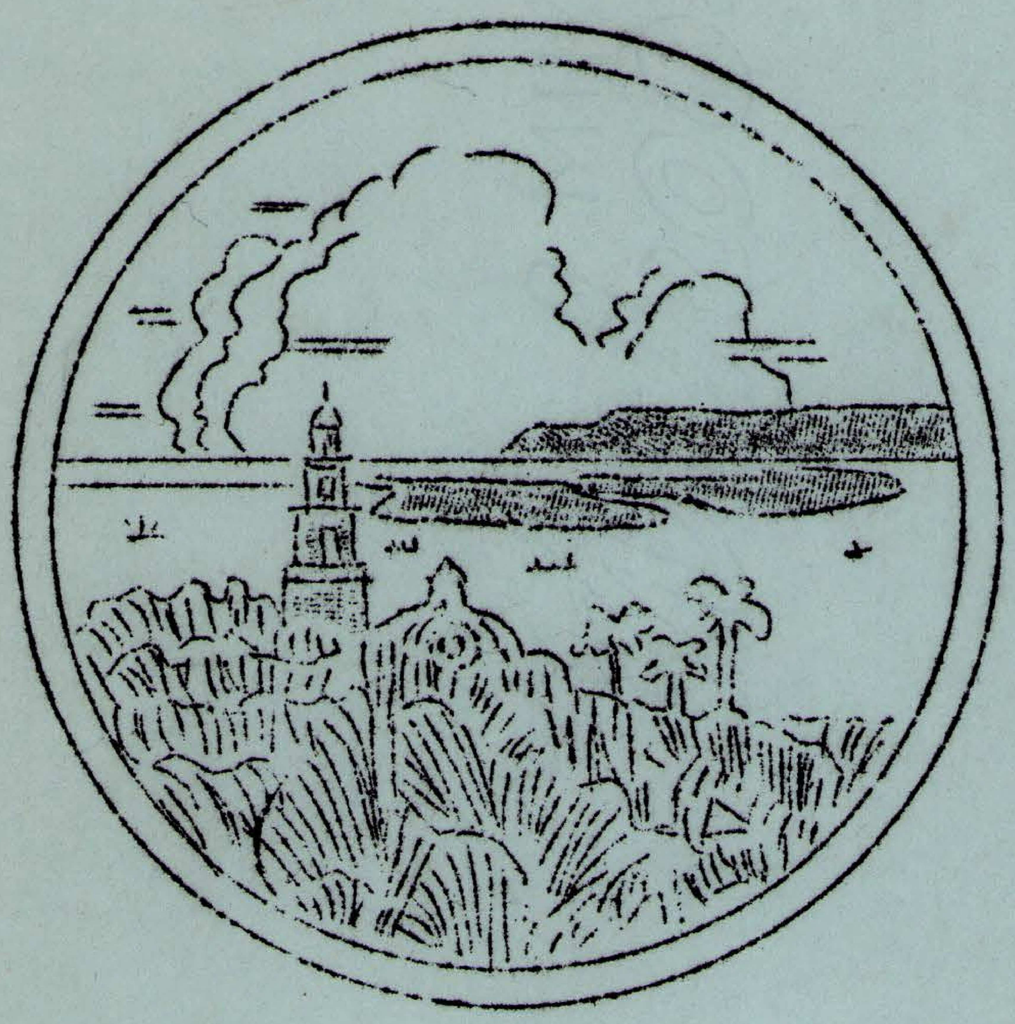
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(To uphold and diffuse the light)

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This oversize number of Round Robin combines the July and August issues: the next printing will be the first week in Sept. Until publishing conditions improve it may be necessary to con - tinue bi-monthly publication, in line with the practise adopted by many other periodicals. Subscribers will receive the full number of issues they have paid for, and each number will be some- what larger than formerly.

Several excellent articles promised our readers for this number have been crowded out by other matter which could not be deferred. Round Robin service is unique and your cooperation is solicited.

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M A L A M A L A

We print this ancient Hawaiian word on the title page of both Flying Roll and Round Robin: it is pronounced with a distributive or floating stress, such as is used in French and in Sanskrit, and there is a slight final stress on the last la. The A's are broad as in Italian or Spanish - like the A in father

It seems to us that this word is admirably suited, in its root mean - ings, to the ideals and purposes of these two publications. And it is suitable also, because Round Robin has long been urging the study of the Polynesian HUNA, especially the effective healing magic of the great Kahunas - Hewahewa, High Priest under Kamehameha I, Lucchi last of the Kwahinas, teacher of the Englishman Stewart amid the Berber tribes of - north Africa, and their compeers.

Now let us consider the meaning of these three roots - of MA, and LA, and MA again.

MA is a going-together. LAMA is a torch, symbol of enlightenment. To double a word doubles the potency of its meaning. MALAMA, which may also be MALAMALAMA, is a going-together of the Lights - that is to say, a doubled Light shines forth, the Light of the High Self, or of Truth or the search for Truth, and the long desire for it. And LA is a Path, or a path-and-a - Light; it refers to the invisible cord which connects the High Self and the low. Along this Path moves the Mana flow, the energy interchange, and on this are borne all thought-forms, prayers, and aspirations. Then too, MALA means to grow round and bright and full, like the plenilune. The Moon is the conscious-mind self; it is Yesod and the Treasure House of Images in the lore of Qabalism; it is the astral levels and the common awareness of earth life.

The three roots have also their dictionary meaning, "to be awake to danger". And they mean, to put things in proper order and so maintain them. And MA has a meaning, 'to wilt, to fade away' - which seems to say that the Light will flicker and grow dim if it is not fed - and to feed it is to preserve the Secret of Secrets inviolate.

It is not, then, by any single word that we can translate MALAMALA, or MALAMALAMA, but only by many words and a wealth of significance. "The light of the mind and the Light of the High Self shines as one; let us hold it high as a torch and maintain it against diminishment". To this objective, surely all Illuminists and all occult Orders will subscribe.

Before the Light can be upheld and spread abroad, we must discern it. Before we can discern it, we must experience the desire and need therefor. Before need and desire arise, comes Discontent. In Dissatisfaction is the root of Progress, and in dogmatism and self-satisfaction is its drought and withering.

* (For the etymology of Malamala we are indebted to Max Freedom Long, FHF)

- D E F I N I T I O N S -

by

Roger Graham

ETHER:

The ether is a universal swarm of particles of the same two substances of which electrons and protons are composed, but incredibly smaller, and traveling in haphazard directions at the speed of light and greater.

ELECTRICITY:

Electricity consists of large particles of the same two primal substances of which ether consists; and their fields are produced by the interaction of the ether and the superparticles (electrons, protons, etc.)

GRAVITY:

Basically, gravity is a perfectly neutral electrostatic field.

LIGHT:

Light is a rapid succession of pressures in the two ethers, which alternately act positively and negatively on electrical particles in the same way that electrostatic fields attract and repel electrical particles.

MAGNETISM:

Magnetism is any ordered flow pattern of an electrical field.

SPACE:

Space is an objectively existent basic reality which we can only know through awareness of separation and angle and the inferences we make from them.

TIME:

Time is a concept we derive from an objectively existant basic reality which we can only know through the phenomenon we call motion.

These three basic realities which we refer to by the terms time, space, and primal substance comprise the whole of noumenal existence (objective).

These definitions presuppose much which the reader cannot possibly know of, and which are given only as basics for my experiments. These basics will be brought out in complete detail as soon as there is evidence of sufficient interest in the scientific world to warrant it.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Flying Roll Beta II, now available, contains a five page article by Roger Graham dealing with the Santa Cruz vortex. The phenomena at this place resemble those at the so-called House of Mystery, near Grant's Pass in Oregon, and constitute one of the most inexplicable puzzles known to science. Mr. Graham considers that there is no doubt whatever about the genuineness of the phenomena, and devotes his article to an exploration of the possible causes. This is the first constructive examination of this problem which has appeared in print, and we recommend it to all Illuminists and students of the borderland sciences.

F L Y, L O K A S, F L Y!

("The LOK is the wide space of the heavens")

On June 26, 1947, the morning radio broadcasts in California carried a seemingly crack-pot story, sandwiched between Hollywood gossip and some other puerility, about a flight of curious objects over the Cascade Mountains, observed and daringly reported by one Kenneth Arnold, a "flying business man", "flying fire extinguisher salesman", "U.S. Forest Service employee", "veteran pilot", "fire control engineer", "owner and manager of the Great Western Fire Control Company" (etc.etc. crescendo as the facts were verified). Mr. Arnold, flying east toward Mt. Rainier on June 25, at 9200 ft.,spotted nine saucer-shaped objects, "big as a DC-4 passenger plane", flying in a "screwy formation", at right angles to his own line of flight, about 25 miles ahead of him, at a 10,000 ft. altitude. They were "weaving and ducking in and out", were "extremely shiny as if nickle plated", had a "rocking movement", were half-moon shaped, oval in front and convex in the rear, without tails, bulges or cowling, looked like disks - and the line waved "like the tail of a Chinese kite." By clock time and later triangulation the speed was estimated as between 1200 and 1700 miles per hour.

