

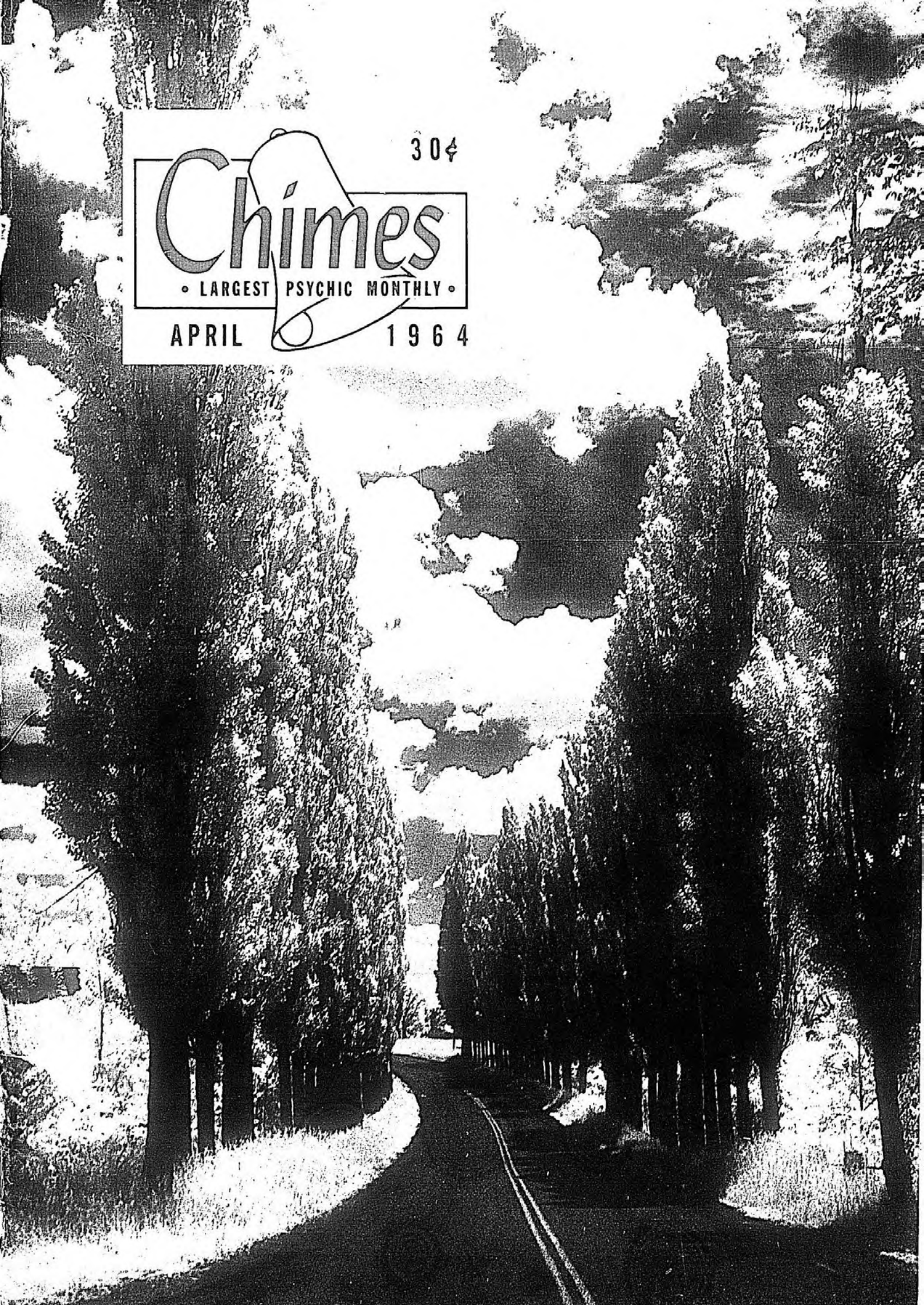
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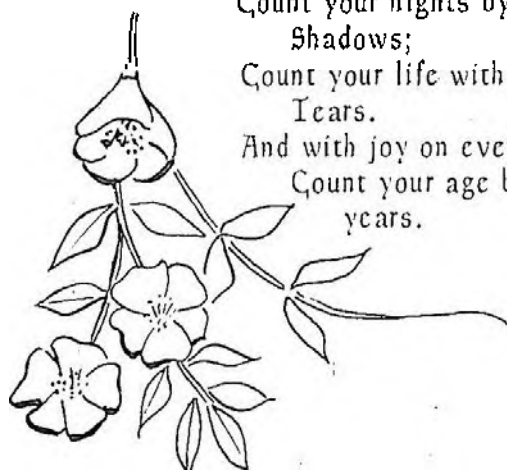
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Count your garden by the flowers,
Never by the leaves that fall.
Count your days by golden hours;
Don't remember clouds at all.
Count your nights by stars, not
Shadows;
Count your life with smiles, not
Tears.
And with joy on every birthday
Count your age by friend or
years.



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in the heart of the Finger Lakes region

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TRANSITION

Isn't it wonderful
In this life's great plan
There is no death
Just change of man.

From starry heights
To watery grave,
From mountain top
Or shimmery wave,
To life in spirit
Or material gain
What is the difference?
A brighter domain.

-- Estelle Butterworth
Salt Lake City, Utah



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TO THE EDITORS

"with blessings from,"

• I wish to thank you for a wonderful magazine. It has been a big help to my husband and me since we started searching for the Truth.

When so many people turn from you once you start in this work, it is such a big lift to turn the pages of magazines like Chimes and know there are so many others like you. Although we know we are never alone in God's work, I am sure you understand how much physical contact can mean too. God bless all of the people connected with Chimes.

My husband, my two sons, and I would like to be included on your daily prayer list for upliftment and guidance.

We attend class once a week and services at the White Lily Chapel in Ashley, Ohio, where our Spirit teacher delivers lectures through the medium, Rev. Margaret Fling. We are very small in number, but large in love and service. Again, God's blessings on all His children. Yours in Truth,

S/Sgt. & Mrs. Ralph Curry Jr. Delaware, Ohio

(If we may be of service to any such group just getting started, or to one small in number, there are a number of ways in which we should like to try.)

• You will never know what Chimes and the books you are selling have done for me, and what I think they will do for me in the future. I was born into a Spiritualist family and have always taken it for granted. I had to wait until my Spiritualist aunt sent my mother a year's subscription to become acquainted with Chimes. All I regret is that I didn't know about Chimes all these years. Much love to you all from

Mrs. Marie Albright
Kansas City, Mo.

(Nothing is lost, Mrs. Albright, and we find it when we are "ready" for it. Glad to learn the books are being enjoyed, for Chimes can print only so much each month in its articles, but there is a vast undiscovered world waiting to be revealed in countless wonderful, worthwhile books that have been written in the Occult, Metaphysical, Spiritualist realms. Many may be borrowed in one's local public library, some in church and study group centers, but it is also worthwhile to have some of personal choice at hand for fresh inspiration, comfort, and guidance. We do have them. If only there were time to read them all ourselves!)

• This is the first time I have written to you, dear friends of the Healing Ministry, for your prayers. There are two things I would like to take up in prayer. The first is a back condition that I must admit is there, but I am fully confident that it can be fully healed by the power of God. It is curved out in the upper part, and curved in at the lower section. This is not to any great degree, but enough to make a tightness of the muscles which catches there at times and brings on headaches.

The second, and more important matter I would like to take up in prayer, is my business. I am a salesman and work strictly on commission, selling all kinds of advertising specialties. I feel that I must find a more adequate method of conducting this business so as to realize more remuneration. I know that God is my business or senior partner. I must work with Him. However, I do not seem to be working closely enough, or rightly, to do the increased volume of business that I should. I am truly grateful for how He has maintained and sustained me up to now. I believe I am missing the main mark, though, in some way. There should be a more systematic and serviceable way in which to conduct my selling, as well as my making calls, with less wasted time and effort.

I feel that your prayers would do a great deal to open the channel for things and ideas to flow from God in order for me to be of more service, first to God and His will, and second to be of much more service to my customers. I believe I should remain in this business and that the right way will open up for me. I do not want to limit my channel for good, but want to be more aware of that channel so I can develop it to a greater degree.

I would appreciate your prayers and hearing from you as soon as it is possible so I will know exactly how you want me to most adequately work with you. Blessings from,

George A. Wood, Jr.
Warren, Ohio

P.S. I would like to know if you have a prayer book that the Healing Ministry uses that can be purchased, or any other literature about the Ministry.

P.S.S. You have my permission to use all or any part of my letter, with or without my address. I did not write to you without the inspiration of God. I always ask His guidance in writing any type of letter whether it is business or spiritual, asking for prayers. I rely upon His gracious leading because I want God first as my friend for companionship, not just for what He can give me in return. Yes, I do want these things, but I want Him first. Thanks again. G.A.W.

(From the moment George's letter was received and read his heartfelt requests went with us into the realm of Spirit, into the heart of the healing silence, for right action, for the right answer, for the perfect resolution of all George's affairs. He himself already has accepted this, and is only awaiting its manifestation on the outer plane. We look forward to the time we next hear from him to learn how happy he is to have seen his faith rewarded once he placed his life and affairs in the Father's hands and accepted His matchless answer to George's needs. Knowing from so many readers how often this happens when done in sincerity, we feel the joy and enthusiasm welling up from within and flowing over in anticipation of the news

on its way to us that we will share with our friend, George. Many might recall an inspiring article written by Al Levin in the November, 1963 Chimes entitled, "I ALLOW THINGS TO HAPPEN," that was a wonderful demonstration of the power of Spirit working in one's life to bring into evidence greater good and a healing of past limitations. We do not use a prayer book in the Healing Ministry. We use prayer . . . outer and inner communication with the Divine, Creative Source of all Good. The only literature we have about this service are the prayers and letters we share with you on the Chimes Healing Ministry page and those we return upon receiving your requests for assistance. There is a wonderful little book we are recommending elsewhere in the magazine this month, however, that we are sending to George and would urge everyone to read who would see his life enriched in all ways. This is THE SCIENCE OF GETTING RICH by Wallace D. Wattles. Read the article about it and you will want to have one of those books for yourself, as well as friends you would like to help. It should hit the nail on the head for people like George, or anyone, for that matter, who wants to bring into his life greater abundance in all ways.)

• A letter which appeared in the January Chimes in Psychic Experiences entitled, "A Spirit Mother's Prophecy," by Dr. Lynn Re'Chard's mother in Spirit gave me assurance of something that has bothered me for a long time. I have been told by five different mediums in different parts of the country that before I leave this earth plane I shall be able to see and converse with Spirit. Also, that I shall be able to help others. You see, I am 57 years old now, and I have wondered if any such awareness could develop this late in life. But now, after reading that article mentioned above, I realize that it can happen to me too, God willing. Sincerely yours,

Rose Story
Casper, Wyoming

(Sometimes it seems like just words . . . "with Spirit anything is possible" . . . but when something "impossible" become a personal experience or revelation, it can electrify, transform, transmute and uplift one to undreamed heights of joy and bliss. To wait many years, hoping and aching for that blessed personal contact with the realm of the Spirit world, for direct inner communication and oneness with God, our loving Father, it is worth whatever it takes. How blessed it must be to have the assurance that it will come, then to experience it as a reality . . . something we know to have been well earned.)

• Your magazine has always been a source of inspiration to me, and I commend you for your efforts to stay in keeping with the changing times. Most sincerely,

Evelyn Cook
Seattle, Wash.

(We figure we have no choice, or we would soon be on the way down and out.)



Why I Believe In Life After Death

LET ME STATE FIRST, I want to believe in life after death. I want to be quite honest about this. I don't believe any man at death has exhausted all of his possibilities and, honestly, I want to go on.

I want to realize all that is yet undeveloped in my soul, or only partly developed and imperfectly expressed in my personality. I want to go on and meet those souls whom I have loved in this life so that I might express more of the perfection of love, and receive more of their love in times yet to come. I want to know the many answers to problems that baffle me now, and men so very much wiser than myself, on this side of the grave . . . And I want to live the abundant life that Jesus spoke about.

WISHFUL THINKING

The skeptic may say, "Just as I thought. It's all wishful thinking. Belief in a future life is just the wishful thinking of Christian people."

But what, I would like to ask, in Heaven's name, is wrong with wishful thinking? Often times before we pray, we wish that some dear one might recover from a terrible illness; we wish that we had better circumstances in our lives; we wish that we could take hold of ourselves and make more out of our lives.

Does the fact that I wish to be reunited and experience again the love of dear ones that have passed on mean that because I have wished it, it can never be a reality? If God is what I think He is, the reality of future lives will be far greater than anything I could wish. If I am hungry, I wish for bread. I can want bread very badly. If the Universe makes sense, then the wanting is a pointer to the likelihood that bread exists. If there is a widespread craving in the Universe that can never be satisfied, in which the material for satisfaction does not exist, then the Universe itself is irrational, and we live in a mad-house. It only takes a looking into the sky, at the earth, and

• By Rev. Robert L. Stevens
Pastor of the Christ Church, Christian
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In the monthly publication of his church, "Faith For Today," Rev. Stevens comments on how his beliefs conform to what he terms Practical Christianity. The following are excerpts from his message, illustrating the increasing interest in "life after death" and communication among ministers in diversified fields of religious thought.

into the very existence of the atoms and their intricate patterns, however, and we realize that we live in a universe of Law and Order and Purpose.

