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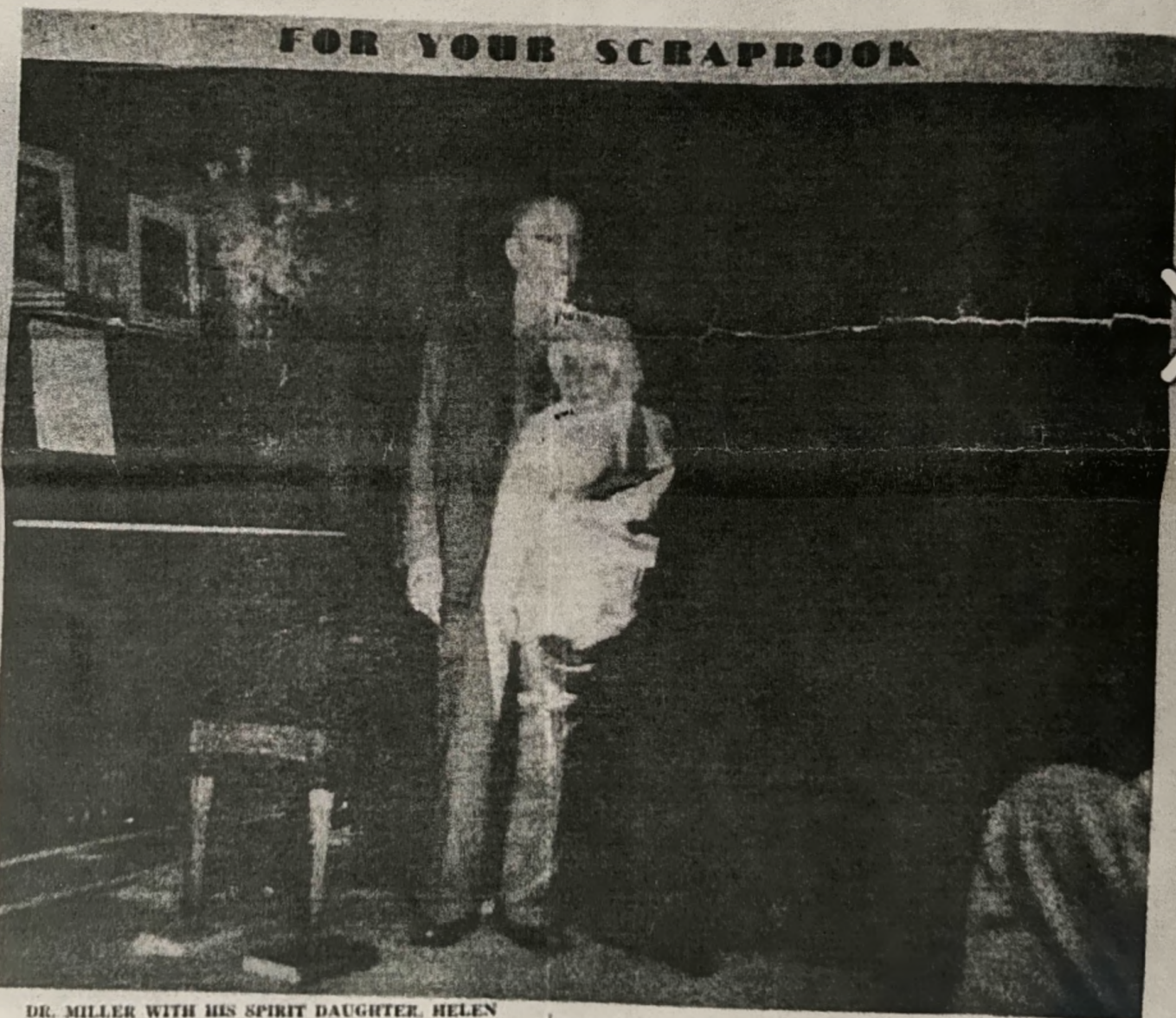
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The Picture Of The Century

FOR YOUR SCRAPBOOK



DR. MILLER WITH HIS SPIRIT DAUGHTER, HELEN

Nationally known journals and pictorial weeklies have, for many years, published what they call "The Picture of the Week".

In each instance these pictures are rare, unusual, thought provoking and of general human interest. They are chosen from thousands received during the seven-day period and are selected, in the main, because of their clarity. The fact that seasoned newspapermen know that a picture always tells the story, only brief explanatory captions are necessary.

Words fail and their meaning falls into oblivion when compared to these picture stories and so, on this page there appears what could be classified not only as "The Picture of the Week" but also the PICTURE OF THE CENTURY . . . at least as far as psychic research is concerned.

In the past, Spiritualists them-

selves have been relegated to the background insofar as the scientific presentation of phenomena was concerned. The scientists and some of the staid psychic researchers always seemed to look "down their noses" at the way Spiritualist magazines presented their phenomena—always claiming that

they (the Spiritualists) are not scientific. But now, Spiritualists can say they are presenting concrete evidence, facts and cases backed by pictures — pictures that could have been obtained by most of the psychic research societies on both sides of the water. However, their smugness has long been apparent and prevented them from getting any modern-day evidence.

