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Second:—To bring about a greater understanding of UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD and the enlightenment of all people.

Third:—To promote a universal understanding and toleration of TRUTH by a diligent study of comparative religion, making science religious and religion scientific. Since TRUTH is an integral part of the nature and being of all WORLD RELIGIONS, there never can be, except by faulty understanding a conflict between the religions of the world.

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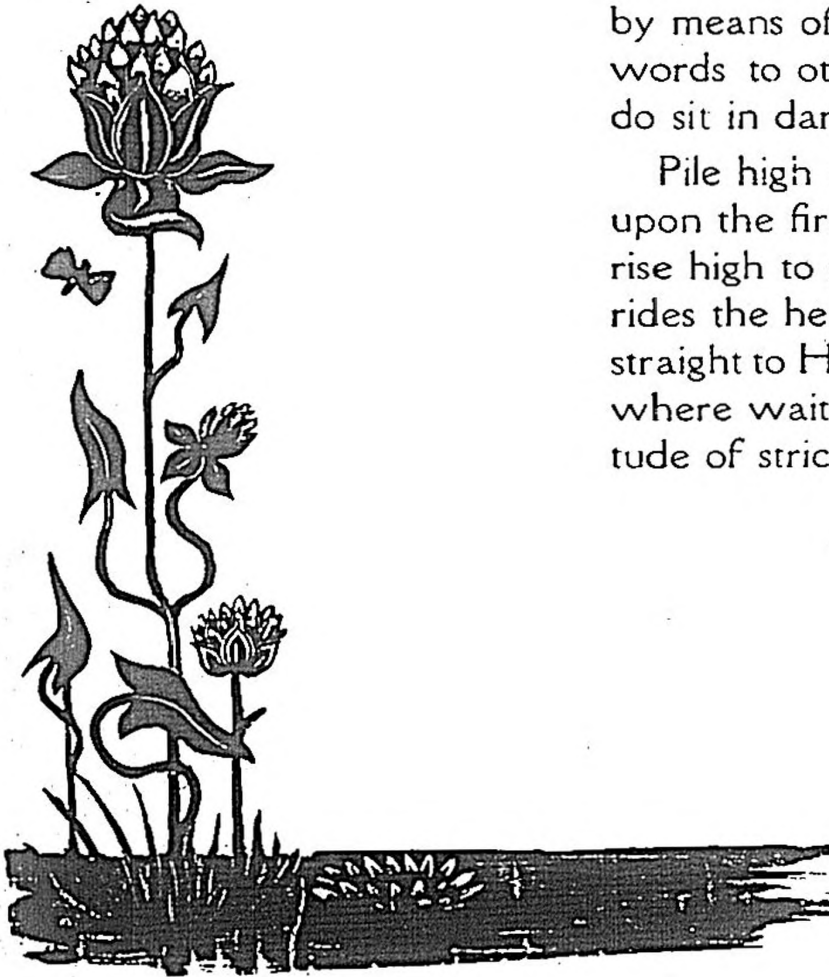
UNTO THEE A KEY

THE HAIL OF CHRIST



THE CHRIST now hails thee from the farther shore of Time and bids thee set a beacon light within thine heart by means of kindly deeds and cheering words to others of thy kind who now do sit in darkness and despair.

Pile high the fagots of thy selfishness upon the fire, that so the beacon flames rise high to guide the boat of life which rides the heavens and bears the Christ straight to His haven on the nearer shore where waits His coming now a multitude of stricken souls.



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EDITORIAL MIRROR

On another page attention is called to the thirty-sixth annual convention of Temple members at Halcyon, which begins on August 5th, next. Let all who are present in person or in spirit use their higher will to arouse a mighty spiritual force for the healing of the nations of the earth. This action of the spiritual will of a body of people will permit the Great White Lodge to pour through the matrix and channel so created an inspiring, uplifting and helpful force, and help to clear the way for a fuller manifestation of the Avatar, the Universal Christ, Whose spiritual energies of Light, Love and Life are pressing strongly on the aura of the earth to the end that the old order of things shall be done away with and the NEW DISPENSATION of Peace, Brotherhood and Love be ushered in for the good of all peoples on this planet.

