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He who is victorious should remember the instability of earthly things. His success may be great, but be it ever so great the wheel of fortune may turn again and bring him down into the dust.

Great is the successful general, O Simha, but he who has conquered self is the greater victor.

- *The Buddha*

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EDITORIAL

The occult student who is always looking for the Cause should be interested in the following story: Three men, an engineer, a doctor and a politician, were arguing about who belonged to the oldest profession. The doctor declared that the physician was known to the earliest times. The engineer declared the first profession was that of engineering, asking who but an engineer could have brought order out of Chaos. The politician smiled and asked; 'And who created the Chaos?'

The *Scientific American* has offered, thru its Committee for the Investigation of Psychic Phenomena, several months ago \$15,000.00 to any medium who can demonstrate phenomena that cannot be duplicated by physical means, and although many have tried, none have so far done more than reveal the impotence of Spiritualists to demonstrate their declarations. No restrictions are placed upon the medium, no searching or other nerve-upsetting procedure is followed, and where possible, every effort is made to produce the conditions desired by the medium. One who claimed to have daily conversation in her own home with Queen Elizabeth gave a seance in Queen Elizabeth's bedchamber which has been brought to this country in the art collection of William Randolph Hearst, and all that she could report was that the Queen said, "I am here; I am happy".

Another medium produced a little ectoplasm in her mouth, but when Committee Members rose to examine it, the medium's assistant hastily wiped it from her mouth, giving rise to the conjecture that it was merely a concoction of glycerin, egg whites and soap, which is often secreted in the mouth of the faking medium in a capsule which can be broken as desired.

Abraham Lincoln often told a story about a steam-boat with so little power that when it blew its whistle, it had to stop running. Our work is increasing and we are more short of help, so that we cannot maintain a regular schedule for printing or much else. With an increase of four pages in this issue, and

our usual lateness, added to the fact that the mails will be crowded at the time we will send the December issue, we may not be able to reach our readers again before Christmas. We take this opportunity therefore, to plead with you not to send us Christmas card greetings. In the first place, we are telepathists, and know whether or not you really send us good wishes. And if all our friends and readers send cards, the amounts, figured conservatively, spent on cards, runs into the "big money"--a few hundred dollars. We ask that instead of a card, if you wish to send anything, send a few stamps, which we use every year at Christmas time to send hundreds of samples to new friends.

And your Editor must point out that increasingly her only joy is in seeing the expansion of our Work. She expressly desires no personal gifts, but asks that whatever the spirit prompts you to send be sent instead to help expand the Work.

Though our prophetic sanity may be drowned in the angry thunder of war, we continue to issue, as we have for many years (in the old *Telepathic Magazine*) our annual Peace issue. We believe that the two most vital issues in the world today are the movements of humane education and the abolition of war. We regretfully decided not to reprint "War and Meat-Eating" by John L. Metzen, but cruelty to animals--since all life interpenetrates every plane, reacts in cruelty to human-kind, and we shall never have peace until a new conception of brotherhood, which includes "our younger brothers" is held.

There is yet another phase of war which the psychological student could profitably consider--the sex aspect. Aggressiveness is an innate response to sexual frustration, and the sexual motives behind war would be clearer if we could examine the private fantasies of those who engage in it. The violence and arbitrary self-assertion of the military life produces Sadism. The restraints of military life result in abnormal and promiscuous sexuality. Prisoners were put to death in both the French and Russian Revolutions in an unmistakably sexual manner (in orgiastic excitement). The slogan, "Our country, right or wrong," is purely narcissistic.

We salute Buddhism, the *only* religion that has never raised the sword in battle!

VEGETARIANISM IN HEALING

Marie Harlowe

(From *Healing Lessons IV*)

Nothing is more important to man than his food, for nothing influences his whole life more. In Mexico where flesh food and hot irritants are on the daily menu, people are a fighting race. In India, where for generations the people have lived on a vegetarian diet, they are a peaceful, philosophical people.

But man does not live by bread alone, in fact, man does not live by bread at all. Man lives on ideas as much as on food. While no diet will entirely heal and spiritualize a man, as man changes his habit of thought, conforming his thought and activity more to spiritual standards, he will of necessity evolve his diet to higher standards as well.

Meat contains poisonous substances, and its elimination from the diet is therefore an aid to spiritual as well as physical well-being. Meat contains mental poison as well as physical. The thought of fear and death permeates the carcass of the animal. Anything taken into the body, symbolizing cruelty and death, hinders both physical and spiritual development in the individual. To eat is to appropriate, to incorporate into the body structure not only the substance of the food eaten, but also the thoughts connected with it.

On the one hand metaphysicians stress the spiritualizing effect of a meatless diet on the body, and on the other hand, physical scientists teach the purifying, energizing effect on the body. The word "vegetarian" is founded on the Latin "vegeo", which meant to enliven, to quicken, to invigorate. Man uses the vegetarian diet to obtain life, vigor and alertness. The Roman, Greek and Egyptian civilizations were at their highest level when the people lived on fruits, milk and honey, and only deteriorated when meat was introduced into the diet.