Have the efforts of the British and American psychic research societies crystallized? We have only to look at the record. What have they done since the days of Myers and Hyslop. Absolutely nothing except try to prove what everyone knows, who has made a study of the case, that mental

telepathy and clairvoyance are now more or less "scientific facts." They have also dabbled in marble counting and dice rolling in an effort to prove something or other.

AT CHESTERFIELD

The picture published on page 3, enlarged on this page, was the first taken when a group of Spiritualists assembled at Chesterfield, Indiana, February 17, 1950. The medium, Rev. Fanchion Harwood, agreed to sit and as an experiment have pictures taken of the phenomena. The group assembled, was made up not only of people from the vicinity but many traveled thousands of miles to take part in these experiments. H. F. Miller, a medical

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After ten years — Dr. Miller and Helen



This photograph is a negative of Helen's upper portion of the body, showing her dematerialized state.

After waiting over ten years, Dr. Miller succeeds in having his picture taken with Helen, his deceased daughter. Thousands have seen Helen materialize in Harwood's room—walk in the plane and play piano—then return to the cabinet.

doctor, from Odessa, Texas, was one of the principal participants.

The photographer, David Payton, 1023 Broadway, Anderson, Indiana, was engaged to take the pictures.

We have already described how the pictures were taken, that the negatives were immediately developed in another portion of the Harwood residence at Chesterfield and that all the sitters were permitted to see the negatives one-half hour after the seance ended.

STORY BEHIND THE STORY

These pictures clearly show that Dr. Miller's daughter, Helen, appeared in such a way that no one could doubt the authenticity of these photographs. The fact that the lower portion of the spirit is partially dematerialized positively proves this phase of the phenomena.

The photograph of Helen, partially dematerialized, shows her father over a head taller. This was due to the fact that dematerialization was taking place dur-

ing the time this photograph was taken. Time elapsed between the taking of these pictures but the features of Helen are definitely the same.

NEVER CAN TELL

When the group inspected the negatives after the seance, the one showing the dematerialization did not look as if the experiment had been a success. Of course, after prints were made, we could see that for evidence, the picture of dematerialization overshadowed

the second as far as evidence was concerned.

At the time, Dr. Miller thought it best to experiment again and see if he could get a better picture of his daughter. The result was the full form materialization of Helen.

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Another photograph of Helen, spirit daughter of Dr. H. P. Miller, Odessa, Texas.

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she would play again, but evidently, the spirit collaborators had other ideas.

Another point that may be raised by the casual observer. Why are Helen's features, during the time she was dematerializing, clearer than when she is fully materialized? I do not know. There is also evidence that dematerialization is taking place (see back portion throughout Helen's upper left arm). Since dematerialization is taking place why do her features remain intact? I do not know.

Then, there will be those who, when witnessing dematerialization, have seen the upper portions of the body and then the head near the floor. The fact that Helen is gradually becoming shorter is sufficient reason to rule out the exact location of any portion of any dematerializing form at any particular time.

I have been accused of being belligerent and intolerant toward those who are continually finding fault with certain types of phenomena. Possibly so, but I don't mean to be. I am always willing to have our readers write in and present their case, state their arguments, but when they do that, they should back them with an equal amount of evidence and not a lot of "could be's" and "but's, and's, it's" and a lot of statements which cannot be proven.

NOTHING EVER HAPPENS

I have also been told in no uncertain terms that the pictures already printed of the Harwood demonstrations bore no evidence but was not told the reasons. It seems to me that during the last 25 or 30 years, these same old-time psychic researchers have had plenty of opportunity to present what they think would be evidence but nothing has happened.

How people can argue about the pictures especially when they were not there is beyond me. The sitters assembled, the doors were locked. No one entered or left the room during the demonstration. And even so, had there been a continual parade going in and out, that would not account for the dematerialized form. As far as "double exposure" is concerned, let somebody come forward, who can walk around in the flesh—dematerialized!

The taking of this picture by Payton was witnessed by nearly 30 persons, including the editor of this journal, Fanchien Harwood, one of America's foremost materialization mediums, sat in the cabinet back of the black curtain. All present have already vouched for this photograph. The negative was developed 30 minutes after the seance ended. A committee of three followed photographer Payton and, in an outer room, watched the negative being developed.

There are records of pictures showing that Sir William Crookes was photographed with the materialized spirit, Katie King—walking arm in arm with her but through the mediumship of "Floie" Florence Cook, there is no photograph on record showing a partially dematerialized spirit on the floor with Crookes. Nor is there a picture showing medium Cook—with a materialized spirit.

Many of the Crookes photographs were destroyed. It seems that records and rare pictures of an evidential type have an uncanny way of disappearing when those who spend a lifetime in research leave their findings in the hands of those opposed to the case for personal conscious survival.

When the evidence is too good, certain die-hards become enraged but if there are apparent loopholes, these same intellects become masters of the situation by talking about red herrings instead of the actual phenomena produced.

