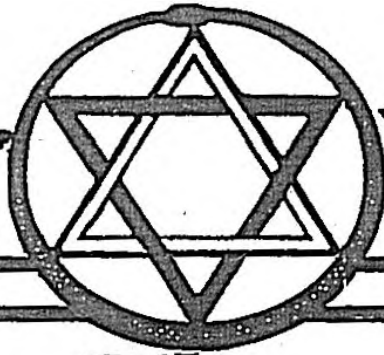




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**THE TEMPLE** of Humanity consists of all humans who, having awakened into a knowledge of their own divinity, have undertaken to tread the Path, and of those who devote their lives to the unselfish service of mankind.

**SPECIFICALLY** The Temple of the People is one of the bodies or vehicles for the manifestation of the Avatar or Christos for the New Dispensation, the dawn of the New Civilization for the races of the earth. It was founded in New York State in the second cycle of the Great Lodge movement in November, 1898, by three Masters assisted by others for the laying of the mental, physical, and spiritual foundations of the coming Sixth Race.

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First: To formulate the truths of religion as the fundamental factor in the evolution of the human race. And this does not mean the formulation of a creed.

Second: To set forth a philosophy of life that is in accord with natural and divine law.

Third: To promote the study of the sciences and the fundamental facts and laws upon which the sciences are based which will permit us to extend our belief and knowledge from what is known to the unknown.

Fourth: To promote the study and practice of art on fundamental lines, showing that art is in reality the application of knowledge to human good and welfare, and that the Christos can speak to humanity through art as well as through any other fundamental line of manifestation.

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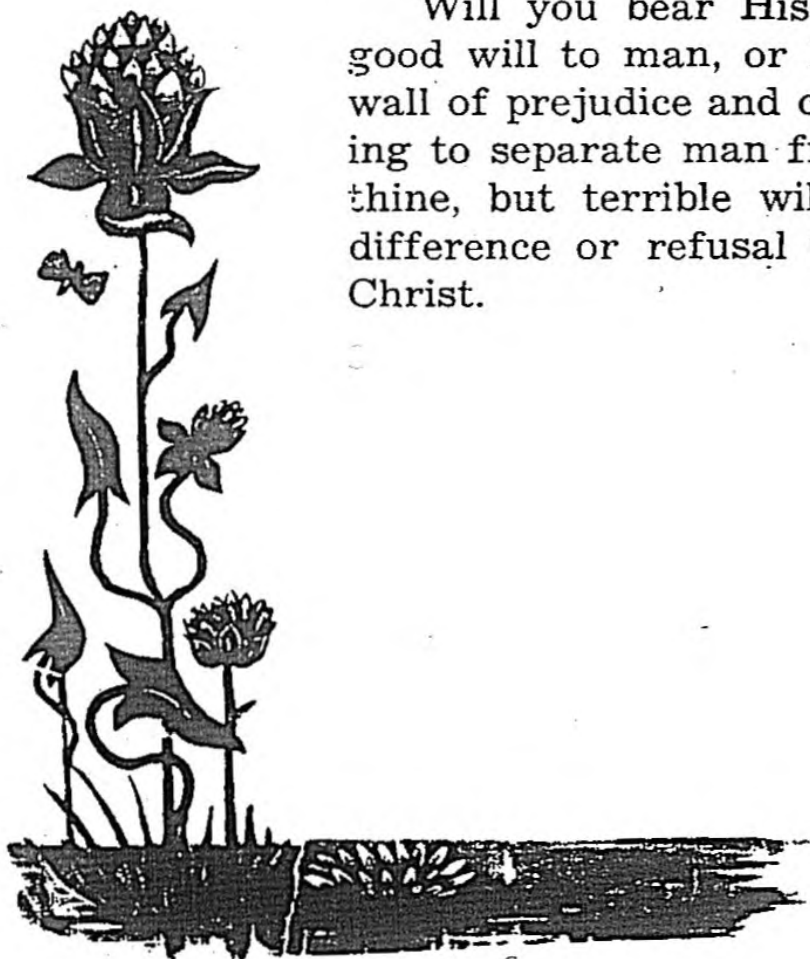


UNTO THEE A KEY

## THE CALL OF THE CHRIST

Again has the heart of the Christos freed the forces of love and compassion upon the people of a divided, stricken world.

Will you bear His message of peace and good will to man, or labor to strengthen the wall of prejudice and class distinction now rising to separate man from man? The choice is thine, but terrible will be the Karma of indifference or refusal to heed the Call of the Christ.



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## THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE TEMPLE OF THE PEOPLE

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**SATURDAY, August 6**

At the preliminary social gathering of Temple members and Friends in Hiawatha Lodge, Saturday night, August 6, greetings in the name of the Guardian in Chief were extended as follows:

"The Temple extends to you the hand of good fellowship and bids you welcome to this fiftieth annual reception of Temple Conventions. This is the gathering in Harvest-Season of the Golden year of time, when the fruits of our labors are gathered, and over them we rejoice."

Patricia Mallory then read "In the Lodge of the Red Star," and the Lodge Salute was given. A musical program followed. Gertrude Tedford and her daughter Jean Doty sang "The Lord's Prayer." Two of the children, Joyce Stenquist and Charline Townsend, sang solos, and Monica Knight, accompanied by Ebba Whitney at the piano, sang "Down in the Forest" by Landon Ronald, and "The Land of the Blue Flower," with music composed by herself. The "Plain's Indian Medicine Man Dance" was performed by Malcolm Knight. John and David Mallory, accompanied by their father, played three violin duets, "To a Wild Rose," and "From an Indian Lodge," by MacDowell, and "Mazurka," by Saint Saens. The program was closed with a humorous skit, "Looking Back Over the Temple Years," by Harold and Carolyn Forgostein, Joyce Hedin, and Herbert Lentz. Refreshments followed

## SUNDAY

At high noon the Healing Meditation in Blue Star Temple was conducted by the Outer Guard and the Treasurer, Fred and Ebba Whitney.

The official opening of the Convention came at 3 p. m. The Precessional, "30 Years After," by Edgar Cheetham, was played on organ and piano by Ebba Whitney and Cethil Mallory. The "Words of Force" and the "Great Unifier" followed, after which the whole congregation joined in singing the powerful Convocation Hymn, "Gitchie Manitou, the Mighty." The Guardian in Chief Mrs. Pearl F. Dower then formally opened the fiftieth Convention by invoking the blessings of the Great White Lodge on all Convention proceedings. The sacred Charge, "Warriors of Light, Warriors of Truth," given by the Great Master to the Temple at its inception followed, sung by the Temple choir, preceding the reading of the Master's Message to the Convention by the Guardian in Chief, as follows:

## MASTER'S MESSAGE TO THE TEMPLE CONVENTION

My Children:

Deep heartfelt greetings I extend to all Templars, here and elsewhere, and to all children of the New Dispensation, as you celebrate your Fiftieth Annual Temple Convention. As you gather here today for this sacred occasion, with the outpouring of Lodge Forces into your midst, let us pause for a time and enter into that place of serenity and peace, that all may be helped by its uplifting forces.

You as a group under the Great White Lodge have reached an important milestone in Temple history, exteriorly and interiorly, bringing satisfaction and gratification to those who brought you together many years ago in this Temple movement and its world-wide mission.

A half century ago a great Cosmical Event occurred on this outer plane

of manifestation, which has revolutionized the world, and which has affected all races and peoples universally and individually. In accordance with Cyclic Law and Divine Decree, the Avatar—a Divine Incarnation—the Christ Entity—descended to the astral plane for the purpose of bringing together once again the scattered flock into the Fold, in bonds of Love, Unity and Universal Brotherhood; to bring Humanity nearer that Divine Presence and Holy Mission. At the appointed time, and with a magnetic Center created and prepared for its use, that Great Evolutionary Force, the impulse of the New Age, was released into the Aura of humanity, sending forth Its Rays of Light, Power, Majesty and Glory into the world, that men might enjoy a higher order of living; that nations might work in harmony and unity. With the release of this Great Light, a New Order was born, and all life on all planes was speeded up, moving swiftly on in obedience to the Divine Plan. A world-wide housecleaning was decreed, to cleanse, purify and transmute the outworn forces of the Old Order.

