. The stigmata have been present for 37 years—the longest on record.

The side wound is 2 3/4 inches long; under the nipple is another wound, in the form of an inverted cross, the cross arm being 1 1/2 inches long. The wound is superficial, very sensitive to touch.

Now there is a fine hospital: "Home for the Relief of Suffering" with 350 beds, and room for some 60 nurses. Entrance is on the roof, patients arriving by helicopter.

Truly is this a story of stories, a book you should possess.

Absent Healing

England to Florida

B. E. ROESSLING, science and psychology teacher, Green Cove Springs, Florida, suffered severe concussion and serious multiple leg fractures. He was in the hospital eight months. X-rays showed upper break near knee-cap, lower above the ankle, both beginning to heal, but the center break refused to knit.

The bone specialist said he would never walk unless a plate was inserted, to give the center fracture a chance to heal. The patient declined the operation, although the specialist said he would never again walk without crutches and even that was doubtful.

Roessling secured a leg-brace, and spent the first few months in a wheel-chair. A friend mentioned absent healing cures, brought about through Harry Edwards, which "sounded too fantastic to believe." Roessling did not believe

in absent healing, and so did not write to Edwards as suggested. Some weeks later, however, his leg pained him considerably, and he could not walk even with crutches, so, "clutching at a straw," he did write to Edwards, in England. Ten days later he had a tremendous urge to try to walk with his crutches. He found he could do so.

A letter came from Edwards saying that the spirit doctors would try to help. Roessling was still doubtful. Some weeks later he had an irresistible urge to walk round the room with two canes. In spite of protests from friends he did so. Soon afterwards he needed only one cane, and then none at all, though he still wore the brace.

Four months after he had left the hospital he went back for another X-ray. When the bone specialist saw him walking without crutches or canes "his eyes popped." X-rays showed the middle fracture was completely healed, which the specialist said was impossible, and Roessling was advised to discard the brace.

The doctor called it a "medical miracle." Roessling can now walk almost normally. "I still have the X-ray photos and medical statement, proving to me how wrong I was not to believe in absent healing."

Poltergeists

Ever in the News

YOU CAN'T KEEP a good poltergeist down. They keep busy. Terry-Thomas, TV comedian, told the "Daily Mirror," according to "Two Worlds," that, in a few months, more than 100 items have vanished from his London home; such as pad with telephone numbers and reminders, three important photographs, and "every bottle-opener in the place." "My secretary has been driven almost frantic by things vanishing. We've had the piano to pieces, tipped the beds up. But never a trace." Must be a poltergeist. "There can be no other explanation. It moves things. And loses them."

He doesn't laugh at them any more. "It has taken us just under two months to teach us how nerve-destroying it can be when one's own life is affected."

At night they were awakened by the crash of a heavy mirror in the hall. Hook firmly in wall; chain intact. Nearly every night the bell rings. Indicator shows it is from the wiring in which they are sitting. Wiring is O.K.

Another well-publicized poltergeist is "Donald," who has been plaguing 15-year-old Shirley Hitchins, Wycliffe Road, London, saying to the family: "Get out of this house now." This has been going on for more than eight months. Donald used only to tap; now he writes—in ancient French; draws, news like a cat, and moans like a ghost.

Shirley lost her job as a cutter in a West End store, because Donald's raps scared her workmates. Recently she was "pulled off a bus," which prevented her becoming a civil servant. So she gave up trying to go to work. "It is not safe," said her mother, "anything may happen to the girl."

Grannie, in the flat upstairs, announced: "I've had enough. I'm going into a home."

Leaves and Fishes

Cake and Tea

"TWO WORLDS" tells of a reporter from "People," who got this story from Desmond Leslie.

Leslie had 28 hungry visitors in his flat. Round and round went the cake. Everyone took two pieces each, and there was still some left over.

Only one pot of tea was there, yet they all had a cup. No one filled the pot, and at the end it was still full.

He has an idea that, among the visitors, was a man from outer space, responsible for the "miracle." He did not see the man, but he "could feel a very powerful influence in the room. It could have been any one of the people there who were strangers to me."

This kind of thing certainly simplifies hospitality.

Belief or Action?

Society for Psychological Research

READERS may remember that recently in this journal there was an article on "Belief," in which the view was taken that bodies of Spiritualists, both in U.S.A. and in Great Britain, were most unwise in basing their program—if such it can be called—on 'beliefs' and 'assertions,' rather than on proposed action. One of the reasons for this criticism was that 'belief' falls short of knowledge: is by no means purely intellectual conviction, based on evidence, but has in it an element of emotion—in plain terms—'wishful thinking'; and is static, rather than dynamic, possessing in itself no urge or incentive to action, with a view to elevating 'belief' to the status of knowledge. 'Belief,' moreover, is little if anything more than a glorified guess or opinion. Hence it is more likely than not to be impermanent; it cannot be final, but it liable to demand change or modification as knowledge increases.

In reading Sir Oliver Lodge's "The Survival of Man," I find that the view presented above, must have been that taken by the founders of the British Society for Psychological Research, founded in 1882, and housed at 20 Hanover Square, London. This is borne out by the program sketched out by the Council of the Society, given below. Please note that every one of the six items on the AGENDA (not CREED!) is a clear, clarion call to ACTION. Now for the program:—

1. An examination of the nature and extent of any influence which may be exerted by one mind upon another, apart from any generally recognized mode of perception.
2. The study of hypnotism, and the forms of so-called mesmeric trance, with it alleged insensibility to pain: clairvoyance and other allied phenomena.
3. A critical revision of Reichenbach's researches with certain organizations called "sensitive," and an inquiry whether such organizations possess any power of perception beyond a highly exalted sensibility of the recognized sensory organs.
4. A careful investigation of any reports, resting on strong testimony, regarding apparitions at the moment of death, or otherwise, or regarding disturbances in houses reputed to be haunted.
5. An inquiry into the various physical phenomena commonly called Spiritualistic; with an attempt to discover their causes and general laws.
6. The collection and collation of existing materials bearing on the history of these subjects.

The aim of the Society is to approach these various problems without prejudice or prepossession of any kind, and in the . . . spirit of exact and unimpassioned inquiry . . .

Finally, to clinch the position, and definitely and specifically to exclude every trace of 'belief,' these words are added:

"It must be expressly stated that Membership of the Society does not imply the acceptance of any particular explanation of the phenomena investigated, nor any belief as to the operation, in the physical world, of forces other than those recognized by Physical Science."

If it interests you, it is my opinion, about which I decline to be the least humble, that the attitude here taken is the one and only attitude which a truly Scientific mind could possibly adopt. Opinions, guesses, beliefs, unproved assertions, simply do not mix with Science. A guess, as a working hypothesis for experiment and investigation, yes, but not as a foundation to glue yourself to, from which you can free yourself only by tearing something!

Reincarnation

Shanti Dvei

"MANAS" quotes from "Der Atem Indiens" (The Breath of India), by Hans Hasso von Clevheim Ostrau, the story of a Hindu girl Shanti Devi, born 17 Jan, 1944, at New Delhi. Instead of accepting the name her parents gave her, she insisted her name was Anned, she was the wife of Ahmed Lugdi, and lived at Muttra.