CREATE A NEED

By HILDRETH MARJORIE ROCKWELL

Special For The Psychic Observer

In the foregoing century, time allotment shall be magnified into a volume of ciphers which shall be magnified in turn by their own evolution. In other words, the elements, which now go to make up the time element shall be dissolved and a period of spiritual enlightenment shall designate the necessary limits which will tend to contribute to the progression of the enfoldment of the theories of the realm of the higher planes.

It is at this point that I should like to make mention of the necessary caution needed in dealing with the conjunctive factor concerned with this. It is in this manner that I speak; nothing is to be gained from knowledge if it is not properly digested and after digested, put to work on the planes of higher learning. For instance, were I to tell you of the regions which the soul inhabits, its immortality and the lessons it learns in its step by

step enfoldment, it would be of little avail if it were not put into concentrated effort for the application of this in the manner of acceptance and a ready belief.

The high ones of the White Brotherhood are assembled now for the onslaught of the coming victory of the spiritual era which is to follow the period of sodomic evil which has tainted the civilization through the ages down to this point.

A relative cooperative series of groups who work from the material plane with the brothers of the inner circle are in complete agreement with one another. Man shall not destroy himself in the rise of this new movement, rather he shall be shown the error of his ways and shall repent of his own volition into a period of wakefulness which shall be his passport into the new life of the spirit dawning on the earth plane.

Constructive organization is badly needed for the movement to be put on a general standard of complete acceptance. Many churches are needed and their purpose more widely publicized with authentic mediums of this work to give results in materialization, photography, entrance of spirit voices on canonized ether waves, such as television, short-wave, radio and cablegram. Any and all means for a star-

ling exhibition of the proof of survival.

There is need no more for man to be governed by fear of his true belief once it is recognized within himself, and it is through these numbers that the remainder of the peoples shall also come to acknowledge the higher planes of being, thus gathering together as a great army to combat the negative reactions of this kind.

Descriptive literature also of the higher planes should be circulated much as one circulates a folder of a foreign country to attract trade.

With the finding of the scrolls of the Dead Sea, a new interest is being taken in the scriptures, for there is an opportunity for comparison with the known and the unknown, the tangible and the intangible, for with proof of survival being more widely distributed, the higher realms become more than space-filled atoms and electrons.

A proof of a loved one's passing puts the space barrier in the minds of all, as not only a region to be explored by learned men, but by any simple mind.

For there is one certain thing, that when proof is given in the form of messages received from the ones passed over and other

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THINK ABOUT THIS

By
Trevor James

Author of
"They Live In The Sky"

In true spiritual science, the evidence of the senses is given a cardinal role in the understanding and perception of Natural law. This process runs directly counter to the established practices of conventional science, scientism, which holds that the senses cannot be trusted. Consequently, conventional science transforms thermal, electrical, mechanical impressions by means of various electrical and thermal devices into pointer readings. As an example, we may quote the light meter used by photographers. The "amount" of light present is registered on a scale, which the photographer then uses to set his camera properly.

A large percentage of the incomprehensions under which orthodox science labors are imposed by an over-emphasis on pointer readings, and a de-emphasis or disregard of direct sensory testimony. As the space program advances, we shall find that we are wasting billions and getting a false picture of the universal laws, because we are relying too heavily on pointer instruments heaved away from the earth in rockets. We should also remember that the pointer instruments in some of these rockets are either connected to, or supplanted by pulse-generating transmitters of some kind. As we go on, we are getting further and further away from direct sensory testimony.

A very cogent point arises here, in connection with the pointer instruments vs. human sense testimony debate. This has to do with an element common to both systems, although in a different way in each case.

No scientific experiment can be considered valid or useful unless the instruments involved in it are carefully calibrated to some known standard or source. Imagine a thermal experiment carried on with unmarked thermometers, i. e. thermoscopes. Any scientist who tried to do without degree measurements of some kind would find himself not only lost, but the target of derision from his colleagues.

Thus, in addition to taking the mineral matter up out of the earth and forming it into pointer instruments, the scientist has also to calibrate the pointer instrument. We see therefore, that long and careful preparations are involved in making the pointer instrument worthy of the scientist's trust.

In connection with the whole human being, as an investigative instrument, similar conditions

must be fulfilled. It is a trespass beyond the limits of logic to automatically conclude that the fabulous portable laboratory we are going to use does not need any preparation or calibration. On this obvious-but-simple shoal, many a would-be spiritual investigator has gone aground, often to remain in difficulties throughout his life.

Persons seeking to implement spiritual science in a practical way all too often forget that their investigative apparatus has to be carefully prepared, just like the pointers of the scientist.

Unless this is done, unless this "calibration" is made before the investigative instrument is put into use, the spiritual scientist is just as big a charlatan as the orthodox scientist attempting to use uncalibrated instruments for his experiments. Furthermore, the observations, deductions and results will be nothing but a mess of illusion, just like a comparable outer experiment with uncalibrated instruments. On top of it all, such processes by well-meaning but hasty and impatient persons do vast damage to the whole cause of spiritual science.

