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**Andrew Jackson Davis** 

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# The heart appeal



by Nella Mae Esty

During our last year in high school, I was Minnie Snow's only close friend. I suppose that was because I alone understood the acid scorn she displayed to the world in general. I knew that in reality her bitterness concealed an intense feeling of inferiority, for Minnie was a tall, rawboned girl of sixteen, and very plain. She was extremely sensitive about her height. In addition, I knew Minnie's life at home was not a happy one.

After graduation we lost touch and years passed. During the war I attended a war bond drive program sponsored by the Red Cross. The program billed a Mrs. Merril as the featured speaker. She stepped on to the stage and I noticed how striking she was. Then I heard her voice. This famous speaker from Chicago was

Minnie!

The applause was thunderous following her speech and I found it difficult to thread through the crowd to Minnie's side. At last I was looking into her sparkling eyes as she exclaimed, "Oh, how wonderful to see you!"

Soon the new Minnie and I were at my home

sitting in front of the fire.

She laughed as she said, "You must be wondering how all this happened to me. I've changed a lot from that girl you knew. Actually you must be surprised to find me with a husband, three lovely children and a career before the public."

"You're also the most striking woman I've met in a very long time," I added, thinking of the gangling girl who had become this poised

woman.

"Sometimes little things can change our whole lives," she mused. "There was a time when I had reached the very depths of depression and loathing for my life. That's when I made a fortunate discovery. A scrubby mongrel puppy appeared at our door one day, and I took him in. He was positively the ugliest dog I every saw. He was also the happiest, so I called him Smiler. It just seemed to fit because I couldn't look at him without smiling."

"Physically he was no more beautiful than I, yet no one seemed to notice. Ugly or not, that dog was loved. With no effort he made human friends wherever he went. That gave me a lot to think about."

I edged my chair closer, remembering the tears Minnie had shed when other youngsters made fun of her. "That little dog showed me how to change my life. He didn't give a hoot what people thought of him. Even if someone kicked him he forgot it quickly. He just loved and was loved in return. He never worried about anything because he was too busy appreciating life. His beauty came from the heart."

THE LAW OF TRUTH-It is the knowledge of truth that constitutes right thinking, right acting, and right living. Truth many times crushed to earth will rise again triumphant over evil and wrong doing. The man who does wrong through ignorance is just as accountable to that law as the one who understands it. Ignorance of the law does not excuse us from the effects of it.

#### YOUTH by Otto Schuh

Youth always makes itself known, as it must if mankind is to prosper. But there comes a time when the body has grown old and frequently the remaining years are not judged in terms of potential. Yet there is potential in us all, young or old. Perhaps each state is simply the opposite side of the same coin.

This then is a message to those mature in years. WE have lessons still to learn, and skills still to offer. We can show younger people the way to God. In that way our time is as valuable as it was in our youth. In our sixties, seventies, or eighties we can be youthful, but in a different way. The feeling of discovery that is the hallmark of youth is still within reach. And every experience is enhanced by the depth of understanding accumulated over the years. We are as much partners with God as in our chronological youth.

# The Ghost of Flight 401

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As spell-binding as the account of flight 401 is on that eventful filled evening, even more stirring is the strong evidence of parapshchology the book unlocks for review by the general Documented events, incidents and witnessed reports are laced throughout the book. In recounting the story, Rev. Genevieve Woelfl, introduces the story leading up to the disaster and then unravels the foreboding messages which warned of the event. But then Rev. Woelfl ties the two together recording the parapsychology incidents, documented and often witnessed by several airline employees, which show that the living spirits of those who went down in the flight are still reaching out to help their fellows, who on occasion may face a simple problem that builds, if unattended, to spark another disaster.

The story of Eastern Airlines L-1011 Superjet No. 310, flight 401, which crashed into the rough blackness of Florida's Everglades in December 1972, is a factual report from official documents and statements of witnesses. Some witnesses were flight attendants on this giant tristar Whisperliner. They were among the lucky seventy-seven who survived. For ninety-nine it was their last flight.

Well-trained officers commanded this jet. The length of a football field boasted a six-story high tail, and had accumulated four months of service. Captain Robert Loft, in his mid-fifties, had 30,000 flying hours with 300 of them on the new L1011s. His First Officer, 40 year old Albert Stockstill had better than 300 hours on the airliner and Second Officer Donald Repo, 50 year old veteran flight engineer, was highly experienced in procedure of the L1011s. Ten stewardesses: handled service in the cabins.

The \$32,000,000 jet with its 163 passengers and crew of thirteen took off from J.F. Kennedy Airport, New York at 9:20 p.m. scheduled to arrive at Miami Airport 2 hours and 12 minutes later. Although departure was delayed twenty minutes, Captain Loft made up the lost time. Nearing touchdown he radioed Miami Approach Control for directions. He told his co-pilot to lower the landing gear, then again requested directions to land. Stockstill reported back to Loft that he could not be certain if wheels were down. Again he tried to lower the gear. He still

reported "No nose gear" Loft radioed the Control Tower that he had no light on the nose gear yet. The Tower told him to climb to 2000 feet and go back to again make an approach. Don Repo went down into the narrow pit beneath the cockpit to change the light bulb, but couldn't move it. Stockstill also tried to change it but could do nothing toward getting the light on to show if the landing wheels were down. Captain Loft also reached over to try his hand, thinking the plane was on automotive control at 2000 feet. A slight pressure disengaged the automatic control and started an unexpected descent into the sea of black, the Everglades. It was 11:42 p.m. With a blood-curdling boom L1011 No. 310 met destruction.

When at last the sordid rescue of the helpless survivors was over, and records checked, only seventy-seven came through this traumatic

Captain Loft with broken ribs and other injuries died of shock shortly afterwards. Flight Officer Stocksull was found dead. Officer Don Repo lived for thirty hours, then succumbed at the hospital.

One of the rescuers was Frank Borman, the astronaut, now President of Eastern Airlines. He was one of the first on the scene.

Stewardess Pat Ghyssels was too busy with her duties in flight to recall the message a Medium had given her in Miami, six months before, that before the year was over a plane would drop; that in her unconsciousness she'd think she was killed, but to know that she was still alive after being unconscious, even though she'd be in total blackness. When this actually came true the noise was so thunderous she thought she was dreaming. Before she came to, she thought she was dead. Pain brought her back to consciousness.

Another surviving flight attendant was Doris Elliott, equally as sensitive as she was pretty. Two weeks before this flight she was on one of the usual flights from Tampa, Florida to J.F. Kennedy Airport. Clairvoyantly she envisioned an L1011 over the Everglades coming in on a flight approach to Miami International Airport in the dark and late at night. She saw the left wing crumble and its fusilage smash into black ground. Clair-audiantly she heard the cries of the injured It seemed so real that she felt nauseated. Two other stewardesses hastened to her side as she lost her footing. When she told them what she saw, they believed her because prior visions she had came true, like the time she foresaw an accident at a railroad crossing. Now they questioned her about when this tragedy

would occur. Doris said: "Around the holidays, closer to New Years." Then they asked: "Will we be in it?" "No", Doris replied. "But it's going to be real close." Doris resolutely put all this out of her mind.

On the night of December 29, 1972 her plane up from Tampa landed at J.F. Kennedy Airport at 7:30 to be refueled and make a return trip south to Miami at 9:00 p.m. For a time it looked like Doris and her stewardesses would have to remain on this plane for the nine o'clock run south, but at twenty to nine their replacements came. She went on a flight to Fort Lauderdale, where she learned of the tragic end of No. 310 Flight 401.

Science is finding it more and more evidential that life continues after this life is over, as shown by Dr. Karlis Osis, Director of Research at the American Society for Psychical Research in New York City, in his important work: Deathbed Observations by Physicians and Nurses in 1971.

Such scientific workers offer comfort to the bereaved, and a more certain expectation of continuous life. This is the modern viewpoint becoming more and more accepted.

But it seems that there is still controversy and even censure for scientists who choose to probe these ideas with an open mind.

What happened after the crash of flight 401 on No. 310's sister ships had a deep effect on people inside and outside of the aviation operation.

In February 1973, two months after the crash of flight 401 No. 310, la flight attendant on a similar plane went about her duties in the lower galley. At a sudden drop in temperature she literally froze. She felt something. She was not alone. She glanced at the glass door of an oven. Looking back at her was the face of the flight engineer, Don Repo, of flight 401, who went down on the fateful drop into the Everglades. Shaking all over, the stewardess rushed up out of the galley to bring another flight attendant back down with her to verify what she saw in the oven window. Together they sought out their flight engineer. He went below with them. recognized Don Repo and spoke with him. This ghost warned him to watch out for a fire on his plane. Soon after, this plane No. 318 was on takeoff from Mexico City, when fire showed in one of its engines. The alerted crew safely landed the giant L1011 with only one engine operating at 400 feet down. They felt that indeed spirit help make possible the safe landing.

The stewardesses were told not to mention or report the many encounters with the ghosts, or spirit manifestations, of the flight crew of plane No. 310, who went down with their jet to a mucky death in the Everglades. If they did, they would be summarily summoned before the airline's psychiatrist, and probably lose their jobs. But

tales of realistic apparitions in the galleys of the 'sister ships' filtered through crews of even international airlines.

Because some nonstructural components from the wrecked 310 were utilized again in the L1011s of other Eastern Airlines, it was suggested that perhaps they attracted the killed officers to show themselves on these 'sister ships'. They were surely seen by many crew members on many flights, as reputably reported.

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by Rev. Genevieve Woelfl

# Seeing is believing

Michael DE Nostradame:

Excerpts from articles in Medical Economics and the Kitchner-Waterllo Record.

After 44 years as a spiritual healer, Olga Worrall has convinced a lot of skeptics, and now counts a considerable number in the medical profession who recount her successes.

Dr. Robert Bradley, Denver, Colorado, gynecologist -- "I've known Olga Worrall over a number of years and I've come to the conclusion that she's a sincere person with a decided gift for healing."

Dr. James McGary, director of an Arizona clinic: "Olga Worrall has a remarkable ability to heal."

Dr. Paul G. Isaak, MD, Alaska: "I must say I am favorably impressed."