IMPRISONED SPLENDOR

About ten years ago I was walking across a meadow in Missouri, and came across a lark's nest nestled down in some high grass. I lifted one of the tiny eggs, little and brown, into my hand. As I looked at the little egg, I could feel the life inside of it. I felt it must be a very little life, and all shut in. Yet what tremendous promise there was of a wider life that would begin when the little baby bird inside broke the shell and escaped. Within the egg were wings. Within that little brown egg was the body, not yet fully developed, which would be capable of producing the lovely song of the lark as later it flew up in the sunlight of a summer morning.

Here we have an illustration of some-

thing that is very true about every man. I cannot prove this with any scientific law or any other law. But I cannot believe that this Universe that we live in is purposeless and meaningless. The structure of the little bird within the egg is meaningless unless there will come the chance to fly and to sing. What is the point of this world producing powers which can never be used? Wings were made to fly with in the air. Eyes mean something with which to see, and a throat means a chance one day to sing.

ANOTHER LIFE

I feel very strongly, and believe completely, that this life is meaningless unless there is another. If man perishes at death, then the Universe is as irrational as it would be if every bird dies at the moment of hatching out. Some people never really live here at all. They never have a chance to express all their possibilities. They live in a cramped life, full of frustrations and pain, and as shut-up as a bird inside an egg. They could live if they had the chance; their body is there. All of us have faculties we never fully use, longings and desires we never bring into full bloom.

Unless there is a tomorrow, there is no meaning in today . . . I believe that whatever man can dream he someday can fulfill. Whether he fulfills it today, or tomorrow, or in the next life . . . this is not important. It is important for men to dream that they might fulfill. Show me the person who cannot yearn, who cannot wish, who cannot dream, nor pray, and I will show you a person that is dead . . . even though they still exist.

I believe that there is a tomorrow. It may be in this world; it may be in the world to come; but somewhere for each of us there is a tomorrow, and what we cannot do today we can do tomorrow. What promises of God we cannot enjoy today, we can tomorrow. So this means that man can be honest today and reap the benefits of honesty; it means that

we can be loving today and its goodness will be with us somewhere tomorrow.

LOVE . . . the real "stuff"

I believe there are friendships that we all have from which death cannot cut us off. These friendships are made of love, the real "stuff" of the Universe. If anything is strong enough to withstand the tremendous shock of death, love is. I have not the slightest doubt in my mind that those whom I have loved I will meet again. I may not meet and recognize them, but I will meet them. I believe very strongly that I have met souls in this life whom I have met before and loved before at some other time in the many yesterdays.

I have officiated at many, many funerals. The people who really know how to love are those who can handle themselves at that closed door called death. Those who really love when they lose someone very dear to them can lose them in quiet and serene faith and loss. There is something about love that, even though we are separated from those whom we love, yet again we are joined with them. I have seen individuals who have not loved lose a very dear and precious member of their family and go completely to pieces when death overtook that one that was precious to them. Love truly is the only thing that is able to withstand the shock of losing a dear one through death.

The very way that our minds work suggests that the Universe is rational, that it makes sense. For a rational world, survival of death is very essential. Without another life, this life is like a dirty trick played by a very unjust fiend whom we call God.

There is serious psychic research going on in our modern world, and this convinces me that the living have communicated with the so-called dead. When we can cut out all of the charlatans and all of the deceptions and the false conclusions of the self-deceived, when one has given due place to all of the possible alternative theories to account for this phenomena, then, for myself, I am convinced that the dead live.

I believe that in the next few years we shall find some very interesting and astounding things discovered that will illumine our understanding of the Universe and enrich our personal lives. . . . We should look to men like Dr. Joseph Rhine of Duke University who, with undeviating honesty, is reporting impartially all of the evidence without any emotion in the field of spiritualism and psychic phenomena.

There are many societies for spiritual research all over the world, and they contain many well documented stories from reliable sources proving that experiences (of an inner psychic nature) have happened over and over to many

kinds of people, at many different places. . . . One of the great mistakes which scientists are prone to make is to suppose that the Universe necessarily ends at the point at which our physical senses fail to register its phenomena.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

The life after this one — if there is such a thing — and I believe there is, is probably a very much more spiritual affair . . . We probably will have more freedom to move about than we have in this dimensional world.

Every spiritual teacher of the ages has included his views on life after death. I cannot think of one who does not teach or imply that there is a life after this particular one. Buddha spoke of repeated experiences. Hinduism, Mohammedanism, and Confucianism have their heavens where life goes on in rebirths, or where there is some kind of meeting with ancestors.

Jesus Christ, for me, stands above all of the other teachers. As you read the Gospel stories and read His words, it is always very convincing. *He assumes a life after death.* To a robber that was dying on a cross next to His, He does not say, "My faith is that we shall meet again." Jesus said, "*Today you will be with me in paradise.*" If Jesus was not sure about what He was saying, He was telling a very dishonest and a very cruel thing.

I would like to add one more word. Most ministers have watched many people die. I have visited a sick person until he became so weak that he could not raise his hand, let alone lift his head from his pillow, and if you had seen him sit up in bed and watched his face shine suddenly with a radiance not of this world, and heard him call to — maybe I should write RESPOND to — a dear one who had died a score of years before, if then, with a look of calm triumph, an unspeakable happiness on his face, the patient had fallen back into death with the name of his dear one on his lips, or with the words, 'dear Jesus here I am,' still echoing through the silent death chamber, then, like me, in your heart you would want no further argument.

If this is a trick of the nervous system, or delusion of a disordered brain, it is a tremendously convincing thing for anyone to see it happen. I have seen this happen more than once. *I believe that men go on living after death.* I believe that they will begin then to realize what life really is. I believe that spiritually we go on from where we leave off here.

I believe there are many things in this life, and beyond this life, that many human minds have not yet developed the ability to imagine. I believe that this is the purpose of God for us all, and that at last, all His purposes will be fulfilled and all our dreams will come true.

Part I.

By Wallace D. Wattles

Author of *The Science of Getting Rich*

WHATEVER MAY BE SAID in praise of poverty, the fact remains that it is not possible to live a really complete or successful life unless one is rich.

No man can rise to his greatest possible height in talent or soul development unless he has plenty of money, for to unfold the soul and to develop talent he must have many things to use, and he cannot have these things unless he has money with which to buy them.

Man develops in mind, soul, and body by making use of things, and society is so organized that man must have money in order to become the possessor of things; therefore, the basis of all advancement for man must be *the science of getting rich.*

No man ought to be satisfied with a little if he is capable of using and enjoying more. The purpose of Nature is the advancement and unfoldment of life; every man should have all that can contribute to the power, elegance, beauty, and richness of life; to be content with less is sinful.

The man who owns all he wants for the living of all the life he is capable of living is rich; no man who has not plenty of money can have all he wants. Life has advanced so far, and become so complex, that even the most ordinary man or woman requires a great amount of wealth in order to live in a manner that even approaches completeness. Every person naturally wants to become all that he is capable of becoming; this desire to realize innate possibilities is inherent in human nature; we cannot help wanting to be all that we can be. Success in life is becoming what you want to be; you can become what you want to be only by making use of things, and you can have the free use of things only as you become rich enough to buy them. To understand the science of getting rich is, therefore, the most essential of all knowledge.

There is nothing wrong in wanting to get rich. The desire for riches is really the desire for a richer, fuller, and more abundant life, and that desire is praiseworthy. The man who does not desire to live more abundantly is abnormal, and so the man who does not desire to have money enough to buy all he wants is abnormal.

There are three motives for which we live; we live for the body, we live for the mind, we live for the soul. No one of these is better or holier than the other; all are alike desirable, and no one of the three — body, mind, or soul — can live fully if any of the others is cut short of full life and expression. It is not right or noble to live only for the soul and deny



YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE RICH

God wants you to be rich,
and here the author tells "why"

mind or body; and it is wrong to live for the intellect and deny body and soul.

IT'S A SCIENCE

There is a Science of getting rich, and it is an exact science — like algebra or arithmetic. There are certain laws which govern the process of acquiring riches; once these laws are learned and obeyed by any man, he will get rich with mathematical certainty.

The ownership of money and property comes as a result of doing things in a certain way; those who do things in this Certain Way, whether on purpose or accidentally, get rich; while those who do not do things in this Certain Way, no matter how hard they work or how able they are, remain poor.

It is a natural law that like causes always produce like effects; therefore, any man or woman who learns to do things in this Certain Way infallibly will get rich. Getting rich is not a matter of environment, for, if it were, all the people in certain neighborhoods would become wealthy; the people of one city would all be rich, while those of other towns would all be poor; or the inhabitants of one state would roll in wealth, while those of an adjoining state would be in poverty.

The ability to do things in this Certain Way is not due solely to the possession of talent, for many people who have great talent remain poor, while others who have very little talent get rich. Studying the people who have become rich, we find that they are an average lot in all respects, having no greater talents and abilities than other men. It is evident that they do not get rich because they possess talents and abilities that other men have not, but because they happen to do things in a Certain Way.

Getting rich is not the result of saving, or "thrift," for many penurious people are poor, while free spenders often get rich. Nor is getting rich due to doing things which others fail to do; for two men in the same business often do almost exactly the same things, and one gets rich while the other remains poor or becomes a bankrupt.

The question arises whether this Certain Way may not be so difficult that only a few may follow it. This cannot be true as far as natural ability is concerned.

Talented people get rich, and blockheads get rich; intellectually brilliant people get rich, and very stupid people get rich; physically strong people get rich, and weak and sickly people get rich.

Some degree of ability to think and understand is, of course, essential; but insofar as natural ability is concerned, any man or woman who has sense enough to read and understand these words certainly can get rich.

Getting rich involves the necessity of dealing with people, and of being where there are people to deal with; and if these people are inclined to deal in the way you want to deal, so much the better. But so far as environment goes, that is about how far it goes. If anybody else in your town can get rich, so can you; if anybody else in your state can get rich, so can you.

Also, it is not a matter of choosing some particular business or profession. People get rich in every business, and in every profession; while their next door neighbors in the same vocation remain in poverty. It is true that you will do best in a business which you like, and which is congenial to you; and if you have certain talents which are well developed, you will do best in a business which calls for the exercise of those talents. Also, you will do best in a business which is suited to your locality; an ice-cream parlor would do better in a warm climate than in Greenland, and a salmon fishery will succeed better in the Northwest than in Florida where there are no salmon. Aside from these general limitations, however, getting rich is not dependent upon your engaging in some particular business, but upon your learning to do things in a Certain Way.

No matter how poor you may be, if you begin to do things in the Certain Way, you will begin to get rich, and you will begin to have capital. The getting of capital is a part of the process of getting rich; and it is a part of the result which invariably follows doing things in the Certain Way. You may be the poorest man on the continent, and be deeply in debt; you may have neither friends, influence, nor resources; but if you begin to do things in this Way, you must infallibly begin to get, for like causes must produce like effects.

The visible supply of all things on earth

is practically inexhaustible; and the invisible supply really IS inexhaustible. For *everything you see on earth is made from one original substance, out of which all things proceed.* New forms are constantly being made, and older ones are dissolving; but all are shapes assumed by One Thing. The One Substance desires to live more in you; hence it wants you to have all the things you can use. It is the desire of God that you should get rich. He wants you to get rich because he can express Himself better through you if you have plenty of things to use in giving Him expression. He can live more in you if you have unlimited command of the means of life. However, you must want *real* life, not mere pleasure or sensual gratification. Life is the performance of function; and the individual really lives only when he performs every function, physical, mental, and spiritual of which he is capable, without excess in any.

You do not want to get rich in order to live swinishly, for the gratification of animal desires; that is not life. The performance of every physical function is a part of life, however, and no one lives completely who denies the impulses of the body a normal and healthful expression.

You do not want to get rich solely to enjoy mental pleasures, to get knowledge, or to gratify ambition, to outshine others, to be famous. All these are a legitimate part of life, but the man who lives for the pleasures of the intellect alone will only have a partial life, and he will never be satisfied with his lot.

You do not want to get rich solely for the good of others, to lose yourself for the salvation of mankind, to experience the joys of philanthropy and sacrifice. The joys of the soul are only a part of life; and they are no better or nobler than any other part.

You want to get rich in order that you may eat, drink, and be merry when it is time to do these things; in order that you may surround yourself with beautiful things, see distant lands, feed your mind, and develop your intellect; in order that you may love men and do kind things, and be able to play a good part in helping the world to find Truth.

Get rid of the idea that God wants you to sacrifice yourself for others, and that you can secure His favor by doing so; God requires nothing of the kind. What He wants is that you should make the most of yourself, for yourself, and for others; and *you can help others more by making the most of yourself than in any other way.*

YOU CAN MAKE THE MOST OF YOURSELF BY GETTING RICH. So -- if you want to become rich, you must *not* make a study of poverty. Things are

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Visiting with Grandma

• By REV. ROSE H.F. STRONGIN

San Francisco, California

THE SKY IS BLUE, and lazy white clouds drift across the sky like children moving in a slow, rhythmic mood-dance to soundless music.