The body of the spiritual scientist is so trained, sensitized, observed and understood that the spiritual scientist, like his outer, conventional counterpart with the calibrated pointers, may now trust the sensory impressions and evidence he receives. He has trained his apparatus. It is worthy of his trust, and he trusts it.

The spiritual scientist now has complete control of the most complex, perfect and marvellous laboratory on earth. Little wonder is it then, that such outstanding men as Rudolph Steiner, spiritual scientist par excellence, have been able to present the

world with indications for outer experiment deemed to be at least a hundred and fifty years ahead of their time.

The conclusion could be drawn here that it is because the spiritual scientist has a more comprehensive and sensitive instrument than the outer investigator that he has the advantage. This is not entirely the source of the advantage.

Rather does the reliable sensory apparatus of the spiritual scientist convince him that the source of his errors will rest with his judgment. And it is to the judgment that the spiritual scientist always looks for his erroneous conceptions of outer reality. His senses are trained, "calibrated" as it were, and worthy of his trust. He cannot say the same for his judgment, and acts accordingly.

The conventional scientist is shackled to his pointer readings. These are all too often misconstrued as representing ultimate reality, and when they are fed to the reason, often the judgment errs. Out comes a heavily processed illusion,

which, seemingly supported by utterly trustworthy data, is incorporated into the structure of "things proven."

Provided that one has a firm grasp of these basic principles, and a fair overall knowledge of metaphysics as metaphysics and not as a half-baked religious system, useful work can be done in spiritual science by virtually any intelligent person.

In working with the photography of occultarily imperceptible beings and craft in the earth's atmosphere, using infrared film, we had to lean heavily on our own marginal perception of the etheric level.

We could in this way "see" vehicles around us, sometimes just a few feet from our faces, and despite the expenditure of much film designed to penetrate the invisible realms, the objects resisted anything other than sporadic recording. The conclusion of the orthodox experimenter would be that we were having hallucinations and that we were only making pictures of technical aberrations. Thus, a high degree of faith in our own sensory

testimony and perception was called for. Ordinary judgment would have resulted in the collapse of the enterprise.

By simple implementation of the Goethean maxim "The senses do not lie, but the judgment does" we were able to continue our work, knowing that if we "worried" the problem long enough we would win through. Finally, in recent weeks, we have been able to uncover some of the basic principles of repeatable etheric photography. And we have found it to be a fact of life in our phase of research that the judgment does lie, and that the senses do not.

No matter how humble the level of his efforts, any person who is a practical spiritual scientist will find Goethe's maxim not only an inspiration, but a definite brake against giving up too soon.

Great souls like Steiner and Goethe have left us many bold signposts for practical spiritual science. We are something worse than stupid if we do not follow them.

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WHO CAN DENY?

Proof Positive — Here's the Picture

Medium and Spirit Photographed
WHEN A PICTURE TELLS THE STORY



The picture above, taken February 17th, 1959, shows (left to right) Fanchion Harwood, entranced materialization medium; materialized form of Murial, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hoffner, 294 Federal Drive, Anderson, Indiana; and Edith Stillwell, cabinet attendant.

Those present in the seance room when this picture was taken: David Payton, commercial photographer, 1023 Broadway, Anderson, Indiana (infra - red film used); R. G. Pressing, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Smith, Kitcheners, Canada; Elizabeth and Katherine Hauck, 808 Cleveland Ave., Cincinnati (29), Ohio; Min-

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The Future Of Man At The Crossroads?

By MARJORIE FRY Ms.D.
Special For The Psychic Observer

Millions of years have passed since the beginning of this Cosmic Cycle when the consciousness of which we are a part first entered this Cosmic space. At first all units of soul were in a state of Oneness and Harmony, then during the First Earth Cycle the soul units, which we might designate as extended rays from the "Father of Lights," became separated from their original oneness and were so immersed in darkness they lost the creative power which they once had.

The Ancients divided this Cosmic Cycle from the beginning to the end into seven parts or Ages and we have now reached the end of the Sixth Age or epoch in man's evolution, both material and spiritual, and have entered the Seventh or last Earth Cycle in which the foundation of the "new heaven and earth" will be formed. We are told that it is during this Seventh Earth Cycle the longed hoped for Golden Age will manifest and man regain the creative power which he had before his "Fall."

In our understanding of the Earth Cycles we realize that the Cosmic Consciousness of which we are a part, as a whole is moving through this Cosmic Space, through this space tube we call it, in this Cosmic Cycle to an ultimate end, to reincarnate as a whole in a new Cosmic Cycle. That ending is the forming of the "new heaven and earth" as spoken of in Revelation, which takes place in the Seventh or last Earth Cycle. So we are nearing the end of this Cosmic Day which began "in the beginning" as given in Genesis.

We have had in the distant past ages of Light and ages of darkness. The great cycle evolved and passed on into Illumination but we who are left have lagged behind, we have been stubborn and lazy, spiritually speaking, clinging to the material and taking the broad highway with its many detours and turnings.