This temarious tale encouraged another "flying business man", of Oklahoma City, to tell how, some weeks ago, he and his wife saw a "very big, shiny, silver object moving at terrific speed,"without any noise. "I know that boy up there (Arnold) really saw them," said the Oklahoman. Several residents of Seattle next reported the strange craft; then an engineer of Joliet (Ill.) reported nine of them. If these were the same as seen by Arnold the same day, they had made the 2000 miles in 50 minutes. The craft flipped and righted themselves in unison, as if all were powered from the leading disk or were in tow. The same or a similar flight of nine was seen the next day over Kansas City. Reports of other observers came in from Oregon, and "nine or ten" of the objects were reliably reported over Woodland, Wash., two days later. Other accounts came from Boise, the Grand Canyon area, west Texas, New Mexico, the Columbia River country, and San Francisco. All the reports agree essentially in description. On July 3 the objects were reported over Denver, and even the Lt. Governor of Idaho saw something he couldn't explain - this time a "comet-like object hanging in the sky". And "three metallic gleaming disks" were seen "going around and around in a circle" over Beverly Hill, Calif. By the time RR gets into print the things may be as common as breakfast food advertisements , so we won't follow the story seriatim any further. Enough has been said to show the first stages of the affair.

It goes without saying that public, official, and press reaction followed the familiar pattern; first a series of hoots, gibes and jeers, then a baker's dozen of "explanations" (many of them incredibly asinine), finally a blessed silence by hooters and explainers alike, but <u>not</u> by disappearance of the reports. Among the explainers we regret to include General Wainright, who said "People obviously saw something, I don't know what. I don't believe all the claims. I don't believe it at all" - which is understandable if slightly incoherent. Howard Blakeslee, science editor for the AP, obviously trying hard, suggested that the objects were merely reflected flashes of light from distant planes, which were being given a fanciful build-up by minds stuffed with scientifiction. A university of Oregon astronomer thought Arnold's saucers were "persistent vision" caused by looking at reflections on the glass of his own plane; a Portland meteorologist thought it was all optical illusion caused by layers of atmosphere, and when one E.H.Sprinkle of Eugene, Ore., got a photograph of "seven dots lined across the sky", other photographers said probably the negative had not been agitated in the developer. "Army rocket experts" decided in favor of jet planes, and the projectile theory was also popular for a while. Several ex-service men recalled having seen objects similar to the saucers

during the war, when they of course got the brush-off from their superiors for reporting them. -- We're all for Caution, of course, and the judicious and common-sense approach to strange happenings, and we know that the Brush-offer League has a tremendous membership, and has been able to completely suppress and extinguish a whole book-full of desperately important facts which happened to be isolated and sporadic. This time, however, the facts, being saucer-shaped, fly right back again, refuse to accept the damned-datum status -- By the present writing the hoot-owl chorus has died away, but the affair remains front-page news and the newspapers are really in a bad fix, having a most sensational event on hand and nothing whatever to say about it.

The Fortean Scoiety (to which this writer belongs) is undergoing a most painful parturition, under the midwifery of Secretary Tiffany Thayer; so far the only issue has been an apparition of Charles Fort (to whom be honor), gabbling "I told you so'". Fort was a mighty hunter-out and collector of weird and science-damned happenings, of which strange sky-craft were not the least. The problem is right up the avenue for Vincent Gaddis also, who lately sent us some 20 instances of similar mysteries of the skies. The most incredible and outrageous things happen, and always have been happening, and students of such matters know about them; the most incredible fact of all is, that there actually are people who think we live in a sane, orderly, intelligible and well-understood world, where "science" has explained everything or is about to do so, and that these ignoramuses include about nine - tenths of our so-called intellectuals... Recurring to Secretary T.T. mentioned above, and while we think of it, it was he who gibed more than once at the Round Robin Corrida (Kareeta) story of last November, not because of its extraordinary nature but because it "stinked" of the "occult." The "occult" got into because we printed a statement, for what it was worth, received clairaudiently by a most honest and non-professional medium. "Let Austin have his swink (or stink) to him reserved!" -- We're all for the Forteans, be it understood, in their war on scientism and smugism, but otherwise they get no forwarder with their hunting simply because most of them are nauseated by the mere mention of anything occult or spiritistic.

To return to our saucers, so to speak: a sergeant of the State Highway Patrol reported seeing a dozen bright metal objects about the size of a football whiz over San Francisco Bay and fall into the ocean. A resident of a town in Washington says he saw one of the disks "explode about 200 ft. from the ground. There was a great shower of sparks but no flash, and flames which seemed to hurtle to the ground." Other observers have reported a dim vapor trail and a faint humming noise - that one disk dropped a reddish-wht flare - that some have been seen hovering or stationary. Lt.Col.Turner (N.M.Rocket Proving grounds) is sure they are jet planes, and that certain "falling bodies" were meteors, but "is investigating". We also hear of a "disk-like bluish object following a zigzag course over New Mexico" - a flight of "soup-dishes dropping south at 150-200 mi.per hr" over San Diego, and "a silver ball that swooshed" over Colorado. Some of these items complicate the problem considerably - if that is possible; particularly the objects falling into the sea and the disk which "exploded." And "Astronomers at Seattle and Joliet said there was no natural explanation for the reports." Is't possible our learned brothers have an unnatural one up their sleeves? Or maybe, just none at all? That sentence we quoted intrigues us almost as much as the saucers themselves; the more you think about it the less sense it makes.

In a final sense there is, of course, no such thing as an explicable fact. Everything known to us is, at bottom, equally mysterious. But there are familiar mysteries, such as sunsets, and grass blades, and systems of philosophy, which we can fit into categories nad hence relate to other facts -- and things like "black days" and fairy tombs and Cock Lane apparitions which are unfamiliar and hence called mysteries. Add, flying saucers. The unfamiliar mysteries make mockery of

"scientific" smugness, and also of common sense - and also of about nine-tenths of of all the alleged occult learning of the pseudo-Adepts. Among these latter wise - acres there are undoubtedly some thousands who pretend to exalted and secret knowledge of anything and everything, saucers included; and it's equally certain that not a dozen of them will agree. We think there actually are people who know - but few if any of them are going to say anything, account of the utter futility of telling the 'facts of life' to children. They are merely sitting tight anf waiting for the Last Act, without expectation of surviving it, or much interest in doing so. If they have a pretty good idea what makes the curtain go up or down, they won't say much about it, or start any last minute panic in the audience.

Having said this much, and taunted all learned men with their ignorance (earwig to our betters), we now present the only intelligent and intelligible comment on the .saucer party so far offered by anybody. That doesn't mean we 'guarantee' it in any sense; we wouldn't 'guarantee Tuesday after Monday. But it's a point of view, and coherent and possible and probably interesting to everybody with a smattering of esoteric knowledge - which leaves most of our intelligentsia out of it, but happily lets in about fifty million lesser folk of this Pilgrims' Pride. The commentator is our friend "Lingford", a familiar control at the Mark P. seances. If nobody on our own plane has anything intelligent to say about saucers, why not interrogate the ghosties - get an astral viewpoint anyway, even if you don't believe a word of it. Of course, if you think Lingford is a dissociated complex, a subconscious invention, a personalized memory, or a wholly fictional character invented the medium and the RR editor for ye sheckels sake (as RR has been credibly informed), your interest will be "0" with the rim left off. But having spent many hours in converse with this oeuf dur of the Invisibles, we consider him a very real person, and quite smart and well-posted and worth listening to. Our semi-quote is not verbatim-literatim-et-punctuatim but it does not misrepresent him in any way.

> 'When will you people learn that there are worlds within worlds - that the etheric worlds interpenetrate with your plane and with each other?. I know I should not be sticking my neck out by talking so much about these saucers, as you call them, at least until I have investigated more fully. But they are not craft constructed on your planet, nor is it necessary to assume that they came from any other planet. It seems impossible to get it through the heads of you people, that objects can pass from an etheric to a dense level of matter, and will then appear to materialize there. Then they may disappear by dematerializing - returning to an etheric condition. It is a perfect analogue to the materializations witnessed in the seance room, which many of your learned men bear witness to. Not only do human forms materialize there, but solid objects appear miraculously, as you say, and often these are brought from long distances. You call them apports, but an apport is dematerialized so that only the etheric patter remains, and then the original atoms are reassembled in the pattern or mould and you have a materialized object. Well, these saucers that puzzle you so much come out of an etheric world also and can return to it. The purpose of these visitors is simply to compel your attention, to wake you up. They come with good intent. They have some idea of experimenting with earth life - I mean, of coming to your world to live. There will be many strange sky appear - ances, as we have often told you before in these seances. Watch for them. These saucers make their great speed because of their peculiar bun-shape and peculiar motion; they encounter almost no air resistance. I do not know their means of propulsion but I shall try to find out. The wilful ignorance

and hostility of your time toward etheric and astral studies is appalling. The strange sky craft reported over your city last November was probably also an etheric construction. These visitors are not excarnate humans; but they are human beings who live in their own world, which happens to be made of stuff which your senses cannot directly perceive, and which you therefore childishly imagine cannot exist at all...'

Sic dixit Lingford. This communicator (to add the personal touch) was a resident of New York State, and departed thence for his present 'station astral' some 40-45 years ago, at the age of 40 years. He is a somewhat stocky young man, very self-assured, a great reader and traveller about, good-humored but also a trifle impatient and sardonic at times. This 'information' comes from other communicators and from several persons on 'this side' who have encountered him while on astral excursions. (If you don't believe in that kind of info., kindly skip this paragraph) We also understand that he lives in a house on the side of a valley, overlooking a beautiful lake, has many flowers, paints a little, and has a great many books. When we aked him if he lived alone, he replied "You bet I do - and I like it!". He added that his plane is a "very lovely place" and that he has no desire or intention of going anywhere else, least of all of returning to earth life - at least for a very long time. We have talked with this communicator two or three times a week for nearly a year, and can only say that if he is a fraud, or a complex or secondary personality, no sign of it has so far appeared. He is unpretentious, conservative, strongly individualized, and apparently a very real person apart from the regretable fact of being invisible and being obligèd to talk through the organism of another person. We don't 'guarantee him, any more than we do Wednesday after Tuesday - or our next-door neighbor, who may be a hallucination (from 5:00 a.m. to midnight, anyway).

