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EDITORS MESSAGE



William F. Melick

It is with mixed emotions that I write this message. First my thanks to Mr. William L. Clark, the former editor of The National Spiritualist. Only he knows the hours of sweat and tears that he has shared with our publication. Many thanks "Willie", William L. Clark. Next, I must express my regrets that Rev. Bernard Powell decided not to assume the responsibilities connected

with the editing of The National Spiritualist. I know that only very good reasoning brought about this decision. And, we all must know that it was for the good and right of all concerned—this being in accord with Natural Law. Yes, we were all surprised at this sudden change of events and another assuming these duties.

The New Editor

Yes, you guessed it—Mr. William F. Melick, Editor and Mrs. Marjorie M. Melick is Assistant-Editor. Please be patient with us. With your co-operation and assistance (especially your prayers), The National Spiritualist will grow to be even bigger and better than before. Give us your support as always before. We thank you in advance.

Thanks to Conventioneers

May I momentarily reflect back to the 83rd Annual Convention of The National Spiritualist association of Churches. For the many of you who were there, you will remember that it was very unusual. Fellow Delegates of the past 83rd annual convention, I salute and thank you for being so patient, understanding, and co-operative. You were all truly good Spiritualists. And you are responsible for the success of the 83rd annual convention. We all thank the First Spiritualist Church of Syracuse for their most gracious hospitality.

Happy New Year

Today we start a new year. Many things of the past possibly should have been different. Allright that was yesterday, and has passed us never to return. We shall truly learn from the lessons of yesterday. Now it is time to live and act in the Today. The Lyceumist says it best; "Every Day is a new beginning".

We wish everyone of you "A Happy New Year". The page has been turned and we are writing the history of this New Year, 1976.

We shall not invite you to send us complaints. Instead we will think in terms of constructive criticism. We will endeavor to correct the errors we make as quickly as possible. Remember the old saying, "The difficult we do right away, the impossible takes a little longer".

Postal rates up

The rate of mailing our National Spiritualist magazine has doubled. The prices of printing and the paper to print on has increased. The purchase price of The National Spiritualist is certainly not in keeping. We have the finest Church publication in the interest of Spiritualism. Over twenty years ago it was purchased for the same price that it is today. I am not

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Rev. Merrill, Pres.

## INTERNATIONAL SPIRITUALIST FEDERATION

The Reverend Joseph H. Merrill, President of the N.S.A.C. reports of the September 1975 meeting in London, England.

To the Officers and Delegates of the 83rd Annual Convention of the NSAC

### Greetings:

It is with mixed feelings that this report is given to you. I say "mixed feelings" because of the understanding of Spiritualism that we have carried over the many years and the findings from an international standpoint, knowing full well that Spiritualism and Spiritism are synonymous to many countries.

We will dispense with the preliminaries about an excellent flight via the British Airways and the splendid service of the airline, and the arrival at Gatwick Airport and the reception given by Miss May Cook who had met our party and had arranged taxis to get us to the Froebel Training Institute on Roehampton Lane in London, which was our destination. The International Spiritualist Federation, hereafter referred to as the ISF, had thru the offices of the General Secretary Miss Wilson and the Treasurer Miss Connie Ransom, arranged to take over the school which included five dormitories, a common meeting room, a dining hall, and Auditorium where the meetings were held.

Upon registering, each member was furnished a folic containing the Agenda, the Programme, a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws, the Treasurer's report and several copies of papers submitted by a few delegates, and copies of reports sent in by affiliated organizations. These were all translated in the language of the members.

According to one report of delegates and individual members, together with Day Visitors there were 18 delegates, 89 individual members, 56 visitors, or a total of 163 attending the Congress. This does not count the number that attended the evening sessions.

According to the report, including the United States group, there were 18 countries represented; 58 from Great Britain; 10 from Canada; five from Finland; one from Australia; 4 from Germany; 8 from Sweden; 3 from So-

Africa; 1 from Argentine; 2 from Egypt; 3 from Saudi Arabia; 1 from Greece; 1 from Mexico; 1 from Holland; 1 from Bermuda; 6 from Spain; 1 from Japan; and 13 from Iceland; 14 from the United States. From the N.S.A.C. were Ernst Schoenfeld, Clyde Dibble, Joseph Sax, Rev. Larry Clark, Gilbert Merrick, Florence MacDonald, Christine Clairmonte, Barbara Givan, Tom Todorovich, Bernard Powell, Rev. Betty Allen, Vernon Herschell, Florence Carr, all from the N.S.A.C. and Rev. Dollie Warren Saunders of the U.C.M.

The theme of the 10th Triennial Congress was most appropriate—UNITE IN DIVERSITY, for certainly there is a wide divergence of ideas among the Spiritualists and Spiritists of the world.

The Congress unofficially opened on the Saturday afternoon when Maurice Barbanell of the Psychic News extended greetings to the assembled members. Since there were several Spanish and French speaking members, the greetings were translated, sentence by sentence, for those members to understand. During this hour your President and Mr. Dibble were interviewed by the Psychic News. Saturday evening was devoted to an introduction of the various delegates.

### SUNDAY

Sunday morning the Congress officially opened with a welcoming address by the Worshipful Mayor of Wandsworth, dressed in full regalia for the occasion. Following this greeting Doris Collings, widely known throughout Great Britain, demonstrated mediumship. In the afternoon, Ron Baker, Secretary of the Spiritualist National Union of Great Britain spoke on the subject of "Sexual Polarity and Mediumship". Using his book as a basis for his talk, bringing out the fact that the sexual polarity contains the Law of Duality which is fundamental with the known contents of the Universe. He spoke of poltergeist manifestation, in his opinion generated in adolescents. He also commented on flamboyant mediums and stated that this shows an imbalance of mediumship. Children should not sit in unfoldment

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circles but should be encouraged in the home circles. He also brought out a statement by Emma Hardinge Britten, that "Public demonstration of mediumship should be banished. It should be for the serious investigator". He went on to say that a quantity of messages given loses quality; there can be 100 clairvoyants of poor quality—they have not strengthened the movement but have weakened it. What is needed, he said, is more teachers or spirit teachings. Sunday nights your President shared the platform with Fordon Hagginson, President of the Spiritualist National Union of Great Britain and Coral Polge, well known psychic artist who worked jointly with Mr. Higginson, she sketching the spirit and Mr. Higginson completing and bringing the message. It was strange to us in this country to hear applause after each message as tho we were at a theatrical performance.

### MONDAY

The business session opened Monday morning. Standing orders had already been distributed, and the agenda was followed. Since the President doesn't speak English, Mr. John Hancock—Executive Committee member was appointed to take the chair and conduct the meetings. One South African delegate spoke for having a liason officer who would be sort of a roving ambassador—a motion was made that the Executive Committee appoint a suitable person. At this point a request was made for invitations to hold the 11th Congress. A very tentative invitation was made by your President to hold the Congress in the United States but any invitation would be considered thoroughly by our convention delegates before making anything binding. Scotland and Egypt asked—also Canada. Amendments to the Constitution was voted on at this session. In the afternoon all members and many day visitors gathered to hear Harry

Edwards. Naturally, his talk was on healing and spoke of specific cases of cancer that had been given up by medical men only to have cures brought about by spirit healing. He brought out the fact that healings do not take place because of anything applied but rather a definite law behind every change. He also spoke of the absent healing being done with 900 letters appealing for help and explained when a letter is received, a contact is made with the patient—energies are gathered and transmitted. During the question period it was brought out that the healing of the mind is most important for his belief is that the state of mind plays a great part. Monday night we listened to the cancer research program being conducted and of the method used. Group therapy seems to be the means whereby the mind is activated by group discussion and how it brings about changes. Five out of seven cases were cured.

### TUESDAY

This was a continuation of the business meeting by Monday nothing in the way of business, other than the liason ambassador and the Constitution & By-Laws was held, so the morning started. A delegate from So. Africa asked the purpose of our being there. A discussion followed about lack of hearing from delegates from other countries, how they function, what they have to offer, etc., but we were informed that reports had already been sent in and printed and given to us at the time of registering. Then various delegates spoke—a member from Egypt spoke on the work being done by the Pyramide Spiritualist Society in the way of publishing books. It was brought out the lack of help, lack of space and the work involved AND A SUGGESTION WAS MADE FOR RAISING FUNDS AND INVESTING

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The Mexico delegate spoke for having a line of communication by using translators—a Icelandic delegate spoke favoring a meeting of the ISF Executive Committee and using "brain surgeons" to bring forth some constructive action. A proposal came forth that a sub-committee be set up to aid the Secretary in the work of her office and to be responsible to the Executive Committee. At this point we recessed. In the afternoon Don Gollaway gave a talk on the problems of youth and the problems seem the same as we have in our own movement. He brought out a few points that all Spiritualists can accept—the young people are more sensitized than we think and they look for broad teachings. Psychic messages do not give this to them. He also pointed out that we give messages in a church service but rarely is there anything to show the individual relationship with spirit so they turn to awareness groups, transcendental meditation groups, etc. and then he asked—"What comes after the message?" His advice to the Congress was not to tell the young people but rather listen. He suggested that instead of using the word "Church" we use the word "center"—we should explain that we don't have ritual as such. The problems there sounded very familiar. In the evening following the youth problem theme, a young man, Duncan Khan, spoke on "A Young Man Looks to Spirit." His views were very similar to Mr. Gollaway's but brought out that if we look at the young people we will probably find that they are more spiritual than many in the Spiritualist movement, and that "Religion" can often separate us from the spiritual. Young people want to find a philosophy whereby they can live their life spiritually and awareness groups open up to them a spiritual understanding. And another statement he brought out was "One who is a medium is not necessarily a spiritual person". Robin Stevens, another medium considered tops in England, demonstrated, and again, after each message came the applause; but, when Joey Crineta of Montreal started to demonstrate and they applauded, he requested them not to.

### WEDNESDAY

At this session various organizations gave an oral report.—Canada reported the number of churches across Canada and the affiliation with the S.S.N.U.;—N.S.A.C. summarized the set-up of our organization with the requirements for full ministry,—the educational program etc.—the Icelandic delegate reported that the church has not been controlled as to what people think—they have participation groups—panel talks—8 lecture meetings and research into conditions before and after so-called death. Egypt reported that they have a replica of the ancient Egyptian temple—reported thousands of mediums—practice palm reading, cards etc.

—all in the name of Spiritualism. Finland reported 255 members—three mediums who demonstrate but many mediums active in home circles—along with healing. Japan reported many Spiritualist societies with from 400 to 500 members but 100,000 people interested in Spiritualism. On the printed reports that were sent in prior to the Congress we learn from So. Africa that the work is confined to white people and every church is autonomous but are not recognized legally. In France there are nine affiliate branches of the main organization with seven more being formed. Parapsychology is the main activity. Sweden reported for the Swedish Spiritualist Association. In 1949 a Scandanavian Union was established between Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Iceland. 3,883 members reported divided into 52 societies all over Sweden. Only 10 mediums working for the association. The people there accept survival after death but don't want to learn anything more or go deeper into the study. Spain reported only the activity of Sra. Mellardo who in Spain must be the female counterpart of Harry Edwards but that's the only report of Spain—her works and cures for healing. Switzerland reported for the Spiritual Lodge of Zurich—mentioning their publishing department and their aid-program for the sick, the hungary and needy and established lepra and welfare stations in Asia, Africa, and So. America. Argentine reported three societies where experimental seances are given preference over the matter of medical diagnostics on those present with a high percentage of success, confirmed by radiographic plaques, analysis and medical verification. The Buenos Aires group undertakes a great mediumistic work and edits literary works in the Spanish language. The "Family Spirit Center" in that city is formed of couples and their children. They have a library of over 5,000 volumes on Spiritism, Religions, history and cultures of ancient civilizations. The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand, reported of their attempt to have fortune telling laws changed but were unsuccessful. Greece—the Psychic Society founded in 1936 has its office open daily which contains a large library with books in all languages, 30 foreign maga-

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## OUR SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

Laura Matulaitis

As we have recalled many times during this 83rd Convention our pioneers had a great struggle and the ridicule they faced, they could not demonstrate in public services as they wanted, they knew they had truth to give to the people, they did find the courage to carry on.