During an epidemic of influenza on a certain island the only persons to escape the disease were the Carthusian monks who are strict vegetarians. The great French surgeon, Cham-

ponniere, discovered that appendicitis was unknown among the inmates of French prisons and asylums where no meat is used. Colitis is unknown to the Swiss peasants, who abstain from flesh, but it is common among the heavy meat-eaters of Swiss towns.

The most important dietetic experiment in the world took place in Denmark during the World War I. Three million people lived on a low-protein, virtually meatless diet. In the Spring of 1917 the food supply of that country was blockaded. Practically all the food stuff stored consisted of cereals and root vegetables primarily intended for live stock consumption. Realizing that if they fed the animals the food, there would be a shortage of human food, the government disposed of all animals and the Danish people, with but few exceptions, went on a meatless diet. Dairy products were limited to children, and very little protein foods were used besides this. During this period the death rate of Denmark fell from 100 to 60 per 1000. Stomach disorders entirely disappeared. The epidemic death rate of 46 fell to 27, and the general health was greatly improved. All of this was done in a country of rigorous climate, and during a period of intense occupational activity.

The strongest animals are herb-eating, as for instance the elephant. One of the greatest long distance runners of all time, Naavo Nurmi, was a complete vegetarian. In Bulgaria over 3,000 inhabitants are over 100 years old, and they all have lived on fruit, milk, cheese and bread, and only four have ever had medical attention.

Man's process of obtaining food via the animal life is a long and wasteful process. Why does man not go direct to the "producer", to the original elements, for food? Chemists already produce sugar and fat in the laboratories out of condensed air (ether).

There is no question that the human body can obtain its needed energy and repair without meat in any form. During the first few months of life humans built tissue faster than at any other time in life on a milk diet. Animal flesh is admittedly an incomplete food, lacking roughage, vitamins and some inorganic nutriment. Salts necessary to the body are found only in fruits and vegetables and are wholly lacking in meat, which is why the meat eater heavily salts his food.

Animal flesh is not a food, but a result of food. At best, meat contains but 30% food value--20% protein, 10% fat. The balance of meat is a watery substance, the source of alcohol. Being a foreign substance, the body quickens its action in order to oxidize and eliminate the foreign poison, putting a severe strain on the human system.

As a food, fish is as objectionable as meat. Fish and meat are very similar in chemical composition. Fish contains more water than meat, giving a smaller amount of food units to the weight, but because of this added water, fish decomposes more quickly than other meat, causing a greater degree of intestinal intoxication than meat.

The Occultist, particularly, creates for himself most unhealthy, if deep-seated troubles, both physical and psychic. For he declares that "All Life is ONE", -and then proceeds to eat "flesh of his flesh", giving a lie to his spiritual declaration. As we are "justified by our words and condemned by our words," there is thus set up a friction or complex which has wide-spread reverberations in the psychic health. Thus does he pay his karma in the matter by being chained to the lower vibrations (of which meat is entirely composed) when his eyes look to the heights which are denied his expression as a progressing spiritual being.



DOWN WHITE CAPPED LANES

Grace Stillman Minck

I would sail my barque down white capped lanes
Where stately steamships ply,
That the swell of their passing greatness touch
Such lowliness as I.
What indeed if then, rebellious, frail,
I am tossed and tossed and so
Go down to deep oblivion...
A gratefulness I'll know
That in no drear, stagnant harbor place
My restlessness shall be;
But at peace where the swell of greater ships
Bears requiem to me.

THE RETURN OF THE TRUE LIGHT FROM THE WEST

Max Freedom Long

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In the four preceding articles we have seen the basic elements in the ancient and perfected Science of Psychology--*Huna*--as known to the Pyramid Builders and as carried by them to far Polynesia for preservation during the "Time of the True Light in Darkness", as predicted in Pyramid Prophecy.

With a knowledge of the ten elements of *Huna* now before us in outline, the uses of them in actual practice can be presented with the assurance that the occult student or trained psychologist will be able to follow easily the line of thought.

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PRESENTATION UNIT NO. 6.

Modern psychologists find that sixty-five percent of our bodily and mental ills are due to "mental causes". They believe with Freud and his contemporaries that a "complex of ideas" lodged in the subconscious is responsible, and that once such a complex is formed it makes known its presence by external symptoms of either physical or mental disorder, or both.

The method of treatment is that of discovering the complex, bringing it to light, talking it over with the patient so that its true nature is understood, and, if it is not then gone, treating it with hypnotic suggestion.

When such a complex can be found, thru psychoanalysis, it is not difficult to "drain off", but FINDING IT IS often nearly impossible. This is because the subconscious entity often sublimates or changes the complex in relation to the symptoms produced by its presence. All this is well-explained in books found in libraries.

