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VISITATION - & THE STATUS QUO

Doubt* On the left, a few of the many periodicals that have published articles on the Discs or 'Saucers'. To these could be added a number of foreign publications and (in the U.S.) a half-dozen books. As for groups, societies, organizations, they sprout and spread like mushrooms; as for columns, editorials and radio broadcasts, their number is beyond guessing. One of our Associates is trying to compile a bibliography; it is a worthy effort but hopeless of completion. As for sightings, the English writer Desmond Leslie has collected some hundreds of them, 1619 to 1925, after which (he tells us) "it would require a volume the size of the London telephone Directory."

Life

Time

Mr. America

Fate

Space Review **

Pop. Science

Mag.Digest

Colliers

See Mag.

Male Mag.

Stag Mag.

Action

Night & Day

Valor

Ouranos ***

Prediction

Pop. Sc. Dig.

Gusto

Truly this is a remarkable showing for something which is no more than spots before the eyes, dreams, lies, delusions, secret weapons or what-have-you, ad nauseam.

But that which is even more potent with signs and omens than the flaming space-ships themselves, is the dullness, the obstinacy and the dream, the hypnosis of ignorance and lying propaganda which has engulfed us. This is trite comment, but it names a determining factor for all that. For seven years (and more) this Visitation has been upon us, the accumulation of data and evidence is mountainous - yet an optimistic guess would be, that 10,000 people out of 140 millions understand and to some extent evaluate what is going on - behind the veils of Nature and of human stupidity.

The historian of our time - if there be one - will perhaps write us off with a glib phrase; The Age of the Somnambules, Darkness and Dawn, The Coming of the Guardians, and the like. We can be sure at any rate, that he will chant no paeon of praises for our science, our religion or our philosophy. And consider the publications we have listed in the margin. With one, perhaps two exceptions they are (obviously) commercial enterprises, something designed primarily for sale; that is to say, for entertainment, for excitement and the froth of superficial "news". There is good writing in much of this stuff, ingenious and interesting sometimes, very hesitant and non-committal so far as the Discs are concerned, always ready to burst into a horse-laugh if a few more copies can be sold. The exposé literature is considerable, and

* Recommended for extensive compilation of data, not for comments.

** Recommended. *** French & English sections.

of course anybody can "expose" anything if his bluff is not called and if his lies are sufficiently agreeable. But in the thousands of pages written about the aeroforms where does one find (along with a forthright acceptance of them) any intelligent, coherent and inclusive explanation - any account : that is 'good' science and good metaphysics as well?

Of course, such an ideal explanation is almost ruled out a priori by the horrid word metaphysics, which is supposed to poison the purest springs of both science and common sense! But this word, properly used, refers to the nature of substance and the nature of the act of knowing, and every concept of man and the universe has of necessity a metaphysical background. Trite enough to the true scientist, certainly, but sour in the mouths of dabblers and meaningless to the masses of the polloi.

On the other hand, the Western world is buzzing with cults and denominations and Orders and 'metaphysical instruction'. It is not that America and Europe have risen superior to metaphysics, on the wings of 'scientific' enlightenment. But the kind of knowledge needed at present - if we are to try to understand our space visitors and not merely pull the blankets over our heads - simply does not exist in the West; that is, in any accessible and easily intelligible form.*And I am told by scholarly * people who should know, that much the same condition exists in the Orient. To all the well-meaning souls who are constantly exclaiming over the dim-wittedness of the 'public' there is only one answer: If you want to know how we got this way, read history - for a thousand years back, anyway. Like Odysseus, we are 'a part of all that we have met' - as a race, a nation, and as individuals.

So, since no one can educate himself or anyone else overnight, about all we can do is to collect such scraps of maybe-digestible knowledge as are findable, and then make them accessible to anyone who cares to nibble or maybe crack his teeth over them. This has been all the BSRA & Round Robin have tried to do - and we have received some pretty lusty kicks even for that; but also we have uncovered some thousands of alert, friendly, interested, and very helpful friends, and friends of these friends, now scattered throughout the U.S. and in some foreign countries. Praises be! The idea has been, that maybe such individuals and small groups would form nuclei of sanity, in a time of national or even planetary confusion.

If it is true that the kind of knowledge needed just now is very hard to come by, in either East or West, the fact is puzzling and demands explanation. The expression acceptable to me is, that the 'true teaching'

* This is not, of course, to depreciate the achievements of the Theosophical movement, the cultural contributions of the Golden Dawn, and the road-clearing of the spiritualists, who in a sense have gotten the better of their traditional opponents - scientism, religious bigotry, the ignorant and the intellectualists who lie down with them. But even if you add in several other fairly numerous cults you still have, say, in the U.S. alone, some 120 million people who are either bogged in religious orthodoxy, or brusquely indifferent, or 'in between'.

has been revealed only in shreds and patches, or only under such symbols and allegories, and even erudition, that only priestcraft has pushed the Veil aside a little - and then fed to the nations of dupes whatever suited its own ambitions. The 'true teaching', in short, is to be found only in the Akashic records, or reflecting aethers, or astral light or memory of Nature as you prefer. And this concept, by the way, if jockeyed around into terms of chemistry and physics would seem quite acceptable, while the esoteric terms damn it without hearing.

There are, of course, people both on our plane and elsewhere, who can and do read the Akashic records, and they are also tapped in dreams, sometimes, and in various forms of psychic and occult experience. But such reading is partial and conditioned by many unknown factors, and is rejected, distorted, and degraded by the common run of humanity. The fate of prophets and of prophecies is sufficient illustration of this.

What I am getting at here, is a half-way explanation of the singular and appalling lacunae in occult knowledge, both East and West - and specifically the lack of information concerning the etheric worlds and planes and peoples. Because of this lack, the etheric phenomena (the aeroforms, et cet.) we are now witnessing simply cannot be made intelligible to the Western world; the public will be put off by gabble about men from Mars and a choice crop of scientifiction and (perhaps and maybe) be satisfied with it, pro tem. People who have seen and touched these space craft, and even spoken with their occupants, tell us in effect: 'What do you mean, Etheric? They're right here and solid and material, aint they?' Well, of course these craft are material and solid in our vibration and gravitational field, and the etheric account of them has always insisted on this and has tried to explain the science and metaphysics back of such facts. Most of us cannot and never will understand the true nature of (most of) these visiting craft, simply because our minds are not conditioned to that kind of thinking.

To return to our cabbages, it is becoming clear why a thousand or ten thousand magazines, commentators, wiseacres and their kin can go on rehashing the same stories for years 'n years, but without a single peep of really intelligent explanation. One just doesn't explain what is outside of his mental world, and the average mental world is a papier mache' kindergarten globe about four inches in diameter. (And if you happen to have a four-and-a-quarter inch world to play with, be careful not to talk too much).