It is quite obvious, of course, that this Voice from the neant is not going to get a hearing, and the fact distresses neither him nor the RR editor. If or when the mystery of the flying disks is solved, and if they turn out to be something quite different from Lingford's description, we do not have a single syllable to retract. We are telling our readers the facts as they now stand, about this communicator and his statements concerning the phenomenon. What he has to say fits very well into the main body of occult knowledge - but he may be mistaken about the disks and we may be mistaken about him We believe that the time is coming, and to some extent is now here, when scientists and students of every subject will accept the cooperation of the invisible helpers.

By the 7th of July the disks had been reported over 34 states - yet certain jackasses, by which we mean astronomers, physicists, editors and radio commentators were still gabbling about delusion, hysteria, mirages and the like. On that date the Editor held a short "sitting" with a non-professional medium (Mr.Mark Probert), and after some delay an interesting communication was received, of which we can here print the substance only:

"Well, how am I doing now?" (referring to difficulty in control). "No, I have never spoken thru a medium this way before, but I did speak once thru a trumpet a Lily Dale" (a spiritualist center in N.Y.). I was Thomas Edison. During my life on your plane I made many secret experiments, in the effort to recapture and reproduce sounds made in past time, and preserved in the ether. I still believe that this is possible and that it will be done. At the time I had only a hypothesis to work on, but one often has to use a hypothesis in order to have a starting point.

(Q. as to how he happened to come to the medium). Well, you have a very

unusual group over here, who are interested in the particular type of seance which you carry on... Continue with this work and you will probably get some very strange news. If you publicise it you will be ridiculed, but I was ridiculed too.

About these disks that are stirring up so much comment - I'm a little afraid they are going to make trouble. (Q). I mean, they may start a panic. My ideas about them are much the same as those given by Lingford. They are etheric in nature, and they materialize spontaneously on entering the vibration rate of your world of dense matter. I think this is going to stir up a hell of a lot of trouble. The great trouble, of course, is with your scientists, they can't get into the right way of thinking about such problems.

(Q). They happen to be appearing just now, because your world is now in that phase of thought. Do you understand what I am getting at? There will be many other types of strange sky craft also. That Corrida (Kareeta) you wrote about last year was the same type, etheric construction. It was an experimental craft. (Q) These people are much like yourselves but they are much bigger.

(Q) Yes, I think it might be right to say they come from the Lokas.* No, they are not astral, and not from any of the planets you know about. They come from an etheric planet which your senses do not perceive. Some of the disks carry a crew, but others are managed by remote control. These craft have some means of radiating a powerful energy which is very destructive. If they are attacked or interfered with they may easily destroy the attacking planes. (Q) No, I doubt whether they can be communicated with by radio, but if you can signal by radar perhaps that would work. I don't understand radar, myself. If you can make friends with these people you can learn a world of new facts from them. The medium is getting very tired and I think I shall leave you. "

One point in the above which we feel sure is correct, is that "strange news" or any other kind, derived from mediumistic sources, will be ridiculed. We reflect for the ten-thousandeth time on the tragedy, the irony, and the futilities of the whole contemporary situation. Isolationism, applied to the life of our plane, is as stupid as in social and political matters; yet of help from beyond the border our 'intelligentsia' will have none... It should be easy to understand that a very serious and dangerous situation exists with regard to these disks, and we present here in these pages data which might avert disaster - yet it is doubtful whether any person high in authority can even be induced to read the facts here set down. Our science and our culture have no means of dealing with the issues which are now fast arising... If the same military judgment which permitted a Pearl Harbor should instigate an attack on these strange craft, the results, and the panic to follow, and the flood of international suspicion might well be the beginning of the end of our national existance.

Yet if you repeat in public our favorite RR principle, that public education in psychic matters is <u>imperative</u>, and intensely and supremely practical, you are considered as being teched in the head!

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NOTE: There are 7 of these Lokas under the Vishnu-Purana classification. The word simply means places (loci), worlds, spheres. They do not belong to the earth-chain of globes, nor to the astral. They are just as 'material' as our world, but the matter is of a different vibration range and cannot be detected by our senses or any existing instruments...Note that Corrida (Kareeta) was an experimental craft from the same Loka, as indeed the communicators asserted indirectly at the time.

For the sake of the record we quote another Control, who declined to give his name:

"Most of these craft you are talking about are corrugated lengthwise of the oval. The controls are in the front section. The middle section is a laboratory. The rear contains defensive and offensive armament. They have means of sending out a powerful radiation of energy in all directions from the ship."

Among the countless stupidities engendered by this new sensation, is the cackling in some journalistic roosts over the discrepancy in accounts of size of the "Lokas." Such people should be threatened with instant death unless they can agree at once as to whether the full moon is the size of a pie plate or a cartwheel.

It is reasonably certain that a number of small objects are flying about.Some of them may have fallen from the Lokas. But a doughnut overboard does not prove that all air liners are doughnut size.

It may also pay us to take careful note, that new sky craft of various de - signs have been predicted. The Corrida (Kareeta) is a case in point; it did not resemble the Lokas at all, but is said to have been an experimental design and to have come from the same region. (Tho' neither the public nor the so-called sciantific mind of our generation is going to be able to grasp where this 'region' is, or rather what it is).

Only one fact has arisen, so far, to suggest that these sky newcomers are of earth invention. The general concept of the saucer-shaped craft has been grasped by several inventors, and a Frenchman named George De Bay actually made a working model, powered by rubber bands, as far back as 1928. Our own authorities, characteristically, turned thumbs down. Did this inventor find financial and fechnical aid from some foreign Power? The idea is not pleasant to contemplate. We prefer the Lokas, ourselves. It has not yet even occured to our wise-cracking commentators, that the operators of the Lokas, whoever they be, have our world completely at their mercy

Another cause of mirth, to the cackle contingent, is that strange sky craft have often been reported in the past - and since these are all supposed to have been delusions, the Lokas must be fancy-bred also. But students of such curiosa have compiled lists of them, and studied them for years past. And now somebody has discovered Charles Fort's Book of the Damned, which also 'proves' that these happenings are very old stuff. It is described as a "rare old book" - tho every student of the borderland sciences owns a copy, and the complete works of Fort are on sale - page Tiffany Thayer, Fortean Society, with a five-dollar bill clearly displayed, sign of the Fortean Brotherhood.

We venture a small prediction of our own - that the Lokas will probably be withdrawn for atime (to the huge satisfaction of the cackle-club), but will reappear later. It is to be hoped - tho' against all probability - that our Leading Intellects will learn a few pertinent facts in the meantime.

"The animals" (cattle and horses) "sure do get up and go when they see these things". So says rancher Henry Seay to a reporter of the Birmingham News (July 7), referring to a disk which swooped down within 300 feet "dropping sparks like dust". We disrespectfully recommend this to AP science editor Blakeslee, and to all the "spots in your eyes" professors. Can a cow be frightened by muscae volitantes - in the eyes of her owner, or do Dobbin and his master have the same hallucination at the same moment? It will take more than the eye-wash of the Doctors of Science,to explain this incident - plus some half-dozen photographs, plus reports of experienc- observers.... Perhaps our civilization ought to be destroyed - considering the number of learned, brilliant, and self-complacent FOOLS! (We thank P.W.Osman of Birmingham.

- WHAT WAS A KAHUNA? -

The Honolulu Advertiser for April 20, '47, prints a feature article under the title given above, by E.H. Bryan, Jr. The title kahuna is described as having as many applications as our term Doctor - and there are Doctors of Law, Science, Divinity, Letters and many others beside doctors of medicine. Professor Henry P. Judd is said to have listed some 18 different kinds of kahuna, ranging from High Priest to canoe builder and masseur - and each of course had his special lore and guarded secrets.

The article goes on to say that the most dreaded of the kahunas was the kahuna anaana, who had the power of praying people to death. Joseph S. Emerson, in a paper publsihed in Mid-Pacific Magazine, Oct. 1916, itemized 11 ways in which this was accomplished, and the suggested explanation of all of them comes down to the hypothesis of telepathic suggestion - which is almost certainly a good share of the truth but not all of it. The RR Editor sent this article to MAX FREEDOM LONG, founder of the Huna Fellowship and acknowledged authority on Polynesian matters, and have from him the following

- Comment on the Kahunas -

The Kahuna article is typical of those which appear at intervals in the Honolulu papers. As there is no authority in the matter of kahunas, the writers gather such information as they can and dish it up in various ways.

The kahunas were of two schools, or possibly three: the genuine kahunas who had the power to fire-walk and heal instantly were the only ones entitled to the honor in ancient days. Later came a contamination of the lore,and idol worship in the temples and human sacrifices entered the picture. The temples were served by priestswho took the title of kahuna. Later, the experts in building, navigating and other skilled professions also took the title. This grouping into one classification has prevented most would-be investigators from getting down to bed-rock. There has been little but confusion in the whole affair, and to this has been added a mass of empty tales of kahuna wonders.

But the kahuna who used the death prayer was genuine. He killed with the aid of spirits of the subconscious human level, who drew the vital force from the victim. The ten other classes of kahuna practise mentioned in the article are, for the most part, forms with little magic in them, and were used by temple kahunas to frighten the layman into paying tribute. The imposition on the layman was amazing.

David Malo, the only Hawaiian who ever wrote an account of the Kahunas, mentioned only the ones who had no magic. He dared not mention the others, even when encouraged by his missionary teachers to do so. The illustration showing the kahuna on all fours gazing into a wooden bowl has never been rightly understood. He was looking at a water-rounded black stone in the bottom of the calabash, where water could be swished over it to keep its surface wetly gleaming. It was a crude gazing crystal, and the kahuna was using it to see at a distance or into the realm of spirits.