Ahmed being a Muslim name,

the parents were worried. At the age of seven the girl described exactly a Muslim ceremony, though she had never seen it. The parents accused her of lying, and called in a Brahmin, who was soon convinced that the child was no liar. He called in university professors from Delhi and Benares, who observed and questioned Shanti. It was clear she knew all about Ahmed Lugdi. So they brought him from his home in Muttra to New Delhi.

He sat in a room with 15 others. As soon as Shanti entered she went to him, said she knew him and that he had been her husband. Ahmed, aged 50, nearly fainted, thinking he heard the voice of his wife, who had died Oct. 25, 1928.

The two conversed for a long time, speaking of things which only two people who knew each other intimately could speak of. All present were deeply impressed.

Ahmed went home. Later Shanti was taken to Muttra, led to a square and asked to find her former house. This she did, on her way speaking to several people who had lived there in 1928, and whose names she knew. She met also her father-in-law, going with him into his house, every corner of which she knew.

Lafcadio Hearn relates a similar story of Katsugoro, a Japanese boy, referred to also by Dr. Ducasse.

Psychic Painter

"I've Been Here Before"

HERE is yet another of the "I've-been-here-before" incidents.

Mrs. Hortense Kelly, who had never been to Spain, painted a picture of a Spanish village, complete with steps, sunlight, fountain and houses, purely, as she thought, out of her imagination.

Later, while touring Spain, approaching a tiny village, she "had an uneasy feeling." The village turned out to be precisely as she had painted her picture. When she compared the sketch she made of it, it was identical with her painting.

Our thanks to the "Sunday Graphic" series, and to "Two Worlds."

The Ascending Path

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ings of wholeness, of completeness and of fulfillment.

All that pertains to the lower nature of man, impulses, cravings and the like are being cast off before he reaches those realms. Where the Everlasting Light dwells there are no more anxieties, no more limitations but all that we have known on this earthly plane in purity of thoughts and feelings we will have anew. However, magnified with such intensity that we could not fully comprehend it yet for we are still matter-bound with our gross earthly bodies.

To each it will be given according to the state of consciousness which is being reached. You may have heard many times the expression: "Man fashions his own destiny." We also could say: "Man fashions his own heaven." Let us now compare heaven to a diamond and man to a cutter. As for the diamond, the more facets it has the more beautiful it becomes. And if we compare the facets to our good deeds, good thoughts and good feelings, one can easily imagine how glorious his heaven can become by living a righteous and selfless life.

The Everlasting Light is a manifestation of the omnipresence of God. God IS, and the angels of light are reminding us constantly that this Light is waiting for us. No matter how dimly we perceive it or sense it ourselves, at the present time, it is part of us and is our divine heritage for we are all children of God. Let us then strive to instill within ourselves feelings of peace and harmony and love which will become manifested in our auras and will attract to us the blessings and healing of the angels of light.

These feelings can be attained through the various disciplines which constitute the "Narrow Path" but first of all by always acting according to the Golden Rule.

10 Thousands Were Helped By Informative Talks Of Will J. Erwood

THE TASK of counting the many thousands of persons that have thrilled to a lecture by the Rev. W. J. Erwood would be touching the impossible.

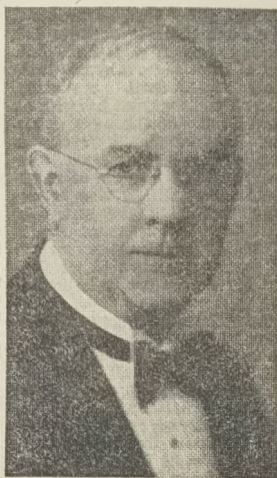
One of Spiritualism's most distinguished and ardent champions, the Rev. Mr. Erwood was singularly blessed with an early and priceless contact with Spiritualism. At the age of ten or thereabouts, he was engaged as a delivery boy for a grocer during summer vacations.

Knew Mrs. Richmond

Of this, Rev. Erwood said: "Then it was my duty to deliver supplies to Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, one of Spiritualism's outstanding personalities and noted pioneers.

"I had heard of her being a Spiritualist and was afraid of her, but occasionally I met her when I could not help myself. My usual custom was to slip into her kitchen, drop the goods on the table and scoot out of there as fast as I could... but sometimes we came face to face... and I found her very kind and gracious.

"Of course we never mentioned Spiritualism, for that subject was taboo to us as Catholic children."



REV. W. J. ERWOOD

be redundant in their classical style... they spoke concisely and clearly.

His Background

Once, when he found himself with a minute or two that was by some miracle not scheduled out like jam to a child, Rev. Erwood described his background.

His father was from Bath in England and his mother's people came from County Cork. The Rev. Mr. Erwood was a full American. He was born in an extremely American and individualistic city... Chicago in 1876... as a Catholic.

He once described his change, as it were, from Catholicism to Spiritualism.

Quoted, he said, in response to the question, How did you experience your change of faith?

"Well, that began quite early, for I have had mediumship ever since I can remember. My first striking Spiritualistic experience came about when I was something like eight years old and my sister was several years older.

"We were going upstairs to bed when we saw the ghostly figure of a man standing on the landing above. We were nearly scared to death and rushed downstairs and told father and mother about it and they in turn told us not to talk about it.

The Mystery Room

"The house was a large brick building known at the time as the Murphy Homestead, which stood in the approximate center of an acre of land. It was surrounded by fruit trees and I learned later that it had been frequently visited by Spirit personalities. There was one

room in the house that my parents never visited after dark!

"Next morning, after this visitation I went to the home of a playmate and told him about the fright we had the night before. We were sitting outside when his mother, leaning over the window sill, said, 'What is that you are saying, Will?' I told her the story again and when I described the ghost she exclaimed, 'My God, that's Grandpa Murphy!' She was herself the daughter of Mr. Murphy, who had formerly owned our house. After that my sister and myself never went to bed without a light."

The Indian Prophecy

When young Will Erwood was about fourteen the family moved to Los Angeles, California. There he discovered his neighbors were Spiritualists. With them, at the age of sixteen, he attended his first seance... one which he, as well as a later world full of people, recalled vividly.

Rev. Erwood, again in the first person, said:

"A young girl was controlled by an Indian spirit who said, 'Young Chief, inside of a year you will be a medium and I will control you.' I thought the girl was faking but said to myself that if she could tell me something about myself that nobody else knew I might think there was something in it. Then she immediately told me about an incident that happened in Chicago, about which no one but myself knew, not even my mother, who was present. It was just a boyish prank, but my mother wanted to know all about when it happened and how and why. This revelation was so sudden and unexpected that it took my breath away."

Leaves Own Body!

The young Will Erwood, far then from becoming the polished man of the world and authority on psychic matters, had other experiences. He once attended a circle at the home of a friend and a little after 8 o'clock that evening fell asleep. He awakened at midnight and the sitters advised him he had been entranced by an English spirit who gave the name of Anthony Forrester. He had then gone on to give delineations of spirit friends to every member of the group!

