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DRAKE'S STATUE AT PLYMOUTH
(See the Rt. Hon. Isaac Foot's article on next page.)

We Don Our Battle-dress

THIS ISSUE of PREDICTION has been reduced in size by eight pages, but there has been no reduction in the amount of reading matter.

The dropping of these pages is an unwelcome, if necessary, sacrifice. But the War is enforcing rigid economies everywhere and the publishing world has been called upon to bear an ever-increasing burden.

First, the spread of hostilities to Scandinavia closed our chief source of paper supply. Then the need for conserving our shipping space along other sea lanes, so as to give precedence to essential war materials, imposed a reduction in the amount of paper imported from more distant shores.

So the order has come for drastic paper economy. In common with all the great newspapers and magazines, PREDICTION responds to this national call.

WHEN IT became evident that the magazine must be reduced in size, two courses were open to us:

(1) To maintain the customary arrangement of the text, printing it in the familiar type, and sacrificing eight pages of reading matter.

(2) To re-arrange entirely the contents so as to make the utmost use of every inch of space, and to print the articles in a new type-face which would enable us to give the usual amount of reading matter.

We chose the second course. So experiments were made to find a type that was both legible and practicable: that is, a type which would be easy to read and which would give us, at the same time, more words to the page.

We believe we have discovered that type. Although it is slightly smaller than the fount used heretofore, our readers will agree that it is lucid and clear.

Now, by employing this new type face, we are able to pack so much more reading matter into the paper that this issue, in spite of being reduced in size, contains as many words as were printed in the old format. If anything, there is slightly more for you to read this month than last!

THE CHANGE, therefore, has been made without loss to the reader, and so it has proved possible, after all, to maintain the old standards of quality and quantity.

If the type-face is smaller, it is still readable; and we believe our readers will endorse the steps we have taken to compensate for the loss of space dictated by war-time economy. The cost of production is, in fact, greater than ever, but we are happy to have a publisher who is prepared to face this, knowing as he does that this periodical is performing a vital war-time task.

PREDICTION now greets you in battle-dress! That is the only real change that has occurred. It goes on, as before, with every phase of its work.

AND NOW the War has passed into its second year, the need of a strong bond with unseen verities is as profound as ever.

At least we can say that in the first year this nation has well preserved its morale, its traditional greatness, in the face of agonising and sometimes humiliating experiences.

To-day the eyes of all the world are turned on Britain, and the prayers of all free men petition for our cause.

We are not friendless, nor are we afraid. Bitter as may be our travail, there is everywhere the conviction that our victory, in the end, will be final and complete, because on our success depend all the things that civilised men cherish, and they cannot fail.

And behind us—behind the great guns, and the massed battalions; behind the aeroplanes and the tanks; the war councils and the barricades; behind all these, are mighty and potent forces whose influence will count when the last reckoning is made.

The things of the spirit, banished from a power-intoxicated Germany, destroyed wherever the Nazi jackboot has trodden, discounted and ridiculed in Enemy conduct and propaganda—these things still survive here. And against them our adversary has no defences.

SO FAR no commentator has remarked on one feature of the British struggle for world freedom which has been stark clear to every Occultist: *we have fought our war without hate!*

Confronted, as we are, by the most powerful challenge to all that is kind and loving in human nature, this nation has kept itself clean and undefiled. It has shown strength spiritually as well as materially. It has still in its heart a place for mercy.

Don't undervalue these things. We must be strong in arms, and we are daily growing stronger. But *already* we are great in character, and that is decisive.

Your job—and mine—is to keep this spirit alive through all that is to come. Whatever our war work, let us discourage everywhere any stupid attempt to imitate the spirit of the Enemy.

Remember we are fighting for the survival of a decent standard of life, a decent sense of values, a decent self-respect. Of course, we must strike back at our enemy and strike back hard; but we must fight true to the instincts of our cause and not to the pattern of this loathsome gangster.

WHAT MESSAGE does PREDICTION give its readers on the eve of this new and perhaps final phase of the war? It is this:

Hold fast to the vision of a continent liberated from the tyranny under which it writhes! Keep clearly before your eyes the picture of a Europe once again free and great! Never flinch from your conviction that the ultimate decision will lie with the peoples who are worthy of victory!

Britain daily grows stronger and her power, reinforced by all the moral and spiritual rights she defends, will prove to be unconquerable.

Meanwhile, we keep our watch. We know the sun is coming up over the hill—that Europe will emerge from her long night of darkness to face a new and better day.

Every reader of PREDICTION, by his bearing and conviction, can hasten the approach of this chaste and saner world.

The Editor.

DRAKE'S DRUM

Beats Again

AN OMEN OF OUR COMING VICTORY



Drake's Drum, at Buckland Abbey in Devon, whose sound foretells a British victory.

ON the sixteenth of August 352 years ago, Sir Francis Drake and his fellow seamen were returning from the North Sea after putting the finishing touches to the defeat of the Spanish Armada.

A few days ago I walked along Plymouth Hoe and looked again—I suppose for the thousandth time—at the statue of Sir Francis Drake.

Mainly because of the sharp impressions of early boyhood, that memorial has, I suppose, meant more to me than all the other statues in the world. There he stands—the compass in his hand, the globe by his side, looking out upon Plymouth Sound and across those shining waters that were the theatre of his mighty exploits. We West Country folk like to think that he stands there always on guard.

A few miles away from Plymouth is Buckland Abbey, his country home, and there is his Drum—the Drum which he took with him round the world, the Drum emblazoned with the Coat of Arms he took after Queen Elizabeth knighted him with the touch of her golden sword.

A suggestion has been made that the B.B.C. time-intervals should be filled with the beating of Drake's Drum, and some have said that the Drum might be taken to one of our great National Institutions. It is more fitting that the Drum should rest at his home, near his birth-place, and in the very heart of the country that he loved.

We in the West Country do not need to have the sound of the Drum brought to us over the air. We can hear it without that help. Some of you will recall that in November 1918 when the German fleet surrendered and the British Fleet, after four years of constant action and ceaseless vigil, closed in around the enemy vessels, men on board the Admiral's flag-ship heard the long roll of a drum. When, after careful search and enquiry, neither drum nor drummer could be found, they realised the truth and by common consent one man said to another, "Drake's Drum!"

"Drake he was a Devon man an' sailed the Devon seas,
(Capten, art tha sleepin' there below?)

Rovin' tho' his death fell he went with heart at ease,
And dreamin' arl the time o' Plymouth Hoe.

Take my drum to England, hang et by the shore,
Strike et when your powder's runnin' low.

If the Dons sight Devon I'll quit the port of heaven

And drum them up the Channel as we drummed them

long ago."

Of course there are some matter-of-fact people who tell us that this Drake's Drum business is only a legend, and that in these hard days we need something more than ghosts and legends to rely upon.

Well, supposing that we got rid of all these ghosts and legends—what then? Supposing we wiped out from our memory all the great names of the past and all that we know of Drake and Raleigh and Grenville and Blake and Nelson—what sort of a fleet should we

have left? Surely it means something that we give to every one of the ships of His Majesty's Navy a Name.

When, a few months ago, the sailors who had fought the *Graf Spee* marched through Plymouth the names on their caps—*Ajax* and *Exeter*—were borne through the streets of the city like an oriflamme. At that time many blue jackets marched with them who bore on their caps the name of H.M.S. *Drake*. All men belonging to the Royal Naval Barracks in our city are reckoned to be serving on H.M.S. *Drake*. So, whatever happens at sea, there are always a number of our sailors who go about "armed with that crested and prevailing name."

The name of Drake means a great deal to us now. In his own day his very name became a terror to his enemies. His name meant to them the Dragon, and in their terrified imagination he became almost like the Dragon of the Apocalypse. The cry of "El Draque! El Draque!" brought confusion and panic like the descent of a fire-ship.

Here in the West Country, we are never surprised to hear the beating of Drake's Drum.

Our fathers heard it beat when the Mayflower made its way out of the Sound. When Drake from his place upon the Hoe watched it sail, that ship was to him like another *Golden Hind*. Our fathers heard it beat when Fairfax and Cromwell came down to thank the people of Plymouth for the defence of the Town during the long siege of the Civil War.

Admiral Blake heard it, when, sick unto death, he was just able to reach the entrance to Plymouth Harbour, and he died with his great heart lifted by the sight of the hills of his beloved West Country and the sound of Drake's welcoming Drum.

Nelson heard the roll of the Drum when he came to be made a Freeman of the Borough, and Wellington heard it, too, when he set out with his troops from Plymouth to defeat the menace of an earlier tyranny.

The Drum was heard to beat again when Napoleon, a prisoner, after Waterloo was brought into Plymouth Harbour upon the *Bellerophon*. Again and again, it has sounded during this war, especially when the troop-ships have come, bringing the men of the Empire who have travelled over those waters into which Drake was the first to take an English keel.

The drum was heard to beat when we had the miracle of the deliverance of Dunkirk. Drake's heart went out to those men who manned the little ships that saved the British Army. Those ships were very much like his own—many of them were about the same size—and they went to and fro upon the waters that were made famous by the Battle of Gravelines, when the Invincible Armada was driven into confusion.

When we hear the Drum it tells us many things. It tells first of the confidence Drake and his fellows had in the presence of the enemy. He and his seamen had to fight against an immense power—a power that seemed overwhelming—but when they challenged that power they found it was not so strong after all, and they had a saying that Philip of Spain was a Colossus, but a Colossus stuffed with clouts.

Drake's seamen were like Ironsides of a later generation. "It was ever the fashion for Cromwell's pikemen to rejoice greatly when they beheld the enemy."

The supreme contribution of Drake was that in a time of grave national peril he breathed into the people of England his own intrepid spirit and assurance, and took away the terror of the enemy:

"Drake nor devil nor Spaniard feared

Their cities he put to the sack;

He singed his Catholic Majesty's beard,

And harried his ships to wrack.

He was playing at Plymouth a rubber of bowls

When the great Armada came;

But he said, 'They must wait their turn, good souls,'

And he stooped and finished his game."



Sir Francis Drake, whose spirit has given proof that in the hour when Britain stands again on trial, her great leaders and defenders of the past are still at hand to inspire her.

The beating of the Drum also tells us of Drake's trust in the common people. He gave dignity to the common seaman and loved to say that any boy who sailed with him would be reckoned a gentleman. He insisted that on his ship—that wonderful ship the *Golden Hind*, the first English ship to plough a furrow around the world—there should only be the fellowship of common service and the brotherhood of common sacrifice. "I must have," he said, "the gentleman to haul and draw with the mariner, and the mariner to haul and draw with the gentleman."

It was on the same voyage—perhaps the most momentous voyage in our history as a sea-faring people—that Drake cashiered all his officers so that for a time everyone on board his ship held the same rank as an ordinary seaman. He did this to demonstrate that on his ship all distinctions between one man and another were for order and convenience and not of nature and necessity.

The common sailor who sailed with Drake was raised in stature, and, when the Prime Minister the other day said that this was a war of the Unknown Warriors, Drake beat his drum again.

Drake had confidence in his country and confidence in the common people, but his supreme confidence was in God. "Never was a fleet so strong as this," he said, as the Armada approached, "but the Lord of strength is stronger." Listen to his letter written to Walsingham at that time of national danger:

"There must be a beginning of every matter, but the continuing unto the end yields the true glory. If we can thoroughly believe that this which we do is in defence of our religion and country no doubt our merciful God for His Christ our Saviour's sake is able and will give us the victory, though our sins be red."

This is what Drake's Drum tells us in the West Country, but, of course, I don't suggest that it is only in the West Country that the sound is heard. Drake took his Drum with him **all round the world**. That is why its beat can be heard all round the world today. If you listen you can hear it—everywhere, in every land where Briton joins Briton to defeat this present menace of darkness and evil; in every distant station where the two or three are gathered together in common danger and common hope. The young airman, high in the firmament, keeping guard over the Motherland, or striking day after day and night after night at the heart of the enemy's power—he can hear it; the sailor in whose veins Drake's blood still flows; the merchant seaman, who, even whilst I am speaking, is risking his life, to carry to and fro food and precious cargo. Everywhere the drum can be heard.

In the Far East and in the Islands of the South; over the great stretches of Australia; from the North to the South of Africa; in India, in Kenya, in Singapore; on the heights of Abraham, in Haifa and Amman and upon the walls of Jerusalem; in the Red Sea and in the Mediterranean and upon every ocean.

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"Drake he's in his hammock till the great Armada's come,
(Capten art tha sleepin' there below ?)
Slung atween the round shot, listenin' for the drum,
An' dreamin' arl the time o' Plymouth Hoe.
Call him on the deep sea, call him up the sound
Call him when ye sail to meet the foe;
Where the old trade's plyin' and the old flag flyin'
They shall find him ware and waking as they found
him long ago."

Hitler threatening invasion, reckons his forces and tries to calculate ours. He will have to meet a good deal that is altogether beyond his reckoning and beyond his understanding. If and when he does come he will be attempting the invasion of Shakespeare's England, the land of Sir Walter Raleigh and Queen Elizabeth. They will come at the sound of Drake's Drum, and others, too, like William Wallace and Robert Bruce, Owen Glendower and John Knox and Montrose.

Destitute himself of any moral greatness or spiritual resource this mean, cruel man, standing for nothing but "brute violence and proud tyrannic power," seeks to crush the land of William Tyndale and John Hampden and Oliver Cromwell and John Milton—the Britain of Marlborough (another famous Devonshireman) and John Wesley, of Chatham, and Burke and Tom Paine and Charles James Fox.

For the defence of this land of such dear souls, this dear, dear land, all these will rally at the sound of Drake's Drum, with Wordsworth and Burns and Shelley and Scott and Cobbett and David Livingstone, and Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell and countless others—an exceeding great army. All the old admirals will come led by Nelson. The invader will have to meet not only the British Navy of today but what Evelyn Underhill has called "The Naval Reserve."

"Rank on rank the admirals
Rally to their old commands;
Where the crash of battle falls
There the one-armed hero stands.
Loud upon his phantom mast
Speak the signals of the past.

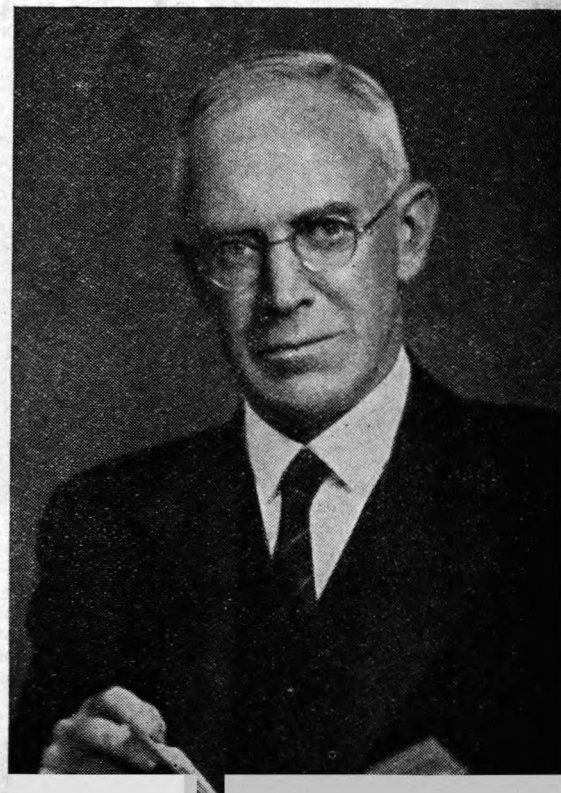
"Where upon the friendly wave
Stand our squadrons as of old,
Where the lonely deed and brave
Shall the ancient torch uphold,
Strive for England side by side,
Those who live and those who died."