The time in which we are now living is a transition period in man's evolution and progress, a sort of balancing wherein we find the weight of all the wrongs of ages past pressing in upon us for final adjustment. It is indeed a time of reckoning and man is reaping the effects in world turmoil. In our fast changing world we see all about us great mental and spiritual unrest and imbalance manifesting. To the majority of people this great change from old to new concepts has come as a shock. Suddenly their little world has fallen apart and they are still trying to cling to the old because they have not as yet grasped the new and so are swayed back and forth.

We live within a great sphere of vibration and as this great struggle and spiritual unrest envelope the world it reacts upon us, causing great nervous, mental and physical strain. So we need to maintain poise and balance in our mental attitudes toward things as never before both for our own welfare as well as for helping others.

The social unrest which is manifesting all over the world is something like a disease of the body. It is a spiritual disease or inharmonious being thrown out by mankind, a sort of cleaning process taking place within in order to fit the race of man for higher growth and development. At times the "fever" flares up and runs high, then he becomes delirious and threatens wildly about, resentful and fighting those about him. That is the way we might look at the struggles that are taking place in the world today, both individually and nationally.

And just as there are great changes taking place in our economic life, so religion is also changing and old concepts are no longer adequate. On every side people are wondering,

questioning and seeking. The "Old Time Religion" is outworn, it has served its day during the "faith and belief" era. Now the younger generation especially is demanding a new interpretation and better understanding of religious truths contained in the Bible, of the relationship of man to God, and an entirely new understanding of God, which will correlate with scientific facts and appeal to their reason rather than their emotions.

We find many who, though they seem to desire to go forward on the Spiritual path into the New Age, cannot quite release their hold of the old; one day they may take a step forward and the next day withdraw. They feel the pull of the forces of Light but still cling to the darkness they are familiar with, for in spite of our great material progress man as a whole is still living in spiritual darkness.

We have evolved material laws in order to protect ourselves in the society in which we live, but all the laws, regulations or prohibitions in the world cannot make the individual or the nation good or peaceful, because the desire to be good and live right and in peace with our neighbor must come from within. How can we expect to have peace when the individuals and nations are more concerned with the desire for power over others than in the desire for love and peace?

In ages past we have often come to what we might term the crossroads of life in various ways in connection with our material as well as spiritual progress, when we have had many opportunities to learn the lessons of life and regain our original state of Oneness and Harmony, and indeed millions of souls have done so. It is a difficult time for those who are left and conditions seem to grow worse each day.

The highway was broad in the past and gave us a chance to take many side roads and detours. Some of us have spent many lifetimes on these detours while others have been walking the Spiritual Path, so now we have to hurry to catch up. Many have been dilatory and have not prepared their consciousness for changes and so find it difficult to relinquish their hold upon the old Age, which is passing, long enough to grasp the New. It is as if they were in the middle of a stream holding on to two limbs, one extending from each bank, and are unable to decide which to let go of. They see the clouds of storm gathering on the "left" side, but some are not as yet able to see sufficiently with the Clear Sight of the Eye Single to vision that which is on the "right," but the waters are becoming more troubled beneath them and soon they must definitely make their choice.

All mankind is beginning to feel this change coming, whether they realize it or not. We are now living in the age of the greatest changes in recorded historical times. It is a Cosmic thing and if we are in tune with the Divine Plan we will change our lives, we will go along with the Law, work in harmony with this rhythm, and not resist it. It is a Universal Cyclical Law that is taking place and we do not break the Universal Laws, but only

break ourselves against them. If we learn to go along and work in rhythm and harmony with them, we get along all right; it is when we do not understand them or do not work in rhythm with them that we get into trouble.

For ages we have walked first with Truth and then with error but the broad highway is ending, the way divides and the crossroads become a fork. Viewing this, we see a straight and narrow road leading upward, and on it are many obstacles and little traffic. Another wider road seems to follow the general direction of the broad highway we have been travelling, and it is crowded with traffic and we recognize many of our friends, acquaintances and loved ones on that road.

Many of us are so intent upon following the crowd we may not see or realize the downward grade, but think because it is the main travelled road it will surely be the best one to take; and because we are practically lost in the crowd, who are so busy in their worldly delights that they do not see the steep rocky cliff ahead and the abyss below toward which they are travelling, we too, may flock along like sheep and walk right over the cliff into the abyss, following the left hand path of darkness.

Some of us have been hearing about the New Age for a good many years, and have been told to prepare our consciousness for it, to be able to adapt ourselves to the great changes that will take place. It is recognized and spoken of astrologically also, but what it really is, is this cyclical movement that is taking place universally and it affects every one of us. In these times we are going through all our old ways and methods of thinking are being disrupted, just swept right out from under us in this age of space research. Those with any degree of Spiritual understanding realize that it is necessary in the evolution and development of the soul and the ultimate goal of the great Cosmic Plan, even though it may bring terrible trials and tribulations to the great mass of mankind.