This first experience in trance mediumship forged a chain which was never broken.

One of the minister's most striking experiences was when he left his own body lying asleep in Los Angeles and traveled in spirit to Long Beach, approximately 24 miles away!

There he visited a friend, Dr. Dillingham, who was very ill at the time. Dr. Dillingham, sometime after his illness passed away, testified that he had seen and spoken to the visiting spirit of Dr. Erwood.

Another Visitation

Rev. Erwood once had a striking visitation from his father's sister who passed away while visiting in England. He saw her about midnight this particular night and she said, 'Will, I want you to tell your father that I departed from the earth-life a year ago.'

"We had not heard of her death," Rev. Erwood wrote.

The sister also gave some details for Will Erwood's father, and when advised of the matter, the father of Erwood wrote to the brother in

England, who wrote back giving the time, date and place of the passing away of his sister, Eliza... information which corresponded absolutely with what Erwood had received by his own mediumship.

Here was a man that gave considerable stature to Spiritualism.

He had, in addition to his other qualities, the good sense to not belittle the doubters... as a consequence the doubters made no attempt to belittle his beliefs.

Will Erwood, for that matter, couldn't be belittled... simply because his psychic experiences were so vivid, so numerous, so outstanding and so without vulnerability that all the world could do was accept.

Once in a while a man comes along whose "just being there" gives assurance to the wavering. The Rev. W. J. Erwood was such a person. He left nothing to chance, though. He was thorough and investigated every avenue of this or that form of doubt in the off chance that he was wrong. Actually, he very much believed in himself... a top requirement for greatness... but even so, his extreme leaning toward tolerance made him prove things already proven.

His activities have brought him in contact with all outstanding personalities. He was pastor for a few years of the Plymouth Church at Rochester, New York... also he served the pulpit of the First Association of Spiritualists in Philadelphia for ten years; was pastor of the First Spiritualist Church at Baltimore, Maryland, several years; was president of the Pennsylvania State Spiritualist Association and president of the Wisconsin State Association. During his Plymouth Church pastorate he served as director of the New York Assembly of Spiritualists, and during his years in Philadelphia he served on the faculty of Neff College, where he lectured on English and elocution and for four years occupied the chair of psychology and mental therapeutics at the American College of Neuropathy in Philadelphia.

Truly, here is a man who made high use of his talent!

Beggar Finds Pastor-Father

Major William H. Ramsey, 90-year-old chairman of the Central Union Mission board of directors, likes to repeat this story:

The Rev. John Clayton, a Methodist clergyman from Cincinnati, Ohio, was leaving the White House with a companion one afternoon in 1892, when a tramp approached him for a "handout." Instead of the expected handout, the beggar found his own father.

The son, Pearl, had run away many years before and the clergyman-father had been hearing strange voices telling him to go to Washington. According to Major Ramsey, young Pearl Clayton was converted that night at the Mission, and later married a girl he had met at the Mission, subsequently spending many years in government service.

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Chapter V

The Wholesome Principle —Love

"THEREFORE, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets."

The law of LOVE toward fellow-man must be realized and obeyed if we are to continue our way on the road of progressive living.

Think of that most wonderful Love in the heart of Jesus as He asked the Divine to forgive those who so unmercifully nailed Him to the cross! True, Jesus was crucified because of the sublime doctrine He gave to man, and His crucifixion was the most dastardly crime ever committed by the hand of man. His teachings will live forever because they are Divine. (Read "The Crucifixion," by Frederick Farrar.)

Those who crucified Jesus thought by so doing they would destroy His doctrine of Truth, Faith and Love, but how miserably they failed. The most noble characters this world has even known are the products of these teachings as laid down by the greatest teacher of all time!

Had Jesus surrendered and betrayed the Divine to save His material Self, then truly this wonderful doctrine would have been lost. But He so loved His fellow-men that He chose death (transition) to have them live! This is Love in its grandest and most supreme manifestation. "As the Father loved me, so have I loved you; continue ye in my love. This is my commandment. That ye love one another, as I have loved you." How sad it is that men of earth have not as yet learned to profit by this admonition.

To love thy neighbor as thyself may seem a difficult thing to do, but have you ever, in all sincerity, tried it? If not, then for your own welfare and happiness do so. You need not tell him, but begin by forgetting his faults, seeking his good qualities and wishing him well. It is not easy in the beginning to do this (at least I found it difficult), but be determined and through Faith give Love a trial; and as time passes you will be surprised by the results of your own thoughts. A reaction actually takes place! You will begin to feel bigger, better, happier than you ever felt in all your life. Those things others did that annoyed you before will hardly receive your attention now, and you will smile where you frowned before—in this manner men grow above men. Having brought yourself above those things which formerly annoyed you, you are no longer a field for their destructive action. And what is most gratifying of all is that any evil act or intention directed toward you reacts and actually shapes itself for your good. This may seem strange and unbelievable, but, nevertheless, it is an absolute fact.

Eliminate fault-finding, hatred, and revenge from your heart and you will experience a wonderful transformation of yourself. "They who forgive most shall be most forgiven."

All great souls have realized this fact, otherwise they could never have been great! Why go on fault-finding, hating, and seeking revenge when such thoughts and actions retard your progress and make you unhappy?

If weeds of this kind are growing in the garden of your personality uproot them, and by the side of Truth and Faith plant Love so that all may grow and bloom unhampered. It is personality which makes the man. It is that which

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Jacksonville, Florida
The Spiritual Lighthouse, 3817 Main St.; Services: Sun. and Wed. 8 P.M.; Class: Tues. 8:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Ida Pierce, Route #3, Box 1053, Jacksonville, Florida.

Friendship Spiritualist Temple, 308 W. 8th St. Services: Sun. 8 P.M.; Circle: Wed. 6 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Jerry McCabe; Phone: PO 5-3876; Sec'y: Beulah Myers, 64 W. 50th St.

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Leroy: J. T. & J. Crumbaugh Spiritualist Church, 313 East Center St. Services: Sunday 2 P.M.; Class: Thurs. 8 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Richard Ireland.

Peoria: First Universal Spiritualist Church (U.S.A.) G.A.R. Hall, 416 Hamilton Bldg.; Services: Sun. 7:30 P.M.; Pastor: Samuel Caughey; Phone 2-7622; Sec'y: Mrs. Samuel Caughey, 151 Longview Place, Longview Park.

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United Science Mission, 217 South Rockton Ave.; Services: Sun. & Wed. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Blanche McCarli; Phone: 57912.

Streator: Universal Spiritualist Church (U.S.A.), 523 Frech St. Services: Sun. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Nora M. Gustin; Sec'y: Rosemary Keith.

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Elkhart, Indiana
Clark Memorial Psychic Church, 316 Division St. Services: Sun. 7:30 P.M.; Thurs. 7:30 P.M.; 1st and 3rd Sun. 2:30 and 7:30 P.M.; Pres: Rev. Ruth Fasbaugh; Sec'y: Lillian Slayton; Treas: Ruth Sutcliffe.