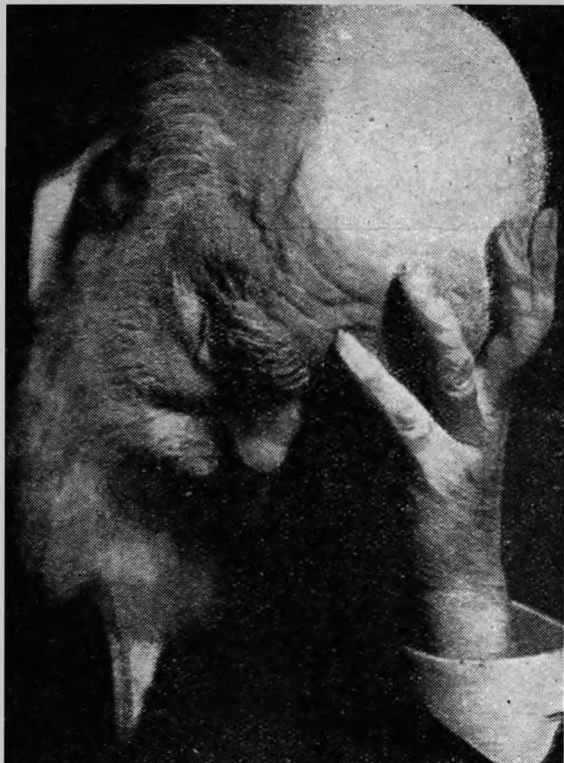
In this hour of grave peril and high privilege we are indeed compassed about with a great cloud of witnesses.



By
The Right
Hon.
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Sir O. LODGE'S VIEWS

A SEALED message—the contents of which are unknown to any living person—will be opened by the Society for Psychical Research when the spirit of Sir Oliver Lodge communicates from the Other Side.

This is the ingenious method by which the famous scientist planned to convince sceptical colleagues of the reality of life beyond the veil.

So sure was Sir Oliver of the existence of an after life that he felt fully confident of his ability to transmit the wording of this secret message when he had passed away.

For over 60 years Sir Oliver Lodge had been interested in psychical research. Although he was acknowledged by fellow scientists as a brilliant physicist it was his investigation of Spiritualism which chiefly held the imagination of the public, and Sir Oliver's occasional broadcasts on this subject were followed all over the world.

A patriarchal figure, with clear friendly eyes and dome-like forehead, his appearance was unusually striking. He had a rare gift for elucidating the most complicated facts in a simple and picturesque form. Sir Oliver's work as an orthodox scientist—work which brought him the highest recognition—has already been elaborately reviewed, but the general press has devoted considerably less attention to his Occult investigations, and it was these which, in his own view, ranked first.

Here in crystallised form was his whole philosophy: "Death releases us from the burden of the flesh, introduces us to the glorious company of those who have gone before, and opens up a majestic panorama of love and service." No half-measures, no doubts here! In an interview which Sir Oliver Lodge gave PREDICTION he declared, "The spiritual world is, for me, the greatest of realities. It has not led me to underestimate, however, the importance of this life. This life is intensely important for most of us and constitutes a wonderful opportunity that may never recur. Infinite possibilities for progress lie ahead and I think that if my

investigations have proved anything to my complete satisfaction it is that this world is not our home. We are denizens here for a time—a short time."

Here, in digest form, are Sir Oliver's views on many Occult questions:

Does every spirit experience one life on this planet?

"I don't think every spirit has a life upon this earth. The beings we call angels, for instance, may never have been incarnated here at all. Still-born children make an attempt to come into association with matter, but unsuccessfully. You must remember that the earth is a very small object in the whole heavens. Nevertheless, I expect that this life is an important episode in our existence."

On reincarnation:

"Some people believe in reincarnation but it is a subject on which I do not wish to dogmatise. I think one had better attend to this life while he has got it. The more you learn now the better."

On the need of caution in drawing deductions from psychic phenomena:

"You must not always jump at the conclusion that external spirits are acting. Unusual phenomena may sometimes arise from the extension of our own faculties. You see,

time to time to communicate with us. They are still mindful of our love for them and they reciprocate it fully. They are hurt by our excessive grief at their loss. They do not think of themselves as dead, but as now fully alive, free of the clogging body and able to move freely in their new state, using the etheric body which they possessed all the time. They assure us that all is well with them and that Love bridges the chasm."

On the meaning of death:

"The dead are those who have passed through the body and gone. I have never been to see my boy Raymond's grave in France. He has asked me not to. He says: 'I take no interest in that grave. I never was in a grave in my life.'"

On the meaning of life:

"We here are incarnations. We represent the entry of something from outside into relation with matter, and so we have constructed these bodies by unconscious processes that we do not know much about. We use them for a time to do our work and then the body wears out. We leave it behind and go on without it, back whence we came."

"In other words, I take a more cosmic view of life and mind. I believe that we are

Sir Oliver Lodge passed over the border on August 22nd, at the age of 89.

In 1881 he was elected the first professor of physics at Liverpool, in 1887 became a Fellow of the Royal Society, and in 1900 was appointed Principal of the new University of Birmingham, a post which he held until 1919 when he retired to a country house at Normanton, near Salisbury. In his long career Lodge received honorary degrees from many universities, was elected to many distinguished scientific societies, was knighted in 1902, was Romanes lecturer at Oxford in 1903, President of the Physical Society 1899-1900, of the Society for Psychical Research 1901-1904, and President of the British Association in 1913. In 1932 he was awarded the Faraday medal by the Institution of Electrical Engineers.

"Sir Oliver's admitted claim to a very high place in the history of science (says The Times) rests chiefly on his researches on radiation and the relation between 'matter' and 'aether,' the brilliancy of which was due to a combination of mathematical acumen, resource in devising experiments, almost uncanny power in interpreting results, and a most patient and sympathetic cognizance of the work of other physicists. In 1899, when he was still young among men of science, he was awarded the Rumford medal, which is given biennially by the Royal Society without restriction of nationality to the author of the most important discovery or useful improvement on heat or light made known in the previous two years."

"The President of the Royal Society, in giving the formal reasons for the award, referred to Lodge's experiments on lightning conductors which, as Hertz himself had freely admitted, almost reached the Hertzian discovery of electro-magnetic radiation, to his subsequent investigations on the Hertzian waves, to his invention of the 'coherer,' and to his fundamental experiments disproving the existence of viscosity in aether."

"Using his coherer as a detector he was the first to accomplish wireless telegraphy before Marconi had taken it up. He was a pioneer in the theory of electrolysis and in study of the movements of ions. He invented an electrical method of dispersing fog, improved sparking plugs, and made many detailed contributions to physical knowledge."

we are spirits now, although we are incarnate in the body. We are always acting as spirits and we can do certain supernormal things now. How much we can do hereafter, and whether we can produce any of these unusual phenomena is simply a question of investigation."

On the spirit hypothesis:

"The hypothesis of surviving intelligence and personality—not only surviving but anxious and able with difficulty to communicate—is the simplest and most straight-forward and the only one that fits all the facts."

On what survives death:

"Character and memory we take with us. We are not different the moment we pass over. I do not think there is any loss of individuality or personality, of memory or affection. They all continue."

On that which binds us with those who have gone before:

"I tell you with all the strength and conviction I can utter that people over there still take an interest in what is going on here; that they still help us, and know far more about things than we do, and are able from

surrounded by a spiritual world which does not inhabit matter at all, which dwells in space, or what we call ether—the substance which fills space—and that out of that great reservoir of life and mind we have entered into relation with matter for a short time."

On pre-existence:

"I conceive that we have pre-existed, in a sense, inasmuch as anything that comes into existence or goes out of existence is real. I assume that our pre-existence was of an unindividualised character, like a general reservoir from which a portion was drawn, a portion which leaped into the body as the body was ready to receive it, a little of it in an infant, a growing amount in a child, a still greater amount in a grown-up person, and in some cases a good deal so, that the individual becomes a great man or woman. Before going back it makes use of this material accretion—case, organism, instrument, machine—which has thus been constructed out of earthly particles to acquire, to develop an individuality and a character."

IS PRAYER ANSWERED?

I THOUGHT not to be writing this article, because I am bigoted. I believe in prayer. I am convinced that it is answered because I have proved it to myself over and over again. And this is one of those things that you, and you only, can prove to yourself!

I would go so far as to say that prayer, even if it be for something quite fantastic, can be answered. But at the same time I would not avail myself of it.

When I was quite a young girl in my teens, I overheard a woman make a remark which left its impression on me for the rest of my life. She was a cultured woman, who had thought deeply, who had great wisdom, and whom we respected enormously.

She said, "Of course prayer is answered, but it was never meant to be diverted to merely personal use. Ask for a personal favour and it will be given you, but quite probably in a shroud."

At the time I was appalled and horrified at this statement, but I have thought it over, and, looking back into my own life, I have found how great was the truth of it.

The Almighty is not there to be badgered. I am convinced that all finite life moves forward along a more or less scheduled route towards its destiny. I am not a fatalist, and I do not think that every action which I perform has been pre-conceived; at the same time I do think that some rough shape of my life is charted on the infinite map, and that, whereas the fillings-in of that map are my own particular duty and are left to my own discretion, it would be a mistake for me to try to change its whole.

Making Trouble for Oneself

If, coming into contact with one of the sudden turns in the path, I take a dislike to that turn, and proceed to put up an agitated prayer, insisting that I shall be given something in its place, it is quite likely that I shall make trouble for myself. For the Almighty will answer the prayer; He will give it me even though it is the wrong thing for me to have, and I may have to pay the penalty for it.

Prayer for guidance is far more effective than prayer for personal favour. Prayer for guidance is the right of every man.

But prayer is definitely sound. It is definitely something which bears fruit, and most of us are far too indifferent of the way that we use it, and of its effect on our lives. Prayer is the telephonic communication with a higher sphere; it should be treated carefully.

I am myself perfectly convinced that the reason why we did not go to war in that tragic September of 1938 is because the miracle of prayer stood in the way. At that particular hour, the strength of earthly prayer was a tremendous bond, it was something almost impossible to ignore. I believe that the Munich treaty was made by earthly prayer and not by diplomacy, though I quite expect myself to be laughed at for this argument.

Ursula Bloom's conviction is that prayer should always be of a selfless nature, and much depends upon the form which the prayer takes. For instance, we prayed last September twelvemonth that there should be no war and there was no war. We didn't pray that God would defend Czechoslovakia or Poland.

Is the purpose of prayer to help us place absolute trust in Divine Guidance? Are we justified in asking for personal favours? Can prayer help the average man and woman to face the trials of life with greater endurance? What is **your** experience of prayer?

By **URSULA BLOOM**

But was it right?

This war was even then coming as fast as it could. Because of the granting of that prayer, by a great nation riddled with fear (because that was what it was) other nations have perished. We were alarmed at the idea of fighting because we were unready ourselves and we believed that the forces arraigned against us were too strong! We had a year more in which to prepare ourselves, but in that year, nations died.

For the prayer which gave us this extra year of armistice, Poland perished, and what has Czechoslovakia suffered? Was not that a prayer given, but in a shroud?

And were we right?

We thought that the forces against us were so strong, but in this war has this been proved yet? At the moment of writing we have not been riddled by hostile bombardment, we have not perished in horrifying air raids. Our defence plans have been blessed.

Prayer should be properly expressed. The prayer for September 1938 was not "Let there be peace, O! God," but "O! God, make it a better world."

That could be the only outcome of the difficulty, that could be the only logical solution to the situation, and things might not have been as bad as we supposed if we had left it to the hands of the Almighty who wants it to be a better world, and has His own particular way of making it so.

Prayer should not be personal, just as the living of this life should not be for personal gain, or glory. The living of life is to be helpful to one's associates, and to leave the world the better for one's stay in it. It should be the probationary period towards a higher living and a greater knowledge. We stake too much on petty losses here, we complain too bitterly about individual hardships, we do not realise that only by treading a hard path can we hope to train ourselves to fill the place which we must eventually attain.

Prayer will give us spiritual consolation, it will buoy us to understand more, to accept more and to learn more by suffering. It is of immense value, constituting as it does our link with the Hereafter.

But do not attempt to turn it to personal gain. It was not intended for that, and although it may be used for that, it cannot be used successfully.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you!

But ask, for the *Soul*.

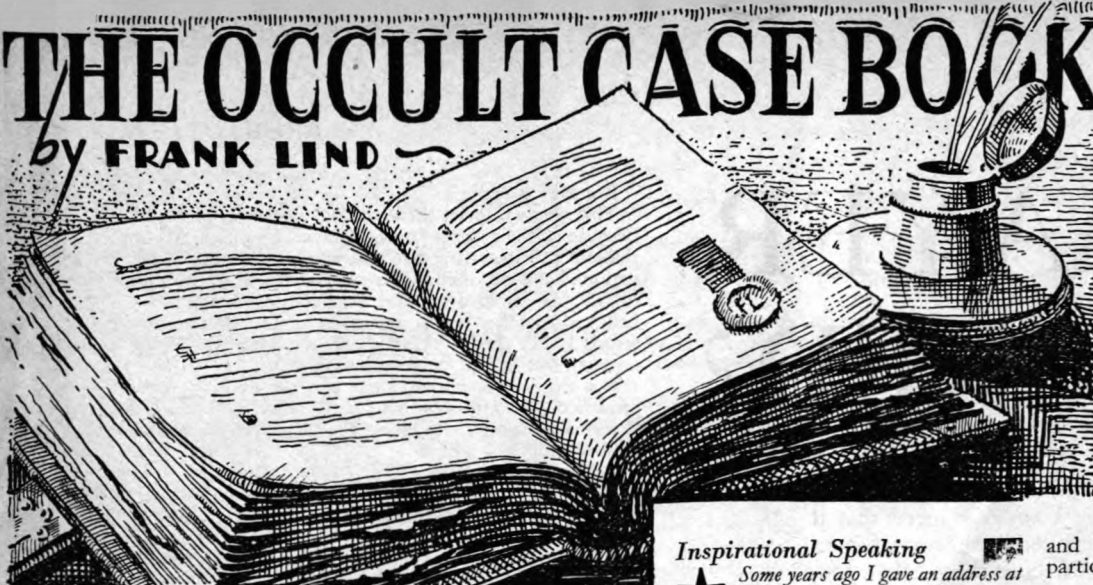


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THE OCCULT CASE BOOK

by FRANK LIND

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Light and "Triplicities"

★ Astrologers divide the signs of the Zodiac into four groups of three; namely those of air, earth, fire and water. Why have they ignored "light" which exerts, no less than these, such a powerful influence throughout the Universe and upon human affairs?—S.B., Liverpool.

THE above-mentioned four elements, to which Empedocles thought all forms of the physical universe to be reducible, are those now generally recognised, both in natural and Occult sciences. Light, being "luminous energy," belongs to the scale of cosmic vibrations; it is, together with heat, contained in fire. Any attempt to relate it to a "triplicity" would be a false step and, besides being too limiting, merely lead to confusion.

Is Hitler Antichrist?

★ I enclose a chart which I think will not only interest you, personally, but all readers of PREDICTION. You will see that by reading A as 100, B as 101, and so on to the end of the alphabet, I make the letters of Hitler's name total 666; that of the Beast, or "man of sin" (Rev. xiii, 18).—"Constant Reader," London.

SUCH an ingenious manipulation of figures, though certainly interesting, is in my view more clever than convincing. Supposing, as is probable, the Revelation of St. John was written in Hebrew, then the Antichrist referred to might have been Nero, Hadrian or Trajan; if in Greek, quite likely Caligula. Hitler's display of imbecility and cruelty has not exceeded that of the last-named tyrant, who went so far as to build a temple to himself and make a high priest of his favourite horse; he also fed wild beasts with innocent people, in his palace, for his amusement. However, Hitler is undoubtedly doing his best (or worst) to qualify for the title of Antichrist.

Visiting Astral World

★ Are there any persons, outside the Theosophical Society, who can visit the Astral Plane and bring back their impressions of it, as the late Bishop Leadbeater claimed he repeatedly did? Perhaps some teachers of Yoga are able to do so. Could you tell me of an instructive book upon this subject, I shall be grateful.—E.J., Glamorgan.

SWAMI PANCHADASI'S *The Astral Plane* describes its scenery, dwellers and phenomena. The work is obtainable from Fowler & Co., Dept. P, 7, Imperial Arcade, Ludgate Circus, E.C.4. Liberty to travel thus, out of the physical body, and to retain vivid recollections of one's journey, is not limited to members of the Theosophical Society and to Yogis.

