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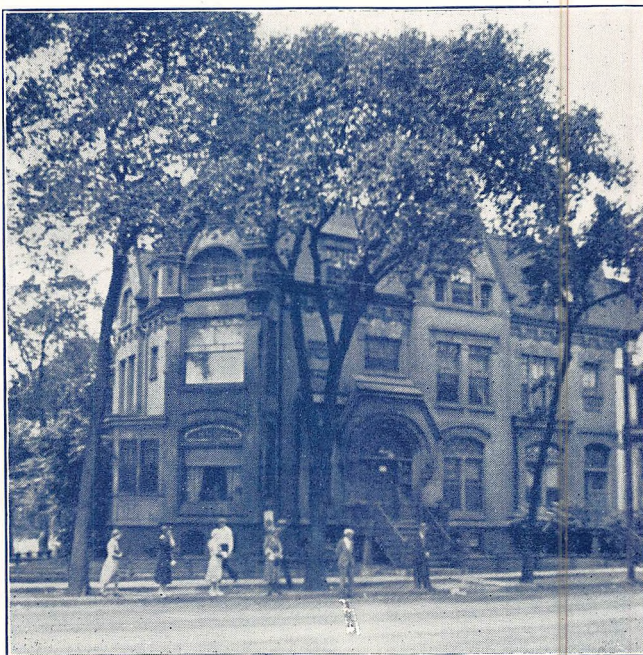
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The Grim Reaper

By EFFA DANELSON

Hunger has left the stamp of the Gaunt Wolf on the faces of men, women and children alike. Men have grown hard, women have turned into pillars of flint, watching their children grow old beyond their years, torn by the pangs of the Wolf that could no longer be kept from entering the Home. Pinched faces, fear gleaming in their eyes, muscles taut in defense, are the price their little ones have paid because the Iron Masters of Gold Slavery decreed unto themselves unlawful profits and the right to barter in the necessities of Life.

The children of the present generation, who will inherit the earth, have been robbed, not by the inventions which have been given to man for his comfort, but by the greed that was in the hearts of these Creators of vast wealth, wealth hoarded that should have been distributed among those who labored. We want the comforts machinery has given us. The time and labor-saving machinery that gives more and greater opportunities to the people. Nothing is wrong with machinery; the trouble lies in the monopoly of the profit by the few. Every piece of labor-saving machinery invented should bring wealth and opportunity to all. The hours of toil eliminated by machinery should be given to man for education and recreation, for the betterment of the homes, and greater opportunities for the education of the children. The Grim Reaper is stalking through the land seeking these little ones for sacrifice to the God of Mammon. The fairest and best of each succeeding generation has been sacrificed on the altar of Lust and Greed.

What we want is a better distribution of labor; every man able to support his children and their mother. Shorter hours and an honest distribution of profit. The machinery age is what is needed and what we **MUST** have. We *must* not curb our development; we *must* not lessen our vigilance. The dawn of freedom from slavery and hard labor *must* not be held back; we **MUST** be freed from man and Spirit killing toil—we must advance. To do so we must have inventions to take the place of human labor, but we must wrest the power of Wealth from the few who have betrayed the faith of our Fathers and reduced us to poverty. We must declare for every man a **HOME**—not a hovel; for every child an education of facts, not myths—an education that creates thinkers. Every child born into this world shall be an heir to the wealth of the world. We must drive the money changers from our governments and bring a distribution of the world's goods to all. We must rebuild Faith in human kind; we must create anew that brotherly love that will bring all the world to their toes. We must bring every hand to the forehead in salute. Then we can hope for the restoration of principles enabling each man to say, "My word is my bond."

The Grim Reaper must be **HE** who reaps with the scythe of Love, not with the sword of Hate and Greed.

EDITORIALS in TUNE

WITHOUT FEAR

By EFFA

Nations of the World!

GATHER TOGETHER the children of the world. Teach them the law governing,—first, the physical Life which embraces the care and usages of the body; teach them their relation and interdependence upon other human beings with whom they come in contact. Teach them kindness toward helpless creatures who are dependent upon them for their livelihood, food and shelter. Teach them that their household pets have feelings the same as they; teach them that kindness to others constitutes true nobility. Teach them the care of their bodies for health's sake, because cleanliness destroys disease germs and creates the comfort of living. Together with these teachings, impress upon their growing minds that Wisdom is the fruit of learning and that the ability to learn depends upon properly developed brain cells. Brain cells increase their volume through experience, observation and the reaction of external affiliations and association in the daily concourse of life.

Every child should be surrounded by environments conducive to its welfare. It should be the duty of every government to establish welfare departments under competent leadership whose soul development fits them for this responsibility. It has been said that every Nation is dependent upon the standard of its women (wives and mothers). The responsibility of the standard of every country depends wholly and entirely upon the education of its children. The education of the child depends entirely upon its care from its entrance into the physical world until it reaches the age of independent thinking. The old adage, "As the twig is bent the tree grows," is as true in the twentieth century as it was in the century in which the saying was inspired. Child welfare, under proper supervision is the only remedy for the present ills besetting the civilization of Today and unless those who have shouldered the responsibility of Governments realize this huge task and set about its fulfillment, the much-boasted civilization will be swept away and Anarchy will reign its terrors upon the defenseless women and children of the future.

The cesspools into which the majority of children are born are the direct cause of the present chaotic condition found in all so-called civilized countries of the world. These are the great evils undermining the future generations, for which the present and past generations are responsible.

Tobacco and Narcotic advertisers and Political grafters are responsible for the undermining and destruction of the physical temples—the first destroys the morale of the individual, the other destroys the morale of the community. With the very Life and community thus undermined, there is a great work to be done. The place to begin is with the

infant before it is born into this physical vibration. This can be done through the education of the expectant mother and father. Every school should be deputized as a welfare institution for the education of the minor in the usages and care of the physical body and the responsibility which they are to inherit. The education and training of the child in the purposes and responsibilities of Life must be the first steps to civilized activities and should be recognized by every civilized country in the world today.

Graft abounds today in every department and in every home because the world has lost sight of that great power which comes through Integrity and Justice. The chaotic condition of the mind is the product of lax morals of the Judiciary in each and every Governmental department in all Nations of the world.

Lovers of Truth, Loyalty, Integrity and Justice—in whatever group you are—we beseech you to look well to the welfare of your child, your neighbor's child and the helpless waif left on your doorstep and especially to establish schools for the training of expectant mothers and fathers of the children yet to be born. Neither Peace nor Progress can be the inheritance of the future unless these children become the *first duty* of every Nation of the world. We greet you and beseech you to hear the cries and listen to the appeal that comes from these helpless little ones who have been thrust into the world at your solicitation.

Looking Forward

ASTROLOGERS, Numerologists, Palmists, Psychics and all known Scientific powers of divination are united in THE PROPHECY of a greater Prosperity, and—what is even more important—A GREATER HUMAN HUMANITY, for the people of the earth are coming more and more under the benign influence of the New Star. All of these sciences mentioned are interesting the great masses of the people more and more as time goes on.

Revelation is the key word of the *hour* and is the Key that will unlock the mighty mind of the Universe that all men may see the working of the LAW.

Through Revelation we shall communicate with the inhabitants of other worlds. We shall not only bridge Time of the past, but we shall unroll the scroll of the Future. We shall, through analysis Master the Winds and preserve the Sunshine. We shall conquer the Storms and control the currents of the Earth and the seas to do our bidding. Man shall have no need of cumbersome vehicles of travel for, like the bird, he will arise and, on the wings of MIND POWER, go and come at will.

WITH OUR TIMES

OR FAVOR

DANIELSON

Time has gone on while man stood still. The Calendar—man's invention, is stationary while the seasons are evolutionary. Man stands in wonderment at the changing seasons and its effect on Business. The seasons have not changed—the Calendar has stood still, while man spends his time in quarreling over the religious aspect of the Calendar and the effect it might have on business, although the Calendar is not related to either one, but is simply a convenience to record the days, months and seasons of the year, the same as the clock is the timepiece to tell us the seconds, minutes and hour of the day. Just as we set our timepieces to the correct time of the Sun, so must we regulate our Calendar to the seasons, divided by the Sun's shadow on the earth.