Fort Wayne, Indiana
Christian Spiritual Temple, 209 1/2 Main St.; Services: Sunday 8 P.M.; Minister: Harry Sutton, R.F.D. No. 5, Elkhart.

Spiritualist Church of Divine Science (N.S.A.) 1615 Wells St. (cor. Spring) Thurs. 2 & 7:45 P.M.; Sun. 9:30 A.M. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Ruth Fasbaugh, 1604 Andrews St.; Phone: A-4567.

Church of Divine Spirit, (G.A.S.) 233 East Wayne St.; Services: Tues. and Sun., healing, 7:30 P.M.; Worship, 7:45 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Goldie Werner, 3414 New Haven Ave.; Phone: Anthony 6-0554.

Gary, Indiana
First Spiritualist Church, 2430 West 11th St.; Services: Sunday, 8 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Velma H. Dickson; President: Ruth M. Jenne; Sec'y: Reba Schallan.

Indianapolis, Indiana
Progressive Spiritualist Church, Park Ave. at St. Clair St.; services: Sun. & Tues. 7 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Ola Florence, 1929 Anon St.; Pres: Hazel Heald, 3550 Station St.; Sec'y: Rebecca E. Jeffries, 509 East 11th St.; Phone: Liberty 6-8337.

Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 1415 Central Ave.; Services: Thurs. 7:30 P.M.; Sun. 7 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Dr. B. F. Clark, President of the Indiana State Spiritualist Association; Phone: ME1096 4-6674; Sec'y: Ed Lingenfelter, 616 East 10th.

Spiritualist Center Church, 1901 Lexington St.; Services: Sun. 7:45 P.M.; Wed. 2:30 and 7:30 P.M.; President: Hazel Davis; Sec'y: Grace Driskell, 2235 North Butler Ave.; Phone: IRVington 9427.

Michigan City: First Spiritualist Church 220 West 10th St.; Services: Sunday & Monday 8 P.M.; Every 4th Sun. 3 & 8 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Amelia Huling; Sec'y: Gertrude Rochar; Phone: 2-1616.

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Brockton: First Spiritualist Church, corner Green and Glenwood Sts. Services: Sunday 7 P.M.; and Thursday 7:30 P.M.; Pastor: Rev. Ann Robbins; Pres: Gertrude Weir.

Boston Massachusetts
St. Alden's Spiritualist Church, 329 Massachusetts Ave.; services: Sun. 2 and 8 P.M.; Tues. and Fri. 8 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Dora Todd, 470 Green St., Cambridge; Phone: KIRKland 7-0513.

The Spiritual Chapel and Minister's Study, 25 Huntington Ave., Rooms 331-333; Services: Sunday 2 P.M. and Friday 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Alda Crocker Kay, 10 Moultrie St., Dorchester, Mass.; Sec'y: Doris H. Brown.

Fitchburg: First Spiritual Alliance Church, 22 Knowlton Terrace. Services: Sun. 3 and 7 P.M.; Sec'y. and Treas.: Mrs. Marion Rockwell, 47 Mt. Vernon St.; President: Emily Sanborn, 73 Cedar St.

Greenfield: Universal Psychic Science Church, 47 Cheapside St.; Services: Sunday 8 P.M.; Rev. Frances H. Church.

Onset (Cape Cod) First Spiritualist Church, Highland Ave. Services: Sun. 2:30 and 7 P.M.; Thurs. 8 P.M.; Co-Pastors: Rev. Kenneth and Rev. Gladys Custance, 86 Highland Ave.

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Battle Creek, Michigan
Spiritualist Church of Divinity, I.O.O.F. Temple, 36 South Ave.; Services: Sun. 7 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Clifford Bristol (U.S.A.) Pres: Glenn R. Breunier; Sec'y: Florence E. Dillon, 171 North Ave.

Church of Spiritual Truth, 28 West Fountain St.; Services: Sun. 8 A.M.; Minister: Rev. James Tingley.

Coldwater, Michigan
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Grand Rapids: First Church of Truth, 26 Church St.; Services: Sun. 3:30 & 7:30 P.M.; President: Frank Witforth, 1311 Cal- 4ary, N.E.; Sec'y: Elaine B. McManis, 301 Lemyra St., S.E., Cherry 37834.

Jackson, Michigan
The Aquarian Church, Hotel Hayes Ball- room. Services: Sun. and Wed. 7:30 P.M.; Pastor: Rev. Harold C. Durbin, Lansing; Phone: IV 9-6167. Assistant pastor: Rev. John Chandler; Sec'y: Fearn L. Detwiler, 549 Woodward Ave., Pho. ST 2-5645.

Goodfellow Spiritualist Church, 1014 Le- Roy Ave. Services: Sun. and Wed. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. James Tingley.

Lansing: First Spiritualist Episcopal Church, 700 So. Holmes Rd.; Lycium: Sun. 10 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.; Mon. and Wed. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Ella Sutton; Phone IV 5-2358; Sec'y: Thelma Alger.

Muskegon: First National Spiritualist Church, 2101 Jefferson St. Services: Sun. 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.; Mon. and Thurs. 7:30 P.M.; physical mediumship; Pastor: Rev. Wm. R. Aldred; Phi. 258-20.

Owosso: First Spiritualist Episcopal Church, 610 Clinton St.; Services: Sun. 7:30 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Ella Riley-Sut- ton.

Pontiac, Michigan

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Church of the Good Samaritan of Pon- tiac, 199 Auburn Ave., D.A.V. Hall; Ser- vices: Sunday, 7:00 P.M.; Silver Tea—2nd & 4th Tuesday; Sec'y: Jennie Ridley, 1292 Smith St., Birmingham, Michigan.

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Church and Institute of Mystic Mind Sci- ence, 5362 Delmar; Services: Sun. 9:30 A.M.; Wed. 8 P.M.; Minister: Rev. Bernice G. Bennett, 1624 Belt Ave.; Phone: Forest 1-7137.

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REAL JOB . . .

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To my chagrin the lady admitted she knew the spirit, but denied she was her daughter.

I was shocked to think the spirit had told me a falsehood and said so to the recipient. She begged me not to feel that way and stated there was a satisfactory explanation.

After the meeting she spoke to me and my interpreter, Mr. Adolf Jensen, explaining she was one of the best known journalists in Denmark.

"That girl was my daughter," she said, "but I have never been married and dare not admit the fact in public."

REMMERS . . .

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we see in others which causes us to pause and admire, or turn and hurry on our way. Therefore, if you live in accordance with the constructive laws of life your personality shines with a radiance that draws others toward it. You become magnetic. Men uncertain of themselves, living on the negative side of life, confused by their own disobedience, will seek your counsel and guidance, with the inevitable result that material things must shape themselves for your welfare; and you experience keen joy in the realization that it was by Truth and Faith you found this ideal sphere, and through the wholesome principle Love you are learning to serve mankind unselfishly.