The action of these swiftly moving forces has stepped up all Orders of Life, in all grades and departments, as well as stirring up the opposite pole of the lower forces of evil, all over the world. Due to the elemental agitation of the lower astral plane, these lower forces have tried in every way to block the way of that Light, Whose radiance is shedding its rays everywhere on all alike. Where the Light is strongest, the opposing forces of darkness are ever present, endeavoring in every way to block that Light. It is the age old battle between the forces of Light and the forces of darkness.

Many of you have witnessed the changing world and its results during the past half century, as the Old Order has been giving way for the destined New Order of the Avatar. You also have witnessed the world catastrophes of every kind; nature's upheavals, climatic conditions such as storms, floods, winds and raging fires; as well as all the general calamities which have struck over the earth and which were climaxed by a world conflict between men of many nations, with destructive results of indescribable horror and suffering. The elemental forces of evil have tried in every way to destroy and separate man from man and so block the Avataric Manifestation.

The great clashes and upheavals between men of high aspirations, and men of selfish motives for material gain and power, must go on until men's hearts are awakened and there is full realization of the real meaning of Life and its ultimate goal—the application of the Principles of Brotherhood for all mankind,—however long the hour be delayed. Those who are impatient with the slow process of the Law must remember humanity can only hinder the progress of this Divine Mission and its fulfillment, but cannot hold back that Great Day when the Christ shall call unto Himself His Own, where the Consciousness of the Higher Self abides forever.

The New Dispensation has brought man his greatest opportunity in many centuries for advancement along spiritual, philosophical, scientific and other lines of higher endeavor, the results of which have brought all the world closer together. As a result of sending this high impulse into the hearts and minds of humanity, great and wondrous things have happened and are happening to the world along these different lines of human endeavor. The God within man is expressing Itself in tune with the Avataric vibrations, bringing truth and knowledge to those seeking this opportunity of the New Age. Man may well hold in reverence and gratitude this Great New Day and Its Sacred Mission, and should use the great discoveries for man's highest purposes.

The selected group known as The Temple of the People, loyal students of Occultism, were chosen by Us to create a Center for the Avataric Mission, and under Lodge directions have carried out the instructions given and held open the line during all these years, for the Lodge forces to go out to a bewildered and divided world, wherever most needed. All members, and others who have caught this Great Message interiorly, are helping to keep the lines open for Lodge work. The cohesive forces of higher understanding are ever at work endeavoring to unify the separated masses. This is an age of action, glorious unified action of swiftly moving forces at work instead of selfish seclusion, isolation and inaction. All must work for the good of the whole, and not run away by taking the cowardly path of flight. The Spirit of Unity must prevail throughout the masses of the people as well as with

groups and individuals. To become One with the Christ and consciously know and realize Its Great Mission, one must align one's self with those constructive forces and abide by the rules governing them.

The instructions for holding the Feast of Expectation were given to the Temple group fifty years ago at a particular day and hour, as the Christ Entity descended at that particular time from a higher spiritual plane to the lower astral plane. In accordance with directions given by Us, the Feast of Expectation was held for thirty years, and the Expectation period being over, it then became the Feast of Fulfillment. This Feast Service has been held continuously at the selected time ever since throughout the years. When the Feast is held, there is always a Great Company on Inner Planes, and each one partaking of the Feast should endeavor to correlate with these forces. There is an interaction between those holding the Feast and the Avatar, bringing uplifting and helpful forces to all mankind.

The Temple is the work of the Great White Brotherhood, and so is the work of the Avatar, which was founded to help create a Brotherhood of all Races and peoples, to unite all nations in a common Cause along the true lines of Evolution.

The Avatar, a Divine Entity, a Great Universal Principle, works along every line of human endeavor with all who are attuned. The Temple being attuned to the Avatar Ideal is able to express this Ideal through its members individually and collectively, as they are able to function the attributes of the Higher Self. The Temple teaches the Heart Doctrine, which must be learned through the higher intuition and spiritual wisdom in order that this knowledge be assimilated; for without the heart knowledge the mind would be filled with unassimilated words and ideas. The Temple endeavors to bring to the hearts of the people the vital truth that all men are brothers in the great work for humanity.

With the passing of the years, the Presence of the Avatar has become more and more manifest throughout the world, impinging more profoundly on the hearts and minds of the people of the earth. An ever increasing realization of the Power of this Divine Presence is more and more in evidence everywhere, and is working in every nation for its upliftment and betterment. All who are aware of the new vibration interiorly realize the New Order ordained by the heavens.

When stress, strain and weariness of every kind are about you and endeavor to cloud the outer vision; when tension and depression bring weariness and fatigue, you will find surcease and relief by letting go of the outer things of life and going in and in to the Center of Being, the realm of the Spirit where the Divine forces are ever ready to help heal the sorely tried children of man. Remember, all are in the struggle between the positive forces of Light and the negative forces of evil, and so are bound to feel the depressive forces and blows from the opposing forces from time to time. Inner guidance calls for each and everyone to stand and endure until the reconstructive forces of good have overcome the destructive forces of evil. There is no surrender for Templars working in the Cause of humanity. All true warriors in this great battle for the fulfillment of the Avataric Ideal need not be discouraged for Infinite Love watches over all and guides the destinies of all.

As Life, greater Life, moves on its divinely appointed course; as the Cosmic Fires cleanse and purify that the pathway be kept clear for the Divine forces to reach their destined place among men, so the Christ speaks today and all days in Universal language to all people endeavoring to bring His Great Message of Love and Unity with the application of Universal Brotherhood to all mankind.

My deep love and blessings on this important Convention, and in the days to come keep ever in attunement with the forces of Light. Continue to hold the Center in reverence and carry out its sacred mission in the spirit of true brotherhood. For remember, yours is the Christ's work. Yours is a Center which should be carried on as a place of peace, calm, and quiet for deep meditation and prayer.

Your Father-Brother  
Hilarion.

Following the Master's Message, Monica Knight sang Dr. Dower's beautiful composition, "Holy Sephira," and the choir sang Blue Star's hymn, "We Praise Thee."

The celebration of the sacred Feast of Fulfillment concluded the meeting.

At 6 p.m. dinner was served in Hiawatha Lodge.

## MONDAY

At 10:30 a.m., in The Temple, the addresses of the Temple officers were given. The meeting opened with the recitation of the "Words of Force" and the singing of the "Great Unifier." The addresses were interspersed by two piano selections: Cethil Mallory played Zarastro's Aria from "The Magic Flute" by Mozart, and Anna Courtland, "Fantasia in D Minor" by the same composer. The meeting closed with the Mantrams and the Consecration Hymn.

The noonday Healing Meditation was conducted by the Scribe Herman Volz.

## ADDRESS OF THE GUARDIAN IN CHIEF

Dear Temple Comrades and Friends:

Another year has passed into the yesteryears, and time moves steadily on, bringing us to the Fiftieth Annual Convention and its cyclic importance to all. Many conventions have come and gone throughout the years, generating high Lodge forces, for the benefit of those attending here as well as all others attuned,—each convention having its own keynote of especial importance.

We are grateful for all the protection and guidance of the Master Hilarion and for His aid and instructions on how to carry on the plan of the Temple work, and how to overcome the tests that must come for higher growth, and to meet the obstacles which everyone is confronted with.