Dr. James A. Knight, associate dean and professor of psychiatry at Tulane University medical school: "I view Mrs. Worrall's healing ministry with enthusiasm and confidence."

Although she travels around the country, Olga spends much of her time conducting healing services at the Baltimore Mount Washington Methodist Church. Before his passing, Ambrose, her late husband, and she, worked together. But even today, she signs both their names to correspondence written to friends.

The Dec. 14th Kitchner-Waterloo article had one particularly interesting side note: "One night, she recalls with a chuckle, "There were nine MDs in the house all seeking spiritual therapy for their own ailments.

Ed: Olga commands the scene. And when she emphasizes the role of prayer in her healing work, perhaps her greatest asset — sincerity — becomes immediately evident. If she travels to your town, be sure and attend her lecture. She won't perform any stage style healings or take you off to the side. Instead she'll call on anyone to join with her in sending forth healing energy.

She regards her gift as that from God. Her role, she says, "is simply a channel."

# Michael DE Nostradame: Future events were his to see

by Priscilla M. Clough and Charles Leslie Brandenburg

Ref:

La premiere face du Janus François, Par Jean Almes de Chavigny Beaunois, 1594.

They Foresaw The Future by Justine Glass, Putnam's Sons.

Anatomy of Prophecy by Daniel Logan, Prentice Hall, Inc.

Napoleon and Josephine by Frances Mossiker, Simon and Schuster, Inc.

Oracles of Nostradamus by Charles A. Ward.

"In Nature's infinite book of secrecy
A little I can read."
Antony and Cleopatra, i. 2.

"For I know what has been, and will be hereafter."

Taliessin

"I will pour out of my spirit upon a flesh and your sons and daughters shall prophecy."

Acts, 2, 17.

"For a prophet says nothing of his own, but everything that he says is strange, and prompted by someone else; and it is not lawful for a wicked man to be an intercepter of God, as also no wicked man can be properly said to be inspired; but this statement is only appropriate to the wise man alone, since he alone is a sounding instrument of God's voice."

Philo

Many of the sages history credits with the ability to forsee the future. Among the greatest are those of the sixteenth and seventeenth century: William Lilly, Cheiro, and John Dee. Another was Michael DE Nostradamus, born Thursday the 14th, December, 1503. His mystical quantrains are believed to span over 1500 years of prophecy. Remarkable, as this seems, even more phenomenal is the shocking reality that as the events unfold, history has yet to prove his pre-vision incorrect.

What was the vision of this man who could see beyond centuries? Some early historians interpreted his works as those of a charlatan. Yet in his own time royalty flocked to his door at Salon and curried his favor. An illustration which best serves this is the request of Charles IX, when he stormed France in 1564. His first contact on entering the city Nov. 17 was to speak to Nostradamus.

A comment worthy of note at this time was a news story several years back on a seance reportedly attended by Princess Grace of Monocco. As the story went, she asked to speak to Nostradamus and severely questioned him about why he camouflaged his predictions. Again, the story alleges that his descriptions which followed were so clear as to frighten anyone who yet had the future to face. Her remarks perhaps delivered in ridicule, turned speechless, as so the story continued.

The Why of his elusive descriptions is the simpliest of the questions to answer. "Some of his reasons are very peculiar, one being that it is not profitable for the vulgar to have knowledge of the future, God reserves the knowledge of the times to Himself, and that it might trespass upon business of State to discover and lay open things which the prudent wish to conceal." (Oracles of

Nostradamus).

Surprisingly enough, Nostradamus is believed to have set down all the visions and **pronounced** names given to him in prose narration while seated on a stool at the foot of his bed. It was there that he suffocated from dropsy a little before sunrise July 2, 1566.

# Astrology was not the key

Nostradamus threw himself into the study of astrology in 1547 after returning to his home in Salon and finding that his popularity had greatly abated. He withdrew from society and continued to practice divination. Nostradamus placed much importance in astrology. He indicated at times that perfect knowledge of medicine was not unattainable without it. His studies led to the publication of many almanacs, which among other things carried weather predictions. The first appeared in 1550. His initial fame soon turned sour as his words were frequently pirated and other publications produced in his name without his knowledge.

The Frenchman was regarded far and wide, but not especially in Salon. There, many thought of him as an imposter, primarily, in latter years because of this piracy which led to many books

printed more for profit than content.

Some historians have placed Nostradamus of the lost tribe of Issachar, as lineage for his remarkable prophecies. However, this fact remains in considerable question. The only clear reference to the celestial sciences in the family seems to be identified with the great-grandfather who whetted Michael with a taste of its study.

## His more familiar predictions

In Italy he foresaw that Felice Peretti would become Sixtus V and knelt before the young man on the roadside, much to the amusement of the

peasantry.

In 1536, Catherine de Medici, Queen of France, sent for Nostradamus. She wanted a second opinion on the foredained death of her husband, Henry II, by Bishop Garic. A translation of perhaps his most commonly known verse reveals the answer:

The young shall overcome the old
In war-like field in single fight
In a golden case he will pierce the eye
Two wounds one, then die a cruel death.

In the summer of 1559, a three-day tournament was held to celebrate the marriage of the two daughters of Henry II -- Elizabeth to Phillip II of Spain and Marguerite, the Duke of Saxony.

Palais des Tournelles was chosen for the lists and June 30 King Henry II rode against Conte Gabriel de Montgomery's lance. In the third joust, the jagged point of his lance pierced the King's golden painted, caged shaped visor and penetrated his eye. A splinter from the same lance struck his throat, making "Two wounds in 'one." Henry died 10 days later.

Catherine, ambitious for the success of her children, again consulted Nostradamus regarding the future of Francis, Elizabeth, Charles, Henry, Francois and Marguerite.

In rhyme he foretold that Francis would marry Mary Stuart and die after his reign of one year. Elizabeth, who had become the child wife of Phillip II of Spain at nine would later marry the Duke de Lorraine and live to 20. Charles IX, who succeeded to the throne would die of poison after a tempestuous reign. His brother Henry III, Catherine's favorite, and the first in the family to become King of Poland, then France, would die by the hand of Jacques Clement in 1589. Francois greatest achievement, as prophesized was to become ruler of the Netherlands, which he did. Marguerite de Valois married Henry VI, Protestant leader from Navaree.

He foretold of the French Revolution 230 years before hand. He described the story of Louis XVI, beginning in Paris and ending with the capture of the family at Varennes.

### Physician par excellent

James, his father, was a notary. His mother was Renee de Saint Remy. The men on her father's and mother's side were skilled in both mathematics and medicine. One was the physician to Renatus, titular King of Jerusalem and Sicily, and Count of Provence; another to John, Duke of Calabria.

Nostradamus attended school at Avignon, where he studied humanity courses; then he was off to Montpellier, to acquire learning in

philosophy and medicine.

He graduated with a doctorate degree in 1529.

Between then and his move to Aix, at the invitation of the Parliament of Provence, he traveled extensively; married, and endured the loss of his wife and two children.

His services during the plague in 1546 won him a salary which was extended several years. In chapter 8 of his treatise "Des Fards" he left his

formula of his plague powder.

### His technique

Nostradamus was skilled in all the known methods of incantation, astral, pharmaceutic, and electrical and "that he practiced them in all the fullness, though with reticent circumspection, and very reluctant and eginmatic avowal."

While absolute clarity is almost impossible, translations of Nostradamus' own writings describe the preparation he underwent:

Gathered at night in study deep I sat, Alone, upon the tripod stool of brass, Exiguous flamecameout of solitude, Promise of magic that may be believed.

The rod in hand set in the midst of the Branches, He moistens with water both the fringe and foot; Fear and a voice make me quake in my sleeves; Splendour divine, the God is seated near.

Interestingly enough, there was a pagan rite of the Grecian Branchus which compares to the fatidical ceremony practiced by Nostradamus. (Branchus means the throat.)

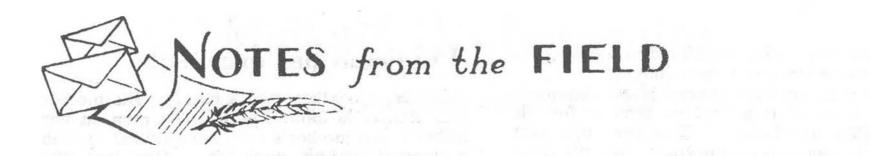
The oracles of Branchus at Didyma were

superior to all but Delphi.

This vague association has led some historians to identify Branchus as the prophet. However, we think not. After the death of his wife and two children, Nostradamus spent much of his waking hours in study. Secrets now lost to all but time he gleaned from ancient writings in monasteries. More likely than not, he merely employed vaticinatory connection with the other world -- a counter mind to spirit analogy.

Today, with pen in hand, those gifted in automatic writing "quake in their sleeves."

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Lawrence J. Dentici and Patricia K. Dentici of Hales Corners, Wisconsin were the featured speakers at the regular 2:30 p.m. and a special 7 p.m. service at the Puritan Spiritualist Church of Burnham, Illinois on April 16th. Mr. and Mrs. Dentici are affiliated with the First Psychic Science Church of West Allis, Wisconsin. Anna Gross, the Pastor, served as Mistress of Ceremonies at both services. A lovely supper was served by the ladies of the church supervised by Mrs. Janet Schroeder after the 2:30 service.

Among the many out-of-town guest mediums serving at the afternoon service in addition to the Denticis, were Mrs. Darlene Clark of the First Spiritualist Church of Frankfort, Indiana; the Rev. Amelia Hullinger and Mrs. Ruth Novak of the First Spiritualist Church of Michigan City, Indiana; Mrs. Helen Schaller, Mr. Wm. Schaller and Mrs. Margaret Warden of the First Progressive Spiritualist Church of Hammond, Indiana; Mrs. Louise Washington of the Tucker Smith Memorial Spiritualist Temple of Chicago; Mrs. Anna Habenicht of the Spiritualist Church of Truth of Chicago.