We must regulate our lives, not wholly to the changing seasons of the Calendar, but we must regulate our lives to the changing influences of Time as we pass from one age to another. We must adjust our lives and our Nation's laws to the New Ruler that is coming into Power. Let us reprint from The Occult Digest of September, 1927:

The Star of Bethlehem

The Star of Bethlehem is rising again in its splendor, marking the new era, heralding again the approach of a mighty change in the controlling forces of nature. Its light shall be seen in many lands. Its influence is dynamic for good. It shall lift men from their dungeons, giving strength and power to all the people of the earth. In its wake the children shall follow in safety on the path of progress. In its rising it shall flood the world with an everlasting light that, henceforth men shall walk in wisdom's way and never again shall the people of earth perish; for this star shall rule the Heavens, bringing peace to the world forever and forever.

Prophecy has given everything to the world. Revelation is the salvation of the world for "Without Vision We Perish." By Vision, we mean Power of Discernment, Power to see beyond the horizon of the setting Sun. Power to discern what Tomorrow will bring forth. Sight that will transcribe the past and transcend the future that we MAY build our lives upon the Solid Rock of Revelation.

Psychic Experiences

THE LAW governing Psychic experiences is an individual one governing the Psychic as an individual, not as a whole. While it is a natural law it becomes operative as an individual law not only where Psychics are concerned, but each manifestation is a governing law of itself; that is,

there are no two manifestations alike even though they come through the same Psychic and are projected by the same identity. No Psychic can say of a surety what he or she will give out or how it may be given. Only Fakirs can say of a certainty what their performance will be; the true medium CANNOT. Even years of experience in the public service does not perfect the Psychic, and after years many of them will say: "I will never forget the first communication given through me; it was the best demonstration of Spirit knowledge I ever gave, and that was thirty years ago."

The persecution of Psychics through the pretense of testing the mediums' honesty is a blot on our intelligence. We should give each communication the *intelligence test* and we should make very sure that our own intelligence and memory is 100 per cent infallible before setting ourselves up as Judge and Jury. The very methods used by medium testers sets up a fraud vibration and attracts mischievous and treacherous spirits to the Seance Room.

If the layman would say to a chemist, "I do not believe you have the results of your experiment true, I insist on entering your laboratory, putting you under guard and injecting into your test tubes a concoction of my own to test your integrity," what would he think? He would think just what the Psychic thinks but does not say—"You of all men are the most ignorant of your kind."

The Seance Room is the Psychic's laboratory—the Spirit guide is the Chemist—the medium is the test tube; draw the picture for yourself as to what happens when the layman enters with his clumsy, unintelligent implements to test the *test tube*. Bear this in mind; any Psychical or mental manifestation must be determined by your intelligence as to its worth and if your memory is faulty or your knowledge of events is lacking, you are incompetent as a Judge. You think you are testing the Spirit, but you are only testing the test tube, and by so doing are creating fraud, not only on the medium but you are misleading the public and doing 100 per cent more harm than good, to the cause you seek to establish. We hope the day will come when a medium who in her heart knows she is honest, will have the courage to say to her persecutor: "I will have none of your interference; if your intelligence is not equal to the task of determining my honesty you will have to stay out of my seance room. I seek the True, the Intelligent and the worthy; you cannot enter my *sanctuary*. Your money does not interest me—I put my cause above your bribes to the public; begone from my door ye workers of iniquity." When mediums cease to be interested in the clamor for tests and stand on their own integrity, we shall build Psychic laboratories where all which is hidden from man may be revealed.

Psychic Energy—Its Recognition and Culture

By COLBY D. DAM

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(Continued from last month)

ASIDE from natural inertia and the weariness of constant attention, the great barrier to the inflow of psychic energy is ignorance of the existence, the meaning and purpose of karmic relationships which surround us with a network of conditions that seem, too often, insurmountable. One can only repeat the truth that psychic force passes all boundaries and that nothing in the three worlds can either resist or divert it, when consciously invoked. Until we can prove this for ourselves through many crises and tests, we must work at the *theory* that the soul is the cause of personality. Gradually, as psychic force piles up within us, our higher states will become so powerful and comprehensive, that our lower natures will become everywhere transparent; and even though the lower states, at times, assume control, we shall be able, through knowledge of the causes which brought them, to get back where we belong.

The culture of psychic energy appears difficult and abstract because we are not accustomed to the idea of controlling and directing consciousness. For ages past consciousness has been an instinctive process. Modern civilization has no idea of practical soul culture, for man has not yet recognized himself as a self-made entity. He believes his thoughts do not matter except as they produce effects on the physical plane. Ignorant of the psychic causes which account for his birth and position in the world, he recognizes only his physical karma, which naturally appears meaningless. It is this inability to estimate the psychic causes of destiny and the psychic conditions which governed his incarnation that makes him both blind to the justice of his lot and powerless to change it. His sense of power over destiny comes only with psychic unfoldment.

Psychic energy may perhaps be developed most easily under the pressure of current environment, by building a thought form of our higher centers and their true relation to etheric, astral, mental and egoic force. This is a simple process of analysis by which individuals can discover the types of force they are using in the various bodies and their mutual relations with one another. Psychic analysis, which differs in every case, is the foundation of conscious evolution. It involves a kind of self-judgment and a careful attention to instinctive thought and feeling which are foreign to the ordinary processes of the mind. For psychic

energy always manifests in unusual and startling ways; and it is those attitudes of mind which have always been unquestioned that offer the big opportunity for its action.

Humanity would appear as part of one Great Mind and heart. The practical reality of this thought appears plainly in the group-mind of civilization. Every one of us, subjectively, is a composite of thousands of other minds and hearts whose life we have shared in the astral and mental planes. The merging is all around us; and yet, like puppets on a stick, we still think of "I" and "Mine." Intellectually, let alone spiritually, our sense of individuality is a denial of obvious fact.

Psychic energy depends, then, on mental recognition of our identity with every form of Life and on conscious acceptance of the obligations and attitudes that belong naturally to this synthetic existence. This wider consciousness can be built by visualizing the applications of the life-forces around us as expressions of our own higher minds. *For in sharing the idea of a force we share its life and become part of it.* This is the law of spiritual synthesis, upon which the whole future is founded. All the technical data of occultism is given only as a means of explaining how the soul achieves this conscious universal existence. We have the lower synthesis in the personality which is an attempt to harmonize the sense-form mind of the average individual. This cannot be done successfully because there is no synthesis of incarnated forms. Personality therefore has no choice but the recognition of its own inner God through subjective development. Any other effort is as futile as an effort to hatch an eagle from an ostrich egg. For man is always and everywhere the victim of his own divine. He cannot become other than that which, in essence, he is.

It is useful in this connection to imagine what must be the point of view of the Master about the sense mind in which average humanity dwells. Living as He does in the world of causes He sees the three lower planes, physical, astral and mental, as partial and instinctive fragments of a larger consciousness. He sees only the subjective side in its relation to what, for us, is the unknown. The sense mind, to Him, is as strange and cramped as the consciousness of the atom appears to us; for He is will, love and activity in a world which, to us, is perfected abstract thought. He knows that abstract mind is more substantial than concrete matter which is a partial reflection of it. He inhabits a realm of force where

the manifested universe appears wholly as an effect of the consciousness which streams through Him from cosmic sources.

This subjective point of view is the foundation of psychic culture. When we become thoroughly acquainted with our mental, astral and physical bodies as effects of egoic force; when we no longer identify thought with sense, we shall have a mental framework logically and consciously adjusted as a channel for the down flow of spiritual force. This is the aim of meditation—to clear away the astral and mental junk pile of the personality so that the soul can have room and air enough to function in the conscious mind. When the divine inhabitant has really come down to stay with us and made Himself at home, the physical plane as we know it through sense and form will have completely disappeared. Also those states and perceptions which now appear nebulous and visionary will be more substantial than tables and chairs. We have then to clean out the junk pile of form and sense and make room for God.

As the higher consciousness grows in scope and weight, we shall discover suddenly that the problems of humanity are so simple, so childlike and obvious that they can never again disturb us; we shall have no feeling towards the race but a longing to help it find its real identity.

The mind is a creature of habit which tends to repeat processes once set up and responds quickly to suggestion. The present need is the building of a simple, practical, mental framework by which personal, particular and objective ideas may be easily and quickly changed to the impersonal, universal and subjective ideas of the ego. This effort, once established by the will, grows rapidly until we function as naturally on the abstract levels as we formerly did on the concrete. Thus the Dweller on High is brought down to an earthly home prepared for His use and through it can make manifest His power among men.