From one of the homes nearby comes the light tinkle of music to the song, "April Showers Bring May's Flowers." It made me think of "you reap what you have sown." I wonder what we, who live in the city away from the flowers, do sow? Is it important to sow? We do, you know . . . even if we sit still with our hands in our laps and stare ahead, or even if we lock ourselves up within ourselves.

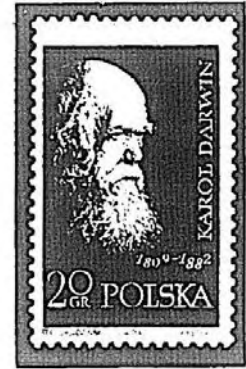
Those who lock themselves up mentally and hide behind the framework of, "I am too old . . . Who cares anyhow . . . Besides, it's too much effort," can find countless reasons for their inertia. But theirs is a harvest of loneliness, and, if I may coin a word, *aloneism*. To them, April showers are just rain from which to "get out of." May flowers . . . who cares? and besides, it makes them sneeze, and who wants to bother with them anyway?

For those young in heart and spirit, no matter what the calendar years, who have the courage to try to venture away from self-limiting activities of mind and body, the "adventure in life" is met. The shower is but a slight watering down of their aspirations, and with it comes the rainbow, the promise of adjustment, as they re-evaluate their experience in life; then how sweet smelling the flowers of May become . . . the fruit of successful planning.

To those who have receded, who have shut themselves up in the walls of "we are too old," I say — Before it is too late, come . . . venture forth from behind your locked doors. Come out and take another look at your failures and disappointments. Let the April showers wash away your immature attitude of thinking in life, and permit your new-found mature wisdom to guide you as you take stock of yourselves. See what potentials and assets you possess in the light of your new-found wisdom, then the May flowers in your life truly can be "golden." As you become more capable of expressing it, you reap great joy in being a contributing



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STORIES
BEHIND STAMPS



(Polish Stamp)

CHARLES DARWIN
1809 - 1882

"Believing as I do, that man in the distant future, will be a far more perfect creature than he now is, it is an intolerable thought that he, and all other sentient beings, are doomed to complete annihilation after such long continued slow progress. To those who fully admit the immortality of the human soul, the destruction of our world will not appear so dreadful."

SACRIFICE AS STRENGTH

There can be no true community which has not sacrifice at the heart of its motivation. There is no single institute of worth which has not this condition in evidence with its members, even though this may not be seen by outsiders.

Sacrifice sweetens the toil, and it must not be supposed that other attributes do not support sacrifice; strong elements join in activity when sacrifice leads the way. All good forces are attracted to that self-eliminating quality, so it is not surprising that the way clears for action, on a scale not mean in any way, when these strong forces blend to produce their ordered, good results.

Sacrifice never takes away from the self-abnegator, but draws toward that person a host of precious gifts, not the least of these being the real gift of generous inflow, to reward, and to extend the capabilities of that generous-hearted being. So there should be much more of real sacrifice abroad on the earth, then more of the valued, good effects could automatically operate among men.

— From Scripts through

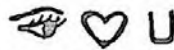
Madeline Dingley,
appearing in *The Greater World*,
England

part of life, experiencing anew that "you reap as you have sown."

WHO SAYS . . . ?

It can't be done
Who says so . . . You?
Who are you . . . What are you
Where did you come from
Who brought you forth into life?
Where are you going . . . why?
Are you part of . . . or alone
Alone in what . . . where?
Do you have thoughts
Who gave them to you
What are you going to do now . . .
Use them . . . store them . . . share them?

Share them . . . then you are not alone.
Two can laugh better than one
Three can a family be, same as four or more
You're not alone, unless you choose to be
Take courage - heart - to fall and get up
Come out of "the rain of experience"
Reap the harvest of "maturity"
Who says it can't be done . . . You?



"YOUR NANNA ROSE"

Many a mighty man of God has learned the secret from Christ that the busier His life was, the more He prayed. Sometimes He had no time to eat, sometimes He had no time for needed rest or sleep, but He always took time to pray; and the more work crowded upon Him, the greater the multitudes that thronged about Him, the more He prayed. But other men of God, once mighty, have lost their power because they did not learn this secret, and allowed increasing work to crowd out prayer. Let us never forget that the more work presses upon us, the more time we must spend in prayer.

— From *Prayer Works* by Robert Collier



WHAT IS NORMAL?

YOUR ANSWER MAY FIND YOU JUDGING . . .

THE NORM, or the state of being referred to as normal, is in reality a standard set up by society to judge our neighbor. It is divisible into three groups . . . the normal level, the abnormal and the subnormal.

This division has become essential in order to differentiate the so-called successes, the plodders and the simple of mankind. The pattern of measurement of the norm is found in intelligence and habits. Other devices, ranging from fanatic to retarded, are used for the purpose of avoidance or sympathy.

We have normal hearing, sight, ambulatory faculties, internal functioning normal elimination as well as normal thinking and normal habits. Regardless of what is stated to be normal, however, it is in truth a judgment of our neighbor by society.

Just what is normal? Should we seek to please everyone? We would lose all of our mental faculties. Each person reasons differently and is involved with a personal emotional problem which colors the reason and judgment.

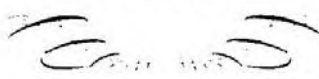
Mr. Smith is very poor and therefore judges Mr. Jones who is very rich. Mr. Jones judges all who have not reached his capacity. Thus human judgment goes on from one to another.

If a man disagrees with our thinking we are judged to be crackpots, unreasonable, definitely hard to get along with, as well as being judged as one who bears watching. On the other hand we again judge him because he could not change his thinking to see the picture our way.

We are judged for our etiquette at the table, our manner of dress, our reading matter, our abilities and our disabilities. But who are *we* to judge or to decide this one or that one needs help in our Psychiatric Clinics or Mental Hospitals.

A man is judged for murder and pleads temporary insanity. Immediately he is sent to a jury of psychiatrists and they pass judgment on the standard of his normality, seeing only that which is visible to each juror on his level of understanding. Each judges that which will come to the passing and the returning of dust to dust. They will never see the indestructible, the eternal, unjudgable

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victim of their decisions.

Are we Gods that we think we can judge our fellow man? Have we developed a God consciousness of such depth that we can judge on his direct commission? I think not.

To commit one to an institution, as is done in order to uphold our moral code, should become instead a commitment of aiding the victim to develop his inner-consciousness thereby lifting his life's purpose to eye level. A prisoner of any man's judgment is in need of elevation in his inner pattern.

The correction, therefore, begins at home, in the kindergarten, through schools into adulthood. Training should be done only by those qualified, freed of all prejudice and the passing of judgments.

How can we put a classification on light? . . . even though we call it normal or another label.

The true light of understanding may be so bright that in our reasoning we cannot conceive its intensity or beauty. Our personal light may be very dim compared to the true light. It may be a light shadowed or deflected by the prisms of our emotions. It may be obscured in part by sheep-like acquiescence in the desire to be considered normal.

When a man steps out of the questionable light of the norm, he is watched closely. He may become a great man in leadership or a field of equal magnitude. However, one slight mistake may put him into an institution, even though the brilliance of his light be far greater than any other.

What, then, is the answer? Personal

The truest help we can render to the afflicted man is not to take his burden from him, but to call out his best strength that he may be able to bear the burden.

Phillips Brooks

enlightenment! The light that is pure and white, unshaded by color. Who has such enlightenment: You? However, even though each of us would like to think we are basking in the bright white light of truth and wisdom, how many of us are actually so blessed? Only when we have reached this high plane of development and *know* we have this pure white light of truth and wisdom.

Once having reached this state, in all its wisdom, there could be no judgment. We would then know that all is some form of good . . . in some form good. Yes, even murder.

Instinctively and immediately you reject this last statement. You are judging, my friend, through the faculty of reasoning and measuring by concepts you have been taught through parents, teachers and society. Tell me not how wrong murder is, for this is society's moral code. Tell me not how dastardly it is, because this is a personal concept which you have acquired. Rather tell me, has murder really been committed?

The physical body is matter. Science agrees with this. Matter cannot be destroyed, only changed. Science endorses this, too, as factual. Therefore, to change the form of matter does not constitute murder.

It is, without doubt, a sin against society. Again, without doubt, the murderer has deprived another being of his opportunity for completion in his physical expression. In other cases the murdered one could have finalized his expression before the life skein broke.

Without doubt, the murderer will pay his debt to society if caught and convicted. However, regardless of the laws of man, he will pay again according to the Universal Law. Not as a prisoner will he pay, not on death row. But rather in time, study, development, and by the evolution of his spiritual unfoldment will his payment be made.

The basic truth is that *God is all there is*. He created the heavens and the earth. He created man and the beasts. Can you or I judge God's creation or destroy a single part of God? No wisdom can give us that license. True wisdom withholds the desire to do so.

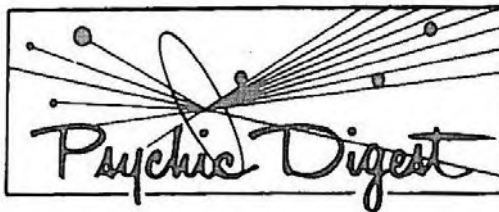
"Biggest, or one of the biggest problems that the Church is having to face today is how best to cope with the great advance of scientific knowledge, and to close the gap that hitherto has existed between science and religion," writes Reginald M. Lester in the *Gate Way Journal*. "It seems strange," he continues, "that so many people hold the idea that miracles and signs and wonders happened only in Biblical days and they fail to realize these occurrences still are with us today. Yet right down the ages not only mystics but ordinary people have had visions, heard voices, and healed the incurable." "Modern man," he says, "must face up to such basic issues as the nature of ESP and the concept and reliability of psychic phenomena. It has been rightly asserted that we cannot fully understand the workings of the Holy Spirit until we have some knowledge of the nature of ESP."

SEEING COLORS WITH THE SKIN

The *Los Angeles Times* reports: "Doctors have verified that Mrs. Patricia Stanley of Flint, Michigan can 'see' colors with her fingertips. Blindfolded, she has consistently identified colors by touch when the odds against her on pure chance were 10,000 to one." This is somewhat reminiscent of the article that appeared in the July 1960 *Fate* magazine about Margaret Foos and True Sight and how many objects she was able to identify as "The Girl Who Sees Without Eyes."

GRACE BEFORE MEALS

"Sometimes I wonder if we, of this generation, are not getting a little too wise and sophisticated in discarding and despising some of the old customs, and are not throwing away the very 'vitamins of living,'" writes Kay Ryde in *The Spiritual Healer* magazine of England. In commenting on grace before meals . . . "Very few families do this now," she writes, "with the excuse being lack of time, or 'why should we give thanks; we jolly well work for it,' but do people realize that by drawing down God's blessing on their food they are charging it with His Life Power and Vitality? I think if they did it would give a new angle on the little act of Grace which now, more often than not, draws a snigger from the 'clever dicks' of the juvenile and adult world. Prayer from the heart is a living and vital force, therefore it follows that prayer, or the asking of God's blessing on our food, which is essential to life and absorbed into our physical being through the wonderful and intricate machinery of our bodies, should make food more beneficial and health-giving."



VAN GOGH STILL PAINTS

Voz Informativa, Mexican Spiritualist periodical, reports that Judith Ramos Leitini suddenly was seized with a fierce, uncontrollable urge to paint, though never in her life before had she done so or had any interest in it. In seven months she produced two hundred and fifty paintings, finally tapering off to about one a year. Many art connoisseurs and experts have judged these works to be explicitly expressive of the work of Vincent Van Gogh, famous painter, now in Spirit.

HELP OTHERS . . . HELP YOURSELF

"By having someone else pray for you, someone whose mind is calm and clear, the fear, the pain, the worry are bypassed. Our connection with the soul is through the mind, and the connection with the Creator is through the soul." Thus writes Rev. Florian Magiera in *Exploring the Unknown* magazine. "In praying only for guidance for yourself and help for others, you forget your own pains and those prayers and that forgetfulness helps the soul to be able to step in and begin the healing processes . . . for it is the soul which the healer treats, although the response is seen in the body." He concludes: "The longer and oftener we forget our own troubles in such prayer, the better chance the soul has to work."

NO EASY PATH FOR MASTERY

Silver Birch, Indian Spirit Guide whose teachings appear in *Two Worlds*, English Spiritualist magazine, counsels on attaining spiritual mastery as being no easy task. "The spirit slumbers; earthly life is full of joy; the sun is shining; the breezes blow and all is well. Why bother with eternal problems, with things of the spirit, with the nature of reality? But the spark was placed there for fulfillment," he tells us, and "it can only emerge when the individual has touched bottom in his earthly life, for the bottom of earthly life is the beginning of spiritual life. This is the paradox, for when you are right down as far as you can get, it is then that the spirit can burst its bonds and find itself, in adversity, difficulty, sickness and suffering. That is why you and others have to be brought down to the uttermost limit before the spirit is quickened and stirred into activity." — always the hard way for man, it seems.