We must adjust ourselves to this New Age, often referred to as the Aquarian Age, for the old structure and ways of life are no longer adequate and must make way for the new. At such times if man does not willingly do this, he is forced to by circumstances and those who resist these inevitable changes will come under the tribulation and judgments as foretold in the Bible. Eventually man must voluntarily learn righteousness or be forced into it through severe suffering and afflictions, until in the end all become One with the LIGHT. So our choice at this time of the Cosmic Age is most important as it will determine whether we will be on the side of those of the Light or those of the Darkness in the great Spiritual Armageddon spoken of in the Book of Revelation.

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doctor, from Odessa, Texas, was one of the principal participants.

The photographer, David Payton, 1623 Broadway, Anderson, Indiana, was engaged to take the pictures.

We have already described how the pictures were taken, that the negatives were immediately developed in another portion of the Harwood residence at Chesterfield and that all the sitters were permitted to see the negatives one-half hour after the seance ended.

STORY BEHIND THE STORY

These pictures clearly show that Dr. Miller's daughter, Helen, appeared in such a way that no one could doubt the authenticity of these photographs. The fact that the lower portion of the spirit is partially dematerialized positively proves this phase of the phenomena.

The photograph of Helen, partially dematerialized, shows her father over a head taller. This was due to the fact that dematerialization was taking place during

the time this photograph was taken. Time elapsed between the taking of these pictures but the features of Helen are definitely the same.

NEVER CAN TELL

When the group inspected the negatives after the seance, the one showing the dematerialization did not look as if the experiment had been a success. Of course, after prints were made, we could see that for evidence, the picture of dematerialization overshadowed



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Dematerialization Photographed

Another photograph of Helen, spirit daughter of Dr. H. F. Miller, Odessa, Texas.

the second as far as evidence was concerned.

At the time, Dr. Miller thought it best to experiment again and see if he could get a better picture of his daughter. The result was the full form materialization of Helen.

MUCH WE DON'T BELIEVE

Some ask why books were placed under the legs of the piano seat. When Helen, who materializes and plays the piano, asked to have the seat raised, the books were placed there. At this experiment everyone hoped

she would play again, but evidently, the spirit collaborators had other ideas.

Another point that may be raised by the casual observer. Why are Helen's features, during the time she was dematerializing, clearer than when she is fully materialized? I do not know. There is also evidence that dematerialization is taking place (see back portion throughout Helen's upper left arm). Since dematerialization is taking place why do her features remain intact? I do not know.

Then, there will be those who, when witnessing dematerialization, have seen the upper portions of the body and then the head near the floor. The fact that Helen is gradually becoming shorter is sufficient reason to rule out the exact location of any portion of any dematerializing form at any particular time.

I have been accused of being belligerent and intolerant toward those who are continually finding fault with certain types of phenomena. Possibly so, but I don't mean to be. I am always willing to have our readers write in and present their case, state their arguments, but when they do that, they should back them with an equal amount of evidence and not a lot of "could be's" and "but's, and's, it's" and a lot of statements which cannot be proven.

NOTHING EVER HAPPENS

I have also been told in no uncertain terms that the pictures already printed of the Harwood demonstrations bore no evidence but was not told the reasons. It seems to me that during the last 25 or 30 years, these same old-time psychic researchers have had plenty of opportunity to present what they think would be evidence but nothing has happened.

How people can argue about the pictures especially when they were not there is beyond me. The sitters assembled. The doors were locked. No one entered or left the room during the demonstration. And even so, had there been a continual parade going in and out, that would not account for the dematerialized form. As far as "double exposure" is concerned, let somebody come forward, who can walk around in the flesh—dematerialized!

The taking of this picture by Payton was witnessed by nearly 30 persons, including the editor of this journal, Fanchon Harwood, one of America's foremost materialization mediums, sat in the cabinet back of the black curtain. All present have already roused for this photograph. The negative was developed 30 minutes after the seance ended. A committee of three followed photographer Payton and, in an outer room, watched the negative being developed.

There are records of pictures showing that Sir William Crookes was photographed with the materialized spirit, Katie King—walking arm in arm with her but through the mediumship of "Florrie" Florence Cook, there is no photograph on record showing a partially dematerialized spirit on the floor with Crookes. Nor is there a picture showing medium Cook—with a materialized spirit.

Many of the Crookes photographs were destroyed. It seems that records and rare pictures of an evidential type have an uncanny way of disappearing when those who spend a lifetime in research leave their findings in the hands of those opposed to the case for personal conscious survival.

When the evidence is too good, certain die-hards become enraged but if there are apparent loopholes, these same ineffectuals become masters of the situation by talking about red herrings instead of the actual phenomena produced.

CREATE A NEED

By HILDRETH MARJORIE ROCKWELL

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In the foregoing century, time allotment shall be magnified into a volume of ciphers which shall be magnified in turn by their own evolution. In other words, the elements, which now go to make up the time element shall be dissolved and a period of spiritual enlightenment shall designate the necessary limits which will tend to contribute to the progression of the enfoldment of the theories of the realm of the higher planes.