We are grateful for the brave souls who started the Temple work on the outer plane and fought the battles again and again, always keeping the channels open for the Lodge so that the work would not be disrupted, and who gave to those coming later the benefits of their earlier experiences. While under protection and guidance at all times, it took courage and determination to keep going when the blasts of the opposing forces tried in every way to stop the work. It is a battle every step of the way, but the Light of the Lodge is stronger than the darkness of the negative forces. While many have joined the Temple ranks during the Temple's existence on the outer plane, it has been the few who have remained and have been able to withstand the opposing forces and realize that the pathway to the heights is hard, steep and beset with wild beasts every step of the way, and one must overcome the lower forces in order to reach the higher places. The results of all the sincere efforts added up belong to the Great Law, the Caretaker of all Man's actions and reactions. Those who have withstood the onslaughts of time, and carried on in love, service and devotion to the Master have added their inner strength, and so have made it easier for those coming in later to meet their tests and take their places in the invincible line. It is a glorious mission to work for the Masters of Wisdom, and fulfill the laws governing centralization and the laws of co-discipleship. The center needs the disciples, and the disciples need the center for inner guidance and help. Occultism is no child's play, and should only be pursued by those prepared for it.

The Hierarchal line of life goes forth and descends into grosser matter, through mankind, in groups and individually. The connective and intermediate lines must work with that one line sent out from the Godhead. This line having gone out, must descend through every central cell belonging to it karmically. Nature cannot build a form or body without a central cell, as the evolutionary forces can only work uninter-

ruptedly through that one. All the woes, sorrows and troubles that come to groups are due to the failure of some to hold and sustain the right magnetic relationship towards that central line. In order to maintain its equilibrium with the central cell, a group must understand and know that it must work with the law of centralization, for the true growth of all concerned. No leader without the support of the group can function properly. The lines must be kept straight, and the center must remain intact.

The representative of the central cell in The Temple is the Agent. An Agent of the Lodge stands as a focal point on the outer plane representing the Master on the inner plane. The center must be held and protected by the group, because the Link cannot hold the circle together. The line between the Master and the Agent is always a strong one, because it is an eternal tie bound by karmic law and selective appointment. When Blue Star consented to take up the Temple work and re-establish the Lodge line, over fifty years ago, she knew it was sacrifice every step of the way; but she was willing to do so and try to form another nucleus through which the Lodge could speed up the spiritual evolution of mankind and rekindle the fires of spiritual aspiration in their hearts, and thus work for a more balanced state of consciousness, by expanding equally in all directions. We were told an Agent becomes an Agent through his or her capacity for suffering and the power and ability to obey—with sincere purpose, steadfast devotion and the will to endure. An Occult Center is made up of the Agent and the co-disciples working in accordance with the laws governing that center.

Life is one test after another coming in every guise, the great Law decrees whether inner achievements have been accomplished, or stitches have been left to drop, necessitating another attempt to try again to regain the place of balance. The All-Seeing Eye is ever watchful and eternally vigilant to take reckoning of obedience and disobedience to the law. Life must be progress for the disciple.

Plans are under way for various changes in The Temple, which will be for the good of the whole, both exteriorly and interiorly. Life is moving very rapidly in this New Day, and all constructive work along the various lines must be flexible and subject to change when the need calls for it. Crystallization of the old order of things must be broken down or else stagnation results. We must move with the forces of The Temple, to keep attuned to the new vibrations, and as we enter another Temple year it is necessary for all members to keep alert to the forces of these highly charged vibrations for inner and outer growth.

We are happy to report that we have had the Temple Teachings reprinted the past year, and have had many requests for the new Jubilee edition. We are glad to be able to fulfill these requests after such a long period of waiting, since the first edition has been exhausted for some years.

I wish to express my deep appreciation to all the servers in The Temple here and at a distance, who have given of their "time, means and labor" in promoting its welfare. In order to keep the work going it is necessary that regular material help be given by the members, as a fulfillment of their obligations to keep the Center vibrant with the active forces of the Lodge. By helping the Master to hold the Center, you help yourself interiorly.

**Bequests.** Members will kindly bear in mind that The Temple of the People is an incorporated body under the laws of the State of California, and that the legal title is "Guardian-in-Chief of The Temple of the People" and the headquarters, Halcyon, San Luis Obispo County, California.

Beginning a new Temple year, let the heart consciousness be the guide in daily living, following the true hierarchal line, and working with the constructive building forces of the Lodge, with gratitude, love and devotion to the Great Cause of humanity.

Pearl F. Dower

## ADDRESS OF THE OUTER GUARD

As my contribution to these addresses today, I will read an address I delivered on this occasion in 1940, titled "The Temple."

Dear Fellow Templars and Friends: Ordinarily if one speaks of a "Temple," the thought is that a temple is an edifice built for the worship of Deity; and if the average person goes on from this first thought to another, he will probably arrive in conclusion at the great edifices of the older races of the earth as the best examples of what constitutes a Temple. If he knows enough about the matter to enter the portals of these edifices, he will picture the altars, rituals, ceremonies, and vestures, of the great religions that were—and in some cases still are—housed in these structures. But unless some of the inner meanings of these have been gained by him, he will, as likely as not, associate them with thoughts of art and architecture, and classify them with some of the other seven wonders of the world. If one should use the phrase "THE Temple," and the listener should have at least a workable acquaintance with the occult teachings of the human race, there would come to mind the great underground temple, the Temple of Man, the true temple of all temples; and he would understand that this temple is not merely an edifice for worship, but is a vast living center of deific power, the one final temple of all human initiations into the divine state of Being.

Granting this clearer understanding, still in all of these cases, a temple—and likewise religion—is looked upon as something aside from the practical interests of mankind, and the vital and necessary streams of human thought and endeavor. Yet, if one is able to stand at the vantage point of deeper spiritual training, he readily sees that every true temple on the earth is not only a center set aside for worship, study, service, and soul growth, but is also a specialized center for the reception and transmission of sustaining and constructive racial forces from inner planes, where dwell the Heart and Spirit of God, into an outer world of differentiation and separation that must perish without them. All such temples are true extensions of the Great Temple of the inner earth, whose form is within reach of incarnate man.

Still anterior to this temple, and consequently of far more remote position and unbounded scope, is a prototypal temple. We are told that the geometrical lines and figures on the floor of the great underground temple are not merely lineal forms, they are living entities whose bodies are Fire. Taking this in mind, we can perhaps better understand the nature of this transcendent temple that is built of Spirit. Says the book "From the Mountain Top:"

"No man, no host of men laid hand upon or wrought God's Temple Plan, nor can a man or host of men destroy or mar the Plan. High in the heavens unfurled it hangs for eyes unclouded, clarified of self, to see."

The Plan is suspended high in the heavens, and so far as man is concerned it is that which his hands have never touched, however great those hands may be, and which he can see only at that time when his eyes have become "unclouded, clarified of self."

In this phrase "clarified of self" is placed the key to the Plan, which is at once a plan and a temple, for the phrase carries within it millions of years of the life of the earth, accomplishing the entire evolution of the soul from monad to master. Not until a soul can rise out of the long, long night of earth incarnations, by standing in the central flame of the initiation chamber of the inner formulated temple, until all the dross of the lower self is burned away, can the eyes of that one look upon the Plan which is within and is THE TEMPLE of all temples. The form in which the soul stands in the midst of God's consuming fire is the living form of the immortalized human self. It is Fire and Spirit and Divine Consciousness; and only when it becomes thus is its vision finally unclouded and can it behold and comprehend the Plan.

If the entire earth life of one soul is thus encompassed, then in the same manner the entire earth life of the human race is encompassed from the far dawn of its planetary experiences to the close of them. Such is

the true temple that hangs unfurled in the skies.

Now, when we bring this temple down to the everyday life of the human earth, it becomes evident that this temple contains in essence all of humanity's qualities, faculties, powers, lines of actions, and destiny, and all the laws that govern mankind in the working out of that destiny. Man's every faculty, his every line of labor is carried in it. It carries the essentials of all things and creatures, and functions them.

It is sacred because it is Spirit, but it is equally sacred because it is body; it is sacred because it is divine, but it is equally sacred because it is nature itself. It is the edifice, which is to say, the state of consciousness that is called religion, and it carries and functions—or should one say, causes to function—all the true religion that ever was. However, it is equally the state of consciousness that is art, science, mechanics, mathematics, and the commonest things that man does day by day. Nothing is outside of IT; all is inside of IT.