This was faith with work and they did not falter, they paved the road for us today and we must continue to carry the banner high.

Time goes on and the present explosion for knowledge, whether it be of the mind or body, these things must be answered to the young people of this day. Many spend hundreds of dollars on courses, such as Mind Dynamics, Silva Mind Control and others, all of these relating to learning to meditate and develop their awareness.

We as Spiritualist have this right here at our finger tips, all we have to do is reach out and grasp it. We can draw from this source of intelligence and find peace of mind and all that is needed to fill the empty places within our being.

Not only our great pioneers of Spiritualism, but great people down through history gave light unto all man kind. Jesus gave no thought of tomorrow, he taught love and true brotherhood. Mahatma Ghandi was a great Spiritual leader and he reached his people on their own level. We must not think that we are better than our fellow man, we are all here in this physical body to help one another, in whatever way may be ours to serve.

There are many people that would not dare be seen in the day light hours to attend our religious services, but they would seek us out in the dark hours, but here again we have nothing but truth to give and we must impress upon them that they are only holding themselves back. Let us make them aware of our other activities by having seminars and at least one social a month. People will ask questions or pick up free literature and they will also see how happy we are and how we have overcome many obstacles because we know where our help comes from.

I am sure that in the beginning when you started to search, once you looked into the eyes of a Spiritualist, your life became changed, this is how we are going to draw new people into our organization.

We have much work that must be done, but let's work together and have the faith that we can grow and all will see our good works.

There is no time to sit back or say "let someone do it, I did my share, or it is no longer a concern of mine". It is your concern and you do want to be about your Father's business and in truth you will receive the richest blessings.

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Rosanne C. Captain

To the Board and delegates of the Annual 83rd N.S.A.C. Convention, greetings.

The spoken word is merely the end result or reflection of an individual's thoughts, opinions, and feelings. I would like today to share with you some of my thoughts.

When I was asked to speak to you about our Spiritual Heritage, my first thoughts quite naturally were of presenting you with the results of some research. Some sort of chronological recitation concerning our forerunners, pioneers, and their accomplishments immediately came to mind. I do not undermine their monumental contributions, nor do I brush them aside as dusty relics of the past because this simply is not true. I do believe, however, that our spiritual heritage is comprised of something more than names, dates, titles, personalities, and individual accomplishments. It is far more innate and personal and individual than that.

One of the most constant and powerful things is the desire to be more than we are at the moment—an unwillingness to let ourselves remain where we are—a desire to do more, learn more, express more—a desire to grow, improve, accomplish, and expand.

There is a part of me that wants to write, a part that wants to learn, a part that wants to teach . . . let us not force ourselves into a single role. To decide to be just one thing in life would destroy and waste large parts of us. We should rather do what is right for us now and not what was decided or we decided was best for us yesterday! The freedom and knowhow to significantly alter our lives, change our directions, and improve our future is our Spiritual Heritage.

Spiritualism, the truth of Spiritualism, the affirmation of the truth of Spiritualism, has set us free! It has put wings on our souls and has taught us how to fly. Each one of us has experienced an innate individual freedom that literally has allowed our spirits to soar and reach

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## N.S.A.C. EIGHTY-THIRD CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS & BY LAWS

1. WHEREAS, it has been noted that there is again an increase in the practice of advertising in the yellow pages of the phone book by individual NSAC mediums and/or healers and, such practice is contrary to the non-profit religious status of the NSAC mediums and/or healers.

BE IT RESOLVED, and understood that individual advertising of NSAC mediums and/or healers is prohibited and further that such incidents of advertisements by an individual NSAC medium and/or healer be reported to the proper Board for appropriate action. Please note that this is not to be confused with a full church listing notifying the certified workers therein.

2. WHEREAS, there was an interview on the Mike Douglas Show featuring "Blackstone the Magician", who made derogatory remarks about Spiritualism and their workers such as "all spiritualist mediums are fake."

BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Board be directed to seek the opportunity with this TV show for an equal response, and further, that this be done with all speed and dispatch in order to protect the good work as well as the honorable name of Spiritualism.

3. WHEREAS, the continuing development of new workers is imperative for the on-going continuation of its movement; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that all churches charters not now conducting development classes be required, and if need be, assisted to do so.

4. WHEREAS, It was resolved last convention that a committee be formed to study the delegate problem and was commissioned and directed to study our constitution and by-laws and prepare an exact and uniform system in determining how many valid delegates each church, in each state, is entitled to and how many each state association may utilize, thereof, and print out an exact procedure that is to be equitable and standard from now on, and since this has not been done to date.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this mandate be accomplished and created by the National Board immediately without further delay.

5. WHEREAS, although effort is being made to alleviate the confusion to determining, registering and seating valid delegates, there is still lacking an appropriate system to enable the credentials committee to handle the situation in a satisfactory manner; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Secretary provide the Credentials Committee chairperson a list of properly registered and allowable delegate count listed by state, stating state organization and/or other qualified churches as may be applicable; and further that credentials be issued only to delegates, alternates, or proxies based upon those credentials.

6. WHEREAS, that Article VII, Section 3 of our constitution provides for the establishment of a "Bureau of Phenomonal" Evidence to investigate, verify, and secure affidavits as to cases of evidential value bearing upon the survival of the human personality after physical death; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this bureau be re-activated, and a Curator be appointed this year.

7. WHEREAS, the present system of renewing certificates for licentiates mediums and healers is wasteful of time, money, and labor.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the method of renewing medium and licentiate certificates and healers commission be similiar to the method ordained ministers use when paying their clergy fee each year.

8. WHEREAS, practices differ in different areas.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NSAC questions be used by every state auxiliary or other board of examiners when giving examination for mediums and licentiate certificates and healer's commissions.

9. WHEREAS, this has been requested.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NSAC Board of Directors shall have a copy of all resolutions and amendments passed at the Annual Convention printed within thirty (30) days after said Convention and shall send a copy to each church in good standing with the N.S.A.C.

### CHANGES IN BYLAWS, NSAC PASSED AT 1975 CONVENTION, SYRACUSE, NY

ARTICLE I SECTION 11 page 21 ADDITION  
"The Board of Directors shall have a copy of all resolutions and amendments passed at the Convention printed within thirty (30) days after said Convention and shall send a copy to each church in good standing with the N.S.A.C."

ARTICLE X SECTION 13 page 41 NAME CHANGE  
The Board of Trustees of Stow Memorial Foundation shall have authority to publish "The National Spiritualist" the official Publication of this Association;

### ARTICLE IX SECTION 22 page 39 DELETION AND ADDITION

Deleting the words "applicants shall give demonstrations, take examinations, or furnish testimony as said Board may require". Adding the words "applicants shall take examinations and furnish testimony in the form of not less than six (6) notarized affidavits from persons attesting to the healers ability to cure or relieve serious ailments".

### ARTICLE IX SECTION 27 page 41 CHANGE AND ADDITION

The National Secretary, with advice and approval of the National Board, shall publish to the world each year a list of all ordained ministers under the jurisdiction of the N.S.A.C. a list of those to whom has been granted the degree of N.S.T. and who have retained their membership in the NSAC through a church, state association, on the Executive Church; the names of the secretaries of auxiliary state associations, and such other matter as the Board may deem wise to include.

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# Spiritual Healing



## WHERE ARE WE GOING HEALING?

### CONVENTION WORKSHOP

Rev. Evelyn Muse



Rev. Evelyn Muse

Just after midnight in the early part of 1970, when the world was sleeping, voices of Angels were heard. They had a message to give—then a very beautiful scene was shown with the blue sky peeping through mushrooms of fleecy clouds. As the voices drew nearer extended hands reached forth—touching and healing those who were ill. Many were there to witness the great

healing power and to hear the voices, of those leading and guiding the vast crowd, say: "Spiritual Healing for the weary body and soul—today, tomorrow and forever." There were only two familiar faces in this great gathering of spirit friends who had journeyed on.

This was the origin, the beginning of the organized movement of the N.S.A.C. Healing Center and Prayer Groups adopted by the Directors of the National Spiritualist Association of Churches in Milwaukee, Wisconsin April 1970. Today we have an N.S.A.C. Healing Center and many Prayer Groups in various sections of the country.

The timing of Spirit visitation was right, the quickening of spirit to make us know that the good work must go on as it had been promised many years ago. Our N.S.A.C. Healing Center is a network of nerves, reaching out to all who are sitting in Prayer Groups and to the beneficiary. It is a legacy, a heritage—our own N.S.A.C. birthright to promote the spiritual and divine work of great men and women, who gave a double portion of their spirit for the cause of Spiritualism and spiritual healing. Where do we go from here?

I strongly urge the copyright of the name: "N.S.A.C. HEALING CENTER AND THE LITERATURE, "ONE EACH DAY". We should learn by past mistakes that the name of Spiritualism should be protected in all of our publications.

This great spiritual work has been practiced

by Spiritualists Lo. all these many years. Even though spiritual healing was not very popular among the elite of our nation, yet the rank and file, the common heard of men and women and children were given relief and were healed as our ministers or healers were "anointed" and felt the issue of new life and strength flow into the weary, sick bodies of those who believed. So today in many of the Protestant Churches and Catholic Churches spiritual healing has become a regular part of their services. Yes, they dare to do what we as Spiritualists have proclaimed as a beautiful and natural part of our gifts—**HEALING THE SICK.**

Our N.S.A.C. Healing Center was established as an intimate part of our association here in America—it belongs to us—to you and to me. We need not boast of foreign shrines or healing waters, not to take one tiny bit of the praise from them, as God works in marvelous ways His wonders to behold; but here in your own organization you have some of the greatest healers—just as good as the best and in some cases greater. But we do not stand up to be counted, we do not get the praise or publicity that other healers in different organizations are getting. Why can't we boast and support that which belongs to us, those who carry our Commissions: **SPIRITUAL HEALING?** Thousands of people are going annually to Healing Shrines in Mexico, France, South America and other places—Where are we going?

I too, visualize such a beautiful shrine in the future for Modern Spiritualism as a living memorial to Those Beloved Healers and Mediums who gave so much for the cause we love. But until that time we have our N.S.A.C. Healing Center which is in operation under the capable and willing heart and hands of Miss Catherine Schneider. When the N.S.A.C. Board of Directors called Miss Schneider in 1970 to ask if she would serve as Secretary and Custodian of the Healing Center—she immediately replied: "I WILL GLADLY SERVE MY ASSOCIATION." Day after day, weeks after weeks and on and on through the years she has served her beloved organization not as a commissioned Healer but at the "Nerve center" answering the telephone and answering request by mail, sending out literature to those asking for it, and keeping the life line open—feeding the many requests to the Prayer Groups for the physical, mental and spiritual needs of human beings who perhaps are not so fortunate

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as you have been or are today. Her steadfast loyalty to the NSAC Organization and the Healing Center has been a service of very little thanks but more rewarding. THANK YOU, CATHERINE for your untiring efforts to make this world a better place to live by helping others in need.