With all the garbled misinformation current in Hawaii as of the past half-century, there is little or nothing to lay hands on. It is all evasive and all seems to lead to condemnation as gross superstition.

The kahunas, genuine and spurious, are gone. But in the roots of the words they used to describe the ancient Secret lies the record of an amazing and truly practical system.

- How to Recognize a True Initiate -

by

F. G. H.

It is fairly well known that the woods, here in Southern California, are full of Adepts, Swamis, and Practitioners of the Occult Sciences. Yea, the wood even crawls with them. It is also well known that the wrong occult practises can cause great harm to the experimenter. Hence one of the most important questions is; how do I recognize a true initiate, who will teach me the truth and keep me from following the sill-o-the-wisp that will lead me into trouble? As I have known a number of true initiates and their imitators, I will compile a number of recognition marks.

1. A true initiate will tell you how hard the way of development is, and how lonely. He will offer you his help, free and without any strings. A false teacher will offer you power, riches and glory in ten or a hundred easy lessons - at so much per.

2. The true teacher will be simple, humble, without arrogance, whilst the false teacher will appear dressed for the part, and will put you into your humble place by his arrogance.

3. The true teacher will be a brother and kindly elder friend. The false teacher will by your master and command you to do this and not to do that.

4. The true initiate will teach you to love all creation. The false yogi will order you to love only him.

5. The true Brother will tell you and teach you to use your own mind. The false will order you to believe no one but him, and not to think for yourself under any circumstances.

6. The true teacher wants to serve you and humanity. The impostor sells you cheap knowledge at high prices.

7. The true teacher offers you slow growth into ripeness and beauty, and hard work and knocks. The faker offers you brilliant fireworks, which leave burns, poisons, and stinks.

8. The one is natural, quiet, and unobtrusive, whilst the other is dazzling, spectacular and noisy.

If you know the above and still fall into the clutches of the pseudo-teachers, it is your own fault. If you cannot find the real teacher, look into yourself. If you are ripe for and can be trusted with the right teaching, the teacher will appear. Everyone who begins to be interested in the higher learning is watched at all times. Teachers and teaching will be put into his path. If he neglects to accept them, it is again his own fault. But a Brother has time, almost infinite, whilst the imitator is always in a hurry. Peace be unto you.

FGH

The Rosicrucian Digest (AMORC) for August 1946 carried an article by the Imperator discussing, sine grano salis, the Mendocino County phenomena observed by Mr. John (whose name is not given), and written up at some length in Round Robin for January 1947. Since the Imperator himself publicly expresses the most lively interest in this strange affair, we suggest it would be a service tothe cause of occult studies if the occultists and clairvoyants of that Order would make a short astral excursion to the area and tell us exactly what the situation is...The article also describes the poltergeist case in Oakland (Fellows family). This comedy of police versus poltergeists is something we still hope to see with our own eyes; it's a who-dun-it of the first order and should be both entertaining and instructive.

V A R I A

from the Southwest
by
Mrs H.M. Graham -

(The author sends us a few "rough notes" on interesting matters, which, with this word of explanation, we print almost verbatim).

Francis Schlatter. -- The blond Alsatian cobbler and great healer, whose remarkable doings were written up in the Los Angeles Record in 1897. He decided to do the impossible, and did it, by walking all alone across the Mojave Desert, subsisting only on a bit of unleavened bread of his own making. Crowds gathered to greet him, and rich and poor stood in line all day to touch his hand. Special trainswere run from Colorado Springs to Denver to accomodate the people who wanted to go to him. Then he disappeared, on a big white horse named Butte. The reporters kept the story alive and everyone was on the lookout for him, but with no results. Then, one night, he appeared at the home of a Mrs Morley, who had seen him in Denver, but whom Schlatter did not know at all. "The Father has brought me to a safe harbor" said he. And in fact he had travelled some 700 miles, from Denver to Datil, in the dead of winter, thru desolate and rugged country, with snow a foot deep much of the way - yet his horse was in good condition, and he himself but little the worse for the ordeal.

In this "safe harbor" Schlatter stayed for almost three months, spending most of his time in an upstairs room restoring his spiritual powers by prayer and by swinging a 40-pound bronze club shaped like a baseball bat. He juggled this tirelessly, as a drum major does his baton - a prodigious display of strength. 'It is a task put upon me by the Father' he said; 'I must do this or lose my power.' He found time, however, to dictate a manuscript of considerable length to Mrs Morley - "The Life of the Harp in the Hand of the Harper", which she had printed*. And before leaving Datil he announced, 'The Father has told me that Datil is the place He has selected for the New Jerusalem'. He also told Mrs Morley that she would receive 'conclusive' proof of his death, but not to believe it, as he would return. But he did not - and his bones, his bible and his rod were found ten years later under a tree in Mexico.

As a curious postscript to his stay at the Morley's. A bent cross about 10 ft. high, the vertical shaft curving counter-clockwise and the cross-shaft slightly upward, appeared on the logs of the front west wing of the house. No tracks, no whitewash, no ladder on the place, no alarm from the watchdog. The design stood out boldly and remained many years.

It is said that as many as 5000 people stood in line at times, to touch Schlatter's hand; and he left Datil because the Mexicans had learned of his presence or sensed it and began to gather in large numbers. He never took money for his healings. Los Angeles, Denver and Albuquerque papers should furnish source material on this curious life and character.

(*Editor's note: RR would like to borrow or buy a copy of this book; we would also be grateful for further information about Schlatter)

Joseph Smith, his prophecies - " You willsee the Constitution of the United States almost destroyed. It will hang by a thread as fine as the finest of silk fibers ... The time will come when the banks of every nation will fail; then there will be only two safe places in which people can

deposit their gold and treasures. These places will be with the White Horse (Zion, the Mormons) and in England's vaults.

A terrible revolution will take place in the land of America such as has never been seen before, for the land will be left without a supreme government... the most terrible scenes of murder and rapine will take place ... there will be peace only in the Rocky Mountains. This will cause many thousands to gather there, because they seek safety and because they will not take up the sword against their neighbors. You will be so numerous that you will be in danger of famine, but not from want of seed and harvest, but because so many will have to be fed. Many will come with bundles under their arms to escape the calamities, and there will be no escape except by fleeing to Zion.

While this terrible revolution is going on England will be neutral until it becomes so inhuman that she will interfere to stop the shedding of blood. England and France will then unite and come with the intention of making peace, not to subdue the nation. They will find the nation so broken up and so many claiming the government that there will be no responsible government. Then it will appear to other nations as though England had taken possession of the country. The negroes will flee to the invaders and will join with them for they will have fear of becoming slaves again" (Note the <u>again</u>; this prediction was made in May, 1843, long before emancipation). "Knowing England does not believe in slavery they will flee to her believing she will make them safe. Armed with British bayonets the days and doings of the negroes will be terrible"

<u>Newbrough:</u>

The New York dentist to whom <u>Oahspe</u> was given psychically, lies buried in the Masonic cemetary at Las Cruces, New Mexico. He had founded a colony there, and adopted some 14 orphans. Whether the location was chosen from information given in Oahspe can perhaps be answered by some one familiar with that work.

(We append the following statement attributed to Dr. Newbrough himself, in a newspaper feature article written some years ago by Whit Wellman)

"I was directed to get a typewriter. This I did, and applied myself industriously to learn it, but with indifferent success. One morning after two years the light struck both my hands on the back and they went for the typewriter, for some 15 minutes very vigorously. I was told not to read what was written, and I had worked myself into such a religious fear of losing this new power, that I obeyed reverently. The next morning before sunrise the same power came and wrote again. Again I laid the matter away very religiously, saying very little about it to anybody. One morning I looked out of the window and beheld a line of light that rested on my hands extending heavenward like a telegraph wire toward the sky. Over my head were three pairs of hands fully materialized; behind me stood another angel with her hands on my shoulders. My looking did not disturb the scene, my hands went right on, printing - printing.

"For 50 weeks this continued every morning half an hour or so before sunrise, and then it ceased, and I was told to read and publish Oahspe. The peculiar drawings in Oahspe were made with pencil in the same way. All this while I have pursued my avocation, dentistry, nor has my diet (vegetables, fruit, farinaceous food) detracted from my health and strength, tho I have continued this discipline for 10 or more (years."

Mr.Whit Wellman goes on to say that Dr.Newbrough gradually became a nationally recognized medium "and produced remarkable oil paintings in a totally dark room, painting with both handsat once. These portraits were of prophets and teachers - Zarathrustra, Abram, Po and others." The original mss and many paintings were destroyed by a flood in El Paso, but the original plates of the first edition of Oahspe still exist, and proofs were read by Newbrough before his death in 1891.

Medicine of Magicians: Comment by Dr. V.L. Arnet on a R.R. article.

Concerning The Medicine of Ancient Magicians, by W.C. Pollock, in May-June RR, Dr. Viktor L.Arnett, F.H.F., D.D.S. writes that he finds some discrepancies (1) Diseases are not produced by germs, in many cases, but more directly by a lowering of vitality which permits the germs to greatly in - crease in number. Most disease germs are present in a healthy individual, but the normal flow of vital force holds them in check. Then (2) "The medical man does not set about to kill germs inside the body; to do this would cause great harm. It is the raising of vital force which destroys or eliminates the germs naturally. Lying in bed will do some good, for this relaxation elongates the spine and relieves the 31 pairs of nerves of undue pressure. Chiropractic will do this even faster and better ... Cures do not come thru drugs and injections; even Dr. Alexis Carell knew that... patients get well in spite of them - it is the innate higher force that does the healing." With regard to the use of masks in ancient ritual,'they may have helped the worshippers to gain faith. Since devil worshippers also effect cures, the same high force works in any circumstance. Cures come from within, and may be stim- ulated by acts of kindness, compassion, thru confidence, or thru frightfulness and contortions. Since UNITY does group healing, it would be interesting to get some points from them of how they work it.'