Through psychic analysis we learn not only to regard ourselves always as a series of states but to discover the causes which produced these states. If we are depressed or happy, brave or frightened, vigorous or exhausted, confused or positive, inspired or prosaic, we can trace the cause of the condition. In time we learn never to take our lower states seriously and regard them simply as a temporary "hang over" from the past which may be dissipated just

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Our Editor's Hands Analyzed

By ALICE DENTON JENNINGS

MRS. DANELSON'S HAND is what is known as the conic type. The conic hand, properly speaking, is medium sized, the palm slightly tapering and the fingers full at the base and slightly pointed at the tip or nail phalange. The fingers are medium in length, the whole hand dominated by a strong thumb. Diagnosing this hand—the conic hand is the hand of intuition and of reason. Such a hand unites the qualities of mixing intuition and imagination with reason. Mrs. Danelson's hand would indicate one marvelously endowed from the point of view of its tendencies. It is the type of hand always met with in persons of greatest merit. Its abilities are very varied, as indicated by Mrs. Danelson's manifold interests in various phases of life, educational, spiritual, psychic. Intelligent, witty, philosophical, meditative, this hand shows an unusual sense of beauty, of plasticity. There is an appreciation of the arts and unusual creative ability in the field of literature and poetry. This is the type of hand that takes an interest in everything. It is a hand that makes friends easily, takes pleasure in doing favors, helping others, and making charitable gifts. It is a hand, full of indulgence for the faults of one person, but able to recognize the virtues of another. There is a horror of discord and friction, wishing to see good understanding and harmony only reign; hence such a hand is often found in the role of mediator and conciliator. The presence of such a hand in any gathering is always a sign of union and harmony. A friend of order, well being and comfort, such a hand is entirely competent to manage a home or a business, to balance a bud-



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get and steer the life with skill and dexterity.

The fingers of Mrs. Danelson's hand are medium in length—finger quick in thought, intuitive. The fingers are set evenly on a straight line, or nearly so, across the top of the palm. This indicates an evenness of temperament and a well balanced nature.

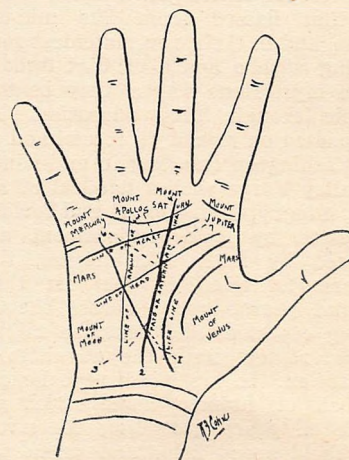
Mrs. Danelson's hand is dominated by a strong thumb, indicating will power and strength of character. The bent or direction of the first and second fingers lean outward over the Mount of Jupiter, showing strong ambition, making the entire nature unsatisfied until it has accomplished great things. Mrs. Danelson's thumb joins the palm at a right angle and its first and second joints are equal in length. The Mount of Jupiter, which is the little pad of flesh under the first or index finger, indicating ambition, enthusiasm, pride, is well devel-

oped, leaning somewhat towards the Mount of Saturn, which is the little pad of flesh under the second finger or finger adjoining the index finger, and indicates Mrs. Danelson's well known ability to look on the seriousness of life as part of an artistic plan which uses contrast to make the world seem more wonderful. This mount also inclines towards the Mount of Apollo, which is the little pad of flesh under the third finger, indicating a keen appreciation of beauty. The Mounts of Apollo, indicating this keen appreciation of beauty, and the Mount of Jupiter, indicating ambition and enthusiasm, are well developed and join one another without a break. The Mount of Luna, which is the little pad of flesh to the side of the hand, indicating developed imagination, a love of poetry and of imaginative literature, and the Mount of Venus, indicating a warm hearted, affectionate, lovable nature, together with both Mounts of Mars, indicating courage, are well developed. All fingers incline towards the third finger, or finger of Apollo. For this reason, it is evident that this third finger receives from the heart, the focal point of sympathy, a greater degree of warmth than do the other fingers, consequently it receives a greater access of energy from the brain, where it would

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Conic Hand



KEY TO LINES IN THE HAND

1. Fate rising from Life-Line
2. Fate rising from wrist
3. Fate rising from Moon
4. Ending on Mount of Saturn
5. Ending on Mount of Apollo
6. Ending on Mount of Mercury
7. Ending on Mount of Jupiter



America—Her Education and Religion

(Extracts from a talk made by Dr. A. J. Caldwell, Chairman Committee on Americanism, Hanson Post No. 54, American Legion, Amarillo, Texas, July 19, 1931.)

"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw men unto me."—John 12:32.

THE TRAGEDY of the ages is the outstanding fact that the greatest enemy of man is man. In this age-old conflict between man and his brother, if men everywhere, high and low, great and small, rich and poor, could and would fully realize that only a short time ago each pressed a tiny baby face against a dear sweet mother's breast, and that in a few short years all must stand before the judgment bar of Almighty God stripped of worldly wealth and honors, then the spirit of just men made perfect would speak peace be still to the troubled waters on the surface of time's ocean, and right would prevail against might.

If some miraculous change could be wrought in men's estimate of themselves and their brothers, no inconsiderable amount of the so-called ills that afflict humanity would eliminate themselves automatically or vanish away.

America, the youngest member of the family of nations, first saw the light or day in 1620. Across the ocean came a pilgrim barque bearing the seeds of life and death, the former were sown for you, and the latter sprang up in the path of the simple native. Three hundred years have changed the character of the continent and almost blotted forever from its face a peculiar race of people. In their natural simplicity of life, untrammelled by civilization, they beheld the Great Spirit in the glint of the morning sun as it shed its first rays on dewdrop, shrub, and flower; they beheld Him in the timid warbler that never left his native grove, in the sacred orb that flamed from His mid-day throne, and in their own matchless form glowing with a spark of that light to whose mysterious source they bent in humble though blind adoration. All this passed on memory's screen and we see Washington standing in mid-winter at Valley Forge with a handful of soldiers, hungry, cold, ragged and forlorn, oppressed by local environment and obsessed by fear. Washington, that monumental mind of the last three hundred years, looked across the oncoming centuries and beheld a mighty nation, replete with the advances of civilization. In his mind's eye he saw millions of humble homes with the smoke of peace ascending therefrom. He beheld broad fields and green pastures; he saw the morning glory vine in its colors of white, blue and gold, twining around the window sill. He saw the watch dog asleep at its half open door, and heard the gay laughter of happy children. He heard the mocking bird singing its roundelay of praise from a nearby tree. He saw an humble people

coming and going from those homes in pursuit of happiness, the sustenance of life, and the peace and pleasure of a contented mind. He saw the sun recline toward the western horizon; he saw the twilight and the firefly's fitful glow in the dusk of the evening; and with a prayer to the triune trinity of the ages, he led his handful of soldiers to victory.

He formed a government and a constitution for his people, guaranteeing to them the right to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience, the peaceful pursuit of happiness, and a government of, for and by the people where might should never supercede right, and where property rights should never over-shadow, control and submerge human rights.

In the beginning God said, let there be light, and there was light. He created man in His own image, and in His image created He him. He gave man power and dominion over every living, creeping thing, the fishes of the sea and the birds of the air. He made man king with the earth for his footstool, and the starry decked heavens as a canopy for his throne, and commanded him to go forth and replenish the earth, till the soil, and reflect credit and honor upon his Maker. He was endowed with omnipotence, omniscience and omnipresence.

Our educational system today is one of the greatest gestures looking toward the emancipation of the human mind from the baleful influence of ignorance, superstition and fear that is known to recorded history. Education means to bring out of and not to place within. It means the development of the inherent potential God-given properties that were placed in the human mind in the beginning of its creation. Much of our effort today along educational lines is misdirected effort and misapplied energy.

When we learn, if ever, that man really means mind, and Lord, properly interpreted, means law, then we shall begin to pass more rapidly from darkness to light. From the time God said "Let there be light," two mighty forces have been active and organized for the purpose of lifting, expanding and unfolding the intellect of man or subjecting it to the powers of darkness. These two forces, roughly speaking, are light and darkness. One is represented by education which is intended to increase the intelligence of man, develop the power of analysis and synthesis and direct his activities by wisdom, reason and understanding; the other is governed by emotion more or less blind, and in its organization, individually or collectively, as may be the case, is subject to propaganda of every type and form; is subject to attacks of fanaticism, superstition and fear, led and directed in its last analysis by the love of ruling and the perpetuation of power in principalities and high places, fed by the hope of attaining self aggrandizement, pelf, power and pull.