Guest mediums serving at the special evening service, besides the Denticis, were Mr. Mike Nealon of the First Spiritualist Church of Gary, Indiana; Mr. Bernard B. Powell of the Spiritualist Church of Divinity in Chicago and President of the Illinois State Spiritualist Association; and Rev. Mrs. Julian of Chicago.

The State Association of Spiritualist Churches of Minnesotaheld its annual Mass Meeting in St. Paul April 1st and 2nd. Ruth Moseman of Minneapolis, spoke at the Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon services. Eve Olson of St. Paul, spoke at the Sunday morning service.

Similar mass meetings are held each spring and autumn. This provides a chance to reach people who might otherwise never learn of the churches' existence or of spirit teachings. In response to advertising, attendance at each of these services was greatly increased.

This Palm Sunday, March 19, the congregation of the First Spiritualist Church of Austin, Texas, received a pleasant surprise. The pastor of the Spiritualist Harmony Church of Davenport, Iowa, Mrs. Buchholz was down Austin way visiting her daughter and son-in-law and dropped in to see us. She consented to give messages and we were thoroughly rewarded. Thank you again. We hope you will come back real soon.

The children in attendance thoroughly enjoyed an Easter egg hunt which followed the service.

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Saturday, June 10th marks the start of the Centennial State Spiritualist Association of Colorado two day 54th convention which is being held at the Temple of Harmony Church at 3375 S. Dahlia in Denver, Colorado.

The convention will begin with a banquet on Saturday evening followed by a Church service. Mr. Charles Jessup will be the guest speaker, Saturday and Sunday, morning and evening.

Mr. Jessup will be conducting seminars on Monday, Tusday and Wednesday evenings following the Convention.

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The Seventy-Third Annual Convention, April 7-9, of the Oklahoma State Spiritualist Association was held in Central Spiritualist Church, Oklahoma City. Guest Speaker was the Rev. Elmer L. Actkinson, of Ft. Worth. Gertrude Actkinson also helped with themessage service. Ladies of Central Spiritualist Church served dinner in the Church both days.

# The great philosophy



by Herbert F. Schneider

God and man are spirit -- in that simple statement lies the bases for the greatest philosophy. From it comes our purpose of being, what we are and the why and the whereforeth of life.

The design and function of nature and the universe reveals that a superior intelligence is responsible and everywhere present. Being omnipresent, that intelligence must also be infinite without limitation.

Only in the English language is this Infinite Intelligence called God. In every language there is another word with a similar meaning.

As we look about our world and scan the universe beyond, it is evident that this intelligence is far too vast in all respects to be a personal being human.

How can we understand the nature of this Intelligence? Only by accepting the fact that God is spirit; and, that man in the likeness of his composition and nature is also spirit.

To understand the relationships presented, we must examine and attempt to comprehend the duality of all life, spiritual and physical, in its positive and negative balance.

Instead of believing and having faith that something is true because we are told so, we come to know within our own being what is true. And if the foregoing is so, then our approach and understanding of life is changed away from that which prevails in the world today.

As mankind is spirit, there should be no conflict in accepting the brotherhood of man for conflict of this would be a denial of an existing fact. It is therefore our responsibility as individuals to promote harmony among ourselves and our fellow man, every where.

We are all equal in potential as spirits. But we are not equal as physical beings. However, there is a great disparity which is impossible to ignore. There are contrasts -- i.e. the aborigine and the

mental genius, the sick and the healthy, the criminal and the spiritual, the selfish and the charitable and so on. For some of these material conditions no potential of equality exists in a physical lifetime as reformation parts from spirit with basis prejudices. In this comes the discord in our world. Discord can best be alleviated through the teachings of a true philosophy which offers mankind unity and understanding.

If God and man are part of the same spirit, then of necessity, there must be a similiar purpose. We find an element of progress in all of nature. This is best illustrated by evolution. According to the laws governing evolution, progress is eternal. There is no final point of achievement. As an animal man is advanced. But what next? Would it not be logical to accept an existence in his spirit form? Nature does not evolve a specie to its highest form then annihilate it. Nature evolves a species for the purpose of displacing a lower form.

Man must continue on in a higher form and that is his spirit existence. Spirit life is a higher form of life because it is the perfect creation of God and nature, undefiled by man's distortions and willful interference. Man in his physical embodiment follows a path of wrong thinking because he has been taught to ignore what he really is. If man ignores the fact that he is spirit, he ignores truth. His relationship to the world about him becomes little more than half truth.

When man orients his thinking to comprehend the nature of his being, the conduct of his life must follow in accordance. He must come to know that he has a responsibility to his fellow man in that he must not violate another individual in any way. He must understand that in doing so he violates a natural law and this will react against him as sure as a chemical reaction take place naturally. Obviously, no prayer or priestly intercession can alter this fact. Prayer or remorse can do little more than to AMELIORATE a wrong. It can, however, constructively lead to restitution and better conduct in an individual's life.

Great philosophers before the birth of Christ, such as the Greeks, Persians, and Hindus advocated a life after death. It seems that only Jewish and Christian hierarchy have prohibited the continuity of life in spite of what God and nature has evolved. Without putting it into exposition, most of the greater poets of English literature have supported continuity of life in their writing that man is spirit. This is true of other language cultures as well.

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# Transitions

**ARTHUR ASH** 

Arthur Ash passed to the high life at age 66 years. Mr. Ash was a former member and past president of the First Spiritualist Church of Royal Oak Michigan. He is survived by wife, Evelyn of Healdsburg Cal.; mother, Beatrice of Hazel Park, MI., two sons, Arthur of Royal Oak; Roger of Il., three daughters; Mrs. Eileen Holland of Michigan, Mrs. Virginia Volker of Portage, MI., Mrs. Cheryl Bradford of CA. and 19 grandchildren. Memorial service was held at Daniels Chapel of the Roses, Santa Rosa, CA.

#### JOSEPH G. CAMPBELL

Campbell, Joseph G., healer and longtime member of the Progressive Spiritualist Church of Indianapolis, passed to Spirit life on April 4th after a short illness. Joe was active in Spiritualism for many years and was loved and respected for the kindness and sympathy which he generated and his willingness to serve whenever the need arose.

### Letters to TNS

I knew and corresponded with Rev. Robert J. Macdonald for years. I have been so busy that I did not get the March TNS copy opened. All of a sudden I felt the spirit presence of a dear friend near me. He said, "Open your TNS now!" As I opened it who stared me in the face? Rev. Robert J. Macdonald's picture on the page. I was so grateful for this -- Thank you. C.A.P.

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Every Spiritualist should attempt to understand and love his fellowmen; and, have the patience and understanding to work with the Law's of God to bring about a complete fulfillment of the physical, material and spiritual life.

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#### SO LONG FRIEND by Edwin Carey

Just a few lines of gratitude
To one we've been privileged to know;
Small of statue, of quiet demeanor
Who everyone knew as just "Joe".

We always found Joe ready to help, In any necessary task at hand; Always willing to do his best, With all the strength at his command.

Many a time I sat in a chair, Not noticing who sat behind; Feeling a pat on shoulder or arm, Looking back Joe's grin I'd find.

Joe always wanted to do his part, And his effort most highly we rate; Whether a healing service in church, Or just passing the collection plate.

Some who knew him better than I, Say they've called him late at night; To ask his help in relief from pain, To be bathed in a healing light. Joe was willing his time to share, To pray that their pain be relieved; Those who asked were never refused, And found welcome healing received.

Joe knew a secret we most must learn, To get the most joy from living: We must ignore all selfish desires, Instead of taking, concentrate on giving.

Some may say "Joe's gone away, To reside on some heavenly sphere," I can't believe it, he lingers around, Hesitating to leave his friends here.

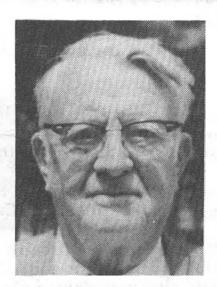
So Joe if you wish to give us a hand, Lend your strength to others with healing; In so-called death still do your part, For compassion was your foremost feeling.

So long friend, you've earned a rest, You sought to do our Father's will: Though your body must return to dust, Your gentle spirit is with us still.

# I knew...

By Rev. Paul Wilson







Harold Palmer Courtney was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He joined the Lyceum as a boy and was an active Lyceumist all of his life.

Few knew that his phase of mediumship was so strong that it was demonstrated on the theater stages. It was a type of physical phenomena similar to that which the Davenport brothers demonstrated publicly. Although the psychic forces were very strong for his type of phenomena, he finally quit working as a medium.

Married to Elizabeth R. Courtney; the couple moved to Glendale, California. A good friend of J. P. Whitwell, he served as trustee of the N.S.A.C. for 19 years, having been elected in 1925. Election to a three year term as treasurer came in 1946.

In 1913 Harold and his wife helped to organize the Central Church. They headed the church until her transition in 1941. He was a member of the California State Spiritualist Association during this time. Due to his high standards, California was looked upon as a model for State Associations.

His work included the Gas Company in Glendale. In addition to having a home in Glendale, he had one at Big Bear Lake which was visited by many church members and friends, especially during the months of July and August.

Mr. Courtney believed that representatives of Spiritualism should improve their minds. His standards were so lofty that he would never apply for certification. He encouraged all workers to present work of a high caliber. His enemies were usually those who did not present Spiritualism well.

Courtney specialized in Parliamentary Law and was the equal of anyone. Naturally, conventions conducted by him were well run and orderly.

Anna Throndsden was born in Nottingham, England. She moved to Canada at an early age, and later moved to Indianapolis, Indiana. A school teacher when only twelve, and missionary for the Christian church, her visions led her to investigate Spiritualism. At the age of 18 she became a medium. She served churches in many places and was a pastor of a Louisville church for three years.

Later, she moved to Peru, Indiana where she was ordained by Will J. Erwood for the National Spiritualist Association. Included among her phases of mediumship were speaking, trance, trumpet, and clairvoyant. An unusual thing in her trumpet seances was the appreciation shown by the spirit people who voiced in her many seances. I especially remember former Mayor Lew Shank, of Indianapolis, who occasionally attended her seances. He would tell about some of the humorous happenings during his political life.