(RR would welcome a brief statement, not longer than the above paragraph, of the basic theory and actual techniques used by UNITY in group healing).

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Concerning Healing Continuing with the same topic, the RR Editor has found that for himself the technique of the Middle Pillar is very power- ful and effective. The basics are set forth in a small book (48 pp) by Dr.Israel Regardie, Aries Press, 727 So. Dearborn St. Chicago. (Formerly $1.00). A more com- plete exposition is The Middle Pillar, same author and publisher, 154 pp. (formerly $5.00). This is practically the only printed instruction in Qabalistic healing methods now available in English.

A very fine synopsis of ancient and modern healing methods is to be found in a new book (126 pp) by Dr. J. Croiset van Uchelen (Theosophical University Press, Covina, Calif.)

Primitive peoples in all parts of the world, tho they seem to fall easy prey to various epidemic diseases, undoubtedly possess strange secrets of healing, some- times by herbs and drugs, but often of an 'instant' and 'miraculous' type: these cures are paralleled by the 'miracles' of healing at modern religious shrines. The evidence seems conclusive, that no particular faith and no invocation of special deities, saints, or angelic beings is essential; yet by such invocation effective contact with sources of Power is certainly established. The individual is justified in using whatever system 'works' in his own case; but the intellectual problem is to isolate the common and significant factor in the numerous healing systems. This, however, is practically equivalent to understanding the complete psycho-physical make-up of the human being, and hence a very great task... Seance communicators tell us that most of the 'instant' and 'miraculous' healing arises thru the operation of the group mind, which seems extremely plausible. Yet if this is true it must be taken in a very liberal sense. The Kahuna, for example, healed his patient in an moment, in some cases; he did this by invoking the Aumakua or High Self, and the patient was required only to have faith. It is not certain that even this last re- quirement was strictly necessary... The invocation of the High Self may be equival- ent is some way to an invocation of a group mind... The subject is too vast for these casual comments - but we wish to make plain that the long-continued interest of Round Robin in the theory and methods of HUNA is an intensely practical matter - an interest in a magic and a healing system that works for whoso has the secret - in contrast to the sporadic successes of our own healing cults and the blundering futilities of orthodox medical practise.

Cultural Highlights

British army perfects gun to spray plague. A machine for producing invisible mists loaded with pneumonic plague has been designed by the British army for germ warfare. (This) is more terrible than the bubonic type which caused the great plague of London.

(INS London, 5-9-47)

Scientists List 33 diseases as War Weapons. A 40,000 word explanation of bacteriological warfare... was released today with Government permission. Cities, war production areas, and islands might be neutralized for military purposes for worth - while periods of time... The air, with planes scattering them, or concentrating them in mists, smokes, and dust, is considered the best way (to achieve military uses)... Because of its geographical isolation, this country would be at a disadvantage in bacterial warfare - the enemy's own people would be safe from the bacteria used. Dr. Maurice Visscher, President of the American Association of Scientific Workers, (declared that) the only real defence against bacterial warfare is peace.

(AP. New York. 5-19-47).

Without the help of psychologists and psychiatrists, (says Dr. Block Chisholm, Sec. of the UNA World Health Commission) it is probable mankind will not long survive the changes now taking place. (AP, N.Y. 5-19-47). He isn't sure whether it's the a-b that will finish us off, or biological warfare, or something else equally destructive, but the end is sure unless the 'Ists get together and do something (anthropolo - sociolog - econom - psycholog - psychiatr-ISTS) But for all that "the race will be saved" (if at all) by schools, churches, labor relation discussions, and legislative bodies - but the psychiatrists ought to "work in one or more of these fields." Comment withheld, on ground that the worthy Chisholm may not be as badly fogged up as newspaper reporter who quotes him.

In the same article, the national scandal of the condition of mental hospitals and the "return of ancient abuses" in the neglect and ill treatment of mental patients was blisteringly itemized by Dr. S.W. Hamilton, Pres. of the Amer. Psychiatric Assoc.

"Most frightful threat yet uncovered from the atobomb is the poisonous rain caused by the sending aloft of radioactive water", says Dr. Walter H. Munk, Scripps Institute scientist, La Jolla, Calif., in an address in San Diego, 5-12-47.

"A future war of atobombs in which buildings would be spared but a city's inhabitants wiped out by radioactivity, was envisioned here by Dr. Carl Linus Pauling, atomic scientist." (AP from Los Angeles, 5-24-47)

Glenn L. Martin tells the Senate Aviation Committee of a "new atomic weapon" - a radioactive cloud a mile in diameter, produced by atomic piles or ovens. Any power plant eventually will be able to make radioactive gases as byproducts. The atoms of such gas clouds radiate the same kind of rays as does radium. (AP, N.Y. 5-24-47)

"General Hap Arnold advises that atobomb warfare waged from interstellar space ships is within the foreseeable future.. The design of ships capable of operating outside the atmosphere is all but practicable today... It may be necessary to disperse cities and move vital industries underground... a repetition of our former errors of unpreparedness would mean annihilation...' (AP, Wash. Nov.12,'47)

Spirits of Bell and Marconi have "poured across some 100,000 words of technical data" about constructing apparatus for communication with the 'spirit world' - according to J.J. Williamson, President of the Soc. of Metaphysicians, London. "If we can perfect a simple method there is no reason why anyone cannot have a spirit telephone costing no more than 5 pounds ($20), says Mr. JJW... The same clip states that "Britain's spiritualists number about 30 per cent of the population."

(AP Lon. Mar.28,'7 ,

Cultural Highlights

"An Institute of Technology scientist today predicted early development of a bomb which can kill one million people and wipe out a city ten miles square. He revealed hydrogen-helium would be a thousand times more powerful than the bombs used at Nagasaki and Hiroshima. The conversion of H into He gives gives 10 times as much energy per pound as does the uranium fission process... atomic fissionable material is not scarce; I believe there is as much of it as there is of lead. The atobomb should be outlawed at once. (INS Los Angeles, May 21, '7)

Sateve Post of May 24, '47, has a long article on the Pearl Harbor defeat and disgrace. It should be read critically, precisely because it comes out nowhere. All attempts to shoulder the blame onto any one person, or any small group, are futile. The psychologist will be struck by the singular failure of normal mentation, on the part of nearly all authorities concerned. It is more than singular - it is incredible. The evidence is too voluminous even to refer to, but more than one occultist has considered has considered it with profound attention; we have received letters (NOT from the lunatic fringe) referring to alleged occult preparations for this attack. To suggest such matters is to invite ridicule - but Japanese observation by clairvoyant means, of the Russian fleet during the Russo-Japanese war, is common knowledge among occultists - and further, anyone who thinks that telepathic sug - gestion and light hypnosis is all-fancy and no-fact, has a great deal to learn.... No explanation can excuse this major defeat - but it may be possible for some people, who do NOT wear brass hats, to learn something useful, maybe of crucial importance from it.

COMMENTS BY WALTER GRAHAM

On the probable after-effects of the passage of the radio-active death-mist over the northern part of the United States.

Following closely on the passage of the radioactive cloud, which is formed as a non-dispersive perpetual nucleus, has been the most peculiar weather freaks, mostly confined to the actual area over which the mist has passed. First, the in - tense unseasonable cold wave in May in the north central states; second, the violent tornados, flash floods, and violent electrical storms.

It is well known that ordinary Radium ionizes the air molecules and makes them conductive over awide area. Also most scientists recognize that large radium deposits attract lightning, even tho the deposits be located at great depths. Any ionized air path facilitates the conduction of lightning or high tension currents. Super-radium, such as is contained in the radio-cative cloud, will do this in the upper air even more greatly, especially when it is equal to thousands of pounds of ordinary radium. Such a nucleus formation is not inclined to dissipation - THIS IS NO ORDINARY CLOUD. It tends to gather to itself larger amounts of radioactive matter. The atoms of every oxygen particle contain neutrons, and as the emanations from the super-radium attack and bombard every single O and H atom in its path, as well as those at a substantial distance, it is obvious that this action will serve to drive secondary neutrons out of the nucleus of every O atom bombarded, besides those atoms which are actually altered by the retention of additional neutrons in their nucleus, which thus changes the nature of the atoms bombarded, making them in turn also radioactive with secondary neutrons emitted - thus activating other atoms.

We add, that those who have written us asserting that the radioactive cloud must have now dispersed by precipitation, in our opinion take a very superficial view, with which very few scientists would agree. -- The formation of such a cloud was in fact predicted by physicist Graham and some others, prior to the unfortunate Bikini experiments. (Ed.)

- QUOTES FROM THE MARK P SEANCES -

(Trance mediumship)

5-31-47. (A communicator begins abruptly): 1:30 p.m.

"There was a plane crash at Point Barrows some years ago - I got more publicity out of that than from anything else I ever did. I suppose so long as I haven't got my gun and my rope I shall have to tell you who I am - I'm Will Rogers. The newspapers spoke of a "loss", but no one's a loss - Oh, yes, I'm sure it was a great blow to the world" (ironically), but I think probably the greatest loss was the blow to the Wriggly Chewing Gum Company. Well, you have a very interesting group here.

"You know, about that pilot who died with me - Wiley Post - I saw him for a short while after the accident and have never seen him since. I didn't even feel the jar, it was so quick. I was thrown from the plane and then I felt like I was picking myself up from the ground, and for a moment I wasn't aware of what had happened. Then Wiley said to me, "Well, Will, this is it!" I said, "This is what?" and he said, "We're dead, Will - we're dead." Then I began to feel a little strange.

