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PROLOGUE

Many of the Neophytes and Members who sat in conference when the copy for this brochure was under consideration were of the opinion that it would not be complete without two additional items. First an Eulogy of Dr. Clymer as a *Foreword* — to pay tribute to his many achievements, known and unknown, which have deservedly won him a memorable place in the history of the *August Fraternity* and in the annals of the Humanity he has served without making himself personally known. Second, a compilation of documents representing the beginning of his activities in his chosen profession and in the *Great Work*.

The first of these suggestions was rejected outright by the Supreme Grand Master. However, the second was considered to be of importance and unobjectionable. Since this brochure has been prepared for and is limited to those within the Fraternity and is not intended for general circulation, a limited selection of such documents have been incorporated.

Concerning an Eulogy, most of Dr. Clymer's praiseworthy efforts and accomplishments on the physical level cannot be divulged. The reason for this is immediately apparent. As one of the few men in America who for many years has been active in countless humanitarian activities, Dr. Clymer has never been in the forefront as a result of his own choice. Instead, his efforts have been exerted *sub silencio* "from behind the lines" as an undisclosed principal, so to speak. In this regard, Dr. Clymer believes implicitly in the Law: "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." Long experience, and recent dishonoring of great men, has taught him that

disclosed accomplishments of an important nature frequently brings with it sorrow as well as honor. Those conferring the honor may, if displeased by some other action of the honored, do all within their power to then bring dishonor upon the one honored even though there is no guilt on the part of the honored. Having experienced this frequently during his life, Dr. Clymer has coined the maxim: "One honor, three heartaches." Since it is Dr. Clymer's wish to continue to remain unknown to the masses, an Eulogy which did not take into account *all* of his accomplishments would not serve any good purpose.

Furthermore, Dr. Clymer has never believed in or advocated the importance of "personalities" in so far as individual progress and advancement, Spiritual or otherwise, are concerned. Contrarywise, he is a staunch disciple of the absoluteness of the Law that man must work out his own salvation through *his own* conscious effort and development on all planes — that man must walk the "straight and narrow" path alone.

While FAITH is essential, it is FAITH in God; FAITH in the *absoluteness* and *exact* Justice of the *Divine Law*; FAITH in the innate (inherent though dormant) possibilities of the individual self, that is ALONE important. *Mere faith in, or blind allegiance to, a "personality" is all too frequently misleading.* If the *Great Work*, the *August Fraternity*, and its Neophytes and Members are to continue to progress, come what may, it can only be through FAITH, DESIRE, WILL, EFFORT, and STRICT OBEDIENCE, NOT TO MAN, BUT TO THE LAW.

To build one's life on a personality is to emphasize the MAN in preference to the LAW with the consequence that should the MAN fail, all faith and confidence is frequently lost. The Supreme Grand Master's admonition to abjure personalities and to build upon the *Law* instead serves as a further example of his strict adherence to, and compliance with, *the Law that governs all activities* — the Law which he has per-

sonified in every phase of his purposeful life — a life which, *we* believe, ranks with, if not excels, the greatness of Paracelsus.

With these introductory remarks, we release this brochure for the consideration of the Neophytes and Members of the *Great Work*.

FRANK FEDELE, Captain, USAF,
Judge Advocate.

A SHORT SKETCH

of

R. Swinburne Clymer

and

THE FUTURE OF THE GRAND FRATERNITY

by FRANK FEDELE, *Captain*, USAF, Judge Advocate



STORY of *Idealism* and *Realism* . . .
and of *Facts to be Faced*.

To carry the desired impact, my story must begin with a series of questions:

“How deeply is the *Spirit* of the *Great Work* impressed upon your heart — *Engraved upon your Soul*? How great is your desire to achieve physical and Spiritual perfection — material and mental independence — INDIVIDUALITY? Do you wish to *live* in the New or die with the Old? Give these questions your serious thought. Study and Restudy the Monographs that motivated you to enroll in the *August Fraternity*, and answer to yourself, your inmost being, and your God.