Without vision the people perish. We must educate or we must perish, and if we hope for the sun to continue to shine on the faces of freedom, we must educate all the children of the land. If we expect right to continue to rule the land, and if we expect human rights to predominate in the thought force of the people, if we expect the principles of this government, namely a government of, for and by the people to rule the land and Old Glory to continue to be the symbol of right, freedom, love and liberty, we must continue to educate and elevate the thinking mind of the nation and give the mind of the people an added impetus in its spiral flight upward.

Religion means re-ligo, to bind back. It means ultimate truth if stripped of its emotionalism, its selfishness, its ignorance, its greed and its provincialism. It means to show the mind of man the way back to the universal mind, the source from whence it came. It means that man has a mind, potential or expressed, and that its progression and development will lift him above the beast of the field over which he was originally given dominion, and make him in the ultimate a little lower than the angels, depending upon his desire, his labor and his concentration.

In this world-wide condition of turmoil and strife, where man is losing confidence in man, where kingdoms and institutions are falling and fading from the land, America, the youngest of nations, by reason of her position, her wealth and her manhood, is bidding the Orient goodnight and with outstretched hands of welcome, good morning to a new era, a new dawn and a higher thought force among men in her education and religion. She must look forward to a greater development of the mind of man and her citizenship as well, and to a higher regard for the universals of religion in its highest concept, or she will within the next three decades go back to the cave and jungle for a fresh start.

Aerial flights and archeological investigations are showing forgotten civilizations who equaled if not surpassed the present. Their temples and towers of marble, concrete and stone speak in an unmistakable language to us today if we only had eyes to see and ears to hear. These cities were builded by men and women who reproduced themselves in kind and in time, who lived, loved and had their being, who developed and organized their religions, governments, civics and ethics even as you and I, yet their names have become forgotten in the mist of vanishing years, and their civilization crumbled and intermingled with the pathetic and interminable dust. Ask yourselves the answer to this question when you return to your homes after this hour is over, and see what the results may be.

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"The Lonely Twelve"

By

PHIL COSPER ISBELL

THERE ARE really 13 sturdy ship masts in this clump of timber. These trees live quite apart from others of their species. Mountain men have so called them "The Apostles." The one thing remarkable is that they are far above timber line—over 12,200 feet in altitude. They bask in a pocket or "boxed draw," with their rootage in some alluvial decomposition, mostly hard volcanic rock. But they stand erect and face the East.

Can you not make something from that? I think I can. I like to think of a certain other group, led to an high place by one who called Himself, a Son of Man. He being represented by the humble one out in front of his followers. A beautiful isolation!

All their neighbors dead, gnarled, dwarfed and unable to carry on amid the rocky wilderness of greasewood and scrub growth. It only shows that any



The Twelve Apostles

thing is Possible when Faith is well rooted. Storms may blow, friends may be glacial, frozen in the mid-distance slopes of despair, as is seen the Ice-pack across the declivity from these Sturdy Apostles.

We might, if we tried, think out something on this. Like these trees, all

growing so far above Sea Level, where the Rule Books say there can be no Life other than lichen and moss—and yet, somehow, we moderns need only to go apart and into a high place, there to behold examples of Little Groups here and there, holding to the Rock of the Ages.—TRUTH.

The Youth of Today

By HILDA DOROTHEA MARQUARDT

WHAT great prospects lay before this sturdy lad, Young America, with his wings of gold! Being a very rich boy he can have most anything he desires. Constantly he is casting aside the old and seeking the new. Although he possesses much knowledge, he is not satisfied; he must have wisdom, too. So in earnest he is trying to discover the great secrets of life.

An important discovery he has made, and which will assist him on the road to wisdom, is the power of his own mind. Lying dormant within his own being is a powerful radio apparatus for receiving and broadcasting. Experiences in telepathy has proven this. Also, there is a record two thousand years old that verifies this fact. Not only was Mental-telepathy well demonstrated at that time, but also Mental-television.

Saul was converted by a vision. Jesus appeared to him, rebuked him for his persecutions of the Christians, told him he had a work for him to do, and gave him directions as to his future movements. We read: "And as he (Saul) journeyed, it came to pass that he drew nigh unto Damascus: and suddenly there shone round about him a light out of heaven: and he fell upon the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, 'Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?' and he said, 'Who art thou Lord?' and he said, 'I am Jesus whom thou persecutest; but rise, and enter into the

City, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.'"

Jesus said: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now." When our Mental Radio is put in use we will then hear them, and bear them, and grow in wisdom.

This Mental Radio receiving set has five tubes: Patience, Meekness, Charity, Hope, and Faith. All tubes must burn brightly with the current of Understanding, or the radio is silent. The aerial of Love must tower high, from a firm base, founded on "The Rock of Ages." The dial of Desire must be used in order to find the stations. Young America will choose carefully the stations most beneficial to his future welfare. There are the local stations such as Crime, Vice, and War. Through remote (self) control he will be able to tune in with the highest and best.

There is the rainbow in the sky—the Covenant between Jehovah and man, which is visible to the mortal eye after the storm. It may be there always, but in sunny days Mortals are too concerned with material things to observe it. Only when the storms of Life have clouded the sky and one is tossed hither and thither does he, in the hour of darkness, look upward. After all is over, he finds the brilliant hues, ever there, in their usual place.

We are told by Mystics and Seers that thoughts have colors, and that we can tell the thoughts of another by the

color of his aura which surrounds him. Granting that to be true it may be supposed then that the Rainbow is symbolic of things to be attained, or, it may, in reality, contain the very thoughts which we, in our upward climb, must tap and use. This to be accomplished through the use of our Mental Radio. Red is the animal plane; green, creative; blue, ideals; yellow, intelligence; violet, health. Some Physicians, realizing the power in color vibrations, are using them with much success in the treatment of nervous diseases, fevers and growths. Theaters have long been using the effects of pink lamps and drapes, which color sends forth caressing rays of warmth and good cheer.

Young America will experience and discover much, in the near future. With his Mental Radio he will sound the depths of the now unknown. May we liken his five senses to the five Great Lakes—ever restless and at times quite stormy. Some day he will command them: "Peace, be still." But before this can be done he must develop his sixth sense, Mental-telepathy, and the seventh sense, Mental-television. We may liken the sixth sense to Niagara Falls and the seventh sense to the St. Lawrence River: When telepathy is developed the turmoil of the other five senses will fall and with Mental-television he will see clearly into the Great Ocean of Life with which he shall unite and become one.

Advanced Course in Numerology

By MARY ADAMS

Prepared to Supplement "Numerology Is Practical"

Esoteric Meaning of Spiritual Numbers

(Continued from last month)

THE OCCULT DIGEST is constantly attracting new readers, so there will be some who see this issue who did not read my article in July, 1932. Even if you did have that issue, what I said may have slipped your mind, as many have recently asked, "How do I know I am a '6'—or a '5'—or a '27' or some other number?" Those who have followed these lessons know that I consider the Birth Path (total of day, month and year) the most important vibration. A person with the following Birth Path (or its equivalent) is a "50": May (5), 26 (8), 1918 (19). 19 equals 10, and of course the 0 is dropped, so the Birth Path reads, 5-26-19=50 or 5. If, as is the usual custom, you reduce the numbers before you add them, then the Birth Path reads, 5-8-1=14=5. With a Birth Path of 50 this person would have the characteristics of the number 50, with the final reduction to the primary digit, 5.

However some Numerologists lay more stress on the Destiny number (total name). In that case, a person whose entire name totaled 50 would be called a 50—or more popularly a 5. If you work out a few name totals you will find that they frequently run up into the hundreds, but simply remember that all spiritual numbers are higher octaves of the primary digits, and for ordinary use are reduced before adding. Yet very often the esoteric meaning is intensely interesting and gives information about a person which is entirely overlooked and lost if only the primary digits are considered. Let us consider, for example,

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT
69152395 453156 966154532
40/4 24/6 41/5

If we use the entire name it would total 40 plus 24 plus 41, which equals 105. But if we reduce each name, we have 4 plus 6 plus 5, which totals 15 or 6. Do not overlook the fact that everyone uses a signature. Consider

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
40 4 41 =85=13=4

Now consider

F. D. ROOSEVELT
6 4 41/5 =51=6

Those who consider the name total as of greatest importance—what would they make of these vibrations? The President's full name makes him a 6; one of his signatures makes him a 4; another, still shorter, makes him a 6. His Birth Path

January 30, 1882

1 30 19=50. That means from the moment of his birth to the hour



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of his death he was, is and will be, under all conditions a "50" or 5.