An aggravated case of this myopia is found in the attitude of the Fortean magazine DOUBT. The BSR Director and various Associates have belonged to the Fortean Society for years but we get picked on as much as if we were astronomers (the lowest form of life according to the Doubt editor). The latest issue of Doubt is devoted almost entirely to sightings of aeroforms - an unbelievable parade of the fantastic, as Fort expressed it: I say almost because the Hon. Secretary-Editor takes time out to refer to "spook hunters on the Pacific coast" and make other derogatory remarks. Our point is not what Editor T.T. thinks of us,

which is of near-zero importance, but rather the spectacle of a ~~dissever~~ publicist committed to gross ignorance and intolerance - and this on a matter of profound public concern. If our account of the aeroforms is "incomprehensible" to him, he might add the saving words "to me" in place of a period. Explanations given to us seven years ago have stood the tests of increasingly complex data, but if editor Thayer has ever spent seven minutes in trying to understand them, no sign of it has yet crept into his comments.

And to apply here our former remarks, the T.T. (or D.T.) approach to such problems as the Disc phenomena is always foredoomed, by its ignorance and rabid contempt for anything which smacks of the "occult" or esoteric or metaphysical - as if some line could be drawn between these and contemporary science - or as if only quips and jeers had anything to offer anybody. 'Ignorance, however great, cannot contend with knowledge however small' - a principle which intellectual smartiness has never yet understood.

A few words about the psychic side of BSR investigations, for information of our many new Associates. For some seven years past we have had the volunteer services of one of the finest deep-trance mediums in the world (Mark Probert). Through him, some hundreds of the excarnate have spoken with us - and particularly an Inner Circle of some fifteen communicators, ancient and modern, from both East and West. This is not at all the kind of thing made familiar by spiritualism, and it serves no cult or creed or propaganda. Instead we have recorded thousands of pages of science, philosophy, psychology and history - three-fourths of which does not have the sanction of existing text books. And after hundreds of hours of free conversational exchange with these invisibles, we feel that we have come to know them intimately and well, and ... that they are honorable and highly informed persons, human and limited like ourselves but speaking from standpoints of immense advantage. In the fall of 1946 they gave us our first account of the nature and purpose of the aeroforms, and this account holds good today - and is the only coherent, inclusive and truly scientific explanation offered by anyone, anywhere, so far as our information goes.

We have not unduly emphasized this phase of our activities, partly because we have other projects and interests also, and because it seemed unwise to invite useless controversy over the principles (and established facts) of survival and communication. Nevertheless it is an event of importance in cultural history, that the first true account of this world-wide incursion of the Guardians (the Discs or Space-People) was given to us from beyond the 'Veil' which so many consider impassable.

What is the present status of this matter? Confused and difficult, of course. Tens of thousands of people, in all parts of the world have seen these flying craft, distant or nearby; have even touched them and spoken with their occupants. The data are complex and diversified and frightening and comforting. They carry with them (if some part of our culture should survive) the remaking of our science, religion, and

philosophy - which means, we may hope, the slow or swift reordering of our ideals of conduct. Such changes if swift will be catastrophic, if slow they may wait upon a period of anarchy and chaos. We, the human race, have built this world ourselves, through a thousand and ten thousand years of greed and stupidity and priestcraft and political tyranny. These many good people who are now crying out to us to make our paths straight - do they have no conception of these basic facts, no realism at all - or think that these ancient evils are to be healed or shunned by a kind of death-bed repentance of the race? Now that the handwriting (of Nature and Destiny) has appeared upon the wall and some few syllables have been read - behold, it is quite different from anything we have believed or taught or accepted heretofore. This readjustment, then, is likely something to rend and tear, and must be met by each individual in his own way. Though 'many will appear, saying "follow me" ' it will be as the blind leading the blind.

If there be anything in prophecies, or in the concurrence of them - and certainly in some there is much - this anno Domini of 1953 should bear witness.

The average person, looking about him, feels we suppose a certain uneasiness about this and that - about economic conditions, and the risk of war, and the strangeness of the weather, and the possible threat of atomic weapons in the hands of ignorance or of malice. Beyond or behind these lie (so we believe) planetary and cosmic issues of incredible scope and significance. Some of the factors of these we have mentioned heretofore; but it is their interplay, their interlocking which demands reflection. There is the recession (from each other) of the island universes; therefrom flows the alteration of etheric tides, of gravitational pressures upon all the worlds. From these changes, the internal stresses of our globe are altered and released; the century-old crumbling of the deep earth strata is hastened. The earthquake mumbles and the torches of volcanos flare. And if war comes, with the use of atomic weapons, the enormous concussions may all too easily trigger off these unstable geological stresses. Meanwhile the Guardians throng the upper air - resolute but reluctant (so they tell us) to intervene if necessary. They may or may not issue some mandate to our planet; we may or may not accept it. Natural catastrophe may turn all nations aside from war - or it may not. But nothing is isolated; all these powers and forces draw to a focus - or so it seems -

And all these thoughts cause some to smile incredulously. They are too wild, too improbable to set down - and too possible, too probable, too imminent not to be written.

And from a planetary debacle there is no escape.

But there is nothing permanent save only change - and where there is change there is always escape.

To live quietly, to look within, above all to think of others, to try to serve others - that is the best escape. It is escape from the self and its selfness.

Di vortant bene - the Gods will then prosper all that we do.

YOUR FACE - THE STORY IT TELLS

by

Dr. A. Vern McCullough, D.C.

A quick glance at the face of any person can yield an amazing amount of information to one properly trained in the reading of face signs, and several of my BSRA friends in the San Diego area have urged me to do a short article on how I acquired the (what seems to them uncanny) ability to diagnose pathology in any part of the human body by face signs.

There's really nothing mysterious about this ability. Every graduate of the University of Chiropractic which I attended has the same ability.* True, it isn't easily acquired, but it can be, and is, by every student during the standard four-year course for the degree of Doctor of Chiropractic at the aforementioned school.

The students are drilled persistently for at least one hour per week on the reading of face signs throughout the entire four years, and although complicated (due to the almost infinite number of combinations possible) a high degree of proficiency must be attained in order for the student to graduate. Also, most of the doctors in the field return each summer to a symposium at the school to keep abreast of the latest findings.

Now, the usual question arises: If pathology existing anywhere in the body is plainly discernible as definite signs on the face, why isn't this knowledge given to medical science to be used by all doctors for inestimable benefit to all humanity?

That very thing was attempted over twenty years ago by the late Dr. P. E. McCoy, founder of Rest-View University of Chiropractic, soon after he had made several remarkable discoveries on the early detection of diseases like heart disease and cancer.

Naturally, he was branded a quack by orthodox medicine (anything new in the healing arts not discovered by a medical doctor and endorsed by the AMA is branded quackery), and the experience was such a blow to his ego that he never again attempted to give to the world any of his discoveries. However, he quietly continued the work, painstakingly and laboriously, working out the various signs until his transition about a year ago. Just before he passed on he stated that he considered the work almost complete and extracted a promise from his wife, who is also a doctor of chiropractic, that she would carry on with the task to its completion.

* Rest-View University of Chiropractic: 416 W. 125th St., Seattle, Wash.