Are you a member of the N.S.A.C. Healing Center, if not, why? As you support this Healing Center and support our Commissioned Healers you are helping to fight for the rights of our own N.S.A.C. Organization of Spiritualism. When we read of the great works of Healers who once walked this way, and we read of the thousands of testimonials of healing through them, we should bow our heads in shame that we do not fight for our rights in the courts of our great nation. Laying on of hands and in absent healing—we are picking up the mantle of Andrew Jackson Davis, Dr. J. R. Newton, Lou Ward, Rev. A. Carvin and many, many more who proudly served as Spiritual Healers, there are too many to name in this short period of time. A petition should reach every Congressman from every State in the U.S.A. demanding and proclaiming our rights to heal and to further the cause of Spiritualism through the aids and assistance of Spirit Helpers. Oh yes, we know that we're protected to a certain degree but we know too that there are limitations in what we can say and do. Do you know of any Spiritualists on any of the Committees appointed by the Governor of your State? There are many such committees in which Spiritualism should be represented. Where do we go from here?

Those who look only for wealth, power and fame in our organization face a troubled future. Caution lights are flashing, an alarm is sounding, a whistle is blowing—will you dare take a look and read the handwriting on the wall? Together we stand, divided we fall.

It is my judgement, belief and conviction that every member of this organization—both present and absent ones should be a member of the N.S.A.C. Healing Center, should help in forming Prayer Groups, it doesn't cost one penny to join but think of the unlimited strength, power and help it will give to the name of Spiritualism. In unity there is strength.

Only by cooperation, working together harmoniously and with loyalty to each other shall we attain our goals. I trust we shall give our Healers and Prayer Group Leaders loyal support during the coming year, assisting in every way possible to help our N.S.A.C. Healing Center grow and prosper. If every Spiritualist gives their best efforts, their labors will not be in vain and 1975 will be a successful year. As we look a little further for the 1993 celebration of Spiritualism—we shall know where we're going, for united we shall proudly hold aloft the banner of Spiritualism.

Therefore, we commend all of those who God-Spirit uses to pray for the sick and afflicted, those who are in sorrow or in need physically, mentally, and spiritually. Doctors say that they assist nature but that GOD heals. This we believe and teach that God—Infinite Intelligence is greater than His servants or the instrumentality through which this great Omnipotent power chooses to heal—but a point of contact brings us closer to this great moment of healing—this is the Prayer Groups mission.

May we this hour visualize the Master Teacher, JESUS healing the sick, the blind, the cripple and maimed and know that we too can witness this great spiritual power making loved ones and friends whole in body and mind. There is more of the old, of a decade or decades ago, that must be carried over into the new. We are not pushing for a return of the 19th Century nor to the mid 20th. We're only begging for holding to those things that have proven themselves—Spiritual Healing and Spirit Communication. We didn't throw the radio out with the advent of television. Some haven't junked their old television sets just because color television is an improvement. Let us act not look for excuses from day to day.

It is a common trait of humanity to be looking for terminal points in life. But it is not a commandable trait. It is often based on misunderstandings and stimulated by unworthy motives.

The truth is that life offers no real terminal points—not even death itself. There is always an afterward. The mountaineer may think that the peak he is climbing is the summit of the mountain. But the effort of body and will which brings him to the topmost foothold reveals that there are other heights to conquer.

That we should persistently cling to so false a hope is regrettable, and especially so when we relate it to spiritual things. This we do when we think of spiritual experiences as climaxes instead of beginnings. This is ecstasy. And this is agony, but together they spell a full service of real balance and unspeakable challenge. There's a lot of ecstasy and a lot of agony for all of us who would find a deepened, spiritual service in our efforts to praying for those in need. A real courage is demanded as we go, even in the strength of God-Spirit, to meet those cries of help.

How many Commissioned Healers are here today? Hold up your hands.

How many in the sound of the voice are members of the NSAC Healing Center?

How many would like to join the Healing Center right now? We shall bring membership Cards and ask for your Name and Address.

Thanks for your attention and co-operation in this great cause of Spiritualism. EM

Set aside your really big problems for a brainy day.



## REPORT ON THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST'S HEALING AND PRAYER GROUPS

Miss Catherine Schneider

There was 1 new prayer group formed during the year, and 1 prayer group disbanded during the year, keeping the total number of active prayer groups to 16.

Ten new individuals are praying regularly with the prayer groups in different parts of the United States. Two of our individual members passed to higher life, so the number of individuals praying regularly with the prayer groups in different parts of the United States is 21.

Twenty-four new individuals have asked for membership cards and healing prayer booklets to add their prayers for those whose healing they have asked for, and to join in prayers generally. These are in addition to the figures given in the previous paragraph.

Within the past few months, 6 new inquiries, plus 3 inquirers from last year who are still interested, have been made regarding the formation of new prayer groups.

This past year—October 1, 1974, up to and including September 30, 1975—324 requests have been made for healing prayers from new individuals. Fifty-four—have requested that their names be kept on the prayer list beyond the 90-day period, and 54 have requested that their names be returned to the prayer list for other illnesses.

From October 1, 1974 up to and including September 30, 1975—82 sets of "one each day" have gone out to individuals and prayer groups.

States now represented in the Healing Prayer Groups and Individuals are:

Alaska	Missouri
Arizona	New Hampshire
California	New Jersey
Colorado	New York
Connecticut	North Carolina
Florida	South Carolina
Illinois	Ohio
Indiana	Oklahoma
Kentucky	Oregon
Louisiana	Pennsylvania
Maine	Tennessee
Maryland	Texas
Massachusetts	Vermont
Michigan	Washington
Minnesota	West Virginia
Mississippi	Wisconsin

NOTE: Some of these states have more than one PRAYER GROUP—other states only have individuals.

Outside the United States—

CANADA	SOUTH AMERICA
Quebec	Columbia
British Columbia	

If your state hasn't a PRAYER GROUP—please consider forming one.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Donations totaled—October 1, 1974 to September 30, 1975, inclusive	\$239.50
Postage—October 1, 1974 to September 30, 1975, inclusive	111.24
Supplies—same period	21.87
Miscellaneous—	
Renting post office box for one year—	
July 16, 1975 to July 16, 1976	16.00

Write:

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## LYCEUM DEPARTMENT

Rev. Evelyn L. Muse, NST has been appointed the Superintendent of the Bureau of Lyceums, NSAC.

Norma R. Whiting

Explaining what a teacher is, is not the seemingly simple task that it would appear on the surface, for the concept that many have of this capacity is merely to "teach" or impart to another of the knowledge that has been amassed by an individual. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth, as no one person can really teach another. The acceptance of knowledge must come from within. The old adage that "you can lead a horse to water, but you cannot make him drink" is especially true when it comes to teaching.

Far too many people suffer from the misconception that a teacher is one who stands before a classroom, club, church congregation, Lyceum or Sunday school class and gives vast

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stores of absolute knowledge to those assembled; then sits down complacently feeling that now they, the students, know as much as the instructor.

Actually, I prefer the term of leader to that of teacher. For one who acts in an instructional capacity can merely lead the student, and success can only come if the student has been sufficiently imbued with the desire to learn that presented to him, and then reach out for more. Teaching is making a subject so interesting to another individual that his very being becomes inflamed with a desire to not only know, but understand his subject, and then apply those new found understandings into his own life. For learning without application is a lesson only poorly gained.

The mind of man is truly a magnificent thing. Its full potential has only been slightly tapped. There is so much the mind is capable of that we have only scratched the surface of the true reality of man's capabilities. It is well to be aware of the fact that the mind accepts only that which it wants, and at the will of the individual it can accept or remain closed to all ideas presented to it; or it can fling open its doors and embrace concepts appealing to its sensibilities. Remember, too, the mind is a very individual expression, and the true intent of a lesson, as given by a "teacher" or leader can be misconstrued between the time it is conceived within the mind of the teacher, is forced into verbal expression and is received by the student. In many instances, whereas words are our most effective means of communication, these words are not sufficiently capable of always expressing our erstwhile thoughts and oftentimes the true meaning of an idea is lost in translation from thought to word. It is, therefore, necessary to give the student an opportunity to express his thoughts—as this is the only means the teacher has of testing to see whether the message is being received without adulteration, and feedback is a very essential tool.

Many teachers condescend to "teach", merely because it gives them an opportunity to expound their own vast knowledge. These people adopt strictly the "lecture" form of teaching and never give the student a chance to contribute to the learning experience. A true teacher is one who, of necessity, is an eternal student, and a true student is one that questions and considers all concepts given. He or she then, only after proper consideration rejects or accepts the ideas put forth.

It is well to remember that great knowledge has often come from the most improbable sources, and vast strides for civilization have sometimes revealed themselves as the result of "accidental" or "unorthodox" means. Remember also, the birth of Modern Spiritualism came about as the result of the mediumship of little children, and great truths have been given to

the world because they (these children) opened the door to thought and instilled within the minds of others the reality of spirit communication. Then, as a result of the efforts of interested souls who unfolded, searched, researched, and shared their knowledge with others, we have our beautiful religion, and can grasp the meaning of life that can give purpose to our existence. The "It can see as well as hear" has sounded around the globe—utterances of a small, relatively uneducated child! So listen to your students, whether young or adult, for the questions of a searching mind can open to you new vistas of adventure, as learning in all its aspects is an adventure, and a very exciting adventure at that. The interchange of thoughts and ideas between two people—student to student, teacher to student, or teacher to teacher—is a worthwhile experience only if the mind is open and willing to recognize new awareness of truth—whatever the source.

Another mistake that too many teachers or leaders often make is the belief in the infallibility of himself as a teacher. No one is infallible. If a teacher, student, or anyone, believes the same today as he did a year ago, then something is wrong. Truth never changes. The mind, however, must be constantly expanding to accept and recognize greater awareness. It is impossible to remain stagnant and grow; therefore, we must be in a constant state of flux, and willing to change our opinions, and if necessary, admit that what we believed yesterday could have been incorrect, or at least only part of totality.

**A TRUE TEACHER IS NOT A JEALOUS PERSON.** We see many who wish to retain their feelings of superiority at all costs, and when a student dares to question, becomes very indignant that their words are not accepted as "gospel." How very tragic this is. What a very sorry world this would be if all students walked a "respectful ten paces behind the teacher."

A true teacher is one who is cognizant of the worth of all mankind. He is aware of the vastness of the universe. He recognizes the fact that ALL understanding belongs to no man and that as progress is a forward moving process, no man is capable of knowing everything. He delights in sharing what understanding he does have with others, and is ever willing to look for greater knowledge when questions are presented to him that are beyond his present awareness; indeed welcomes these questions as a means of growth. He is overjoyed when he discovers the fact that he has implanted within the very being of his student(s) the burning desire to become informed, and encourages the student to look not only to himself, but to all sources for greater knowledge on various subjects. And he is Proud, not envious, when the student equals his own accomplishments. His

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joy knows no bounds when indeed that student surpasses his own achievements, for he can feel that he was instrumental, not in teaching, but in inspiring and leading another to fulfillment by accepting and meeting a challenge; and his spirit rises to sublime heights knowing that all mankind benefits from his enthusiasm. He has shared his wisdom, and the wisdom of his student is shared with him.

Finally, a teacher is one who realizes that lore from myriad and various volumes is in itself not enough, and is most certainly incomplete; That mere knowledge of a subject is not sufficient; That understanding and competent, compassionate use of knowledge gained is every bit as important as the pure facts. A learning experience is valuable only when it is USED! Knowledge retained only in the mind of the searcher can benefit no one, but wisdom shared becomes a gem beyond compare; and understanding wisdom shared with compassion and true altruism brings a light to the spirit that induces the most sought after commodity in all the world—a sense of belonging to the world and the universe—and true peace. NRW

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## KINDNESS

Elaine J. Barnard

Kindness is something which does not cost us anything to have. It doesn't hurt us in any way mentally, or physically and we don't have to go to school to learn about it.