Remember that this Divine Incarnation, the Avatar, Who has descended from the Godhead to the earth sphere cannot do Its work alone but needs us to help It clear the channels and get rid of the rubbish of selfishness so that It can do Its reconstructive work, and we must be the hands and the feet of this great Universal Christly Force Whose impulses are now beating on the hearts and lives of humanity and will bring forth conditions to uplift the races of the earth to higher levels of consciousness, according to the Divine Plan of the Architect of the Universe for this cycle.

The time is now, and we can and must all help by cultivating brotherly love and a high religious consciousness of our duty to one another and to the world generally. This will be the keynote of the coming thirty-sixth annual Temple convention.

In 1898 the revelation was given to The Temple of the People that a Messianic or Avataric cycle was on and that in thirty years this Divine Incarnation would come very close to the earth plane. This brought the cycle up to 1928. Everybody knows what happened immediately after 1928. The world-wide depression came on, the result of the impingement

of this cosmical divine force on the aura of humanity to throw chaotic conditions on the earth into lines of order with the divine.

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Truly has it been said that if humanity is unable to, or will not, assimilate the great forces that will be poured out in this Avataric cycle, great catastrophes will result, epidemics, wars, and the earth itself might be rent into fragments. Therefore, in the New Dispensation which makes for the unification of the races of the earth, all should open their spiritual eyes that they may see; their spiritual ears that they may hear, and their hearts that they may realize and know the manifestations of the Son of Man, Whose mission is to restore the spiritual birthright to the races of the earth and bring them back to a knowledge of their inherent Divinity and Oneness with God Himself.

To sum up, the coming of this divine light will bring about a true religious consciousness in the races of the earth, freedom from the clutch of selfishness in all forms and help them to realize the Avatar as a living power in their lives. The pressure of the Avataric forces at the present time is an initiation to all humanity and brings about much confusion and overthrow of old conditions, but this must be, to purify by fire and regenerate by water that we may come back to the Path of Divine Righteousness and realize our Oneness with the Godhead which is the root and the goal of our life and being.

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Man of himself cannot create the will to move a hand or draw a breath, but because of his fundamental unity with Deity, he may direct and so may use the divine creative will of Deity, to whatever degree he has cultivated the channel of that will in himself and discovered and fallen in line with the primal purpose of Deity. Wherever he fails in any undertaking that failure is due to the degree of difference or distance between his lower—his material—self and his Ego, for the Ego is the Deity in him—unity in diversity. Therefore, his success will be according to the extent of his recognition of Deity and his submission to the directing power which is curving the straight line of his life, in order to bring back the auric sphere of energy—the envelope of the Ego—to its original starting point, that it may be sent out with increased power for a wider sweep, a greater life. In other words, a more useful life.—Lesson 144, "Only One Will," *Teachings of The Temple*.

Law and Prayer

Temple Teachings. Open Series No. 272

Over and over again, in some slightly changed form, some one of you put the same questions to me; over and over again I make the same reply. Unconsciously to yourselves, you often ask that the governing laws of the universe be changed, in order that some personal idiosyncrasy or desire be gratified. I can tell you of things to come, as I am able to judge by visible signs, as well as by my knowledge of interior laws. I can tell you how certain catastrophes might be averted if the humanity of this age would listen and obey, but bear in mind, I cannot change the laws that govern manifesting matter; I cannot make two and two make five; I cannot take two pecans from five and leave four, although I might be able to make you believe that I had accomplished this feat, by means of hypnosis or some other ultra-physical power.

One of the greatest difficulties you are experiencing lies in your inability to accept as literally true the statements given out by me and others, regarding the action of universal laws.

The unyielding, unpliable man is invariably the man that is broken on the wheel of the world. The pliable man bends beneath the storm, and the storm either passes over and leaves him untouched or touches him so lightly, in comparison, that his rebound to a normal position is accomplished with but very little difficulty.