"We thought we ought to go visit our kinfolk so we started walking, but something odd took place. We met that man who had been to the north pole - Peary? - We met him, and he told us about conditions and to concentrate on the persons we wanted to see, and we followed his advice. Then I found myself with my wife and son. (Q) Well, I think I made a little impression on my wife but my son was not aware of me at all. But for a long time I still wanted to shout and pound on the table. (Q) Yes, I have tried to communicate thru many different mediums but have never been able to reach my people. I spoke thru a trumpet at Lily Dale some years back.

"I'm still greatly interested in earth life, but if people knew how it is on this side there would be less struggle and less desire to hold on to things on your side. And I'm interested in interplanetary travel. Yes, I think this is certain to come - Yes, I mean travel, not merely communication."

1:42. Lingford, Com.

We have been trying to get this medium into a deep trance but it is very difficult. The resistance comes from his own mind, he hangs on like an English bulldog. Many things come from the mind when trance is being induced. (Q) We induce trance thru what amounts to an actual physical manipulation of the sympathetic nervous system. And it takes practise and skill to communicate; the average person on our side finds it difficult to do this. (Q) No, I'm not exactly in the body of the medium, I have the sense of standing beside it. For deep trance we try to remove as much of the personality of the medium as we can. We need cooperation --

In cases of permanent obsession, and these are often what you call hopeless insanity, there is almost always a desire on the part of the person obsessed, to escape from something; even if not a conscious desire this is cooperation with the entity and opens the door... In deep trance the blood pressure drops, the pulse rate slows down and so does the respiration... Yes, reincarnation is an actuality. I have been permitted to watch every step of the process. What good would one life on earth do you ... The doctrine of astral shells is silly. Nature is not so stupid and wasteful. These "shells" are thought-forms of living people only. Death on the astral plane means the end of the astral body.

An unusual prediction

" THE RISE AND FALL OF THE HUMAN RACE - - Tho' the title of this book is somewhat deceptive, it will nevertheless be found in its reading matter to strike at the heart of things, for it will take the reader back, not merely to his first physical appearance on the earth plane, but to the time when he was an etheric being of great proportions. It will also tell of his discovery of the nature of the atom, and of his momentous discovery of how to force the atoms together, thereby creating what we call the physical or material. I t will also show that the prophets of the bible were not far wrong when they claimed man would some day find his home in the sky. For while that time is yet a long way off, man is even now seeking a new planet that will be suitable for his future existance. For he knows well it is only a matter of time when the prophecy of the bible shall come true, 'that the earth shall be destroyed by fire' - the fire of the atomic bomb. Yet this will not take place for many years to come - in fact, not until man has been able to reach a new planet.

"I think this book will be published in 1948. It has already been assem - bled on our side"

LINGFORD (Dictation to Mark Probert. 10:00 p.m.
June 30, 1947)

"And I too want to have something to say about book writing. I want to tell of a book that will be called LE VENT DE LA MORT - The Wind of Death. It will be published on your side but I cannot at present give the time. Later I will return as your firend Lingford has done, and tell you about the text. It seems likely that it will be written in France and by a Frenchman".

ANDRE DU VON

The idea of informing us in advance of books that would be published here, was Lingford's own. We pointed out to him that detailed and correct predictions of this type would be somewhat novel in psychical studies, and perhaps very valuable, and he agreed to cooperate, in fact offered to make us a list of forthcoming books. We wish to get the foregoing prediction on record, with an eye to its possible future fulfilment.

Of Andre Du Von, whom Lingford described, with some distaste, as "a little skinny Frenchman" we know nothing, except that he made a brief appearance thru this same medium, Mark P., some years past, and in this same present seance uttered the most horrific predictions of disaster for Europe, of fierce heat and cold, and great storms, and submergence of part of the British Isles - all in the near future. There is so much of this verbal yellow journalism on the 'other side' (even as here) that tho we listen, and sometimes remember, we refuse to become alarmed by it, or to alarm anyone else. There is an air of circumstantiality, however, about this book prediction, and it is possible that the Wind of Death, which the world already fears, may yet find some distinctive literary expression..... Where, indeed, is the Aeschylus, the Dante, or the Shakespeare to sing the death of a race, the end of a civilization, a greater theme than any poet has yet laid tongue to. But on Helicon and Parnassus the Nine are silent.

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an alloy unknown to us, capable of withstanding the heat of high speed thru the atmosphere (8) These craft will give us the clue to inter-planetary travel and migration which will some day be necessary (9) The Lokas will not be withdrawn, but interest and familiarity will be built up gradually. --- (Time alone will decide between these varying views. Ed.)

The Tibetan Speaks

" Volume III (of the Treatise on the Seven Rays, and now ready for publication) is entirely given over to the subject of esoteric astrology ... a new astrology founded on the soul and not on the personality. Orhtodox astrology sets up a chart which gives the fate and destiny of the personality, and when that personality is but little evolved, or of only average development, it can be and often is amazingly correct. It is not so correct, however, in the case of highly developed people who are beginning to control their stars and consequently their actions *.. their lives then become unpredictable.*The new and future astrology endeavors to give the key to the horoscope of the soul, as it is conditioned by the soul ray and not by the personality ray... Astrology is a fundamental science. A.A.B. (Alice A. Bailey) knows nothing about astrology .. "

(Pamphlet, My Work, by The Tibetan. Lucis Pub. Co. 11-W. 42nd St., N.Y. 18)

*(One of the puzzles of astrology has always been the contrast of its high percentage of failures with its remarkable successes, which can be noted in the work of individual astrologers, hence probably not due to incompetence of the diviner. The point made above (*) is not new but very seldom mentioned

Ethics of Killing

"This (question of killing animals) is one of the few subjects in which practically all the arguments are on one side, for there is nothing to be said for meat-eating, except that people follow the practise because they like it. I think we can make it abundantly clear that it is entirely in our interest to abstain from flesh foods... But the fundamental objection to killing is that it interferes with the course of evolution. If you kill a man you really do no harm to him; he goes to a plane where he will be far happier, and the killing is not necessarily cruel ... but you cut him off from the opportunity of evolution in that body. He will have another body later on, but you are delaying him; he has to develop an entire new personality. The animal however goes back to its group soul, from which incarnation is comparitively easy. Still, the killing of the more evolved animals causes (if we may reverently put it so) a great deal of trouble to the evolutionary Powers." (C.W.Leadbeater) The author quoted goes on to say that killing may be right if it is in self-defense, against man or animal, or insects, when no other way offers. Also, there are forms of life which are being permitted to die out, such as various insects, reptiles and vermin. The Yogi never destroys life, but whoever raises his food has to destroy grubs and worms to protect it. Again, one must often destroy some forms of life to protect others. "I think we should usecommon sense in these matters, all the way through"

(Talks on the Path of Occultism, pp.308-311)

(From a slightly different angle, the sickening aspect of the meat industry is the vast atrocity of the slaughter pens. We doubt very much whether a conclusive casefor vegetarianism can be made out, on grounds of physiological benefits. But from an aesthetic point of view this vast unending butchery and flood of animal suffering is an outrage on decency, utterly unthinkable among an evolved and truly civilized people. To claifvoyant vision, the slaughter houses are veritable hells).

"The group soul is not an entity but an intelligent Force. But Archangels are singular entities, and once they were men and women upon earth... The group spirit or group soul is a flow of cosmic energy instilled with intelligence...Jesus and other great teachers were building archangelic bodies for themselves even while on earth .../ The Catholic Church presumes too much; it has authority only for the ignorant."/

(Lo Sun Yat, Communicator, Mark P seances)

METHODS IN DOWSING

(How Dowsers Do It: by Richard Parsons, in English Digest for March, 1947.
Abstract made for Round Robin by Margaret Rea.)

The modern dowser uses two long slim pieces of whalebone, bound together at one end by linen thread. It is held lightly between thumbs and forefingers, bound ends pointing away from body, loose ends spread apart, one in each hand, palms kept up and flat. When find is made, bound ends twitch sharply up and down.

Other instrument most often used is the pendulum, generally of wood, but often of ivory, glass, metal or almost any other substance. Weighs one to two ounces,and is supported by string held by thunmb and forefinger, other fingers spread out fanwise. It reacts by gyrating clockwise or anti-clockwise; at other times by oscillating. The results are best when rod or pendulum is colored black, and the string white.

Anyone can learn, says the writer. Put on the floor a steel or iron bar such as a poker, walk toward it at right angles to its length, holding rod or pendulum slightly in front of you. The rod will twitch and the bound ends rise up and dip. The pendulum first oscillates, then gyrates when over the bar. But the motions will vary with different persons. If no reaction at first, try taking a few deep breaths before beginning. Constant practise, like tuning in on a faint station.

Another plan is to put a flashlight on the ground and switch it on, with light shining upward. Hold the pendulum above it, swinging gently, and slowly lengthen the string from an inch onwards. At about 5 1/2" the motion will change to gyration. If the dowser moves away the pendulum ceases to gyrate; if he points his finger at the flashlight the pendulum again gyrates until the finger is lowered. Experienced dowsers often use this method of pointing hand as an aerial when detecting water at a distance. All substances give off radiations, and the dowsers react to them thru their muscles. A substance broadcasts a ray, which is picked up by the muscles and amplified by the pendulum

Substances have variously powered rays: Water, 2; iron 4; silver 7; electric current 10; gold 11. These may be checked by standing over the spot where the rod first lifted; it will lift once more; but the third time, no reaction. Two lifts in the same place indicate water, etc. The pendulum works for these serial numbers by the number of its gyrations. The study of geology is a help, to avoid wasting time in impossible formations. To increase sensitivity, carry sample of the sub - stances sought.

Research is now going forward in the diagnosis of disease. Some persons can tell which organ is affected, others which kind of germ or bacteria is present.