What effort are you willing to make, are you making, to achieve? How much are you willing to help that the *Great Work* may become known to others who are seeking for Reality and Eternity? How deep is your willingness to come into the full Spirit (FEELING) of the peace that is of mind and Soul; the guidance and protection you and your loved ones need in already apparent devastation — in the changing from the dead old to the vital, dynamic NEW? All this YOU, and you ALONE, can and MUST answer.”

There are vital facts that must, for the first time in fifty years, be released to all those connected with the GREAT WORK, whether Neophyte or Initiate.

I, who give birth to this private communication, am in rather a peculiar position — none-

theless a most responsible one. I am, as are many of you, enrolled in the Æth Priesthood. I also am an Associate of the Confederation of Initiates and, as such, one of the *protectors* and *supporters* of the *Great Work*. I have been singularly privileged to sit in among the members of the *Council of Seven*. Lastly, I have the honor of being one of the Neophyte-Attorneys for Beverly Hall Corporation, Beverly Hall Foundation, and the *Great Work*. My responsibility is great. In such capacity I herein release to you the story as it has been confided in me by the Supreme Grand Master who has held this high position for half a century — longer than any other Supreme Grand Master in the history of the *August Fraternity*.

The Story



At the outset, it should be noted that the following is by no means intended to be a comprehensive, detailed biographical report of Dr. Clymer. Such coverage is far

beyond the scope of this message. Moreover, to the recipient of this semi-private communication, Dr. Clymer is not a stranger and needs no introduction or “build up”. Rather the purpose is to highlight some of the principles which have been exemplified by Dr. Clymer — the Man, the Physician, the Philosopher, the



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DOCTOR OF MEDICINE.

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Teacher, the Master; to emphasize the fact that Dr. Clymer has devoted his entire life to the many activities of the *August Fraternity*, including all of his worldly possessions; to point up the fact that as the result of Dr. Clymer's unceasing and devoted efforts of the past fifty years, the *August Fraternity* has, nationally and internationally, been placed upon a united, firm, solid foundation — a position not heretofore equalled.

Lastly, to realize and emphasize that as the last and most difficult phase of Dr. Clymer's work approaches, it is his fervent hope, desire, and aim to provide ways and means for the uninterrupted continuation and further progress of the *August Fraternity* even after his passing (temporary absence) and, especially, during the impending perilous transitional stage of passing from the old dispensation to the New Age — all in accordance with the Biblical injunction that we "set our house in order".

Contact With the Great Work

DR. CLYMER's contact with the White Brotherhood occurred early in his life. In his work OCCULT SCIENCE, Dr. Clymer tells of his meeting with Dr. L. H. Anderson, who was then active in teaching Occult and Allied Science, and of the interest the *Arcane* philosophy then aroused in him. However, he fails to mention that while studying medicine several of his instructors, the Drs. Bland in particular, were practicing and teaching the then new Science — Osteopathy, and that because of the close friendship existing between them, they instructed him during his spare time in this method of treatment.

Upon graduating from the College of Medicine and Surgery in Chicago in 1902, Dr.

Clymer had no visible means of starting in medical practice. However, shortly before, a graduate of that school, then living in New York City, had opened a Sanitarium for the treatment of disease by natural methods, including Osteopathy, and had secured a State Charter¹ for that purpose and for the teaching of such natural methods of Osteopathy.² By recommendation of Drs. Bland, Dr. Clymer was invited to go to New York following his graduation to become Superintendent at the Sanitarium. This position he accepted, and thereby further carried on the study of Osteopathy. Dr. Clymer remained in such capacity until he was ready to embark upon his own private practice of medicine.