Always cheerful, generous and optimistic, she was like a mother to everyone. Because of her compassion and inherent goodness, she was very effective in church activities and funerals. Her favorite motto was, "The ones worthwhile are the ones with a smile when everything else goes wrong.."

# Creation



Part II of a continuing series
Taken from An Encyclopedia on the
Evidences or Masterpieces of Many Minds

#### What Does the Word "Heavens" Mean?

It is manifest that the heavens here denote the heavenly orbs themselves -- the celestial mansions with their existing inhabitants -- for the following cogent reasons:

1. Creations implies something created, and not mere space, which is nothing; and cannot be

said to be created.

earth.

2. As the earth here obviously means the substance of the planet we inhabit, so, by parity of reasoning, the heavens must mean the substance of the celestial luminaries, the heavenly hosts of stars and spirits.

3. The heavens are placed before the earth, and, therefore, must mean that reality which is greater than the earth; for if they meant space, and nothing real, they ought not to be before the

4. The heavens are actually mentioned in the verse, and, therefore, must mean a real thing; for if they meant nothing at all, they ought not to be mentioned.

5. The heavens must denote the heavenly realities, because this imparts a rational order to the whole chapter; whereas, an unaccountable derangement appears if the sun, moon and stars do not come into existence till the fourth day, though the sun is the center of light and the measurer of the daily period. For any or all of these reasons, it is undeniable that the heavens in the first verse mean the fixed and planetary orbs of space; and, consequently, that these uncounted tenants of the skies, along with our own planet, are all declared to be in existence before the commencement of the six days' creation.

#### The Conclusion --

Hence, it appears that the first verse records an event antecedent to those described in the subsequent verses. This is the absolute and aboriginal creation of the heavens, and all that in

them is, and of the earth, in its primeval state. The former includes all those resplendent spheres which are spread before the wondering eye of man, as well as those hosts of planets; and of spiritual and angelic beings which are beyond the range of his natural vision. This brings a simple and unforced meaning out of the whole chapter, and discloses a beauty and harmony in the narrative which no other interpretation can afford. In this way the subsequent verses reveal a new effort of creative power, by which the preadamite earth, in the condition in which it appears in the second verse, is fitted up for the residence of a fresh animal creation, including the human race. The process is represented as it would appear to premeval man in his infantile simplicity, with whom his position would naturally be the fixed point to which everything else was to be referred.

> Dr. J. G. Murphy: Commentary on Genesis

Full Plants Created, and not Seeds or Germs --

It appears from the text that the full plants, and not the seeds, germs or roots, were created. The land sent forth grass, herb, tree, each in its fully developed form. This was absolutely necessary, if man and the land animals were to be sustained by grasses, seeds and fruits.

Thus the land begins to assume the form of beauty and fertility. Its bare and rough soil is set with the germs of an incipient verdure. It has already ceased to be a "waste." And now, at the end of this third day, let us pause to review the natural order in which everything has been thus far done. It was necessary to produce light in the first place, because without this potent element water could not pass into vapor, and rise on the wings of the buoyant air into the region above the expanse. The atmosphere must in the next place be reduced to order, and charged with its treasures of vapor, before the plants could commence the process of growth, even though stimulated by the influence of light and heat. Again, the waters must be withdrawn from a portion of the solid surface before the plants could be placed in the ground, so as to have the full benefit of the light, air and vapor in enabling them to draw from the soil the sap by which they are to be nourished. When all these conditions are fulfilled, then the plants themselves are called into existence, and the first cycle of the new creation is completed.

#### The Time Taken --

Could not the Eternal have accomplished all this in one day? Doubtless He might. He might have effected it all in an instant of time. And he

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# Did you know?



by Rev. Marilyn Awtry

James Lawrence of Cleveland, Ohio was the first to suggest an annual observance of Modern Spiritualism?

In preparing the Yearbook of 1871, Dr. Peebles and Hudson Tuttle wrote and asked Mr. Lawrence to furnish the exact circumstances connected with the origination and presentation of the idea of an anniversary to be held in commemoration of the Advent of Modern Spiritualism. Mr. Lawrence responded by letter May 2, 1870, with these words:

"My Friends Tuttle and Peebles,

Yours of the 20th of April duly received. The suggestion for a public celebration, commemorative of the Advent of Modern Spiritualism through the rappings at Hydesville, emanated from myself. The particulars, in brief, are these. On the twelfth day of November, I was using the Spirit-dial known as Prof Hare's dial. I received a communication of which I had no previous thought: consequently it could not be deemed a design of my own, and hence must be recognized as an emanation from those who are freed from the earth's encumbrances.

At the National Convention the following year, by the advice of my Spirit-friends and my own convictions, I brought it before the delegates as a resolution which was accepted, not as mine, but under angel guidance -- as coming from the higher realm, to keep alive the gratitude of those who can accept and comprehend the glorious boon -- the assurance of immortality -- furnished by Spiritualism. To that God whose ways are inscrutable, and beyond the ken of mortal minds, would I express my gratitude for being made the humble instrument, through angel-promptings, to impart the thought that millions now existing,

and millions yet unborn, may hail with gratitude unbounded the opportunity to celebrate an event more joyous in its character than mortal eyes have ever witnessed.

You friend and brother, James Lawrence

Thus came the resolution "Whereas Spiritualism has become a power in the land, and may be deemed the great growing religious idea of the country; and whereas it is well to revert to the time of small beginnings, and hold in remembrance the first pioneers in this Spiritual movement: therefore Resolved, That this convention recommend to all State conventions and local societies to make the time of the appearance of the Rochester rappings an anniversary day, -- the services of that day to be conducted in each locality as may be deemed most practical."

After this manner, Mr. Lawrence read to the Convention a portion of the message received through the dial "...Some acknowledgment should be made for this most glorious change, the advent of which has never yet been celebrated as a matter of public rejoicing by the assembled multitudes of Spiritualists throughout the land. Shall all the minor circumstances of earth life have their days of commemoration, and this glorious, new, and holy dispensation be neglected? It is time some such tribute should be paid to those who have thus presented to the world a means of emancipation from error, such as will meet the requirements of all, -- a day of universal jubilee, to be observed through all coming time."

March 31st, 1870 was the first universal celebration of the Advent of Modern

Spiritualism.

#### **Ohio State Convention Slated**

The Ohio State Spiritualist Convention will convene June 15 and continue through Saturday, June 17, 1978, at the Holiday Inn, 1065 Delaware Avenue, Marion, Ohio.

Mr. Howard Renollet, son of the late Frank J. Renollet, a dedicated and nationally known figure in the cause of Spiritualism, will be the guest

speaker and clairvoyant.

The banquet will be Friday, June 16, at 6 PM. Mr. Ralph Cutlip, president of the Ohio State Spiritualist Association extends a cordial welcome to all members of the National Spiritualist Association of Churches to attend the Ohio State Convention.

### **Declaration of Principles**

### National Spiritualist Association of Churches Interpretation by Jos. P. Whitwell



1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.

By this we express our belief in a supreme Impersonal Power everywhere present, manifesting as life, through all forms of organized matter called by some, God, by others, Spirit and by Spiritualists, Infinite Intelligence.

2. We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.

In this manner we express our belief in the immanence of Spirit and that all forms of life are manifestations of Spirit or Infinite Intelligence, and thus that all men are children of God.

3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith constitute true religion.

A correct understanding of the laws of nature, on the physical, mental and spiritual planes of life, and living in accordance therewith will unfold the highest aspirations and attributes of the Soul, which is the correct function of True Religion.

4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.

(Quote) Life here and life hereafter is all one life whose continuity of consciousness is unbroken by that mere change in form whose process we call death.-Lilian Whiting.

5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.

Spirit communication has been in evidence in all ages of the world and is amply recorded in both sacred and profane literature of all ages. Orthodoxy has accepted these manifestations and has interpreted them in dogma and creed in terms of the supernatural. Spiritualism accepts and recognizes these manifestations and interprets them in the understanding and light of Natural Law.

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."

This precept we believe to be true. It points the way to harmony, peace and happiness. Wherever

tried it has proven successful, and when fully understood and practiced, will bring peace and happiness or unhappiness as he obeys or disobeys Nature's physical and spiritual laws.

Man himself is responsible for the welfare of the world in which he lives; for its welfare or its misery, for its happiness or unhappiness and if he is to obtain Heaven upon Earth, he himself must learn to make that heaven, for himself and for others. Individually man is responsible for his own spiritual growth and welfare. Sins and wrong doing must be outgrown and overcome. Virtue and love of good must take their place. Spiritual growth and advancement must be attained by aspiration and personal striving. Vicarious atonement has no place in the philosophy of Spiritualism. Each one must carry his own cross to Calvary's Height in the overcoming of wrong doing and replacing it with the right.

8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any human soul, here or hereafter.

We discard entirely the terrible wrong and illogical teachings of eternal damnation, and in place thereof we accept and present for consideration of thinking people the thought of the continuity of life beyond the change called death.

A natural life, where the opportunity for growth and progress to better, higher and more spiritual conditions are open to all, even as they are here on the earth plane of life. We accept no such teaching as a "Hell Fire," but we do teach that wrong doing will necessarily bring remorse and suffering that would be difficult to describe in words and which can only be relieved by the individual's own efforts if not here, then in the hereafter. If we make our own lives better while here, and that of our neighbors happier, we shall unfold that happiness or heaven on earth which we shall carry with us into the spirit world.

9. We affirm that the precept of Prophecy contained in the Bible is a Divine attribute proven through mediumship.

We thus affirm our belief in and acceptance of the truths which are contained in the Bible and assert that Prophecy is not unique nor of recent occurrence alone, but that it is universal and everlasting, and has been witnessed and observed in all ages of the world.

# Spiritual Healing

### **Prayer For Spiritual Healing**

.. 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

... 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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Thou source of life, O hear my prayer
For guidance thro' each day;
May thy pure guiding light keep
My feet in wisdom's way.

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#### Affirmation for Health and Harmony

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By the Almighty Powers that be,
To do the Right always,
Everywhere with everybody,
And only good can come to me.
Thanks, Thanks, Thanks.