400 YEAR OLD ERROR

The Editor of *Prediction* magazine in England writes about an error the Pakistan Observer made when quoting an article giving the date of a story, making a slip of four hundred years. "Local records," said the report, "show that a 19-year old martyr, William Hunter, spent his last night at the Swan Hotel (Brentwood, Essex) before being burned at the stake in 1955." A man in East Pakistan wrote to the chairman of the Brentwood Council to protest, addressing him as "Lord Mare." It said: "I am reading in my newspaper that in 1955, a poor young man of 19 was burned up at the stake in your town. I am very surprised that Mr. Robens, National Coal Board, would supply the coal for this burning up. I am hoping that the new Prime Minister, Mr. Sir Home, will pass a law to stop this in England." The Editor adds: (It is almost irresistible to point out that there is a precedent to "keep the Home fires burning.") The Council thought the letter was a leg-puller, but the Editor of *Prediction* comments that after fourteen years at his own post, he is not so sure. Neither are we.

MONEY IS ESSENTIAL

Ernesto Gramazio, assistant professor at the Faculty of Economics and Commerce at the University of Rome, writes in the *Religious Digest* that "money is essentially a spiritual problem." He admits that it is important and necessary, but that it is also "very important when man combines with it the pulsations of a loving heart. Then it becomes full of light; it dries tears; it creates communications; it opens roads for work; it encourages beauty; it supports art; it helps culture. Then those who have fallen lift themselves; those who have been sad begin to smile; those who had lost confidence restore their faith in life; riches then become a means of friendship between individuals and peoples." He concludes that "the most fruitful and beneficial use of riches is to utilize them for the spiritual and moral elevation of men." If only men would regard it so!

SPIRITUALIST ON TV

The *Seattle Times* reports that Dr. Keith Milton Rhinehart, Pastor of the Aquarian Foundation, Seattle, Washington, and Miss Judith Crane, professional trance medium, faced Channel 13's "Tel-O-Pinion" audience displaying films taken during seances demonstrating 'communication with the dead,' intending to prove that such communication is possible. These live hour-long broadcasts were slated for January, February, and on March 25th., including Rev. Rhinehart, Miss Crane, George Thompson, and Mrs. Lola Miller.

A VERY SIGNIFICANT and interesting fact about the subconscious is that within its structure is found a complete memory picture of every thought, action and emotional tone we have experienced during our lifetime. The subconscious is the sleepless recording angel of our personalities. Under proper conditions a person can recall in detail the events of his life, going back to the day of birth. Certainly there is sound experimental evidence that the subconscious records and retains many times more rapidly and completely than the conscious mind.



“SLEEP ON IT”

DREAMS AND THE SUBCONSCIOUS . . .

“a blind force, not knowing, only doing.”

o By John K. Williams
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To understand fully the creative activity of the subconscious mind, we must consider the significant insights and the solution of difficult problems as revealed by subconscious processes through dreams. In a deep hypnotic state an individual can recall any incident in his past life. The hypnotic state is only a sleep-like condition, perhaps a kind of partial sleep, but in a different way normal sleep also releases the findings of this underlying aspect of mind.

When you go to sleep your conscious mind ceases its activity. The subconscious mind then takes control. While you sleep your subconscious mind talks to you, and this is what we call dreaming.

During past centuries among all peoples, dreams have been one of the channels through which subconscious wisdom has been delivered. In some instances subconscious mentation has served as a warning or premonition regarding occurrences in the future.

There is a tradition (apparently authentic) that Caesar's wife, Calpurnia, had a dream warning of danger on the night preceding the Ides of March. The Greek biographer, Plutarch, first recorded the story. He stated that Caesar was so impressed by his wife's fear and anxiety that he almost yielded to her insistence that he not go to the Senate. Had he refrained, history might have been different—certainly the world would not have that masterpiece of literature, *Julius Caesar*, by Shakespeare.

In his book about the life of the poet Dante, Boccaccio tells the story of a near tragedy so far as the literature of that period is concerned. After Dante's death several concluding cantos of the *Paradiso* could not be found. Every possible place for these manuscripts was examined by the poet's sons without success. Despairing of finding the lost materials, they attempted to write copy to complete the manuscript. Jacopo, one of Dante's sons, had a dream which caused them to discontinue this effort. In Jacopo's dream, his father led him to his old bedroom in another house where his recent death occurred. Touching one of the walls the poet said, "What you have sought for so long is here." The dream completed, Jacopo wide awake and with witnesses hurried to the house to which he had

been led in the dream. Attached to one wall was a hanging frame which no one seems to have noticed during Dante's lifetime. Examining this frame they found a niche in the wall and in it the thirteen cantos needed to complete Dante's composition.

An interesting example of the premonitory type of subconscious insight which appears in dreams is found in the life of the woman suffragist leader, Susan B. Anthony. Miss Anthony's intimate friend, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, recorded in her diary:

She has had a very remarkable dream. The physician ordered her from Philadelphia to Atlantic City for her health. While in the latter place, she had a very vivid dream one night. She thought she was being burnt alive in one of the hotels and when she arose in the morning, told her niece what she had dreamed. "We must pack at once and go back to Philadelphia," she said. This was done, and the next day the hotel in which they had been and ten other hotels and miles of boardwalk were destroyed by fire.

It is well known that scientific inventions have been created as the result of dreams and difficult intellectual problems have been solved. Frank Podmore tells of an instance during which a long sought solution was vividly revealed to the sleeper not as a remembered dream, but was presented when the person became fully awake: "Professor Lamberton of the University of Pennsylvania records that after having vainly worked for some days with a geometrical problem, one morning immediately on waking he saw the solution given on the wall in front of his eyes."

Recently a friend of mine described an incident in which a difficult problem in mathematics was solved as the result of insight delivered in a dream. "While a

senior in high school I was taking a course in advanced business arithmetic. One day the teacher was giving the assignment. He said, 'The next problem we shall omit. It is entirely too difficult for high school seniors.' Then, as an afterthought, he added, 'If any of you choose to work it and do so correctly, you will get an A on the course.'

"I simply could not let such a challenge go unaccepted. That night I worked until well past midnight trying in vain to get the answer. However, although I checked my work over and over, I finally despaired of finding the error which was responsible for my answer being unlike that given in the back of the book. Finally I decided to give up and try again the next day. I went to bed and to sleep. After an hour or so I suddenly awoke. There in the darkness of the night I knew immediately where my error had been, and I knew that it was the discovery of my error while sleeping that had awakened me. There was no need to get up and correct my error at the moment. So vivid was the revelation that I knew it would remain clear in my mind the following morning and then would be time enough to correct my work of the previous evening and make my A on the course. This is what I did."

While it is recognized on every hand that the conscious part of mind is limited, the subconscious transcends the limitations of time and space. This is proved by well-attested experience related by many people under varying conditions.

During dreams the subconscious mind seems to have access to facts and information stored in the Universal Mind. This type of experience is reported by many creative writers and researchers.

Take as an example the story of Dr. Herman V. Hilprecht, late professor of the Assyrian language at the University

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of Pennsylvania. During the winter of 1882-83, Dr. Hilprecht had exhausted himself trying to decipher the inscriptions on some old Assyrian rings. Finally he went to bed exhausted. While sleeping he dreamed. In his dream he saw a vision. A tall, stately priest of the ancient Pre-Christian Nippur Temple appeared before him and guided him to the treasure chamber of the temple. He entered a room with a low ceiling and without windows where his attention was directed by the priest to a wooden chest with scraps of agate and other articles lying on the floor around it.

Clearly and distinctly the priest of the temple said, "The fragments in which you are interested and for which you have been unable to find an explanation are not finger rings. The great king, Jurigalzu, once sent to the Temple of Bel an inscribed votive cylinder of agate. At a later period, the priest of the temple suddenly received an imperative command to make at once a pair of agate earrings for the god Nippur. The priests were greatly disturbed because no new agate was at hand. In order to obey the command it was decided to cut the votive cylinder into three parts, thus making three rings. The two fragments which have caused you so much mental anguish are parts of those rings. By placing them together you will find this to be true. The third ring you will never find." At this point Professor Hilprecht awoke and went hastily to his wife's room and told her of the dream. Then, with equal haste, he went to his study. Before long the professor's wife heard him exclaim, "It is so! It is so!"

The following winter Professor Hilprecht went to Cairo to study the objects of the Temple Nippur which had been placed in the Imperial Museum. After critical study based upon training and experience in the field of archeology, and his extended knowledge of the ancient languages, he came to the conclusion that the objects there furnished complete evidence of the correctness of his dream in every detail.

Dr. Elwood Worcester was one of America's greatest religious psychiatrists. Twenty-five thousand nervous, tense, distraught people received treatment and counsel in his clinic in Boston. He was frequently overworked helping all these people while at the same time carrying on the work of a large church. He tells of going to bed one Friday night with the realization that he had not prepared a sermon for his congregation the following Sunday. Suffering from severe fatigue he felt unable to attack the job of preparation. That night he dreamed that a former assistant pastor, Dr. Walter Lowrie, came and reproached him for his failure to prepare. Then and there,

Dr. Lowrie dictated a sermon to Dr. Worcester, who wrote it down. The next morning when he awakened, he was disappointed that he did not have the inspiring sermon that he had dreamed about. Rising from his bed he saw some penciled sheets nearby. There was the sermon in his own handwriting. He had written it during the night while he slept. He delivered the sermon and the response of the congregation was greater than usual. Later he included it in a volume called *Religion and Life*. When Dr. Lowrie read the sermon, he said he had never followed that particular line of thought in his life. Lowrie's seeming presence in the night was not a reality — but the sermon was.

Eileen J. Garrett, a nationally known authority on parapsychology, has an interesting statement along this line:

Dreams in the sleeping state are supposed to be motivated in the subconscious in response to sensory stimuli. But I believe we may add to these the stimuli of purposive intentions in the conscious mind. Such intentions, deposited with the subconscious, have frequently brought me dreams which were ample, if not complete fulfillment of the experience which I sought. One of the most interesting aspects of such experience is the fact that what I sought was usually somebody else's concern, quite impersonal to me, so that the dream material eventually depended for all its value upon the acceptance and understanding of another person. Under such circumstances I have found spread before awareness, on waking, the odd and intimate names of people, places and things, disassociated dates, cryptic phrases and catchwords—absolutely nothing to me. But in reporting these to the person on whose behalf I had sought them, they proved to be coherent and significant to that other consciousness.

Apparently subconscious insights gained through dreams come unsolicited or arrive in the presence of an emergency and seem to be an effort of the subconscious to voluntarily assist in the solution of a problem. In most instances subconscious insight delivered by dreams seems to arrive when the individual has exhausted all possible efforts even to the point of extreme fatigue.

(Read Mr. Williams' two probing, illuminating studies of the workings of the human mind: *The Knack of Using Your Subconscious Mind*, and his very newest book, *The Wisdom of Your Subconscious Mind*. These may be purchased from Chimes, the former \$3.10 and the latter \$5.10, plus 4% sales tax in Calif.)

"What one does in his spare time is the acid test of his character."

BE LIKE A NAUGHTY CHILD



The ordinary child cries, and is satisfied when the mother gives it a toy to play with; but to the "naughty" child who cries constantly, refusing toys, the mother herself comes.

So, if you want the gift of Christ Consciousness, you must be like the naughty child. Throw away all other desires and cry only for God. Kill the parasites of desires; destroy them in a fire of Divine aspiration. When you have that burning flame and zeal, that ardor by which you prove to God that you want Him more than playthings, then He will come."

— Paramahansa Yogananda

Thank You

. . . for your every loving, thoughtful good wish tucked into letters and cards on moving to our new location. We know the much needed larger quarters are indeed blessed by every kind thought, and that the rewards to be shared by our multiplied efforts will bring greater "light on the path of the life beyond" to countless souls on this plane and in the unseen realms. God be with you and your loved ones, as we are with you in our hearts each day in prayer.

Humanity generally admits Jesus' ability, His power to use the spirit of intelligent life to produce material conditions . . . as in turning water into wine, but they doubt their ability to use this same power in themselves, in spite of the assurance of Jesus: "All things are possible unto you." Now this statement is either true or false. If true, it is because your mind is the instrument in and through which this intelligent principle of life takes initiative action, and this action, in turn, is always in accordance with the laws of life, which are subjective in their nature."

— Judge Thomas Troward

(Chimes is happy to present MARGIE from the unseen realms of life to answer questions on life and death. Through the trance mediumship of Rev. Richard Zenor of the Agasha Temple of Wisdom, Los Angeles, California; Philip Hastings conducts interviews presenting your questions to Margie and many evolved souls who bring us invaluable knowledge from the world of Spirit . . . a most unusual educational opportunity which it is our privilege to share.)

Margie

.. the answer girl



o By PHILIP HASTINGS - Los Angeles, California

My talks with Margie are beginning to have a "cabbages and kings" quality to them. I am never sure just which way our questions are going to lead us. The first direction we shall go this time is into the realm of semantics.

o Margie, (asks Louis S.) What is the difference between Spiritualism and Spiritism?