The Beginning of an Active Life

ALTHOUGH prior thereto Dr. Clymer had registered as a physician in three states, Michigan, Oklahoma, and Arkansas; he decided to return to his native Pennsylvania where he also registered as a physician.³ At that point Dr. Clymer commenced upon a two fold activity. He registered as a physician so that he might practice medicine to earn a living for his family; and, at the same time, he started his work for the *August Fraternity*, in accordance with his vow, by putting to press for private distribution his text: THE ROSICRUCIANS; THEIR TEACHINGS. This was in 1904.

From then on, his activities in *Esoteric* affairs increased. In 1906 his regular edition of THE ROSICRUCIANS; THEIR TEACHINGS and PHILOSOPHY OF FIRE were published.⁴ These books found ready acceptance, have passed through many editions, and today are standard texts. The ensuing prolific and incomparable writings of Dr. Clymer are a matter of record.

It is estimated that during the past fifty years the adherents to the philosophy who have been taught by Dr. Clymer personally and by means

¹See Deposition by Leopold H. R. Hibbey, visiting physician to the Sanitarium-College while Doctor Clymer was Superintendent.

²After passage of legislation in Pennsylvania regulating the practice of Osteopathy, Dr. Clymer was the first to register as an Osteopath in the Counties of Bucks and Lehigh.

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Library of Congress, to wit:

Be it remembered,

That on the fourth day of December, 1906, R. Swinburne Clymer, of Allentown Pa., hath deposited in this Office the title of a BOOK, the title of which is in the following words, to wit:

The Fraternity of the Rosicrucians. Their teachings and mysteries according to the manifestoes issued at various times by the Fraternity itself. Also, some of their secret teachings and the mystery of the Order explained. By Rev. Dr. R. Swinburne Clymer.

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of his various texts number more than 3,000,000, many of whom hold positions in high places. This number is now rapidly increasing, and is due, in part, to his undeviating Americanism and his faith that the true American *spirit* will stand firm against all destructive and debasing ideologies and will finally prevail.

Dr. Clymer's Many Journeys



In furtherance of the *Great Work*, Dr. Clymer has travelled extensively abroad. He has journeyed throughout Central and South America on several occasions and frequently

through Europe where he was highly honored. In addition, since 1929 he has made yearly trips encircling the United States, holding meetings with fellow workers and students in all of the larger cities. These tours are continued yearly. He has met and consulted with all of those engaged in the *Work* dear to his heart. As a result, all of the *authentic Esoteric* organizations throughout the world are under his jurisdiction as Director General of the Universal Confederation of Initiates.⁵ He has met with many of the great in all parts of the world, but has never made use of this for publicity or personal vanity — nor does he ever intend to do so.

Dr. Clymer is the oldest practitioner of Dietetics in America today. He was the first to publish in his book *Dietetics*⁶ the fact that food contains a *Vital* principle, now known as Vitamins, and Organic Mineral elements essential to body functioning; and that by proper diet many diseases can be prevented and others cured. For this he was dubbed a “fake” and a “charlatan”. However, time has vindicated him completely.

⁵*La Federation Universelle Des Ordres, Societes Et Fraternites Des Initiés.*

⁶*Dietetics*, 1909; and *Dietetics*, 1917.

Dr. Clymer is likewise the oldest practicing Endocrinologist in America, still specializing in the treatment of weaknesses, illness, and physical and mental abnormalities by means of various glandular substances and by the proper direction of Vital, Spiritual, Physical-Spiritual Atomic forces *inherent*, but generally *dormant*, in man. In this, also, he was earlier dubbed a charlatan and worse. Again, time has fully supported him. Since then, prominent men and women from nearly every country in the world have come to consult him.

An as yet Unaccepted Mighty Fact

The work dearest to Dr. Clymer's heart, started by him nearly fifty years ago and otherwise known as Stirpiculture, has been named by him as PRENATAL INFLUENCE. In brief, he believes and has taught that the mother-to-be has it in her power to give birth to physically healthy, mentally normal children — SUPERMEN, and that if mothers-to-be would follow simple instructions, their sons and daughters will in fact be perfect physical, mental, Spiritual offspring.