Inspirational Speaking

★ Some years ago I gave an address at a church, and went home feeling very happy, where I was met with the snub, "I'd rather you enjoyed yourself at the pictures." Next day I read a notice outside a cinema, which was changing over from silent pictures to "talkies," asking people to express their views, the following Friday, upon the venture. Mine was the speech of the evening.—M.B., Birmingham.

It looks as though you received encouragement and guidance from some sympathetic watcher on the other side. If you have a gift for inspirational speaking, which seems likely, you should carry on against all opposition.

Address your inquiries "The Occult Case Book," PREDICTION, Link House, 300/4, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1. Be sure to enclose stamped addressed envelope.

The Wrong Approach

★ A friend of mine who is much stronger, physically, than I am, is always showing off his muscles in front of me; and when we happen to be alone, he bops around me, making feints with his fists and saying: "What would you do if I hit you?" Now, he is a great believer in magic, hypnotism, etc., which suggests to me a way to get even. Can you inform me of some Occult means by which I may frighten him? . . . Is the Rosicrucian Order condemned by the Catholic Church?—J.H., Eire.

You are approaching the problem from quite the wrong angle. Were you to succeed in scaring your friend in such a way, and he afterwards became aware of the trick you'd played upon him, one could hardly blame him if he proved the strength of his fists to you in real earnest. Like the baby who sneezed at the pepper, "He only does it to annoy, because he knows it teases." Don't let him imagine you're afraid of him. Enter into the spirit of the jest, and so spike his guns . . . Catholic or Protestant, the Church does not encourage the pursuit of Occultism in any guise, although the clergy are often students.

Cabalistic

★ Kindly recommend books, if such are to be had, upon the following: (1) *Cabalistic Numbers*. (2) *Mystic Alphabet*—E.W.C., Oxford.

The Secret Wisdom of the Cabalah, by J. F. C. Fuller (Rider), deals in a simple manner with numbers in relation to Hebrew letters and their Latin equivalents. But you are not very explicit as to your requirements. Owing perhaps to my own dullness, your second question is more "cabalistic" to me than the first: I've not the remotest idea what alphabet you have in mind.

Third Eye

★ In a developing class to which I belong we are told, at one period, to visualise the spiritual eye, from the centre of the forehead; that it will show itself either in the shape of an eye or simply as light. Despite my utmost efforts, I cannot manage to see anything of the kind.—F.A.R., Canada.

ALTHOUGH the advice of your teacher to endeavour to visualise the "third eye," as an aid to clairvoyance, is a good one, the picturing of it is not an essential preliminary to psychic vision. An infant does not need to be held up to a mirror before it can make use of its ordinary organ of sight, and here the same argument applies, particularly if one is a "natural" clairvoyant.

"Face" Evidence

★ On rare occasions, when, after rising in the morning, I wash my face and hands, the features of my face appear to be covered with a glutinous substance, which is very noticeable. At the same time I have a strong feeling that I've just returned from somewhere far distant.—F.A.R., Canada.

My explanation is that, in the hours of sleep, your "double" has wandered far away from its physical counterpart, and the two vehicles are not yet properly in alignment. Continuance of a partial-exteriorisation, an overlapping, might cause the facial impression which you describe. Ectoplasm is, of course, similarly viscous to the touch.

Opened Door

★ Arrangements had been completed for a close relative to leave a British colony for England, last February, but the person has never arrived, nor has any letter stating why. Recently I woke from a peaceful sleep to find this relative standing by my bed. I distinctly heard the words "The door has opened!"—before the figure vanished.—R.S., Tufnell Park.

WHETHER or not the message was an intimation of your relative's passing into the Beyond, the future alone can decide. Anticipation of such a sad event may have created, subconsciously, both the visual and auditory phenomena.

A Living Denial

★ How do Spiritualists account for the Bible-teaching that, once dead, we remain so till the resurrection?—D.H., East Dulwich.

THERE is no such "dead certainty." Spirit-communication proves the falsity of such a mouldy conception. And there are many Bible texts which contradict it.

Too Many Relatives

★ Assuming the theory of reincarnation to be correct, will one have several batches of parents and relatives in the next world? Would one's affections be the greatest towards those one most recently associated with on earth?—D.H., East Dulwich.

PRESUMABLY we shall gravitate to those to whom we are linked most closely by a series of lives. I gather that our birth-ties here are "relative" in a double sense. Our old loves and hates will reassert themselves in proportion to their permanency. In the long run, it is our relation—rather than relationship—to other souls that counts . . . With regard to your other query, I cannot discuss controversial scriptural passages which are themselves, apparently, in disagreement.

MAINLY PERSONAL

A Page about People and Opinions at the Moment

BY THE EDITOR

THE B.B.C. has recently been giving us some fine talks after the 9 o'clock news. These talks illustrate how Occult ideas are creeping into everyday thought.

You will find on another page Mr. Isaac Foot's article based on the talk which he broadcast a few weeks ago. Another popular broadcaster is Mr. J. B. Priestley, who can be heard after the News on Sunday evenings.

I wonder what our critics thought as they heard Mr. Priestley describe an occasion when, before the last war, he had his fortune read by the cards. Everything the clairvoyant told him came true, though most of it appeared at the time to be wildly incredible!

A strong current of Mysticism runs through all Mr. Priestley's present-day work. In almost every one of his broadcasts he reminds listeners that this is a war for the survival of spiritual ideas which are challenged by a cold and sinister materialism.

Mr. Priestley is, of course, well versed in psychical matters, and Occult themes have provided the plots for several of his plays.

His latest, *The Long Mirror*, which was recently tried out at Cardiff, is a story of clairvoyance. The author explains that the supernatural facts which are woven into the play were based on phenomena known to him for many years. Needless to say, the play has had a very enthusiastic reception.

The "Haves" and "Have-nots"

THEN I hope you heard the brilliant broadcast by Miss Dorothy Thompson. I mean the occasion when she opened the series of war commentaries which she is broadcasting from America to the people of Canada.

It was so good that the B.B.C. twice transmitted recordings of it in the Home Service.

She spoke out frankly, fearlessly, scathingly. She tore away all the trappings from Nazism and showed us its rotten core. Then in a series of swift, staccato questions, she exposed the ridiculous pose upon which German foreign policy is supposed to rest: Listen—

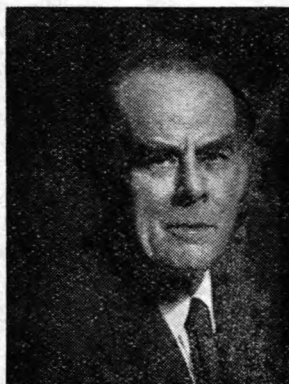
"Who today is the plutocrat? Who is the 'have' nation, and who is the 'have-not' nation? The greatest 'have-not' nation in the world today is Gt. Britain. Forty-two million people on an island, assailed from the

coasts of violated Norway, from the coasts of violated Holland, from the coasts of violated Belgium, and from defeated France; without resources of food or war materials except as she can buy them or obtain them from her allies across the oceans of the world.

"Does not the heroism of this embattled and impoverished isle impress you, Hitler? You, who praise heroism: Would you have more respect for some lick-spittle or some cheap pocket imitation of yourself? *Who is the plutocratic nation?* Britain, in whose great houses live today the children of the London slums, and whose people pay 45 per cent. of their incomes in taxes; or Nazi Germany, the great nouveau-riche, kidnapper of provinces, collector of ransoms, stuffed



Dorothy Thompson



John Fothergill



J. B. Priestley

with the delikatesen of the Danes and the Czechs and the Dutch, heavy hands spread out upon huge knees with a gun like a gangster's diamond ring on every finger?"

The Spirits Behind Us

Her ringing peroration must have inspired her audience of countless millions in all parts of the Empire. She spoke of the unseen forces which were at battle in this war. Churchill, she said, was the "master of the dyke against world chaos," and she went on: "I don't know what spirits surround Hitler; I don't hear the great harmonies of Beethoven, but only the music of Wagner—the music of chaos. I do not see the ghost of Goethe, or the ghost of Bismarck—the last great German who knew when to stop. But around you, Winston Churchill, is a gallant company of ghosts. Elizabeth is there, and sweetest Shakespeare, the man who made the English Renaissance—the world's Renaissance; Drake is there, and Raleigh, and Wellington; Burke is there, and Walpole, and Pitt; Byron is there, and Wordsworth and Shelley; yes, and I think Washington is there, and Hamilton—two men of English blood whom gallant Englishmen defended in your Parliament; and Jefferson is there who died again the other day in France.

"All the makers of a world of freedom and law are there. And when you speak, Churchill, brave men's hearts everywhere rush out to you."

Through the Fog of Wars

BUT for the limits of space, I could quote you other recent broadcasts which have similarly echoed the things we write of in PREDICTION—the great, immeasurable spiritual realities which lie behind and beyond outward appearances.

But this broadcast of Dorothy Thompson's is enough. It reminds us that though there are dark shadows abroad in Europe, the torch of truth still sheds its light . . .

I don't know if you share my liking for the Penguin books—that remarkably fine series of cheap literature: "cheap," that is, in cost, not in quality.

In the Penguin series you will find John Fothergill's memoirs, *An Innkeeper's Diary*. Mr. Fothergill is shrewd, provocative, intriguing. He writes in a free and easy conversational style, and I should judge him to be a very brilliant talker.

Some years ago he took over an hotel at Thame, re-created it in style and clientele, and soon became host to many well-known people. His reminiscences both amuse and annoy—they amuse by their quips and sallies; but they annoy where they reflect the ridiculous conceit and selfishness of some of the ponderous

loafers who, unfortunately for their own good, were born into wealthy and titled families.

This question of birth is a curious one. What karma dictates that a soul who might have won a fair place in life is fated to become small and miserable, by being born into a too soft and illusionary existence?

John Fothergill has some interesting things to say about clairvoyance. He thinks every man is his own clairvoyant. He says:

"In my own case, in this Inn, for instance, I can look back on certain wise decisions taken, or things done, that are now so in harmony with the present state of the place which, since I had no materials or experience to go upon, must have been a consistent series of flukes unless explained by clairvoyance."

An Innkeeper on Time

Then John Fothergill goes on: "Not only by intuition, but by deducing from certain visions and previsions I have enjoyed, I cannot conceive time or space or how they could be. Our existence is timeless, and seems more like a pile of plates, a unit with each plate moving upon the other and the whole moving and wriggling within itself. but I can't explain what I feel. The idea of time: when did it start and how? Aren't there still happy savages as well as animals who haven't invented this oppressive doctrine?"

There is something to ponder here. I leave it with you . . .

Does Your Writing Show Idealism?

FOR some reason, idealism does not seem to have any definite place in everyday life.

When you hear the phrase "He is an idealist" you note a faint tone of patronage in the voice of the speaker, as though idealism were something to be condoned or pitied.

The reverse is the fact, for the idealist is one who has a better sense of values than the merely material and practical person.

The sign for idealism is shown in the placement of the dots of the letter "i." The amount of the trait will be gauged by the height of this dot from its letter. The higher the dot, the greater the idealistic notions.

"Hitch your wagon to a star" is quite good advice, for, although you will probably not reach the star itself yet you will get nearer to it than if you went along without aspirations of any kind, which would lead you to the desire for perfection, which is idealism in the abstract.

In the accompanying specimen of writing you will note some of the very many combinations of traits which fit in with idealism.

*the world of
Queen Elizabeth has been the*

Fig. 1.

Illustration 1 shows a style of handwriting which is eminently practical. It is strong writing, with plenty of ink, a vertical formation, a slight compression in type of lettering, there is disjoining of the letters in parts, and a slight down-slope. There is no idealism here, but a very good sense of intuition, which will help the writer greatly.

The strong emotions shown in the colouring, added to a little tendency to back-slant, with the compression mentioned earlier give a strong character but one that is independent and reserved in opinions, very staunch and loyal, and with a dignified attitude towards life and other people.

This writer leans upon sincerity and truth.

*A promoter of village drama
has told an interviewer that the*

Fig. 2.

Illustration 2 also shows the lack of idealism, but less strength of purpose. The writer has little aspiration because the mind is dreary, reserved and placid in temperament. The emotions are largely on the mental side, as you note by the thin strokes of the lettering. The will-power here is good. The writing itself being gentle, the will-power is not of the forceful type, but is tenacious, and as the writing is vertical, the writer is independent in thought and will stand out for anything important.

There is no up-slope denoting optimism or aspiration, and the placement of the "i" dots is so near the letters themselves as to indicate a very acute sense of values where money is concerned

The claim of a Bond Street firm

Fig. 3.

Illustration 3 has the beginnings of idealism. The writing is medium in size, with some difference in the shapes of the lettering, a beautiful shading in the strokes of the letters, and a slight up-slope.

The alignment is variable, and the "t" bars differ in style. The slant is forward.

These traits fit in so well with one another. The good sense of colour in the shading, the progress of mind in the slant, the variable temperament in the alignment, which gives versatility, and the idealism and aggression in the "i" dot, show the mind which desires perfection and strives towards it. Particularly here it would be colour and music. These colour the whole life and give a beauty to the thoughts.

Illustration 4 looks very different from the three preceding writings. The shape is uniformly tall, with narrow vowels, and tails turned up to the right. Medium in colouring, and with the frontal hook of the letter "m" caught in to the first arch, the "i" dot is skied quite high.

you kindly tell me my

Fig. 4.

Dignity is the keynote of this mind, with a benevolent attitude to others shown in the tailed letters. The desire for good manners, courtesy and all the little traits attached to dignity form the basis for this idealism.

Reflective in will-power and progressive in thought, this script shows much reserve regarding personal and home affairs.

Illustration 5 brings a special placement of the bar of the letter "t" to tell of the venerative quality of the mind of the writer. The second bar is weak and thin, showing merely a small will-power where personal affairs are concerned, while the venerative bar is strong and slightly to the left of the letter stem.

belows its favour

Fig. 5.

The idealism is not too high but with the veneration shown, plus a strong leaning towards people in the mass, it would be chiefly applicable to those people who are adored or admired by the writer. Here we have the perfect formation for hero-worship. But the writer would not be too badly hurt when the idol fell off its pedestal, for note the close-held mind with the narrowing of the vowels.

Illustration 6. This is a type. You will find many of these small, neat, rounded writings, and only very occasionally will you find idealism. The formation of the mind itself and its attitude towards people does not encourage idealism.

*We are all anxious to add to our possessions
motives vary; the things that we desire differ.*

Fig. 6.

Instead the writer has some very good innate qualities. These are: love of children, much generosity, a sociable and kindly nature, an optimistic will-power—but not too strong—and great self-reliance. The "i" dots are too closely placed to the lettering, indicating a too great care in money values. The warm emotional content shows sympathy, too. Method and order rule this life.

Illustration 7 has a hook to the capital "m" which is very illuminative. It is thrown out, away from the first arch, indicating an interest in other people at large.

*Dear Madam,
Sheweth*

Fig. 7.

The high-set dot of the letter "i" tells of great aspirations towards perfection, and this would mean a general idealism in the attitude towards people.

The progressive forward slant shows the sensitive open mind, while the will-power is tenacious in quality rather than strong, thus fitting in well with the other traits.

The last illustration, 8, is unusually fine, and denotes dramatic intensity of feeling, a love of colour and music much beyond the ordinary.

*Thank you for
the quite a lot for*

Fig. 8.

The skied "i" dots, with the high-placed "t" bars away from the stems, and slightly to the left, denote idealism through admiration for the beautiful in art and sound. The mind is energetic and executive, very capable and forceful, and the left-side "t" bar is here useful, for it denotes slight deliberation before action.

You will find strength and tolerance in this writing, as well as high idealism.

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FIVE TYPES OF CLAIRVOYANCE

What They Are and How to Develop Them



Part of the method of inducing clairvoyance consists of learning how to focus the attention. A crystal is an excellent aid for this exercise and many fully-developed seers never dispense with it.

THERE are many people anxious to know whether they are clairvoyant. They ask: is the faculty purely spontaneous or capable of development, and if the latter, what are the best methods of its cultivation?