The strained, tense condition of the nerves, from which countless thousands of people are now suffering, is responsible for much of the evil that falls upon them. The same law that renders relaxation of the body necessary is behind an equal necessity for soul relaxation. The law commonly known as gravitation, and true prayer (aspiration) should be this relaxation of soul.

If the positive energy of intense desire is sent, and the energy is not powerful enough to force accomplishment of the desire, that energy is dissipated, and the body in which it was generated and by which it was sent forth, is broken or beaten down by the reflex action.

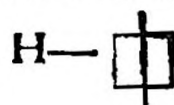
While in a perfect state of relaxation, if the soul, from the higher point of renunciation, sends forth a prayer to the Infinite—not for some personal favor, but of faith and love for that Infinite—the same law which compels one pole of electricity to respond to the other will compel a response from those Infinite Domains, and the response will be in accordance with the real needs of the aspiring soul.

You will frequently find that the surest way of winning a thing is to give up even the desire for that thing.

Thought is one form of energy; words are another form. Combined, they create a third form, and true prayer is this third form. Generated and sent out from the human heart it can go as far as its inherent power can take it. If the prayer or aspiration is selfish, it meets, on an interior plane, other forms of the same energy, the desires of which are in opposition to it. One neutralizes or destroys the other, and the consequence is, neither reaches those who have power to answer.

The wisdom of the ages is comprised in the words spoken by Jesus: "Not my will, but thine be done." It is only prayers preceded by that sentence, and winged by unselfish love, that asks only *to* love, not *for* love, that Omnipotence can answer.

The highest power is only won by renunciation. Renounce with thy whole heart, love with thy whole heart, work with thy whole heart, and all things in heaven and earth are thine.



Prior to 1911.

WHAT SHE THINKS OF THEM

A wonderfully prolific association might be organized from the small beginning I was instrumental in launching under the name of "The Theosophical Society," i.e., of supplying windmills for raising water in the arid portions of this country. All that would be needed in the case of the average old theosophist is to set him aloft on a pole. The wind would do the rest. Many of them have never stopped whirling since they were first set in motion, so the chances are good for their continuing the same rate of speed unto the end.

The benighted "heathen" have stupidly failed to comprehend to what possible use could be put such conglomerations, which were neither "fish, flesh nor fowl," but with the great problem of irrigation confronting the country, they may be stirred to active consideration of the material they now have on hand.—*The Temple Artisan*, May, 1903.

We must get down to fundamental principles if we are to accomplish anything for the good of the race, and one of the fundamental principles is the position of the female sex. Until the wrongs are righted and the right relations between men and women again obtain on the face of the earth, there can be no advance in so-called civilization.—H.

Creative Fires

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
To all Templars: When the human race comes into a realization that the divine creative fires are generated by specific vibrations set in motion by mental, spiritual and physical power, there will be much less cause for friction between personalities who have chosen different methods for awakening those rates of vibration. All creative and preservative fires are divine whatever be the method of their materialization.

He who despises the methods of one school of healing despises the God who is responsible for freeing the creative fires in the mind of man and so has enabled him to produce a method by which the healing of disease and preserving of the living substance which is requisite for use can be accomplished.

The creative fires are the forty-nine degrees or aspects of cosmic electricity—Life Force. They are the forty-nine differentiated energies in action in the creation of the one homogeneous substance from which all diversified forms of matter in manifestation are evolved.

The substance or matter from which the organic form of an ant is created is of the same nature and character as is the substance matter of the organic form of mankind, but it is of different intensities and powers in the case of man and therefore of different rates of vibration.

December 4, 1921.

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Deficiencies of Modern Chemistry


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A truly great chemist will be the first to admit the deficiencies of modern chemistry, although it ranks among the exact sciences among the superficial devotees of that branch of study.

When any substance is reduced to its elements the chemist faces an unsolvable problem, but these so-called elements are, in most cases, capable of further investigation, if one were able to bring to bear upon them the right combination of matter and force.