The necessity of using psychonalysis--a long and costly process--can often be avoided by the use of suggestion, but as Freud pointed out, suggestion seems not to work a permanent cure if the complex is not located and drained off.

Complexes are usually formed at a time when the nervous

force(low *mana*)is partially depleted by weariness. At such times a "shock or unexpected happening or word or sight will CAUSE AN IMPRESSION (thought-form) TO GET PAST THE CONSCIOUS MIND without being rationalized and given its true and reasonable meaning. The conscious mind is likened to a sieve through which all impressions and thoughts must pass and be rationalized before going to the subconscious for storage.

Huna explains this trouble. When the low *mana* is partly depleted the conscious entity cannot get enough of it to use for THINKING. It cannot think without a supply of *mana* from the body. If its thinking powers are impeded for a moment during a "shock", the idea gets into the subconscious and it--because it cannot reason better than the higher animals--gets very odd ideas. It may get the idea that an injury which one has chanced to see befall another or a condition of illness,(the "shock" items are endless and irrational in the extreme in many cases)has to do WITH ITS SELF AND ITS INDIVIDUAL BODY. If this happens,it automatically causes similar symptoms, to a degree.

Desires, frustrations, fears--all the long list--enter as complexes. The *kahunas* call these "blockings of the Path". The "Path" is *la*, which means also "Light",the symbol of normal healthy life in which all three of the conscious entities of man are working harmoniously together. The "Path" is also the symbol of the course of life-progression which has been laid out by the superconscious for the man to follow. Normally we take slow or wandering steps toward the goal which is set. The superconscious allows us "free will" and we are not coerced often.

Any complex or condition which "blocks" the path of normal living must be removed to restore physical, mental and spiritual order,also to order the trend of the future for the individual.

Thus far the *kahunas* and our modern psychologists agree at nearly every point. But one of the great additions offered by *Huna* is that SUGGESTION ALONE IS A POOR REMEDY as we apply it.

The subconscious,as is well known,refuses hypnotic suggestion which is contrary to its strong moral beliefs or its strongly complexed beliefs. It refuses suggestion for weak-

er complexes. UNLESS TWO THINGS ARE ADDED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUGGESTION.

- (1) A belief that healing is DESERVED
- (2) A physical stimulus to be used as suggestion is applied.

Both of these additions will one day be recognized as of vital importance in psychological healing (low magic).

In the New Testament Jesus appears as a *kahuna* healer in so much as he used the *kahuna* methods. He FIRST FORGAVE THE PATIENT HIS SINS. Second, he used some physical stimulus as he offered the suggestion of healing. He made mud with spittle to put upon the eyes of the blind man as he suggested the healing, to cite one instance.

THE REASON THE SUBCONSCIOUS IN US ACCEPTS A COMPLEX AND USES IT TO PUNISH US WITH SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS IS THAT IT USUALLY HAS A COMPLEXED BELIEF THAT WE ARE GUILTY OF SOME "SIN" AND DESERVE TO SHARE THE PUNISHMENT IT HAS SEEN INFLICTED UPON ANOTHER.

The *kahunas* of Hawaii found Christians, especially white ones, filled with complexes formed because of church teachings. There were the sins of omission, as well as commission, these resulting IN THE ACCEPTANCE OF LATER "SHOCK" COMPLEXES AND THE USE OF THEM TO PUNISH THE MAN FOR HIS "SINS".

A short digression must be made here to present the very rational *Huna* idea concerning the nature of "sin". IN *HUNA* THERE IS BUT ONE POSSIBLE SIN, THAT OF HURTING ANOTHER, MENTALLY OR PHYSICALLY, OR HURTING ONE'S OWN BODY BY EXCESSES. If the question is asked concerning any sin, "Does this act, or the omission of it, HURT ANYONE?" the answer will decide instantly whether or not a sin has been committed. The *Huna* dictum is, "NO HURT, NO SIN." One cannot sin against the superconscious entity, or through it against any higher grade of entities, even against God, (the triune *Ku-Kane-Kahi* of the *kahunas*).

It is all important that we moderns accept and learn to use this *Huna* definition of "sin". It should be inculcated into our children. It eventually will be.

To get back to psychological healing again: THE FIRST STEP TAKEN BY A *KAHUNA* IS TO GET A PATIENT TO

ACCEPT LATER "SHOCK" COMPLEXES AND USE THEM AS MODELS AFTER WHICH THE MAN IS PUNISHED FOR HIS "SINS".

AS A PHYSICAL STIMULUS MUST ACCOMPANY ALL SUGGESTION to make it take hold surely and swiftly, a RITE IS USED in the forgiveness of *kala* administered to the patient. Such a rite is the use of water in BAPTISM FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS. The touch of the water on the skin acts as a physical REALITY or stimulus, and it IMPRESSES the subconscious entity of the patient that SOMETHING IS REALLY BEING DONE--not that empty words are being mouthed. For centuries the *kahunas* have used water as a physical stimulus, sprinkling it generously on the body of the patient and wording the suggestion that it is washing away all sins and guilts. Other things are also used, as the drinking or eating of something, while holding the breath, a raw egg being an example, swallowed as a "remedy" the breath being held long as a secondary stimulus while the suggestion of forgiveness is being made.