In this manner *only* is it possible to bring forth and incarnate those who will be the citizens of the New Dispensation — worthy members of the *New Order of the Ages*. Thus, *true* statesmen, diplomats and leaders who will be competent and able to devote all their time and energies toward the fulfilment of the prophecies of the greatness of America and the welfare of the people, will become an actuality. These instructions are embodied in his manual PRENATAL CULTURE.

Fundamental Truths Taught in Genesis



AFTER fifty years of study, travel, and experience, Dr. Clymer is convinced more firmly than ever that Race or blood purity is an absolute essential to the attainment of the highest degree of development not only for the individual but for the country alike. He

Medical Certificate.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County.

I Hereby Certify, That *R. S. Seligman M. D.* has
Registered as a Physician and filed the required papers in the Prothonotary's Office in said
County, in accordance with the Act of Assembly approved *May 18th*
A. D. *1893*

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the seal of the said Court at Doylestown, this
Tenth day of *October* A. D. *1904*

Stephen H. Atkinson

Prothonotary.

bases this on Biblical inculcations⁷ and the teachings of history. The man who loses his race pride begins to deteriorate. This applies to all races as well as individuals. All the great nations of the past have fallen into decadence due to this disobedience of the Natural and Divine Law.

Dr. Clymer is adamant in his belief in the teachings of Revelations that this is the last age of the present man; and that if America is not made the *New Order of the Ages* by Americans, in the spirit of America, chaos will result.

America and the New Order of the Ages



Dr. Clymer believes that America is the Biblical *promised land*, that the founders who wrote the Constitution were Divinely guided, and that this now is the beginning

of the *New Order of the Ages*. However, this New Order is possible only if the *Divine Law* is obeyed and the ideals of our founding fathers carried out without distortion or deviation. If this is not done, then America, like other countries, will fall into decadence and mankind will be eliminated by the *reaction* of infringement upon *Divine Law*.

Dr. Clymer is intensely Nationalistic — a trait inherited from his ancestors⁸ and further imbued by the spirit of the members of the first American Council. He firmly maintains that both American born and those coming from other countries should completely embrace the *American Spirit* — One Ideal; One Loyalty; One Country, and One Flag — so that the America of the Ancient Biblical prophesy may become a reality and that the *New Order of the Ages* be here established. This, of course, is utterly impossible by divided allegiance.

⁷Genesis 24:1-9; Genesis 28:1-2; Deuteronomy 7:3; Joshia 23:12; Ezra 9:1-15.

⁸Dr. Clymer is a direct descendent of George Clymer, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Dr. Clymer maintains it as a truth, self evident, that ALL who are American in *spirit* and worthy of the benefits of being citizens of this great country of ours must revere the American flag first, last, and always as a symbol of individual liberty and a willingness to die for the preservation of the American Constitution and all that it truly stands for. To deviate a jot or tittle from this uncompromising spirit of loyalty and devotion will cast upon America the shadow of eventual doom of all past great nations.

An Example of Supreme Faith

DR. CLYMER has held the office of Supreme Grand Master of the *August Fraternity* longer than any other person in the history of the *Great Work*. He has devoted his energy and material resources more completely than any of his predecessors and proposes to continue to do so as long as life prevails. For all this, he feels that he has been fully blessed in exchange.

In all of the years of his Neophyteship and service, and through all his experience with countless thousands of Neophytes, Dr. Clymer has never doubted or lost faith in the infallibility of the *Great Work* to help man *develop and bring into manifestation his God-given possibilities and potentialities*.

Dr. Clymer is recognized today as the world's greatest authority on the Occult, Esoteric and Arcane. His name appears in WHO IS WHO and WHO IS WHO IN THE EAST.