The work began in the early 20's soon after "Mac" (as Doctor McCoy was affectionately known to the student body) founded the school with a clinic and sanitorium in connection. Photography was only a hobby with him at that time, and during a Sunday outing at the beach with friends and sanitorium patients he snapped a picture of one of the cancer patients. Upon developing the pictures he noticed a peculiar dark spot on the man's body that the camera had "caught" that was not visible to the eye. "Mac" was curious, and decided to get out his little "Brownie" camera and snap some more of the patients with known conditions to see if there was any consistent pattern between them. From that small beginning and after installing professional photographic equipment, he rapidly began to acquire some startling facts.

He soon made an iron-clad rule that no person could be admitted to the clinic for treatment without first submitting to what he called a photo-survey. These surveys consisted of eight photos of the nude body of the prospective patient in eight different poses. He then developed and studied the pictures carefully to determine whether or not he could accept the person as a patient. He called these photos his blue print, and contended that every craftsman needed a blue print from which to work, in order to turn out a satisfactory product.

The result was that if the person passed the photo-survey, the chances were about 99 to 1 that he would regain his health under chiropractic treatment. If he failed to pass he was rejected and a possible failure (a blot on the clinic record) would be averted. The constant persecution of chiropractors by the medical profession was terrific in those days - even worse than it is now, and "Mac" reasoned that he had to maintain a near perfect record of cures in order to survive.

As a result of all this picture taking there began to evolve, slowly at first and then faster, as "Mac" gradually worked out special lighting effects (it took five years of experimenting to get these just right), the Rest-View system of analysis by body and face signs, in which every line, crease, bulge and splotch has a definite and important meaning to a Rest-View graduate.

In the early years of research (the 20's and 30's) "Mac" took no chances. He would verify his photo-survey diagnosis by the standard diagnostic methods such as X-ray, laboratory tests, biopsy and all of the other accepted methods of detecting disease in the human body. But with the passing years and the perfecting of his own system he was able, for the most part, to eliminate the standard tests. The same applies to Rest-View graduates in the field. They were taught to diagnose by standard methods but with their knowledge of body and face signs, and nerve testing and tracing, they seldom need to resort to the standard laboratory analyses to determine a person's state of health - or lack of it.

Of course, all of this is very unscientific as far as the medical profession is concerned, and humanity is denied - or at least nearly so - the benefits of some thirty years of research and a file of some two hundred thousand photographs of some twenty-five thousand patients who had their physical and mental deficiencies diagnosed correctly by photo-survey and their health restored by competent, senior year clinic students, working by blue print, and obtaining almost miraculous results.

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(Note by editor: A free brochure can be obtained from the Rest-View University: see note on first page of this article. Dr. McCullough's address is 1109 - 10th St., Coronado, Calif. Information and a preliminary physical report by face-sign analysis can be obtained from Dr. McCullough without charge).

THE HIPPOCRATIC OATH

I swear by Apollo, Physician, by Aesculapius, by Hygeia, by Panacea, and by all the Gods and Goddesses, making them my witnesses, that I will carry out according to my ability and judgment this oath and indenture.

To hold my teacher in this Art equal to my own parents; to make him partner in my livelihood; when he is in need of money to share mine with him; to consider his family as my own brother, and to teach them this Art if they want to learn it, without fee and without indenture.

To impart precept or oral instruction and all other instruction to my own sons, to the sons of my teacher, and to indentured pupils who have taken the physicians oath, but to nobody else -

I will use treatment to help the sick according to my ability and judgment, but never with a view to injury and wrong-doing, neither will I administer poison to anybody when asked to do so, nor will I suggest such a course. I will not give to a woman a pessary to cause abortion. I will keep pure and holy both my life and my Art. I will not use the knife, not even on sufferers from stone, but will give place to craftsmen therein. I will help the sick and abstain from all intentional wrongdoing, especially from abusing the bodies of man or woman, bond or free.

Whatsoever I shall see or hear in the course of my profession or outside of it, in my intercourse with men, if it be that should not be published abroad, I will never divulge, holding such things to be wholly secret.

Now if I carry out this oath and break it not, may I gain forever reputation among all men for my life and Art; and if I transgress it and forswear myself, may the opposite befall me.

-----R-E-M-E-R-----

D O N G R E E N ' S L A N T E R N

BY AND LARGE....humans are odd creatures....Often foolish, but always fascinating...Brutal and gentle...Endowed with God-like ambitions and indolence. Ages of experience behind them...yet with all their learning: little understanding.

CURIOUS?... "What went ye outto see? A reed shaken in the wind?" They didn't know in the time of Christ, and frankly I don't think we know now. But a lot of people, including us, here at home, piled out of bed at the unusual and nerve-wracking hour of 5:00 A.M. last March to see somebody explode an atom bomb.

We saw the flash and watched the ascending cloud on T.V....We are supposed to have learned something from that 'shot'... We don't know what, but something. A friend of ours, watching with us, made the remark: "Is that all there is to it."...Not exactly as a question, but more as an expression of a state of mind...What can you say to people like that? ...Anyway I find myself wondering what we really are looking for.

Betty Isler, in Western Family, expresses a sentiment that I believe quite a number of us share....She calls it 'Contradiction'...

That common sense is common is
A view I do not share!
My observations all have been
That common sense is rare.

FIVE THOUSAND APPLY for tickets on the first space-ship to the moon... says a large type column head in the Glasgow Weekly News...(Cr. J.H.M.) "A surprising number of people are fed up with life on earth, judging by the number of letters - anything up to 20,000 - received by the British Interplanetary Society every year!"...

PEACE ON EARTH? ... Not pieces...here's a good start..."West German President Theodore Heuss appealed today to world scholars to 'clear away the debris of centuries' and strike out national resentments and legends from their history books."... (N.Y. Herald Tribune)

FROM SUPER-GEOGRAPHICAL LAKES ... External regions...In London 1868 a dark snow fell...Orenburg, Russia, 1830, black insects fell in a storm.. N.Y., 1850...worms in a snowstorm covered the ground...The 'Aerial World' has an account of a luminous snowfall... (see C.F.)

In 1953, green snow discovered by salesman driving along the road near Dana, Shasta County...A phosphorescence blue-green stuff. The man

who investigated, says he got an itching rash from it...The Minneapolis Tribune states, "Meteorologists said it might have been caused by Nevada atomic explosions...U.S. Weather Bureau believed it "possibly a reaction from the Las Vegas atomic explosions."

A.E.C. shrugged its reluctant shoulders...however...and advised: "-naturally anything out of the ordinary would be blamed on the atomic explosion these days --- The Atomic Energy Commission 'was taking no official notice of the phenomena."

The word was spelled 'phenomena' which is plural...Would that indicate that the A.E.C. will take 'no official notice' of any further observable events suspected of being traceable to atomic explosions? If that attitude suggests a trend, it isn't a good one.

THINK NOTHING OF IT... Here's a little memorandum for the A.E.C..... "Atomic winds are endangering air travel in northern Mexico -- recent explosions in Las Vegas, Nevada, have stirred up sudden storms and strong and unexpected winds on days when the sky appeared clear and calm.

"Several passenger planes have been forced down by the winds and night flights are becoming rougher." According to reports from newspaper El Universal, pilots report the winds sometimes lasted for days and even weeks. (Spokane Chronicle... Cr. W.E.P.)