The different gradations from spirit to matter are so silently and unobtrusively accomplished that the line of demarcation is seldom observable. But the time will come when a delicate instrument capable of recording vibrations far more rapid than any now noted will prove conclusively this line of demarcation, the effects of heat in combining and the effects of cold in separating the different states of substance.

Given prior to 1922.

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Blavatsky Department

This department will be confined to the teachings of H. P. Blavatsky. In it will be published, so far as possible, the views expressed by H. P. B. on any given subject. Our readers are requested to send in any questions on any subject which they wish to have elucidated, and we will endeavor to search through the writings of H. P. B. and publish her teachings on such subjects.

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Question: What is the teaching regarding the Avatar?

The general tendency of the evolution of spirit into matter was from unity into diversity. Spirit had to spread through and permeate the universe: Just as the sap flows in the spring into the trunk, bough, branch, twig and leaf of the tree and then bursts forth into blossom and fruit, so the ensouling force goes out from the state of sleep into that of waking. The sap of the cosmic tree penetrates the various planes in their order, permeates them with its force, and impels them into outer expression. Then the culminating point is reached and the fruit is ripened on the tree, the sap commences to flow downward again into the roots and is gradually withdrawn into the reservoir of force. After this fruition a period of dormancy ensues, and exactly the same process occurs in the cosmic tree, the universe.

The withdrawing of the sap back inward again in the case of the cosmic tree consists of a gradual spiritualization and unification of the parts which were differentiated in the process of the evolution of spirit into matter. Each part has to be redeemed after its crucifixion in matter, and in this process the Temple has its part to play: "Great Unifier, Spirit of Universal Harmony, Love and Wisdom," etc. The Temple force must be a unifying one and we who have lived at the Center, and indeed many elsewhere, feel it and know it.

The many tribulations through which we have passed together have bound our hearts in bonds of holy brotherhood as nothing else could, and, no doubt, we have ahead of us many more trials and troubles which will, of course, bind us in still closer ties. All humanity is going through this process. We at Halcyon are merely an expression in a small way of what is going on all over the world. But perhaps the fact that we are getting such a great influx of Lodge force will account for the trials and victories also, for only by friction between the higher and the lower can victory be won, and if this be the case, then no doubt we are gaining spiritually as a result of the educational process which comprises all these trials and struggles.

Perhaps in human life the keynote of the new upward cycle will be giving rather than getting. Possibly the point has been passed where spirit had to grasp and permeate every cell and molecule; and now it must turn and commence, like the prodigal son, the journey toward its Father's house. Perhaps, inspired by what love it can draw down from the inner spheres, with will as a driving power and what wisdom it has gained as a result of its experiences in matter to guide it, it will now begin to draw together again and gradually establish on earth the community of spirit which exists already in heaven. This is no doubt the force which is impelling into action and precipitating on to the physical plane many efforts along co-operative lines which have been undertaken in recent years.

It has taken humanity many, many years to reach its present condition of diversity, and it will, no doubt, require many years for it to regain a condition of absolute brotherly love and equality and liberty, but this is the goal it must attain and this is the path it must tread.

As I understand the teachings of Theosophy, the Dhyan-Chohans are the spiritual forces which form the inspiring power which causes a blossoming forth at the beginning of a manvantara or period of expression. Let us think of them as the sap which is encased during the winter time in the root of the tree. The universe gradually unfolds, first a very tenuous something which I suppose could hardly be described by words, except perhaps to say that it is basic matter-substance inspired by basic mind, the original Father and Mother. The Dhyan-Chohans commence to incarnate; the sap flows into the trunk. The next step is into the psychic plane. The matrices of what will be men in the future commence to coalesce. Universal mind begins to throw basic matter into form, but the forms are tenuous and unsubstantial, composed of "such stuff as dreams are made of." Yet they are ensouled with the mind force which flows downward from the Dhyan-Chohans. The sap is flowing into the boughs of the tree of life.