IDEALISM AND REALISM



Idealism: More than fifty years ago, shortly after Dr. Clymer became interested in the *August Fraternity*, he formed an *ideal* — a comprehensive picture of what his life should be — of his goal in life. Above all else, it was his resolve to dedicate his life on earth to the *Great Work* and to devote all his

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
STATE OF NEW YORK,) ss.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

Leopold H.R.Hibbe, M.D. being first duly sworn, on his oath
deposes and says:-

Dr. M.D. I reside at No. ^{208 E 49} East ~~4th~~ Street., in the City of New York, in
the County of New York and State of New York. I am a practicing physician
and surgeon. I was visiting physician to the Health League Sanitarium, Inc.
Dr. Aug. F. Reinhold, Founder. A Sanitarium and College duly Incorporated
under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of New York, and Chartered
by the State of New York to give instructions, grant degrees upon worthy
persons entitled thereto, and to have and treat persons suffering
from disease.

I am personally acquainted with Dr. R.S. Clymer and know him to
have been Supt. of the Health League Sanitarium during 1902, and know
that he personally looked after the treatment of all patients while he
was Supt. I know personally that he was taking instructions for the
treatment of diseases along Osteopathic lines, and that while there he
covered the two full terms as prescribed by the Institution.

I regard Dr. Clymer as a man of superior natural abilities, and a
well qualified physician.

Signed Leopold H. R. Hibbe M.D.

Subscribed and sworn to by said
affiant this 23 day of January
A.D. 1919

Jacob Ankel

Formerly:
Physician in charge Bellevue
Hospital, N.Y. (O.D.P.) Nerve and Mind
Division

Chief of German Polyclinic, N.Y.--
Heart and Lung Division

Instructor of Childrens Disease
New York Post-Graduate & Medical
Hospital.

Lecturer of Nerve Disease N.Y.
Post Graduate & Medical Hospital.

resources, whatever their nature, for the *benefit of the Great Work*; all after the fashion of the great Initiates of old: WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

Realism: Consequently, Dr. Clymer developed a plan for the establishment of a Center from which would issue all instructions and books dealing with the *Great Work*. At this Center would be collected books of all ages dealing with the *Great Work* for the use and benefit of advanced students, scholars, and research workers, especially so during that period which he foresaw when all-out attempts would be made to destroy such books.

Furthermore, this was to be a Center where all Neophytes showing sincere interest might congregate for study and instructions. Finally, this Center was to provide a *situs* for a Memorial Garden wherein might be placed the ashes of Neophytes and thus serve as an additional attraction to the returning Souls of such Neophytes so that they might begin their study and training toward perfection almost as soon as they return to earth. All this is now, of course, a matter of reality.

Toward the accomplishment of these objectives, Dr. Clymer has used all his financial resources gained from the practice of medicine. He purchased the land, developed it, and personally planned and supervised all construction thereon. This property, which today is estimated to be worth more than \$200,000.00, was later transferred to the Beverly Hall Foundation on the payment of the legal consideration of a single dollar. Mrs. Gertrude Clymer — his secretary, constant companion, and earnest co-worker — was in complete accord with this.

Fifty Years of Effort



URING all of the fifty years, Dr. Clymer has planned, developed, and been overseer to what is now Beverly Hall Estate. He has propagated most of its fine shrubs

and personally done all the landscaping, thus saving the *August Fraternity* thousands upon thousands of dollars in buying plants and much more by not requiring the pay of an overseer.

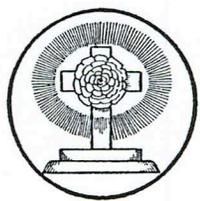
It is estimated that the royalties on books, had Dr. Clymer collected or accepted them, would amount to a fortune. Yet, he never accepted a cent of it, but donated it all to the *Great Work*.

Up until 1944, the *Work* was far from being self-supporting. It was, therefore, necessary for Dr. Clymer to donate all income earned from his practice of medicine, with the exception of what little he and Mrs. Clymer needed for living expenses, to the *Work* in order to cover expenses.

Beginning in 1905, Dr. Clymer has devoted the greater part of his time, efforts, and labor to the work of the *August Fraternity*, and in all of that time up to the immediate present he has never received one cent in salary or any other form of compensation. He proposes to continue to follow this regime until his days on earth are at an end.