However, if a real HURT has been done another, the *kahunas* demanded that restitution be made to the one injured. This was invariably a preliminary to the *kala* or healing rite. (*Kala* means to bring back the normal "light" or living-force-conditions,--the unblocking of the path).

Huna is the most logical of sciences, the most unswerving in its literalness. If a person has hurt another, HE CANNOT LOGICALLY BE CONVINCED, AS A CONSCIOUS ENTITY, THAT HE IS FREE FROM GUILT UNLESS HE MAKES GOOD THE INJURY DONE. And if the conscious entity is NOT convinced that steps have been taken to make amends, HOW can the subconscious be so convinced? Impossible.

So the steps are:

(1) The patient makes amends for hurts done another, or ceases excesses actually injuring his body.

(2) The patient is then treated with the use of a physical stimulus and suggestion to free him of GUILT COMPLEXES.

(3) The process is then repeated, using again a physical stimulus and suggestion to get rid of the "shock" complex which has been used (because of the presence of guilt complexes) as a pattern upon which punishment of the man is executed in illness, in social tangles or otherwise. (Any

blocking of the "Path", may result in other punishments such as financial ills, as well as illness or mental symptoms.

(4) The patient is dismissed with the injunction to refrain from thinking about the trouble just healed. This is important as it is too easy for such thinking to reestablish the original complex. Jesus said, "Go and sin no more, and tell no man (what has been done in the healing)". In this formula we have exact *kahuna* injunctions.

In using auto-suggestion, the lack of a physical stimulus causes most failures. Tribal dancing and other physical acts accompany the suggestion inherent in "prayers" are of utmost importance. They help swing the subconscious entity of the individual into line so that it will co-operate with the conscious and superconscious entities and the prayer be made answerable.

Next month will be presented a part of this healing by "low" magic which has been overlooked by psychologists.



THE MARCH OF THE RESTLESS DEAD

E. Sherman Prout

We move through Death, and fight in Hell,
We die in Agony:
We dodge the whining, screeching shell
Throughout Eternity,
For from our bodies Life has fled,
We are the Restless Dead!
The Battlefields and Skies we Tread--
Marching, Restless, Dead.

O, Foolish Man, in conflict locked
Across the bloody soil!
Thy ghastly deeds a world has shocked,
And rocked with mad Turmoil.
In pity do we bow our head,
The Legion of the Dead;
We cannot sleep. The Fields we Tread,
Marching...RESTLESS...DEAD...

FAIRY STEEL

Juanita de Arana

She had been named at birth for the rose and gold orchid that floats upon the celestial horizon, when the East leans down to kiss the crescent moon. But when the Emperor of China had called her to be his bride, he had chosen to title her Si Ling Shi. The change had not pleased her at first. Perhaps her little friends, the elementals, those lost, incalculable fairy folk, would not be able to find her under this new name, especially since her place of residence had been changed also.

For many moons Si Ling Shi was troubled thus. Each day she sought the nemoral regions of the imperial desmesne, questing the hamabryads of the trees, the sylphs of the air, and the undines of the streams. When none came she would sit herself down and weep for very loneliness. Si Ling Shi felt she had reason to feel neglected. No one in the palace had time to talk to her. They only talked of the war, of the shortage of ammunition and of the impending fate of China. Si Ling Shi knew nothing of the war.

Then, a new idea illumined her thought: if she learned something about the war, something about the needs of China, she too would have something to talk about. She rose to her feet, summoned her palaquin, and charged that she be borne at once to the palace.

The evening was emerging, a slow traveler through a mist of blue, when she joined the circle of court ladies upon the terrace.

"Tell me," she addressed them, "Whence all these lamentations of war, whence all this mourning for China?"

"Whence!" repeated one and all, "August Majesty, whence?"

"Look to the horizon, Empress," one among them essayed to inform her, "see the enemy campfires commence to glow in the day-fall's dusk like torches in a dream! see how close the foe has advanced."

Si Ling Shi saw the far fires against the skyline like red roses opening in the dark. "Can nothing keep them away? Can China not defend herself?" she asked naively.

"China has no money--no ammunition--the foe has steel to fashion war implements, we have not," her informer explained.

"China", sighed the Empress, "my country," and desiring to think in solitude, charged, "Ladies, you are dismissed."

Alone, she realized how selfish her desire had been in the past weeks, little wonder the fairies had not been to see her. The elementals, being lower in status than human beings, expected the utmost virtue of men and women, most of all did they demand unselfishness. She was Empress, the sorrow of China was her sorrow. As certain flowers exhale their peculiar souls to the healing kisses of night, she breathed prayers to the white jasmine that hung a cloud of perfumed stars over the terrace wall, "Spirits of night," she whispered into that dusk green silence, "I am Empress, tell me what to do"

Almost imperceptibly, through the warm mist of burning sandalwood that smoked from a terrace urn, she discerned a fluttering thing that lighted upon the tall case beside the bamboo seat where she was sitting, a fairy, a sylph of the air, those highest of all elementals!