Frank J. Renollet

#### (Philosophy Continued)

Why is it that deep inside every human being has a desire to escape anilhilation at death? This desire being subdued only where there is severe mental derangement. There is a constant hope that existence will be renewed before the new. It is a natural instinct, as is the instinct of self preservation.

Virtually every man-made religion has succeeded because the eclesiastics hang, like a charm before the eyes of man, offering the reward of life after death -- even though it was conditional upon subserviance to that religion.

Every instinct that man has imbued within himself has meaning and is real. Continuous life is truth that cannot be subverted by the misinterpretations of any religious order. The hopes and aspirations inherant in the fact of continuity of the spirit is truly, the greatest philosophy" of our times and Spiritualism is the great teaching which approaches that wonderful objective.

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My daddy was a special man So very kind and true. He did all he could for me, He cheered me when I was blue.

It's good to have nice memories Of those who have gone before, I used to think that when he left He was gone forever more.

How very, very thankful I am
That I finally found the way,
And learned that he's still with me
And can come close every day.

For Father's Day I send my thanks
For all he did for me,
And for the fact of truth
That again his face I'll see.

The day I go to spirit
I know he will be waiting there,
And once again the good times
We will have the joy to share.

by Wanda L. Day

# God's mysteries unfold eternally

#### by Rev. Melvena V. Hafner

Time will reveal and prove beyond a doubt that there is a reason for every force in the universe. Life in all forms is eternally expressing the law of growth and expansion, endlessly searching for immutable law.

We will always feel in awe of the Infinite which created the things which make the earth a heavenly place to live. Here that is nothing new. Life is often called mysterious but actually there is nothing supernatural. All is natural and orderly.

Frequently it has been said that man ought not to search out the unseen forces. If God had intended man to know his secrets he would have revealed them, it is said. However, many are awakening to the realization that life is progress and a part of that progress is increased knowledge of things unseen. As mankind has a need for something an answer is revealed.

God in his wisdom left out nothing that is necessary for our well-being. Our lives are governed by a foundation of laws which never change. There will be no change in the form of earth, fire and water for example, the things which we require for survival. It is not within man's power to disrupt this perfect system. We too are governed by these laws.

## Infinite Intelligence

by Melvena V. Hafner Within each an electric spark Directs the beating of our heart,

Something we cannot describe Carried o'r the great divide.

Within each fleeting blade of green Lies wondrous power yet unseen,

It shines in every flower that grew Glistening with the morning dew.

Each to each the message pass
From bee to flower from flower to grass,

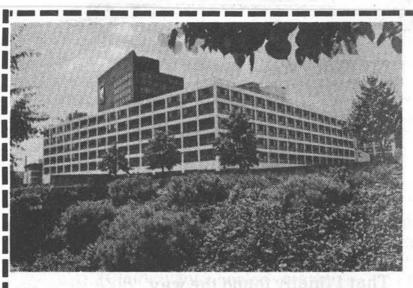
The blood of every living pine Flows in tune with the great design.

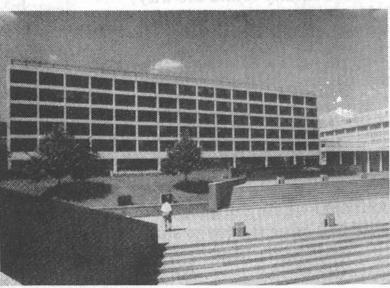
Brook meets river, river sea the power grows unchanged and free,

Stars along the milky way Know what power holds them sway.

O Great Creator, Thou Supreme Thy power is an unfaltering beam,

Thou art God, the eternal source The keystone in eternity's course.





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# In search of the origin of life

#### by Henry Drummond

For nearly (three hundred) years the scientific world has been rent with discussions upon the Origin of Life. Two great schools have defended exactly opposite views -- one that matter can spontaneously generate life, the other that life

can only come from pre-existing life.

The doctrine of Spontaneous Generation, as the first is called, was revived by Dr. Bastian, after a series of elaborate experiements on the beginnings of life. Stated in his own words, his conclusion was this: "Both observation and experiment unmistakably testify to the fact that living matter is constantly being formed (de nove) in obedience to the same laws and tendencies which determined all the more simple chemical combinations."

Life, that is to say, is not the gift of life. It is capable of springing into being of itself. It can be

spontaneously generated.

This announcement called into the field a phalanz of observers, and the highest authorities in biological science engaged themselves afresh upon the problem. The experiements necessary to test the matter can be followed or repeated by any possessing the slightest manipulative skill. Glass: vessels are three-parts filled with infusions of hay or any organic matter. They are boiled to kill the germs of life, and hermetically sealed to exclude the outer air. The air inside, having been exposed to the boiling temperature for many hours, is supposed to be likewise free of life; so that any life which may subsequently appear in the closed flasks must have sprung into being of itself. In Bastian's experiments, after every expedient to secure sterility, life did appear inside in myraid quantity. Therefore, he argued, it was spontaneously generated.

But the phalanz of observers found two errors in this calculation. Professor Tyndall repeated the same experiment, only with a precaution to insure absolute sterility suggested by most recent (scientific achievement at that time). After every care, he conceived there might still be undestroyed germs in the air inside the flasks. If the air were absolutely germless and pure, would the myriad-life appear? manipulated his experimental vessels in an atmosphere which under the high test of optical purity -- then the most delicate known test -- was absolutely germless. Here not a vestige of life appeared. He varied the experiment in every direction, but matter in the germless air never yielded life.

The other error was detected by Mr. Dallinger. He found among the lower forms of life the most surprising and indestructible vitality. Many animals could survive much higher temperatures than Dr. Bastian had applied to annihilate them. Some germs almost refused to be annihilated -- they were all but fireproof.

These experiments have practically closed the question. A decided and authoritative conclusion took its place in science. So far as science can settle anything, this question was settled. The attempt to get the living out of the dead failed. Spontaneous generation had to be given up. And it is now recognized on every hand that life can only come from the touch of life. categorically announced that the doctrine of Biogenesis, or life only from life, is "victorious along the whole line at the present day." (nineteenth century) And even while confessing that he wishes the evidence were the only way, Tyndall is compelled to say, "I affirm that no shred of trustworthy experimental testimony exists to prove that life in our day has ever appeared independently of antecedent life."

(Ed - Tyndall's remarks hold true today)

For much more than three hundred years a similar discussion has dragged its length through the religious world. Two great schools here also have defended exactly opposite views -one that the Spiritual life in man can only come from pre-existing life, the other that it can spontaneously generate itself. Taking its stand upon the initial statement of the Author of the Spiritual Life, one small school, in the face of derision and opposition, persistently maintained the doctrine of Biogenesis. Another, larger and with greater pretension to philosophic form, defended spontanious generation. The weakness of the former school consisted - though this was much exaggerated -- in its more or less general adherence to the extreme view that religion had nothing to do with the natural life; the weakness of the latter lay in yielding to the more fatal extreme that it had nothing to do with anything else. That man, being a worshiping animal by nature, ought to maintain certain relations to the Supreme Being, was indeed to some extent conceded by the naturalistic school, but religion itself was looked upon as a thing to be spontaneously generated by the evolution of character in the laboratory of common life.

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The difference between the two positions is Translating from the language of science into that of religion, the theory of spontaneous generation is simply that a man may become gradually better until in course of the process he reaches that quantity of religious nature known as spiritual life. This life is not something added (ab extra) to the natural man; it is the normal and appropriate development of the natural man. Biogenesis opposes to this the whole doctrine of regeneration. The spiritual life is the gift of the living spirit. The spiritual man is no mere development of the natural man. He is a new creation born from above. As well expect a hay infusion to become gradually more and more living until in course of the process it reached vitality, as expect as man by becoming better and better to attain the eternal life.

The advocates of Biogenesis in religion have founded their argument hitherto all but exclusively on Scripture. The relation of the doctrine to the constitution and course of nature was not disclosed. Its importance, therefore, was solely as a dogma; and being directly concerned with the supernatural, it was valid for those alone who chose to accept the super-

natural.

Yet it has been keenly felt by those who attempt to defend this doctrine of the origin of the spiritual life, that they have nothing more to oppose to the rationalistic view than the **ipse dixit** of revelation. The argument from experience, in the nature of the case, is seldom easy to apply, and Christianity has always found at this point a genuine difficulty in meeting the **challenge of natural religions.** 

The direct authority of nature, using nature in its limited sense, was not here to be sought for. On such a question its voice was necessarily silent; and all that the apologist could look for lower down was a distant echo or analogy. All that is really possible, indeed, is such an analogy; and if that can be found in Biogenesis, religion in its most central position secures at length a support and basis in the laws of nature.

Up to the present time (nineteenth century) the analogy required has not been forthcoming. There was no known parallel in nature for the spiritual phenomena in question. But now the case is altered. With the elevation of Biogenesis to the rank of a scientific fact, all problems concerning the origin of life are placed on a different footing. And it remains to be seen whether religion cannot at once reaffirm and re-shape its argument in the light of this modern truth.

If the doctrine of the spontaneous generation of spiritual life can be met on scientific grounds, it will mean the removal of the most serious enemy religion has to deal with, and especially within its own borders, at the present day. The religion

from those who have misunderstood than from those who have opposed it. Of the multitudes who confess religious intent how many have clear in their minds the cardinal distinction between "born of the flesh" and "born of the spirit?" A thousand modern pulpits every week are preaching the doctrine of spontaneous generation. The finest and best of recent poetry is colored with this same error. Spontaneous generation is the leading theology of the modern religious or irreligious novel; and much of the most serious and cultured writing of the day devotes itself to the earnest preaching of this impossible gospel.

Let us first place vividly in our imagination the picture of the two great kingdoms of nature, the inorganic and organic, as these now stand in the light of the law of Biogenesis. What essentially is involved in saying that there is no spontaneous generation of life? It is meant that the passage from the mineral world to the plant or animal world is hermetically sealed on the mineral side.