Yes, we fully expect a lot of things will be 'blamed on the atomic explosions'...And it is commencing to look as though the gathering burden would reach a proportion not easily disposed of with a 'shrug'.... No use trying to 'kid' ourselves that the stuff doesn't get around.... It does: Radiation has been picked up in the Palo Verde and Imperial Valleys and is beginning to show effect...

Research into the Hiroshima-Nagasaki atomic bomb blast shows that children of mothers who stood within a mile and one-quarter of the center of the blast show a high percentage of mental retardation.

BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT IS... It seems that a Los Angeles laboratory has a sample of the green-snow precipitate of Shasta County...Better that no official investigation be carried out...We're a little wary from past experience...They usually come up with a simple explanation more irrationally fantastic than the original phenomenon.

A note about MENTOR book No. 71, called "The Universe & Dr. Einstein." This is one of the 35¢ paperbacks to be had at most drugstores and newsstands. The author is Lincoln Barnett and we mention it here because it's the best piece of exposition - of a difficult subject - we have seen for a long time. Accurate, adequate, understandable by the layman and a 'must' for BSR Associates. Buy it and read it four or five times. It doesn't sell as well as the who-dun-it line, so your dealer may not have it, but you can get a copy for .40 from The New American Library of World Literature, Inc., 501 Madison Ave., New York 22, N.Y.

DISQUIETING -
(Clips and
Comments from
various
...)

San Antonio, Tex. Apr. 24. A 3-yr-old boy died in convulsions and two other persons fell violently ill after eating 'bitter' hailstones the size of golf balls that fell on the night of April 23. Autopsy on the child's body gave no information as to cause of death. (Buffalo Courier-Express)

"Atom Dust Cloud Leaves Pair Radioactive" Two men at a distance of 110 miles from the Nevada testing site were reported by a physician to be radioactive. About the time of the atomic test on April 25 "a large dust cloud drifted by" and the Geiger counter ticked rapidly. "Radioactive dust contaminated buses and cars on Nevada highways, four vehicles had to be washed off." 'This radioactivity was not dangerous' according to the A.E.C. (San Diego Eve. Trib. & other papers): April 29).

Rain of Gritty Mud over a wide section of Western New York. Pellets of mud about matchhead size. The Federal meteorologist at Alfred University "said his official opinion was, that a light rain fell through a dust cloud. He didn't say what his unofficial opinion was".. Buffalo Eve. News. Apr. 24.

(Credit Asso. E.S.S. and others for the above. E.S.S. comments: 'In absence of further information it seems possible that the hail was a 'wiper' device used to clean up atomic fission products from the air - engineered perhaps by the etherian visitors, as it is probable the green fireballs were formerly. Radioactive elements as such do not register in terms of taste or immediate symptoms of poisoning, but radiochemical end-products caused by radioactivity might produce such effects. The bitter taste of the hailstones is remindful of certain copper compounds, which in turn suggests the green fireballs. One can but wonder what effect the hailstones had on plant life, and on animals and fish. . . The mud-pellet rain becomes significant when one remembers that the A-bombs stir up and take into the higher atmosphere tons of ground dirt -- very radio - active. . . It should be interesting to get reports of similar occurrences in other parts of the world ...'

"A Mystery Object over Victorville" (Calif.) is described by the Lockheed Star (publication of the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation). Hung at about 65,000 ft., a large white object "like a signboard in the sky" but roughly oval in shape. "It zipped along, stopped, and stayed over Victorville for three hours". A half-dozen planes tried to reach it but could not make the altitude. Photograph taken (not by telescopic lens) and showing on radar screen. -- Clips from Assoc. Delbert Peirce.

Maj.Gen. John
A. Sanford,
Chief of Air
Ser. Intell.

" 'Is there any indication that "saucers" come from other planets?' That's a hard question. Their reported behaviour indicates that some of them either have unlimited power or no mass. At present that's difficult for us to understand. . . Many credible people have seen incredible things; but we believe that all this will eventually be understood by the human mind..." (Interviewed by editor of SEE magazine, in Nov. '52. Clip from Assoc. Mrs. Frank Kalan).

Consider the 9th Trump of the Tarot. The General's lantern is dim but it shines. Will the 16th Trump bring enlightenment?

C O R R E S P O N D E N C EKOCH TREAT-
MENT.....

Dear M.L.

Here is something I think will interest you. A week or so ago I went to a meeting of our National Society of New England Women, and was much pleased to find there a member who had not been able to attend for two years because of severe illness. She told me she had been in three different hospitals, subjected to all sorts of treatment, given innumerable blood transfusions, and finally sent home with the prediction that another two months was all she could hope to live. The woman who was taking care of her brought her a bunch of magazines one day, and looking through them she came upon an article telling of the fine results a local physician, a Dr. W... was getting with the use of the Koch treatment. Having, as she said, nothing to lose, she sent for him. He told her frankly that her disease had progressed so far he thought there was hardly more than one chance in a hundred that he could help her. (I forgot to say, that while none of the doctors had been willing to give a name to her trouble, she was convinced that they felt she was suffering from leukemia). She asked him to go ahead anyway, and he gave her an injection of the catalyst - whatever it is they use. After that one shot she never had to have another transfusion. She continued treatment for some months, keeping rigidly to the prescribed diet and gaining steadily in strength. The day I saw her she drove her car from Pasadena to Eagle Rock and back, and is looking forward to being practically well by the end of the year.

And yet when I question the doctor who is keeping tabs on my heart condition, he tells me the Koch treatment "has been exposed time and again". I suppose he is relying on reports from the A.M.A. What ails that organization? * I don't know just where this Dr. W... is, and since you know Dr. H... personally I think I shall see him...

- end of quote: Mrs. F.E.W. of Los Angeles, to BSR Director, 4-27-52.

* We don't know 'what ails the AMA,' but there are said to be about a million current cases of cancer in the U.S., and that it costs from six to ten thousand dollars to die of cancer - i.e., to go through the futile and costly treatments by surgery, irradiation and X-ray, none of which can more than delay the fatal outcome. And 6000 x 1,000,000 makes six thousand million dollars as a fine permanent backlog for the AMA and its votaries. But the plundering of the public for 'research funds' goes on and on.

As to the typical reaction of Assoc. W's attendant physician, we can only repeat that any doctor who makes a statement like that (K. treatment exposed many times, etc.) is either grossly ignorant, or is without conscience and moral principles, and hence unfit to practise his profession (there is such a thing as the Hippocratic oath). Let us be charitable and say that the man is ignorant - but not that he has any right to be so.

Pyramids (V.L. Cameron to W.D.P., by permission):
and

Aurameter ... I have been much interested lately in the study of pyramids and their amazing properties. As you probably know, much of this has been done in Europe over a long period, and periodicals from there often tell of the strange ability of a cardboard pyramid to preserve food and meat, and of its apparent rejuvenation of razor blades so that they can be used indefinitely. Well, they are not exaggerating one bit.