In discussing these matters it is essential for those so interested to understand the nature of clairvoyance. It is the power of visualising facts in the past, present or future, which coincide with truth, yet are attained independently of the five senses. An example supplied by actual experience which I will quote, presents the matter more clearly than any other description.

In a sitting with a famous scientist, a clairvoyant stated that a distant individual who was related to the sitter, had eaten a chicken and made himself ill. A letter received later from a relative who was thousands of miles away, referred to an incident which he had shot a prairie hen, and he was, in consequence of this food, ill at the time of writing. This brief example will suffice for illustrating a case of perception of fact coincident with truth, yet not drawn from the range of the recognised five senses.

Supernormal Perception

The information conveyed by the clairvoyant was previously unknown to both medium and sitter, and as the peculiar nature of the details ruled out the theory of guesswork or chance as an explanation of the phenomenon, it could therefore not have come through the normal sense channels. It must, in consequence, be assigned to a form of perception not embraced by orthodox science.

Numerous cases of this kind are on record and some scientifically minded people have given much study to them, in an endeavour to elucidate the whole subject. The eminent scientist Professor Richet discussed them under the heading of "Cryptesthesia" and Dr. Heyinger applied to them the term "Telecognosis" but whilst the genuineness of the phenomena was admitted—and that is widely agreed to-day—the baffling problem of the process remains in a strictly scientific sense, unsolved.

The term "clairvoyance" includes a variety of phenomena which, although intertwined, may be divided broadly into:—

(1) *Tactile Clairvoyance*:—a semi-physical process; it is the sensing of conditions by contact with some related object. The contact of some article belonging to an individual sets in motion a series of associated perceptions referring to that person, in a similar way that a bloodhound is known to follow the trail of a person,

by having an object possessed by that person subjected to the dog's sense of smell.

(2) *Proximity Clairvoyance*:—In this a sitter may in certain circumstances involuntarily set up in the mind of a clairvoyant a series of ideas associated with that individual, as in tactile clairvoyance.

(3) *Telepathic Clairvoyance*:—Here information is seemingly conveyed by some extremely subtle form of mental transmission to the medium. Emotional stress is considered to play an important role in this, as many of the most striking cases of telepathic impression have been induced under circumstances of unusual emotional excitement, cases where there is a close affection between parties, and some great upheaval intervening.

(4) *Travelling Clairvoyance*:—This is assumed to transport the mental organism in space, enabling the visualisation of things and events directly. Quite a number of highly developed sensitives claim to be able mentally to "project" themselves at will in this way.

(5) *General Clairvoyance*:—This embraces a knowledge of things in the past, present and future, wherein apparently no telepathic element or any ingredient of a mental travel consciousness is clairvident.

The Type who Make Good Seers

Although these phases have much in common, they are in fact interlaced—clairvoyants have not all equal facility of practice in each of these psychical departments, and will probably excel in one or another.

The type of person likely to be endowed with a good Clairvoyant faculty is one with a highly sensitive emotional nature, preferably well balanced intellectually, where there is alertness combined with fineness of feeling, a readiness to absorb and unify mental impressions and so to respond to those agencies known by the terms "psychical consciousness."

Neurotic folk may have the special sensitiveness required for the purpose of psychic perception—they often have this gift—but they are advised not to indulge their flair, as psychical exercises of this nature demand a large expenditure of nerve energy and powers of endurance which they can ill afford; the sub-conscious developing at the expense of the conscious.

Why Harmony is Essential

Powers of control in the consciousness are all-important. They have their reflex in the subconsciousness, whence arises those subtle promptings which are our theme. Agitation of any sort commonly found in the over-highly strung erects a barrier to regular successful Clairvoyance. The value of ease of mind is shown by the fact that some of our very best instances of visionary achievement are found in association with the dream state, during the restful condition of sleep.

Many failures are due to discordant surroundings, such as noise. Over-scepticism, too, produces an atmosphere of agitation, and other distractions impede the stream of impressive thought. In focussing the mind, so essential in Clairvoyance, it is important to observe that it must be practically effortless—so far as it can be so.

Regarding the matter of spontaneity in Clairvoyance, there are doubtless some cases of genius who transcend all rules, but these are few in number, just as the poet who in childhood lisps in verse, and the very young musician who defies all reckoning; but we may

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take it that in practically all cases, training will add to susceptibility and development.

Talent is often latent, and exercise on the right lines will make for progress. It will certainly accomplish wonders in those cases where Clairvoyance has been received and happening intermittently, that is, where lucidity in good quality appears only at distant intervals. A proper course of exercise step by step, such as will be here outlined, should always prove to be beneficial.

One qualification, however, must be made. Should prolonged effort of the right sort result in very insignificant success, there is probably in that case a want of latent psychic power, and it may be futile to persevere further: only experience will show.

Some method of focussing thought, and inducing the formation of symbolic structure is recommended, though there is no hard rule as to what it should be. The crystal—provided it is not mis-used or over-indulged—is excellent for the purpose. It helps to weld together scattered yet related items in the thought-stream surging beneath the threshold of consciousness. The method of development is as follows:—

Practical Focussing

Set aside half an hour each day, preferably in the late morning, for exercise; but occasionally miss a day, so as to obviate possible strain, which would be inimical.

At first the aspirant should merely practise focussing on selected inner thoughts unheeding what arises on these occasions. After a period of say a month of easy practice, the next stage should be entered on. This should be the conjuring up of more definite mental images and carefully noting the impressions, often in symbolic form, as they appear.

At first these impressions will be disjointed and fleeting, very difficult to retain, and considerably entangled with one's own affairs. About four weeks should be allotted to these exercises, running smoothly without undue effort before proceeding a stage further.

At the next stage means should be employed to separate the intervening elements and to maintain continuity and to prolong such impressions as have an Occult bearing. Here the cultivation must not be hurried—a month to three months may be usefully spent in that way.

There Must be No Fatigue

Two matters must not be lost sight of throughout.

- (1) *Not to keep the exercise going when strain is manifest; and*
- (2) *A habit must be cultivated so that one can move readily and without fatigue from the state of Clairvoyant immersion to everyday mental conditions.*

We come now to a very highly important matter of practice, namely, the interpretation of symbols presented in the course of psychic vision.

In interpreting or reading aright the cryptic symbols characteristically thrown up, the medium's intelligence and experience should be given full play. Symbols do not mean the same to all, and only careful checking and long experience will provide adroitness and knowledge in their translation to fact.

Too much emphasis cannot be laid on this latter aspect of practice. The best Clairvoyant efforts will fail lamentably if the symbols are inaccurately interpreted. By steady concentration, long and patient application, intelligent and sincere service, the power of psychic visualisation latent in many should become clear and expanded, until a high order of true Clairvoyance is reached.

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Mr. Dunne had obviously hit on something new. More was expected of him: new proofs, new extensions of his original theories, complete pictures to supplement the first sketches.

So he wrote *The Serial Universe*, and followed it with *The New Immortality*. No higher tribute could be paid to an author than that with which *Nature*, the journal of science, greeted the first of these publications. Its reviewer, Prof. Herbert Dingle, described Mr. Dunne's discovery as "an event of such magnitude as to render ridiculous any pre-occupation with the scratches received on the way—Mr. Dunne's achievement is a great one."

Mr. Dunne's New Work

This month there is published yet another book from Mr. Dunne's pen. At last he has done something which we had long hoped he would do, in the interval between debates with scientists, philosophers and mathematicians.

He has written a simple, remarkably concise and brilliantly convincing exposition of his theories, and the result is a book which every reader of *PREDICTION* will want to study. It is called *Nothing Dies*, the publishers are Faber & Faber, and the price 3s. 6d.

It is quite impossible to sum up in a paragraph the new vision which Mr. Dunne's materials have conjured for us. To begin with, the reader must ask himself one or two searching questions. The most important of these questions is this: What are you conscious of?

Think this over, and you will probably reply that you are conscious of two things: first of yourself as an individual; and second, of a world which exists around you.

Your life, therefore, is composed of two elements: an internal and an external one. One of these elements is highly personal, the other exists outside and beyond you.

What, then, is your relationship to a world which you can thus divide into self and non-self?

Pictures Which Make Us Think

To answer this very profound question, Mr. Dunne publishes a picture which he describes as a starting-point. It is a little drawing of a landscape, and it is regarded as having been drawn by the reader. This landscape represents "the world" which the reader conceives.

The relation of the reader himself to that world is represented by a second sketch. This is a larger drawing, and it shows not only the original landscape, but also the reader-artist engaged in drawing it.

But there is a third diagram. It shows another artist, looking at the artist who is painting the picture of the landscape. Who is this other artist? He is another part of you. The real "you" is something conscious of both the world and the self that regards it. We speak of "Ourselves" and "Myself," implying a more deep-seated entity.

But we have only touched on one side of these illustrations, and there is much, much more to be said about them—in fact, the whole of Mr. Dunne's theory can only now be presented. The present work draws upon music and writing to provide analogies which render it at once lucid and tangible.

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JAMES LEIGH

GLIMPSES of the NEXT LIFE

IN these days, when the Angel of Death is abroad in the world, and War sends many out to danger and peril, there is special need of articles like the following. Miss E. B. Gibbes, a talented and able student of Psychical Research, tells readers her findings concerning the after death state.

Miss Gibbes is a close friend of Geraldine Cummins, the world's most famous automatic writing medium, and she draws liberally on the scripts which have been written through Geraldine Cummins' hand. These scripts have been highly praised by leading scientists and psychic investigators.

SIR OLIVER LODGE has claimed that survival is a demonstrated fact and that, given certain conditions, the so-called dead can again communicate with the living. If this be true, in what conditions, in what states, do we find ourselves when life has left the human body?

In this connection it may be of interest to record a selection from some of the early-trance-writings of Miss Geraldine Cummins.

First I must explain that I have been associated with Geraldine Cummins and her psychic writings for about fifteen years. We commenced our experiments in automatism with a few sittings at the Ouija Board. In December, 1923, she used pencil and paper for the first time in my presence. Before long she was writing somewhat abstruse essays of 1,300 or 1,400 words in an hour.

These essays purported to be written by the late F. W. H. Myers, who was one of the founders of the Society for Psychical Research.

How The Messages Came

Miss Cummins writes at a table with her left hand shading her eyes and her right hand resting on a block of foolscap paper. She falls into a light trance. After a pause her "control" Astor—an ancient Greek—announces the presence of some individual. These individuals claim that they have passed away from earth. They are anxious to speak and to give an account of their experiences in the new world in which they find themselves. There is no question of it being "wrong to call the dead back." They come without being asked and are delighted to talk to friends on earth.

If we accept the following examples of automatic writing as coming from those who have passed over, it appears evident that personality not only survives death, but does not immediately change. In fact, but for the casting off of this mortal clay, we seem to change not one iota.

The Moment After Death

One of our earliest communicators described her entry into "death" in the following terms:—

"I was like a baby, just ruminating and growing but seeming to do very little. It is not so different here yet there is of course a vast change. But the conditions of existence seem to be rather like those of earth. The body was a dreadful thing to possess. Now I see what we suffered from having such a load to carry. I felt so light, so airy, so intense and full of feeling when I was at last quite free from the body. Of course, for a long time I was in a kind of stupor or sleep—resting, I suppose. But once I was free I felt perfectly myself except for the loss of this heavy, dullifying thing we call a body. It is like a suffocating cloak—it dulls all your sensitiveness"

Another account of an "entry into death" is vividly described below. I may mention that apart



A striking Portrait of F. W. H. Myers, the great classical scholar and pioneer of Psychical Research.

from his personality (which his wife recognised) this communicator gave evidence of his identity by alluding to several facts unknown to Miss Cummins and myself which we subsequently verified.

He wrote:—

"I became acutely conscious of my own freedom from that terrible weariness, from that pain. Strangest of all was the sensation of rising and floating and the perception of myself and of some woman dressed as a nurse. Then I saw my wife crying. She was a pretty woman, and my first thought was one of impatience and surprise. Why on earth should she cry? Why didn't she perceive that I was up and doing and feeling stronger and in better health than I had been for a number of years?

"Then, as I tried to draw near my wife, I became aware of a kind of web in which I was floating, and I also became sensible of the fact that, though I spoke in loud tones calling to her by name, she made no stir but continued her weeping. She sat there with a kind of stunned, bewildered air that was difficult to understand.

"I Never Felt So Alive!"

"I wanted to shout: 'Cheer up, old thing. I am well again. There is nothing to worry about now.' But this thought was never put into words for I became sensible of the presence of the dead about me. But they were all alive. They greeted me by name. Friends killed in the war hailed me, reminding me of old times, even of school days. Then my father greeted me and addressed me as if we had only met yesterday and no years had come in between. And from the lips of 'the Governor'—as I called him—there came the astonishing information that I was what is known in the world as dead. It sounded like some absurd joke at first. I had never felt so alive before.

"All kinds of vivid ideas and impressions poured into my mind; a strange sense of well-being and of peace, a feeling as of drifting across a summer sea, a sense of lapping waves and of glorious repose filled my whole being. I would have liked to go on for ever like that. To float on and on over and through those blue and tawny waters that appeared to be about me and to reflect all the gold of the sun's rays. I wondered if it were all a dream, yet I could think connectedly.

"Then I began to understand. Life, freedom from pain and worry, freedom from a purgatory of anxiety, all now were mine on the other side of the grave."

In *The Road to Immortality* written through Geraldine Cummins, Frederic Myers describes the conditions of passing from this life into the next and has explained our "other bodies." But the following remarks from an early communicator make the matter fairly clear. They should be of interest to those anxious to

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understand something of the early stages to which we attain in the next world. This communicator wrote:

"Tell your friend that we are happier out of the body—that we only realise the true meaning of life when we cast off the body. Tell her that not for any consideration, not for any triumph or happiness, would we return to earth and be subject to the flesh. Make her realise the glorious freedom of this life, the intensification of our perceptions and powers. Then I think the fear of death will be removed.

"Now I would like you to know the way of the soul which is what I call death. First of all the two invisible bodies slip from out of the physical body. One is erect next to the head of the dying man—that is the radiant shape, or celestial body—and there it stands while the emotional body, which is not as fine as the other nor as close to the spirit, emerges from the physical shape and takes its place at the feet of the dying man.

When the Silver Cord is Severed

"These two parts—these invisible shapes—gradually rise above the shell of the man and meet and blend and blend again, so that the soul, now the earthly habitation is gone from it, may reinhabit these two bodies which cannot be seen by the human eye, although the inner eye of the medium may perceive them. During this period, while these psychic parts are blending, little threads that bind them and the soul to the flesh are breaking. Last of all the silver cord of life is severed. Then indeed you are free; and your soul which has been as in a sleep, becomes conscious of its new glory—the radiant shape which it now perceives—and outside it, the pale shape of the emotional body. The emotional and celestial bodies blend in the new life."

Now the next state to which we pass at death appears to be a mental state. Our happiness or unhappiness seems to be largely dependent on our mental and spiritual development: our attitude towards life and towards other people while on earth. It naturally follows that each individual's experiences on attaining the next world, must vary very much. Frederic Myers writes about this as follows:—

"Conditions of course vary enormously. The man or woman who has never deeply loved or cared for any other human soul, may, at death, rise from the body of clay into loneliness and into a night that, in its impenetrable blackness, is like no night on earth.

"This state of complete isolation, however, is only allotted to a few human beings. The egoist or the cruel man will be condemned to it, but, for such a fate, his selfishness must be inordinate, his cruelty considerable.

"The average man or woman, when he or she is dying, suffers no pain. They have become so dissevered already from the body that when the flesh seems to be in agony, the actual soul merely feels very drowsy and has a sensation of drifting hither and thither, to and fro, like a bird resting on the wind. This sensation has its own easeful delight after the pain of the illness which has led the soul to the change of death. So, grieve not for the apparent agony of the dying, rejoice because they are already freed from the torment, are already fluttering between two existences and abide in that nameless content which is due to the quiescence of mind and awareness.