This inorganic world is staked off from the living world by barriers which have never yet been crossed from within. No change of substance, no modification of environment, no chemistry, no electricity, nor any form of energy, nor any evolution can endow any single atom of the mineral world with the attribute of life. Only by the bending down into this dead world of some living form can these dead atoms be gifted with the properties of vitality, without this preliminary contact with life they remain fixed in the inorganic sphere forever. It is a very mysterious law which guards in this way the portals of the living world. And if there is one thing in nature more worth pondering of its strangeness it is the spectable of this vast helpless world of the dead cut off from the living by the law of Biogenesis and denied forever the possibility of resurrection within itself. So very strange a thing, indeed, is this broad line in nature, that science has long and urgently sought to obliterate it. Biogenesis stands in the way of some forms of evolution with such stern persistency that the assults upon this law for number and thoroughness have been unparalleled.

Life is ever lasting, only the form of man changes.

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Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad. The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceeding fine.

Charles A. Beard

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CASSADAGA - First Spiritualist Church of Cassadaga, Services in the auditorium Sun. 2:30 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m. Lecture, Spirit messages & Healing. President, James Buchanan, P.O. Box 4, 32706. Sec'y, Francis Swanson.

WINTER PARK—Spiritualist Church of Awareness, 863 S. Orlando Ave., 32789, Services Sunday 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m., Healing, Lecture and Messages. James McConnell, President. Helen C. Hanson, Pastor. (305) 831-1394. Sec'y., Elizabeth R. Edgar, 3320 Clemwood Dr., Orlando, 32803. (305) 894-5930.

MIAMI—Metaphysical Science Church, N.S.A.C., 601 S.W. 7th St.; Sun. healing 3 p.m., Worship and messages 3:30 p.m., All-message service WEd. 7:30 p.m. Rev. Bernard L.

Cusmano, Pastor. Tel (305) 279-6592.

ORLANDO-Spiritualist Research Society, N.S.A.C., Sat. services 7:30 p.m., Healing, Lecture, Messages. Executive Director, Farin Farel, P.O. Box 6054, 32853. Phone (305) 273-4225.

ST. PETERSBURG—Church of Spiritual Philosophy and Vedanta Center N.S.A.C., 216 19th Ave., S.E., 33705, Ser. Sun. 11:00 a.m., Mrs. Earnly Panton, Pres., Jean B. Bomont, Sec., 625-66 Ave. So., 33705. (813) 867-6940.

ILLINOIS

Illinois State Spiritualist Association, Mr. Bernard B. Powell, President, 4118 W. 24th Pl., Chicago, 60623, Rev. Patricia C. Heller, NST, Secretary, 1608 S. 51st Ave., Cicero, 60650.

AURORA—Christabelle Spiritualist Church, Service at 7 p.m. Sun. East Room of Masonic Temple, 104 S. Lincoln Ave. Ent. So. Door, Ben D. Jones, Jr., Pres 200 Willow Ave., Joliet, 60436 (815) 722-2378. Mrs. Anne Saxon, Bx. 271A, Maple Rd No. 2, New Lenox Ill., 62451.

BURNHAM—Puritan Spiritualist Churhc, 13906 Greenbay Ave., 60623. Services Sun. 2:30 p.m. & Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Anna Gross, 10930 Ave. M., Chicago, 60617;

Secretary, Anna Gross.

CHICAGO—The 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, Sec'y., Mrs. Elvira Schoenfeld, 3501 Shakespeare Ave., 60647, (312) 235-2911.

Spiritualist Church of Divinity, 4118 W. 24th Pl. Ser. 2nd and 4th Saturday of ea. month, 7 p.m. For information call Secy. Bernard B. Powell, 4118 W 24th Pl. 60623 (312) 521-

4771.

CHICAGO + - Spiritualist Church of Truth, 4240 W. Irving Park Road. Ser. Sun. 7:00 p.m., Mrs. Ellen Pfursich, Pres.

Mrs. Anna Habenicht, Secy.

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, 6146 Ashland, 60636, Sec'y., Ruby McNeely, 7742 S. Shore Dr., 60649, Ph. 374-7345.

CICERO—First Spiritualist Church, 5033 W. 25th Place, 60650. Ser. Sun. 2:30 p.m., Lecture, Messages, and Healing. Ellen Stopa, Pres. & Pastor, 5033 W. 25th Place, 60650,

Sec'y., Joseph A. Stopa, (312) 652-6953.

ELGIN-First Spiritualist Church, 77 Villa St., 60120, Church

Serv. Sun. 7 p.m., President (312) 741-7085.

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

GRANIT CITY - United Spiritualist Church, 3620 Lake Dr., 62040. Mailing address 3800 "B" St., Serv. Sun. 2:30 p.m., Pastor, Lucille Roberts, 83 Kaseyburg Pk., Sec'y Dolores Grieve, 518 Penna., Belleville, 62223. Tel 931-4953. Sec'y. Dolores Grieve, 518 Penn St., Belleville, 234-1316.

LE ROY—J.T. & E.J. Crumbaugh Memorial Spiritualist Church, 102 S. Pearl St., Sun. Serv. 2 p.m., Pastor, Rev. Bryan McCotter, 313 E. Center St., 61752. Pres., F. Marion Phillips, Sec'y., Elsie L. Phillips, 501 W. Cedar, 61752. (309) 962-5751. INDIANA

Indiana State Association of Spiritualists—Rev. William F. Melick, Pres., 1806 E. 66th St., Indianapolis, 46220. Lena Walters, Sec., 200 Eastern Dr., Chesterfield, 46017.

EVANSVILLE—Union Spiritualist Church, 1000 W. Michigan St., Serv. Sun. 2:30 p.m., Rev. Sadie Temme, Pres., Gilbert G. Burke, Sec'y., 2525 Vista View Dr., 47711. 477-7879.

FORT WAYNE - Spiritualist Church of Divine Science, 1615 Wells St., P.O. Box 8151 Station B, 46808. Sun. serv. 6:00 and 7:45 p.m., Thurs., 7:45 p.m. 1st & 3rd Sun. of month, Sept. thru May, 3:00 p.m. Rev. Bernice Brock, Pastor, 1604 Andrews St., 46806. (219) 743-9866. Lois Gerner, P.O. Box 8151. (219-422-8600. Lyceum, Classes for all ages. 10:00 a.m. each Sun.

FRANKFORT—First Spiritualist Church of Frankfort, Inc., Magnolia & Green Sts. Ser. each Sun., Lyceum 1 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., Billy Joe Greggory, Sec.-Treas. Ronald M. Lewis, 801 S. Cooper St., Kokomo, Ind. 46901. (317) 452-7141.

GARY—First Spiritualist Church, Inc., N.S.A.C., 2430 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'y., Cleo Preskewitz, 656 Sheffield Ave., Valparaiso, 46383. (219) 462-0827.

HAMMOND-1st Progressive Spiritualist Church, Inc., (K.P. Hall) 5454 Hohman Ave. Every Sunday services 7 p.m., Inez Shideler, Pastor, Mrs. Jean Fleener, Sec'y., 6928 Alabama Ave., 46323, (219) 845-2310 INDIANAPOLIS—Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 1415

Central Ave., Sun. Ser., Philosophy Class 6 p.m., Healing 7 p.m., Church Ser. 7:30 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. Progressive Spiritualist Church—6225 N. Carrolton Ave., 46220. Services Sun. "Psychic Tea" 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Regular Serv. 3:00 p.m. Pres. Paul E. Keller, R.R. 1, Box 214B, Camby, Ph. 831-2499. Sec. Samella Robinson, 2024 W. Coil St., 46260. (317) 283-7705.

MICHIGAN CITY-First Spiritualist CHurch, 220 W. 10th St., Services Sun. 7 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m., Rev. Amelia Hullinger, Pastor. Gertrude Rachor, Sec. 309 E. 6th St., 1-872-1618.

MUNCIE—Unity Spiritualist Church, Cor. of Ninth and Mulberry. Sun. Healing Ser. 2:30 p.m., Church Ser. 2:45 p.m. Last Sun. of month: Dinner, 5 p.m., followed by Student Ser., 6:15 p.m., Unfoldment classes, Tues., 8 p.m., Muncie: ('hesterfield, Fri., 8 p.m., Rev. Virginia Falls, Pastor, Rev. Lee Bridges, Ass't. Pastor, Geraldine Bridges, Sec'y., 2805 Sunnyside, New Castle, 47362.

PERU-First Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 62 S. Miami St., 46970 Serv. Sun. 2 p.m.-Mr. Charles L. Branch, Pres., 1376 E. Jefferson St., Kokomo 46901. Virginia E. Hoover, Sec.-Treas. 504 Tanguy St., Logansport. 46947. 732-

0270. IOWA

CLINTON-First Spiritualist Church of Clinton, 541 Sixth Avenue South, 52732, Services Sunday 2 p.m., Lyceum, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Edward E. Ridyard, President, May Ridyard, Sec'y., 1249 15th Ave. So., 52732 (319) 242-0462.

DAVENPORT-Spiritualist Harmony Church, 1502 W. 7th, 52802., Childrens Lyceum Sun. 10 a.m., Worship and Message Serv. Sun. 2 p.m., Adult Lyceum & Development Class Thurs. 7:00 p.m., Wm. E. Buchholz, Jr., Pastor, 421 E. 10th St., Anita Buchholz, Secy., 319-326-3453

DES MOINES--Third N.S.A. Church, 2733 Thompson, 50317. Sun. Serv. 10 a.m. and Mon. 7 p.m. (515) 266-5824. Pastor Rev. Janice Rosalia Baynes, Asst. Pastor. Huey S. Smiley,

Sec. Mrs. Lillian Grief, Mercer, Mo.

MAINE

MAINE - State Spiritualist Assoc. Of Churches, President, Vernon Herschell, P.O. Box 44, Etna, Maine, 04430. Treas., Bernard R. Langley, 130 Conant Ave., Auburn, Maine, 04210. Sec'y., Florence S. Carr, P.O. Box 856, Augusta, Maine, 04330.

AUGUSTA--Augusta Spiritualist Church, Corner of Perham and Court Sts. Service at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m. Sunday. Pres. Mrs. Blanch Taylor, Wayne Rd., Winthrop. Sec., Mrs.

Florence S. Carr, Tasker Rd. 04330.