What is the difference between Spiritism and Spiritualism? To explain this properly I should tell you that in the beginning of the movement those who were Spiritualist mediums felt that when they spoke of what they were dealing with they preferred to call it "Spiritism" rather than to refer to it as something "spiritual" in the religious sense of the word. This is where we get the word "Spiritism." It so happens that "Spiritism" is a word much used in Britain to refer to what was born over a hundred years ago through the manifestations of the Fox sisters, and what is known over here is "Spiritualism". Generally speaking also, those who are termed Spiritists accept the belief of Reincarnation, whereas those who call themselves Spiritualists do not all agree to this.

A "medium" is one who is worked upon and played upon by spirits. The British prefer to call them "sensitives." When one seeks a sensitive in Britain, they do not call it a meeting or a seance. For want of a better name they call it a "sitting." One might say: "I had a sitting with a very fine physical sensitive."

The word "intermediary" is a better word to use than "medium." It better describes the activity of one who produces spirit phenomena. Although "medium" is good enough for the purpose, "intermediary" is more meaningful. "Channel" is another word . . . channel of the higher forces. A "channel" is a person who makes direct communication possible between you and those who have preceded you to the astral world.

(Our next question leads us directly to the heart of a controversy which is waging hotly today since it was set off by recent writings on "the High Cost of Dying". I am glad that Margie chose to discuss it in the manner she did.)

o Margie, what do you think about cremation? Several of my elderly friends say they do not have the money to pay

for an undertaker. Most funerals cost one thousand dollars or more. (asked by Mrs. C. M.)

Considering the fact that burial plays such an important part in the ceremonies of the Catholic Church, and considering also the various religious views in this country, it would be very difficult to say that I can foresee what I wish: That eventually in our country people will do away with embalming and with cemeteries, making it compulsory to be cremated. I am sorry for this, because cremation is a necessity. It is a most important thing,

for the reason, it frees the spirit and the vibrations completely from the mortal. When the mortal body you have discarded is reduced to ashes, you are far more free in the astral world. Also you are in far less danger of being earthbound when cremation has taken place. It is highly advocated. Indeed it is! It is important that we bear this in mind, for it will help those passing into the spiritual world.

(And yet another question in the same sombre but vital strain of thought.)

o Some of us want to dedicate our bodies to medical schools for research and for learning, but wonder if there is any danger of being attached to the body, or being earth bound if this were done, asks Gordon A.

No! There is no danger in giving your body over to medical science after your departure, for the body no longer has any value to you. The silver cord of life is severed completely, therefore you feel no pain. It would only be if your desires and your emotions held you earthbound and you were very close in the atmosphere that you might have a mental reaction to the dissection of your body that might be painful in the ethereal world. Giving your eye or your body for science, however, or to be dissected after you have left it, does not unfavorably react unto the spirit. It does not hurt the spirit in any way whatsoever, and it is well that we should understand that.

o What does a soul look like? Is it colorless? Shapeless? Where is it located?

A soul varies in the brightness of its color, which basically is white. No one can dissect the body and pick out the soul. The soul is invisible to material eyes. You are, however, sometimes aware

of the soul's emanation. The soul, when it can be seen by the clairvoyant, is egg-shaped in form. It is the size, probably, of an ordinary hen egg in circumference. It is located where the solar plexus is located in the body.

The soul, then, is that great kingdom that houses the memory of all that you have done in this life, and in previous lives. It is the storehouse of memory. When the body is cremated, the soul is invisible. It goes into the ethereal frequency, there to take on color, to take on form, to take on substance in the ethereal world.

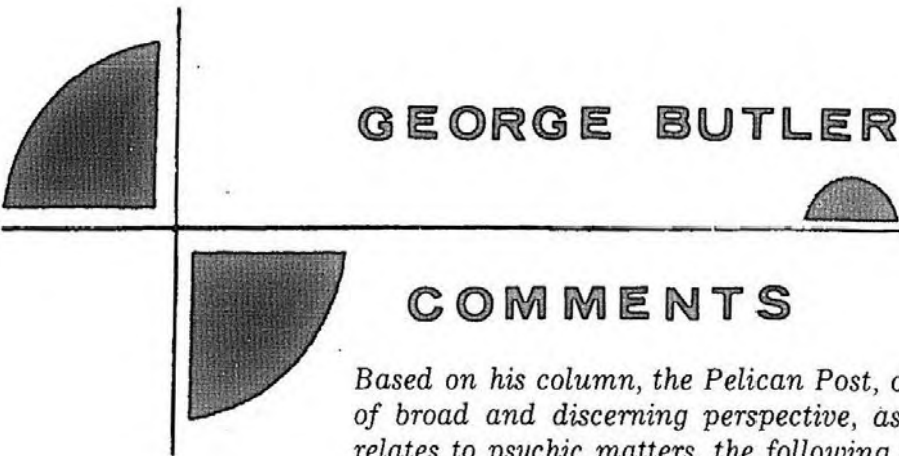
(I commented here that when I had been in India I had watched the Hindus cremate their dead on funeral pyres, that one who tended the fires told me that in each case there was a small egg-shaped part of the body located near the solar plexus that never was fully consumed. Margie continued to comment on this.)

That's right. It is the soul. This condition with them was ritualistic. That would represent the soul. Since the soul cannot be seen in the manner I described, it has to be demonstrated to them in a way they can believe. Therefore it happens somehow on occasions that that part of the solar plexus, when reduced to ashes, seems to remain in an egg-shaped form.

o Do people who have worked in one phase of life here on earth but who only used it as a means to a higher study, continue in their work, or are they released from this necessity and allowed to pursue their real interest?

Suppose one pursued a profession on the earth plane, but never cared for it. I suppose you mean this. Very often professions, as well as avocations, are continued in the astral world, but not because of necessity, or to earn a living, for this is not required. It is not needed at all. Rather, their activity is a satisfying means of self-expression, and so they continue in it. But if, for example, one had been a lawyer while on earth, there would be no need to practice law in the astral.

What are the professions that are continued? Music . . . Art . . . Literature . . . and from these one can go into allied fields. Policemen are not needed. Jails are not needed. City governments are not needed. Those are not necessary activities. (concluded on page 25)



GEORGE BUTLER

COMMENTS

Based on his column, the Pelican Post, one of broad and discerning perspective, as it relates to psychic matters, the following excerpts appear with the permission of George Butler, author and staff writer for the Herald, Bradenton, Florida.

MYSTERY OF THE BURIED CROSSES

THE ORIGIN OF a collection of 1,500 crosses has baffled historians, museum curators and archaeologists since the first was discovered nearly fifty years ago.

"Spirit voices" guided the unearthing of these ancient buried treasures, along with over \$10,000 in cash, during a 10-year period in more than one hundred secret locations.

The first of the unusual finds occurred in 1915 when Mrs. Violet Parent, wife of a Redlands, Calif. grocery clerk, dreamed that a Spanish padre — from the colorful mission era — instructed her to dig out of the nearby hills the relics left there by the mission fathers.

In the area the dream had indicated, they found several old crosses. In the ten years that followed, ancient amulets, old plaques and crosses worn by Indians long before the introduction of Christianity were discovered, along with lost or hidden cash, ranging from a fifty cent piece to a \$3,000 find.

The mysterious treasures were scattered throughout an area four hundred miles wide by six hundred miles long. Always the "Voices" pinpointed the burial places.

The Parents themselves could not explain why the "voices" had picked them for the discovery. However, friends and neighbors who accompanied them on their explorations all substantiated their claims. Too, there were "spirit photographs" which the couple had taken and sent to Hamlin Garland, the famous author who was noted for his interest in psychic phenomena.

Upon the death of the Parents, the entire cross collection, as well as the photos and notebooks, were willed to Garland. In 1937, the author began the investigations and research which led to the book he published two years later, "The Mystery of the Buried Crosses."

After interviewing everyone who had

known the Parents, Garland decided to verify personally the story with the help of a Clairvoyant — since Mrs. Parent had indicated several other burial places had remained unvisited.

With the help of a non-professional clairvoyant or "medium," Garland talked with dozens of spirit voices over that two-year period. Under their direction, he found 16 individual crosses — all similar to the early find. All were found in the hills of Southern California — most of the articles in places inaccessible without a cutting tool.

This amazing exploration of the supernatural proved beyond doubt that the Parents had not committed a hoax, nor could the crosses have been "planted."

As for the "voices," Garland attempted no explanation. He simply reported what had happened, including the words of one Spanish padre who said to him: "We are not dead, we are not far, we are here."

his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."

He tells us the tongue is a little member, and boasteth many things, but oh! what trouble can come from wrong use of it. We see how great orators often use their power of speech to influence great masses of people to their way of thinking . . . which may not always be for the good of all concerned. In the case of the individual, the spoken word either can uplift a person or discourage him.

James reminds us that a small helm can move a great ship in any direction, also that a bit in a horse's mouth can move his body wherever the master wants it to go. The human tongue is itself very small, indeed, but it is, nevertheless, a powerful instrument when used by the still greater force back of it. Back of the word is the thought which prompts it, which is either constructive or destructive, according to the mind which governs it.

The Bible says, "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up." And Jesus said: "I of myself can do nothing, but the Father which is in me, He doeth the works." Humility is born of the understanding that we are all simply channels through which One greater than ourselves can speak. When we realize that of ourselves we can do nothing without the guiding force of the Infinite, we lose sight of the human personality in our desire to open the way for the Spirit of God to work through us.

In this earth life it is necessary to have a pattern or plan for living. We are all subject more or less to unseen laws which exist for the country and the individual. As citizens we are subject to the laws of the land. However, as individuals we are busy, consciously or unconsciously, making laws for ourselves. This we do through our own in-

The Power Of The Tongue

How do you use yours?

o By Gertrude L. Holmgren
Holly Hill, Florida

IN THE THIRD CHAPTER of James we find many interesting ideas about the tongue, a very important part of the physical body. Among them are:

James 1:26. "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not

dividual thinking. Every thought we have which is backed by deep feeling and conviction becomes a law unto us which finds expression sooner or later in our daily lives. For example, every time we think to ourselves: "If I sit in that

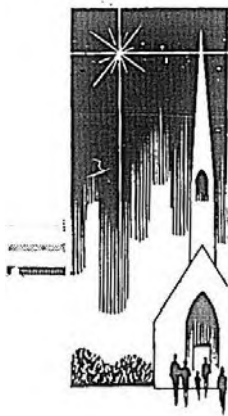
draft I shall surely take cold" . . . then we have made the law for ourselves, and the physical body can do nothing else than show forth what we have decreed for it. This is also true of many other ways in which we often argue against our own interests, taking the negative attitude about something instead of having a more constructive thought which would benefit both our body and our affairs.

A story is told about a few friends who decided to prove the theory of negative suggestion on some one as he walked on his way to his office. The first party in the plan approached the one selected for the experiment, suggesting to him that he did not look at all well, and this same idea was given by the others to the man, with the result that he actually began to feel sick and went home to recover from what was only a negative suggestion which he accepted as real for himself. This he did not understand, for he had not learned the lesson of self-government, nor did he understand the power of the spoken word used on him, which he could so easily have refused to accept. Such methods of suggestion are used in some business firms where the salesmen are taught to use the powers of persuasion on prospective buyers. However, anyone who has learned the lesson of discrimination is not easily taken in with such suggestions.

The tongue is truly a powerful weapon in the work of those who use it for good, who speak the word in season, and who in their lives have become fine channels for the word of God which always uplifts people and never criticizes or condemns.

In churches there are so many different states of consciousness banded together, people who really mean to serve God, but who all too often give way to criticism and dislike for certain members in their congregation. This is true of all churches where different people congregate, each with his own particular viewpoint about God, his own conception of Truth based perhaps on past experience or family relationship. In all places of worship where people gather together for group instruction or otherwise, there is bound to be discord unless all sense of personal domination gives place to loving consideration to all concerned, with the love of God uppermost in the minds of all.

There are many roads leading to the same God, just as there are many, many churches teaching its particular concept of the Infinite. When each realizes that no one particular religion could possibly have the WHOLE of that which is without end, then shall we see true brotherhood and the selfless love of God expressed through people of the earth. In the meantime, let us use the tongue in a constructive, helpful way, as we travel this road leading to Perfection.



TO KNOW GOD

... IS DISTURBING

• By Chester Mahaffie
San Francisco, California

YES, INDEED, to know God is disturbing to one's peace of mind, for one comes face to face with self.

The business of most Christian churches today is to lull one into a sense of complacency, into a pious, saintly hallowed 'better than thou' attitude of mind. Churches are not supposed to wallow in their own virtues. They are supposed to seek out the lost, strayed or hardened sinners, and bring them back into the fold.

Yet the life of most churches today is one of a series of entertainments and socials to raise money for the church. A group of members meet once each week to polish their halos and gossip about their neighbors. They *should* be teaching people to know God. To know God you come face to face with self, and that is very disturbing. "Be sure your sins will find you out," said the Master. You see your shortcomings and your sins of omission. That really jars us out of our pious, saintly, complacent peace and tranquility. To know God disturbs the peace of the people, and thereby the peace of the church . . . which saintly preachers of today do not want.