Your theory is just as valuable as mine, but I cannot see how anyone can consider a name total, which can be and always is varied from time to time, more important than the Birth Path, which cannot be varied.

In the case of our new President a very interesting story can be found in these various vibrations. As a 6 he is a fine father, teacher, adviser, governor (51-6), honest, reliable, belonging to the class of people which are often called "the salt of the earth." But these people are not noted for being progressive. They are the static, conservative people, quite willing to follow in the beaten track. As a 4 (Franklin D. Roosevelt) he is an excellent lawyer, an analyst with a keen logical brain. No one can doubt that he is both of these—but both of these numbers are static rather than dynamic, and he certainly is dynamic. It would make too long a story to tell how his (13)4 vibration led to his governorship and thence to being President, but we cannot leave these fascinating vibrations without noting that his Birth Path 50(5) makes him a lawyer; a man of power; one to command and hold authority; a man of many affairs. The full description of "50" is given later in this article.

The Birth Path of the United States, July 4, 1776,

7 4 21 =32=5 and 32 indicates long life, standing firm, and its total is the same as the President's. He was nominated on a super 5 day. August 11, 1932,

8 11 15 =11=32 or 11-5 and he was inaugurated on a 5 day,

March 4, 1933,

3 4 16 =23=5.

Those of you who have past issues of the Occult Digest will be interested

to read again what these various spiritual numbers mean. It certainly seems as if all these vibrations indicate good fortune, success and prosperity.

To return to the point from which we started,—in this case, as in all cases, I consider the Birth Path as the most important vibration, and therefore, when I say "The President is a 5," I refer to his birth path—the expression of the ego he brings to this incarnation. One more interesting point before we continue with the higher vibrations, President Roosevelt's personal vibration for March, 1933, is 5.

In the April issue of the Occult Digest we left off with the number 37.

Number 38—This is a higher octave of the tricky, unstable, unreliable 11 and 29, and while it carries some of the difficulties of these numbers and sometimes brings quarrels and misunderstandings and separations, it is very powerful spiritually. Where there is harmony, it increases it. Where there is discord, it brings lies, deceit, falsehood. And at best its power is unstable and should be watched, especially when found in connection with future events. It is a number that affects the nerves and should always be met in a positive spirit.

Number 39—This number usually brings good health, long life, friendship and love. The Chinese say that one with this vibration should live in the southwest and face southwest. You will remember that in its lower octave of 12, it denotes peril, self-sacrifice, expiation and difficulties. It is a number which can bring cruelty and suffering; but even as it can go to the lowest depths, so can it rise to great heights.

Number 40—We should always keep in mind that these higher numbers are but higher octaves of those previously defined, and therefore the interpretation often differs only slightly. 40 is much like 31—is careful with money and usually a good investor. The mathematical talents of 31 have advanced a step and become specialized in printing, literature, methodical living; he has learned to be less selfish and knows how to deal more generously with others. He has gained the right to relax and take things more easily and can be successful in either business or literary lines.

Number 41—Here again is a variation of that strong, versatile, active 5, but raised several octaves, and now quite in control of passions and playboy tendencies. He is able to obtain what he wishes and keep harmful things at a distance. This vibration is favorable in connection with future events.

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Handwriting Reveals Character

"By Their Handwriting Shall Ye Know Them"

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(Continued from last month)

GRAPHOLOGY can be of the greatest assistance to us in discovering our latent abilities and in selecting the right vocation. Statistics prove that not one person in ten is in the vocation for which he is fundamentally endowed. There are very few persons who do not possess the inherent ability to do some one thing exceptionally well. Frequently this latent ability, though unknown to the individual, constitutes a very valuable potential asset, but because it is not discovered, lies dormant and remains undeveloped.

Mr. Charles M. Schwab in one of his able articles, tells us that success in life depends on how a man uses what he has, that the first steps in starting out is to decide exactly what one has and in what kind of work it can be used to best advantage, and where he can get the largest results from the special combination of qualities he has to offer. Graphology in thus helping us to discover our latent abilities, and showing us where we can get the largest results from the special combination of qualities we have to offer, is certainly worthy of our highest consideration.

Until recent years the student entering High School or College was compelled to pursue a rigidly prescribed course of study, with but little, if any, choice in the selection of the subjects aside from those making up the regular course, and with practically no choice in the selection of those subjects in which he might be especially interested. But fortunately, today the student enrolling for such courses has a wide choice of elective subjects which may be taken upon a decision reached after a consultation with the school counsellors, with the view of assisting the student to arrange his course of study so that he will receive the maximum benefit in preparation for the vocation which he desires to follow after leaving school, and resulting in the elimination of many times next to useless studies, an increased interest in those taken, greater proficiency, a great saving in time, in money, in energy, in disappointments and heartaches, and great mental strain in after years. It is here that Graphology proves of the greatest value to both teacher and student.

It proves its incomparable worth by giving the teachers and instructors that positive knowledge of the students, insight to their temperaments, dispositions, inclinations, tendencies, likes and dislikes, not possible by any other method. Both teachers and students are thus enabled to know the weak points, good qualities and assets of the stu-

dents, and the teachers are thereby placed in a position whereby they can be of the utmost assistance in both the scholastic instruction imparted, by understanding the calibre and operation of the students' mental faculties and fundamental endowments; and the guidance of character building by reason of this intimate fore-knowledge of the inherent aspects of the individual natures.

To the business executive the great usefulness and benefit to be derived from handwriting analyses, when intelligently and conscientiously employed, is of inestimable value. It aids him in the selection of new employees, and saves him much in the great cost of labor turnover. It enables him to better understand old employees and to transfer them to work for which they are fundamentally better adapted, with consequent advantage, increase in satisfaction, and monetary saving to all concerned. It also gives the employees a better understanding of their employers, and altogether results in better unity and harmony.

Handwriting analysis is being used in this manner by business executives throughout the United States, with the greatest success and advantage to both employer and employee. It is also being extensively employed today by numerous sales managers and promoters, and proving of the greatest value. Frequently do we remark instances in which Graphology is advantageously employed by the detective department of some city, or by the courts. Some of such instances we now recall are the famous French Captain Dreyfus case some years ago, in which it was proved Count Esterhazy was the one who copied the document sold to another country; the Rice Will case; and more recently the Edward Hickman case; the "Jake" Feagle case; The Starr Faithful case; the Powers' case, and many others in which handwriting analysis has played an important part.

As stated in an article appearing in the American Magazine, murderers who think they have covered every clue; forgers who are sure they have done perfect jobs, and other criminals who match their wits against the law, have found the "questioned document" an enemy they cannot deceive.

On the other hand, there are those to whom Graphology can be of incalculable service. I do not know whether the poor, unfortunate woman who was alleged to have killed her roommates in Phoenix, Arizona, shot in self-defense, but I do know had she received the full benefit of the evidence to which she was entitled as revealed by her handwriting,

the verdict would have been quite different. She would have been committed to an institution where she could receive help instead of receiving a verdict of death upon an atrocious, brutal, inhuman and barbarous gallows. We should know by this time that death penalties upon the gallows or in the electric chair, or confinement in our penal institutions as they exist do not stop crime or reform those who go wrong, and is but a stupendously horrible blot upon the escutcheon of civilization, but we do not. We have not progressed that far yet. Poor unfortunates will continue to do wrong just so long as we do nothing to help them, and our criminal laws and penal institutions remain what they are today. Oh, Justice, what sins are committed in thy name!

Sometimes it is really amusing to trace the reason for a person's behavior. Only recently, in a case embracing forensic Graphology, in which the authenticity of a certain specimen of handwriting was involved, by having what I knew to be a genuine handwriting, and making a careful comparison, I was able to show beyond the shadow of a doubt that the genuine copy and the questioned writing was written by one and the same person, without exhausting near all of the reliable tests generally employed in such cases. In this instance it was the writer's curiosity which overcame his better judgment and proved to be the trap whereby he was caught. He evidently thought he was putting over a fast one, but the detection was easy.