BANGOR--Bangor Spiritualist Church, YWCA, 17 Second St. Serv. Sun. 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Rev. J. Raymond Keith. (207) 945-6315. Pres., George Hall, 41 Birch St.,

DOVER-FOXCROFT -- First Piscataguis Spiritualist Church, VFW Hall, Summer St., 04426. Serv. every Sun. in April & Oct., 2:30 & 7:00 p.m. Other Services: First Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. only. Pres., Mrs. Gladys B. Dickison, Sangerville, 04479; Sec'v Myra L. Burgess, R.F.D. 2, Box 138, Thayer Parkway, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426. (207) 564-2837.

ETNA-The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church, Sun. 2:30 p.m., May through Oct., Vernon Herschell, Pastor, P.O. Box 44, 04434, (207) 269-2636, Robert Patton, Pres., Wilson

C. Gilman, Sec'y., Treas., Etna, 04434.

NORTHPORT--Temple Heights Spiritual Corp. (Camp), on Beautiful Penobscot Bay, Tel. 338-3029. July 3rd thru Aug. 21st. Gertrude S. Hopper, Pres., R.F.D. 2, Lincolnville, 04849, Tel. 342-5297.

PORTLAND-Portland Spiritualist Church, 178 Sawyer St., So. Portland, 04106. Services Sun. and Wed. at 7:30 p.m. Ruth Estes, Pres., 7 Jackson St., So. Portland, 04106. Sec., Agnes Haldane, Rocky Dundee Rd., West Buxton, ME 04093

YORK COUNTY-Spiritualist Church, 24 Portland St., Old Orchard Beach, Me., Pres. and Pastor, Dr. Herbert Hopkins, 24 Portland St., Old Orchard Beach, 04064, Sec'y., Barbara Wright, 24 Portland Ave., Old Orchard Beach, 04064. Serv. Sun. at 7 p.m., Classes Fri. at 7 p.m.

MARYLAND

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

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts State Association of Spiritualist—Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, Pres., 28 Riverside St., Danvers 01923. Mrs. Muriel Karolides, Sec., 9 Harbor St., Danvers, 01923. (617) 774-2753.

BOSTON-First Spiritualist Ladies Aid Society, 354 Longwood Ave., 02215. Ser. Sun. 3 p.m. Mr. Lawrence T. Hilton Jr., Pres., 253 N. Central Ave., Quincy 02170. Tel. (617) 471-9027. Mrs. Phyllis Hilton, Sec.

BROCKTON-First Spiritualist Church, 54 Glenwood St., 02410. Sun. Healing & Serv. 3 p.m., Thurs. 7:30 p.m., Tel (617) 586-7671. P.O. Box 1424, 02403. Pastor, Rev. Gertrude Stevens, 68 Perkins St. 02402. 587-5107; Sec'y., Ruth M. Dyer, 500 Allen St., N. Bedford, 02740. Tel (617) 996-4724

METHEUN- The Church of Spiritual Life, Red Men's Hall, 9 Center St., Healing 2:30 p.m., Service 3:00 p.m., Pres. Mr. James H. Henderson, 46 Westland St., 01844. Tel. 686-4212. Secy. Mrs. Shirley Tilton, 119 North Ave., Haverhill, 01830.

NEWBURYPORT-First Spiritualist Church, YMCA Civic Center, State and Harris St., Sun. service 3:15 to 5:00 p.m., Pastor and President, Mrs. Norma Sargent, 14 Beacon Ave., Sec. Mrs. Elinore Griswold, P.O. Box 661, 01950, (617) 465-5983.

PLYMOUTH-Plymouth Spiritualist Church, 131 Standish Ave., N. Plymouth, 02360. Sun. Healing & Service 2-4 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Irene I. Vitello, (617) 224-8464. Sec'y, Inez M. Vespers, 36 Puritan Rd., Buzzards Bay, 02532. (617) 759-

ONSET-Sirst Spiritualist Church, Highland Ave., Sun. Healing 6:30 p.m., Services 7:00 p.m., Rev. Kenneth and Rev. Gladys Custance-Co-Pastors, 86 Highland Ave., Onset

02558. Tel 617-295-1441.

SALEM--First Spiritualist Church, 34 Warren St., Salem, Sun. 5:30 & 7:30 p.m. Wed., 2:00 p.m. Pastor, Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, 28 Riverside St., Danvers. Sec. Virginia Beesley, 261 Elliott St., Beverly. 01915. 774-2559, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD-First Spiritualist Church, Inc., 33-37 Bliss St., 01105 (413) 732-1234. Ser. Sun. 3 p.m., Pres. Arthur H. Cosby, Sec., Mrs. Alma Cosby , Box 348, Warren, Mass.,

01083 (413) 436-5012.

SWAMPSCOTT—Swampscott Church of Spiritualism, c-o Unitarian Universalist Church, 63 Burrill St., Sun. Church Ser. 6:45 p.m., President, Phyllis Ryder, 342 Lynnfield St., Lynn, Ma., 01900, Pastor, Mrs. Mary Maguire, 26 Emerson St., Peabody, 01960; Vice Pres., Mr. Frank Whitcomb. Sec'y., Treva Anderson, 10 Damon St., North Reading, 01864. (617) 664-2777.

MICHIGAN

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, (313) 875-3787

BAY SHORE--Golden Rule Spiritualist Church, one mile west of Bay Shore on old Rt. 31. Ser. Sun. 10:30 a.m. Sept.-Dec. & Easter-June. Mary Ellen Garner, Pres., (616) 347-9470. Rev. Elsie Beesley, Pastor; Leone Zacharias, Secy., Bx 71, Eastport, 49627. Ph. (616) 599-2323.

BAYSHORE—Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp, one mile west of Bay Shore on Route 3l. Services: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. June 26 - Sept. 4; John Fegley, 606 East Main St., Boyne City, Mich. 49712; Ph. (616) 582-

Bellevue at High St. Lyceum 10 a.m., Church Ser. 10:45 a.m., Pres. Donald D. Weichner, 5305 Tompkins Rd., Onondaga, 49264, Pastor, Rev. Lillian Gleiser, 306 Maurice Ave., Jackson, MI, 49201. Sec. Elda R. Goddard, 736 Rolf Rd., Mason, MI, 48854. (517) 676-1923.

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS—National Spiritualist Church of Muskegon, 2101 Jefferson St., 49444, Sunday Serv., 10 a.m., Pres., Ms. Marvell Francisco, Sec'y., George J. Kartes, 2685 Fontenelle, Muskegon, 49441, (616) 755-6547.

PONTIAC--First Spiritualist Church, N.S.A.C., 576 Orchard Lake Rd., 48056. Church Serv. 7:30 p.m. Sun. Pastor, Rev. Cathy Welch, 1265 Lochaven, Union Lk., 48085. Pres. Al Foster, 482 Robertson, Lake Orion, 48035. Sec., Mickey Hosner, 11365-29 Mile Rd., Washington, 48094. (313) 752-6252.

ROYAL OAK—First Spiritualist Temple of Royal Oak, 114
Pingree St., Royal Oak, 48067. Sun. Lyceum, 10:00 a.m.,
('hurch serv. 7:30 p.m., Pres., Ken Nowaczesili, 245 W.
Marshall, Ferndale, 48220. Sec'y., Linda S. Blonde, 3945
Rohr Rd., Pontiac, 48055. 391-2154. Lyceum, Sept. thru May.

MINNESOTA

DULUTII--First Spiritualist Church, 1414 E. 9th St. Sun. Ser. 11:00 a.m., Rev. F.W. Hutchinson, Pastor, 29 E. Toledo St., Co-Pastor, Mrs. Thelma Gesme; Julia Jackson, Secy. Rt. 4, Box 542A, 55803, 721-4589.

MINNEAPOLIS-2nd Spiritualist Church, 2300 Lyndale Ave. N., Sun. Ser. 3 p.m. Healing 4:30 p.m., Coffee hour 5 p.m., Lyceum circle 6 p.m., Secy. Chrissy Olsen, 3253 31st Ave. So., 55406.

MISSOURI

KANSAS CITY—Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C., 102 W. Armour Blvd., 64111. Ser. Sun 7:30 p.m. Wed. Spirit Communication 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Rev. Bessie Childress. Rev. Leota Childress. co-pastors. Phone WE 1-1044. Secy. Robert Willet, 8206 Wayne, 64131.

KANSAS CITY—Ninth Spiritualist Church, 2301 Van Brunt Blvd., 64127. Sun, Lyceum 5:45 p.m.; Service & Healing, 7:30 p.m., Wed. Message Serv., 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Mollie Foreman, Pastor; 923-2125; Loreen Morgan, Sec'y., 836 W. Gregory, 64114. 523-3894

ST. LOUIS—Fifth Spiritualist Church, 6026 S. Kingshighway, St. Louis, 63109. Sun Lyceum, 9:30 a.m., Devotional Ser. 10:30 a.m. Rev. Dorothy Buss, 1856 Switzer Ave., St. Louis, 63109 NEBRASKA

OMAHA—Spiritualist Science & Philosophy Church, N.S.A.C., 321 Hascall On S. 4th St., Service Sunday 1 p.m., Class 12 noon. President, Virginia Jansa, 2402 S. 5th St., Pastor & Secretary, Alace J. Fanslau, 321 Hascall on S. 4th, 68108. (Tel. (402) 345-8042.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

DERRY—The First Spiritualist Church of Derry, Rt. 128 and Auburn Rd., Windhan, N.H., Sunday Ser. 10 a.m., Pastor, Laverne Ward, 2 Pembroke, Apt. No. 19, Derry, 03038, 432-7689, Sec'y., Barbara Stevens, 7 Holly Lane, Londonderry, 03053 (603) 434-1221 or 434-5813.

**NEW JERSEY** 

NEW JERSEY STATE ASSOCIATION—Mr. Howard Hewitt, Pres., 142 Carroll St., Patterson, 07514. Miss Mary Pat Kelly, Vice Pres., 793 11th Ave., Patterson. Mrs. Michelle Yacco, Sec'y., 116 Tilt St., Haledon, 07508. Mr. Michael Yacco, Treas.