"Steel," Si Ling Shi voiced lowly, "China needs steel."

In answer the sylph caught the glittering draperies that were her garment and spread them for the Empress to see. Rarefied steel! Frail, shimmering, yet strangely metallic to behold. Si Ling Shi was speechless with wonder. Never had she seen fabric of such singular quality. Yet what could the fairy mean by showing it to her. Such fabrics did not exist in the world of human beings. As if in reply to her unspoken query, the creature bowed in the direction of the mulberry grove, and spreading its wings, lilted through the air.

Si Ling Shi understood the gesture, and waited knowingly for the hour of lilies next morning when she would be permitted to ride at will through the desmesne of the Emperor.

"To the mulberry grove", she bade the palanquin bearers, and to the mulberry grove she was borne.

Far into the recesses of that quiet grove she rode, to where an unsounded pool, dotted with lotus flowers, shone in the pale tints of morning with opalescent tranquility. Here, she told herself, here would be the rendezvous of the fairies; elementals liked water. She alighted and dismissed her attendants, stating only that they remain within

calling distance.

Almost Si Ling Shi believed that a smile of happiness bloomed like a full chrysanthemum upon the surface of the pool as she whispered across its turquoise waters, "I am come, little folk. Appear and tell me the promised secret."

Upon each lotus bloom then an elemental appeared, clothed in the exquisite cloth of rarefied steel. They waved their lustrous skirts for her to see their beauty and bowing began to chant in syllables that strangely enough Si Ling Shi understood.

"Victories are won with finer steel
Than smiths of earth can mold
To spears of death."

Si Ling Shi's deep eyes were bright with wonder and the sweet thoughts floated in them as floated the pure lotus petals in those tranquil waters below.

Then suddenly like a bevy of Manchu ducks in autumn one and all took flight, but only to the mulberry foliage above. There each fairy touched a tiny toe to the dry end of a mulberry worm's cocoon and smiling, took flight in the air.

Pearl pale with wonder, Si Ling Shi watched that flight. Each foot that had touched a cocoon was trailing a glistening thread behind.

That was the secret! Si Ling Shi stepped closer to the tree and picked for herself a leaf that held one of the cocoons. Half-fearingly, she touched her petal-textured finger tip to its dessicate edge, and carefully drew forth a thread of fairy steel even as the sylphs had done.

Joyously she held it aloft to see it sparkle in the sun. It glimmered, glistened, glittered, shimmered. But even as she gloated on its loveliness, sorrow struck the thought of Si Ling Shi. Could fairy steel win the war for China? China needed hard, earthly steel, such as the enemy had. At that moment a fairy signalled quaintly from a lotus leaf on the pool below. She saw the little figure vigorously wave her skirts and then she understood. The fairies would have her weave the wondrous threads into a garment.

So soon as Si Ling Shi reached the palace she summoned twelve slaves to gather for her twelve trays of cocoons from the mulberry grove. She had them empty the shells of precious thread and weave it into lengths of royal cloth.

The cloth was dyed in all the colors that beauty knows--blue like the hyacinth, crimson like the pomegranate fruit, and gold like the sun.

In the year that Christians have since numbered 2700 B.C. the bizarre experiment was completed, and the fabric cut into a court garment for Si Ling Shi, sewn with pearls and spangled with silver. None were permitted to see its wonder, save the sewing slaves, until the night of the Ball for Foreign Princes.

On that night Si Ling Shi, unseen, from a balcony above the Hall of Pleasure, watched the resplendent company gather below, where clusters of jewelled lanterns, like bunches of great grapes, diffused a thousand tinted glimmers to mingle amid a thousand perfumes. When she was satisfied that all possible guests were arrived, she descended with attendants to that historic scene.

Although bred to the best Oriental manners that forbid display of surprise, none there was able to totally suppress amazement, and the Emperor least of all. At last, recalling his Divine prerogative in regard to all behavior, he spoke:

"Si Ling Shi, explain the phenomenon of the garments you wear; the heavenly quality disturbs my guests; such cloths have never been seen on earth before,--they have the luster of other realms; how came you by such ethereal fabrics"?

"August Majesty, the secret belongs to China. All the world may purchase from China such materials as these, but to China alone belongs the secret of their making".

And it was true. The princes of all the earth journeyed to China and paid vast sums of wealth for the celestial fabric, called in those days by the perfumed name of *Si Ling Shi*. And China grew rich from the young Empress' discovery, and her enemies were defeated. The borders of empire widened and lengthened. War was no more.