Poise is the greatest of all principles. Not only in social pleasures must the individual be in poise, but in both social and business relations. To the extent of our poise are we able to exercise self-control. The moods and feelings that are transitory in the life of a human being, determine the degree of control that may be exercised over a person; and, inversely, also determine the power to employ that control. The handwriting will tell us to what extent the person possesses this poise.

The vast importance and usefulness of Graphology can be but briefly stated here, but its extensive use by the U. S. Government departments, banks, personnel and employment managers, manufacturers, sales managers, lawyers, courts, police and detective departments, physicians, psychologists, criminologists, educators, social workers, and many others, indicate some of the possibilities of this great science.

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Communication With the Dead

By G. L. BARNES

WHEN the Society of Psychical Research was organized to find out if there actually was such a thing as communication with the dead, they started with certain assumptions—1st, that the various manifestations might be facts capable of demonstration; 2nd, that instead of assuming them to be impossible and non-existent, we will assume that they might be possible, for smoke indicates fire even though the fire is not visible and it is impossible to create an imitation without a genuine from which to pattern; 3rd, that failure to prove any one thing or an unsatisfactory test or result is not necessarily final or conclusive, because we are proceeding 99 per cent blindly. Now, after years of investigation, the Society is sold solidly on the fact, as a fact, of all phases of Spiritism.

The Encyclopaedia Britannica is conceded to be one of the fairest and most authentic reference authorities published. This authority admits the fact of nearly all phases and does not deny any of them as non-existent.

The Bible is accepted as authority by the clergy as a body and by those who profess the Christian religion. The Bible contains so many Spiritistic references that if placed together they would fill fifty pages. Take Spiritism out of the Bible and very little is left upon which any kind of a belief can be based. Not only Christians but the followers of Buddha, Confucius, Mohammed and all the so-called pagan religions profess and declare the continuity of life in some form after death of the body, and if there is such continuity then there is no logical reason that

communication cannot be established under proper conditions.

Thousands of people will assert that they have talked directly or listened to direct voice conversations with those who have passed on, and on so many occasions that they thought no more of such conversations as being unusual or remarkable than they did of phone conversations. And these people range from college-educated scientists to everyday common folk. All of them are not fools nor were all of them fooled. It is really impossible to fool an experienced investigator of Spiritism who is also a sensitized psychic.

If one will investigate psychic phenomena long enough, persistently looking for the "why" of the different manifestations, shaking the wheat from the chaff with the pitchfork of reason and proof, considering the fakers and crooks as an unavoidable condition, occupying the same position to the phenomena that a burglar does to the house and people he robs, the almost certain conclusion will be finally reached that there is nothing more supernatural, nothing more impossible and nothing of much greater difficulty about talking with those whose physical bodies have been placed in the grave, than there was or is about the radio. A mechanical instrument is necessary to get the radio program. A human instrument (medium) is at present just as necessary to establish communication with the planes beyond.

Both the mechanical radio and the human radio (medium) function because of the existence of a natural force, Vibration, and that force was in existence millions of years ago. The

inventors of the radio did not construct this force out of copper wire and vacuum tubes, they only studied out a way to utilize the force by mechanical means.

The medium functions only because of this same force, the abnormally sensitized nerve system of mediums serves as wires and tubes that may be acted upon to transmit messages or information. It does not follow that the message or information is always true or correct any more than what comes in over your radio is always true and correct. The spirit entities may be just as wrong in their predictions as our noted "economists" have been in their predictions for the past two years. And, to digress slightly, that would be going some, even though the comparison may be particularly odious to the noted "economists."

Every single phase of Spiritistic phenomena is the outgrowth of the manifestation of natural laws that are as fixed and as impersonal in their operation as the law that causes water to run down grade. These laws may not and do not always work to a certainty, but when they do not it is because of obstacles placed in their way which act much the same as a dam holding water. The dam is unnatural, but the water may be held by the dam until it runs over or breaks through by sheer force.

The dam holding back knowledge of the realms beyond the grave is a dam of ignorance, ridicule, priestcraft and established conservatism. Man himself constructed the dam and man himself must break it.

With the Long Bow

Reprint from The Minneapolis Journal

A Tall Story—Here we are once more with a column of the "nice, superstitious stuff" that a part of the constituency likes, and which the rest of them consider "hooy."

The story is one told, several years ago, by the late Andrew C. Dunn of Winnebago, Minn., one of the best country lawyers in Minnesota, as he is described by a man who worked under him and who just missed studying law in his office. Mr. Dunn was a Methodist in religion, but for the last twenty of his years on earth he was convinced that the dead do sometimes return. And he was a shrewd sifter of evidence, too.

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MR. DUNN SAID that he had a friend living in Minneapolis, also a lawyer, who was convinced of the possibility of the return of at least

some of those who had crossed the divide. This man promised Mr. Dunn to come back, if he found it in any way possible, and let him know that he was still assuredly alive.

This unnamed man did die first. Mr. Dunn was surprised one day to receive a letter from the man's widow, telling of his death and saying that he had insisted strongly, during the last days of his life on earth, that he would appear at his old office on Hennepin avenue somewhere near five o'clock in the evening on a certain given day which he named. He impressed upon his wife his wish that she should notify Mr. Dunn of what he had said.

Evidently Mr. Dunn had "mind to let" in the matter, for he took the next train for Minneapolis, called at the home of his old friend and had a long talk with the widow. They decided, finally, to go to the office at the time specified and give the dead man a

chance to make his promise good, if the making good were indeed possible.

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Mr. Dunn then continued his story in the following vein: He said that he and the widow of the dead man went to the office on Hennepin avenue, unlocked the door, went in and sat down. He claimed that after a long wait, the dead man, or his simulacrum, walked in at the door, seated himself in his office chair and talked with them (himself and the widow) for an hour or more. They questioned him, went over old memories together and assured themselves that the appearance was really that of the dead man. Mr. Dunn claimed that he was not more than four feet from the chair in which his deceased friend appeared to be sitting. Whether the dead man finally went through the door or simply disappeared, the story as told to me does not relate.

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An Outline of the Nature of Thought

By R. O. WARREN

MANY PSYCHOLOGISTS contradict the philosophy taught by their contemporaries, such as the two extremes of opposite psychology that teach on one side that the development of knowledge is rooted in the body, controlled solely by the sensations; and on the other side that the same knowledge is entirely centered in the consciousness. Under the brilliant light of the truth concerning the nature of thought, these two extreme, opposite phases or teaching of psychology cannot be ignored, for thought does express or manifest itself not wholly in one or the other, but uses both of these means for expression. The vehicle of thought is man and his mind. The vehicle of thought is consciousness and the vehicle of consciousness is the body of man. The operation of consciousness as the mind on the one hand, and the activity of the sensations as the body on the other hand are inseparable in the manifestation or expression of the nature of thought.

There is another element in the construction of thought, without which neither the body nor mind can function; that is the paramount factor in the nature of thought. Without this dominant element life would cease, sensation would fail to respond and the consciousness in man would come to an end. Man comes into this world to gather experience; the sensations bring this experience to him; the consciousness translates them into knowledge or

wisdom; but in the subtle recesses of the soul lies the controlling power that connects the mind and body of man with the forces of universal nature. Call it what you may: God, Universal mind, over-soul or nature; still there remains the existence of this mysterious force that directs, controls and dominates the function of mind and body. The body is the instrument of the mind and the mind is the faculty of this powerful force which works in unison with the two.

In the study of human anatomy concerning the operation of the brain and the nervous system, it will be remembered how the various sensations of the body are carried over the systematic network of nerves to the brain. Human experience of every sort is transmitted by the body in this manner to consciousness. It is a telegraphic system of the flesh. Every atom in the body of man is closely linked and is a part of the whole human organization with its network of nerves uniting every part as one complete consciousness. Millions of individual atoms joined together form the mass which is called the human body.

The vehicle of thought is man and his body, and over the telegraphic system of the flesh by means of the nervous system, do thoughts live and have their being. The human body is a kingdom of thought made up of millions of these atoms that communicate over the organs of sense which carry their messages to

other parts of the same organization. In a similar manner may be explained the plan of the universe with its invisible forces under the direction of the universal mind that uses the body of the world as a vehicle of thought. Man in his relation to the universal mind is but an atom of thought; yet, like the smallest atom of the human body, contains within itself the life of the glorious body of God or the Universal Mind. As the atoms of the human body are in unity with each other and together with consciousness, so are men in unity with one another and together with God or the Universal Mind, which is the consciousness of and over nature.