As we see, this line of thought leads outward into the practical workings of human life, and if what is said above is so, it becomes evident first that religion and the true temples that house it cannot be set to one side in human life; and also that life in all its aspects, whether in man or nature, cannot be set aside from religion. All the world is templated. And because of this Temple Plan that stands at the spiritual dawn of, and goes along all the way with, the planetary "cycle of necessity," all human deeds, activities, and lines of labor in all directions whatsoever, down to minutest details, are impelled, controlled, and guided by the Plan, and in turn are referred back to it for adjustments, corrections, and final disposition. Hence, this definition of the word "temple," together with the relationship it necessitates between man and life, calls for a new definition of religion. Or, rather, it calls for a conscious return to the divinely old, and eternally new, definition that is carried in the teachings of the Ancient Wisdom, which is also called the Wisdom Religion.

This alone, of all philosophies, presents a life that is whole and entire, expounding it as a unity in diversity, every diverse part of which is an essential and indispensable unit of the whole, down to the tiniest atomic spark of the inner realms. In contemplation of this ideal, we see that it makes religion of vastly greater import in the world than is ever conceded by the average soul, and clothes the commonplace, the homey and seemingly negligible tasks of the day, with eternal values. All human life, fabricated as it is out of the multitudinous facts and factors of earth experience, comes to pure religion in the end. The goal of all incarnate souls is, as we see, the triumphant passage through the central flame of the great temple of Initiation, as a result of which each one will behold and understand God's Temple Plan.

Replicas of the Great Temple, in both plan and form, have been extended into the outer planes of life by the Great Ones, from race to race down the ages, for the right instruction and the redemption of man. The Temple of the People is an embodiment of the Plan with all its forces, powers and purposes for this day and race, and it states in the words of the Master:

"The keynote of effort for this particular cycle is to re-temple the earth with the fires of spiritual knowledge, wisdom, and service to and for all; to unify the races of the earth in bonds of Universal Brotherhood; and to make a practical application to all grades of human life and action of the great spiritual principles and truths imparted to humanity by US now and in past ages, to the end that mankind may again become cognate now and in past ages, to the end that mankind may again become cognate."

Fred Whitney

### ADDRESS OF THE TREASURER

Dear Temple Comrades and Friends:

I am going to begin this Report by quoting an oft quoted statement by the Master from "Temple Teachings," which will bear repeating because of its time honored clarity and spiritual purpose and essentiality.

"The higher purpose, the aims of all those who are true Templars

was and still is the preparation of a place where it might become possible for the overshadowing Christ to enter and send forth the Message which the world has waited for so long. Such a place requires quiet, concentration, aspiration, unified endeavor, faith in each other and in the common purpose. These are essentials; all else is non essential."

Temple Conventions mean a great deal to Templars, for not only are they the mile-stones of the year, wherein we turn ourselves inside out so to speak, for inspection and re-evaluation in terms of better use and service to the Race, the Ideal for which we are here; but at this time the Master, in His Message to us and to the world, strikes the new key-note most needed to forward the work on higher and more efficient lines of endeavor.

Year by year each individual Templar adds to the sum total of all effort his or her contribution to this Great Nucleus of spiritual endeavor, and it is the nature of such effort that we are now concerned with in order to more effectively serve the Great Cause.

Never in the long line of incarnations of each and every one of us has there been such an all-embracing opportunity to redeem the past and pave the way for a glorious future as at the present time.

Common interests and purposes draw people together throughout all phases of life, and we are a part of a Great Group Soul brought together by the Master, and the bond that is thus forged is eternal in character; and no matter how far we may stray from the original form, the return is inevitable unless we prove ourselves unfit and we are cast out from our heritage.

We realize that a number of incarnations have led us to our present condition as regards the nature of our personalities and characters, that we are as we are as a result of taking or not taking advantage of past opportunities in the line of growth. If we fail to take advantage of our present opportunity, can we expect another like one with even more power to combat the negative forces aroused by our present failure, as well as the negative forces of evil stirred to frenzy in the Great Warfare of the Ages waged by the Great Warrior of Truth and Light, the Avatar?

We all know that answer in the quiet of soul contemplation. However, there are some qualities that defy the probings of our Higher Self insofar as, though we may see them easily enough in one another, it is more difficult to discern them in oneself. One of these can be summed up in the familiar Bible quotation about the "beam in thine own eye while searching for the mote in thy brother's eye."

How easily we throw the mantle of self-righteousness over our willing shoulders when a brother's or sister's standing is under consideration. Let us all take a good long look, an honest one, at our reactions to the negative qualities in one another! Granted that the qualities under consideration are very serious ones, such as can prove most harmful to that one who is functioning them; do we see far enough to understand whether or not there is the soul struggle for improvement that has been temporarily worsted in the big fight, or do we take it for granted that it is hopelessly useless, and, by that attitude, condemn further that one, making it even more difficult for him to attain, or even making him lose the big fight? Our reactions to the negative qualities in others furnish the key to our own culpability in functioning the same forces within ourselves. Faith in one another has to have the real meaning, the full import of its interior power, for that is "the substance of the thing hoped for, the evidence of the thing unseen," and making plain the statement by the Master, "faith in each other, and in the common purpose," these are really the essentials, and all else is non essential.

Now let us also remember these potent words by B. S.: "In order to build up The Temple on right lines we have first to remember that the Christ does not call the righteous but sinners to repentance. Temple members are also among the sinners, therefore righteousness is yet to be won. Remember the rule of the Initiates which reads: 'One who enters

this body is as one newly born.'

"The past is all behind him, the future before him. Remembering these things we must have patience with the 'newly born,' and above all, with our individual selves who are those 'newly born.' We are then to remember that every step we climb adds to our responsibility for others. We will not wish to face the fact that we may be driving some soul into Hades by our personal conduct, when we might have taken them the other way. All the forces of the White Lodge are directed towards the development of unity. This is evident in national, in religious, in business affairs. We are one Entity, and everything that works for division works for incarnate evil. . . . I do not wish to put myself on record as advocating servile submission to any wrong conditions, nor do I wish to condone offences of any character for the sake of peace. I believe as much harm can be done in this way as in any other. But I am advocating active, positive effort to remedy wrong conditions IN THE RIGHT WAY. The only way by which wrong conditions can be remedied is by personal sacrifice of selfish instincts for the good of the whole, right education and obedience to law and order. Every other way makes wrong conditions much worse."

As the years come and go, and we realize how many of the truths that have been written for our guidance in the early days of the work have come to pass, and we realize the tortuous course of all efforts at regeneration in the souls of men, and that in the words of the Christ, "if there were any other way, I would have told you," we can easily see that it is to our eternal benefit to study and follow as far as lies in our power every bit of such advice and information that we can assimilate and use.

The Temple Treasury reflects all conditions existing among us, and the condition of our hearts tells the story of our spiritual growth and the future course of its creations. This is what really matters and what the Master means when he says, "The higher purpose, the aims of all those who are true Templars was, and still is, the preparation of a place where it might become possible for the overshadowing Christ to enter and send forth the Message which the world has waited for so long."

Ebba Whitney

### ADDRESS OF THE SCRIBE

We are all glad when another annual convention time comes again, glad to be present as one in company with others in these hours of the great work; for in truth the Temple work is great, and very important to the people of this earth. For The Temple is a vehicle of the Great White Lodge on earth, and a channel for reaching humanity.

What does humanity need most of all in these final hours that are upon us?—and we must include ourselves because we are all here together and have our world Karma with the rest, though we have perhaps gone further on the path, and Temple members should know by now what it is all about; and I think we would all say, if there should be an accounting, there just is not any real thing in life without The Temple. The Temple, being a part of the Great White Lodge, carries the Lodge force, which is the divine force of spirit and should be the very foundation of our lives. This is the wonderful uplifting force we feel at convention time, and an awakening to the divine forces is what humanity needs as a whole. The Avataric, the divine forces must become the very foundation of our lives, because this great New Cycle of Light demands to be respected in this, the proper way. For life is such that it does not long let things go wasted and squandered.