In after years the name by which the world called fairy steel was contracted from the three syllables of Si Ling Shi's name to the one sound so sweetly revealed across the centuries--*silk*.

The real war is in the darker and more vulnerable country of men's hearts. - Archibald MacLeish

MANUFACTURED MADNESS

Reprinted from "Red Europe"

Frank Anstey, Member of Parliament

It is not enough to reduce the "peacemongers" to a state of terrorized passivity. It is necessary to stir among the civilian population men, women and children, a passionate lust for blood.

To do this there must be an agency to stir it up. If a traitor can be hired for 10,000 pounds, for much less can there be purchased a ferocious platform warrior. There is no risk of gaol, or gallows, or undying ignominy, - only cakes and ale, limelight, cheers and dollars.

To work blood lust in the masses you must see those who have influence with the masses--clerical or industrial. You need not buy the entire congregation or membership--buy the preacher or leader. He will prove that dead men, dying men, broken hearts, ruined homes, rape, rampage, widows in millions, orphans in trillions, go side by side with "Jesus and His love" or "Workers Unite".

Thus there appears in war time in every country a "Department of Information." Its business is to supply glamor, gold and glory; to subsidize critical journals into patriotic pants; to keep human gramophones financially oiled to do their ordained stunts; to keep an army of spies; to supply free faked cables, and to keep picture shows supplied with rapes, robberies, rapines and murders until women faint with horror and men swell out with the will to slaughter.

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This is "control of the mind of the public by controlling the knowledge which reaches that mind." It is organized mass hypnotism. It is the most complete form of autocracy, because the mass victims, with their doped minds, moving to the will of their spengallic spellbinders, imagine they are free agents following the dictates of their individual judgments.

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It was John A. Hobson who, in one of his books, said: "The most important lesson of modern warfare is the fact that a

knot of men--financiers, profiteers, and politicians--can capture the mind of a nation,arouse its passion,and in the name of patriotism impose a policy of slavery."

Justice is not settled by legislators and laws--it is in the Soul. It cannot be varied by statutes, any more than love, pride, the law of gravity, can. 't is immutable--it does not depend on majorities--majorities and what not,come at last before the same passionless and exact tribunal.



We have what is called an *Oratorio Imperato* for Peace,that is a prayer ordered by the Archbishop to be inserted in al-every Mass, by every priest...yet if we talk peace outside of Church, if we mention peace to anyone except God and the Blessed Virgin, there are some who fling an epithet at us...There seems to be a contradiction between our prayers and our conversations...This is dangerous. If a man prays one way and thinks another, if he says one thing to God and another to his neighbor,he may go so far as to become, as it were, a victim of schizophrenia, split personality."

- Rev. James M. Gillis
Editor, *Catholic World*



WEAPON OF WAR

Gladys I. Hamilton

"Let peace be unto you," so spoke our Lord.
It is our heritage!
But scattered souls can never break the sword
Without His tutelage.
Our only weapon is a keen-edged one,
But it finds telling mark
To halt the rush of Hate and roar of gun,
And light the first peace-spark.
We must unite regardless of our creed,
Armed only with Faith's flare
To stop the lust for power and money-greed
With one united prayer.

PEACE AND REINCARNATION

A. Hermia Bauer

The essence of the apparent world is love united with will and intelligence. Where will, love and intelligence are equally united in a human being, we have a Master of Life, a Son of Peace.

At present the word "Peace" seems to have become obsolete in our feelings. The lips pronounce it, but the heart has neither hope nor desire for it. It has too long nourished the plunderer, Hate, and grown stiff and old with self-righteousness. It has ignored the fact that with the turn of the wheel of cycles we incarnate in all races and nations, and that every one is born back to the words and deeds that went out with him. All partakers in war, all murderers and suicides, incarnate to grope their way anew out of mental darkness. All those who lived as children of the light are born back to the lighted way.

Let those unfamiliar with the deeper laws of life read what the famous psychologist, Pierre Janet, professor of Sorbonne University at Paris has found, together with Colonel Comte de Rochas, former director of *Ecole Polytechnique*, and Constamm of Germany.

Janet ordered a 45 year old woman under hypnosis to leave her body, then tell what she remembered at the age of 30, 20, 10 and 5. Prof. Rochas, using the same method as Janet, insisted that the woman go back to the first year of her life, and then beyond that to the last incarnation.

At first the woman said, "There is only a void." But suddenly her voice and manner changed. She was a man, describing her career as such, her friends, surroundings, and the conditions of that time--historical happenings of which the unlearned, conscious woman was entirely ignorant.

Prof. Rochas continued to push the woman back to the 3rd and 4th incarnation and always found a chasm or a void which, when crossed by the subject under hypnosis, changed her to a complete new being, able to give a rational, true picture of the past.

Constamm published in a journal of Psychology and Neur-

ology in 1918 the following, having lately tried to prove that in the deepest hypnosis a stratum is reached which is beyond the individuality and personality. His subjects maintained that in the deepest hypnosis they dive down to a strata of their subconscious mind, where they are impersonal. The utterances from these deepest layers of consciousness are of general application, and no longer have to do with the person in question and his characteristics.