It is at this point that I should like to make mention of the necessary caution needed in dealing with the conjunctive factor concerned with this. It is in this manner that I speak; nothing is to be gained from knowledge if it is not properly digested and after digested, put to work on the planes of higher learning. For instance, were I to tell you of the regions which the soul inhabits, its immortality and its lessons it learns in its trip by

step enfoldment, it would be of little avail if it were not put into concentrated effort for the application of this in the manner of acceptance and a ready belief.

The high ones of the White Brotherhood are assembled now for the onslaught of the coming victory of the spiritual era which is to follow the period of sodomic evil which has tainted the civilization through the ages down to this point.

A relative cooperative series of groups who work from the material plane with the brothers of the inner circle are in complete agreement with one another. Man shall not destroy himself in the rise of this new movement, rather he shall be shown the error of his ways and shall repent of his own volition into a period of wakefulness which shall be his passport into the new life of the spirit dawning on the earth plane.

Constructive organization is badly needed for the movement to be put on a general standard of complete acceptance. More churches are needed and their purpose more widely publicized with authentic mediums of this work to give results in materialization, photography, entrance of spirit voices on canonized ether waves, such as television, short-wave, radio and cablegram. Any and all means for a star-

ling exhibition of the proof of survival.

There is need no more for man to be governed by fear of his true belief once it is recognized within himself, and it is through these numbers that the remainder of the peoples shall also come to acknowledge the higher planes of being, thus gathering together as a great army to combat the negative reactions of this kind.

Descriptive literature also of the higher planes should be circulated much as one circulates a folder of a foreign country to attract trade.

With the finding of the scrolls of the Dead Sea, a new interest is being taken in the scriptures, for there is an opportunity for comparison with the known and the unknown, the tangible and the intangible, for with proof of survival being more widely distributed, the higher realms become more than space-filled atoms and electrons.

A proof of a loved one's passing puts the space barrier in the minds of all, as not only a region to be explored by learned men, but by any simple mind.

For there is one certain thing, that when proof is given in the form of messages received from the ones passed over and other

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We find many who, though they seem to desire to go forward on the Spiritual path into the New Age, cannot quite release their hold of the old; one day they may take a step forward and the next day withdraw. They feel the pull of the forces of Light but still cling to the darkness they are familiar with, for in spite of our great material progress man as a whole is still living in spiritual darkness.

We have evolved material laws in order to protect ourselves in the society in which we live, but all the laws, regulations or prohibitions in the world cannot make the individual or the nation good or peaceful, because the desire to be good and live right and in peace with our neighbor must come from within. How can we expect to have peace when the individuals and nations are more concerned with the desire for power over others than in the desire for love and peace?

In ages past we have often come to what we might term the crossroads of life in various ways in connection with our material as well as spiritual progress, when we have had many opportunities to learn the lessons of life and regain our original state of Oneness and Harmony, and indeed millions of souls have done so. It is a difficult time for those who are left and conditions seem to grow worse each day.

The highway was broad in the past and gave us a chance to take many side roads and detours. Some of us have spent many lifetimes on these detours while others have been walking the Spiritual Path, so now we have to hurry to catch up. Many have been dilatory and have not prepared their consciousness for changes and so find it difficult to relinquish their hold upon the old Age, which is passing, long enough to grasp the New. It is as if they were in the middle of a stream holding on to two limbs, one extending from each bank, and are unable to decide which to let go of. They see the clouds of storm gathering on the "left" side, but some are not as yet able to see sufficiently with the Clear Sight of the Eye Single to vision that which is on the "right," but the waters are becoming more troubled beneath them and soon they must definitely make their choice.

All mankind is beginning to feel this change coming, whether they realize it or not. We are now living in the age of the greatest changes in recorded historical times. It is a Cosmic thing and if we are in tune with the Divine Plan we will change our lives, we will go along with the Law, work in harmony with this rhythm, and not resist it. It is a Universal Cyclical Law that is taking place and we do not break the Universal Laws, but only

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break ourselves against them. If we learn to go along and work in rhythm and harmony with them, we get along all right; it is when we do not understand them or do not work in rhythm with them that we get into trouble.

For ages we have walked first with Truth and then with error but the broad highway is ending, the way divides and the crossroads become a fork. Viewing this, we see a straight and narrow road leading upward, and on it are many obstacles and little traffic. Another wider road seems to follow the general direction of the broad highway we have been traveling, and it is crowded with traffic and we recognize many of our friends, acquaintances and loved ones on that road.

Many of us are so intent upon following the crowd we may not see or realize the downward grade, but think because it is the main travelled road it will surely be the best one to take; and because we are practically lost in the crowd, who are so busy in their worldly delights that they do not see the steep rocky cliff ahead and the abyss below toward which they are traveling, we too, may flock along like sheep and walk right over the cliff into the abyss, following the left hand path of darkness.