"Slowly the soul then arises into the 'double' and for a brief time hovers above the physical counterpart. Some day men will be able to photograph this moment, and the being that passes thus may

OUR TWO SELVES

A Thesis

By F. Bligh Bond

DURING our earth-life we are the possessors of two orders of consciousness, the one external or objective, and the other the inward or subjective, and this latter is shared by us in great measure of fullness with all those who have passed beyond the life of earth. They are the inheritors of the accumulated experience of the race, and can draw upon its stores for anything recorded in the scroll of human memory.

But as the strong sunlight obscures the fainter influence of moon and stars, so does the glare of the active brain-intelligence (while it lasts) tend to obliterate the more delicate rays of the intuitive consciousness which is nevertheless always with us and maintains the link that binds us to the soul of the race.

According to this philosophy, the cessation of the physical consciousness will bring with it no essential change in our always subsisting relation to the sphere of the subjective life. But with the setting of life's sun, the light of moon and stars becomes perceptible in its fullness and we walk in the light of innumerable stellar orbs—the radiant thought of the countless multitude who have entered into their heritage of spiritual being.

F. BLIGH BOND

be registered on the plate as a little white cloud, a pale essence. Only so can this kernel of personality appear to even the finest instrument. But, to disincarnate beings, very different will seem the flight of the soul, for the perception of the etheric body is far more finely attuned. And usually those relatives or friends who attend upon death, journey to it from the etheric world."

Lonely Souls in the After-Life

Before the above was written, accounts had been given by more than one "communicator" of this "outer darkness" in which certain people apparently find themselves after death. The following extracts purport to come from an old woman who had led a somewhat selfish life on earth. She was known to me. She had few friends and lived very much for herself. She wrote about two weeks after her death. It is a depressing script and my notes made at the time refer to the fact that, on returning to her normal state, Miss Cummins said she felt that she wanted to cry, that she had never felt like it before.

"It's dark," she wrote. "I know I am dead. It's true I am here . . . What is going to happen to me? I don't want much, but I would like someone by me. It is comforting to see you. I never thought till now. Oh, why were we made and why can't we be unmade? You are the first living thing I have seen. I think there must be something to hope for if you are still there. I feel better, just seeing you . . . It is the strangest thing that has ever happened to me. I wonder if I shall meet anyone I know. I don't see anyone. I didn't want people when I was alive, now I want them so much . . . It is hard to keep up one's courage. It is wonderful to feel you there. I thought everyone was gone. Can you imagine a world in which you are the only one alive? I am very conscious of myself . . ."

Friendship Points the Way

I will not depress the reader with any more quotations from the script. I tried to comfort this communicator while it was being written. A few days later she came again and said she was "not so lost now." Yet still she was in darkness. Though she had thought of her mother and father, they had been unable to get to her. She asked if they were living or if they had faded out and would she do the same? It was all terribly pathetic. However, a month after her death she wrote again and explained that she had then met an old friend who was helping her and her darkness was lifting.

It was explained later that, as during her lifetime, this woman was very selfish and entirely engrossed in herself, she had only darkness about her for a time after death. For her mental attitude created that darkness.

It seems, therefore, that conditions in the world after death vary according to the life we have prepared for ourselves while on earth.

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"HEADS YOU WIN"

For the sake of simplicity let us just put them into three main categories—the Mental, the Motive and the Vital temperaments.

The "Mental" type is the person with a large brain and small body. He is admirably fitted for brain work, but ill-adapted for heavy manual work.

The "Motive" type is the person with large bones and not much flesh. He can acquit himself well at jobs which call for great physical strength and endurance.

Lastly, the "Vital" types are those fleshy people, rather fat and well-nourished, sometimes considered to be magnetic types because of their abundance of energy. Such are usually found in the commercial and professional spheres.

In between, of course, there is a whole conglomeration of what can only be called "mixed types." There is no living exponent of the perfect type, or the perfect head, except as portrayed by the art of the sculptor.

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Now let us quickly run over some of the characteristics, in greater detail.

The forehead houses the intellect, and the higher your forehead, the more readily do we look for knowledge in your make-up.

Will-power is lodged in the rear top part of your head—the bump of determination. But the high head is less "practical" than the broad flat head. This last is the head of the born organiser (whether he has found his vocation or not) and you will find few such people who have not the characteristics of full temples and broad head.

The narrow head denotes the "conservative" mind, the one who does not like change, whose views are not amenable to influence.

Have you ever carefully observed the full back neck of the pugilist? In this he carries the hall-mark of physical power and animal strength.

Long heads are found among pioneers and all who display an abundance of enterprise.

Full temples show imagination, so it is not surprising that some of our greatest designers and writers are thus endowed.

Those Tell-Tale Ears

The "set" of the ears indicates the "mind-working" department. Watch out for the person with the low-set ears, for there you will meet craftiness and, perhaps, deceit. But the man with high-set ears need never be feared.

Poets, and the more emotional type of people, are distinguished by the high-crowned head (look at the Shakespeare busts). All real poets have high heads. No original poet ever had a flat crowned head.

When one organ in the head is truly abnormal, there we look for the genius. In Edison the organ of construction at the frontal side of the head was exceptionally large, but in Napoleon the abnormal was the organ of combativeness, situated at the back of the head between the ears.

This particular organ, when highly developed, confers power, fearlessness and the cool brain necessary to the successful campaigner. The converse, of course, holds when it is small, and then we see nervousness and timidity expressed through life.

A fuller development of the right side of the head denotes that the person is left-handed.



NARROW

The narrow forehead shows extreme caution.



BROAD

Indicates genius for organising.



LONG

If you have this type of head, you are enterprising.



HIGH

The high forehead shows imagination. This is the head of a poet.

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The dictator has the high back crown of the head and full sides, giving a great desire for approbation and accompanied by the determination to rule, for he loves force.

Know Thyself

Now I have shown enough to explain how one's life is directed in accordance with the layout of the brain. You may well ask, "Have I the power to alter that lay-out?"

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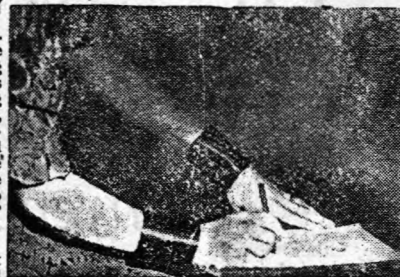
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There is an interesting analogy between the phenomena of electro-magnetic waves and Extra-Sensory Perception. When a spark is created, invisible waves are radiated into the ether or into space. If a receiver properly attuned to these waves is available, it can extract the energy of the waves and transform it into an electric current which will reproduce the spark.

When an individual indulges in mental activity, something intangible may be given off which progresses through time and space. We do not know what the nature of this "something" is, but there is adequate evidence available that it can stimulate another individual at a distance beyond the range of the normal sensory powers so that the second individual reproduces in whole or in part the thoughts generated by the first individual. This phenomenon is known as telepathy. When an inanimate object is used as the "sender," the phenomenon is called clairvoyance.—*Journal of the American S.P.R.*

The Post-war World

We are being present at the birth of a new world. Actually, a psychic world. We are seeing the first stages of that world-birth, which means the passing of our little planet from a three-dimensional to a four-dimensional concept, bringing with it the recognition for the first time that man is spirit, not wholly animal, and leading ultimately to a human brotherhood which will find itself in that Parliament of Man of which the mystic poets have always dreamt.

The world of after-the-war will have a psychic base, with human survival as an accepted fact, and psychic experiment the order of the day.—*The Two Worlds.*

Thought Reservoir Theory

Those who deny that observed phenomena prove survival of the loss of the flesh body, invent explanations that are wholly incredible. One of the most absurd is the claim that there is a body of thought—a vast reservoir of mind—from which the facts obtained at seances are drawn. Inasmuch as orthodox scientists, the same people who make this claim, follow a materialist theory which denies that human beings receive any information save through the physical senses, the claim itself is an admission that materialism is without sound foundation. But if we conclude that this reservoir theory is correct we have to answer a lot of questions as to why the alleged reservoir has certain characteristics.—*Harbinger of Light.*

The "Primitive" Red Man

The Red race has given us much that is wonderful in the arts. From the Red race the world has gained a number of the most valuable agricultural products which it uses to-day; their knowledge of herbs used for medicine; their skilful handling of raw materials; their love of decorum and ceremony; their interpretation of the spiritual life and the hereafter. The memory of the Red Man of North America will always live; he has left his imprints in the forests, lakes, rivers, and streams, for the coming generations to see.—*Rosicrucian Digest.*

OUR THOUGHT BARRAGE

ADMITTEDLY, the man or woman who tries to live life as it should be lived is faced with many and great difficulties, but probably with none greater than that of complete self-honesty.

I am not referring to the habit of forcing painful 'facts' upon others, which is, if anything, too prevalent and which has nothing to do with expressing the spiritual activity of truth. There are genuine white lies. More often still it is necessary and right to be tactful in the avoidance of giving pain to one's friends. Where white lies and tact have no place at all is in dealing with ourselves, our beliefs, our consciences. Honesty is necessary there—complete and perfect honesty. We have to face the facts. We absolutely must do so if we are to get full results from our part in the Thought Barrage.

Make no mistake about it, this is a thought barrage for victory; so let us avoid boggling over the point. Recently a correspondent wrote that, victory being a combative word and implying humiliation for the enemy, she confined herself to concentrating upon thoughts of peace 'knowing that this implied our victory.' A neat way out of a difficulty.

You mustn't steal the apples, but there is no harm in leaning against the tree trunk. The tree is shaken and an apple falls. No one has picked it at all. Frankly, this attitude is not quite good enough for me. It won't do.

Ideas which contain within them a tacit loophole for skirting round awkward difficulties cannot be relied upon in thought projection, because they do not take a straight, outward course, but a circular one. When one scale of a balance tips up, the other must tip down. We have to recognise it, and that is all there is to it.

No Room for Neutrality

Within the last few weeks not only bishops of the established Church of England have led the way in prayers for victory, but Cardinal Hinsley, speaking with the supreme authority of the Catholic church in this country, has declared "Neutrality of heart is impossible in this struggle."

Ours is a victory thought barrage—not concerned merely with floating, formless ideas of an impossible peace wherein both sides are victors, but with our own British success; that and nothing less. There, in its downrightness, lies its power.

Now for quite a different, and very human angle. A reader has suggested that the Barrage may be further strengthened if each participant concentrates upon some loved relative or friend in the fighting forces to whom to radiate the vibrations of help and protection.

Don't Make this Error

Once again, let us be honest with ourselves. Thought projection for the benefit of an individual, instead of being utilised for the cause as a whole, is not the ideal way. Yet, consciously or subconsciously, it is the way most of us will find ourselves falling more or less into. We should try not to do so more than we must. Reserve at least a fair share of power for the good of all alike, in the same way that one would not wish those of one's own flesh and blood to be the only people to be properly fed and clothed.

A tendency to concentration upon some favoured individual instead of upon our fighting forces as a whole constitutes the one criticism I would have to offer about an interesting leaflet entitled "Building Zones of Safety Through Concentrative Thought" recently received by Miss G. de Lacey Hunter Blair, of Eastbourne. Apart from this, the leaflet gives an interesting explanation of the way in which thought power is able to provide protection (in certain circumstances) against physical dangers. The basic underlying reason is to be found in the recently accepted scientific truth that our material world is resolvable into a non-material form of energy from which the power of thought is indistinguishable.

The Religious Approach

Miss de Lacey Hunter Blair advocates a religious way of approach to the act of thought radiation. Though many will find this the natural way of approaching the matter none should believe that thought cannot be radiated without recourse to it.

For this reason, and because I have wished to make the circle of thought broadcasters as wide as possible, I have framed our own thought projection technique in a way calling for the acceptance of no religious dogma.

Yet again, we must be honest with ourselves. Not all 'prayers' are equally fine and unselfish. Not every cry 'Lord, Lord' ascends to the throne. An honest, heartfelt urge to give of our best in the cause which is so right may—I dare to think—be trusted to serve its purpose.

I know it is serving its purpose.

When the previous notes on our Thought Barrage were being written France had just been conquered. Aircraft production was deficient. England was recognised to be dangerously vulnerable to attack by invasion. Our Prime Minister, speaking on the radio, told us bluntly, and with obvious anxiety in his voice, that we might have a few days, or might have no more hours in which to complete what preparations we could. That was considerably over a month ago.

Something has held up the attempted invasion and given us an invaluable breathing space—a thing which a month ago would have seemed too good to be true. The

future is still clouded but, looking back on these past months, super-physical intervention on our side stands out so plainly that even the dullest Britisher feels no cause to scoff when told that the ghostly fighting men of the past, Raleigh, Nelson, Wellington are bestirring themselves on our behalf; that Drake's drum, beaten by unseen hands at its Devon home of Buckland Abbey, has been heard to roll again.

Why shouldn't it? The power is there, surging cloudlike, mighty, about these isles of ours—the power of our own victory Thought Barrage.

Join in! Send out your thoughts every day for the protection of our fighting forces and the success of our cause and set aside a definite time which you will every day devote to meditation of this kind. Let your thoughts go out, winging their way through space to the aid of the brave men and women and lads who fight for freedom and against persecution.

Most of us are able to join a world-wide Barrage created by readers who at 10 p.m., British Summer Time, are concentrating on our victory. Those of us who find the time of the mass broadcast inconvenient, can still help, however. Surely you can spend at least five minutes of every day "broadcasting" thoughts of love, radiating thoughts of courage and comfort. Thought is the greatest power in the Universe. Harness it, now, for victory!

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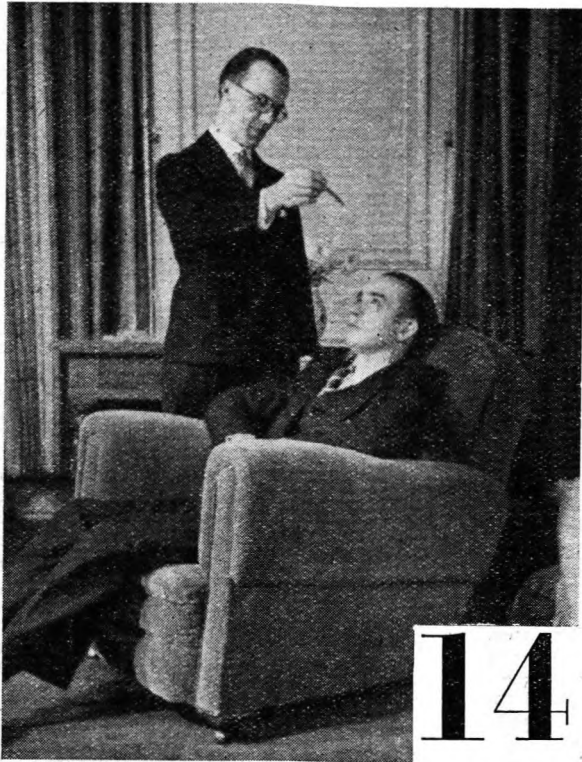
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By **WILLIAM F. LOVATT**

MANY years of practice as a hypnotist and psycho-therapist have brought me into contact with people from every walk of life; and, naturally, a wide diversity of opinion has been expressed from time to time about the merits and demerits of hypnotism.

At my lectures and demonstrations, the average question asked shows a keen and intelligent interest in the subject; and many patients who come for treatment, though often beset by fears of all kinds, usually have an open mind about it and realise the invaluable help that hypnotic suggestion can give them. Nevertheless, the elements of fear, antagonism or scepticism, are frequently present, which must be overcome before any good results can be obtained.

In an effort to allay these fears and prejudices of the layman, and to answer some of the many questions I am often asked, I have tabulated below fourteen questions and answers, which I hope the reader will find useful.

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Questions

1 Can anyone be hypnotised?

NO! As a general rule, the intelligent, well-balanced individual makes a good subject for hypnosis, because his own strength of will and character favour its induction. At the same time, the subject must be willing to co-operate and be able to concentrate his attention on what is being said to him, without any particular effort or resistance. Deep hypnosis is seldom induced at the first attempt, for in spite of his willingness, the subject is naturally curious and mentally analyses his feelings and impressions. Once this curiosity is satisfied, he will often go into a deep sleep.