Constamm maintains that he has reached the universal, pure, super-individual, the absolute subject, and Rochas also has learned that beyond the 4th incarnation the individual returns to universal consciousness. (Memory for most ends here. -Ed.)

In Genesis we read that the sins of the fathers are visited on the children until the third and fourth generation, meaning that we are our own parents. We are gods when we leave off the personal self.

Humanity is God in expression, and a sin committed against any part of the whole has to be paid for, whether it is killing by unkind thoughts or words, with the sword of the tongue, or the sword of steel. Where the sins of omission and commission are heavy, the bill against us cannot be settled in one incarnation; we return again and again, until the soul-spirit becomes what it is destined to be: a Son of Peace. Man does not move towards any war in the outer world, if he has not fought that war within. A soul who has perceived life's eternal harmony will not lift a weapon against any of its parts.

Swedenborg pointed out two courses of interest--the one leading inward, to unity, and the other outward, to division, which are in reality man's abode in heaven and hell. Peace means thinking of things that unite. Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany declared "only stupid people can be led to war".

Crusaders for lasting peace must yet learn the eternal truth that the good will, shown by any creature, is the living God made manifest to outer senses.

*It was at this bedside that I discovered
the necessity for dying intelligently.*

- Effa E. Danelson, *Psychic Power*, 1923

WHAT IT TAKES

James Dickey Allison

It takes a lot of hating, first, to get a war a-going;
It takes a lot of lying then, to keep the red blood flowing;
It takes some rabid orators with no regard for truth,
To arouse the baser passions and corrupt the minds of youth.

It takes a lot of alibis, some asinine and weak;
It takes some rank false swearing, with the tricky tongue-in
-cheek;
It takes some devilish demagogues, foresworn to provoke war,
To get them coveted power that they didn't have before.

It takes a lot of crookedness, a lot of greed and spite;
It takes some groundless charges to provoke the "foe" to fight;
It takes much propaganda and a tightly muzzled press,
To get the conflict raging and produce the hellish mess.

It takes some silly slogans, void of truth or common sense;
It takes a lot of bragging with big threats of violence;
It takes some jingo journalists who will prostitute their minds,
To concoct poison potions of a dozen different kinds.

It takes a lot of iron for the shrapnel and the shell;
It takes some human devils with ideas fresh from hell;
It takes munitions-makers to produce the bombs and rockets,
To help the scheming profiteers who work to fill their pockets.

It takes a lot of shoveling dirt to hide the mangled dead;
It takes a lot of children who will die for lack of bread;
It takes a lot of healthy youth for bombers and blood-spillers,
To wield a deadly bayonet when they meet their fellow killers.

It takes a lot of suffering until Mars at last is chained;
It takes but sober thinking to see nothing has been gained;
It takes, it seems, a million years, for foolish man to learn,
That to yield himself to hating is to get hate in return.

ASTROLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Of Persons Born in SCORPIO, the Scorpion
(October 23 to November 22 of any year)

Marie Harlowe

Ruling Planet, Mars; Governs, Reproductive Organs; Color, Dark Red; Element, Water; Location: At corner on cross-roads, near water, on west side of street.

Scorpio, the 8th house of the Zodiac (fixed, watery, masculine) has a great deal of concealed power in it, and governs the life force expressed in the human sex function. The sign is that of death, but in the truest sense it is only the sign of death as a rebirth into a new life. More than any other sign, the natives of Scorpio range in extreme development from the gutter to the mountain top. Scorpio is a deeply occult sign, and its high type of native is much interested in the subject. Paradoxically, Scorpio rules banks and public money, and it is also the socialistic sign.

With Mars the governor of the sign Scorpio natives are energetic, fearless and aggressive. They are calm, determined and practical. A stern lack of sentiment makes them appear hard and unsympathetic.

Although the sign is of the water triplicity, its natives are not fluidic or fluctuating for Scorpio is a fixed sign. Their ideals are just but never morciful. They are studiously inclined, and have a deep intuitional faculty and a good memory. Although Scorpio natives encounter many vicissitudes in life, they usually accumulate wealth, which is spent in artistic and luxurious surroundings. They seldom lack a plan to overcome any difficulty. As in their development, they are extremists in social life, possessing either the warmest friends or the bitterest foes. Martial like, they use a great deal of energy in everything they do.

Physically the Scorpio native is short and thick-set in body, with broad deep chest. Hair and complexion is usually dark, often curly. Scorpions are strong and robust, growing corpulent in middle age. They are always dignified in appearance, and reserved. Having a tremendous vitality these na-

tives can endure much physical and mental strain. Scorpio governs the reproductive organs, and many of the diseases of these natives come from over-indulgence. Heart disease, indigestion and diseases of the groin and bladder are common with people born in this sign, as also kidney troubles, piles and venereal diseases. Little or no meat and no intoxicants should be used by Scorpions.