You may say, "But I am no fault-finder; I do not hate, and never seek revenge. Splendid! But—are you indifferent as to the welfare of others; do you live for yourself only, leaving a few worthless

crumbs in your path for the less fortunate? If so, then there is another weed thriving in the garden of your personality. The weed of Selfishness is, indeed, a nasty growth, and if allowed to thrive will entwine itself about all your material gains and destroy the real joys they would otherwise bring. The selfish have no friends but the selfish.

"Misery Loves Company."

Therefore, search yourself deeply and sincerely. If there is any sign of this destructive growth, then for your own happiness and success weed it out and plant in its place a genuine interest in your fellow-men. Reach out here and there, wherever it is possible and within your power give what help you can. It will be returned to you a hundredfold. The weak need the help of the stronger. Help from those who have moved ahead a little ways, and who likewise are still seeking help from those of another dimension of Life—the Spirit World.

"Our Savior doth plainly witness that there should not be so much as a cup of cold water bestowed without reward."

But do not make the mistake of doing good for the sole purpose of being rewarded. Cultivate a sincere Love for mankind; forget the reward, and it will come all the sooner and without question.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The law of Love, if practiced, brings astounding results! But it takes a little time, and by degrees only will the realization of this fact come upon you; nevertheless, it is positive, and as time passes, greater and greater will be your reward.

"But when thou doest alms let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth. That thine alms may be in secret and thy Father which seeth in secret Himself shall reward thee."

If therefore you do good for the sole purpose of seeking applause, then truly you have your reward, your vanity is satisfied and the thing ends there. But, if you do good for the sole purpose of doing good and keep the deed locked in your heart, Heavenly Forces recognize your sincerity and you are rewarded in a permanent, substantial manner, which leads on to further progress. Because of your genuine Love you are given more abundance—TO DO MORE GOOD. Which of the two rewards will you choose?

What a wonderful joy is found in being able to help others. But to be able to help others we must first learn to help ourselves. And as we learn and receive, it is vital for our continued progress—not to desert those less fortunate who are still groping in the dark, but to offer them our hand and guide them into the light which is ours.

"A nameless man, amid a crowd That thronged the daily mart, Let fall a word of hope and love Unstudied from the heart; A whisper on the tumult thrown, A transitory breath— It raised a brother from the dust, It saved a soul from death. O germ! O fount! O word of Love!

O thought at random cast! Ye were but little at the first, But mighty at the last."

Conscience, Truth, Faith and Love—these are the instruments by which mortal man can find the lighted way!

If you feel that you have been wronged by someone don't lose your temper and immediately seek a plan of revenge. Remain calm, do not talk of it to others, and when alone think it over carefully. Listen to the voice of your Conscience. Possibly you are partly to blame for the offender's actions. Never forget that every action on your part positively creates a reaction. If your Conscience should dictate that you are partly to blame for the offense, go to the offender, admit your mistake and nine times out of ten the wrong will at once right itself. The offender, through admiration of your sincerity, will see you in another light, regret what he has done, invariably become your friend, and in the future will often go out of his way to do you some good turn. Such is human nature. Is this method not far better than one of revenge? Try it and you will be convinced. Recently a young friend was so discouraged by the attitude of his superior toward him that he was about to resign his position. I

suggested he follow this advice. After some consideration he decided to do so, with the result the two men became devoted friends. And my young friend, as a culmination of his action, has just been promoted to a most responsible position.

On the other hand, should your Conscience satisfy you that the offender is entirely at fault, go to him and explain in kindly terms that you are deeply hurt by his actions, and that if you have done anything at any time which offended him, you did not do it intentionally and regret the deed. This sincere attitude on your part will leave him defenseless, and if the offender has a spark of manhood in his makeup, it will be aroused. He will apologize and leave no stone unturned to right the wrong. Again you apply the positive method instead of the negative, destructive method of revenge.

Should the offender in either case assume an arrogant, malicious attitude, do not argue, but smile and calmly leave him. Then try hard to forget the wrong, thinking of it will only make it hurt the more. You did your part according to the wholesome principle Love, and just as sure as day follows night, justice will be your reward and some sort of punishment that of the offender. Feel assured that no offense or good deed escapes that wonderful knowledge of Divine Intelligence. Every man reaps according to that which he has sown. Regardless as to how things may appear on the surface, this is law, and none can escape it!

Speak a cheerful word to all with whom you come in contact, encourage every good deed and thought of fellow-man. Forget the peculiarities of your friends, and love them for their good qualities. Above all, refuse to lend your ear or tongue to slander. It is the most vile and contemptible instrument of wickedness.

"Slander, that worst of poisons, ever finds an easy entrance to ignoble minds."

Mortal life is too short to be embittered by our crude and rash judgment.

"Judge not! but rather in thy heart let gentle pity dwell; Man's judgment errs, but there is One who doeth all things well.

Ever throughout the voyage of life, this precept keep in view: 'Do unto others as thou wouldst that they should do to you!'"

Live! Live by the wholesome principle Love and you will taste the sweetest fruits of life.

Therefore,

"In the very depths of yourself dig a grave, let it be like some forgotten spot to which no path leads; and there, in the eternal silence, bury the wrongs that you have suffered. Your heart will feel as if a weight had fallen from it, and a divine peace will come to abide with you."

One of the richest men in the world, who did a great deal of good, is quoted as saying: "Money doesn't mean anything to me; it never did. Anyone who knows me will tell you that." This man was once very poor, but at his passing into the higher life had the second largest income in the world! He was one of the most honest, truthful and lovable characters that ever graced this planet.

Do not make gold your god, for if you do, there can be but little Love in your heart. This is the pitiful mistake of most men. They stumble o'er life's path in a restless, nerve-racking quest in search of their false god. Whether they succeed in their foolish quest or not, in the end they discover that it was after all a rainbow trail, and that which they really wanted most is nowhere to be found; for the flowers of Happiness grow and blossom by the side of other ways: the ways of Conscience, Truth, Faith and Love. And what is more along these paths you will find with little difficulty sufficient treasures to take care of all your needs and clean desires, while another is breaking his life uncovering fool's gold.

Man should be ambitious, but for his ultimate good his ambition must at all times follow the ways of righteousness! The rainbow trail is stained with the blood-drops of many broken hearts.

"We might with as much reason doubt whether the sun was intended to enlighten the earth, as whether He who has framed the human mind intended to an-

nounce righteousness to mankind as a law."

I shall relate a little experience which illustrates Love's tremendous part in the Divine plan.

One summer morning my attention was called to the pitiful cry of a robin. From a window I observed the bird as it hopped from place to place in an excited manner, calling for help, as it seemed. I went into the garden and just as soon as the robin saw me it flew excitedly about my head increasing its cries. The actions of the robin puzzled me. I had never seen one carry on thus. The bird then hopped about my feet, flew a short distance, and eagerly continued to call. I followed the robin and it actually led me to a place where a number of old boards had been carelessly thrown, and at this spot the bird's call was most incessant. As I moved the boards aside a cat darted past my feet and there I found a young dying robin. As I picked up the little bird the mother, now intensely excited again, flew about my head. I laid the baby bird in the sunlight, hoping that it might revive. The mother, ever calling, hopped about the little one, it was joined by its mate. Later realizing, as it seemed, that death had claimed their loved one the birds flew to a nearby tree and for the balance of the day remained there, crying, revealing in a most touching manner the Divine principle, Love.