CAMDEN--Fourth Spiritualist Church, 28 N. 21st St., Sun. Ser. 11:00 a.m. Rev. Elizabeth Giberson, Pastor 350 W. Graisbury Ave., Audubon, 08106., Sec. Florence K. Barnes, 224 Strawbridge Ave., Westmont, 08108. 546-5258.

PATERSON—First Spiritualist Church, 142 Carrol Services Sun., Healing 1:00pm, Serv. 2:00 p.m., Adult classes Mon. & Tues., 7:30-9:00 p.m. Progressive Circle every second Wed. 1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m., Pres. Diane Trombino, 793-11th Ave. 07514. Vice Pres., Mary Kelly, Secy. Connie Branton, 44 18th Ave.

NEW YORK

New York Conference of NSAC Churches Martha Rusbuldt, Pres., 46 Stevens Rd., Hamburg, N.Y. 14075. Rita Castetter, Secy., P.O. Box 123, Endicott, NY. 13760.

BINGHAMTON—First National Spiritualist Church, 97 Riverside Dr., 13905. Sun. 11 a.m., Wed., 7:30 p.m., (607) 723-0695. Robert Howell, Pastor, 97 Riverside Dr., 13905. Joseph Archie, 3203 Verdum Ave., Endwell, NY 13760, (607) 748-1230.

BINGHAMPTON--Spiritualist Sanctuary, N.S.A.C., 196 Main St., 13905. Ser. Sun. 11 a.m. Wed. Communications and philosophical discussions, 7:30 p.m. Pastor, Rita Yoder, 15 Clark St., 13905., Sec., Mary Conley. (607) 723-8095.

BROOKLYN—The Temple of Divine Guidance, N.S.A.C., Rev. Benjamin R. Cooper, Jr., Pastor, 37 Hart St., 11206. Tel. 858-5857; Service First & Third Sat. 2 p.m. Sept. through May.

BUFFALO - Spiritualist Church of Eternal Brotherhood, 1980 Bailey at Hazel. Sun. Serv. 2:45 P.M., Midweek message serv. Wed. 1:00 P.M., unfoldment & philosophy classes: Tues. & Thurs. evenings. Rev. J. F. Hooper & Rev. J. R. Wind, co-pastors; Mr. Robert J. Ford, LM, secretary.

BUFFALO— ('enter of Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, 25 Hawley St., 14213. Sundays 2:10 p.m., Dinners and circles second Sunday of each month. Rev. Jay Wm. Smith, Jr., Pastor. Sec'y., Dorothy R. Kassel, 12260 Sharp St., Springville, 14141. Church Ph. (716) 884-7358

EAST AURORA—First Spiritualist Temple, 29 Temple Pl., 14052. Sun. Healing 3:10, Serv. 3:30 p.m., The 4th Sun. 3:30 and 7:30 p.m., Dinner at 5 p.m., Message Service at 6 p.m. Lyceum 1:30 p.m. except 4th Sun. Sec'y., Kathleen Keenan, 32 S. Ellicott St. Williamsville, 14221 (716) 634-9720.

LILY DALE—Lily Dale Spiritualist Church, Services, Sun. Healing 10:30 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m. (Sept. through June). Wed. evening services 7:30 p.m., Robert Loder, President; Frieda Vollmar, Sec'y.; Lyceum, Sun. 9:45-10:45 a.m., Director, Peg Loder. Tel (716) 595-2484.

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., Alternate Sun. Rev. Edna C. Clausson, Pastor. Classes, Tues. 8 p.m., Thurs., 8 p.m.

ROCHESTER—Plymouth Spiritualist Church, 889 Plymooth Ave. S., 14608. Ser. Sun. 3:30 p.m., Wed., All message service, 7:30 p.m., Pastor, Rev. Harry W. Bender, 261 Glenwood Ave. 14613. (716) 254-2763). Margaret Starkweather, Sec. 2982 West Main St., Batavia, 14020, (716) 235-5060.

SYRACUSE—First Spiritualist Church, 826 Euclid Ave., corner of Wescott Ave., Main floor. Sun. Service only. Lecture, Messages and Healing, 7 p.m., Pastor, Rev. Ada Marble, 221 West Yates St., East. Sec'y., Robin L. Burgess, 4894 Fayetteville Rd., Manlius, 13104, 682-6249.

OHIO

OHIO—Ohio State Spiritualist Association, Ralph D. Cutlip, Sr., Pres., 5650 Woodman Ave., No. 32, Ashtabula, 44004; Edward H. Nixon, Sec'y., 823 West Main St., Louisville, Ohio, 44641. (216) 875-2117.

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. (216) 535-3535

ASIITABULA-First Spiritualist Temple, Corner 43rd 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. 609, Ashtabula, 44004.

COLUMBUS-Spiritualist Church of Spirit Revelation, 5022 Hibbs Dr. Sun. at 2:30 p.m. Ft. Hayes Hotel, W. Spring St. For information on classes and Fourth Friday Message Service please contact Miss Nellie Steinhour, 88 E. First Ave., 43201. Rev. Elizabeth M. Lannon, Pastor, (614) 459-0545. Columbus.

COLUMBUS-First Spiritualist Church of Linden, 1751 Aberdeen Ave., Columbus, 43211. Devotional Ser. Sun. and Wed. 7:30 p.m. Lyceum-children and adults, Sun. 6:30 p.m. Healing at all services. Rev. Maudella J. Rowe. Pastor and Sec. John R. Rowe, Pres., 3453 Gerbert Rd. 43224 (614)

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DAYTON—Central Spiritualist Church, 848 Clover St. at St. Paul Ave., 45410. Sun. Service 2:30 p.m., President, Grace Woodall, 3950 LeFevre Dr., Kettering, 45429; Sec'v., Gertrude Frasher, 1331 Feldman Ave., Dayton, 45432. Tel. 254-6546.

EAST LIVERPOOL - The First Spiritualist Church, 627 Dresdon Ave., 43920. Sun. Ser. 7:30 p.m. Friday, 7:30 p.m. Unfoldment Class. Rev. Jennie Fckert, Pres., Treas. Mrs.

Josephine Loviekovic.

- KENT-1st Spiritualist Church, 146 W. Oak St., Ser., Sun. 2:30 p.m., Charles Brautigam, Sec.-Treas., 2466 Newton St., Akron, 44305. 784-5122.
- LIMA-Spiritualist Church of Truth, New location to be announced. Please send all correspondence to 522 W. Kibby St., Lima, Ohio 45804. 228-8197
- MARION-Memorial Spiritualist Church, 667 Henry St., 4302. Services Sun. 2 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m., Pastor, Irene Stafford, Box 224, Caledonia, 43314. Sec'y., Doris Randall, 133 S. Grand Ave., 43302. Tel (614) 387-4683.
- MASSILLON-First Spiritualist Church, 224 North Ave., N.E. 44646. Lyceum Sun. 1:00 p.m., Conductor, Glenn Sperry. Sun. Ser. 2:30 p.m., Message Ser. 1st & 3rd Sat. 7:30 p.m., 216-832-9764. Pres. Denzil Crawford, 1030 Linwood Ave. S.W., Canton, 44710. Karen Sperry, Secy., 1409 22nd St., N.E. 44714. 454-7404.

SHERWOOD—Crystal Fountain Spiritualist Church, Services starts the fourth Sun. of Sept. Healing, 1:00 p.m., Lecture and messages 1:30 p.m. Serv. second and fourth Sun. of each month through May. Pastor Rev. Viola Saunders, Pres. Robert D. Thompson, Secy., Kay Thompson, Box 55, Archbold, Ohio. Church Tel. (419) 899-2553

YOUNGSTOWN—First Spiritualist Church, 323 W. LaClede, 44511, 782-9600. Sun. Serv. 7 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m., Pastor and Sec'y., Rev. Amy Pearce, 544 W. Glenaven Ave. 44511, Co-Pastors, Mark S. Fellows, 162 Maywood Dr., & Mary E. Burkett, 16812 Maywood Dr., 44512.

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might have compressed the growth development of centuries into a moment. He might even by possibility have constructed the stratifications of the earth's crust, with all their slips, elevations, depressions, unconformities and organic formations, in a day. And lastly, He might have carried on to completion all the evolutions of universal nature that have since taken place or will hereafter take place till the last hour has struck on the clock of time. But what then? What purpose would have been served by all this speed? It is obvious that the above and such like questions are not wisely put. The very nature of the Eternal shows the futility of such speculations. Is the commodity of time so scarce with Him that He must or should for any good reason sum up the course of a universe of things in an infinitesimal portion of its duration? May we not, rather, must we not, soberly conclude that there is a due proportion between the action and the time of this action, the creation to be developed and the time of Both the beginning and the development. process of this latest creation are to be nicely adjusted to the pre-existent and concurrent state And mutual harmony and exact of things. coincidence in the progress of all its other parts, but is at the same time finely adapted to the constitution of man, and the natural, safe and healthy ratio of his physical and metaphysical movements.

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#### SURE I REMEMBER WHEN

When the poor were too proud to take charity. When you weren't afraid to go out at night. When Protestants and Catholics thought enough of their beliefs to argue about them. When ghettos were neighborhoods. When you knew that the law meant justice, and you felt a little shiver of awe at the sight of a policeman.

When young fellows tried to join the Army or Navy. IWhen songs had a tune.

When you wrote love notes.

When criminals went to jail.

When you could get away from it for a while.

When you bragged about your home State and your home Town.

When politician proclaimed their patriotism.

When clerks or repairmen tried to please you, or else. When a Sunday drive was an adventure, not an ordeal.

When you had to be brave to fly.

When you could always find someone willing and able, whenever you wanted something done.

When riots were unthinkable.

When the clergy talked about religion.

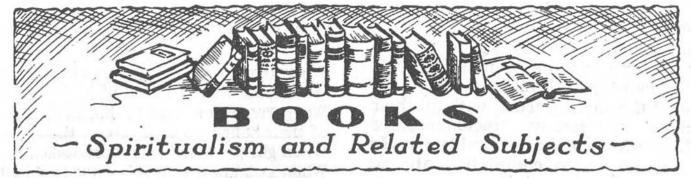
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