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A seance communicator, being questioned about dowsing, remarked that the rod or twig or pendulum in itself had no virtue whatever, but served only as a point for the focusing of consciousness; the numerous rules and refinements were simply forms of self-suggestion. The subconscious was aware of the radiations and the rod brought this knowledge thru into awareness.... We add, that tho users of the pen - dulum often declare it will swing when not held by the hand, but looped over a peg, we have yet to witness such a phenomenon. In the light of the PK effects it seems possible that this might happen, but highly improbable, and certainly on very rare occasions... Experts with the pendulum, of course, deliberately try to increase muscular sensitivity and unconscious control, knowing that the phenomenon depends on these... The pendule is also used as a means of spirit communication, as unsatisfactory and risky as the ouija board and planchette.

- Correspondence - Quotes and Comments -

Concerning secondary personalities -

"I was very much interested in the things that came through in the Probert seances - particularly what was said about secondary personalities of the medium. Did it ever occur to you that these might be secondary personalities of possible past lives of the medium? The "secondary personalities" of the medium who trained me were just that. I have known several mediums who had the strange faculty of rolling back the consciousness until it actually was thepersonality of that past life, and unaware of the present one. To clairvoyants sitting with them (dark circle) they took on the appearance of that past person, even the clothes. One, I remember, who had been an enemy of mine, still was in that self, and I always sat behind the medium where she couldn't see me, else a little trouble would start - sarcastic remarks, and what have you. The spirit people told us that a record of the self was very sim - ilar to a motion picture film, that could under some circumstances be rolled back- ward. These other selves came at first speaking the language of their ancient selves, and gradually began to talk English. Often they called me by a strange name, by which they had once known me. Some - other selves - gradually became aware of the present self, but mostly they did not. To all intents and purposes they lived as they were, until the medium 'came out of it', and she only knew, generally, of these other selves, as she was told of them. It was in a way, though, like psychoanalysis, because she learned things about herself that were good for her. We all did, because when we didn't 'go back' we got told a lot of things that illuminated some dark corners." ..... V.O.J.

(The real difficulties of psychic studies do not lie at all where a naive scepticism expects to find them. The writer of the above letter is well- educated and widely informed, a secretary to a prominent law firm, and herself a medium of exceptional powers: the point she raises here is one of great import- ance, yet almost never explicitly recognized by spiritualists. Loosely put, the idea is that latent memories of past lives are somehow stored in the psychoplasm (psycho-germplasm), and when the central nervous system is blocked off by the incidence of the trance state, these memories integrate as transitory personal - ities. The mechanism of this, and the extent to which the true communicating entities can control the fictitious ones, is very obscure. These latter may per- haps be called impersonations in the root sense of that word, but they do not always pretend to be any particular person other than themselves. But if the medium happens to have been, say, a camel driver in the days of Atlantis, and these latent memories integrate and personalize themselves during trance - it may be very difficult to decide whether it is this personalization which is talk- ing, or a "real" camel driver from the same period.

In the Mark P. seances, communicators have several times announced frankly that they were parts of the medium's own mind, and other communicators have sometimes explained that a fictitious personality has been in control. On the whole, these incidents have been rare... The impersonation of a historical character can usually be detected after a little time, but the memory-personality, when clear-cut, is a more difficult problem. It would be very stupid, to throw out the whole mass of communications simply because of these sporadic intrusions, but the latter undoubtedly exist, and fool many people, and must be reckoned with. As a basic principle, one should never generalize about spiritism on the basis of a single instance, or any small number of instances. The writer has talked for hundreds of hours, in the aggregate, with many hundreds of 'other-

world' persons, of all stations in life and all historical periods (by appearances and assertions); it is impossible and absurd to attribute all this to the fictionizing of the subconscious. The fact that the same personalities communicate thru different mediums is all but conclusive proof that they are not subjective inventions. Of course, V.O.J., who writes the letter from which we have quoted, is not trying to deny spirit communication; she is only interpreting secondary personalities in terms of the reincarnation hypothesis. But a great number of non-critical and over-enthusiastic spiritualists could profit by her remarks. Spiritualism suffers far more from its too-credulous followers than from any active opposition.

H.P.B. Reference:

In Flying Roll Delta (Dec.last) reference was made to "obscure hints at close contact between astral and physical planes" by H.P.B. Dr. Charles J. Ryan sends us the passage referred to, and its content justifies its quotation here:

"Psychism, with all its allurements and all its dangers, is necessarily developing among you (Americans, and you must beware lest the psychic outruns the Manasic (higher intellectual) and spiritual development. Psychic capacities held perfectly under control, checked and directed by the Manasic principle, are valuable aids in development. But these capacities running riot, controlling instead of controlled, using instead of being used, lead the student into the most dangerous delusions and the certainty of moral destruction. Watch therefore carefully the development, inevitable in your race and evolution period, so that it may finally work for good and not for evil."

HPB is quite right, of course, in viewing even the slow development of psychism with some apprehension. Any sudden lowering of the threshold of perception (within a few weeks or months) would have terrific social repercussions - that is, if it involved a good measure of astral vision. A rapid development of telepathic sensitivity, or any form of extended perception which rendered secrecy impossible, would remake our whole social order (for greed, selfishness, and evil designs cannot flourish where they recognized in their true nature). Ask yourself what would happen if tomorrow, or next week or month, nearly all of our 130 million people suddenly began to see spirits and auras and phenomena of the etheric and astral plane. We wonder that no novelist has seized on this theme. The speculation is no doubt fanciful, but there are grave considerations of fact at the bottom of it - and it is the dilution of these effects, so to speak, by time - by their slowness of appearance - with which the proximate generations may actually have to deal, if indeed our present pseudo-civilization endures so long.

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Spiritualism at the U. of I.

Round Robin friend Mrs Mary Hyde (box 2188 Potomac Sta.,Alexandria, Va.) thinks RR ought to call attention to the fact that Juliette Pressing, Psychic Observer Editor, was invited to speak to students of religions, on spiritualist subjects, at the University of Iowa. Well, the tide rises; now and then even university professors find out that something is going on... In the course of holding experimental seances here in San Diego, the present writer has been interested to note the attention shown by young people, in their 'teens and early 20's - far more want to attend than can be accomodated. And these seances are long, not 'message circles', not religionistic, often concerned with subjects usually counted very dull. Maybe there are enough of such, if they could be taught rightly, to leaven the culture of the future... And as Charles Fort remarked - "If the data of religion could be scrubbed clean of holiness, we would really have something." ... ... Correspondent M.H. also

puts a question: "Is it possible for a great soul to be incarnate, and yet leave (on other planes) a source of power from a past incarnation strong enough to be tapped, and which would make a medium think that the person in question was still on the 'other side?" She quotes several instances where available evidence seems to indicate that a given person is both here-living and living on the astral plane also, at the same time - or, it is impossible to determine what his/her status actually is.... This reminds us of similar cases, where communications have been received over a long period of time, and of the most veridical character, and then the alleged communicator turned up very much alive in our own world, and quite unaware of his (seemingly) frequent appearances in the seance room... Mrs Hyde's question is intended for the controls of the Mark P. seances, so we won't interject our own comments. But RR has a great many very smart readers, and we'll be happy to hear from them meanwhile.

The Indrawn Neck RR friend Mrs M.A. V. d. S (Manhattan Beach, Calif.) sends us the story called Note on Danger B, which appeared in Sateve Post for April 5 last. Mrs V.d.S. does not believe that this is all fiction, or that the Post would risk saying it was factual, or that author Kersch would dare make the opening statement if it were nota suppressed report. Also, the story stated that the "F.S. 3 should be tested in May, 1947; and on June 4 the radio announced 20 tests of a jet plane at 750 mi/hr, locked against any greater speed - and that tests at 1000 mi/hr were projected... The Editor considers that about three-fourths of this Sateve Post story is very serious stuff, but cannot and will not take the space, time, and energy to go into the matter in extenso. It's a provocative article and written with the utmost shrewdness, and we thank our correspondent for calling attention to it.

The 16th Trump "I would like to join some group that is planning seriously to protect themselves from the coming atomic disasters. I am white, 49 years old, single, in good health, no dependents. Will you please print this in a coming issue of Round Robin?"

Casper J. Craig; Box 12, Morris,Pkla.

The Editor can and will. For good or ill, for right reason or for folly (as you please to name it) many thousands of people, according to our alleged information, are unobtrusively on the move - many of thm fat cats, as one correspondent names them - people of wealth and influence, and (more significantly) means of information not available to other folk. We do not commit ourselves to ill prophecies - but there is little ground for optimism in the world picture... Buf for people who have practical plans in the making, it is a good thing to have some means of mutual discovery and contact. RR will on request print the names and addresses of persons of like mind with Mr. Craig. Or you can give your address as care of RR, if you prefer.

We would not, knowingly, cause one moment of groundless alarm to anybody. We believe there is abundant cause for alarm, but of course can 'prove' nothing at all. To frighten people may be useless, and even a great disservice. To keep silent, to ignore danger may be to abandon the only hope left to us - that of arousing public sentiment in world affairs, international and domestic policy. We ask you to think these matters through carefully, before condemning - or approving - the attitude of this publication.

Dero-Queero Again

R.R. friend B.F.Greenlee (2322 Moerlein Ave,Cincinnati 19) has made up his mind about the "Shaver Mystery", after a careful reading of the voluminous material in A.S. magazine, and says we may make his opinions public. "Let us assume" writes Mr Greenlee, "that Mr Shaver actually had these experiences; and suppose too that you, Mr Editor, or any other person who has studied occult matters had the same experiences. I think your logical assumption would be, that you had contacted the lower astral region surrounding and partially penetrating our earth.