Man, when his consciousness awakens to the realization of the nature of himself and the part he plays with the power of thought; recognizes his position in life as being psychologically placed in direct unity and communication with the whole of universal thought, for he is by nature a vehicle of thought for his own body, partaking of the supply freely distributed through the universal mind. As this realization grows upon him he becomes less and less the tool of his lower self, and more and more the instrument of the universal mind of which he is a part.

*"Oh wad some Power the giftie gie us
To see ourselfs as ithers see us!
It wad frae mony a blunder free us,
And foolish notion."*

Ghostly Messenger

By MORGANA THOMAS

A CLERGYMAN is not usually given to belief in mysticism or spiritualism, but the experience I am about to relate convinces me that there are more unworldly things going on in this world than is given most of us to realize. Occasionally one has an experience that gives a startling, flashlight insight into the unknown world, but it is only a few who are fortunate, or unfortunate enough to be so jarred out of the serene tenor of their way, to catch a glimpse of the supernatural, decidedly disquieting and profoundly puzzling.

I have not been quite the same man since the weird series of visitations came to me out of the night. I am prone to be absent-minded and often in the midst of a sermon find it necessary to make an effort to snatch my mind from vivid, disquieting thoughts of the nether world, which now seem so real to me. And this nether world, in my mind, seems distinctly apart from the Heaven and After Life of which I preach. I cannot connect it up with my religious teachings.

The experience of which I speak happened to me some years ago at the beginning of my career, when I was a young pastor in my first church, a pastorate in a little village in England.

My duties then were numerous, administering the last rites of the church to the dying being one of the most important. As I was new in the calling my duties often crowded quite heavily on my mind and time. Thus it was that I neglected visiting Mrs. Brown, a parishioner whom I knew slightly and whom I was informed was quite ill at her home. I must have thought of her frequently that day when I was first informed of her illness and the duty I had to perform weighed heavily on my mind. But, young and somewhat heedless at that time, I procrastinated. Mrs. Brown lived in an adjoining village, about three miles from the rectory and believing her to be only mildly ill I salved my conscience by determining to see her in a few days, when I expected to be in her neighborhood on other calls. As a result, I completely forgot the duty. I am really not ex-

cusing myself, but to make my position clear and my story understandable, I must explain my state of mind at the time.

I remember clearly that first night of my weird series of experiences. I lived alone in the ancient, ivy-covered rectory. As it was a stone edifice, built probably in the time of the Normans, most of the rooms were damp and unusable. The passages in the old house were long and narrow, making the chambers inconvenient of access. So I had shut off the entire upper floor and most of the lower, reserving only a bed-sitting room at the front of the house for myself and leaving a kitchen and an adjoining bedroom at the rear for Annie, the old housekeeper I employed.

On the night I mention, working late on a report I was preparing for the church paper, I retired weary and ready for sleep. My bed was a canopied antique, heavily curtained, bequeathed me by my grandfather and it was my custom to draw the curtains close at night, finding that this usually induced sound sleep. (Continued next month)

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F.M.M., Minn.—You exhibit an inquiring turn of mind, one who wishes to get at the bottom of things, but you are inclined to be a bit forgetful about those things in which you are not particularly interested and to slight them.

A.H.M., Florida—There is a frank, generous and sympathetic nature revealed. One who longs for affection, but sensitive to praise or blame, with a strong desire for intellectual companionship and with a love of the beautiful in nature and art.

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M.G., Ore.—You display ability for doing applied art work, but your energy is inclined to be somewhat spasmodic. So far you have been unable to realize ambitions which you have and your more or less taciturn nature does not permit you to tell all you know at one time, especially personal matters.

B.K.W., Cal.—There is a mentality here that is largely logical in its reason processes, but also with a great deal of intuition, combined with a good memory and one who likes to delve into the reason of things. Much carefulness and a love of contest shown, but at times inclined to allow yourself imposed upon, at others there is much decision for self.

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M.L., Ill.—You are of a rather buoyant and hopeful nature, but just now considerable nervousness is present which causes you to worry unduly over little things and to speak sharply and to exhibit a quick temper. Endeavor to overcome this condition so it will not cause you further annoyance.

B.G., Ore.—You have the ability for dealing with details, but you are forgetful at times and display a lack of self-confidence. You are guided in all that you do mostly by your emotional nature.

G.H., N. J.—Cheer up. Snap out of that discouragement. I know you have unrealized hopes and ambitions, and with high aspirations and desire for change and variety, but you also have the ability for doing things. You have a mind capable of logical reasoning, and one who likes to see what is on the inside of things, and like to keep your own counsel.

E.F., Cal.—I find a liking for art and literature and for dealing with occult and spiritual subjects. The indication of a mind capable of quick assimilation, an active imagination, and straightforward nature, with loyalty to what you believe to be right.

E.A., Ill.—High aspirations and ideals. Good thrift and economy, one who thinks quickly and likes to analyze things. One with well defined ideas of what she wants. You enjoy a sense of humor, but are inclined to be a bit sensitive.

P.B.H., Can.—Much pride and dignity are reflected in your handwriting and you are very reserved in nature. You are attracted by the harmonies of color, with a strong and retentive memory.

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maker. With this name you should be successful in your ambition.

M.F.A., Minn.—Your full name is your best signature, but it is all right for your friends to call you by your middle name. You are artistic, friendly, vivacious and versatile.

F.E.T., Texas—Your signature could not be improved, but I suggest that you use your full name for legal purposes only, as it is limiting. You should have a good disposition and enjoy a good time. You have artistic tastes, would enjoy a home of your own. People come to you for friendship, help and sympathy. You would make a good teacher, mother, wife.

America—Her Education and Religion—(Continued from page 8)

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If we forget the lessons of the past, which have been largely written in fire, blood and tears; if ignorance, selfishness and fanaticism retards the progress of the thought force of the land; if war, want and woe are permitted to raise their death-like visage in the universal mind of man again, then we shall forget as a thinking nation the lessons of the past and walk through the valley and the shadow of death again, as all symbolism tries to teach us.

Man is chief of and the greatest symbol known to science and recorded history. From him is taken the name, form and organizations with which he struggles here. It should teach him that no institutions are higher than the men who organize them and will fade and fall when man lowers the point of his triangle back toward the dirt. Institutions and governments were made for man and not man for institutions and governments. In his creation man was given a spark of divinity and light that he might see his way back home. If he sacrifices that light on the altar of ignorance, superstition and fear, lust, selfishness and fanaticism, he will go back to the dirt and forgetfulness as all men and nations have done who have passed this way before him. If he faces the sun and forgets his shadow and builds his thought, his life and desires upon the principles of light, he will journey back slowly and painfully maybe, yet he may attain a portion of the transcendent mind that has ruled and governed every man and nation from time immortal to the present, and not the majority as is often claimed.

Our Editor's Hands—(Continued from page 7)

necessarily reply to the cerebral nerve which sets the noblest qualities vibrating, and therefore, according to cheirolgy, denotes talent, celebrity, and idealism. This finger dominant, represents the idealist, the feeling for the great and the beautiful. It indicates a desire to rise above materialism, a sense of logic,

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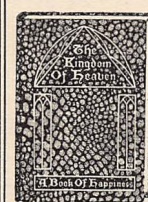
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ASTRO SOPHIST

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The arrival of the Moon at the same degree of longitude as the Sun each month gives the indications of the current events for the following lunar month. The conjunction of April 24, 1933, in the 4th degree Taurus continues its influence up to May 23rd. The indications for financial and business activity are more promising than for many months past with considerable aggressive action, new enterprises, pioneer movements. A time when intelligent applied effort will produce worth while results. Employment and agriculture will be stimulated through government assistance. Popularity and some good luck for the President with added working power through legislation. Beneficial changes in national politics. Some original plan for relief of unemployment. Considerable mental activity and aggressive measures connected with public finance. Crimes and scandals involving those at head of public institutions. Market rise and industrial activity is promised. Those following the mass instinct are liable to wrong judgment in speculation. Foreign affairs will be to the fore. Heavy buying and financial arrangements by foreign nations. A favorable period for progressive people.

The passing of a prominent educational leader or journalist. Some troublesome conditions, explosions, land and sea disasters, and earthquakes. May 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 16 have disturbing planetary aspects. May 4th is unfavorable for Los Angeles territory. Full Moon of 9th threatens physical disturbances.