From the very beginning it had been Dr. Clymer's dream that there would be many Neophytes who, on his demise, would be willing to carry on as he has done. In this, he has been disappointed. In earlier years and up to the first World War, there were numerous ones who qualified and who would have been willing to serve for a fair compensation but not willing to follow the example of a true Initiate Æth Priest. Reasons for this are many. Since the second World War, there are few willing to assume the isolation and responsibility unless they would receive compensation comparable to that to be had in other avenues of activity. If the *Great Work* is to continue and we are to serve humanity, this must be prepared for as soon as possible.

UNEVADABLE FACTS TO BE FACED



Prior to 1905 the carrying on of the *Great Work* was self-supporting. This was due to the fact that there was no expense involved in the issuance of instructions, publication of books, and in the operation and maintenance of a headquarters, libraries, buildings, structures, gardens and other activities, as none of these were in existence. In those days Neophytes were issued no lessons of instructions, had no Center where they could meet, study, or be interviewed, but instead, they were taught by selected, prepared instructors who depended solely on old manuscripts and important Drills.

Beginning with 1908 the *Work* as a whole has not been self-supporting even though no salaries or royalties on books were paid. It has become less so each year due to one cause only — the constantly increasing cost of all materials required for books and lessons, postage, and, in the case of Convocations both at headquarters and in other parts of the country, the expense of help and travelling. Despite these rising costs, the contract obligation of students was never increased. This is so even though in many instances scholarship donations have not, and cannot cover more than about one-fifth of the expenses involved.

The Support of Loyal Members

The deficiencies in the past have been made up by donations of loyal students, tithes, and by the receipt of legacies. In this respect, the *August Fraternity* is in no sense different from other great educational institutions. It is a matter of common knowledge that these great and lasting institutions also find that the tuition or

scholarship donations received *never* furnish enough income to meet the current legitimate expenses involved.

In truth and in fact, the very life line of their existence is the result of LOVE, RESPECT, AND REVERENCE manifested by those who, motivated by the desire to see such institutions grow, donate freely to them by means of tithes, insurance, and legacies.

The resulting greatness of these institutions is an accomplishment in which their benefactors can and do justifiably share. So, too, with the *Great Work* and the *August Fraternity*. The “life line” of its existence and growth depends upon the voluntary contributions of those who have become so closely connected in *Spirit* and *Feeling* — so fused with the essence of the *Great Work* and *August Fraternity* — that they require no testimonial of the fact that growth and progress of the whole (the *Great Work* and the *August Fraternity*) necessarily means corresponding growth and progress of all its component parts (its active and participating members).

THAT HE WHO GIVES MUST INVARIABLY RECEIVE is an *absolute* Law. It applies to all connected with the *Great Work* and *Grand Fraternity*. Dr. Clymer has proven its application and truth during all of his fifty years of service. *St. Francis of Assisi* has expressed it in most simple terms in a Prayer, quoted, in part, as follows:

“Lord, grant that I may seek rather
 “To comfort — than to be comforted;
 “To understand — than to be understood;
 “To love — than to be loved;
 “For
 “It is by *giving* — that one receives”...

The Spirit of Devotion Made Manifest

THUS, the continuation of the *Great Work*, and, in particular, the erection of the buildings at Beverly Hall and the work accomplished in foreign countries, has been possible only by the frequent donations and tithes of those whose hearts are fully in the *Work*.

The problems to be faced in the not too distant future are numerous. Among them is the natural fact that Dr. Clymer must expect the transition. When that happens some one who may not have an income derived from a business or profession must take his place, and it is certain that, under present conditions, provision must be made for his fair compensation. There must also be some one assuming responsibility of the property, libraries, and gardens, and this requires one with *experience and love* for such work. In addition, other paid help may be required to take over the numerous varied duties presently performed by the Supreme Grand Master.