In the tiny heart of the bird God placed Love (some call it instinct), otherwise the bird would not build its nest, feed its young, and so anxiously seek their welfare. Could the little helpless birds thrive, grow, and become a part of the whole unless the old ones fed and guarded them until they could fly alone? Certainly not! Can you conceive that the Divine, who placed love in the tiny heart of a bird for the continued welfare of that species, would place it in man's heart if it were not meant for his welfare and happiness? For no other reason than happiness and progress has the Divine placed love in the human heart, and by happiness and progress man comes into his own. The greater man's love for fellow-man, the more genuine is his life, and the more genuine a man's life the more successfully and happily he lives, because genuineness is the state and character of the Divine.

By helping others we help ourselves. The man who serves best is most in demand, and to serve best we must be sincere, and sincerity toward fellow-man is Love.

"I came from low down, from the cellar of life, where darkness and terror reign, where man is half beast and life is only a fight for bread. It flows slowly there, in dark streams, but even there gleam pearls of courage, of intelligence, of heroism; even there beauty and Love exist. Everywhere that man is found good is; in tiny particles and invisible roots—but still it is there. All these roots will not perish; some will grow and flourish and bear fruit. I bought dearly the right to believe this—therefore it is mine, my whole life long."

—From Gorky's suppressed novel, "The Peasants."

Those who ignore the principle Love are surely on the rainbow trail. "Ye shall seek me and not find me." Their fool's gold will never buy that which they seek most, for happiness is found along another road.

"Where there is Faith—there is Love.
Where there is Love—there is Peace.
Where there is Peace—there is Blessing.
Where there is Blessing—there is GOD.
Where GOD—there is no want."

Florence G. Libby Passes to Spirit

Florence G. Libby passed on to the spirit world on June 9 in Orlando, Fla.

She developed trance mediumship while a young child and spent many years devoting her time to missionary work for the cause of Spiritualism. With her at the time to missionary work for the cause of Spiritualism. With her at the time of her transition was the Rev. Nellie Cherry, Rev. Amanda Bradford, Ruth Jergen and Sallie Frier, all fellow Spiritualists.

At the Universal Church of Tampa, a library was dedicated in her honor by the Rev. Cherry.



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Spiritualists May Meet These Mediums and Healers at Camp Chesterfield This Summer



THE GARDEN OF PRAYER at Camp Chesterfield, Chesterfield, Indiana, formed the setting for this group picture of the mediums who are serving the Spiritualist camp during the 1957 season. Pictured are: seated, Nellie Steffen, Fanchion Dorsch, Juliette Pressing, Peninah Umbach, Mable Riffle, Mildred Curren, Ollie Patton (president), Bernice Brock and Brodie Felix. Stranding: Homer Watkins, (Darryl Winters), Pansy Cox, Lytle Sensabaugh, Mamie Schulz-Brown, Austin Wallace, Clara Haines; Clifford Bias, Lillian Johnson, Charles Swann, Edith Stilwell, B. F. Clark, Lula Taber, Glenna Clark, Dorothy Hiett, Fred Felix, Nellie Hicock and Loretta Schmitt. The worker listed in brackets is a non-official medium.



LILY DALE DIRECTOR—Arthur A. Myers, prominent Spiritual leader, was elected by the Board of Directors of Lily Dale Spiritualist Camp, to fill the unexpired term of William Johnson who resigned from the Board recently. Mr. Myers, author and lecturer, is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Spiritualist Association of Churches.

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**Cassadaga Trustee
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Mr. Williams was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cassadaga Spiritualist Camp for many years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Jennie M. Williams, one son, Reed Williams, both of Cassadaga; two granddaughters, and two great grandsons.

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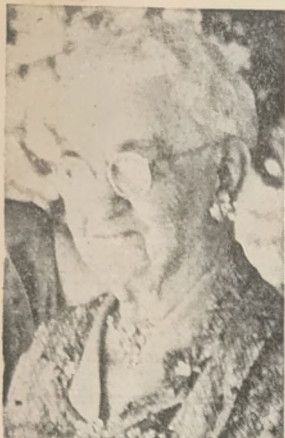
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A Day at Camp Cheserfield, Ind.



MRS. OLLIE K. PATTON, Camp president since 1950, and board member since 1937.



REV. MILDRED AUSTIN-CURREN, staff camp medium and also resident of St. Petersburg, Fla.

A few weeks ago while the office equipment of *Psychic Observer* at Chesterfield was being loaded onto a large moving van, the new editor, was given personal introduction to the many mediums living on the camp grounds. While Mrs. Pressing was explaining the new status of the paper I clicked the shutter a few times and would like you to meet some of the nice people I had the opportunity to talk with.

Chesterfield is one of several summer Spiritualist camps throughout the country. They have proven to be a mecca for those interested in witnessing phenomena, listening to inspiring lectures and just meeting others who share the same interests and religion.

The next issue of *Psychic Observer* will take you on a brief picture trip through Camp Silver Belle, located at Ephrata, Penna., and Camp Lily Dale, located at Lily Dale, N. Y.

Next year we hope to have pictures from all of the camps in the country. This year, of course, with the change-over in editorship happening so late in the summer, it was a physical impossibility.

Chesterfield is a camp that you would enjoy "showing off" to your friends. Attractive homes are nestled down between huge shade trees and all phases of mediumship are demonstrated there. To one end of the grounds stands the spacious auditorium that even to the amateur is readily conceived as an outstanding work of architecture.

Another structure that the camp officers can justly boast of is the art museum, a jewel of a building that houses "the jewels of Spiritualism." Within its stone walls are "relics" of the pioneers of Spiritualism as well as several outstanding works of art.

While you are ambling through



REV. MAMIE B. SCHULZ BROWN, staff medium, listens to Mrs. Juliette Pressing tell of plans for the paper.



REV. FANCHION HARWOOD DORSCH poses with Mrs. Pressing in front of her home. This editor witnessed an extraordinary demonstration of physical mediumship by the Rev. Dorsch, aided by Mrs. Pressing as cabinet attendant the evening before this picture was taken.



REV. PANSY COX, treasurer of Camp Chesterfield and outstanding medium.



CHARLES E. SWANN, and his charming wife, Pauline. Mr. Swann is one of the few mediums in the country through whom spirits are able to paint pictures on silk.



THE PSYCHIC OBSERVER BOOKSHOP will continue to be operated at the camp this summer. Above are Mrs. Marion Nevison and Mrs. Bertha White Snapp who handle the bookshop together with the owner of the vast library.