The sign manual of the White Lodge has always been USE. To put the great forces to good and unselfish use is the great privilege of every one; squandering, misusing the forces cannot go on for long. The forces of the Great White Lodge we feel are the same forces used by the Masters to build planets. Will is the driving force of the universe, and it also takes exercise of divine will to do the Lodge work. "Mistake not the lesser for the greater," says one of the Temple aphorisms, or you lose out in larger living; this is precisely what is facing the world. Each soul must recognize the larger part of life, the spiritual aspect, and shape everything accord-

ingly in these our final hours of supreme trial.

We Templars have been called soldiers enlisted in the grand army of Life. We have our commander in chief, and through the years we all know what the rules are.

The first thing to remember is that service is the Path. We were told once that we were the hands and feet of the Master. Without willing soldiers of the grand army the work cannot go on. As you give so shall you receive.

The test of an organization of this kind is its ability to supply the needs of the members, needs in the form of mental stimulus and spiritual food for the soul which is so hard to obtain in the world today. The Temple is vastly rich in both of these. The Temple has the most wonderful teachings any group of people ever had. "Science and religion are one," The Temple teaches, and it has a vast supply of truths pertaining to both.

This work is charged with high forces of Light, and so are all its teachings; they come from the Masters of Wisdom. These are the soul satisfying forces we feel all through the year and especially at convention time.

We can all give thanks in gratitude for all the blessings bestowed upon us through the past years; we have been schooled from within, helped in our daily lives, by advice from the Master, and also protected under the Great Wing of the Master.

It is quite easy to become a soldier in "the great army of Life," as Blue Star called us early in the work. Just as the sun makes no distinction as to what manner of life uses its heat and energy, all will lead to more abundant growth, and the whole leads on to perfection; or, in other words, the earth, in its treatment of whatever you throw down on it, quickly begins to purify it, and in a miraculous way makes the most filthy matter sweet and pure again.

So likewise the Great White Lodge deals with humans in helping to purify and perfect them. Worthiness or unworthiness is not the question; the question is, are you willing? Willing to face the storms of self; willing to give service to and for all; willing to work in harmony, willing to give yourself to the divine Law and become the "hands and feet of the Master"?

The true qualifications for Chelaship are easy to understand; they were given by the Master Jesus when He was on earth. The Temple Teachings state, a child-like heart is the one great asset to all the other qualifications. In 1901 the Temple Teachings quoted the qualifications from the "Sermon on the Mount" as follows: "The poor in Spirit, the Sorrowing ones, the Meek, the Merciful, the Peace-makers, the Persecuted, the Pure in heart; these are the children of God, the true disciples, the Chelas of the Masters. Without these attributes, all the knowledge in the Universe would not avail. It is what we ARE, our interior character, not what we know or believe, that constitutes the basis for Chelaship in the White Brotherhood."

From the Yellow Folio is this message: "Thus Sayeth The King":

"All children of the world are mine. A king belongs to all his people from the greatest to the least, and he gives touch to each in accord with power and demand. The cry of the world is his cry. The heart of the people throbs within his own heart. The royal mandates for collective good go forth direct from the Throne of Truth and Compassion itself by silent couriers and are known only to those who have power to discriminate through the light of service and renunciation. True royalty bears the mark of humility on its ensign, quietude on its path.

Let him who has ears to hear, hear.

Let him who has eyes to see, see.

Let him who has heart to feel, feel.

Herman Volz.

## ADDRESS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY

Beloved Comrades and Friends:

During the years 1926-1928, before the 30-year cycle, marking the Descent of the Avatar into the earth aura drew to a close, the Great White Lodge, in preparation for this Great Event, gave to The Temple many wonderful messages, which now are assembled in the Yellow and Red Folios to make them available to the world. Among them there is one which I would like to read in greeting you at this Golden Jubilee of our Temple Conventions, that the loving assurance of the Masters which it carries may sink deep into our hearts and minds as we proceed in the second half-century in our beloved work. It is the message, "Children of Light."

"Children of Light, greetings unto you, Children of Truth, drawn together in a Chord of Love, in the Name of the Brothers of Inner Whiteness, PEACE BE UNTO YOU!

"You have battled well with the powers of darkness; you have held high the Sword, the Breastplate secure, the Helmet fast. The Armour is unstained, the Sword untarnished. May you now Become One With Those Who Sent You Forth, One With Us in The Day Now Upon Us.

"As you come together in joyous Victory, Sheathe the Shining Blades, Lift in their stead the Lily of Renunciation Purity, the Rose of Simplicity, that you may go forth once more and spread them wide o'er the Fields of Humanity, again to return to us with them thousand-fold on a STILL GREATER DAY OF LIGHT BE WITH US!"

This message was followed by another one in which the Great Master pleaded with us: "Carry my flowers into the world. Unto all people see that they are taken. Into all corners of the world go and beautify with them."

No longer the Great Master said, as in His sacred Charge given to us at the inception of the Temple work, to go forth to battle with the Powers of Darkness,—but instead he said, to sheathe the Shining Blades,—to carry His flowers into the world, to scatter them wide and far and broad over the Fields of humanity.

The Flowers of the Christ, what are they? Are they not the Light and Love of the Avatar flowing through our hearts; the Truth of the Christly Presence; the help, trust and comfort we can give to a world in deep travail, to uplift the suffering, to give strength and assurance to those who do not know where to turn for the Light; the precious knowledge and teachings given us to enlighten the outer darkness of humanity? The Master told us that at all times we are placed by the Great Law of Love—Karma—where It needs us for our own good and the good of all. Unselfish Service in pure love is our keynote, and nothing matters in life but love. The attribute which the Master first seeks in the hour of the disciple's examination is Charity—the love of the infinite life in which all things are engulfed, as Temple Teachings tell us, and where Charity exists all other eternal qualities or principles for true unfoldment must inevitably evolve in time. "When that center is aroused and in action, it will be found that all other requisites for service are at the command of the disciple."

Love is the Power of God, "the wielder of all power in heaven and earth; the Unifier wise and strong, which joins all worlds, . . . the hearts of men, in One Eternal Bond. Love washes out all bitterness, all fear and hate, and makes a Place of Peace where once was only strife."

It is always with us, always ours, and the more we ask for it and use it, the more it gives itself to us. It is the very essence of our lives; none can limit it, none take it from us, but we ourselves. It transmutes all evil into Good, all darkness into light.

The wonderful uplifting Lodge forces now hovering over us, pouring their divine radiance in infinite measure into the Center and thence into the world,—the Great Love force of the Lodge, of the Christos,—are always the same, always perfect, they never change—it is but we, the recipients who change, and who feel our blessings more abundantly at each Convention, as year by year we take step after step in our true evolution, and our hearts and souls become ever more open to them. We are at each moment

of our lives the sum total of all that has been, with no past or future, always standing on the threshold of the Eternal Now. Only with this great love force in our hearts for all, we fulfill our noble Charge entrusted to us: to become the hands and the feet of the Avatar—the redeeming Christ,—we carry His flowers into the world.

Without the human help, the awakened souls, the Christly forces could not do Their work in the world. And this is meant, when we are told that humanity has to work out its own salvation; that the Lodge, the Masters, the Christ, will give all the high and redeeming forces, but that the human race has to do its own work. As Red Star so beautifully said, "The Holy Presence is ever waiting to manifest in and through all who are prepared—in whom selfishness is being transmuted to self-less-ness and in whom the closed bud of a personal idea is unfolding to the blossom of the One Eternal Universal Self."

We are building The Temple of Love and Light according to God's Temple Plan, "eternal in the soul of time." To us it has been given to re-ignite the fires of holy aspiration in the hearts of the world; to teach the fundamental laws on which the divine life in man must unfold: the Unity of all in God, and Karma and Reincarnation, and to make manifest the Brotherhood of Man on earth. Therefore of greatest importance in our efforts it is to awaken all whom we can reach to the God within, and to the redeeming Christ force in each human heart; to the truth that through this divine power within him, through pure will and unfaltering faith and love to his fellowmen, man can and must redeem the past and build up Peace in the world, instead of helping to create war by fear and thoughts of war, thus uniting with and strengthening the negative, destructive, man-created forces against the divine forces of Unity and Love, which are God.