I have some, made to specifications, with the base $3\frac{1}{4}$ " and the corners 3" long on the angle. My boy, 13 years old, makes them for me. He cuts a pattern of one side with one edge $3\frac{1}{8}$ and two edges 3"; then he puts the point at the same spot and swings the base around and marks off the four sides, leaving a pentagon shape, with one side a little lacking. Then he cuts this 5th side out and creases the corners with a razor blade and bends them and tapes the one remaining open corner. He has also made several of double this size, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 6$ on the corners. Sometimes cellophane windows are used on one side, to watch what is going on inside, since another strange effect is that of mummification. Still another is that upon bacteria, maggots etc., which simply will not stay under the pyramid if they can get out, and if they fail to get out immediately they die trying. To use one of these, one side must be facing due north by the Pole Star, not the magnetic north, which is usually 15 deg. east of due north, and the razor blade is left under the pyramid when not in use.

Care must be taken not to touch the edge of the blade too much with the fingers, as this dulls it much worse than shaving. Yesterday I got the 20th shave with a Gillette blade treated in this manner, and I will swear that the 20th was equal to, if not better than the first one on April 4. I have never exceeded four shaves with a Gillette blade before, and seldom more than two.

On April 20 I placed another pyramid, 3" size, over a piece of raw fresh pork which was about half fat. As you know, the fat spoils sooner than the lean. In three days it had a faint odor, but that eventually went away and it has mummified completely, shrinking to less than half its original size. The odor I spoke of was very slight and I am not sure that the meat was perfectly fresh to start with; but at any rate there was no decomposition and I am sure there can be none from now on.

Ten day ago, April 28, I placed about two oz. of fresh beef under another pyramid; it dried rapidly and without the slightest odor, up to May 8 (today).

The pyramids should be kept to the approximate proportions of the Great Pyramid of Cheops at Guizeh, according to one theory. . . I find by the aurameter that anything placed under a pyramid for a time has a rod of force going up from it. Religious objects such as a rosary or a bible show a similar formation. A piece of Uranium ore has a pumpkin-shaped force field around it, but if placed inside the apex of the pyramid this force is projected in a straight line from the point. . . .

V.L.C.

Correspondence, con.

(Re, item in L.A. Times, Apr. 11, 1953): This item states that about 200 pumps on the Coolidge area, Arizona, were damaged when the motors which drive them suddenly changed the direction of rotation. Electricians say the motors reversed polarity, but are mystified as to the reason):

Excerpt: Dr. Charles A. Porter to RR Editor: "Here we have 200 motors incident to the running of pumps to furnish food for our people. If this peculiar and unexplained phenomenon can stop 200 motors, why not 2000 or a million. Suppose all our motors simply ceased to turn. And if a motor can go into reverse, why not the dynamos... I know from personal experience that physical forces may be integrated, reversed, or become inoperative from some extraneous cause . . ."

Excerpt: Assoc. E.S.Schultz:to RR Ed. ... A sudden reversal of direction of motion can only mean a reversal of magnetic polarities in the motors and/or electric current characteristics feeding the motors. It is regrettable that certain key information is lacking. Were the motors of the reversible kind? Was A.C. or D.C. involved. The volt power line (115,000 v) indicates, of course, the A.C., but the power could have been rectified locally. Accidental reversal of polarity on a DC line after a repair might cause DC motor reversal of direction of motion. But local electricians presumably know their stuff on a matter so elementary and would not confess being stymied unless these possibilities had been considered. This would leave an enigma of first water and we may have, after all, to fall back on some metaphysical conjecture.

There has been a great deal of Disc activity in Arizona, and it is certain that the operation of the craft involves magnetic principles. And these Visitors (the Guardians) have made it known that they will intervene in their own way if the A-&-H bomb mania gets out of hand. One way of intervening would be by making electrical apparatus inoperative. . . In the last year, more or less, there have been a number of instances in which the normal laws of electricity appear to be suspended. Power lines have gone completely dead for no reason that could be determined - and other even more baffling events. These might show a pattern if carefully tabulated and studied . . . Recently a brand new power station blew up violently - attributed to sabotage. The power was being used for processing bomb elements, and the plant presumably would be heavily guarded - but it was reported that many 'pieces of iron' were dumped into the works. How this could occur under heavy guard, or whether it did occur at all, is something only the metaphysical illiterates, poking in the ruins, would know. But it would certainly be no problem to the Etheric Visitors. . . If the Coolidge, Arizona event was Guardian inspired, the objective may have been an experimental test, not merely to damage irrigation installations.

It is my belief that, in terms of trigger effects, a good deal of this has been going on ... a mounting array of wrecks, great fires,

explosions, air disasters etc. Trigger effects, in terms of electrical, physical, chemical and magnetic laws going "haywire" for even a moment, could be at the bottom of many such events. . . . To those who may think me steeped in scientifiction, I might say that I stopped all reading of science fiction over 20 years ago, since I found the normal universe around me more intriguing than threadbare fiction plots. As a final and more important item - watch the daily press, critically, and listen to your radio. 'We aint heard nothing' yet.

(Memo. by Editor):

That some form, or several forms of intervention (by the Disc people) is actually going on, has been a lively probability in the minds of the BSR Director and various Associates. It is, of course, still too early to try to make a case for this hypothesis. (There are still millions of people who do not 'believe in' the Discs, as well as numerous learned fools who encourage their stupidity).

In connection with aberrations of laws of physics, chemistry, gravity and magnetism, there is reason to believe that etheric and gravitational pressures are changing throughout the solar system and even the island universes. Internal global stresses are known to be unstable - and such situations might make the 'triggering' of events a very simple matter for the scientists-from-space.

We are always in possession, here at Hdqrs., of a certain amount of 'classified' material - and many physicists, astronomers and other scientists are in a similar situation. Such material cannot be released (often) for reasons of public policy, or merely because it is sporadic, not coordinated or intelligible. In the latter case it becomes a recital of oddities (like the last summary of Disc data in DOUBT magazine). But when such data begin to show a pattern, to point to some interpretation, then we think our Associates should have both the facts and our ideas about them. The time is at hand when not only the aeroform phenomena, but all aberrant physical happenings should have close and critical attention. -- It would give your Director much personal satisfaction to print everything which comes into his office, but it is simply not practicable from an editorial and publishing standpoint and our supposedly long ears would be slapped down harder than ever.

Assoc. E.S.S., from whose letter we have quoted and summarized, is a technical consultant, author of a booklet on Previsional Atomic Research, and a Regional Director of the BSRA. Our excerpts do less than justice to his letter as a whole. He can be reached in care of BSR Hdqrs., as can all RR contributors.

As we 'go to press' an additional note comes in from Assoc. E.S.S., too interesting to postpone: "If a saucer craft hovered or landed right in the motor area, reversals might occur as a consequence of interaction of craft apparatus and the motor fields. Or a drifting ether-energy node (mentioned by the Yada) entering the area might have the same consequences. BSR Associates should keep alert to electrical and magnetic deviations of the above or similar nature."

Excerpts: Assoc. (Mrs.) D.L., New Jersey, to RR Editor:

. . . I think you are doing work which is very valuable. Probably a good many more people would be interested in BSR if there were some way of giving them proof of the facts presented. I have talked to many intelligent people about these things and I have found that proof is one of the first things they ask about...