From this plane we descend in the next outbreathing into the astral plane, which we will consider as analagous to the branches and twigs of the tree. We will not try to follow the evolutionary flow in further detail, but no doubt the analogy could be carried on right through the large cycles. When the tree has blossomed and fruited the sap begins to flow inward again towards its winter reservoir in the roots, and when the period of expression is passed and the fruit of the cycle of manifestation is ripened, the resultant essence is the aggregation of Dhyani Buddhas. They are the cream resultant from the churning process which

has been gone through. The stream of life returns to its source plus the self-consciousness which has been gained on the journey.

Now, of course, the general trend of this indrawing is one of unification. At the outpouring of force at the beginning of a manvantara the tendency was toward diversity. This breaking up into small divisions occurred in all the ramifications of life, and probably a student of sociology could show how men in the early period of history have passed downward from a communal state into a purely individualistic one.

Earlier in this paper I have tried to point out that as at the present time the trend is upward toward communal life again, isolated efforts in co-operation and even in communism are being made. The unifying force is trying to push its way through the shell of individualism, and undoubtedly a communistic system will prevail in human life in the not far distant future. The sap of the tree of life is now commencing on its return journey to the Father in heaven and the first impulse it feels is toward unity.

The problem which confronts humanity will be how to arrange and adjust things to this new vibration, and the problem *must* and *will* be solved. A little experience in group co-operation will quickly prove that while all will readily agree on principles, yet in the application of those principles in practice a vast difference of opinion will occur, and friction, failure and dispersal only too frequently result. The divine impulse toward unity is split up on entering the lower mind and immediately diversity occurs. Quite often this failure is attributed to the selfishness of the individual, and quite often it is due to this cause. But possibly quite as often it is due to the fact that on joining such a group each member has a slightly different idea as to method, and when they are placed closely together in daily life each naturally expects the other to think as he does, and friction results.

Many communistic colonies have been formed and practically always have split on this rock. When there is a common purse the business of one automatically becomes the business of all, and therefore everyone is quite justified in interfering with the actions of everyone else, and it is very doubtful that brotherly love will result, except perhaps eventually through the path of pain.

When this point is presented to the idealist he usually replies that his *should* not be so, that we should work together for the common good more faithfully and well than for ourselves. This is perhaps true. *We should* and no doubt *will* work in this way some time, but as the colored gentleman said, "Ought to be aint is," and the writer has yet

to see an example of it in a whole organized community. Isolated individuals do work as unselfishly and faithfully for others as for themselves, and no doubt these good souls are unconsciously leavening the lump.

It would seem that there are two distinct methods of endeavoring to approach the state of communism. One method would be that of forming plans and making laws which would tend in that direction. A matrix or mould is created out of the imagination and humanity is to be run into this mould willy-nilly and gradually induced to be brotherly whether it will or no. Perhaps, in order to externalize brotherhood and real communism by the second method, we must use the triple key again—Love, Will and Wisdom. Creeds will never open the door to brotherhood. Laws may help, systems and methods may help, but the only thing which can bring real brotherhood on earth is the triple key: Love, Will and Wisdom.

The Temple motto is: "*Creeds disappear, hearts remain.*" When a question presents itself the solution under this method would be not to ask oneself, "Is this the law? Is this according to convention or habit or the like?" but rather to say to oneself: "Which course of action—this or that—will, according to my best judgment, conduce the more greatly to unity and brotherhood on earth?"

Jesus was the last Avatar to appear on earth. His incarnation into the flesh brought a new vibration. A new keynote was struck. Another Avatar is rapidly approaching incarnation. His vibration is already stirring the hearts of men toward the opening cycle of a still higher vibration. The force brought into the world by Jesus, which has so vitally influenced the race, will on the advent of the coming Avatar be stepped down, so to speak, one degree and put into expression on the outer plane. Here we have the key for future co-operative effort. Instead of forming systems and laws and compelling adherence to the letter of the law, the new cycle will be inspired with the spiritual law.

Man will tune in with the deeper and richer chimes of the inner spheres and be thereby brought into closer touch with the Lodge of Masters and his own Higher Self. The vehicle for the expression of the Avatar is forming now, and all the true aspiration and selfless service which may be rendered by humanity form the material out of which this vehicle is being created.