"We may assume that Mr Shaver is ignorant of the vast store of knowledge pertaining to the lower astral or else he is deliberately commercializing his mediumistic experiences. One will find, in the writings of Andrew Jackson Davis, the Rev. Vale Owen, and in Oahspe, descriptions of astral hells, where the cruelty and sadism of the cave dwellers is matched. Mr Shaver hears voices, and in his presence other people hear them. You and I have had the same experience, but we did not attribute the voices to Deros. We knew the source to be an excarnate entity.

"Mr Shaver dreams and has visions. Is that unusual? He sees patterns of strange machinery which he attributes to remote antiquity. In Letters from a Living Dead Man, by Elsa Barker, are many descriptions of machines which exist in the pattern world on the astral plane. They did not exist in the remote past, but are designed for a future time on our earth. Objects in the pattern world have been seen by many mystics - who were not, however, writing for scientifiction magazines (no slur intended) . . . In summation, it is my opinion that, given proper instruction, Mr Shaver could develop into a wonderful medium, and could, if he chose, leave the astral hells alone." *

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* (The indrawn neck again: RR has long maintained that the phenomena centering about Mr Shaver, and his experiences, probably represent both astral entities and low-grade entities in dense bodies, or astral entities functioning in materialized bodies, or else controlling a sub-race of degenerate or unevolved humans. We feel considerable sympathy for Mr Shaver, whatever the true nature of his experiences may be, since his position is exactly that of hundreds of thousands of students of spiritism and allied subjects, whom our sapient intellectuals regard with contempt - though the knowledge they hold is the key to the future of humanity. So as to Mr Greenlee's comments , we go most of the way with him, but still think it is not the whole of the story - for reasons too long and dull for RR pages.)

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F.G.H. on the Lokas

Many of our readers are already aware of the opinions held by the Adept FGH concerning the Lokas or "saucers". We print here a last-minute memo. - the statement in full will appear in Flying Roll Gamma II, or possibly in RR - 7-III. The Lokas are believed by him to be Atlantean craft taken out of secret caches by an arcane Order and mobilized for training crews, for rescue work and specialized services during the coming war of 1959-60. 'Their speed above the atmosphere is some 4000 miles per hr.'

The trance control Lingford has again discussed this matter. He repeats (1) the craft come from an interpenetrating etheric planet (2) The people are human-like but not of the human evolution(3) They wish to help us,and if rightly received will probably land one or more craft for our study and reproduction (4) Some small objects have gone out of control and come down (5) There are means of remote control unknown to us (6) If a crew-carrying craft comes down, both crew and disk may vanish into the etheric,or the crew may disappear and leave the ship behind for examination. (7) The metal is

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(According to Oahspe, all substance or matter (corpor) exists in solution in the ether (ethe), and that a vortex in the ether causes a condensation of dense matter at its center. Our earth is said to have been created by the united effort of millions of spirits, willing that a giant vortex be set up. These points are set forth by Mr.B.F. Greenlee, whose article we are obliged to greatly condense. Mr.Greenlee then continues):

"Now the crux of this effusion is, fratres et sorores (your indulgence, Mr.Editor), that a dozen or so of you gather together, and will that a whirlpool be set up in the ether at the center of which something material is to be formed - a piece of coal, or a ruby, or anything you agree upon... If the laws that govern our universe are timeless, and I believe they are, something should come of this experiment. There is a school of psychologists which holds there is no such thing as will power, but that the strongest wish wins out. But according to the cosmogony of Oahspe it is apparent that the will is dynamic."

"While it has been my experience that a whirlpool in corpor drives toward it periphery all within it, leaving a vacuum at its center, it could be that a whirlpool in ethe by taking on some of the attributes of the sq.root of -1 could reverse this process. The latest theories of some of our best known physicists tend to bear out the Oahspean statement as to the internal structure of the atom."

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It is our belief that a close comparitive study of molecular and atomic structures as seen clairvoyantly (Leadbeater, Hodgson) and as detailed in Oahspe would show striking similarities... As to the experiment proposed, there is excellent reason to believe that minute changes in matter (outside the organism) can be effected by mental energy. The existance of the PK (psychokinetic) effect in itself should make this highly probable on scientific grounds. Tests should be made to affect the formation of microscopic crystals. As to the creation de novo of dense matter, we have been unable to find a satisfactory study of the actual conditions obtaining at the tip of an air or water vortex... Equivalents of the "PK" effect have always been recognized by occultists, but modern physics has as yet no place for this concept. But the field of experiment is limitless, and it is open to any careful and well-informed investigator.

Advice for students of psychism

Mrs Ruth E.Tinker, associated with Ergot Magazine, (Box 83, Stockbridge, Mass.), sends suggestions. "Study, no matter what comes or how startling it may be. Anyone who experiences psychic contacts has an affinity for them - is attuned with the vibration of that phase of life. Such persons should make a supreme effort to advance in wisdom through study; they are especially chosen and should devote their lives to advancement. Their studies should gradually broaden out to include all phases of life. Biased views must be set aside and all subjects must be studied. Remember that confusion will clear up, little by little. Books are available everywhere... So, study - study the rest of your life. Make yourself a fit vehicle for the Great Work." R.E.T.

(And so says Round Robin.)

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A book of Verses, by M.L. For sale by Round Robin. Mimeo. publication $1.00

Time is Kind: The Story of the Unfortunate Fox Family, by Mariam Buckner Pond. Centennial Press, Main P.O. Box 302, New York City. 333 pp. Bibliography $3.00 The present writer has not had time to examine the book thoroughly, but it has every appearance of being done by a competent hand, and told in an interesting and very readable manner. Whatever one's personal convictions may be, the rise of the spiritualist movement since about 1848 is probably the most important event of the century, in this country and in England - in the sense of being symptomatic of the deep-moving changes of the Time-Spirit. This book, consequently, is one to be bought and read and kept, not as a piece of propoganda, but for its factual content and and attractive presentation.

Letters from Christopher: by R.M.T. Foreword by Lord Dowding. 116 pp and index. Obtainable from Mrs. Tristam, Cox's Mill, Dallington, Heathfield, Sussex, Eng. Price 9/6, about $2.00. This is automatic writing in the sense that the communicator controls the hand, or its ectoplasmic extension, but the writer (R.M.T.) knows what is being written and carries on conversation, and sometimes has clairvoyant perception of her son as he guides the pen. She was in communication with the 'other world' long before her son's death - so the conventional explanation of grief and wish-fulfilment are not easily applicable. The chief interest in the book, for this reviewer, is the innumerable casual and minor bits of information... The 'etheric forms of old forests',- 'one goes too fast for pleasure, travelling by will-power' - 'I've seen mice in our life, and cats, too' - 'I can't see ordinary thoughts of earth people, only those that make light' - 'Russians are awfullt cruel in their thoughts' - 'I can see rocks inside out, so to speak' - 'I saw a big creature like a balloon in the clouds, like a monstrous etheric fish' - 'all space is light to our organs of vision' - 'tree-sprites on the thick edge of that birch' - 'the little people make medicine out of the fungus spores' - - 'the gnomes seem to get hurt just like human bodies do' - 'the goblins were all over the plants like insects' - and so on throughout the book. We have found it very much worth while.

The Law of Psychic Analogies: by N.N.Hicks. House of Edinboro, Boston. 1947. 447 pp. This is described as The Correlation of the Facts of personal Parapsychology and Bible History in their relation to the Covenant of Renatus and the last will and testament of Jesus Christ as revealed to Saint John on Patmos... A Post-War Economic program for everlasting peace.... This is a formidable book, and we regret that we can't review it, because we can't understand it, or even read it; we mean that it simply fails to register on the reviewer's mind, altho other persons may find it highly significant and valuable. Price $5.00

The Bobbitt Agency: 1609 - 10th Ave.,North. Nashville 8, Tenn. This agency accepts subscriptions for all psychic and spiritistic periodicals, domestic or foreign, Sample copies, lists of periodicals. RR has found this agency efficient and courteous.

The following persons would like to enter into correspondence with others who are interested in plans for self-protection, in event of certain predicted disasters.

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We end on a reluctant note. The Flying Roll, as most of you know, is strictly a cooperative enterprise. It has its subscription list, of course, but it is really kept going by voluntary donations of students interested in occult matters and the borderland sciences. The Editor for his part donates time and effort, without financial profit. Well, it may be necessary to put the Round Robin on the same basis. RR has friends and supporters, and unpaid contributors of learning and ability - and we have not expected it to be profitable financially. But unless expenses can be met, we cannot continue to publish. Part of the trouble, of course, comes from the excessive cost, at present, of printing or mimeographing anything. It may be, that people who are not already helping out on Flying Roll will try to keep RR going. We neither ask nor expect anybody to do anything. But both these magazines offer unique material - and there is not a single publication in the United States which even tries to fill this same need. They can't, largely because they are commercial enterprises. If you want a non-commercial publication in the RR field, it will have to be cooperative and non-profit... All this, in the cant business phrase, is 'for your information.'

We have to take this means of thanking some two-dozen readers who have sent us clippings and photos dealing with the LOKAS (saucers); they are all read and compared, and give us many significant details. We also thank several contributors whose articles would normally have appeared in this issue, but were crowded out by material which has to be used now or not at all. We hope to print these articles in the next issue. The Editor is also a month behind with correspondence - but is very appreciative of letters and mss; if it were not for this personal encouragement he would stop publishing RR and try for a job at baby-sitting; they say you can get $1.00 an hour for it. That reminds us, if your subscription is over-due, please scratch a check; see paragraph above for details. Good news in the last line; Max Freedom Long's new book ms. has gone to the publisher; it's a remarkably fine performance and we hope to review it at an early date.

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