People born in the 1st decanate (Mars) of Scorpio, or the last 10 days of October are highly creative and personally magnetic, notwithstanding which they are often bashful and shy until middle age.

Persons born in the 2nd or Pisces decanate of Scorpio, the last 10 days of November, are more hospitable, kind and sacrificial than other Scorpio natives; the martial aggressiveness and self-centeredness is greatly modified. They must guard against deception through misplaced confidence.

Those born in the 3rd or Cancer decanate of Scorpio, the last 10 days of the sign, are very determined and ambitious and often attain high honors and position, particularly in the occult field. Social life is most important to these people.

In the matter of occupation of Scorpio natives, Mars is a prominent influence. Surgery, chemistry, mechanical trades, and electricity, are especially favored. Many Scorpio natives are soldiers, sailors and dealers in liquids--oils and liquors. Many are also found in governmental positions or superintendents of institutions, or managers of large estates. These natives are clever and skillful in the use of their hands. Many Scorpions become eloquent orators and many others are found in the fields of reform and political agitation. Whenever these natives become teachers it is always of the higher subjects, for they are essentially brain workers.

Scorpio women are more happy and successful in public than private life. They are excellent housekeepers but dislike the manual part of the work and are usually the heads of institutions or schools. Like Scorpio men they make excellent physicians. As teachers they are harsh disciplinarians.

Scorpio natives are seldom happy in marriage, but the best combination is with natives of Cancer (June 21-July 22), or in their own sign of Scorpio. The worst possible partnership combination is with the natives of Pisces (February 19 - March 21), Sagittarius, (November 22 - Dec. 21), or Gemini,

(May 21 - June 21) Scorpions are difficult to understand, particularly in marital partnerships. They are largely influenced by their passions, yet they are never demonstrative. They want to rule the marriage partner particularly. Scorpio natives are often attracted to natives of Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20), but unhappiness usually follows, for Scorpio wants to dictate and Capricorn will not be dictated to. In this respect, (Taurus is a much better combination for the Scorpio. Virgo (Aug. 22 - September 23) natives also combine well with the Scorpio. In commercial partnerships the Scorpio native harmonizes with the natives of Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 21), Taurus (April 20 - May 20), and Gemini (May 21 - June 20), all of which have executive ability combined with a willingness to be directed by others.

In making a horoscope for any person, it is necessary to point out the fact that every sign has a positive and negative aspect, and to point out the negative elements so that they can be studiously avoided. Every fault and shortcoming can be eliminated in the cultivation of true, positive aspects. "The stars impel but they do not compel", and every situation and circumstance in life may be mastered and transmuted into a worthy factor in life.

Negative Scorpions live on the lowest animal plane. Being the sign of sex life, the great problem of this sign is to guard against over-indulgence and a waste of energy and vital force thru emotional control. Unbridled base passions are augmented by jealousy and vindictiveness. Mars influences the negative Scorpio native to manifest a furious and violent temper and a sullen resentfulness which will never admit of being in the wrong. Although otherwise considerate and polite, the negative Scorpio is harsh, cruel and unfeeling, especially with children and subordinates.

The negative native of this sign courts praise and flattery, but they cling to their misfortunes with a veritable martyr complex. Greed, selfishness must be guarded against, particularly in the use and abuse of friends. Likewise a disinclination for work, and a desire to boss others. Children of this sign are often obstinate and hard to understand. Women of Scorpio when negatively motivated are extremely critical, sarcastic and jealous. (*Sagittarius Next Month*)

A MESSAGE TO AMERICA

E. Tappan Tannatt

Ye have long prayed, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done"
There IS a JUST and COMPASSIONATE GOD. Ye address
Him as "The Father in Heaven. HE, alone, is qualified to
judge and requite the acts of men and nations. Through
HIM all is transmuted into Good.

There is but one whom ye should seek to judge--YOURSELF.

The present is a TIME OF HARVEST. The nations of Europe must now harvest AS THEY HAVE SOWN. Come ye out from among them. Entering, ye will become begrimed with their dust; burned with their fires; and left with visions more obscured.

Your HATE will only add fuel to the fire. They ALL need your LOVE; even those whom ye would now call "enemies"

Pluck the motes from your own eyes. Clean your own "backyards". Cast the money-changers out of your temples. Then may you carry on the higher purposes.

Ye cannot direct the HAND OF DESTINY. Ye may, however, succeed in SQUANDERING your own national inheritance.



FODDER

Flozari Rockwood

Her pride was in her sons,
The sturdy boys she raised to men.
They never thought of war again
Nor heard the boom of guns.

The teeth of time chew on
Fast-dwindling years of life; the food
Must be destroyed to sate this mood
Of war-gods' echelon.

Thus vanish women's dreams,
Absorbed when tossed to gnawing time.
Soft baby fingers taught to prime
The sights of Moloch's schemes.

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