TWO GRAND WOMEN OF SPIRITUALISM—Mrs. Pressing was particularly anxious to have the Rev. Mable Riffle, who has been secretary of Chesterfield for 40 years, meet the new owners of the paper.

the peaceful grounds, you find other spots of beauty, such as the Trail of Religions, and Prayer Garden.

Turning to thoughts of the body for a moment, there are ample hotel accommodations, modern cafeteria and ice cream shops.

There you have a bird's eye view of the camp. Each year, something new is added, we were told by the Rev. Mable Riffle, camp secretary. And whenever something new is added to any camp or any church or any organization, something is added to our Movement.

As our readers know, the mediums pictured on this page are only a few of the many mediums at the camp. A picture of all of the staff mediums appears on Page 16.

Federation Convention Planned For September 4-8 in Denver, Colorado

Wednesday, September 4, will mark the opening day of the annual convention of the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations scheduled to be held this year in Denver, Colorado.

The Rev. Sophie E. Busch Tracy, chairman for the 1957 conclave, announced that the opening service will be held at 7 P. M. that day, at the mezzanine of the Albany Hotel, with the dedication of a prayer sanctuary. The ceremonies will be conducted by the Rev. Dorothea C. Dencer and the Rev. Dorothea Morris of Newark, N. J., who have been responsible for the sanctuary.

Registration will be held immediately after the evening service.

Morning and afternoon meetings have been scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday when business pertinent to the Federation and its churches will be discussed.

Healing and religion services will be held Thursday and Friday afternoons and evenings and Sunday, morning, afternoon and evening.

Among the workers who will appear during the four day meeting are: Rev. Henry Zacharias of Chicago, Ill.; Federation president; Clarence H. Haas of Warren, O.; Rev. Ruth Welsh and Rev. Bert Welsh of Brea, Calif.; Rev. Alice W. Tindall of Washington, D. C.; Rev. Pierrette Austin and Rev. Floyd Austin of Himesville, Pa.; Rev. Oma L. Purdy, Punta Gorda, Fla.; Rev. Inez Crawford, Long Beach, Calif.; Rev. Iva Tuffs, Chi-



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cago, Ill.; Rev. Harry Tuffs, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. Minnie E. Corb, Nutly, N. J.; Rev. Martha K. Seidler, New York, N. Y.

Also Rev. Veronica Fleishman, and Rev. Madeline Grunelich, Elizabeth, N. J.; Clair Stevens, Edgewater, N. Y., and Rev. Alda Scheierman, San Francisco, Calif.

The motto chosen for the 1957 convention is: "In essentials unity, in non-essentials, tolerance."

SEC Elects Prexy Joseph Donaldson

Lansing, Michigan: The 15th Annual Conference of the Spiritualist Episcopal Church, held May 31st through June 2nd, enjoyed splendid attendance, according to Margaret Hosmer. The following article written by Mrs. Hosmer was released by presiding clergyman, Rev. Ruth L. Walling.

The article reads: "The convention opened on Friday morning with a record crowd in attendance. A new Board of Clergy was elected at this time as follows: Presiding Clergyman, Rev. Ruth L. Walling, of Eaton Rapids, Michigan; Appellate Clergyman, Rev. Marie A. Parrish, of Owosso, Michigan; 1st District Clergyman, Rev. Claude M. Jewell, of Lansing, Michigan; 2nd District Clergyman, Rev. Irene Slocumbe, of Fremont, Ohio; 3rd District Clergyman, Rev. Winifred M. Chase, of St. Petersburg, Florida; 4th District Clergyman, Rev. Clara S. Johnson, of Minneapolis, Minnesota; 1st Divine Healer, Elmer Busha, of Flint, Michigan; 2nd Divine Healer, Otto Fredricks, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; 3rd Divine Healer, Mrs. Luella Morrison, of Fremont, Ohio; Mental Medium, Rev. Ella J. Sutton, of Owosso, Michigan; Missionary-at-Large, Rev. Raymond Noegel, of Tampa, Florida.



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"General Conference opened on Saturday and at this time the new Official Board was elected and installed. They are: Rev. Joseph F. Donaldson, of Columbus, Ohio, president; Julius A. Hosmer, of Dimondale, Michigan, secretary; Rev. Claude M. Jewell, of Lansing, Michigan, treasurer; Rev. Clara S. Johnson, John Leon and Rev. Martha Soper, trustees. Editor of Golden Rays, Myrtle B. Faithful, of Sarasota, Florida.

"Margaret Hosmer was re-appointed as Manager of the Bookstore, and to this location has been added the Library Department. The Golden Rays Advertising, Subscription and Circulation Bureaus are now at the Bookstore address. "A banquet was held at the Y.W.C.A. Auditorium, with Dr. Gilbert N. Holloway, of Miami, Fla., as guest speaker.

"A public meeting was held on Saturday evening with Dr. Holloway again as speaker. Spirit greetings were given by the following mediums: Mary Smock, Lansing, Michigan; Mrs. Velma Sayles, Lansing, Michigan; Dr. Holloway; Rev. Ella J. Sutton; Rev. Ruth L. Walling. Special music was furnished by Charles Crane, pianist; solos by Rev. Russell Flexer, Tampa, Fla., and Harriett Bullard, Lansing.

"Three worship services were held on Sunday in the Lansing Church, and a public dinner on Sunday afternoon, which brought the conference to a close."

Norfolk, Va.: Regular services continue through the summer and fall at The Light of Truth Church, 20th and Omohundro Avenue, according to Rev. Fred Jordan, minister.

Recent guest workers to serve the church: Marion and Michael Nicoletti, of St. Petersburg, Florida. The former was ordained by Rev. Jordan.

Rev. Jordan recently dedicated a Spiritualist church in the city of Warren, Ohio, which now functions under the leadership of Mrs. Ina Carson.

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ORDAINED: Bertha I. Ford, 2410 LaMotte Street, President of the Church of Spiritual Truth, 706 Delaware Ave., was ordained recently (May 26) by Rev. Pierrette Austin. The charge was made by Rev. Floyd C. Austin who installed Ruth Cook as Vice-President of the local Spiritualist group, who conducts services in Orange Hall. Others taking part in the ordination: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bowen, Trenton, N. J.; Norman Ford, Secretary and Treasurer of Wilmington, and Dominick Domlatni of Trenton.

Services in Florida

Miami, Florida: Friends and students of Dr. Gilbert N. Holloway will be pleased to know that his New Age Church and College of Truth, 2020 N. W. 7th St., is making excellent progress since its incorporation last January.

The beautiful sanctuary, highlighted with a religious mural depicting the New Age of Man, by Janet Kennedy, famed artist of Coconut Grove, is filled to overflowing on Sunday mornings and evenings. In the morning service, Dr. Holloway delivers a sermon combining the truths of Spiritualism and modern Metaphysics, and in the evening, demonstrates phases of mental phenomena, along with lecture-sermon and spiritual healing.

Recently the New Age Church featured a great appearance by Peter Hurkos, of Rotterdam, Holland, probably the world's greatest living psychometrist. Many detectives and police officials were present to observe the fascinating crime-detection of Mr. Hurkos, along with personal readings, and the Miami newspapers are still buzzing with excitement pending the solution of two murder cases of recent years.