It is in all of us and all that we have to do is use it; but use it from our hearts. Since we know this, what are we out if we are kind to our loved ones, our friends, and anyone that we may come in contact with?

As I look at the world's conditions about us, and see the way others have suffered, my heart goes out. I cannot help but wonder how many of these people are getting the kindness they should have, with no strings attached. Too often, we meet those who do good for others, and all the time are wondering what they will get in return. No. . . . it doesn't work that way; for if we cannot do these things from our heart, what is the sense of doing them at all? Kindness should always be a truth, from the heart feeling, and without that free giving, nothing is given.

We all know what it is like to be spoken to in an unkind way. But how do we react when we are treated this way? We turn around and act the same way in which we are treated. If at that point we would just stop and realize that this will get us nowhere and think of something nice to say, things would not get out of hand and even the angered person would realize what he or she said and a much better feeling would come from it.

Sometimes this cannot be done with certain people. But you don't have to be a part of it. If you don't make nasty comments in return, you won't be doing something which you will be feeling guilty for when you realize that it is something that you preferred not to do.

A few weeks ago, a Jehova Witness came to my door. I told him that I was a Spiritualist, and we exchanged our views on several subjects. All the while that I was talking to this man, I had respect for him. I knew in my heart that if I were in his place, going door to door for my belief, I would not want people to slam a door in my face, or say nasty things, so why should I, to him? This is when people should become more aware of what they say or do to others.

Well, this same man came back about two weeks later. I mentioned that he had been here before and agreed, and asked me if I would like to know why he returned. When I said that I would, his reply was: "You were the kindest person I had met all day." From what he told me, I could tell that people had been very rude to him all that day. This taught me that sometimes, all people really want is a word of kindness, or even a little smile.

Bad days with clerks in stores, or with repairmen, or any number of things can bring us into a position where we can encounter situations which are a test of our ability to be kind. If the other person is in a bad mood and we respond to them in the same manner, we will be in the same mood. But if we let ourselves be kind to the other person, perhaps we can change their mood. Why should we allow two people be unhappy, when we have this opportunity to have two happy people?

Since we have to live and get along with our fellow man, why not do it with kindness?

The other day, my youngest son was having a disagreement with two of his playmates in the front yard. In their disagreement, some snowballs were thrown and they hit the front door. When I heard the noise. I went to the door and saw what was happening. When the boys saw me, they expected me to yell at them. But, instead, I just asked them if they would remove the snow from the storm window and clean up the mess that they had made. They immediately came to the door, and cleaned up. Because I had not yelled at them or chased them away, and after my encouragement to be nice to each other, the three boys parted friends again.

So as I close, let us all remember that we are responsible for our own happiness, and if we can learn to treat our fellow man with kindness, we can fulfill the responsibility we have to helping our fellow man find his happiness, and contribute to it.

Let us remember, : "Be ye kind one to another, and tender hearted." EJB



## THE TITLE REVEREND

Katharine F. Tobey

Recently I was corrected publicly for addressing an ordained minister as "Mr. Williams." The fact is, I was right in so addressing him.

The term Reverend was a part of our language long before the advent of Modern Spiritualism. It is a good word with a definite meaning, correct usage of which has been firmly established by Protestant churches, scholars and educated people throughout our United States. Spiritualist organizations are comparatively new and cannot expect to change the meaning of Reverend, nor is there any good reason for trying to do so. It is not a matter of religion but of correct speech.

By consulting approved dictionaries and modern books on correct speech we find that the term Reverend is not a degree. It is a descriptive title of respect. Mr. Frank Colby, work authority, points out the fact that Reverend is a title similar to Honorable and should be used in the same way. In addressing the governor or senator you wouldn't say, "Good morning, Honorable", or "How do you do, Honorable Brown". Equally incorrect and ridiculous is "Good morning, Reverend Brown". Worst of all is "He is our Reverend". There is, of course, no such person as a Reverend. He is a minister or a pastor. Neither is there any such thing as a "Reverend Paper" nor, as recently heard, "Reverendship Paper". The paper in question is an ordination certificate.

When introducing a minister or in referring to him, it is correct to use the title with his full name, for example: The Reverend Mr. Williams, but NEVER Reverend Williams. The title Reverend is always followed by the given name or by Mr., Mrs., Miss or Dr., as the case may be. In speaking directly to the Reverend John D. Williams we should address him as Mr. Williams. In writing, the same rules apply except the abbreviation Rev. can be used when "the" is omitted. When writing to a minister it is correct to begin the letter Dear Sir;; Dear Madam;; Dear Mr. Williams;; etc. but NEVER Dear Reverend Williams.

I was asked why I do not sign Reverend with my name. Because it is not good form for a minister to refer to himself as Reverend nor to use the title in his signature. If he holds a degree it is correct to use that with his signature for example:

John D. Williams, M.D.  
Mary Louise West, N.S.T.

If the minister holds no degree his signature is like anyone else's. When writing on a church letterhead the minister may sign:

John D. Williams, Minister  
Mary Louise West, Pastor

If officers and old workers in our organization make the mistake of using the title Reverend incorrectly, that does not make it right. Authorities on correct speech do not make the rules but they do report good usage which is decided by the people.

Is it because we are over-anxious for recognition that we make a point of using the title Reverend on every conceivable occasion, cheapen the title and invite ridicule. Our good character and good works will earn for us the only worth-while recognition. Let us make an effort to write correctly and speak correctly. We owe that much to Spiritualism. KFT  
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## THE SCIENCE OF MIRACLES

Donna M. Hansen

One of the best definitions of the word 'miracle' that I've ever heard was given by an eight year old boy in our Lyceum. He described a miracle as being "something that when it happens, it can't happen". And how right he was!

In the light of scientific understanding of Natural Law, our vocabulary changes and what use to be called a miracle becomes simply a demonstration of Natural Law in action. A solar eclipse is still called a miracle by the aborigines, even now. Yet astronomers can explain and date the advent of this natural phenomena years in advance. What was called miracle 2,000 years ago can be explained and duplicated in this century. The scientific explanations take these miracles out of the mysterious realm of the miraculous and put them where they belong—demonstrations of Natural Law.

The mediumistic demonstrations were common among Essenes, Buddhists, Mythrics, Egyptians, Greeks and the rest of the so-called pagan religions before and during the days of the New Testament. Quirinus, Prometheus, Osiris, Magus, Appolonius, Pythagoras, Krishna and many others healed the sick, prophecied, demonstrated mental telepathy and spirit communication. Each gave to his followers, a moral concept and a religious philosophy; and each were called "Son of God", "Chosen of God", and eventually "God" and his demonstrations were called miracles.

And yet, if we turn to the 12th Chapter of Corinthians, we find Paul giving a rather matter of fact dissertation of the Spiritual gifts of healing, prophecy, speaking in tongues, discerning of spirits. He is recorded as teaching "now there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh in all—But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man

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to profit withal." He also states "and there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord". More and more, translators have come to agree that the word Lord should read Law. So well should we ask "is it miracle or is it Law?" Scientific investigations are leading to an ever greater understanding of Universal Principles. Our knowledge is not yet complete, but we have made progress. As our finite minds are able to assimilate the technical lessons that are given by the Teachers of Light in the Realms of Spirit; and as those lessons are proven by scientific investigation, even the unknown will become known. For instance, how does one explain Prophecy? By observation and experience, we know that coming events cast their shadows before; and causes continue to exist in their effect. For each action there is a reaction which in turn brings forth another action, ad infinitum. When the seer is intuitively, psychically and spiritually attuned to read the Book of Causes where all is written, he is enabled to foresee, to a greater or lesser degree, the future effect.

Prophecy, simply stated, is the orderly and comprehensive observation of the immutable Law of Cause and Effect. The chemist, the astronomer predict future events with a certainty based upon an understanding of the nature of cause and effect in his specific field. Such predictions permit no variables. The medium, in tune with the higher zones of intelligence and spiritual vibration, may be impressed with the orderly procession of future events (effects). As the Laws of Creative Being are more fully understood, predictions will be made with a greater degree of certainty and accuracy. Perhaps the full interpretation of the law of prophecy will remain an enigma until man comprehends the very nature of soul, itself.

Isn't it amazing that people read Hans Holzer's two books GHOST HUNTERS and SPIRIT PHOTOGRAPHY with such avid interest. They see for themselves, pictures of mediums with the face of a spirit guide superimposed over the face of a medium. They see for themselves the pictures of materialized forms of spirit persons who are readily recognized. Yet they call the transfiguration of Jesus and the appearance of Moses and Elias a miracle! Would that they could accept that the Principle operative in present day transfigurations is the same Natural Law in operation on the mountain top, as is described in Matthew and Mark. Would that they could accept that the principle of materialization can be illustrated by using any form of nature and an understanding of Natural Law. Even as the rock, with soul-potential limited in expression to motion, draws fluids and gases from the atmosphere and solidifies them; so does the soul-germ of all nature develop the materialized forms of all kingdoms—mineral, vegetable, animal, and man. Thus

we note that form and force are twin-born. The physical body is the concentration of substance, the spirit is the combination of vital force through which motion, life, sensation, and man—intelligence—are expressed and are perpetually energizing and ultimating the materialized form. As given by A. J. Davis, the Trinity of Principles which govern the Creative Universe are: Association, Progression, and Development. In the darkness of the earth, in the darkness of the womb, vital force-Spirit-act upon the selective principle in order to draw from the environment those available substances necessary for the materialization of form. In the darkness of the seance room, the spirit person of developed intelligence, working within the realm of Creative Principles, first lowers the vibrations of the substance of his own spirit body in order to contact the forces and substances within the room (Association). He then applies the selective principle to draw from the sitters, the medium, and the atmosphere, those elements needed to materialize an observable form. In the same manner that man may assist Nature's creative principle by providing nutrients for the soil to aid in the materialization of a plant; so do the sitters and medium assist in a materialization seance by physically providing an adequate amount of ectoplasm; and spiritually providing higher, finer, and more harmonious vibrations and auric forces.

In the same manner that we have touched briefly on prophecy and materialization, we could travel the entire ground of the "miracles of mediumship and draw conclusions consistent with the principles of nature. In order that we understand the science of miracles we must reach for an understanding of philosophy and religion as well. The highest conception of God that the human mind can attain is essentially theological; but the relationship of Infinite to finite, of God to Nature is attained through the philosophical mind. God is known, then, as the Infinite Cause, Nature the Infinite Effect and Natural Law as the inevitable, outer manifestation of God's Love, Will, and Wisdom.

When we use the words Principle, Natural Law, we simply mean Rules of Action. Those rules fall into three main categories: Physical, Organic, and Moral. So actually, materialization is a demonstration of the cohesion in Physical Law and the chemistry of Organic Law. The Laws of Nature are spontaneous attributes of Divine Existence and are beyond the possibility of being changed, suspended or transcended. The religion and the philosophy of Spiritualism is based on an understanding of both the physical and the spiritual phenomena of Nature. It recognizes no special providence, no special dispensations and no supernatural manifestations. We do not pray for miracles; rather we study the Science of Miracles. D.M.H.



## TRANSITIONS



Rev. Raymond  
E. Burns

The Reverend Raymond E. Burns passed to the Higher Life very peacefully early Tuesday morning February 11, 1975.