Gradually universal mind is being diverted by the Avataric force as it impinges upon human mind; out of the ruts of selfish aggrandizement into the grooves of selfless service, and this—that is to say the application of the intellect toward the guidance of Nature's forces for divine purpose—is WISDOM.

The Path to Discipleship

By H. KAZEMZADEH-IRANSCHAEHR

SILENCE

When, weary of the troubles of this restless existence, thou seekest refuge in my Temple—enter in silence.

To be silent signifies not merely keeping the lips closed, but also stilling heart and mind. The gross vibrations of thy selfish thoughts and desires may defile the fine atmosphere of the Temple and poison the power of its healing forces.

Therefore, remember, my child, thy responsibility in this matter: Ere thou canst enter the Temple of Mine, thy soul must cast off all earthly garments and wear only the heavenly garment of silence.

Only then wilt thou be surrounded by the blessed radiations of the Temple. Joy and Peace will fill thy whole being.

Thy soul will be bathed in floods of light and harmony and will be clothed with the golden robe of bliss.

Thy soul will be redeemed through the healing influence of Silence.

ACTIVITY

Blessed art thou, redeeming Energy!

Through action the world has been created.

Cosmic activity has caused evolution.

Through constant action the universe will reach its goal.

Thou canst not escape fate by being inactive.

Thou wouldst never be born unless work awaited thee.

Thy work, however, must be constructive and not destructive.

Strive after perfection through action.

Remember, the Gods and the Logos, filled with the expectation of seeing thee gain the heights, are calling, "Divine Brother, Forward!"

DUTY AND LOVE

At the time when the soul desired to leave home, to begin her pilgrimage on earth, she received from her Father a magic ring which was to protect her from all dangers throughout her pilgrimage. The ring bore the inscription, *Duty*.

When the soul received the ring of duty she said:

"Father, what shall I do when this ring is lost?"

Whereupon God answered: "My child, I have placed another mighty ring within thy heart whence it can never be lost. Within this ring My Own Name is inscribed, which is LOVE.

Temple Builders Department

LESSON NO. 139

BIRD SYMBOLS

Our comrades—adults and children—who study symbology may be interested in some bird symbols observed in Halcyon:

Wild Swans Visit the Center on Winter Solstice

It was in the morning hours of December 21, 1932—winter solstice—when one of our comrades in her home on the hill in Halcyon heard loud, strange, rather beautiful and rhythmic, protracted sounds which were very unusual in the stillness of the place. Was it children passing by and calling to one another in that strange way, or what else might it be? She opened the door of the house and looked around over the pastures below, and up and down the road (one has a beautiful view from there towards Halcyon and the mountains in the distance) but nothing was to be seen that could account for these sounds, while they continued to reverberate everywhere it seemed. Then she noticed they came out of the air beyond her. She lifted her eyes and saw a long row of white swans—ten in number—just passing over her in majestic flight, in exact distance one from another, beautiful in rhythmic order and in the movement of the wings up and down. They took their course toward Halcyon, circled several times over the center, then stood as one white, straight line for a moment over the temple building, like a shining white arrow in the morning sun. Then they disappeared. Only the last one had lost his course and his comrades. He flew toward the ocean, and some saw him later flying over Halcyon and calling longingly for his companions. We hope he has found them again.

Pelican Visits Our Convention Picnic, August, 1933

Last August, during the convention picnic, a number of us were gathered together on the edge of the sand dunes on the Temple picnic grounds. Some of the people were preparing the food, others were talking together in small, informal groups; still others wading in the ocean, when suddenly some one called our attention to a soaring bird coming from the direction of the dunes. Larger and larger it became as it circled over our heads and we realized that this bird was no ordinary sea gull, but a great pelican.

Then to our astonishment it alighted and edged its way into one of the little groups. It was quite young and tame and looked at us wisely out of the corner of its eye in a most amusing and human manner. No

one enjoyed the picnic luncheon more thoroughly than did Mr. Pelican, although he was most particular in his choice of food and would toss the undesired morsel away disdainfully with his beak. He remained with us for several hours, and at last took a dignified and flapping leave. We watched the bird until it had dwindled into a tiny speck out over the sea.