It is impossible to hypnotise anyone suffering from insanity or other form of mental disorder. Likewise, anyone who is very aggressive or rebellious by nature, or who hates authority. Such people are the victims of a very pronounced form of 'inferiority complex' and need an analysis rather than hypnosis. They will often declare that they are much too 'strong-willed' ever to be hypnotised! They delude themselves into believing that only weak-willed people can be hypnotised; but they fail to realise that stubbornness is not will-power!

2 Can children be hypnotised?

YES! Most children are easily influenced by suggestion. Once the operator has gained the child's confidence, the child will often fall deeply asleep at the first attempt. Children under seven years of age can be treated during natural sleep.

3 Who responds best?

A GOOD type of subject will, at a glance, show some, if not all, of the following characteristics: intelligence, a well-proportioned forehead, eyes wide apart and sometimes on the small side, with the upper and outer part of the eyelids full, and well-developed supra-orbital ridges. The lethargic or phlegmatic individual will usually make a good subject. An experienced operator can always decide at once. On the other hand, repeated hypnosis aids its induction in spite of characteristics.

4 Will I lose my will-power?

DEFINITELY *no*! Apart from my therapeutic work, I have conducted many hundreds of experiments. My subjects have mostly been medical or dental students, many of whom have since qualified, and they certainly have not lost their will-power (see question 8). Several of my demonstration subjects have been hypnotised fifty or more times, and in one instance, more than five hundred times. This latter subject was one of the most brilliant students I have ever known.

5 Can the past be recalled?

YES! Before the past can be recalled, the subject must be able to go deeply asleep and be sufficiently suggestible, in order to respond to the suggestion to recall lost experiences, though some cannot get back as far as others. This method is used by some practitioners as an adjunct to an analysis—the recalled memories are brought into consciousness and examined. For many reasons it is not always possible to do this, nor is it always advisable.

6 Do I lose consciousness?

NO! Even the most deeply hypnotised subject is capable of moving about freely, of thinking, talking, reasoning, remembering: in fact, he is able to do exactly as he would do in waking life, if told to do so. How can he possibly be unconscious? Because he has no conscious memory on waking of anything that has transpired during his hypnotic life, it doesn't imply that he has been unconscious. On being told that he can remember everything clearly, he does so.

7 Is deep sleep essential?

NO! For therapeutic work, a deep hypnosis is seldom induced, nor is it necessary except for special work or experiments. Many cures are effected without any hypnosis at all.

8 Can latent gifts be developed?

YES! These are often discovered during hypnotic experiments, and can afterwards be developed according to the subject's wishes. One subject of mine showed a remarkable aptitude for mimicry during some experiments—another for acting, and yet another for character impersonations. In another instance I discovered the gift of second sight, or clairvoyance, during a deep hypnosis. All these discoveries were brought into consciousness and stimulated into activity and developed. Thus they became assets to each individual.

Fear or some other factor may prevent you from making a success of your life. Whatever potentiality you have, whether it is for music, art, writing, games or anything in fact, hypnotic suggestion can help you out of the rut, give you confidence and courage—strengthen your will-power and personality—develop your powers of concentration and memory—in short, it can make life very much more worth while, and yourself too. In these days of war and uncertainty, it can help you to keep your head in any emergency—to think and act quickly—increase your efficiency, and so on.

9 Are the results permanent?

IN my long experience of this work, I have found that in the big majority of cases the effects are permanent. The failures in this

12 Is hypnosis dangerous?

THE chief dangers lie in the suppression of nervous symptoms by suggestion (which, by the way, is the common fault of the amateur) and in the failure to remove associated ideas connected with hypnotic life after waking; especially in experimental work. There is no danger when experiments or therapeutic suggestions are used by a competent operator. For instance: few people would know what to do with a subject who had suddenly projected and couldn't get back again, and who at the same time, was terribly frightened. It can be a very alarming experience. The experienced operator would quickly recognise the type of subject liable to exhibit this phenomenon, and take steps to prevent it from happening.

13 Is there a vital force?

THIS is a difficult question to answer in a few words. We are all aware that the body possesses an electro-magnetic energy. With freedom of mind and body, this energy has a natural outlet and can be 'sensed' or felt, by another person; i.e., there is an awareness of the flow of energy radiating from the individual which, by its very nature, restores bodily health. This same flow of energy expresses itself in many other ways, especially as personality. But hypnosis is not dependent on this energy for its manifestation, for verbal suggestions alone (even when the operator stands several feet away from the subject) are sufficient.

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respect (which cannot always be avoided) may be due to the following causes: (a) When treatment has been insufficient to establish a permanent cure; (b) Unsuitable subjects; (c) When nervous symptoms have been suppressed, wittingly or otherwise, and only a temporary cure has been effected; i.e., the conflict returns in its old or some new form; (d) An inexperienced operator.

Hypnosis is not infallible, nor is it a cure for all ills, as so many people would like to think. Generally speaking, an efficient and competent operator has a high percentage of successes; but no more or less than any other man might have in his own particular sphere.

10 Can anyone do it?

ALMOST anyone could learn to hypnotise, but few would be any good as practitioners. To be a successful hypnotist, one must have the right type of personality and be free, as far as is possible, from mental conflict—have unlimited patience, tact and confidence—a sound knowledge of the subject, which should include at least an all-round knowledge of psychology, medicine and its allied branches.

11 Is illness mental?

YES! It should be remembered that a healthy mind produces a healthy body. Thoughts are things—they can be positive or negative. Negative thinking and morbid introspection tend to thwart us and make us unhappy. Positive thought and action will uplift us. **GO TO IT!** To forget 'self' in the service of others is a sound method to break the fetters of fear and unhappiness. Be determined to make everything in life purposive and constructive, and a happy mind and healthy body will result.

14 Can the power be transferred?

YES! I make this rule with every good hypnotic subject, and I have perfected a technique for this purpose to cover every possible need or contingency that might arise. This tremendous power remains and develops with time, as long as it is used for good.

Always look for these markings in those who submit themselves for treatment. Their presence is a sure sign that the person in question will prove to be a good subject. (See answer to Qu. 3.)



When the super-orbital ridges are well-developed (indicated by the pencil in the accompanying photographs), the subject can usually be deeply hypnotised at the first attempt.

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A NOTABLE peculiarity in dreams recently sent for interpretation has been the large number in which a bird of some sort plays its part. Sometimes the bird is an eagle, vulture or other bird of prey.

These dreams mostly contain hidden reference to personal problems brought to a head by the war.

But the proportion of dreams in which the bird is small, and more or less harmless, is also great. Probably, here also we have the eagle or vulture idea of war-time cartoons as a starting point, upon which dream work has exercised its function of distortion to fit in with a totally different personal problem.

Some of these bird dreams, with one or two others, are given below.

CAT AND CANARY

The Dream: I was holding a canary (or some yellow bird) with a rather long tail. The bird was covered with a sheet of paper. When I removed the paper the canary had changed into a cat with yellow feathers in its tail. The face of the cat was that of a woman I have not recently been getting on very well with, and the expression of the cat was an unpleasant one. From: A.L., London, S.E.

Its Meaning: This somewhat sardonic dream seems to be built upon mutual relations as between cat and canary. At first, the dreamer is in the position of the cat who has caught the canary and wrapped it up in a paper parcel. "To have a thing 'wrapped up' is an Americanism for having it safely in your control. Then the paper is removed and with a shock the dreamer finds his canary has changed into being the cat—an unpleasant one too. This makes him the canary; and cats eat canaries. It all arises from his subconscious perception that the lady in question is becoming more dominant than kind.

WOULDN'T FLY AWAY

The Dream: Suspended in the window of my bedroom was a white bird in a cage. The bird was like a pigeon, or a dove. One side of the cage was open. The bird repeatedly came out, spread its wings, then went back into its cage again and in this way kept the cage swinging. My one thought was, what a beautiful bird! From: L.F., East Ham, E.6.

Its Meaning: The caged bird is a very well-worn simile for a person robbed of liberty. The dreamer's absorption in the bird leaves no doubt that it symbolises her idea of her own self. But the cage is wide open, so, clearly, the want of liberty is due to nothing but the dreamer's own want of initiative. It is as though to say "I can't summon up the energy or decision to assert myself." The dream hints at a run-down state. The sooner this bird's wings are spread, at least, to the extent of taking a short holiday, the better.

A CLOSE SHAVE

The Dream: I was late for church and, while hurrying toward the church porch, realised suddenly that I needed a shave. At that moment the shaving tackle turned up, and to quicken matters still further I decided to take off my head to shave it, and proceeded to do so. I feared it might not fit on again, but it did, quite easily. Inside the church

were a number of people, many of them being nuns, which was odd, as the church I attend is not R.C. From: W.J.H., Morecambe.

Its Meaning: The dream conceals needless ideas of self-depreciation: as for instance that a 'close shave' will be needed to gather with the elect—that most people are better than the dreamer (nuns being symbolic of an almost unearthly moral standard). Be cheered, please, Mr. W.J.H. Only super-conscientious folk ever have these chastening dreams. (Your dream interpreter never gets them).

THE CLERGYMAN VANISHES

The Dream: I was sitting with a friend, listening to a clergyman reading articles from a newspaper. I turned my head for a moment, and when I looked again the clergyman had disappeared leaving the newspaper suspended in mid-air. Saying to my friend that if I went on reading where he left off he would come back, I did so, but he did not come back. From: Miss L.K.B., Reading.

Its Meaning: The covert idea behind this dream is probably rebellion against authority, as symbolised by the clergyman and by the printed word (newspaper). The effort to re-establish the power of accepted authority, by continuing where the clergyman left off, in the hope of his return, is a reaction against a deep-down need of re-evaluating values, felt by very many people in times of stress and danger. More personally still, the dream hints that some of this clergyman's sermons are felt to contain more of words than thought. "He leaves the real issues so much 'in the air' that he might almost as well not talk at all."

A PARCEL OF RECIPES

The Dream: I dreamed I received through the post a very fat envelope addressed to me in the handwriting of a woman who has treated me slightly for the last two years. The envelope was packed with pages torn from an old note book, upon which recipes had been copied out. I was searching among them for a letter of explanation when I awoke.

Its Meaning: Here is a very good example of dream symbolism. Recipes are ways of 'making things up.' Hence the dream package supplied the means of 'making up' old differences. In waking terms, it showed the dreamer's willingness and anxiety to do so.

By COLIN BENNETT



The right hand of Arthur Askey



The hand of Count Byron de Prorock



Arthur Askey's left hand

HELP YOURSELF TO HAPPINESS !

"WHEN shall I marry?" is a question that is asked of all palmists by young and old. Wherever people gather it is a perpetual cry. It can be heard in the dense forests of the Congo; in the stifling heat of the Sahara; in small islands in the Grecian archipelago; in tropical lands and arctic countries . . . in fact everywhere where there is life.

To know whether your marriage life will be happy, successful, or a dismal failure is really helpful, because by knowing the truth you can safeguard against danger.

In searching your hand, first locate the horizontal lines as depicted in the diagram. These bars on the Mount of Mercury suggest at once that you are susceptible to a partner's affections—that you need them to make a success of your life. But do not become alarmed if you see six or seven such markings for it certainly does not mean—as the hasty amateur assumes—that you are destined to marry so many times!

On the contrary, such signs are to be found on the hands of elderly spinsters and devout nuns. They are merely to be taken as indications of wishful thinking—signs of secret infatuations that may never go further than the owner's brain cells. Whether they marry or not is another matter.

The rule is to take the longest and thickest line of Mercury and use this as a base for your analysis. To predict a happy marriage for yourself or your friends this line must be strong and clear (i.e., free from breaks or cross bars) without bending either downward or upward, and without ending in an island or a square.

Then for a confirmation look at the 'fate' line. A long line coming from the Lunar Region (B) and merging with this line of destiny or running parallel to it, without crossing itself round it, means that the marriage will be happy.

The acid test is to see whether you or your partner-to-be has a good or a bad temper. Have you a short first finger and a long finger of Sun? If you have, it is a good sign because it reveals you to be a kindly soul without

enough ambition to make you dogmatic, or enough selfishness to make you impossible to live with. The reverse of these qualities—long first finger and short third finger—shows you to be an individual who is selfish, dominating, an overbearing, an impossible person to live with, universally disliked wherever you go, and a bad marriage partner into the bargain!

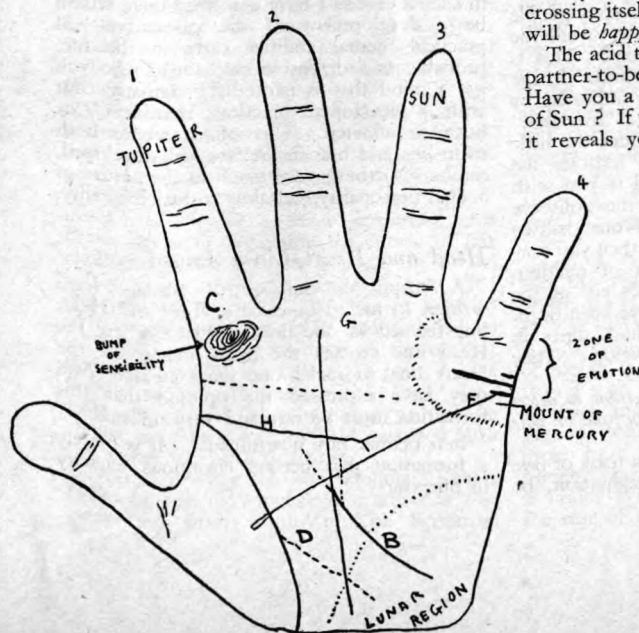
Perhaps one of the best examples of a happy marriage is that of the B.B.C.'s famous star—Arthur Askey. He is a good husband. His hands (see special reproduction) possess all the marks of happiness—a long, deep 'Mercury' line; a short finger of Jupiter with a predominant finger of Sun (kindness) and above all a strong influence line from the Lunar region, which unfortunately is not very clear in the reproduction.

Combined with these qualities is a bump of sensibility (see diagram C) on the 'Jupiter' region which shows the love of home life that is responsible for his inward harmony and peace of mind. But how did he rise to fame? The answer is to be found in his hand. It is due to three traits in his character: restlessness, a willingness to take chances, and a hatred of anything 'safe.'

The Ever-Active Type

A life line (D) which deviates towards the Lunar Region of the hand is a sign that its possessor is continually on the move. To stay in one place all his life, to earn a specific and limited wage, and finally to retire after many years of faithful but insignificant service is his idea of utter horror—that is why his stage career which forces him to be continually on the move is more compatible with his temperament than any other job in existence.

Having familiarised yourself with the signs of happiness we come next to the symbols of discord. Family strife and unhappiness in marriage can be predicted from the hand in several ways. Chief and most dangerous sign of all being an over long finger of Jupiter. If this is more outstanding, and longer, than the third finger then look out for squalls!



PALMISTRY EXPLAINED

By
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In the house its possessor would be bad tempered, selfish, always "knowing best," determined to be absolute master, allowing nobody else but himself to have the last word. If the marriage with such a person is successful then it would be due entirely to the devotion and unselfish tact of his wife, but rarely is such a person to be found. Divorce is invariably the result.

Legal separation is the most plainly marked and easily recognised of all the signs in the hand. The line of Mercury (1.F) either ends in a fork, or bends sharply downward and proceeds in a long line to the mount of Venus where it may end in a series of broken lines or an island. Such a sign indicates separation either from death or legal divorce.

Look, also, at the "influence" lines which indicate the same misfortune by crossing the fate line instead of joining it. So great is the unhappiness caused by family discord that often the complete disruption of the Fate line is evident after such a sign, showing, by the many breakages, the wreck of the partner's career.

Note These Points

Beware of 'stars,' 'crosses' and 'grills' because they indicate nothing. They are accidental formations and sure to lead you astray if you attach the fantastic legends to them that are in circulation.

We have covered two types of the hand—those who succeed, and those who fail, in marriage. But there is a third—the people who, for some reason or other, do not marry. Usually their hands are characterised by a lack of lines in the emotional zone (diagram G) and on the mount of Mercury. Showing the possessors to have no desire to contract permanent relationships with a member of the opposite sex.