So, as we go forward from this wonderful Convention, in deep devotion and gratitude to the Masters and the Avatar in Whose service we are pledged, in deep love to our sister who holds the central position in our beloved work, in deep trust and love for one another and the group as a whole, our loving greetings go out to all our beloved, loyal and devoted comrades at a distance who faithfully are carrying on the Master's work. May they all partake in the high forces which bless this our fiftieth annual Temple Convention and be strengthened in the days to come.

In closing, I will read the lovely message from "From The Mountain Top," "NO RECALL."

"Thinkest thou that aught the world can offer could buy back the life that thou of thine own will hast given unto God? Having given that priceless gift—a life—to the service of thy God, the service of thy brethren—thou canst not take it back. That life has entered into the Soul of all and has become a part of every thing and creature—a part of every thing that breathes the breath of life. It is no longer thine to give or take away.

"It smiles on thee in every rippling brook, in every tender face that lifts itself to thine. It flows from every tear that falls from others' eyes. It throbs in every heart, in every pain of body or of mind. It forms a part of every offered sacrifice. It beats in every measure, every tone, and glows in every sun. Thou mayst befoul the form which holds it, but thou canst not soil the life that is no longer thine, nor rob thy brethren of the gift, for it is theirs, not thine alone, when once accepted by thy God."

Ella Vogtherr.

## MONDAY AFTERNOON

At 3 p.m., an Inner Order meeting was held in The Temple. Private papers of the Orders of the 49, 36, 28, 14, and 7 were read by the Guardian in Chief and the Temple officers. The Prayers of the Inner Orders were recited by the members of the respective orders. The sacred meeting was followed by Temple music. Monica Knight sang "In the Valleys," and the choir sang "The Making of the Life Harp" and "The Cauldron." The meeting closed with Blue Star's hymn, "God is in His Holy Temple," sung by all in unison.

## TUESDAY

At 10:30 a.m., the Social Science session was held, with Temple Scribe Herman Volz presiding. The speakers were Bernard Lentz, Harold Forgostein and Cethil Mallory. The meeting was opened with the "Words of Force" and the singing of the "Great Unifier." Between the addresses, Carolyn Forgostein sang the 91st Psalm, and Monica Knight played the closing part of Beethoven's "Ninth Symphony" on the piano. The Scribe followed the addresses with a brief reading from Temple Teachings, and the meeting closed with the Mantrams and Consecration Hymn.

The noonday Healing Meditation was conducted by Cethil Mallory.

## THE INSIDE GOVERNMENT

One of the daily newspapers pointed out that when the Encyclopedia Britannica was published back in 1769 it contained four sentences on the atom and five whole pages on love. The most recent edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica has nine pages on the atom and nothing at all on love. While this reflects much more on the Britannica than on humanity, still someone deserves credit for associating the two ideas. Study of the enormous expulsion property of atomic energy would be greatly enhanced by a correlated study of the greater attraction energy of the power of love.

Dr. Dower's editorial, printed in a 1902 Artisan, and again just last month, points out how much of a debt organic nature as it stands today owes to the first Avataric cell. "How many countless failures occurred before the right elements were brought into juxtaposition to produce that microscopic bit of encapsuled protoplasm. This was the consummation of preceding geologic ages."

It is ironic that man, ignoring this right and magical privilege of growth in the soil, should now make laws to curtail that growth, to restrict crops and harvests of food, while on the same day not more than six percent of his fellow men on this earth are adequately fed and a large percentage are in unending famine.

Obviously the reason for inadequacy and failure of the world social science is no longer a technological one. The facility of modern methods in this country could easily overcome the backwardness of other countries. Inasmuch as we have represented in the nations of the world almost all types of man-made government, and within each a varying degree of success and failure of its social science, obviously the issue cannot be laid alone to the form of organized law for men unless all forms are ruled out. However, the most successful care of health and happiness of a people has been demonstrated, according to history, by what occultists call a hierarchic form of government. This is a form of centralization where the devotion of all is pointed toward a leader who is a White Lodge Agent.

The science of man's relation to his fellow man is simple and unalterable. Its facts are as basic as sunlight itself. One is the law of primogeniture, of the existence and cyclic manifestation of the first-born Son of God, to lead man back to his source which is God. This is so deeply planted in man's heart as to be part of its life beat. The other fact is man's indissoluble unity with his fellow man, so easily and patently demonstrated to any man by the simple realization of his own helplessness without his fellow man. Yet, have these two facts been almost obscured by the appeal to fear and selfishness which one man makes to another through abuse in high places, and the attempted blacking out of that Light which the Lodge at cyclic intervals shines forth so that all men may see and follow it.

The great law in which the first shall be last and the last first means that actually and mathematically every evolving unit in this earth plane occupies a precise position based on centralization. In this pattern of perfect justice every great leader of man in every field of man's work has been a Lodge Agent of some degree, disseminating love and wisdom to those he leads, that their lives may be empowered by it and in return dedicated to the exaltation of all men and God. Man's inability to recognize and believe in these leaders is a handicap. It is one of the foremost duties of Templars to demonstrate this force in the daily life of The Temple, thus broadcasting the force to the world where it will surely find its way into the

lives of other men, and their hearts too will call for a true leader. Man is so used to regarding himself as a completely contained package that the thought of anything less is offensive. And though he cries to God or isolation when the provocation of sorrow is his lot, still the comfort of his fellow man and nature, realized deep in the oneness of his heart with theirs, attracts him upward and onward.

The daily relation of one man to another in any nation at any time is established karmically by his desires in the past. As he perceives the Lodge Light more clearly, so are his desires raised to where their greatest fulfillment may obtain. The love of one man for another determines their lives together. It takes an outer form called the family, friendship, tribe, race, or nation. The clarity of the inner perception sets the bond. On inner planes all are one with the Great White Lodge. It is not the superimposing of an outer form on the man. Cain and Abel were brothers. The weakness of the American Indian was his constant warring with his other tribes. In our time from one year to the next nations are allies or foes as the forces of white and black prevail within. The balance is critical. One man's hand turns against another or unites with it because of his inner conviction. Unions, guilds and corporations are the result of an association of like interests for mutual strength. Each group believes firmly that God is on his side or ought to be.

This bit of European history bears many accurate analogies: Two little neighboring French villages were so modest as to have but one chapel between them; but each village was famous in its own right, one for its wine, the other for its cabbages. Once long, long ago a pilgrimage from each village had arrived at the chapel at the same time, one to pray for more of the hot, heavenly sun for its grapes, and the other to pray for a longer season of heavenly rain for its cabbages. The immediate result was, of course, violence itself, which resolved the two villages in the long years that have followed into what is probably the first cold war. Instead of asking for more sun or rain why didn't they offer gratitude for what they were getting? Instead of feeling antagonism at their difference why didn't they recognize the need of both sun and rain, cabbages and grapes? And instead of trying to eliminate each other why didn't they recognize the impotence of their common intercessor to do anything at all about the weather and eliminate his office in that regard? Why, indeed!

That editorial of Dr. Dower's brought out another association which is more occult and less known than most, yet its light is most revealing. He says, "The imagination is thrilled as it senses the possibilities in the great evolutionary event that has recently occurred in the life of humanity, in the fact that the patient plodding long suffering entity known as Labor in contradistinction to Capital has at last come to consciousness of itself and realizes that it is an organic being with possibilities of power undreamed of before. We have stated that we are in a fire cycle and that many momentous things would happen in the world connected with that element or its correspondences. Coal is one of these correspondences and it required a disturbance connected with that element to bring the labor entity to a consciousness of its power and importance."

The analogy of a growing entity is exact both in its gratifying constructive capacity and in its overreaching and unforeseeing blunders. The relationship of man to his materials is seldom regarded as anything but a convenience. Mutual service and responsibility are but dimly realized as yet. One patient told his doctor that he was indeed a very smart man to be able to figure out and prescribe six different pills for him, but still the pills were very smart too because each one of them knew exactly where to go.