Afterwards, of course, there was much conjecture as to what this unusual visitor symbolized. Many maintained that the pelican is the symbol of regeneration, and it has been interesting to note that since this occurrence a great influx of new members has come into the Temple circle. Although there have been many sad partings with those who have gone into the inner planes, new ones have been provided by the Law to take their places and to carry on the work of the Temple of Humanity.



THE ONE TRUE LIGHT

Why be disturbed by will-o'-the-wisp flickerings from untoward minds? They are but efforts to lure you from the Path that you may be lost in the thickets and quagmires of personal judgments, confused by the argumentative demons that reside therein, watching ever for opportunity to trap and ensnare all who pass their borders on high purpose bent.

There is but One True Light, one only, straight ahead, which shines through thicket and mire and fog, steady, clear, calm, high. Keep your gaze on that. Do not be deceived by the mirage of lower levels, the fluctuating uncertainties of that which comes and goes.

Your feet are well started on the Path of Light. Keep them secure from the foes that would entice and delude. They know your purpose, its importance, delicacy of character, its sensitiveness, the criticalness of each step; and they would gainsay your defeat if possible by wresting your gaze from the goal, by weakening your concentration.

Beware and slay their ill intent by outshining them with radiance of Light from the Central Sun, the Spiritual Sun of Light and Growth. Be that Light. Be one with it, as the Father and Son are one, and nothing can lead you astray, nothing hold you from victory.

The Child of Love, My Child, of Light, of Truth and of Peace it is who is haunted, whom the evil ones would pursue, harass, haunt with their tricks of undoing, could they accomplish their purpose. But they shall not this time succeed. The Powers of Light are too strong for them and they shall retreat into the darkness from which they originally sprang. But the Child shall rise into greater and greater strength and beauty to be revealed more and more to the hearts and minds of men as days pass.—MORYA, *June 26, 1928.*

The Temple Convention

The thirty-fifth annual convention of The Temple of the People will begin Sunday, August 5 and will continue to August 12, inclusive. There will be a preliminary social meeting in Hiawatha Lodge on Saturday evening, August 4th. The convention opens with a devotional service in the Temple on Sunday, 11 a. m., followed by the noonday healing meditation. The first official meeting will be at 3 p. m. in the Temple.

All signs point to an interior and dignified convention. All who have been here before will see the signs of constructive growth and progress. There will undoubtedly be a great outpouring of spiritual force at this thirty-fifth convention, and all loyal members and friends whose circumstances will permit should be present and participate in person. If that is not possible they should be present in spirit and help to swell the sum total of the high forces that will be assembled at this time. If possible, those who intend to come, should write to the Temple so that plans for accommodations can be made.



TEMPLE ACTIVITIES AND NOTICES

While the convention at Halcyon is being held, the Templars of several states on the Atlantic Coast will meet in New York City and hold a convention at the same time. Our Canadian group also will hold a meeting in Winnipeg during the convention week, and our German comrades will hold their sixth annual Temple convention simultaneously, thus all joining in the great unifying spiritual and uplifting forces being poured out into the world at this particular cycle.

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The keynote of the coming convention will be: *The cultivation of brotherly love and a high religious consciousness of our duty to one another and the world generally.* [See Editorial Mirror in this issue.]

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We are on the verge of the thirty-fifth annual convention, and while we are still under the financial forces of the depression, the Guardian in Chief feels it his duty to call attention to the fact that convention activities always bring extra expenses on the Temple center. If some extra contribution can be made, it will help us very much.

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In closing this issue of *The Temple Artisan* we are extending to all of you our convention greetings. Wherever you may be, stand united with us in heart and spirit that we may all receive and gather strength and power during the great outpour of spiritual forces, enabling us to be true helpers of the Avatar in disseminating thoughts of light and helpfulness into the suffering world.

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