The hand of Count Byron De Prorock, the world-famous author-explorer, is an interesting example of this type. When I interviewed him two years ago it was on the eve of his search for the emerald mines of Cleopatra. And now, as you look at his hand impression, you feel the personality of one who is only happy in a strange and unconquered land, in desert islands and uninhabited wastes.

Signs of Travel

His palm, compared with that of Arthur Askey's above, is comparatively free from lines. Only the essentials of life, head, heart, fate and Apollo are visible. There are no fidity lines (sure betrayal of nerves) to spoil the symmetry of the palm. This shows him to be a master of his nervous system and of his emotions, for he knows exactly how much he is able to stand, and therefore he can rely on himself. His fingers, especially, reveal this love of travel and exploration to which he has devoted his life—the wide gap between the third and fourth fingers indicating a complete mastery and independence of his actions which is so necessary for a man of his ambitions. Ties of any sort to him would be impracticable and crippling.

Finally, it is the head line that reveals the mind of this brilliant author and explorer. It is poised in a strongly pronounced curve midway between the mounts of moon and Mars (see H) which indicates an intellect balanced midway between materialism and idealism. Furthermore it shows imagination and mental force by its shape and depth.

NOEL JAQUIN

Answers Your Questions

Noel Jaquin is now writing an entirely new series of articles exclusively for PREDICTION. They will begin publication next month. The principles that the author will explain to us have been tested by him over a number of years. As he has written, "In our search for a means whereby we could unveil the future, we have discovered how we can control it." Hand reading is an ancient art but Noel Jaquin, in his new series, raises it to the status of an exact science.

EVERY week I receive letters from readers asking me to explain some particular line or marking found in the hand. I am therefore taking this opportunity of answering some of the most popular questions. An example is: "Does one pay more attention to the markings in the left hand in the case of a left-handed person or does one still keep to the right?"

Normally, it is the right hand that betrays the psychological composition of the moment and shows your health condition. And it is the 'Fate' line in that hand which betrays the general trend of your material position.

The left hand betrays all inherited tendencies and instincts. As the changes in the markings of the hands are due to nerve sensitivity, it is only natural that the left hand of a left-handed person does take the place of the right in the more normal people. Where a person is really ambidexterous, final judgment is to be based on the markings found in the right hand.

"How can I calculate time on the hand?" is another matter that causes many readers bewilderment. The Fate line is read up the hand from the wrist. A half-inch from the base of the palm is approximately 22 years of age. Where the 'Fate' line crosses the Head line is about 30 years. Where it crosses the Heart is 40 to 41.

The same space measurement is applied to the other lines, the Head line being read outwards from the beginning to its end. The Life line is timed down towards its end; but the Heart line is read from its beginning between, or below, the first and second fingers out to the edge of the hand. If the Heart line is abnormally short, some allowance must be made for this fact.

How Many Children?

In the last twelve months at least sixty people have asked me how it is possible to tell the number of children they may have. This is not easy in the case of a man's hand. In the hand of a woman, children are indicated by fine upright lines just above the 'marriage' line on the edge of the hand under the little finger. Scientifically these lines indicate the potential degree of fertility, and if you wish to find if any have been born you must observe these lines very carefully and if one or two are slightly more deeply marked, then you may safely assume that this number of children have been born. If all the lines are of the same depth, be careful—none have been born. I have found these upright 'child' lines in the hands of spinsters and bachelors. They show potentialities, not certainties.

Many people write: "Is it possible to detect the initials of a lover or probable husband or wife in the lines of the hand?"

If a hand is well marked with a mass of fine lines it might, with a little imagination, be

possible to find the best part of the alphabet. Such letters as you may find marked by the chance crossing of the lines in your palm have no meaning at all; they are just accidents.

Another popular question is: "Are the hands of twins alike?"

I can assure you they are, and the likeness is sometimes amazing. I have the imprints of the right and left hands of two American twins which are, until very closely examined, apparently identical. The hands of twins are very much alike but they are not quite the same. There are always some distinguishing marks, as we should, of course, expect.

"What if I have no Fate line?"

I have many letters on my files in which the writers claim that they have no 'Fate' line in their hands. In two hundred cases of this kind I took the trouble to send for the actual imprints and only in one hand did I find that there really was no such line at all. The amateur reader of hands is very liable to overlook a faint or a badly formed Fate line. The most common error is to mistake a badly tied Fate line for a small, unimportant "effort" line rising from the Life line, particularly if this has been tied or restricted until about twenty-eight years of age.

Branch from the Head Line

Another formation that bewilders many would-be hand readers is the upward branch from the main Head line. In some hands this branch begins very early near the beginning: the main line bends down in a gentle curve while the branch line (the upper line leaving the main line) curves towards the Heart line.

The main line is always the thickest line and in such a case as I have described there would be a development of the calculative and practical mental abilities early in the life, probably as a defensive mechanism. So you get a mind that is naturally imaginative but with a developed practical 'hardness' or business instinct. This often, where both main line and branch line are well-developed, means something very much in the nature of a dual personality, certainly a dual mentality.

Head and Heart Lines Joined

A surprising number of readers have written to me to describe a Head and Heart line formed as one line—the case where the Head line crosses the palm and meets the Heart line to make one deep crease. And they have expressed the opinion that this formation must be rare and very unusual.

It is neither rare nor unusual. It is merely a formation that betrays enormous tenacity of purpose.

NUMEROLOGY AND THE WAR

The Hebrew Kabala

AN expression often occurs in the Bible which is little understood. It is variously rendered in the Authorised Version as "for ever," or "for evermore," or "for ever and ever." In the original Greek it is "unto the ages of the ages." What does this mean? What is actually meant by an "age"?

If we could have put this question to the ancient Jews or Hebrews they would have told us that an age or aeon is a cycle of thirty-six years. According to the Hebrew Astrologers each period of thirty-six years is governed by its own planet in the order Saturn, Venus, Jupiter, Mercury, Mars, Moon and Sun. Thus the first cycle would be under the rule of Saturn, and the second under Venus, and so on. The eighth cycle would fall under Saturn again, and likewise the fifteenth and the twenty-second and so on.

Now it is extremely important to note that these cycles or ages made a fresh start in the year in which Jesus Christ was born at Bethlehem. The first of these ages was therefore under the rule of the planet Saturn and it lasted for the period of thirty-six years commencing on the year of Christ's birth. It is consequently of supreme importance to know what year this was: in other words, to know exactly how many years ago from to-day the birth of Christ took place. It is, for instance, quite wrong to imagine, as so many do, that this great event occurred in the year 1 A.D.! If it did, then well may we of this present generation tremble and weep! For it would mean that we are still in the throes of the Martian cycle with the most terrible misfortunes awaiting us.

This is 1945!

But Jesus Christ was not born in that year. The researches of scholars, Biblical and historical, have definitely fixed upon 5 B.C. as the year of Christ's birth, that is, Dec. 25th of that year; so that the child Jesus would be one year old in the year 4 B.C. and five years old in the year which we call 1 A.D.

We write at the head of our letters "1940," assuming that Christ came to this earth 1940 years ago. But in actual fact He came 1945 years ago, and therefore, if we wish to be strictly accurate, we ought to write "1945" instead of "1940." How important this correction is in predicting the future of our civilisation I will now show you.

The period of Mars began in the year 1904 and finished in 1939. The War of 1914 to 1918 really began in 1919 and finished in 1923 A.D. It is interesting to notice that this four year period falls right bang in the middle of the Martian cycle. Ever since 1904 things had been working up to the climax, and the climax of 1914 occurred 1919 years after the birth of Christ.

Now according to the Hebrew Kabala 1919=20, and the number 20 symbolises "the awakening from torpor." The Scriptural

message here is enshrined in the words, "Awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light" (Ephesians, v. 14.) The trumpet call to awake came suddenly enough and roused the nations to violent action, but the awakening to Faith in God's love and power did not come. The year 1923 represents the number 15, which the Kabala interprets as "the forces of Evil." Alas, the victors were themselves the victims of passion and excess, struggling in the grip of the Tempter. The world has had to pay dearly for the errors of this fateful year! This period of Mars is the 54th cycle or age that has elapsed since the real A.D.1. The number 54 is again highly significant. Its symbol is "the Slave of the Sword," and it stands for brutal aggression under the influence of Mars. But the year that we said goodbye to on December 31st last completed that vicious era, and the present year is under the influence of the Moon.

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With relief we find ourselves in the age of the Moon, nearer, much nearer to the advent of the Higher Kingdom towards which the human race has been turning its wistful eye for the past twenty centuries. The 55th cycle has been ushered in; and the number 55 stands for the "Triumph of Mind." It is a "Sun" number and its influence is entirely on the side of good. From now on we shall see the forces of the spiritual world at play, working out the Divine purpose inexorably. Woe to the material world that thinks to dominate the souls of men! In more than one sense their "number is up." Slowly but surely the Right will conquer Might, and the peoples of the world will see to it. Yes, the peoples; for the Moon age is the "People's Age," when the will of those who so far have had to look on and suffer the affairs of nations to be administered and shaped by dictators and rulers must more and more be consulted and respected, till at length *vox populi* will become *Vox Dei*.

Why there was War

Let us examine the year that has passed and the year that is now here. Last year, which we called 1939, was really 1944. This number 1944 adds up to 18, and the number 18 is a Martian one, and stands for the shedding of blood, treacherous dealing and crass folly. It is a materialistic year indeed, instinct with foulness and degradation. With such gangrenous stench the final months of the 54th cycle have faded past to extinction. The present year, so-called 1940, but really 1945, is under the sub-rule of the Sun and under the rule of the Moon.

Its number is 19, a neutral number in the Hebrew Kabala, and I interpret its message as one of hope and patience. Note the combination of these two virtues, for they are the key to the situation. The present conflict will be won by the side that exhibits the most inflexible purpose backed up by the people. Inflexibility of purpose requires patience and confidence. Are not these two virtues characteristic of the British race? True, the Teutons also possess this same trait in their character, for in many respects they are our kin: but hope and patience can achieve nothing without purity of ideal, and it is the latter that will weight the scales heavily in favour of the winning side.

But next year will witness a great awakening. It is under the rule and sub-rule of the Moon, and it is then that the peoples of the nations will begin to have their way. War is extremely distasteful to the peoples, for it is they who have to do the actual fighting and shedding of blood. The number is 20, and this number represents a turn of fate's wheel, a revolution (not of force but in ideals). Mark my words, the year we shall call 1941 (actually 1946) will be sensational. But the best year of all will be 1942.

Bright Future

This year will be under the sub-rule of Jupiter and perhaps the most critical in the entire history of man. It will be a magical year of faith and spiritual uplift, the real beginning of the Kingdom of God, when people will turn to the teaching of Christ and make for the first time in the world's history a genuine attempt to follow it out. That is my interpretation of the significance of 1942 (i.e., 1947 A.D.), based on the Hebrew Kabala and the teaching of ancient Astrologers.

The future is bright. Call it "wishful thinking," if you like. But "God and one are a majority," and the dominance of the lower world must come to an end. Meanwhile, our hope and patience and faith will win through, and the fifty-fifth aeon has come to save us from despair of the human race. "Soon will come the rending of the tomb," and the Higher Freedom will come to birth in a New World.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to Dr. Isidore Kozminsky's works, in my study of the Kabala.

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In mid-July, 1939, R. H. Naylor wrote an article which appeared in the September number of PREDICTION—"Destiny Rides on the Seas." Readers will remember that the Nazi threat to Danzig—one of the focal points on which the present war was born—was then feverishly being discussed. (Naylor wrote, p. 337, PREDICTION, September, 1939: "In the birth chart of modern Danzig you will see the moon conjoined to Mars, the planet of merciless war. I repeat, the map of Danzig is a war chart").

Mr. Naylor was wrong about the date on which war broke out, but he was right in every other single item set down in that article. Here he continues his argument that this war is a sea-war, and elaborates his predictions.

FOR months after the outbreak of the present war, the attention of both press and public in Britain (and overseas as well) was concentrated on land-warfare. Experts explained to us all about the impregnable Maginot and Siegfried Lines; they forecast how mighty armies would clash and lock in more or less stabilised warfare. The experts, as usual, were mostly wrong. A war of rapid movement (Mars-Uranus) ended in French collapse. The experts based their reasoning on out-of-date military text-books. Had they paid regard to Astrology or read my articles in PREDICTION they would have reasoned differently, for (see those very articles in back numbers) again and again I have said:

"This is a Uranian War. It will be like no other war that ever has been waged. Present alliances will re-orientate. The unexpected will happen again and again. From beginning to end (and the end will come from an astonishing combination of circumstances which no man can now foresee) the key-crises in the war-drama will be played out in coastal areas, ports, harbours and the High Seas."

Well, the British Expeditionary Force went to France, great armies were transported to the Near East. The end of 1939 came—as I had predicted—without one single war casualty on the British Mainland. This fact alone forever vindicated Astrological prediction and made critics look foolish. Comparative inactivity on land continued in the early months of 1940.

But again the Stars were vindicated, Destiny rode again on the Seas. The seizure of Norway, which I had predicted in an article illustrated by an actual map, appearing in the *Sunday Express* of October 17th, 1939, followed; the German invading forces were sea-borne.

Then followed such incidents as the *Graf Spee* and the *Altmark*, the ceaseless bombing of British shipping, ports and coastal areas. As a *grande finale* came Dunkirk. Still the sea!

Of the developments in land-warfare which led up to Dunkirk nothing can here be said. That is a matter for post-war investigation, posterity will give the verdict—a verdict which will surely contradict present popular conclusions. But it is permissible to discuss certain features of the drama of Dunkirk.

★ War Commentary

Those who know the area will remember the dismal landscape around there, the forbidding sea which usually rolls listlessly up the sand-dunes on the shallow beach. The British Expeditionary Force had to find a way out.

If ever Destiny rode on the Seas, it rode on the Seas in those historic days. From every accessible harbour in Britain came British sailormen and British ships, great and small. No nonsense about which was civilian and which was Service craft, not a second's hesitation in the face of the death that rained from the air and swept the land and made the seas a hell.

With astonishingly little loss, comparatively speaking, the British Expeditionary Force was evacuated. Yes, Destiny rode on the Seas to save the hundreds of thousands of sons and brothers and fathers of we stay-at-homes. Give thanks to Destiny, but forget not whilst you live to give thanks to the men of Britain who also rode the Seas to succour their fellows.

understanding regarding the use of Singapore, but the German occupation of Holland puts things on a different footing.

The entry of Neptune into Libra towards the end of 1942 will probably mean tremendous naval activity in the Far East (see notes on Japan elsewhere in my articles) and Singapore will be in the thick of it.

Panama. Most newspaper readers are familiar with the history of the Panama Canal. Here is a probable focus of world attention and war-developments in the next year or two. The Astrological rulership of the Panama area is doubtful, though recent researches seem to show that Jamaica and Trinidad are both Taurean areas. The disgraceful conditions in both islands have received much publicity since Uranus entered Taurus, and before Uranus leaves Taurus the area will probably be involved in active war operations.

Sooner or later a second canal will be cut through the isthmus.

DESTINY STILL

The stars of Britain are sea stars . . . *Sea Stars*. Consider the developments which followed Dunkirk. The Franco-German Armistice . . . the French Fleet . . . the situation at sea fraught with appalling possibilities . . . the action taken by the British Fleet in regard to the *French Navy and Merchant Service* . . . the clashes between British and Italian war-craft in the Mediterranean . . .

War Whirlpool

NOW let us take up the thread which leads from eventful Yesterday through the gates of Tomorrow. What do the Stars foretell?

Canary Islands. I have good Astrological grounds for believing that these islands come under very much the same zodiacal Sign as the heel of Italy, Gibraltar and the Scilly Isles. Thus the recent movements and present position of Uranus might be taken to indicate that the Canary Islands will soon feature in war-news. Naval activities in the Mediterranean will no doubt be an indirect cause, for the Canary islands are of great importance in connection with the Cape route to Asia.