"I have noticed that the publications of many occult, spiritualist and psychic research societies do not even mention flying saucers. The Journal of the American Society for Psychical Research discusses the "psychic fifth dimension" but makes no reference to etherships. The March issue of the Journal of Parapsychology has 25 pages on the flight of homing pigeons but nothing on the flight of flying saucers. . . ."

Editor's Note: "Proof" of course is one of the most abused words, and usually means simply 'something which will make me believe or accept.' The term has been so bandied and scuffed about, especially in connection with the Discs, that we have included with this RR a page devoted to this single question. Golden Rule for all occasions - always ask the doubter to puh-lease state clearly and definitely what he means by proof, or exactly what would constitute proof to him - and whether he thinks that same 'proof' would convince everybody else.

It may be that Assoc. D.L. is referring chiefly to psychic phenomena and to communication, by trance mediumship or otherwise, with "dead" persons or with exarnates of any type. What we have said above holds true here also. Discussion is good but argument is folly. Nothing can be done with or for people who are not only ignorant, but also lazy, indifferent, or prejudiced. There is a library-full of 'evidence', which is useless unless each of us evaluates it for himself. We should offer information if it is needed and honestly desired - but beyond this, nothing. Desire and learning and understanding have to come from within the questioner. There is no vicarial salvation for ignorance.

Assoc. D.L. ends her letter by asking: How does it happen that the Mark Probert Controls assert many times that reincarnation is a fact beyond all question, while the book Oahspe seems to deny it? I don't know. But I feel quite sure what the Controls would say: 'The ancient spirits who dictated Oahspe spoke according to their own belief and purpose and as seemed best to them.' I also know what followers of Oahspe would say about the M.P. Controls; it would be less tolerant and less polite. For myself, the Controls have been as intimate friends to me for eight years past, I have learned to trust them, and at this time I choose to walk with them - though tomorrow or its morrow I may choose otherwise. And I read Oahspe and find it in many ways wonderful.

Excerpts: BSR Assoc, & Reg. Director (Mrs) E.A.K. (Miami); to RR Ed.

"BSR Assoc. (Mrs) P.N. gives me this item for you. Her husband Mr. H.K.N. attended a Rotary Club meeting at Miami Beach where the following incident occurred: (Quote): The speaker, Mr. Norman Bean, is a re -

search engineer from W.T.V.J., a graduate of Tufts College, formerly connected with Philco, etc. He stated that on March 31, 1953, a squadron of Saucers was seen at Golden Beach (north of Miami Beach) flying in formations. He stated that he had personally talked with the truck driver that hauled a saucer from New Mexico to somewhere in Ohio (I believe that is the right State), and that the authorities had as yet been unable to find a way to open the saucer. He spoke of the "little men" reportedly found in saucers but said he couldn't quite accept that as positive."

(Day be day in every way the cover-up job gets tougher ... Also, in this case, the uncover job, which needs bigger and better can-openers).

Excerpt: Assoc. (Mrs) M.L.E. of New Orleans, to Ed. RR.

....."I've had an interesting experience here (at the Hospital). We have a number of South American nurses here on scholarships, and among them there is a girl from Sao Paulo ... One day she made a remark which made me think she knew something about "occult" matters, so - I talked - and come to find out, she knows much about the Yada - he speaks at meetings in Brazil. . . Now this Brazilian girl reads my copy of RR . . . I tho't you might be interested in this little coincidence... "

(Editor's note: The Yada di Shi'ite (which means, Head of the Clan of the Shi'ite) is perhaps the most widely known of the Mark Probert Controls (deep trance mediumship). For some six or seven years he has been speaking through Mark Probert, often three or four times in a week, and many pages of his talk have been printed by the BSRA. He claims to have incarnated many times, but the life he recalls best was in the Tibetan civilization of YU, some 800,000 years ago. At any rate, his knowledge and wisdom alike are very impressive, and many of our readers will be interested in this report from a Brazilian (and Catholic) admirer of his teachings). ml

With further reference to the Aurameter, referred to on pg. 13 sup. The inventor, Mr. Vern L. Cameron, wishes us to announce that he has now developed an instrument with a somewhat shorter handle, which is more easily operated by many persons and which seems to be more sensitive. Anyone who has purchased the standard size and is unable to make it work after fair trial, can have the handle replaced by the new one without charge. Send the instrument in to Assoc. V.L. Cameron, Box 1120 Grand Ave., Elsinore, Calif. and he will substitute the shorter handle and return it to you in a few days - (These instruments are still being made by hand as quantity production is so far impracticable).

PUBLICATIONS:

SPACE REVIEW: A 6 x 9" printed quarterly, Albert K. Bender, Editor; Reliable Press, Bridgeport, Conn., P.O. box 241. Four issues to members, \$1.00; to non-members \$1.40 per year. Singles, .35. Has a good summary entitled Saucers in the News, including some 19-20 reports from abroad. Believes that "1953 will be the greatest year in history for spectacular displays of nature, on earth and in the heavens. Something unusual is taking place ..." There's a listing of current magazine articles, various opinions by various people, a quote or two from BSR releases - but so far has very little of a constructive and explanatory nature concerning the aeroforms. Apart from certain cults and sects the BSR stands alone in this regard - and BSR is not cultist or religionistic. But we recommend Space Review to all Associates.

PROJECT A, Investigation of Phenomena ("Flying Saucers"): Ohio No. University. A 7-page mimeo. bulletin (8½ x 11); dated March 18, '53. Contains Basic Objectives, Methods, Public Cooperation, followed by "Analysis and Evaluation of Sighting Data." These data are broken down by months, location, time, weather, distance, witnesses, sound, and shape. Followed by Evaluation of Data (54 sightings), Further Analysis, and two sketches of aeroforms. The "major conclusion" is that "no one explanation fits all the sightings", and "about 20 per cent fit the category of unnatural phenomena" with probably a "larger percentage!" The bulletin seems to be detached and objective, very cautious in approach but receptive even to the "unnatural". We recommend Project A, with usual comment that it has no answers; the aeroforms exist so let's tabulate 'em. We understand that they want publicity for the purpose of getting in reports, so probably the Bulletin can be had on request. Use the break-down mentioned as a guide in writing out reports sent in. Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, "Project A".

Metaphysicians Newsletter; Lockbox 587, Wash. 4, D.C. For comment see pg. 14 of RR viii-6 (last issue).

Metaphysical Digest, Archers Court, Hastings, Eng. Refer to pg. 25 of RR viii-6.

RADIO-PERCEPTION - Journal of the British Society of Dowisers. Pub. by the Society at York House, Portugal St., W.C. 2, Lon. Quarterly. To non-members, singles 3/- (.45). 8½ x 5½; about 40 pgs. - This is an authoritative and fairly 'heavy' publication in the general field of radiesthesia. Many issues are packed with information which our Associates should have - as well as all HUNA students. Few people realize the enormous spread of radiesthesia in England and on the continent, in medical practise and many of the applied Arts, as well as in locating all kinds of underground deposits. But recently the Aurameter, invented by BSR Associate Vern L. Cameron (Elsinore, Calif.) is attracting attention in England and France. The more people who read Radio-Perception the better (says the BSR Director).