Comparisons Point Out a Great Lesson

IN AMERICA today there are perhaps millions of men and women who belong to clubs to which they pay in membership fees or dues of one sort or another from one hundred to one thousand dollars a year for wholly physical pleasures. In the *Great Work*, where attention is not only given to the physical but to the Spiritual — in fact, *to the whole of man*, we have not even had protective dues. Nor have we had the monthly or quarterly donations practically all church members make to their church. The fact is that Neophytes and members have assumed no financial responsibility, and hence could not always expect the physical and Spiritual benefits they would otherwise enjoy (assured them by the Law) had they made such donations. This should be corrected and a plan instituted where, by means of volun-

tary contributions and donations, sufficient funds would be provided to compensate the succeeding Supreme Grand Master who must give body, heart, and Soul to the *Work*, and the overseer whose duty it will be to look after the valuable buildings, gardens, and property of the Fraternity.

There should be built up, beginning at once, a “sinking” or “protective” fund. This can be accomplished by direct donation and through the media of life insurance policies and legacies. This fund would be used for the protection and preservation of all that pertains to the *Great Work* should a period of SILENCE become necessary. During this period of devastation, the Supreme Grand Master would secretly look after the interests of the Neophytes, the overseer and assistants would protect and preserve the properties, and the Supreme Grand Master and the Council of Seven will continue, carry on, promote, guard, and protect all activities and interests of the *Great Work*. This is actually a matter of self (and family) protection as much as of the *Great Work* itself. Such a period must be expected, and well it will be for those who Now arrange in Heart, Soul, and Fact for that time.

The Minimum Need



Dr. Clymer feels that the yearly donation should be no less than \$25.00, and as much more as possible — this being less than the average member of a church donates to the church of his choice. The direct donation to a *future protective fund* must be governed by two things: First, the Neophyte's or Member's desire and love for the *Great Work*; and Second, his material means. This plan should be entirely voluntary and should not in any way affect or increase the contract obligation of the

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Neophyte or student. Those Neophytes and Members who tithe monthly or make frequent donations, have been, according to their own statements, greatly blessed in peace of Soul, well-being, and materially. "As we sow [give], so will ye reap [receive]" is an absolute Law, not merely a Biblical statement.

"Set Thy House in Order" an Absolute Law



This, my brother, has been declared by Dr. Clymer to be almost a Last Will and Testament. But the good book says we "should set our house in order" and he, who has loved the *August Fraternity* so well and served to the best of his ability, would be remiss if he did not do all in his power to place it upon as firm a foundation as possible so that it may continue to serve humanity.

This is the message. It is my duty and pleasure to convey it to you. In view of the increasing political and economic unrest in the national and international affairs of not only our country but that of all nations, it may be that in the course of time the carrying on of the *Great Work* may be seriously endangered and threatened by reason of financial inadequacies and difficulties, the temporary loss of a Supreme Grand Master, and/or by reason of other emergencies or extraordinary world conditions beyond our control. To cope with any and all of these conditions,

the creation of a "protective fund" suggested by the Supreme Grand Master is imperative and its importance cannot be over-emphasized. The need is urgent, the time for action is Now.

The Supreme Grand Master was factually correct in characterizing such a message as a "Last Will and Testament", for in it he has bequeathed to us the instrumentality by and through which we, individually and fraternally, may serve our God, our Country, our families, ourselves, and, not least, humanity, during the present troublesome days which, among other things, is witnessing the ushering in of the New Dispensation — The *New Order of the Ages*. Ours is the enviable honor of being an agency for Good at a time when its need is preeminent.

Acceptance of the proposed plan is a matter which, of course, rests with each one of us individually. Your reaction and desires may be stated on the enclosed sheet which can be completed in a few minutes. This is to be returned *directly to Beverly Hall Corporation* where it will become a permanent record of the Fraternity.

With fraternal good wishes,
FRANK FEDELE, Captain, USAF,
Judge Advocate.

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