Reverend Burns was an internationally known psychic and medium for over 50 years helping thousands of people. During this period he ministered to people in churches in Buffalo, New York, Rochester, New York, Norfolk, Virginia, Stamford and Old Greenwich, Connecticut. His last church was The Albertson Memorial Church, now of Old Greenwich, Connecticut, but originally Stamford, where he served from 1947 through 1969 for a period of 22

years. Reverend Burns also served the summer camps of Lily Dale, Camp Chesterfield and Camp Silver Belle.

His physical absence will be missed by many dear friends and acquaintances whom he knew and served during his very successful ministerial career.

His remarkable ability, as one of God's emissaries in the Spiritual-Psychic field, was demonstrated in all phases of his mediumship.

Reverend Burns will always be remembered for his great sense of humor; his gentle kindness; his love and warmth and compassionate empathy, and his truly beautiful love for people with his depth of tenderness for their problems and in his sharing with them. His influence was worldwide and Reverend Burns was truly a pioneer—a wayshower during an age when Spiritualism was in its infancy. Reverend Burns will always be remembered, respected, admired and above all LOVED by those who knew him for his tremendous Spiritual contribution.

Kress—Rose I. (nee Silha) passed to the Higher expression of Life Oct. 25, 1975 at the age of 78 years. Beloved wife of Dr. Lorenz E. Kress, Dear mother of Royal (Ruth) Ibach and Rosemary (Erle) Nelson. Survived by one grandchild and one great-grandchild, other relatives and friends. Services conducted by the West Allis Chapter No. 172 O.E.S. and by Mr. Joseph Sax, Licentiate Minister of the First Psychic Science Church. Interment Calvary Cemetery. Member of White Shrine of Jerusalem, Queen Esther No. 23 and A.A.R.P. Also a trustee of the Third Spiritual Science Church of West Allis, Wisc. and President of the Western Wisconsin Spiritualist Camp Association for 19 years.

Williams—Rev. Earl H., passed to his Spirit home July 27, 1975. He was Minister of the Cooperative Spiritualist Church, Tampa, Florida for 4 years. The Reverend Williams traveled for many years serving Spirit. He is remembered by NSAC members as he had served the NSAC churches many times.

## ORDINATION

After the close of the October 1975 N.S.A.C. Convention in Syracuse, N. Y., Mr. William F. Melick was ordained by the National President, The Rev. Joseph H. Merrill and the N.S.A.C. Official Board where he also received the N.S.T. Degree. Those attending this impressive ceremony, included his wife, his mother Mrs. Ruby J. Melick, Mrs. Glenna S. Clark, president of the Psychic Science Church of Indianapolis and other well-wishing friends.

On Nov. 1, Mr. Melick assumed the Editorship of "The National Spiritualist" magazine. He commented on assuming his new duties:

"I shall need your patience and kind consideration until I can become adjusted to this new assignment. Thank you all."

Those who have known and worked with Mr. Melick have long been aware of his deep dedication in service to his fellow man, and the high standards he has maintained and demonstrated so ably in his tireless efforts for the cause of Spiritualism.

The members of Rev. Wm. F. Melick's home church, The Psychic Science Church of Indianapolis, and his friends from many churches in various states extend to him their warmest and sincerest wishes for success in his new duties and endeavors. Congratulations, Mr. Melick! We will add with our blessing—we're very proud of you, "Uncle Bill."

By, Herbert Ray Worth  
A Member of the  
Church Board

## OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

Dorothy Kuehnert

About a month ago, as our family was on the way to San Francisco, the words of Psalm 122 kept running through my mind, "I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord." I suppose that it occurred to me because it was a Sunday afternoon—after our service here—and I truly look forward to our Sunday morning services.

Those words kept running through my mind for days—as though I was supposed to thoroughly analyze that sentence.

It seems to me that I've always known that particular quote. I can remember that when I was very young, whenever I heard that phrase, I mentally pictured the Davant Avenue Methodist Church in Memphis. Our huge clan of relatives went to that church and to me, that was God's house. I noticed that the grownups talked in quiet voices, and they laid down the law about the way we children must behave ourselves in God's house. . . . I knew God must be there . . . somewhere . . . the grownups were usually right about things. But it still seemed pretty complicated to me. Our Church was God's house . . . and so was the Episcopal Church six blocks away . . . and the Church of Christ one block away . . . and all the Churches all over our country and the entire world.

One question kept nagging at me . . . especially when I walked to school everyday and passed our closed and locked church. Was God locked up in there? Or did He take off and float back up to Heaven on Sunday nights? I knew—in some vague way . . . that when we all gathered at church on Sundays—and on Wednesday night prayer meetings—God seemed to be there when people were.

Later on when we were studying a Sunday School lesson in 1st Corin. 19th Chapter, the problem of figuring out this puzzle became even harder. The 6th verse says "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?" Our teacher in-

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terpreted this to mean that we should keep our bodies and minds clean and pure, because we were created by God and were His children.

More recently, since learning of the beauty—and necessity—of meditation, I fully realized the truth of Jesus' answer to one who asked, "Where is the kingdom of God?" . . . and the reply was, "The kingdom of God is within you."

Now I understand how all of these Biblical sayings are explanations of the great truth that God . . . His Infinite Love and Intelligence . . . is actually alive within each of us. The dictionary defines a temple as: an edifice dedicated to the worship of a deity or of God. And the first definition listed for the word 'worship' is 'to honor or respect'.

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zines, newspapers of various countries. A Magazine is published and distributed to more than 1200 members all over Greece and abroad. They have what they call "experimental cycles" which are for lectures, discussions and experiments. They recently purchased a Kitlian machine. The Spiritualist National Union reported and mentioned the revision of their study course but nothing pertaining to their organization. They administer Stansted Hall, the Psychic College left by Arthur Findlay. So much for reports. Wednesday night was "Overseas Night" for demonstrations. The Icelandic Group opened with a demonstration of their trance medium going into a form of trance and the spirit answering questions in Icelandic and translated into English. Mrs. LePato of So. Africa demonstrated and again between each message came the applause but when Larry Clark of the U.S. demonstrated he didn't give them the opportunity of applauding. On Wednesday evening at dinner it was announced that Thursday morning we would have a discussion on reincarnation. The Spanish delegate opened with his remarks on "Why You Must Believe in Reincarnation" so following this the United States delegate took the floor and said why you don't have to believe in reincarnation to be a Spiritualist and after ten minutes his time was up and then it clearly appeared that it wasn't to be a discussion but rather a one sided view of the subject.

Thursday afternoon Douglas Johnson was introduced and spoke on "Psychic Ability and Mediumship"—following this the well known medium Ena Twigg spoke on the investigations of her mediumship in the years past. With a brief intermission, we gathered back to listen to Ronald Beesley who spoke on "The Dynamics of Evolution".

In the evening we gathered in the Common Room for a Sherry party and introduction of the new officers. Maurice Barbanell introduced the President Dr. Postiglioni of Argentine; your

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To sum up the Congress—if we expected to learn something of what other countries are doing—we were disappointed. The Theme of the Congress was most appropriate—UNITED IN DIVERSITY—for predominantly Spiritists is the accepted belief but nothing of a scientific nature came forth from the Congress and the diversity of thinking was very evident, but the purpose of the ISF is to unite all Spiritists and Spiritualists together but for Spiritualism to be known for what it is the peoples of the world must realize that Spiritualism embraces not only science but it has a philosophy and is a religion—and we'll go back to what one of the speakers said in speaking of the messages—after that what? One thing we did learn from the experience—we heard sensational mediumship but I'd like to hear the same medium on territory other than their own. There is work ahead and seeds have been planted, and all that seems impossible is something in reality that will take a little longer. Thank you for the opportunity of representing you at the Congress and we have work to do to put our house in order. JHM

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##### ADD NEW SECTION

After the Convention of 1975, all applicants for mediumship, healers, or Licentists minister certification shall be required, to take and pass the examination provided by the N.S.A.C.

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Paul J. Spencer

I am the instrument, as I stand,  
While spirit heals, through my hand  
With love and kindness o'er the land  
Spirit knows they can command

Our healing guides are always there  
With their hearts, full of care.  
For they know, what must be done  
To Bring us all, into one.

Elaine J. Barnard  
June 30, 1975

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I ask the great unseen healing force to remove all obstructions from my mind and body and to restore me to perfect health. I ask this in all sincerity and honesty and I will do my part.

I ask this great unseen healing force to help both present and absent ones who are in need of help and to restore them to perfect health. I put my trust in the love and power of God.



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Centennial State Spiritualist Association—Rev. Robert J. Haskins, NST, Pres., 2810 Cherokee, Englewood, 80110.

**COLORADO SPRINGS**—The First Spiritualist Church of Colorado Springs, 730 N. Tejon. Services at 2 p.m. Sunday. Acting Pastor, Rev. Robert J. Haskins; John Shropshire, Pres., Sara Igyarto, Sec., (303) 392-5251 or (303) 632-2342.

**DENVER**—The Temple of Harmony Church, 3375 S. Dahlia St., 80222. Ser., Sun. 10:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m.; Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Rev. Allen J. Miller, Pastor; Rev. Robert J. Haskins, Co-Pastor.

### CONNECTICUT

Connecticut State Spiritualist Association—78 Terryville Ave., Bristol, 06010. Mr. Francis D. Owens, Pres., 785 Terryville Ave., Bristol, 06010. Mrs. Mary Ann Nodden, Sec., 174 Daley St., Forestville, 06010.

**HARTFORD**—The Hartford Spiritualist Temple Inc., YWCA, 135 Broad St., 06101. Sun. 2 p.m. (203) 569-1428.

**NEWINGTON**—The Church of The Infinite Spirit, Masonic Temple, 80 Walsh Ave., 06111. Sun. 2:30 p.m. (203) 582-7385.

**NEW LONDON**—New London Spiritualist Temple, 60 Blackhall St., 06320. Sun. 2:30 p.m.

**OLD GREENWICH**—Albertson Memorial Church, 293 Sound Beach Ave., 06870. Sun. 11:00 a.m. (203) 637-4615.

**STRATFORD**—The Temple of Divine Truth, Inc., N.S.A.C. Boothe Memorial Park, "Old Homestead," Old Putney Rd. Serv. 8:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sat. of each month. Healing after ser. Mr. Donald L. McCausland, Pres., (203) 734-8374, Mrs. Judith McGuire, Sec., 14 Cedric Ave., Derby, Conn. 06418.

**WILLIMANTIC**—The First Society of Spiritualists, Inc., N.S.A.C. 268 High St., 06226. Sun. 2:30 p.m.



## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON—Church of Two Worlds, 3038 "Q" St., N.W., Georgetown, 20007. Sun., Healing Serv. 2 p.m. Lecture & Messages 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Ola Sheckells, Sec.

## FLORIDA

CASSADAGA—Cassadaga Spiritualist Camp, Ser. in the Auditorium every Sun., 2:30 p.m. Lecture Spirit Messages, Healing, Mr. J. Buchanan, Pres.

HOLLY HILL—The Little White Church, 1531 Center St., 32017. Sun. 11:00 a.m. (305) 672-0520.

FORT PIERCE—Trinity Spiritual Church, 704 S. 5th St., Sun. Divine Worship and Message Ser. 7:30 p.m. Thurs.; Divine Healing and Message Ser. 7:30 p.m. Pastor Rev. Flora Petteplace. (305) 461-2480.

ORLANDO—Spiritual Research Society, N.S.A.C. 2500 E. Conway Rd., 32806. Sun. 4:30 p.m. (305) 461-2480.

WINTER PARK—Spiritualist Church of Awareness, 863 S. Orlando Ave., Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. Healing and Message Serv., Wed. 7:30 p.m. Healing, 8:00 p.m. Service.