We need hard saints who will preach hard true spiritual truths, ones who will call a spade a spade, so to speak. Nothing displeases God more than the pious, saintly complacent, yes . . . lazy Christian of God's church. God must mean everything to you or He means nothing at all. Martin Luther was right when he said: "Those who hate and deny God are closer to Him than many so-called Christians who are cool towards Him." Why? . . . because those who deny and hate God are making a reality of Him. That is what God must be to you . . . a reality. God must be real to you for you to know Him. The atheist makes a reality of God by trying so hard to deny Him. So there is no such thing as an atheist, really. We need some of that old-time religion that will call a spade a spade and

not be afraid to disturb the peace of the church. We need some hard saints to preach Truth that will awaken the average Christian out of his spiritual slumber and get him to be about his Father's business.

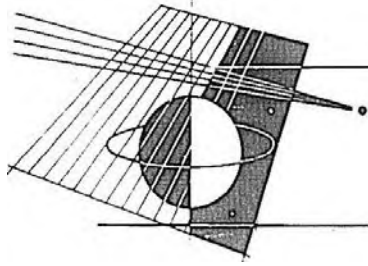
Take the mystery out of the church and get the hard facts the people want and will be willing to pay for, and the church will have the money it needs without having to rely on socials, etc., for support. People will pay for Truth, but the day of blind belief is fast disappearing. Truth is here and can be proved, so we must teach Truth, not blind belief with its mystery. If we do, just watch the church grow in members and be an asset in the community . . . not a problem.

"Think on these things," said the Master. And really, is it not true that most churches themselves pose many problems? How to raise money . . . how to get members . . . how to stay alive . . . how to achieve greater harmony within its ranks . . . why? It is because of blind belief. Yet today people are more intelligent, better educated, and want to know the *why* and *wherefore* of things. The preacher with his robes and titles means nothing to the people if he cannot prove or demonstrate what he is preaching. You can know God, and He can be real to you . . . here and now.

This *now* is the eternity often spoken of as *The Eternal Now*. We are living in eternity *now*. We are spiritual, yes, Spirit, *now*. We are part of God *now*. We live *now*. There is no death, only eternal life *now*.

The God law of personal responsibility is disturbing, isn't it? It is so much easier to lean on ecclesiastical ritual and dogma to relieve your conscience, but to know God you face your Book of Life and Memory. The Truth will out. You can't hide the Truth, the Truth about *you*.

"Take the mystery out of the church and get the hard facts the people want . . . WE NEED HARD SAINTS."



Psychic Experiences

A HARD LESSON LEARNED

By Averil Maynard
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God and high spirits have an exquisite and inexorable rule of justice and mercy, and all who come under their tutelage are inured to it, and happy with it, as I am.

What I want to tell is about the one time I did not do as Spirit advised, and of the loss that came to me in consequence. I learned a hard lesson which has lasted me ever since, and I felt urged to warn others that they may not come under the same discipline.

The story sounds fantastic, but its out-of-this world quality proves that it was engineered by Spirit.

At the time, my husband and I and our two children were living in a beautiful house, the finest in the city. Fifteen years before we had been fortunate enough to acquire it for a song from an elderly widower who passed away three days after we signed the papers. It was worth \$25,000, couldn't be built again for \$75,000. Indeed, its beautifully matched woods could not even be found. We were offered it for \$9,000 . . . 14 rooms, furniture, roomers and all, because the owner felt we would love it and take care of it as he had.

Besides the beauty of the house itself, it had an unmatched view. Although it was in a Massachusetts city, it was on a hill, and from the rear of the second floor there was an unobstructed 5-mile expanse of tree tops, a sea of green just like a New Hampshire scene, no houses visible. We were justifiably proud of this view.

For fifteen years everything else was subordinated to keeping this home for the two children who came along to share it. For instance, an aunt left me \$3,000, and it was in my hands just fifteen minutes before it was turned over to pay off the second mortgage. But it became increasingly difficult to make the scheduled payment, and we feared we might lose our beautiful home.

I asked Spirit if I would be able to keep it, and the reply came — yes, if I stayed in it myself. I had every intention of doing so, but the strain of the years had taken a heavy toll of my health, and I was very nervous. Finally, in desperation, I moved into another house for a short while, leaving a person in charge of our home who did not prove suitable. In only two months I completely recovered my health, and we moved back to our beautiful place . . .

all seemingly as before.

Some time later the Benevolent Loan Association, which held the first mortgage, sent out two of their representatives to confer with us. They were very courteous, pleasant gentlemen, and assured us of their desire to help us keep the house.

Our love for the place was so evident that they were stirred to ask why. I guess I waxed eloquent about the details, and especially about the "New Hampshire-like" view, so much so that one of the gentlemen asked to see it.

It was twilight and the light was fading. I was in a hurry, and also flurried. Our two children were asleep, the boy in a small room at the rear of the first floor, and the girl in a corresponding room on the second floor. In my hurry, flurry and enthusiasm, I forgot that it was from the second floor that the vaunted view was visible, and I ushered the gentlemen into the little first floor room, and with a triumphant "There!" invited him to feast his eyes on the view — from this point the trunk of one lone tree!

The gentlemen took sudden leave, and the next day we were advised that we had lost the house. My rhapsody just hadn't seemed sane to them, I guess. Spirit did not intervene to save me: I have not had a real home since.

CHIEF RUNNING HORSE

By Gladys Prince
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Sometime ago in the merry month of May one evening around six o'clock we heard the howl of fire engines not too far away. I heard someone say, "It's a big chemical fire." No one was hurt, I am happy to say. I watched for a couple of hours, then homeward went my way. We all talked about it for a little while, then I retired to my room.

It was about twilight as I lay down on the bed to rest a while. With no thoughts at all in my mind, all of a sudden there quietly appeared at the foot of my bed a form vividly clear to me . . . a man in some sort of fancy dress with beautiful headgear. I couldn't imagine what he was doing there, or who he was. Was he an Indian? or a Mayan? He didn't trouble me in any way, and soon he vanished.

I never did figure out what he was doing there until someone handed me a little book one day not too long ago which made it all perfectly clear. Spirits appear!

Like a pail of water poured over me, I took my first breath of life to really see for the first time.

My friend has come to me since then, but never in a spirit form like that, and I have never been able to learn what it was he wanted to tell me. I did learn his name, Chief Running Horse, and that he likes fires. Every time I hear of one, I keep one eye open and one shut in case he decides to come back as he once did.

MY CUCKOO CLOCK PREDICTION

By Ouita Carpenter
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On Friday, November 8, 1963, my cuckoo clock stopped mysteriously in an unaccountable (impossible?) manner right on the stroke of 1 p.m.

At ten minutes past one, as I was walking through the room where the clock was located, I noticed that it had stopped at one o'clock. Thinking that I had either forgotten to wind it, or had not been careful to still the weights so that they would not hit the pendulum and stop it, I walked over and around the corner of the bookcase to investigate the clock and found that one of the weights had literally glued itself to one of the chains in a most impossible way. I had to pull them apart, and as I released them the clock struck one.

I had a very strong feeling that it denoted a death, so I went right to my calendar and wrote down the time the clock stopped so that I would not forget the time or the day just in case it might have some meaning that would be revealed later. Little did I dream what that meaning was to have!

Two days later on Sunday, November 10th, I attended the evening service at the Agasha Temple of Wisdom in Los Angeles, and through the mediumship of Rev. Richard Zenor, Pastor, the incident of my cuckoo clock was picked up, and the one who calls himself, "The Friend," said that he had a message for the person in the congregation who was concerned about a cuckoo clock. When I answered, he said that in that connection he saw ahead *great trouble, strife and confusion*. I did not know until two weeks later what the message meant, and that the clock incident and the message were directly connected with each other.

Two weeks later, right to the day and the hour from the time the clock stopped, President Kennedy died from an assassin's bullets on a *Friday at one o'clock midst trouble, strife, and great confusion*. . . just as "The Friend" had described the condition through Rev. Zenor two weeks in advance.

Half a dozen or more people have examined my cuckoo clock and they all agree that it is impossible for it to do what it did . . . *but it did!*

"THE MYSTERY OF GOD"

The infinity of the perfection of God is such that it eternally constitutes Him mystery. The greatest of all the unfathomable mysteries of God is the phenomenon of the Divine indwelling of mortal minds. The manner in which the Universal Father sojourns with the creatures of time is the most profound of all universe mysteries; the *Divine presence in the mind of man is the mystery of mysteries.*

The physical bodies of mortals are "the temples of God." Notwithstanding that, the Sovereign Creator Sons come near the creatures of their inhabited worlds and "draw all men to themselves;" though they "stand at the door" of consciousness "and knock" and delight to come in to all who will "open the doors of their hearts;" although there does exist this intimate personal communion between the Creator Sons and their mortal creatures, nevertheless, mortal men have something from God which actually dwells within them; their bodies are the temples thereof.

When you are through down here, when your course has been run in temporary form on Earth, when your trial trip in the flesh is finished, when the dust that composes the mortal tabernacle "returns to the Earth whence it came," then, it is revealed, the indwelling "Spirit shall return to God who gave it." There sojourns within each mortal being of this planet a fragment of God, a part and parcel of Divinity. It is not yet yours by right of possession, but it is designedly intended to be one with you if you survive the mortal existence.

We are constantly confronted with this mystery of God; we are nonplused by the increasing unfolding of the endless panorama of the truth of His infinite goodness, endless mercy, matchless wisdom, and superb character.

The Divine mystery consists in the inherent difference which exists between the finite and the Infinite, the temporal and the eternal, the time-space creature and the Universal Creator, the material and the spiritual, the imperfection of man and the perfection of Paradise Deity. The God of universal love unfailingly manifests himself to every one of his creatures up to the fullness of that creature's capacity to grasp spiritually the qualities of Divine truth, beauty, and goodness.

To every spirit being and to every mortal creature in every sphere and on every world of the universe of universes, the Universal Father reveals all of his grac-

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WANT TO TELL YOU something about when I was over in Africa and heard a discussion taking place over there. There was a white man talking to one of the natives, and this native could talk very good English. The white man said: "You know, you people here, you black hounds," he said, "you are disgusting, you are dirty, you are ignorant." So the black man replied to him and said: "Very well, we are dirty, but you can help us and show us how to be clean; you can also give us education and teach us how to be intelligent, but there is one thing you cannot do. You cannot change our color, because you do not have the power to do so. God gave us that color, and I do not believe He wants to change it."

I listened. Of course I am yellow-skinned myself, and that impressed me

and say, "I am a Child of God" . . . but are you? Do you know what Christianity really is? Do you have the Christ Spirit in your heart? You must not just believe that the world was made for you, but that it was made for all, for everybody to enjoy. But one thing is quite necessary, and that is to be kind. If you, for instance, sit down to a bountiful meal at the table, how often do you Christians think to say, *Well, Father, I hesitate before I touch this meal, and ask you if it will not be possible for others who are deprived of this privilege to enjoy a similar meal. Can you not grant this bounty to them?* If you think those things and believe those things in your hearts, you are hastening the day that the other people will come into their own and enjoy exactly the things you enjoy.

"There was a time when you people

Share Your Privileges

from Tong, an educated Chinese lad in Spirit

• By Rev. Ivan Hutchins,
Toronto, Ontario, Canada



greatly. I thought I would have a little something to say, so I followed the white man home and I worried him a little bit until I was able to make him see things differently. I got him to thinking. I transferred thoughts to him. I said: "Brother, don't you realize that Africa is a big country, a big continent just waking up? At one time America was the same as Africa, all full of trees and wild life. You must be merciful, and you should be considerate of that fact because the colored man in Africa can overcome you two or three to one in population, and as they succeed in gaining intelligence and understanding you will have to accept them as your own brothers, as your own sisters, and your own fellow-creatures. The same thing applies to the Chinese and the Japanese; all of those with a different tinge to their skin will have to be accepted into the great family of human existence.

"Mankind should not indulge in ideas of discrimination, because there are many faults among the white races that cannot be discovered among the colored races. You people have everything. You agree with me, I hope, that most of your people have everything. You are very fortunate; you have good clothes, good homes, good food; you can have good entertainment. You are very rich. God has been very kind to you, and many of these nationalities of a different skin have never had the opportunity of enjoying one quarter of the privileges you enjoy, or maybe not even one-percent of them.

"You try to Christianize them. Many of the Christians pride themselves on being saved, pat themselves on the back

were unable, years ago, to sit down and enjoy the privileges you enjoy to-day. Your forebears lived a life of hard work, an austere simple life, and they prepared the way for you — the plenty and prosperity you now enjoy. So if you pray for the dark-skinned people — the Chinese, the Japanese, the Africans — you make them your brothers and sisters. You are jointly blending your charity, your love, your encouragement with them and through them to the Almighty Father to establish them so that they can enjoy the bountiful results of the pastures, the fields and the orchards.

"Everything you do, everything you look at, everything you get, wish that somebody else will have the same opportunity as you and to enjoy those same privileges. That is the true secret of establishing what you pray for: "Thy Kingdom come to earth, Thy Will be done on earth." By practising it in your mind in the first instance it becomes a reality. Do not be selfish in your supplications. Always ask the Divine Father for what you need, but also ask Him to provide for those who are deprived of the same possession, to embrace the whole Universe as one great family, calling them your brothers and sisters without any reflection upon the color of their skin, or their speech, or religion, that there may be one beautiful Garden of Eden.