THE SECRET SCIENCE AT WORK

The heading above is the title of Max Freedom Long's new book, and carries "New Light on Prayer" as a by-line. All students of HUNA, everyone who has read his former book (Secret Science Behind Miracles) and everyone interested in the Healing Arts outside the sterile realms of official or 'orthodox' medicine, will obtain and read and welcome Secret Science at Work.

Or, we think they ought to and believe that most of them will. Huna research and healing practise has now had some five years of testing since the definite organization of the HRA, and its record, when known, is its own best advocate. As to the psychology involved, it is not at all necessary to belong to the faithful on every detail, in order to find interest and profit in HUNA. It is, to quote an earlier pamphlet by MFL, "the workable psycho-religious system of the Polynesians", both ancient and eminent in its origins - a practical magic which the Western mind can understand and use.

This is a 335-page book (and in fine large readable type), with so much quotable stuff in it that one is afraid to start quoting at all. About the best way to give an idea of the contents is probably to quote the chapter headings:

(Ch.1): Rediscovering the Lost Science (2) Getting Acquainted with the Low Self (3) Developing the Latent Abilities of the Low Self (4) Aka Thought-Forms, Auras & their Measurements. The Aurameter. (5) Telepathic Contact Between Persons (6) Mana & the Surcharge of Mana. (7) The High Self (8) Making the Prayer of Thought-form Clusters (9) Contacting the High Self (10) Summary of the Huna Prayer Method (11) Healing by Laying-on of Hands (12) The Telepathic Mutual Healing Group (13) Contacts Made Thru Signatures, Auras etc. (14) More Findings of the HRA (15) The Problem of Unanswered Prayers (16) The Problem of the Blocked Path (17) Fixations, and Spirit Obsessions * (18) Degrees of Fixation & Obsession, with Self-Test Chart (19) Clearing the Slightly Blocked Path (20) New Light on the Teachings of Jesus. (Chapters 21 to 24 incl): The Secret Meaning Behind (a) Baptism (b) the Foot-Washing Rite (c) The Communion Rite (d) The Crucifixion. (Ch.25) Conclusion & Prospect.

"The greatest single discovery" (says the author) "in the life of any man or woman is that there is a High Self. The next greatest is that of cooperation with it." (95).

The book is published by Huna Research Publications, Box 2867, Hollywood Station, Los Angeles 28, Calif. Price \$4.00 outside of Calif.-\$4.12 in Calif. except in Los Angeles where price is \$4.14. The book can be ordered through BSR Hdqrs. In ordering from H.R. Pub. at Hollywood, reference to this announcement will be appreciated.

-"FLYING SWIFTLY" --

- (from the New York Times, October 21, 1951)

"In the New York Times, Oct. 21, 1951, reference was made to a puzzling eclipse of the bright star Deneb in the constellation of Cygnus, the Swan. Actually this is a double star, with one star moving around the other, completing the circuit in ten years. Thus, these two stars eclipse each other once every ten years. The present eclipse began early in August of 1951, sooner than expected. At the time the above mentioned news item was published, the star had not completed the eclipse, and it was long beyond the time for that eclipse to have lasted. The astronomers were puzzled and unable to explain the star's behavior and why one remained so long behind the other. This had the effect of focusing attention upon this constellation.

"Cygnus is again in the news today, but this time because it is one of the two or three most intense "hot spots" in the northern heavens. It seems from astronomical reports that a stupendous "crash" is in progress as two island galaxies, both comparable in size to the Milky Way system, with its 100,000,000,000 or more stars, are crashing head-on at a speed of thousands of miles a second.

"The light from these two galaxies require several million years to reach the earth, but the force of this clash is being felt in our Milky Way. The new science of radio astronomy has made this knowledge known and the results are revealed in what astronomers call "hot spots" in the Milky Way system. Astronomers at Mount Wilson Observatory have observed that two galaxies appear to be merging at approximately the focus of the angle from which intense radio signals emanate. The assumption is that the crash has already been in progress for some time.

"It is stated that such a crash is extremely rare, for observation shows that all other galaxies are moving away from each other at tremendous speeds. What makes this of interest to Bible students is that the constellation, the Swan, in the Denderah Zodiac was called Tes - Ark, which means "this from far". This constellation is depicted as a bird flying swiftly in midheaven in its return to earth."

-- "Destiny" magazine - 1953.

"The latest and biggest news in the 'Saucer' mystery are all the contacts that are supposed to have happened. These include: Orfeo Angelucci (source: "20th Century Times" in 'Saucer's First Contact Revealed') of Los Angeles, California; Fred Reagan (source: May '53 "Action" magazine in 'I Rode A Flying Saucer'); George W. VanTassel

(source: "I Rode A Flying Saucer" published by New Age Publishing Co.) of Giant Rock, California; Professor George Adamski and six witnesses including Dr. George Williamson, Sc. D. (source: November 24 "Phoenix Gazette") -- Professor Adamski is from Valley Center, California, and Dr. Williamson is from Prescott, Arizona; and Walter Pierson who, in 1886, wrote the book "A Dweller On Two Planets" (Borden Publishing Company) under the name of Phyllos -- it was originally copyrighted in 1929. These "contacts" are all very interesting, to say the least. But we suggest you use the same motto as we: Always keep an open mind on everything. There is yet to be proof that any of these are 100% authentic, but there is absolutely no reason to call them a hoax. The "20th Century Times" (25¢) and the book "I Rode A Flying Saucer" by Van Tassel (\$1.00) can be had through our headquarters as a public service for the price listed. (address given below-)

"Many persons interested in flying saucers want to do all they can to help the cause, and usually say, "But what can I do?" There are numerous things one can do. We suggest you write to your Senators or Congressmen, asking that the full information on the saucers be released to the public, which is not being done, according to the Air Force itself! It might be advisable to have a special Congressional committee do the investigating or perhaps a civilian group."

--"Flying Saucers International"--P.O. Box 34- Preuss Station -Los Angeles 35, California. -

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OAHSPE - and - SECRET SCIENCE BEHIND MIRACLES can be obtained through BSR Hdqrs. - @ \$5.00 and \$4.00 respectively; or from the Kosmon Press at 2208 W. 11th St., Los Angeles 6, Calif. Do not confuse Secret Science Behind Miracles with the new book by Max Long, called Secret Science at Work (described on another page of this issue).

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EARTH RELIEVES A TENSION --

-(from the editorial page of THE OREGONIAN-
-Portland -- July 22, 1952.)

A major earthquake has been in the making for years along the 800-mile San Andreas fault, which had been inactive since 1906 when California's most severe tremor in recorded history and the fires it started, destroyed much of San Francisco.

Monday's quake, second in severity to San Francisco's, may have been the one scientists were expecting. If it was, and the fault again becomes inactive, the west coast has indeed had a stroke of fortune. For the severe tremor, despite the tragic loss of life and property at Tehachapi, and the widespread damage elsewhere in Southern California, could have been much more destructive. It might have been a major disaster if it had occurred near a populous area, such, for instance, as Los Angeles or San Francisco.