MIAMI—Metaphysical Science Church (N.S.A.C.) 601 S.W. 7th St. Sun.: Healing Ser. 3:00 p.m., Worship and Messages 3:30 p.m. All-Message Service, Wed. 7:30 p.m. and Thurs. 1:30 p.m. Rev. Bernard L. Cusmano, Pastor. (305) 822-5711.

ST. PETERSBURG—Church of Spiritual Philosophy, 216 19th Ave. S.E., 33730. Sun. 11:00 a.m. (813) 896-9840.

TAMPA—Co-Operative Spiritualist Church, 115 S Packwood Ave., Worship and Healing Ser., Sun. 2:30 p.m. Wed. Message Service, 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Alice Leon Knight, Pres. 1714½ North A. St. (813) 258-0411.

## ILLINOIS

Illinois State Spiritualist Association—Mr. Bernard B. Powell, Pres., 4118 W. 24 Pl., Chicago, 60623. Ms. Patricia C. Heller, NST, Sec., 1608 S. 51 Ave., Cicero, 60650. Mr. Joseph Buechel, Treas., 1519 Fargo, Chicago, 60626.

AURORA—Christabelle Spiritualist Church, Service at 7:00 p.m. Sun. East Room of Masonic Temple, 104 S. Lincoln Ave., ent. South Door. Ben D. Jones, Jr. Pres. 200 Willow Ave., Joliet, 60436.

BURNHAM—Puritan Spiritualist Church, 13906 Greenbay Ave. 60633. Anna Gross, Pastor, Ser., Sun. 2:30 p.m. Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Message Ser.

CHICAGO—Church of The Spirit, 2651 N. Central Park Ave. Chicago's oldest Spiritualist Church. Sun., Family Worship Hour, 10:30 a.m.; Wed., All Message Ser., 7:45 p.m. Rev. Ernst A. Schoenfeld, Pastor.

Spiritualist Church of Divinity, 4118 W. 24th Pl. Ser., Sun. 7 p.m. Rev. Mamie Fors, Pres., (312) 873-6663.

Spiritualist Church of Truth, 3351 W. N. Ave. Ser. every Sun. at 7 p.m. Healing, Lecture, Messages. Mrs. Kathryn Duha, Pastor; Mrs. Anna Kerch, Sec.

Tucker Smith Memorial Spiritualist Temple, 6146 Ashland 60636. Sun. Ser. 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. First Sun. of each month. Communion Ser. Louise Washington, Pastor; Ruby McNeely, Sec.

CICERO—1st Spiritualist Church, 5033 W. 25th Place. Church Ser. Sun., 2:30 p.m., Lecture, Messages and Healing. Ellen Stopa, Pres.

EAST ST. LOUIS—United Spiritualist Church, 51st St. & Ohio Ave. Ser. Sun. at 2:30 p.m. Pastor Rev. Otilie S. Dryoff, 3800 B St., Granite City, 62040.

ELGIN—First Spiritualist Church, 77 Villa St., 60120, Church Serv. Sun. 7 p.m. Mrs. Marie Wulff, Pres., (312) 837-1517.

FREEPORT—N.S.A.C. Chapel of Prayer, West on 20, Route No. 4, by The Flanenburg Crossing. Ser. every Sun. 2 p.m. Pres. Mrs. Leona M. Nickel, Licentiate Minister. (815) 232-1629.

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LE ROY—J. T. & E. J. Crumbaugh Memorial Spiritualist Church, 102 S. Pearl St., Worship Ser. Sun. 2:00 p.m. (309) 962-2066. Elsie L. Phillips, Secy. (309) 962-5733

## INDIANA

Indiana State Association of Spiritualists—Rev. William F. Melick, Pres., 1806 E. 66 St., Indianapolis, 46220. Lena Walters, Sec., 200 Eastern Dr., Chesterfield, 46001.

EVANSVILLE—Union Spiritualist Church, Michigan and Third Ave. Ser. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Rev. Sadie Tennant, Pres., Gilbert C. Burke, Sec'y.

FORT WAYNE—Spiritualist Church of Divine Science, 1615 Wells St., cor. Spring. Every Sun. Lyceum Class 10:00 a.m. Philosophy Class 6:00 p.m. Regular Ser. 7:45 p.m. Midweek Ser. Thurs. 7:45 p.m. Spec. Ser. 1st and 3rd Sun. 3:00 p.m. Sept. thru May. Dinner 5:00 p.m. Rev. Bernice Brock, Pastor, 1604 Andrew St. (219) 428-8600. Res. (219) 743-9866.

FRANKFORT—First Spiritualist Church of Frankfort, Inc., Magnolia & Green Sts. Ser. each Sun., Lyceum; p.m. Church ser., 2:30 p.m. First and Third Sun. each month, Dinner at 5 p.m. Message Circle, 6 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Geneva Carter, Pres., Della Howe, Sec.-Treas. Frederick Phebus, Box 808, Monon, Indiana 47959.

GARY—First Spiritualist Church, Inc., N.S.A.C. 24 West 11th Ave. Ser., Sun. 2:30 p.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Velma Dickson; Pres. Jesse James Jr. 1301 Pennsylvania Ave., Sec. Jeanette Markley, 712 Schneider, Hammond, 46323.

HAMMOND—1st Progressive Spiritualist Church (K. P. Hall) 5454 Hohman Avenue. Healing Ser. every Sun., 7:15 p.m. Ser. 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Helen Schaller, Pastor; Mrs. Jean Fleener, Sec., 6928 Alabama St. 46322.

First Spiritualist Church, Odd Fellows Hall, 403 Highland St. Healing Service, Sun. 7 p.m. Church Ser. 7:45 p.m. Pastor & Press. Emma M. Paul, 234 Hollywood Ave., Munster, Ind. (219) 836-5564. Sec. John H. Paul, same address.

INDIANAPOLIS—Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 1415 Central Ave. Sun. Ser. Healing, 7 p.m.; Church Ser. 7:30 p.m. Tues. Message Ser. 2 p.m.; Thurs. Ser. 7:45 p.m. Pres., Glenna Clark, (317) 634-6673. Mrs. Ruby J. Melick, Sec'y, 1802 E. 66th St. 46220.

MICHIGAN CITY—First Spiritualist Church, 220 W. 10th St. Services Sun. 7:00 p.m., Wed. 8:00 p.m., Rev. Amelia Hullinger, Pastor; Gertrude Rachor, Sec. 1-873-1618.

MUNCIE—Unity Spiritualist Church, Cor. of Ninth and Mulberry. Sun. Healing Ser., 2:30 p.m. Church Ser., 2:45 p.m. Dinner, 5 p.m. Last Sun. of each month. Rev. Virginia L. Falls, Pastor, Rev. Lee Bridges, Asst. Pastor.

PERU—First Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 601 S. Miami St., 46970. Serv. Sun. 2:00 p.m. Mr. Charles L. Branch, Pres., 1376 E. Jefferson St., Kokomo, 46901. Virginia E. Hoover, Sec.-Treas., 504 Tanguy St., Logansport 46947.

Progressive Spiritualist Church, Latvian Community Center, 1008 W. 64th St., 46260. Sun. and Wed. Ser. 7:30 p.m. Paul Keller, Pres., Neva Daubenspeck, Sec.

## IOWA

CLINTON—First Spiritualist Church of Clinton, 506 Sixth Avenue South. Services Sunday 2:00 p.m. followed by Spirit Greetings. Edward E. Ridyard, President. Georgia W. Parmer, Sec., 732 9th Ave. So. 243-3233.

DAVENPORT—Spiritualist Harmony Church, 1502 W. 7th. 52802. Sat. 7:00 p.m. phone (319) 126-3453.

DES MOINES—Third N.S.A. Church, 2733 Thompson 50317. Sat. Serv. 2 p.m. and Mon. 7 p.m. (515) 266-5888. Pastor Rev. Janice Rosalia Baynes, Asst. Pastor Harriet S. Smiley, Sec., Mrs. Lillian Grief, Mercer, MO.

THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST



## KANSAS

**PITTSBURG**—1st Spiritualist Church, 912½ N. Broadway. Ser. 2 p.m., Sun. Rev. Eva. Bezinque, pastor; Mrs. Bertha Dechairo, Sec.; Mary Foster, Pres.

## MAINE

**Maine State Spiritualist Association of Churches**—President—George Hall, 41 David St., Bangor 04401. Secretary—Florence S. Carr, Tasker Rd., Augusta 04330. Treasurer—Bernard R. Langley, 130 Conant Ave., Auburn 04210.

**AUGUSTA**—Augusta Spiritualist Church, Corner of Perham and Court Sts. Service at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m. Sunday. Pres. Mrs. Blanche Taylor, Wayne Rd., Winthrop. Co-Pastors, Mr. William R. Ellis, Readfield Route 1, and Mrs. Barbara Holcomb, 17 Kinderhook St., Randolph. Secretary, Mrs. Florence S. Carr, Tasker Rd., 04330.

**BANGOR**—Bangor Spiritualist Church, YWCA, 17 Second St., 04401.

**DOVER-FOXCROFT**—First Piscataquis Spiritualist Church, VFW Hall, Summer St., 04426. Sun. 2:30 p.m.

**ETNA**—Harrison D. Barret Memorial Church, Etna Camp, 04434. Sun. 2:30 p.m.

**PORTLAND**—First Portland Spiritualist Church, 176-178 Sawyer St., South Portland. Services Sun. and Wed. at 7:00 p.m. Ruth Estes, Pres., 7 Jackson St., S. Portland 04106; Louise Mangiavas, Sec., 68 Fellows St., S. Portland 04106; Dr. Herbert Hopkins, Pastor, 24 Portland Ave., Old Orchard Beach 04064.

## MARYLAND

**ARNOLD**—The Golden Light Chapel, 839 Clifton Ave., 21012. Sun. 2:30 p.m. (301) 647-2713.

## MASSACHUSETTS

**Massachusetts State Association of Spiritualists**—Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, Pres., 28 Riverside St., Danvers, 01923. Mrs. Muriel Karoliles, Sec., 70½ Liberty St., Danvers, 01923. (617) 774-2753.

**BOSTON**—First Spiritualist Ladies Aid Society, 354 Longwood Ave., 02215. Ser. Sun., 3:00 p.m. Mr. Lawrence F. Hilton, Jr., Pres., 253 N. Central Ave., Quincy, 02170. Mrs. Susie Coffin, Sec., 12 Trinity Ave., 01605.

**BROGKTON**—First Spiritualist Church, 54 Glenwood St., 20403. Sun. 4 p.m. (617) 587-5107.

**EAST LONGMEADOW**—The Church of Spiritual Awareness N.S.A.C. Grange Hall, 30 Somers Rd., 01028. Sun. 6:30 p.m.

**METHUEN**—The Church of Spiritual Life, Red Men's Hall, 9 Center St., 01844. Sun. 3 p.m.

**NEWBURYPORT**—First Spiritualist Church, American Legion Hall, cor. State and High St., Ser. Sun. 3:30 p.m. Pastor, Mr. Fred Davis; Pres. Mrs. Norma Sargent, 14 Beacon Ave.; Sec'y, Hilda Metcalf, 38 Warren St.

**NORTH PLYMOUTH**—First Spiritualist Church, 131 Standish Ave., 02360. Sun. 2 p.m. (617) 746-4630.

**ONSET**—First Spiritualist Church, Highland Ave., 02558. Sun. 7:00 p.m. (617) 295-1441.

**QUINCY**—1st Spiritualist Church, 34 Franklin St. Ser. Tues., 8 p.m. Pres. Bert. DeYoung.

**SPRINGFIELD**—First Spiritualist Church, Inc., 33-37 Bliss St. Ser. 3:00 p.m., Healing 4:45 p.m. Message Ser. third Thurs. each month 7:30 p.m. Arthur H. Cosby, Pres., Coy Hill Rd., Box 348, Warren 01093. Mrs. Alma Cosby, Sec., Coy Hill Rd., Box 348, Warren 01093.