1. Slightly adverse for business, making loans, law and dealing with landlords up to 2 P. M. Attend lectures, movies and seek amusements P. M.
2. Attend to ordinary routine. Not favorable for seeking favors, or dealing with those in authority. Be calm and take your time 5 to 6 P. M. After 7 good for pleasure, business, finance.
3. Adverse for cooperative efforts with elders up to 10 A. M. Balance of day favors business, finance, aviation, original plans. A time for results.
4. A critical day; watch your impulses, avoid disputes. Use care in travel. Keep to a sensible diet for health. Some public excitement. Schemes and speculation subject to disappointment.
5. Your judgment in business or employment matters can bear watching up to 11:30 A. M. Then a friendly and cooperative influence sets in—be alert to opportunity.
6. Attend to every-day affairs and be very practical up to 10 A. M. Up to 3 P. M. good for business, buying, selling. Balance day adverse. Do nothing important.
7. A harmonious morning. Favors communion with those in the spirit world; attend lectures or get out and enjoy nature in the spring-time. The afternoon slightly adverse, best to rest and use care in travel.
8. Be active and alert in all that you do, but avoid important matters until a more harmonious day. Fairly good for real estate interests up to 4 P. M. Balance of day good for business and social interests.
9. An adverse day. Keep cool, plan work but execute your plans when nature is more favorable. Employees, do not give offense. Not good for new undertakings.
10. Up to 10 A. M. good for psychic study and interest. Then to 5 P. M. favors cooperative effort with others, travel, radio, aviation, banking and speculation.
11. One of the best days for building and property interests up to 11:30 A. M. Be guarded in your speech and judgment to 1:30 P. M. Afternoon and evening favors new friends, romance, travel, beneficial changes. Correct intuition.
12. Slightly adverse up to 11:30, especially to deal with elders or start something new. Afternoon splendid for new enterprise, mental pursuits, signing contracts. Salesmen can secure good results.
13. Splendid for business activity, hustlers can produce and prosper. Seek employment. A time for action in all affairs up to noon. P. M. is an irritating period—keep out of disputes.
14. A harmonious day for all interests in religious, philosophical and scientific subjects. Study, rest, attend lectures.
15. The morning favors ordinary work or affairs. Afternoon is depressing, so offset it by being optimistic. Hold important matters for better day.
16. The day favors artists, musicians, actors and those interested in the psychic and spiritual planes of being. A time to use inspirational ideas. The evening unfavorable for social or cooperative affairs.
17. Up to 6 P. M. an emotional and agitated vibration. Be careful in travel and sensible in plans. Think and eat to be well. Evening is good for mental pursuits and business.

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Advanced Course in Numerology — (Continued from page 10)

Number 42—Being the reverse of 24, 42 has much the same meaning, but it has a leaning towards the ministry, professional work, artistic work, especially singing. This number is strongly religious and consecrated to helping others. Its lowest form indicates baseness and treachery and in extreme cases may lead to a violent death.

Number 43—In connection with future events this number indicates possible upheavals, revolutions, strife and the failure of plans; and some danger from war and fire arms. Yet on its higher side it indicates victory through positive action. In all its aspects it is connected with military activities.

Number 44—This is a brave, distinguished number as you would expect the higher aspect of 8 to be. It indicates success in practical undertakings; glory in political and military pursuits. However, too great a desire for fame may be coupled with personal loss. Hoarding may lead to loss, just as too great riches

993851=35=8 often results in ruin
9395=26=8. In other words with 44, as with 35, 26, 8, you must use self control and know when to stop.

Number 45—The number indicates a love of teaching and serving and helping other people; to punish wickedness; and raise those in distress. This number denotes preparedness against emergencies rather than the passive resistance of some of the lower octaves. It indicates an early marriage, children, and activities connected with groups and organizations.

Number 46—Here is one of the Big Brothers of 10, who is sometimes a great inventor; a psychic; a scientist; a holder of very high ideals. He often acquires money only to lose it and has to start all over again. This is when his ideals lead to impractical heights. In order to realize steady progress he must hold his ambitions in check.

Number 47—This again is an unstable number as are 2, 11, 20, 29 and 38; bringing possible danger from water. The possessor is agreeable and tactful; discriminating and cooperative; and can handle money, statistics, and makes an excellent banker. In connection with the future, 47 is a danger sign to "Stop, Look and Listen."

Number 48—This is a higher power of 30, 21, 12 and 3 and has somewhat the same influence. It gives an affectionate nature, sociable, fond of pleasure and tends to a happy marriage and general success, yet without the "sacrifice" element of 12; or the super-victory of 21; or the mental freedom of

30. It is a more balanced number, and is nearer the influence of 3. Its success lies in artistic channels, theaters, and amusements. It gives psychic and prophetic powers and indicates a return to the earth and products of the earth. It also has the completeness of 3, and the love of physical ease. If carried to excess, leads to self indulgence and too easy-going a disposition, but if functioning on the highest plane, seems to bring success, and good fortune without the usual effort.

Number 49—Of course in this number is recognized the disappearing 9 which leaves a 4 with some of the influences of the exceedingly fortunate 13; the super 22; and the analytical and self-cultured 31. It is an extremely sensible and well-balanced vibration which tends to lead its possessor onward and upward. In its high aspect it is spiritual, virtuous; indicates a universal diplomat and is optimistic. Its lowest side gives hatred, egotism and insincerity.

Number 50—This is the number of the Birth Path of President Roosevelt—an octave higher than the energetic and versatile 41; the popular and well-loved 32; and several octaves higher than the progressive, active, successful 5. It tends to public life, feasts, crowds, and makes its possessor a very eloquent speaker, magnetic with clear brilliant eyes, keen sight and hearing. Such a one is a man of power, a leader, commander, dominating and dispensing law, justice and order; a person of many activities and occupations. He lives a life of intense and continuous activity which tends to great success and renown.

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Number 51—Note again, the total name and signature of President Roosevelt is 51. This number is very powerful and possesses the spirit of a warrior. It promises advancement in all it undertakes; is especially favorable (I quote from Cheiro) "for those in military or naval life and for leaders in any cause." According to the Chinese, this number walks successfully and untroubled in the midst of disturbing and startling events, and surrounded by such happenings he "smiles and talks cheerfully" in spite of any inward fears he may have.

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Psychic Energy—(Continued from page 6)

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Astrological Daily Guide—(Continued from page 16)

18. Deal with the public and those of influence, especially in P. M.; constructive influences are active. Do not sign important papers 6 to 7 P. M. Eat a light dinner.
19. Good for business, money matters, travel, changes and health. Capitalize your opportunities.
20. Favorable for general business, mental pursuits, selling, buying and signing contracts up to 2:30 P. M. Remainder of day slightly adverse. Avoid risks in travel, friction with others or discontent.
21. Harmonious vibrations are in operation for all Sunday activities up to 11 A. M. Rest, relax, study in P. M. Attend lectures, visit relatives, and travel in evening.
22. Good Jupiter aspects for business, finance and success up to 1:40 P. M. Unfriendly for dealing with public, elders or for general business conditions all afternoon.
23. Not a friendly period for cooperative efforts up to 10 A. M. Buy, sell, make arrangements up to 3 P. M. Following period good for travel, changes, study, and visiting with relatives.
24. Attend only to normal affairs today. Watch your tendencies as the sway is negative. Take no risks—keep out of disputes.
25. Adverse for business, finance, banking and working arrangements with others. Keep calm and think before you decide on any plan.
26. Discordant conditions up to 3 P. M. Then good for business affairs, mental pursuits, advertising, travel, sales effort. A good act this evening will prove beneficial.
27. A productive day for progressive salesmen and business people, especially in the early A. M. Best day of month to begin new business or attend to financial matters.
28. Benefic for mental interests, correspondence, journeys up to 2:30 P. M. Balance of day use care and forethought in all plans or agreements. Evening is favorable for visiting, attending lectures and entertainment.
29. Seek employment and favors from those in positions of authority. Good for business and financial matters, advertising, and sales promotion.
30. Deal in property, buildings and real estate up to 10 A. M. Remainder of day is splendid in which to unite with others for business or pleasure. Business gains for active people.
31. A strenuous day. Limit activities to daily routine. Defer important considerations until a better day. Keep out of schemes and things you are uninformed about.

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With the Long Bow—(Continued from page 12)

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