Parallel to the release of what is called atomic energy has been the manifestation of the power of love, in form and force better correlated than in any other Lodge effort in our present history. Again after countless failures due to man, not the Lodge, there has been brought together the right relation of human elements and a spiritually organic cell has been born. Expectation and fulfillment have been the conscious lot of Templars, while hope and fear have fired and paralyzed the consciousness of all the world. The only answer to man's every question rests in his

heart, wherein are now being poured the greatest alchemical forces he has yet known. Man's salvation is based on the power of transmutation. In this day when rapid change is the sign, and when everything which is not the Christ's is falling away, the constancy of man's heart can always show gratitude.

The blessing of his daily bread, the blessing of his daily labor, the reassurance of his daily association with his fellow man, making possible his own labor and food, these are the blessings which empower all science and art with a sensitivity that responds to the touch of God and makes all as one. Even man's automobile is a congeries of elemental forces needing the gratitude of care in exchange for service, the abuse of which principle costs man dearly.

There is no mystery to the solution of man's problems. No outraged demon of any creation but his own is subjugating and exploiting him. Kindness, courtesy, service, faith, positiveness, good cheer, sympathy, constant reverence and gratitude, love, these are the every-day work clothes for transmuting daily life into a conscious correlation of inner and outer planes. "As ye would that others do unto you, do ye even so unto them." This occult law is the only way by which the Christ may lead all men and incarnate as a living power in their lives.

Harold Forgostein

### THE THIRD FORCE

In the June, 1949 issue of *United Nations World* appeared an interview with General Carlos Romulo, representative of the Philippines in the UN. Certain points in the interview with General Romulo explain the ideological ferment going on in the Orient.

"There are forces . . . which are interested in making the world think that the nationalist aspirations of the Asian peoples are inescapably linked to Communism. This is completely untrue. . . . What the peoples of Asia really want is a Third Force—in their government, their economies and in their world political orientations. . . . the basic political philosophy of today's Asia . . . is a fusion of material needs and spiritual values. It draws on the ancient and deep-rooted traditions of the Asian peoples, all of whom recognize spiritual values as the most important part of life. It attempts to blend this attitude with the techniques and know-how of the West. . . . the New Delhi Conference. . . . was the organized expression of Asia's Third Force. . . . I am certain that Asians today feel delight and relief in seeing that the UN is after all not the disintegrating body that some declare. The people of Asia see in the UN the instrument that will help implement the principles embodied in the Atlantic Charter. . . ."

The Third Force referred to by the General is in reality a cosmic force—the Son principle from a trinitarian standpoint—that which anneals and unites opposites. It is an inter-etheric force, which applies equally to nations and individuals. It is the Middle Road—the compromise between extremes; not, however, a compromise of principle with any extreme. In common parlance it is called the golden mean or happy medium. In mystical philosophy it is known as the path of the Christos, and in terms of forces as the leaven of the Lodge. In short, it is the Temple Force, the Great Unifier, the Avatar, the Christos now ensouling again the Aura of Humanity.

As any one can see for himself, this is an age of extremes. "Nothing is fixed, due to the influence and nearness of the Avatar impinging on human consciousness and the world aura." 1.

The purges, witch-hunts, and whitewash performed are sometimes but smokescreen of diversionary tactics intended to conceal or confuse the real issue. On the other hand, never was more espionage, counter-espionage, and intelligence work being carried on than at present.

The trine of Loyalty, Tolerance, and Discrimination, based on the Eternal Verities and the Brotherhood of Man, alone can point the way toward the goal of Truth and Light.

Occultism stresses the importance of right ethics and right philosophy,

for without these two right action is unattainable. This is also the Buddhist doctrine, that right action is the product of right thinking. **TEACHINGS OF THE TEMPLE** states (pp. 431-2) that "man creates his own environment," and "The longer a cycle of peace lasts, the stronger are the forces which will eventually bring about the desired permanent results."

**HAWAII AND ALASKA**—The granting of statehood to these two territories is being vigorously and persistently pushed by its advocates, and is of interest to the occultist.

Hawaii forms part of the Third Continent—Lemuria—destined to rise again, sometime, from the waters of the Pacific. Alaska is reminiscent of the Second—the Hyperborean—Continent, and closely adjacent to the First Continent—the Sacred Imperishable Land—the North Pole—Mount Meru. "... prophecy locates the Sixth Race on the continent of Lemuria, as it locates the Seventh Race at the North Pole in the future Hyperborean age." 2

Americans, who are forerunners of the sixth subrace, seem to be increasingly and karmically connected with the two distant lands, now brought closer to the mainland by air travel and radio.

The first, a tropical paradise, the second, a forlorn polar waste, will probably undergo some drastic topographic, and in the latter case, climatic changes before playing a major role in planetary history again.

**TEMPLE TEACHINGS AND THE BIBLE**—The Bible, after all these centuries of use and misuse, is still a great book. The keys to its magnificent and often obscure symbolism, however, must be sought for in the language of occultism. This language—philosophy—is set forth in the Secret Doctrine and Temple Teachings, which incidentally also explain and elucidate the countless hidden and missing portions of other Sacred Scriptures.

The origins and complexities of the Biblical compilation are nowhere explained so finely in detail of scholarship and authenticity as in *Isis Unveiled* and *The Secret Doctrine*. An interesting reference to the original fifty-two Gospels of the New Testament and the eventual restoration of the missing forty-eight ones is made in a Temple Teaching entitled "Prophecy." 3 Some of the so-called Apocrypha, unwarrantedly classified with the Pseudepigrapha, represent genuine instruction either formerly or still used in other racial or national Bibles, e. g., the *Book of Enoch*, the *Book of Jasher*, the *Codex Nazaraeus*, and *Pistis Sophia*.

Temple Teachings carry their own special keynote, which is that of the Coming Avatar, the New Age, and the Sixth Race. The Teachings will grow in popularity and circulation as the understanding of humanity increases. Along with the works of Blavatsky and Judge, the Teachings truly constitute "the Bible of the New Dispensation." The former two and the latter complement each other in a manner somewhat analagous to the Old and New Testaments.

The universal as well as unique value of Temple Teachings stems from several factors: they explain countless Biblical and other Scriptural passages, little understood even by the clergy, through the use of one or more of the seven keys of occultism, though in the simplest language possible; they represent and are a current line of Lodge instruction, based on religion, philosophy, science, art, economics, and social science, for all races and peoples, and adapted or relating to modern conditions; they embrace and explain much that is prophetic, some already come to pass, much more yet to be fulfilled; and, because of their generally timeless and foundational character, they carry the torch of high spiritual teaching running through the past, present, and future, all making for the Brotherhood of Man.

Bernard Lentz

1. THE TEMPLE ARTISAN. VOL. XXVI. p. 7.
2. THE TEMPLE ARTISAN. VOL. XVII. p. 161.
3. THE TEMPLE ARTISAN. VOL. XXXIX. p. 60.

## THE SIXTH LABOR OF MAN

The "Twelve Labors" of Hercules are symbolic of the Solar course of the soul of man in his quest for perfection through the refinements of experience. In his sixth effort, the hero was sent to the realm of King Augeas to cleanse the royal stables which had been neglected for thirty years. This he did by diverting and directing the course of the river Alpheus to flow through them. Mankind today is pre-eminently involved in just such a labor of purification.

The artisan Hiram was another type of the Higher Self, and so was selected by Solomon to build the Temple. One part of that construction, as told in the Bible, indicates an over-all, symbolic background for the understanding of our present social predicament and a proper readjustment. This craftsman designed and cast a huge molten sea, which he had resting on the backs of twelve oxen, grouped in threes, with each group facing one of the four points of the compass. The edge of this salted sea was cast like the brim of a cup, and upon it were engraved the Flowers of Lilies. Within this Chalice were contained two thousand baths.