**SALEM**—First Spiritualist Church, 34 Warren St., Salem. Sun. healing 7:00 p.m., services 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Gladis Worsencroft Sec., Virginia Beesley; 745-2098.

**SWAMPSCOTT**—Swampscott Church of Spiritualism, Ser. held in the Unitarian Universalist Chapel, Burrill St. Sun., Church Ser. 6:45 p.m. Pastor, Mr. Robert Simpson, 20 Putnam Lane, Danvers; Pres., Dorothy Thurlow, Batchelder Rd., W. Newbury. Sec'y, Mrs. Kathryn Gamble, 18 Hayes Ave., Beverly, Mass. 01915.

## MICHIGAN

**Michigan State Spiritualist Association of Churches**—Mr. Arthur Beesley, Pres., 1474 Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, 48088. Rev. Goldie M. Dodd, NST, Sec., 89 Delaware Ave., Detroit, 48202.

**BAY SHORE**—Golden Rule Spiritualist Church, one mile west of Bay Shore on old Rt. 31. Ser., Sun. 10:30 a.m. Sept. through June. Nellie Harris, Pres.; Elsie Mayhew, Sec'y, 1102 E. Division, Boyne City, Mich. 49712.

**BAY SHORE**—Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp, one mile west of Bay Shore on Route # 31. Services: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. June 29-Sept. 7. President Herbert Schneider, 232 Water St., Boyne City, 49712.

**DETROIT**—Royal Oak Ministerial Association of Spiritualists. Meetings 3rd Thurs. each month, Sept. thru May, 8:00 p.m. First Spiritual Temple, 114 Pine-gree, Royal Oak. Rev. Goldie Dodd, Pres.; Kate Finnie, Sec'y, P.O. Box 121, Utica 48087. (313) 731-8507.

**DETROIT**—First Spiritualist Temple, Room 209 Y.W.C. Building, 13130 Woodard Ave., Highland Park; Lyceum (Sunday School) 10:00 a.m. Church 11:00 a.m.; Rev. Goldie M. Dodd, Sec. phone 875-3787.

**LESLIE**—Flower Memorial Spiritualistic Church, West Bellevue at High St. Lyceum 10:00 a.m. Church Ser. 10:45 a.m. Donald Weichner, Pres. Rev. Lillian Gleiser, Pastor. Irene Smith, Sec'y. JU 9-8849. Elda Goddard, Sec'y. Pro Tem. 676-1923.

**MUSKEGON HEIGHTS**—National Spiritualist Church of Muskegon; 2101 Jefferson St., Muskegon Hts. 49444. Healing, 10:00 a.m., service, 13:00 a.m. Mrs. Emma A. Eich, 10747-158th Ave., West Olive, Mi. 49460. phone (616) 842-1067.

**PONTIAC**—First Spiritualist Church, N.S.A.C., 576 Orchard Lake Ave. Pontiac. Church Ser. 7:30 p.m. Sun., Lyceum, 6:30 p.m. For information call, (313) 334-3715. Catherine Welch, Pres.; Cindy Saul, Sec.

**ROYAL OAK**—First Spiritualist Temple, 114 Pingree, Sun., Lyceum, 10 a.m. Church Ser., 11:45 a.m., and 7:30 p.m., James Golden, Pres.; Marjorie E. Kwapich, Sec'y. 2120 Sonoma, Ferndale, Mich. 48220.

## MINNESOTA

**DULUTH**—First Spiritualist Church, 1414 E. 9th St. Sun. Service 11:00 a.m. Conference every third Sun., pastor, Rev. F. W. Hutchinson. Sec. Julia Jackson. phone 724-6654.

**MINNEAPOLIS**—2nd Spiritualist Church, 2300 Lyn-dale Ave. N., Sun. ser. 3 p.m. Healing 4:30 p.m.: Coffee hour 5 p.m.; Lyceum circle 6 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Students Ser.; Sec'y Chrissy Olsen, 3253 31st Ave. So., 55406.

**SAINT PAUL**—Spiritual Science Church, Y.M.C.A. Bldg. 9th. & Cedar Streets, Sun. Ser. 10:30 A.M. Lyceum 10 a.m. Sec'y, Edward Yankovec, 488 Wabasha Ave.



## MISSOURI

**KANSAS CITY**—Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C., 4501 Fairmont. Ser., including Healing Ser., Sun. 7:30 p.m. Wed., spirit communication 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Rev. Bessie Childress, Rev. Leota Childress, co-pastors, ph. Westport 1-1044. Sec'y, Mrs. Patricia C. Bynum, 8825 Riley, Overland Park, 66212.

**Ninth Spiritualist Church**, Rev. Frances R. (Maude) Tucker, Founder 2301 Van Brunt Blvd. 64127. Sun. Ser. 7:30 p.m.; Healing Ser. 7:45 p.m.; Spirit Communication Ser. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Rev. Florence Anderson, Pastor. Rev. Bryan McCotter, Assistant Pastor. Church Phone 483-5499; Mrs. Loreen Morgan, Secy., 836 W. Gregory Blvd., 64114.

**ST. LOUIS**—Fifth Spiritualist Church, 6026 S. Kings-highway, St. Louis 9. Sun. Lyceum, 9:30 a.m.; Devotional Ser., 10:30 a.m. Rev. Dorothy Buss, 1856 Switzer Ave., St. Louis 63147.

## NEBRASKA

**OMAHA**—Spiritual Science & Philosophy Church; N.S.A.C., 321 Hascall on So. 4 St. Devotional, Healing, Message Services each Sunday evening at 8:00 p.m., followed by fellowship hour. Unfoldment class each Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. Pastor and Sec., Alace J. Fanslau, (402) 345-4397. Virginia J. Jansa, Treas., (402) 345-8042.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Derry**—The First Spiritualist Church of Derry, 66 W. Broadway Ave., 03038. Sun. 7 p.m. (603) 485-9758.

## NEW JERSEY

**New Jersey State Association**—Mr. Howard Hewitt, Pres., 142 Carroll St., Paterson, 07514. Miss Diane Trombino, Sec., 793 11 Ave., Paterson, 07514. Miss Mary (Pat) Kelly, Treas., 793 11 Ave., 07514.

**CAMDEN**—Fourth Spiritualist Church, 28 N. 26th St. Sun., Lyceum 10 a.m.; Wed. 8 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. Rev. Elizabeth Giberson, Pastor, 350 W. Granisbury Ave., Audubon, 08106.

**PATERSON**—First Spiritualist Church, 142 Carroll St., Ser., Sun. Morning Lyceum, 9 a.m. Sun. Morning Ser. 2 p.m. Wed. Afternoon Ser. 1 p.m. Wed. Evening Ser., 6:30 p.m. Every Second Wed. of Month, Progressive Circle, 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. First Fri. of each month, Students Test Night (Members Only) Pastor, Rev. Emily M. Hewitt.

## NEW YORK

**New York Conference of NSAC Churches**—Martha Rusbuldt, Pres. 5 Second St., Lily Dale, NY 14752. Rita Castetter, P.O. Box 123, Endicott, N.Y. 13760.

**BINGHAMTON**—First National Spiritualist Church, 97 Riverside Dr., 13905. Sun. 11 a.m. (607) 723-0695.

**Spiritualist Sanctuary**, N.S.A.C., 196 Main St., 13905. Ser. Sun., 11 a.m., Lyceum 12:30 p.m. Wed. Communications and philosophical discussions, 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Clyde Yoder, Sec'y, Linda Russell.

**BUFFALO**—Spiritualist Church of Eternal Brotherhood, 1980 Bailey St., 14240. Sun. 2:45 p.m.

**Center of Psychic Science Spiritualist Church**, 695 Elmwood Ave., 14240. 2:00 p.m. (716) 876-9230.

**EAST AURORA**—First Spiritualist Temple, 29 Temple Pl., 14052. Sun. 7:30 p.m. (716) 492-1567.

**FREEVILLE**—Harmony Center Church, Frey Camp Grounds, Ser., 1st and 3rd Sun. each month, 2 p.m.

**LILY DALE**—Lily Dale Spiritualist Church, Ser. Healing and devotional, 11 a.m. each Sun., Ser. through June. Robert Sabol, Pres. Adeline Detlefsen, Sec. Mr. Robert A. Bens, Lyceum Director, Gretchen Meyers, Asst. Director. Sun. Classes from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

**LONG ISLAND**—Temple of Metaphysical Science (N.S.A.C.) 340 Old Farmingdale Rd., W. Babylon 11704. (516) 587-3041. Ser. Sun., 11 a.m. Alternating Sun. Rev. Edna C. Claussen, Pastor. Classes, Tues. p.m. Thurs., 8 p.m.

**LONG ISLAND**—Chapel of Spiritual Truth, Bethpage Ser., Sun. 2 p.m., (Sept. until June) Rev. Henrietta Cox, Pastor, Mrs. Edith M. Connor, Sec'y. (516) 593-1900 or (516) 221-8450.

**ROCHESTER**—Plymouth Spiritualist Church, 58 Plymouth Ave. S., 14603. Sun. 3:30 p.m. (716) 235-5000.

**SYRACUSE**—First Spiritualist Church, 1308 Meadowbrook Drive and Scott Ave. (Sept. until June). Sunday Service, Lecture, Healing & Messages, 7:00 p.m., Wed. Healing, Philosophy & Messages, 7:30 p.m. Rev. Lora Clark, Pastor & Pres. (315) 478-7705; Bea Felicitas, Assoc. Pastor & Secy. (315) 422-1218. All correspondence to 507 Highland St., Syracuse, N. Y. 13203.

## OHIO

**Ohio State Spiritualist Association**—Rev. Amy Pearson, Pres., 544 W. Glenhaven Ave., Youngstown, 44511. Edward H. Nixon, Sec., 823 West Main St., Louisville, Ohio 44641.

**AKRON**—Home Spiritualist Church, 155 Rhodes Ave. Sun., Lyceum 6:30 p.m.; Devotional Ser. 7:45 p.m. Message Ser., Thurs., 8 p.m. Rev. Mattie Failor, Pastor.

**ASHTABULA**—First Spiritualist Temple, West 4th and Main Ave. Sun. ser. at 2:30 p.m. Healing and clairvoyance. Pres., Charles J. Benes, Williamsfield 44093. Sec'y, Irene Garoutte, 3600 Lake Ave. Apt. 6, 44004.

**COLUMBUS**—Spiritualist Church of Spirit Revelation, 5022 Hibbs Dr. Sun. at 7:30 p.m. Ft. Hayes Hotel, W. Spring St. For information on classes and Fourth Friday Message Service, please contact Rev. Elizabeth Lannon (614) 459-0545.

**First Spiritualist Church of Linden**, 1751 Aberdeen Ave. Devotional Ser., Sun. & Wed., 7:30 p.m. Public Healing at all ser. Last Sun. in the month from Sept. through May, Ser. at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. with Dinner served at 5:00 p.m. Childrens and Adult Lyceum Sun. 6:30 p.m. Rev. Maudella J. Rowe Pastor and Sec'y, John R. Rowe, Pres. Wooley Park, Ashley, Ohio. Tel. (614) 263-1600.

**DAYTON**—Central Spiritualist Church, 848 Clover St. at St. Paul Ave., Sun. Ser. 2:30 p.m. Pres. Rev. Fred Slocum, Sec'y Gertrude Frasher. (513) 254-546.