The San Andreas fault begins 60 miles off the Oregon coast. It crosses the coastline near Eureka, California, follows the coast south to San Francisco and San Jose', passes through the Coast range and the Mojave Desert, enters Mexico not far from the Arizona line, and finally drops into the Gulf of California. California Institute of Technology scientists had warned that the next major San Andreas quake could come anywhere along this line. The Mojave Desert location of Monday's shock was one of the most sparsely settled areas along the fault's entire course.

California has had a large number of quakes since the San Francisco disaster. Two, particularly, have been costly in life and property, the Santa Barbara quake of 1925 which claimed 15 lives and caused \$10,000,000 damage and the Long Beach temblor of 1933 in which some 100 persons were killed and damage amounted to \$75,000,000. But these quakes came not from the San Andreas fault, but from two of the myriad of minor fault lines that divide Southern California into blocks which are a mile to ten miles deep and sometimes 25 miles wide.

The Long Beach and Santa Barbara quakes registered 6.25 on a scale of ten in intensity. The San Francisco quake of 1906 was 8.25. Yesterday's was recorded at 7.5. Remembering the destruction at Santa Barbara and Long Beach, we may well shudder at the thought that this one's epicenter might not have been off to the east in the desert.

Two years ago Drs. Beno Gutenberg, Charles F. Richter, and Hugo Benioff of Caltech, who have spent years studying quakes, announced that stresses were accumulating under the continent's greatest earth fault. They reported that the U.S. coast and geodetic survey's triangulations along the California coast showed earth movements were taking place; mountain ranges on both sides of the San Andreas fault were "drifting" apart at about the same rate as before the San Francisco quake. They couldn't tell when the upheaval would come, however, whether immediately, in ten years, or a century.

Cr. Assoc. W. C. Mundt.

THE LIMITATIONS OF FREEWILL AND THE INFLUENCE
OF WILL POWER IN THE HIGHER WORLDS

by "YRAM"

The knowledge of the manifestations of life in the higher worlds gives us the key to all the mystical visions of the Ancients, and we now understand the reason for their seeming contradictions.

The rational study of the atmospheres, whose density controls the radio-active power, demands above all absolute calmness of thought. In this way we can obtain impartial results. An exception to this rule holds good for those who are sufficiently advanced, as they know how to limit the manifestations of their thoughts.

In the higher planes the will is a magic wand and it is easy enough to put its instinctive tendencies to one side. It therefore interested me to know to what extent the will could be used and to know its relationships with freewill.

If it is a question of individual perfection there are no limits to its powers. Will grows, with full development, up to absolute freedom. Every person can aspire to escape from the evolutionary wheel by joining his consciousness with the fundamental principles of cosmic harmony.

If we seek for crude and vulgar satisfaction in the lower worlds, our experiments are soon stopped by obstacles of all kinds. We become the victims of the Beings and Forces living in those dark regions of ether, and madness is generally the ultimate result. In these heavy atmospheres the mockery of its inhabitants is the dominating element. The thought-waves of the Beings who live there are transmitted in a fairly material manner. In the higher worlds thought is clear, precise, vivid and immediate, without the least sound being heard.

In the lower worlds it seems as if we hear a timbre of voice unknown on earth. Whilst being sustained it gives the impression of being reedy. The timbre is neither high nor low; it is strong, yet has no personality. Its resonance is quite different from our own and yet very distinct. As to the sensations we experience in these worlds, these are almost material.

During one experience I could just make out, through the dark atmosphere of one of these planes, a deceased person standing on the step of a staircase. The imagery had brought into being the entrance of a cave where absolute darkness reigned. I walked down a few steps, being attracted by this entity who, straightaway, embraced me. Despite the fact that I was fully conscious of my condition, and already long practiced in projection, the material feeling was so strong that, in spite of myself, I opened my eyes, certain that someone had disturbed me during my experiment. I recognized my mistake immediately. It was too late and I had lost an excellent chance of making some very interesting discoveries. I could only remember the feeling of "cold" and "touch".

Also, though it is possible to pass through all the houses in a town, as if they were not there, we must not imagine that we can go into any man's place against his will. If this were the case it would be a matter of perpetual intrusion, with all sorts of troubles ahead. What family skeletons would be exposed! Rest assured, in the Invisible, liberty is sacred, and the will inviolable.

Unless your feelings are in harmony with those you draw around you, have no fear of unwelcome visitors. Your dwelling is unbreachable and no amateur detective can use this means to make enquiries in your house.

In order to establish unbroken relationships with persons living on earth, we must have very strong ties with such individuals, who must be parents, children, fiances, or friends with whom we are spiritually united.

The ties of comradeship are not always enough. On this point I once made the following interesting experiment.

A young man, who was my neighbor, was interested in psychic matters, and told me that he was eager to have proof of astral projection. I therefore arranged that I should visit him astrally that evening. His house was close by, and I was familiar with its interior arrangements. Considering that I was used to projecting myself to a distance of hundreds of miles into an unknown house in a strange country, without having any other guide than my own affection, this experiment was mere child's-play.

However, I encountered serious difficulties. At the first attempt I was hemmed in by unknown forces which made me cry out with pain and spoiled the projection. The second time I was luckier, and managed to go into the room of the young man, but was quickly driven away by the unfriendly atmosphere. I hardly had the time to see him lying in bed, his face slightly luminous, and to cry out his name, as had been arranged, when I was pushed back by an unknown force. I had the idea that this energy was projected by someone called Jacques. I expressed a mental wish to see him. At once, this unknown person appeared in the form of a soldier with a fixed bayonet, menacing and insulting me. After much effort I managed, first, to disarm him, and then to send him away by making the sign of a cross. From that moment the experiment took its normal course. I returned to my body and, after having noted the details of what had happened, once more set off, very conscious of myself and wide awake. After having passed through my children's room, I crossed, in one leap, the space which separated me from our rendezvous. Arriving on the roof of my friend's house a magnetic current tried to carry me away. I resisted, and came down, perpendicularly, into the sleeper's room. I saw him lying in bed in a sort of flannel vest with his arms bare. Placing my hands on his arms, so as to make him feel my presence, I told him that I was near him, fully conscious of my dual state, and aware of everything that was happening. I returned to my body and the next day questioned the young man. All the details of the experiment were exact. A friend of his named Jacques had, in fact, left his place some days ago. So far as my visit was concerned my

neighbor had not been aware of it.

Broadly speaking, we can go anywhere when we are traveling, but when our thoughts have a definite object, we must allow for the free-will of others, and for the resistances due to the psychic atmosphere around the place we are visiting.

It has happened that, during my experiments, I have met resistance in the guise of black clouds emanating from the house where the person I wished to visit was living. I was able to conquer these, thanks to sympathetic vibrations emitted by furniture which had belonged to me and the pieces of which were in the flat.

From all my experiments I have come to the conclusion that the will exercises, in the Invisible, power proportionate to the accuracy of our knowledge and to the disinterestedness of our motives. The separation of these two essential factors induces a lack of balance which becomes the more dangerous as the personal egotism is accentuated.

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