Some of us have been hearing about the New Age for a good many years, and have been told to prepare our consciousness for it, to be able to adapt ourselves to the great changes that will take place. It is recognized and spoken of astrologically also, but what it really is, is this cyclical movement that is taking place universally and it affects every one of us. In these times we are going through all our old ways and methods of thinking are being disrupted, just swept right out from under us in this age of space research. Those with any degree of Spiritual understanding realize that it is necessary in the evolution and development of the soul and the ultimate goal of the great Cosmic Plan, even though it may bring terrible trials and tribulations to the great mass of mankind.

We must adjust ourselves to this New Age, often referred to as the Aquarian Age, for the old structure and ways of life are no longer adequate and must make way for the new. At such times if man does not willingly do this, he is forced to by circumstances and those who resist these inevitable changes will come under the tribulation and judgments as foretold in the Bible. Eventually man must voluntarily learn righteousness or be forced into it through severe suffering and afflictions, until in the end all become One with the LIGHT. So our choice at this time of the Cosmic Age is most important as it will determine whether we will be on the side of those of the Light or those of the Darkness in the great Spiritual Armageddon spoken of in the Book of Revelation.

Man has always had free will in choosing the Path he will take so now again we must each choose the way we shall go — to the right up the steep path of Spiritual unfoldment, or to the left, which holds no promise but suffering. The time is short in which we must decide whether we will follow the right hand path that leads to the "new heaven and earth," or the left hand path which can lead only to chaos and destruction. We are facing the death of an old era and the beginning of a new, so we must make our Spiritual and material preparation now. The conditions of unrest, discouragement and fear, which face us today, are a challenge to our ability to prepare ourselves for the great changes which are in the making.

If we would only apply the Golden Rule standard of conduct

in our every day living, in our thoughts and in our deeds, individually and collectively, the Golden Age which man has long looked forward to, would be manifest. But man in his present state of evolution is inherently selfish and wants everything for himself. He talks much about the Brotherhood of Man and Christianity, but seldom lives it in his daily life, and no wonder, for the very basis of our social system is contrary to true brotherhood. One cannot cooperate very well with a business competitor. The same is true with nations. Therefore, man lives generally in terms of MY — MY country, MY family, MY house.

We will need to prepare our consciousness to live cooperatively in the New Age. It will not be enough to just talk cooperation and brotherhood, the Golden Rule, but we will actually have to LIVE it and practice it in our daily lives and contacts with our fellow men before we will be able to mani-

fest it as a world plan.

The path of evolution is always forward and upward and although the process seems slow at times, events are now speeding this movement up. We have truly been living in a Dark Age, but the Ancient Wisdom teaches us that the LIGHT will return to man in proportion that man makes his vessel ready for the Light, so that it can pour in, therefore, our soul, our mind, our consciousness, must be made fit vessels for the Spiritual Light to pour in and shine through.

As we go forward into the New Age man will have a more universal and cooperative attitude, yet the individual will have greater freedom as he will not be bound by so many possession attachments. And in the end, in which we are told the Golden Age will be realized, man will transmute the gross material body and again manifest in the body Spiritual as he did ages ago in the past before his "Fall."

Walking And Talking With The "Dead"

By the Editor

Intermittently over a period of years, this journal has publicized the mediumship of Fanchion Harwood. Thousands of words have described her outstanding phase of mediumship — materialization. Hundreds of names and addresses attesting to the authenticity of these demonstrations have been published.

Many of these stories have been backed by sworn testimonials and affidavits, but even today, there are those who still question, not especially Mrs. Harwood or any particular medium, but statements declaring materialization to be a fact. Even some of the PRO psychic researchers persist in referring to materialization as ALLEGED PHENOMENA.

Many ardent Spiritualists have yearned and even wondered why they were seldom privileged to see the medium at the same time materialized spirits are visible. After all these years, Mrs. Harwood consented to try to submit irrefutable evidence to these scoffers. This picture is the result. It is only one of many taken recently, but serves as proof positive that spirits manifest separate and apart from the medium (i.e.) actually materialize a form and are real, living, breathing individuals.

The séance at which this picture was taken was held at Chesterfield, Indiana. Before the séance began, Mrs. Harwood was searched. The commercial photographer, not a Spiritualist, David Payton, Anderson, Ind., had no axe to grind. He was hired and told to take pictures with infrared film and he did!

Twenty persons witnessed the demonstrations. The pictures

were developed ten minutes after they were taken and then the negatives were shown to those present.

It will be difficult to understand why anyone, even the rank and file skeptic, will now deny that these manifestations can and do happen — under the proper conditions.

Nowhere, since the days of Sir William Crookes' experiments with Katie King, can there be found pictures to compare with these. In no book, and this includes the works of Geley, Schrenck-Notzing, Lombroso, Flammarion, Fukari and Richel, can there be found a photograph to compare with them.

Of course, during the past 80 or 70 years, hundreds of flash-light snap shots were taken of ectoplasmic formations emanating in and around a medium, but at no time, has a clear, concise picture been taken showing both the medium and the spirit at the same time.

This should settle, once and for all, the fact of full-form materialization — a point questioned by thousands of so-called psychic investigators and even some Spiritualists — those who claim they know all there is to know about physical mediumship. When pictures can tell a story, the story is indeed told.

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