**EAST LIVERPOOL**—First Spiritualist Church, 6 Dresden Ave. 43920. Ser., Sun. and Mon. 7:30 p.m. Sec. H. Bowersock, Pres. 324 E. 8th St., Mary M. Martin, Sec'y, P.O. Box 501.

**KENT**—1st Spiritualist Church, 146 W. Oak St., Ser. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Emily K. Barriball, Pres. 15791 Herrick Rd., Chagrin Falls, 44022. Charles Brautigam, Sec.-Treas. 2466 Newton St., Akron, 44305.

**LIMA**—Spiritualist Church of Truth, 1637 E. High St. Sun. Ser. 2:30 p.m.; Healing Ser. 3:00 p.m. Lecture and Message. Pres. Ruth Romig, 522 W. Kibby St., Sec. Lois E. Knous.

**MARION**—New Memorial Spiritualist Church, 65 Henry St., 43302. Services Sun. & Wed. 7:30 p.m. Irene Stafford, Pastor; Doris Randall, Sec. (614) 382-7262.

**MASSILLON**—First Spiritualist Church, cor. of North Ave., and Third St., N.E. Sun. evening ser. at 7:30 p.m. Public Message Circle 1st and 3rd Sat., 7:30 p.m. at church (216) 832-9764. Denzil Crawford, 1030 Lincolnwood Ave., S.W., Canton.

**YOUNGSTOWN**—First Spiritualist Church, 323



LaCade. Sun. Ser., 7:00 p.m., Study Class, Fri. 7:30 p.m. Rev. Amy Pearce, Pastor, 544 W. Glenhaven. (216) 782-1090.

## OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma State Spiritualist Association—Mr. Lester C. Scoles, Pres., 4448 Woodedge Dr., Del City, 73115. Mrs. Alta J. Scoles, Sec., 4448 Woodedge Dr., Del City, 73115.

OKLAHOMA CITY—Central Spiritualist Church, 1005 N. Harvey. Sun. and Wed. 7:30 p.m., Lyceum, Sun. 10:30 a.m. Pastor, Alta J. Scoles, 4448 Woodedge Dr., Del City, Okla., 672-1507.

TULSA—Spiritual Light Church, 123 S. Xanthus. Ser. Mon. and Fri. evenings at 8 p.m. Margaret C. May, Minister.

## PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania State Spiritualist Association—Rev. Clara Senior, NST, Pres., RD # 4, Lititz, 17543. Rev. Rebecca E. Fasnacht, NST, Sec., 7200 Whitaker Ave., Philadelphia, 19111.

ALLENTOWN—First Spiritualist Church of Allentown. 1123 Oak St., 18102. Between Chew and Turner St. Ser. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Healing and Worship 7:00 p.m. at 7:30 p.m. all message ser. Esther Bauder, Treas., 504 E. Main St., Emmaus, 18049.

HARRISBURG—First Spiritualist Church, Malta Hall, 607 N. Second St., 17105. Sun. 2:15 p.m. (717) 564-3721.

McKEESPORT—First Spiritualist Church, 809 Locust St., 15184. Sun. 7 p.m.

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PHILADELPHIA—Universal Spiritualist Brotherhood Church, Rising Sun and Park Aves., 19140. Sun. 2:30 p.m.

Second Spiritualist Church, 423 S. Broad St. Church ser., Sun., Healing, 7:00 p.m. Lecture and Messages, 7:30 p.m., Wed., 8 p.m. Message Ser. Pastor, John E. Faison, Licentiate, Rev. Augusta Taylor, Co-Pastor.

The Fourth Spiritualist Church, 4964 N. Rising Sun Ave., 19120. Ser. 3 and 7 p.m. Fri. 8 p.m. Rev. B. C. Frace, Pastor, 2044 Ridgelawn Ave., Bethlehem, 18018.

PITTSBURGH—First Spiritualist Church, 256 Boquet St., 15213. Sun. 2:30 p.m. (412) 682-3878.

READING—First Spiritualist Church, Zion's United Church of Christ, Washington and Cedar Sts., 19603. Sun. 2 p.m. (717) 733-4547.

## TEXAS

AUSTIN—First Spiritualist Church, 4299 Ave. D, Sun. Ser., Lyceum 9:00 a.m., Church Ser. 10:00 a.m. Mrs. W.S. (Frances L.) Brown, Pastor.

CAMERON—First Spiritualist Church, 802 S. College, 76520. Sun. Devotional & Message Serv. 11:00 a.m. H. Bryson Kelley, Pastor. Second Sunday of Each Month, Rev. & Mrs. Elmer Actkinson. Mrs. Verna Hentz, Pres., 406 E. 7th, (817) 697-3912; Mrs. Pearl Krenek, Sec., Rt. 1, Box 226, 76520. (817) 697-3027.

DALLAS—First Spiritualist Church, 5334 Forney Rd. Sun. Church Ser., 7:45 p.m. Developing Class, Thurs., 8 p.m. Pastor, James F. Bradley, 388-2668, 388-1402.

Second Spiritualist Church of Dallas, White Plaza Hotel. Devotional and Message ser. each Sun. at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Maude Conner, Pastor; Mrs. Marie Schiller, Sec'y. (214) 327-9280.

EL PASO—1st Spiritualist Church, 2328 Grant Ave. Devotional and Message Ser., Sun. and Wed., 8 p.m. Rev. Lena Halstead, Pastor.

HOUSTON—First Church of Divine Science, N.S.A.C., 3523 Beauchamp St., (713) 864-0474. Mr. Charles D Jessup III, Pastor; Rev. Willie D. Dearmin, Sec'y., Sun. 2:30 p.m. Devotional, Healing and Clairvoyance; Wed. 7:45 p.m. Psychic Demonstrations, Healing and Clairvoyance.

SAN ANTONIO—Louise Scholtz Memorial Chapel, 1627 Pan Am Express Way N., Ser. Sun., 7:30 p.m., Garrett H. Scholtz, Pastor; Mrs. LeNelle Marsh, Sec'y, 139 Peach Valley Dr. 78227.

TAYLOR—American Spiritualist Church, West Fourth St. Ser. 2nd Sun. of each month, 2 p.m. Homer B. Kelley, Pastor. Social last Sat. each month. Evelyn Cervin, Sec'y, 1015 W. 7th St.

## VERMONT

S. BURLINGTON—Church of Spiritual Light, O'Brien Civic Center, Patchen Rd., 05401. Sun. 2:30 p.m. (802) 878-2542.

## VIRGINIA

NORFOLK—Christian Metaphysical Chapel, N.S.A.C., 307 W. 37th St., Lyceum, 11:00 a.m. Sun. Devotional Ser. Sun., Wed. 7:30 p.m. Sec'y, Miss Florence Siebert.

## WASHINGTON

State Spiritualist Association of Washington—Rev. Marvin A. Day, Pres., 615 11 St., Bremerton, 98310. Edna Porviance, Sec., Route # 2, Box 539, Camp Tacoma, 98424.

BELLINGHAM—The Church of Psychic Research. N.S.A.C. Charter No. 11, 710 Grand St. Sun. Service 11:00 a.m., Healing 10:30 a.m. Edna G. Purviance, Pres., Edward Dawson, Sec.

BREMERTON—Harmony Chapel, NSAC, 100 S. Dora—Odd Fellows Temple, 98310. Healing and Service 7:30 p.m. Thurs. Marie Day, Pres., 615 11 St., 98310. (206) 373-9825. Audrae Rogers, V. Pres., 305 N. Marion, 98310. (206) 373-6722. Martha A. Rapp, Sec., 143 N. Marion, 98310. (206) 377-2764. Alicia Van Hout, Treas., 1308 National Ave., 98310. (206) 373-4174.

PUYALLUP—First Spiritualist Church, 341 2nd St. S.E.; Sunday service, Friendly Hour 6:30 p.m., Evening service 7:30 p.m. Pres. Merton B. Boss, Tacoma, Washington; Sec'y. Theresa G. Boss, 1802 S. Adams, Tacoma, 98405. 759-7144.

SEATTLE—Tower Memorial Church N.S.A.C., 2116 W. Dravus St., 98199. Sun. Ser. 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Nevada Schildt, Pres. 6208 36th St. N.W. Seattle, WA 98107. (206) 784-5115. Treas. Georgetta Hartman, (206) 242-4575.

Church of Spiritual Unity, Concert Hall Fischer Studio Bldg., 1519 Third Ave., Sing-Along 1:45, and Service 2 p.m. Sundays. Healing and Circles at 3:30 p.m. Closed during July and August. Pres. LaVern Weber, Sec. and Treas. Hazel E. Kearns.

## WEST VIRGINIA

WHEELING—The Way Memorial Temple, Broadway and Maryland Sts., 26003. Sun. 9:30 a.m.

## WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE—Kraft Memorial Spiritualist Center, Plankinton Hotel, Mil. Sun. Devotional Ser. 10:45 a.m.

WEST ALLIS—1st Psychic Science Church, 2103 S. 81st. Sun. Devotional Service 10:30 A.M. Lyceum, 10:30 A.M., Manila Kochanski Scty, 9143 W. Custer St., Milwaukee, 53225

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# Declaration of Principles

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1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.
2. We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.
3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.
5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you do ye also unto them."
7. We affirm the moral responsibility of the individual, and that he makes his own happiness or unhappiness as he obeys or disobeys Nature's physical and spiritual laws.
8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any human soul here or hereafter.
9. We affirm that the precept of Prophecy contained in the Bible is a Divine attribute proven through Mediumship.

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### EDITORIAL (Contd.)

thinking of inflation. I am thinking of the reality of all things spiritual and material. I suggest a need to keep ourselves in prospect with today.

We are Spiritualists. All across this great land of ours are Spiritualist. Let us truly know the Philosophy, demonstrate the Science, and live the Religion. Be National Spiritualists.

### OUR SPIRITUALIST HERITAGE (Contd.)

heights that orthodoxy and archaic dogma would have us believe impossible. We would not be here today if this were not true.

Our pioneers did not create something called Spiritual Heritage and hand it down. They experienced what each and everyone of us experience—a breakthrough, a single great moment during which their lives as ours, have been drastically and unalterably changed. They, our pioneers, went on from there to build mountains!

How can we, as Spiritualists, sit back and rest on their laurels? Where do we go from here? Being content with the knowledge that we are free to fly and do not is insufficient. We must go on!

What do we want to do in life? What is our purpose? My assumption is that I have a reason for living, that my life has a direction. I knew this before Spiritualism taught me it was so.

Our Spiritual Heritage is not something which was neatly packaged and set aside for future generations of Spiritualists to look at and exclaim over. It is something to be cherished, nurtured, and expanded upon. As Jonathan Livingston Seagull would say, "to begin with, we've got to understand that we are unlimited ideas of freedom and that our bodies from wingtip to wingtip, is nothing more than the expression of our thoughts." Cannot we look with our understanding, find out what we already know, remove all our self-imposed limitations and fly? It's totally up to us! Do we significantly alter our lives, change our directions, and improve our future, or do we sit back confident and assured that we could, not bothering to try?

Whether written or spoken, the more intensely personal, the more uniquely applicable to us our philosophy becomes, the more meaningful it will have for us. We are all engaged in a struggle to become someone unique and wonderful. Our Spiritual Heritage has given us the wherewithal and shown us the way in which we can accomplish this.

Our pioneers are not dead! There are pioneers sitting in this room today. Please, let the dust off our wings, expand and build upon the wondrous accomplishments, and fly to even higher heights. Let us start today. Let us fly together. RCC