Lift yourselves up very high above the sordid conditions of the physical existence. I ask the Dear Father God to bless the spark of Jesus in your heart, like a beautiful candle that you can light and dispel all the shades from your earth plane. Bless you, my dear friends."



A masterly creation, presenting in artistic and photographic accuracy the suffering soul of the Filipino race. The Andres Bonifacio monument in Grace Park, Caloocan, Rizal, P.I., standing thirty-five meters from base to tip.

Only six of the twenty-four figures cast in bronze are true-to-life persons, the others being the creation of having been impressed spiritually. The above picture is a 360 degree-angle view of the entire monument.

KNOWN AS THE MICHELANGELO OF THE PHILIPPINES

Guillermo E. Tolentino, active septuagenarian with seven children and seven grandchildren, former Director of the University of the Philippines School of Fine Arts, is still considered doyen of the Filipino sculpting art
 Also Vice President of the Philippine Christian Spiritist Union, with nearly five hundred member churches, we see some of his works on these pages and share his views as expressed for Chimes on how - with the help of Spirit - God and His Arts are expressed through man

God And His Arts

By G. E. Tolentino

Manila, P.I.

stars of staggering sizes in this boundless space, wrongly believed in olden days to be flat and motionless, center of all creations, was reported to have been created in six days, six thousand years ago. This symbolical number of days and years may actually correspond to six million, billion or trillion periods of time - only God knows. It was also reported that the last He created was man, and for the first time He spoke with somebody when He said: "Let us make man in our image." As a sculptor in flesh He modeled in modeling clay ("dust of the ground") a perfect specimen of manhood whom He entitled Adam. But it was inanimate so "He breathed into his nostrils the breath of life" and he became a live-sculpture. But something was missing. This was not His complete image yet. Then He took one of his ribs, and out of it He made a full-grown beautiful live-girl and named her Eve. Two beings from one body, a perfect couple, man and wife,

"no more twain, but one flesh." He then placed them in a worthy mystical Paradise. This might be the correct interpretation in the ancient Jewish Kabbalah of God as a Supernatural Being with two crowned heads of a man and a woman sitting majestically on a throne, the so-called FATHER-MOTHER-GOD. But "no one has seen God at any time". However, His image was, is and forever shall be manifested always a duality in nature: male and female, positive and negative, day and night, right and left, heaven and earth, seen and unseen, cause and effect, etc. which we call the masterpieces of living arts, forever ruled by the Divine Laws of Love.

MAN AND HIS ARTS

Factually speaking, when the earth became habitable six hundred or sixty million years ago, men and animals did not come out all of a sudden already

paleolithic and neolithic people, such as the Homo Heidelbergensis, Neanderthal Men, Cromagnon, Pekingensis, the Java Man, etc. Only last year, petrified skulls were found in Philippine caves aging around 35,000 years old. As they evolved and developed physically and mentally through multiple reincarnations (the law of birth and rebirth for the natural progression and evolution of the individual soul to continue the unfinished mission or works on earth, or for the payment of Karmic sins or debts to the very last mite), the primitive men started to record their routine activities, not in words or letters but in crude drawings or paintings on the vast walls of their dwell-



The Spirit of Bataan and Corregidor, monument erected on the very peak of the Rock at Corregidor.

formed and adults, but started in simple unisecular expressions that came out of the sea. A combination and adjustment after several million years of continuous development, evolution and metamorphosis, they became all species of plants and animals and all races of men, all in pairs. The first men were more beast than human, adapted to their times and surroundings. Thus we see in Museums of Natural History skulls of extinct



Dr. Jose P. Rizal

Martyred Philippine leader

THE COSMIC INTELLIGENCE, the Universal Spirit, the Infinite, the one and only God called in as many names as there are languages, considered as Logos, a Deity whose speech is thought, created and continue creating all things seen and unseen. His creation, from the unfathomable macrocosmos through the microcosmos, up to the infinitesimal ions, vibrates with life emanating variously colored light and sounds whose melody and precision of motion is in harmony with the music of the spheres... all in all, on the summit of perfection. In the defective human idiom we say - all things created, be they beautiful or trivial, as long as they stir the highest human emotion, are works of arts. Hence God is the Supernatural or Divine Artist.

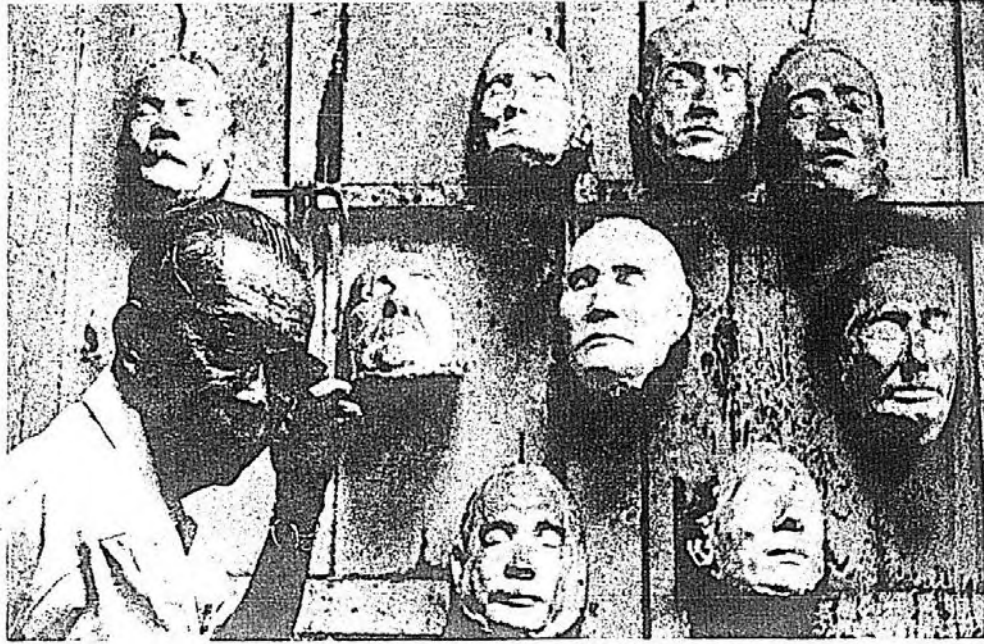
HIS LIVE SCULPTURE

Pinpointing to our planet earth, a grain of sand lost in the midst of numberless



Guillermo E. Tolentino with his wife, Paz,

Foremost exponent of historical events in the Philippines by his dramatic, deeply moving sculptured figures.



Facial impressions taken from persons who had just passed on

ings and carvings on their artifacts. Thus was the birth of the Fine Arts. These primitive art treasures can still be seen on the walls of caves in Australia, Africa, Spain, France and elsewhere, while their artifacts were collected and treasured in Museums of Natural history. Not all primitive people were artists. Each individual up to the present acquired different learnings, or avocations from their respective environment. It was the fear of the furies of the elements and ferocious animals that caused them to hide and dwell indefinitely in those caves. Because of the fear associated with horrible visions or nightmares, they became highly superstitious and attributed evil spirits to each of them. Because of their admiration and gratitude to the beneficent sunshine and rainfall, to good hunting, abundant fruit gathering and plentiful harvest, they attributed to them benevolent spirits they believed were all under the domain of an invisible Supreme Ruler who also influenced men's arts through the ages, thus giving



The return of classical beauty . . . Madonna and child, sculptured without models, done in Italian marble.



Tolentino's sensitive fingers effect the smile on a girl's face, giving it life, warmth and youth, as well as endearing charm and spiritual depth.

them that sense of religiosity well accentuated in their arts.

The colossal long-eared stone heads that stand guard along the coast of Easter Island in the South Pacific were discovered not long ago. Then we have the marvelous Inca, Aztecs, Tarascan and other primitive American arts. The wealth of Oriental arts with gigantic squatting or reclining Buddhas in dream-like temples and pagodas, the gigantic winged bulls with human heads in Persia, the colossal Sphinx, pyramids and polished granite sculptures in ancient Egypt, all were inspired by unseen forces or entities we call Holy Spirits who also use our spirit mediums nowadays in preaching the Kingdom of God and healing the sick. Then came the golden era of Greek and Roman culture in philosophy, literature, poetry, drama, architecture and other allied sciences

crowned above all by the majestic poise, beauty and perfection of their gods and goddesses in white marble, followed by the more advanced Christian religious sculptures in bronze and marble that decorate the beautiful churches and cathedrals and heroic figures on monuments, then the frescos and mosaics followed by easel paintings, all known as classical arts. There is also the rise and fall of the Fine Arts, thus we may freely say that Art is the barometer of a country's culture. So there is also duality in Art: good and bad.

In modern times, what used to be good classical arts seem to be eclipsed by the modern or contemporary arts which, to modernists, is the better art for the world over, it stirs the highest human emotion while the classical or realistic art is left centuries behind for being mere copies

or photographs of nature. An unbiased sage and authority on the Fine Arts had this to say, however: Modern or contemporary arts are distorted arts, and distorted arts are creations of distorted minds. He even wondered how a modernist could ever love and marry his abstract female sculpture in ivory if she came to life as in the case of Pygmalion who fell madly in love with his beautiful sculpture of Galatea and married her when she came to life miraculously. Of course all these are mere contradicting human opinions.

Alas! Man's dream of beauty and perfection in his realistic or abstract art, though he gives all the vivid expressions of sorrow, horror, love, patriotism, etc., remains immovable and inanimate dead material, the opposite of God's live-masterpieces in nature, symbolically represented by Adam and Eve.

Ed Bodin's COLUMN

QUESTION: I heard a prominent speaker, one attached to a national organization of Spiritualism, say it is about finished as a religion. Can you explain for I know you heard him say it in front of others?

ANSWER: As a layman, I too have said many times that organized church Spiritualism should not try to compete in the field of religious creeds. It has not been able to hold its own compared with others because it follows no leader of religious teachings, nor has it an authority like Mary Baker Eddy has for Christian Science or Joseph Smith for Mormonism. Organized Spiritualism has kept away from the label of Christianity. It has strained to help the clergy rather than the laymen.

To me, Spiritualism means something different. It means *spiritual culture*, as it is no more a religious creed than Physical Culture which also embraces the Bible statement that the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. The motto, TRUST IN GOD, of the United States of America, is not part of a religious creed, anymore than Spiritualistic trust in God and in the Spirit world.

A reorganization of spiritualism could make it the leading philosophy of the space age. I have gone into this quite thoroughly in my book coming out entitled, *"Our Best Friends Are Ghosts"* (the theory of Survivalism.) *Mediums shall be the spiritual psychiatrists of the future.*

Many who have memorized the following prayer by Ed Bodin have requested it be printed for the inspiration of others:

THE 111 WORD PRAYER

In the name of the Master of Peace and Good Will, I petition Thee, Oh Father, One God of the Universe, to send me Thy glow of Holy Grace and Glory, that I may be lifted out of the bondage of sensation into the spiritual freedom and peace of Salvation.

Give me the perception to discern God from Evil. May I hunger after righteousness and justice, and be protected by the Light of Thy Guardian Angels. Grant me the wisdom of humility and good will, and the appreciation of my many blessings that I may value my treasures of the Spirit world far above the material things I possess on Earth.

HARK THE CALL!

Hark! the clarion call is sounding
To all nations, clear and true,
Men, prepare now for the struggle,
This our day has need of you!

Though God made each nation different,
Each is seeking common goals,
Each has something to contribute
To these days which try men's souls.

In this strangely crucial moment
Each must have a purpose pure.
Each must give co-operation
If mankind is to endure.

Forward then, ye valiant leaders,
Worldsmiths of a brighter morn,
Holding fast the tangled fabric
That dictators' hands have torn.

Glimpse in one inspired moment
The New Age that is to be
Dawns a better understanding
Universal harmony.

— Averil Maynard

Ode to Spirit

SOME DAY ...

I wonder why I'm not told more,
As come softly mists from the shore;
They ease the pain of my aching heart—
By dispensing tears they do their part.

I wonder when I'll learn their ways;
They come to me, but will not stay,
Some day they'll come, I'll feel their hand,
Then, and only then, will I understand.

I wonder if souls whom death hath parted,
Meet in other spheres than this;
If they fill each others hearts,
With the same old earthly bliss?

I wonder if they can fill the cups,
Of their earthly dreams of love;
If souls can lift each other up,
Soul joined to soul in realms above?

—Korah Bates Baughman



PRAY AND PROSPER

o By Dr. Josephy Murphy
Los Angeles, California

Frequently affirm the following truths:

"I have absolute faith in God's law of prosperity in all my affairs."

"Infinite Intelligence guides me, Divine Love prospers me, and I am a tremendous success in everything I undertake."

"God is my infinite source of supply, and I am always provided for in Divine Order."

"I have complete faith in the substance of God working in and through me to magnify my good and bring abundance and riches into my experience."

"Divine Love bountifully supplies and guides me in all my ways."

"God is omnipresent abundance, and all my needs are met at every moment of time and point of space."

"God is my eternal source of supply. The spirit of God goes before me, and my prosperity, success, happiness, and health are assured at all times."

"I receive thankfully, and I give freely, joyously, and lovingly."

As we intercede in prayer for the healing of others we give ourselves as channels to be used for the Divine Love, and we feel less and less of our own part in it. We are caught up in something so much greater, so much more significant than ourselves, that we lose all sense of personal question about it.