During the summer season Dr. Holloway will appear for one week at Camp Freeville, New York, beginning August 4th; then for two weeks at Camp Silver Belle, Ephrata, Penna., beginning August 11th; and for four afternoons and evenings in Washington, D. C., beginning Aug. 25th in the Theosophical Hall, 726 11th St., New York.

Spiritualists and Truth-Seekers of all persuasions who visit Miami during the summer or winter seasons are cordially invited to visit Dr. Holloway and his New Age Church, where they will receive a courteous and inspiring welcome.

Certificates Are Presented

Phoenix, Arizona: Healing certificates were presented to three students in an appropriate service conducted by Rev. Walter L. Holder, Minister of The First Spiritualist Church, 10th Street and East Filmore Avenue, according to church reporter, Ruth A. Mosher, 1635 E. Durango. Those receiving certificates were: William Menzler, Edith Kirchner, and Wallace C. Lane.

Says Mrs. Mosher: "The Annual Mother's Day dinner was a great

success, under the chairmanship of Rev. Holder, table decorations, and a delightful menu, were as always greatly appreciated. The Lyceum Picnic held in Beautiful En Canto Park was fully attended and the rhythm band of Lyceum members is very outstanding. This band is under the direction of Mrs. Shirlee Buck and Rosa Lee Mosher. The church choir under the direction of Mrs. Buck is a forward step.

"Since coming to Phoenix five and a half years ago, Rev. Holder has been the inspiration of much progress in the church. Arriving from Canada, Rev. Holder is a United States Citizen, and working with a willing congregation he has accomplished much.

"Refrigerated cooling for the seance room, for the kitchen in the lower hall, new sinks, stove, refrigerator, tile flooring and counter tops, make delightful dinners easily served by the women of the church, under the leadership of Mrs. Emma Dobney, vice president."

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Summer Camps Offer Varied Programs

The 62nd annual session of the Freeville Spiritualist Assembly at Freeville, N. Y., got under way this year on June 30, and will continue through September 1.

Special services are held each day at 2:30 P. M. and 8 P. M., with an additional service on Sunday at 10:30 A. M.

Among the mediums listed on the 1957 program are: Rev. Arthur Myers, Rev. Bernard C. Rodin and Rev. Betty C. Possehl, all of Lily Dale, N. Y.; Rev. Richard T. Ireland, LeRoy, Ill.; Rev. William Turner, Cassadaga, N. Y.

Also, Rev. Burl Jenkins, Elida, Ohio; Dr. Gilbert N. Holloway, Miami, Fla.; Rev. William Hubbard, NST, Camp Etna, Maine; Rev. Melvin O. Smith and Mrs. Dorothy Turvey Smith, Norfolk, Va.

Also, Rev. Clara Osborne, Gloversville, N. Y.; Rev. Stanley B. Matrunick, Ashley, O.; Mrs. Mildred Stevenson, Brooktondale, N. Y.; Rev. Helen B. Warner, Kirkville, N. Y.; Rev. Ernest MacMillen, Freeville, N. Y.; and Rev. Iona Brandt, St. Louis, Mo.

The healers listed on the official program include: Theodore Treadway, William Smith, Miss Melissa Miller, Rev. Ernest MacMillen and Mrs. E. Helen Griffin.

Officers for the camp, which is located in the Finger Lakes region, between Cortland and Ithaca, N. Y., are: Elmer W. Alvord, president; Carl E. Aldrich, vice president; Ruth J. Craft, secretary; Mable Howell, treasurer; and Robert G. Howell, Theodore Treadway, Robert D. Wilkin, Miss Lulu H. Shaver and Harry Sturdevant, trustees.

Onset, Cape Cod, Mass.: Rev. Kenneth D. Custance comments with pleasure the acceptance of Spiritualism among the permanent residents of the Onset community and the entire township of Wareham of which Onset is a part. He was elected Chaplain of the O-Ne-Set Grange last fall. The annual memorial service was held May 28, of which he had charge. He stressed the continuity of life in his remarks and the freedom of release by Death into greater activity. The comments from many visitors were very gratifying.

A second gesture of good will was election into the Kiwanis Club as a honorary member due to the fact he was a duly ordained minister. On May 29 Rev. Custance was invited to give an informal address on "What Spiritualism Has Contributed to the Community of Onset during the Past Fifty Years." A spirited question period followed the talk when men of several religions obtained a completely new outlook on the subject of Spiritualism.

Ashley, Ohio: The Sixty-Fifth Annual Season of Ashley Spiritualist

Camp opened July 6th at Woolley Park, in the heart of Ohio, and will close August 29th, according to Helen S. Huff, Sec'y.

The camp season which spreads over eight weeks will feature speakers and mediums: Rev. Melvin O. Smith, Dorothy Turvey Smith, Maudella Rowe, Edgar Smeritz, Burl Jenkins, Howard W. Lee, Rev. Gertrude Rowe, Rev. Peter Evert, Mrs. Julian Greenstone, Rev. Ola Florence, Pearl Heald, Rev. Agnes Van Syoc, Rev. Nellie Brown, Wm. Barber, Rev. Ethel Williams and August Krieg.

The Board of Directors: Granville VanSyoc, president; Helen S. Huff, Sec'y.; Miss Cecil Williams, Treas.; Trustees: Lawrence Pipe, Helen Baker, August Krieg, Donald Beatty and Vernon Smith; pianist, Miss Cecil Williams; camp hostess, Helen Baker.

For reservations and programs write Camp Secretary, Helen S. Huff, P. O. Box 301, Woolley Park, Ashley, Ohio.

Lake Pleasant, Mass.: The Forty-Fifth Anniversary summer camp sessions of The National Spiritual Alliance opened June 30 and close July 31, at Thompson Memorial Temple, according to President Rev. George L. Guilmette.

Speakers and mediums listed on the official program: Rev. Howard Blinn, Dorothy Blinn, Louis H. Lupien, Katherine Himberg, Joseph L. Collette, Rev. Maude E. Taft, Rev. Bertha J. Schaff, Dr. Ina Emmons, Rev. Leon Shaw, and Rev. Marie Roggenkamp.

Healers listed on the official program: Rev. George L. Guilmette, Louis Lupien, William Cook, Rev. Leon Shaw, Rev. Marie Roggenkamp, Rev. Maude Taft, Rev. George Bates, Rev. Howard Blinn, Ruth Alger, Lester Pelliter, Charles Gamble, Joseph Collette, Walter Schaff, Wilma Doucette, Clifford Doucette and Harlow Pendleton.

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin: The Rev. S. M. Van Duyzer and wife were guests at the True Spiritualist Church, Inc., 4229 West Garfield Ave., recently (June 9-19) according to minister of the church, Rev. Loraine Nesbitt. The Van Dyzers, who have been ministers for the Christian Spiritual Church, 46 Chestnut St., Bradford, Penna., not only served as lecturers and message bearers, but also held a series of seances and classes.