The "baths" are the fountain heads for the emergence of the Heavenly Hosts and they are the Etheric Billows at floodtide, as they course from the universal Sea of Akasa—the Virginal root of all matter. This sea rests upon and above the generative fourfold triads of the manifested universe. The "twelve oxen," as symbols of labor, are the power stations for the distribution of the electro-magnetic forces at work. Through twelve centers flow the eternal rivers of generation and regeneration—of alternate sedimentation and purification. The emblem of the "cup" for all time and in all religions has represented the reunion of spirit and matter and "to drink of the cup" is to partake of the "alphean" waters of transmutation.

There are twelve "great qualities" of the Higher Self, as given by the Master Hilarion in this cycle, which were idealized in the legend of King Arthur at the celebrated Round Table. The ideals that man has longed into being are the first privations of form created out of the spiritual substance of the Higher Self; so the substance of courage and self-sacrifice of the noble Knights and their Ladies of the Holy Grail is forever planted in the aura of humanity. The Knights were sworn to go forth in battle to right social wrongs. Each Knight took a solemn vow to seek the Holy Grail, the "Cup" of Christ's last supper. The sixth principle which is Hope is the principle of "quest," and was the guiding force of the age of chivalry. Only Galahad, the pure, was granted a glimpse of the heavenly vision in which the Grail appeared ever glowing before him in the Higher Astral Light. Impurity and separateness disrupted the order, but King Arthur is associated with the Solar Heroes and the Agents of the Master for all time.

There were also "twelve doors" into Solomon's Temple which relate to the gateways for the twelve-fold line of incarnations of the individual soul on the cosmic wheel. The twelve openings of the lesser temple, the body of man, are replicas of the Cosmic Temple.

The Ego enters the first triad of gates by means of gross matter, form and lower mind, which is the first connection with Soul. The second triad of gates fits man for Temple service which is realized through the development of the latent qualities of ambition, endurance and devotion. The last six gates are passed by the Prepared, or Teachers of mankind, and finally by the Perfected Masters of the inner degrees of life.

At the present time, the masses of humanity are cultivating the power of devotion which will carry them through the sixth gate. In its highest aspect devotion is love made manifest through the reverent action and self-surrender of the Soul, as it seeks experience to attain discrimination. Because of devotion to wrong things, man has weighted himself with much rubbish which must be discarded or else transmuted into something truly useful. In ages past, the processes of unfolding and expanding were dominant. Now the tide has turned to displace the forces of separation and differentiation by the action of the law of unity. Man

must cross the bridge between the animal and the human stages of growth, and work with the infolding processes of cohesion and concentration. Soul experience yields the power of reduction to original elements. Revaluation of the parts of life, and the proper reduction of mass is man's keynote to his righteousness.

In the nineteenth century Disraeli aptly observed that "The European talks of progress because by the aid of a few scientific discoveries he has established a society which has mistaken comfort for civilization." Material science has nurtured a truncated culture, which has subsequently produced a monstrosity. There has resulted a severing of the portion at the apex from that of the base of the pyramid of human knowledge. True Knowledge is the sensing and the realization of the "inner light" back of every fact by actual identification of the consciousness with it. In the pursuit of truth, the materialists have presumed to rule out all moral considerations, and to proceed upon the false assumption that fixed amounts of good and evil are inherent in humanity, and upon the assumption that the known states of matter must be regarded as permanent. Thus we have now an era of ultra specialization and self-imposed limitation; consequently it has become the habit of the academic mind to mistake a part for the whole. Academic truncation on the right, and so-called realism on the left, have led humanity into a blind alley toward self-destruction.

Freedom to choose is the challenge of our time. On the physical plane there is no such thing as a free soul; freedom stems from the Higher Self and is based upon the law that one must yield up his life to find it. Freedom is the opportunity to perform a good action—the true seat for legitimate radical action. Ghandi, the modern prophet of soul force, said, "I heartily detest this mad desire to destroy distance and time and to increase animal appetites and go to the ends of the earth in search of their satisfaction." He recognized that the solution to all social problems lay in the words of the Great Master, "Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven and all these things shall be added unto you."

For ideologies are now confusing and dividing men. There is a battle for position between two well known forms of totalitarianism and the out-moded laissez-faire economic bloc which regards labor as a mere commodity. Each distrusts the masses and seeks to rule by fear and other forms of black magic. Each seeks to dominate men's thoughts and appetites through a controlled press even to syndicated music—in a "canned" predigested conglomerate, which passes for culture. Perhaps the hopeful antidote for the evils of the twentieth century lies in the creation of the "Human Welfare State", which, though experimental as yet, has the merits of promoting a spirit of tolerance and brotherhood. It provides an order devoid of fear, in which men may collectively choose their way of life and eradicate social ills in a progressive evolutionary way.

In this atom conscious era it is timely to recall the statement of Master Hilarion given many years back that "the atom is capable of generating power enough to drive the world out of its present orbit." The power at the center of the atom is Spiritual Fire—the principle of Faith, which moves mountains literally. The virginal nucleus is bounded by six molecular differentiations. Science has too long sponsored the soul-killing form worship which sees only the minutiae or the outer shell of nature; by correspondence and in fact only the Soul within, the nucleus, can synthesize.

The function of the Virgin—the Holy Spirit—is to form the individual center of consciousness, to become a vehicle for a new life, and to break down crystallized dogma and intolerance, to give expression of the Eternal in the incessant changes of matter to the forms of the true and beautiful. This law of growth was stated ages ago, "consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, they toil not." The critical hour has come when of necessity man is impelled to sit down quietly in Faith and ponder upon the action of this higher power of his nature which renders the Soul pure and spotless—to rise immaculate above the sin of materiality.

In conjunction with devotion to purification and revaluation, the sixth labor of man, there has come a quickening of planetary development in the awakening of the sixth sense—Intuition. Once again a Great Soul has incarnated in the aura of the earth to separate the wheat from the chaff. The law of the cyclic return of the Avatar depends, as it were, upon the Finger of God Who draws a smaller circle within a larger circle to evolve a New Order in it. There is a circuit of souls within this orbit which is completed as a nucleus on this plane in the formation of The Temple of the People. This connection is maintained with the Christos by strictest adherence to the laws of monogamy and brotherhood; a short circuit can only be produced by selfishness and impurity. Only by conscious choice to yield to the law of personal sacrifice can we know the Love of the Christ that is in us all, and be permitted to see the "sheaf of Annunciation Lilies held in the hand of the Angel—the progenitor of the coming race" to fill the hearts of the desolate with a message of Hope.

Cethil Mallory.

### **TUESDAY AFTERNOON**

In the afternoon, and again in the evening, an art exhibit in Hiawatha Lodge interested all. Many new fine and beautiful paintings by Harold Forgostein, and some pictures by other members as well as by the Halcyon children were on display. Tea was served, and Mr. Forgostein gave two talks on art subjects.

At 3 p.m., The Temple Home Association's regular annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Pearl F. Dower, President, who dispensed with the usual business meeting, reading instead an important letter to the members in regard to some impending changes to be made for the good of the work generally.

### **WEDNESDAY**

The Healing Meditation at high noon was led by Lottie Ferguson.

In the afternoon all assembled in the beautiful garden of the Guardian in Chief.

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

The Temple Builders—the children of The Temple—gave a play arranged by Louise Lentz from the song "Love's the same the whole World round," composed by Ebba Whitney.

A six-foot globe of the world was in the center of the stage, and the children, depicting various nations in song and costumes, came through this globe in pairs, boy and girl, and sang the respective songs of the nations they represented, proving in a popular way that "love is the same the whole world round." The various scenes were interspersed by the choir singing the theme song.

Those in the play were Eleanor, Gloria, Robert and Barbara Shumway; David, Roland, Cecelia and Diana Mallory; Jean Doty, Mona Lee Schussman; Patty and Susie Lentz, Colin Carlberg, and Joyce Stenquist.

The staging was by Harold Forgostein, assisted by Kenneth Shumway.

### **THURSDAY**

The group and their friends had an all-day picnic in the County Park, and in the evening those who desired met at Hiawatha Lodge for dancing.

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

During the hours of the usual Sunday afternoon meeting in The Temple, the Temple Builders held their special service which was very lovely. We may report about it in one of the next Artisans under the heading of the Temple Builders Department.

### **TO OUR READERS**

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