— Dr. Rebecca Beard

LESSONS FOR STUDENTS . . .

HOW TO OBTAIN THOUGHT-PHOTOGRAPHS

AN INTERESTING PHASE for the experimenter is that of "Thought-Photography." The most sensitive plates that can be procured should be used for this purpose and the experiments conducted in the dark. The plate may be held between the palms of the hands or placed against the forehead, or over the solar plexus, next to the skin, and must be left there for a considerable time, a half an hour or longer,

form so clear an outline.

You must not be disappointed if you do not succeed at first in this, and you may have to develop (and thus spoil) a number of plates before you get any impression at all upon them. The first thing you will get, probably, will be a spot of light, or a series of small spots, as the fluid finds its way through the opaque paper, onto the plate. You must remember that



Psychic experiments of Prof. Tomokichi Fukurai of Japan described by Phenomonist in Prediction magazine. Above shows the mental impression of a nun on two separate sealed photographic plates, which, when placed side by side, form a composite outline of her silhouette.

if possible. During this time the subject should think intensely of a certain figure or object, such as a cat, a chair, a ship, as the case may be. He should keep this before his mind vividly and intensely and never allow it to become blurred or indistinct. Holding it there by an effort of will, he should try to impress this upon the photographic plate, and should also try to feel inwardly the process going on within him — the flow of the magnetic current to the spot beneath the plate.

Another way of obtaining thought-photographs is to place a plate wrapped in black paper, or placed in an opaque black envelope, on the table, and over it place the finger-tips for some time, — usually from five to ten minutes. Then think or will that a certain thought or image will be impressed upon the plate; if you are at all developed along this line, the impress will be left on the plate, through the paper. Any object can be selected — a round ring of light, a triangle, a face, etc. It is best to begin with simple objects, because the mind seems able to impress this upon the plate more readily and clearly than a more complex object, of which it cannot

the human fluid is the instrument, or intermediary, through which photographs of this character are made, and hence you must learn the art of the projection of this fluid before you can hope successfully to impress a photographic plate. Once you have done so, the rest will be simply a matter of development; you will find it one of the most interesting and fascinating subjects for investigation in the whole realm of psychics.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF PSYCHIC FORMS AND EMOTIONS

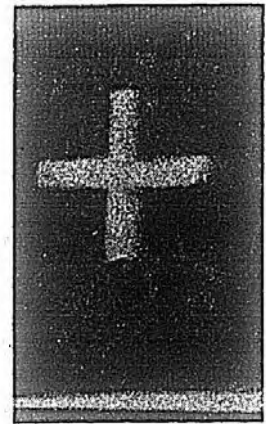
In many cases, photographs of emotions have been successfully taken, especially of late, and Monsieur Darget has narrated a number of experiments of this character to the French Academy of Sciences, which has accepted his report as authentic. It is thus evident that Thought-Photography has at length claimed a place in the scientific world, and, in this being so, it is only a matter of careful experimenting on the student's part before he obtains photographs of this character.

An interesting series of experiments might be tried by the scientifically

minded inquirer, namely, to obtain photographs of mediums in trance, while they are obtaining Automatic-Writing, Crystal-Gazing, etc., and also of those who are on the point of dying. Such experiments doubtless would reveal many changes in the Aura, and also the presence of Thought-Images and possibly Spirit-Forms which would otherwise be quite unsuspected by those present.

"RADIOGRAPHS," AND HOW TO OBTAIN THEM

Photographs of the rays or aura of the human body on the photographic plate are secured comparatively rarely, for the reason that the body of the subject must become "radio-active" to some extent before an impression of this kind is possible. Such pictures are consequently called "Radiographs." The rays which impress the photographic plates, seem to emanate from the etheric double and not from the physical body, for the reason that they do not follow the anatomical distribution of the nerves of the body. The "double" often can affect the plates in this way, and spirits can do so, but it is not common for the human body to be able thus to affect them.

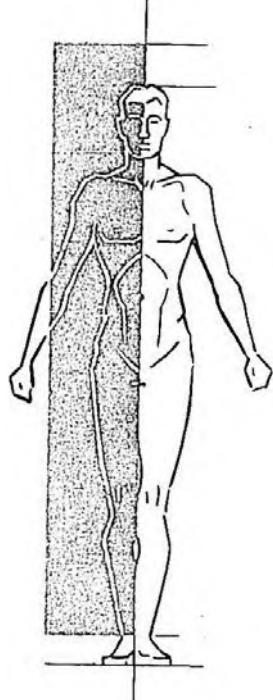


The image of a cross impressed upon a sensitive photographic plate.



Mental impression on dry plate of Chinese characters meaning One, Heavenly Brilliance, God . . .

(The foregoing are excerpts from *Your Psychic Powers and How To Develop Them* by Carrington which may be purchased from Chimes, \$3.15 postpaid.)



The Body Tells The Story

... OF WHAT YOU THINK

o By Dr. Cushing Smith
Detroit, Michigan

CONSUMPTION
... WHY does it consume us? ..

THIS OLDER TERM for that which moderns call tuberculosis, because they believe it to be caused by tubercle bacilli, really tells the story of its primary mental significance.

It is a state of consuming fear, worry, sexual desire, lust, envy, revenge, covetousness, or any, one of a host of other consuming motives of the wrong kind. In many cases the terror induced by the very name, tuberculosis, is so intense that there is even the fear of letting this terror be known, hence the frequent development of a spirit of bravado that might fool the very elect.

Behind it all is the fear of death, but this usually is a secondary development after the disease has been diagnosed. Fear is the vitalizing influence of practically every disease, but in consumption it acquires its most devastating proportions. This, then, is the significance of abnormal temperatures. Those who live in an environment of fear, lust, revenge, whether in the fast-disappearing slums or not, are infected by this mental atmosphere, and it is this kind of thoughts, rather than contact with germs, that produce the bacilli. Vulnerability to such destructive thinking becomes objectified in susceptibility to the dreaded disease. The condition of physical decline which seems to set the stage for tuberculosis is actually significant of the moral decline, the mental decline of hopelessness over life and its vicissitudes, decline in the assurance of fortune or financial security. The assumption of heredity in many cases, while the justification might be obvious, is frequently merely the infectiousness of family atmosphere and background, hence *mental* rather than germinal.

TREATMENT

I am not afraid! I am not afraid of death because I am a child of Infinite Life,

God, and as such I cannot die. If I should appear to go through the human dream of death, I will awaken just where I leave here, neither in heaven nor in hell, but merely on another wave-length. Hence, I am not afraid of death any more than I am afraid of sleep, which is its true significance.

I cannot be consumed by the terrifying suggestion of hopelessness in any form, nor can my body be consumed by the germs that represent such suggestions. As I control my thinking, bringing it into line with relation to God, I shall have dominion over the "bugs," and they will no longer exercise their despotism over me.

I am not afraid because "Perfect love casteth out fear." I am a child of Perfect Love, God. I intend to reflect love towards everyone in this home, in this hospital, in this place, in all my contacts with my fellow-man. I can win my own freedom, and I intend to do so, because God gives me dominion; He does not give it to bacilli, to contagion, to infection, to disease or to the carnal mind.

I am not afraid, because I know that I can nullify whatever consuming thoughts I may ever have had, or anyone has ever had towards me. As the image and likeness of God, I am pure, holy, upright, free, the offspring of His tender Love, not the product of environment, background, family influence or consuming impulse. The substance of my lungs and of all the parts of my body is spiritual, not flesh-and-blood; hence, it cannot be consumed, any more than the multiplication-table or the law of gravity can be destroyed.

I am not afraid because God is right in the place where the disease seems to be. He will sustain me in the measure of my recognition that He alone is my life, my health, my strength, my ability, and my capacity for full enjoyment of life and its



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RIGHT TO BE RICH . . .

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not brought into being by thinking about their opposites. Health is never attained by studying disease and thinking about disease; righteousness is not promoted by studying sin and thinking about sin; and no one ever got rich by studying poverty and thinking about poverty. Do not talk about poverty; do not investigate it, or concern yourself with it. Never mind what the causes are; have nothing to do with it. What concerns you is the *cure*. Do not spend your time in charitable work, or charity movements; all charity only tends to perpetuate the wretchedness it aims to eradicate. I do not say you should be hardhearted or unkind and refuse to hear the cry of need; however, you must *not* try to eradicate poverty in any of the conventional ways. GET RICH . . . that is the best way you can help the poor. What tends to do away with poverty is not the getting of pictures of poverty into your mind, but *getting the pictures of wealth into the minds of the poor*. Poverty can be done away with, not by increasing the number of well-to-do people who think about poverty, but by increasing the number of poor people who *purpose with faith to get rich*.

The poor do not need charity . . . they need inspiration. Charity only sends them a loaf of bread to keep them alive in their wretchedness, or gives them entertainment to make them forget for an hour or two, but inspiration will cause them to rise out of their misery. If you want to help the poor, demonstrate to them that they can become rich. Prove it by *getting rich yourself!*

People must be taught to become rich by *creation*, not by competition. Every man who becomes rich by competition throws down behind him the ladder by which he rises and keeps others down. Every man who gets rich by creation opens a way for thousands to follow him and inspires them to do so. You do not have to take anything away from any one. You do not have to drive a sharp bargain. You do not have to cheat, or to take advantage. You do not need to let any man work for you for less than he earns. You do not have to covet the property of others or look at it with wishful eyes, for no man has anything of which you cannot have the like, and that without taking what he has away from him.

You are to become a creator, not a competitor; you are going to get what you want, but in such a way that when you get it every other man will have more than he has now.

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MARGIE . . .

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ties. No edible food is produced; therefore activities in connection with it are not required.

Those who are dependent for their livelihood on activities which are not needed will soon become adjusted to a different way of life. Usually one becomes so busy helping others over the border that he soon adjusts to his new life. That is often the way it is carried out.

◦Margie, I think recently you spoke about something which occurred at President Kennedy's funeral. Would you care to repeat it here for your readers.

Yes. I said that there had been quite a discussion recently regarding the three or four leaves that settled very quietly on the casket of President Kennedy. They settled on the casket, yet there were no leaves in the neighborhood at all, or on the trees. A few leaves fell down, and the announcer said, "Leaves are falling on the coffin," yet there was no evidence of any trees around, no leaves whatsoever. Why did they focus their attention on that casket in particular, instead of anywhere else? Was this a significant omen, a significant sign that was provided by Spirit at the time? It would have gone along unnoticed if it had not been for the commentator and television.

I merely quote this incident to remind you that there is a reason for all things, that in each of our lives, when we do not know the answer to something that concerns us, it behooves us to dig more deeply, until we come up with the answer.

◦Margie, are there more or fewer laws in the astral plane that have to be obeyed than there are on the earth plane?

If you are speaking of law in reference to God's laws, these must be obeyed, naturally, the same as we must obey God's laws on the earth plane. But if you ask are there more laws in the astral world which must be obeyed than those made and brought about by mankind, I must say that you have more laws on the earth plane than we have here in the astral world.

God's laws are immutable. They cannot be changed. They are the same today on either side of the veil, as they were back in the days of the beginning of humanity. We have organization in the astral, but laws are not employed to bring about this organization, except for a special reason, and for particular groups. I would say that we could compare them with the laws and rules of an organization here on earth to apply within the organization itself.

(Drop Margie and Philip a line and get acquainted, for if they can help you with something that has puzzled you in your studies, it will be their privilege and pleasure to assist you.)

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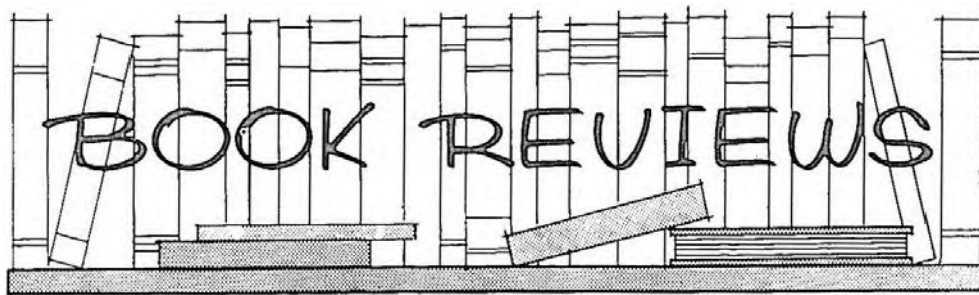
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In dreams, time and space as we know them change or disappear completely. Emotions we are unaware of or repress during the day appear, strong and real for the duration of the dream. Sometimes we enter a world alien to us, a dimension beyond any familiar to us; we glimpse a crack in the curtain which separates us from the unknown. Here many of the mysteries are revealed usually hidden beyond the limited world of our senses when we close our eyes and dream.

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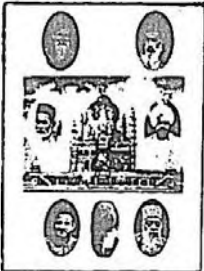
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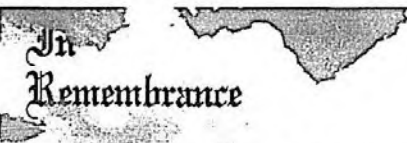
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