Singapore. Has been called the cross-roads of the Far East. One of the greatest things that Whitehall ever did for the Empire, has been the development of Singapore, which was annexed in 1819. Mathematically minded readers who care to make retrospective calculations, for the date of annexation, will find that Jupiter was strongly placed: Uranus in Sagittarius in benefic aspects to Mars and Neptune. It was generally understood during late years that Britain and Holland had an

Islands of Destiny

THE land-surface of this our globe rises up from the sea in curious fashion. There are mighty continents (incidentally the distribution of land on the globe is a very lop-sided affair, it is possible to divide the globe into two hemispheres, one of which carries a great deal of the land-mass, the other carrying very little). And everywhere in the seven seas are islands.

In Astrological lore the land-masses, of course, come under the generalised dominion of the earthy Signs Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn. The all-embracing, restless, unchanging sea under the watery Signs Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces. The atmospheric envelope around the globe—which believe me, houses mysteries yet to be explored by man—comes under the airy Signs Gemini, Libra and Aquarius.

To the mind of the Astrologer, the most fascinating mysteries of all lie in the unexplored regions beyond the atmosphere. The atmosphere—breathable by Man for but a few miles upwards—gets thinner and thinner, gradually giving place to the stratosphere. Watery vapour becomes scarcer and scarcer above a height of seven miles. Between the troposphere and the stratosphere is a kind of buffer-layer, sometimes called the Topopause, lowest above the Poles (about seven miles) and highest above the equator (about ten and a half miles).

And after that one would ascend into the stratosphere, dominated by the fiery signs, Aries, Leo and Sagittarius. Beyond the stratosphere scientists of the future will discover yet more layers surrounding the earth like so many casings round a tennis ball. In these layers and the electronic and electromagnetic oscillations set up by planetary radiations therein, is the key to the mystery of planetary influences upon the earth, nations and men.

By R. H. NAYLOR ★

However, we are living at a time given over to the blood and madness of war, so let us leave purely scientific considerations for another time and come down to earth.

For good reasons which need not be set down here, the relevant war-charts all point to the islands of the globe as key-foci of war-activity. Long ago I discovered that islands as a geographical feature come under the aegis of Mercury and Uranus. This is a Uranian war, hence the importance of islands. Neptune is likewise prominent in the war-map, hence the importance of the seven seas.

Let us never forget this is a sea-war. But let us also remember, for just that reason, it will hinge around and upon these islands.

Thus the importance of these very islands upon which we live. When the war started all the experts told us that Britain's frontier was on the Rhine; we must do this or that and the other in Europe. The insistence of the present writer upon seas and islands aroused an extraordinary mixture of scepticism,

Cape Finisterre to the Scilly Islands and then fork in two directions.

One trail of battle will thunder around Southern Ireland, probably to the Galway Coast (a Uranus-Neptune region) the other will batter at St. George's Channel. Meanwhile the Baltic will be a hive of naval activity and at the appointed season the war-storm may burst through the Skaggeak, maybe aiming at the Eastern coast of Britain somewhere between the Wash and the Forth.

In the mid-Mediterranean, the enemy will probably attempt to create an impassable barrier of mine-fields and defences. At the Eastern end (Suez) the Astrological indications point to preliminary operations finally blazing out (as it were) into the Indian Ocean.

My emphasis upon the importance of Islands has already been proved to have good grounds. Still more proof will be forthcoming in the near future: many islands will for the time being change hands.

RIDES THE SEAS

sneers and poisonous criticism. Now the attention of the whole world is focussed upon what is called the coming battle of Britain.

But many other islands in the world will play an important part in the war-game. Thus, far-away Mauritius, the Dutch East Indies in general (Sarawak, fateful area, in particular), the Philippines, Japan, the West Indies, the Scillies, the Mediterranean Islands, many of these will be hubs around which the machine of war will rotate.

Few of us visualise the Australian continent as an island, but such it is and it will surely share the common fate of the world's islands in this war.

Japan's War-like Future

THE Stars tell us much concerning Australia's probable destiny. Oddly enough, it is not likely directly to be involved in the war. By the time the Japanese might be prepared for the penetration of Australia, fate will have found them plenty to do elsewhere. The tide of war will roll across America and strike Japan. This present wave of war years ago swept westward from Nippon into Manchuria, and it will thus complete the circle after many years. Japan will be involved in a major war. That war may have its beginnings before the present European war is over, alternatively it will break out immediately afterwards.

But in the near future—maybe before these words appear in print—fierce Naval clashes will occur in the Mediterranean. The tide of sea-battle will roll through "The Pillars of Hercules" (the Straits of Gibraltar) into the Atlantic. It will probably follow the ancient route (deeply implanted in racial memories) around the coast of Portugal across

More and More Speed—At Intervals

IN the London Chart for the Declaration of War (see previous issues of PREDICTION) the Moon, Saturn and Uranus are all in the 7th House—i.e., in the part of the Horoscope which concerns the Enemy. The Moon in that Chart linked up with the 9th House, on the Cusp of which is Cancer. The 9th House, of course, has to do with foreign countries.

Now near the Western Horizon, closely configured with the Moon, is Saturn, planet of delay, suspense. Hence the long, weary periods of suspense in the early stages of the war, when each side seemed to be waiting for the other. But Uranus was also in the 7th House: Uranus is the planet of sudden crisis; of lightning unexpected action, of surprise.

Thinking of speed, naturally turns one's mind to the air—the element most favourable to speed. We remember the amazing developments in aviation which occurred under the forced draught of the 1914-'18 war. Popular expectation points to a similar advance in aerial warfare now. As a matter of fact, the Astrological portents are not conclusive on the point. In my opinion, speed in war—in this war—will chiefly be manifest on the land and sea, but especially on the sea. Already we have had experiences of the giant high-speed tanks of the enemy: his swarming mechanised forces. I make bold to predict that the next phase will be not so much a speed-up of aerial warfare (though that will surely come to some extent) but a speed-up of sea-warfare. Destiny will ride on the sea at high speed.

This will not be a sea-war of big ships alone. It might even be brought about that big ships prove more of a liability than an asset.

The position of Mercury and Uranus and related factors in the war-Maps may be interpreted as meaning the development of comparatively tiny craft of immense speed and

quite short cruising range. In my opinion the next great naval battle in the Mediterranean will turn upon the employment of such craft. I also regard it as highly probable that this same type of craft will be employed in vast numbers in the defence and attack of these islands.

Suspense—Then Terrific Crisis

FROM the above and other factors in the war-map one is therefore driven to the conclusion that just as the war so far has been a series of periods of suspense punctuated by terrific crises, the remainder of the war will have exactly the same characteristics.

When, therefore, rumours fly round that the enemy is massing for this or that invasion; that a pitched battle is imminent; that this dictator or the other has announced he is going to do so and so—remember Naylor's oft-repeated prophecy that nothing in this war will happen as expected by the mass of the people.

You will therefore have your periods of suspense. Fortunately for us, perhaps no race is quite so able to bear suspense as the race that inhabits these islands. But when suspense comes to an end and the Stage of Destiny is set for action, then be sure that the terror of war will rage with an intensity and speed never yet witnessed by the children of men.

That which holds true of the war will also be true of the peace which follows it. The more I study the war-maps, the more I am convinced that the war will end inexplicably and paradoxically. If one is to pay regard to the position of Mars, Saturn and Uranus in the war-Map, peace will probably follow the last of a series of three attempts to bring it about. In view of the Uranian indications one would expect peace to descend at the very time the world is expecting either one belligerent or the other to deliver a final and crushing blow.

When Peace Comes

FINALLY, the result of the peace will be just as contradictory and paradoxical as the progress of the war. Herein is one slender threat of hope. Economists tell us that after a war like this the world will necessarily be devastated and poverty-stricken. Commonsense tells us the same thing. Yet neither economists nor commonsense have been of the slightest use so far as a guide to war operations. Things have happened which entirely contradict both.

We may hope, therefore, that the peace which follows the war will have the same startling and paradoxical quality. To our surprise, we may find the return to normality inexplicably rapid: that after all, Europe has not utterly been wrecked.

What to do in October

R. H. Naylor's Monthly Aspectarian, giving you an outline of the planetary influences for each day, now appears on the inside back cover.

ARIES

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by the subjects of Aries (MARCH 22—APRIL 20 birthdays).



YOU will have a lot on during October 1940; whatever else the month brings, it will not fate the Aries subject to a dull time.

An important, but not too easy period for the business type; difficulties to do with business rivals. Nevertheless, the Stars favour enterprise and initiative. One good aspect of the period is a lessening of difficulties in obtaining goods and supplies.

A better period for financial affairs generally, if you avoid 'queering your own pitch'; remember that aggressive methods won't pay, use all the initiative you can, but don't try roughshod methods. Aim at co-operation.

The first week of the month favours a little judicious speculation, after that you would be wiser to leave such matters alone for the time being. There does seem an opportunity, however, to re-open an old business scheme to advantage, if you seize it promptly.

A good time for re-organising staff, replenishing business stock; if you are one of the employed yourself, one of the 'higher-ups' may notice your work and your long-deferred hopes of a rise now materialise, as a result.

If you are one of a business partnership, expect a difficult time with the other member or members of the firm; in fact, it is not unlikely that business partnerships will, for one reason or another, come abruptly to an end during October.

Married Sun-Aries subjects will find domestic finances a source of irritation; domestic councils will be held in consequence.

The social side of life will go better during the first week of the month than during the remainder; indeed, such social events as come about in the latter period will link up with working-hours. In this way a pleasant new friendship may arise very suddenly.

The Aries health and vitality will be at a higher level in October, the tendency being to over-exuberance rather than the other way about.

A note on Aries would not be complete without some reference to those fighting in the Services; herein lie chances of promotion.

MISS URSULA BLOOM'S ARTICLE

The article "Is Prayer Answered?" which appears on page 329 was inadvertently announced on the cover of the first few thousand copies of last month's number. We apologise to those readers who were disappointed not to find it in the issue. Its publication this month is, however, all the more timely in view of the announcements for another day of National Prayer.

YOUR FORTUNE

★ THE following notes describe generalised probabilities arising from the approximate birth period, and are inserted solely at the request of readers. The probabilities described will work out in terms of the particular environment and interests of the individual. In no instance should these remarks be taken as fatalistic. There must necessarily be a percentage of error, for the exact date, exact hour and exact place of birth cannot be taken into account. Those seeking more exact information are recommended to study Astrology for themselves or to obtain the services of a competent Astrologer.

TAURUS

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by all Taurus subjects (APRIL 21—MAY 21 birthdays).



THE spotlight is shining full upon personal affairs in the case of the Taurus-born; October 1940 will in one way or another prove itself to be an outstanding period from this angle.

In the case of the younger generation, this will mean romantic developments in friendships already in existence, exciting new contacts made. Make the most of such social activities as present themselves in October, for even if nothing else happens, you will meet people congenial to you and make refreshing acquaintances. Even though the wedding bells can't ring these days, you will probably be either making an actual visit to Church or Registry Office, or the prospect won't seem far away.

Married Taureans with adolescent offspring will feel rather proud of son John or daughter Mary, who will be doing something or other of importance, even if it's only falling in love and bringing home the beloved! And though war-conditions don't offer much scope, this is a comparatively fortunate month for setting offspring out into business.

The Sun-Taurean will feel rather restless and impatient in business life; things will be held up, disappointments and changed plans make the month a difficult period. Changes in business policy, sudden plans set in motion will rather put him or her at a momentary disadvantage. However, the Taurean capacity for 'staying put' should bring them safely through this patch. It goes without saying, however, that business plans of importance should not be set in motion just now; be content to jog along, if you can, in the same old way. Postpone important deals or negotiations until later on.

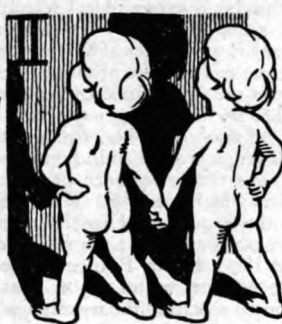
A rather unexpected development in family affairs seems scheduled for the first week of the month; will have equally unexpectedly fortunate results.

Taureans are cautious and thrifty folk who don't believe in frittering money away. Nevertheless, this period is a thoroughly good one for a little mild gambling; the odds will be definitely in their favour.

Not a good period for health; perhaps a spot of kidney or liver trouble, feverish chills, etc. Be careful when going about daily chores; there is the possibility of minor accidents, scalds, etc.

GEMINI

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by Gemini subjects (MAY 22-JUNE 21 birthdays).



PLEASANT influences shine benignly over the home and family affairs of the Sun-Gemini type during October 1940. A member of the domestic circle has a stroke of good luck, gets engaged or married. For one reason or another, home ties will pull more than ever at your heart strings.

Not such a fortunate month for Gemini lovers and sweethearts, however; your own interest may wander in fresh directions, or alternatively the beloved may be in a rather difficult frame of mind. Quarrels and misunderstandings will arise only too easily.

Throughout the month there will be an undercurrent of secrecy; you will be giving a good deal of attention to one other person's affairs.

Financially, it is quite a fortunate period, apart from speculating or gambling, both of which should be absolutely 'taboo.' No putting your shirt on Red Rufus; you'll only lose your braces as well! It is, however, good for Gemini employees who feel their services ought to be rewarded with a little extra remuneration. In all probability, they'll get a satisfactory acknowledgment.

Equally fortunate for Gemini employers who are taking on new staff; but if dealing in the wholesale trades, they may have difficulty in getting supplies through. Orders will be counter-marked, altered or held up.

Take care of personal health; your natural tendency to worry will be magnified this month, and tend to react upon the physical machinery of your body.

If you travel about, have important correspondence to deal with, get both done in the first week of the month; on no account travel for pleasure during the other three weeks, cut down business journeys to the minimum.

If you are married with adolescent children, some worry or annoyance in connection with one or other of the family; you may have to come the heavy parent.

Otherwise, happy times for the older folk; a stroke of good luck which comes to the marriage partner or nearest associate rebounds in your direction.

The 2nd, week-end of the 12th and 23rd are the month's best dates for Gemini subjects of all ages.

IN OCTOBER

Exclusive Forecasts by

★ **R. H. Naylor**

CANCER

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by all subjects of Cancer (JUNE 22 — JULY 23 birthdays).



TO write of the fortunes of the Sun-Cancer tribe is to include those of relatives; for these folk never seem able entirely to disassociate themselves from near kindred. The recent disturbance amongst relatives which have upset your particular apple-cart will now right themselves, and things will go much more smoothly all round in October 1940.

The first week of the month will be the best from the financial standpoint; but the remaining three won't be too bad either. It is an especially fortunate period for those Cancer subjects whose monetary interests are tied up in property, land, real estate, or who manipulate such in their working life. At the same time be sure that all fire and burglary risks are fully covered in respect of any property interests you may own.

This month will not be unlucky for a little gambling or speculation, if you are lucky enough to have the spare cash. The winnings won't be enormous, but anyhow your accounts will balance up on the right side at the end of the period.

On the whole, however, it will be the finances of someone in the family circle rather than your own which will arouse your attention; you will be more concerned about family prosperity and chances rather than your own.

It looks as though the month will bring either plans for travel or actual travel, which will have very pleasurable results; or it may be that someone comes to stay with you for whom you have a great affection. Incidentally, on the business side of things, it is a good month for writing important letters of introduction, negotiating by letter, etc.

Friends and friendships are under better Stars, too; good news by letter from or about a dear friend, visits to and from distant friends; you may probably play the role of match-maker amongst friends into the bargain. Which reminds me, almost certainly someone amongst your circle will get themselves engaged or married.

As for Cancer love affairs, it is a somewhat jerky, uneven period in this respect; plans will be changed or postponed on the spur of the moment, the beloved will be rather unsettled, the usually placid outlook of the Cancer subject suffer in consequence.

Married Cancer subjects with adolescent children will find October an important month; some decision regarding one or another of their offspring will have to be met.

Good dates in Cancer affairs centre around the 5th, 10th, 21st and 30th; the 1st is the most important date of all.

LEO

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of Oct. by all subjects of Leo (JULY 24 — AUG. 23 birthdays).



LEO folk will be concentrating on making L or acquiring money during October 1940; for the time being other considerations will fade into the background. Not that it will prove a hard business; on the contrary, Leo subjects will get a good deal of enjoyment in the process, which is only another way of saying that business and pleasure will go hand in hand.

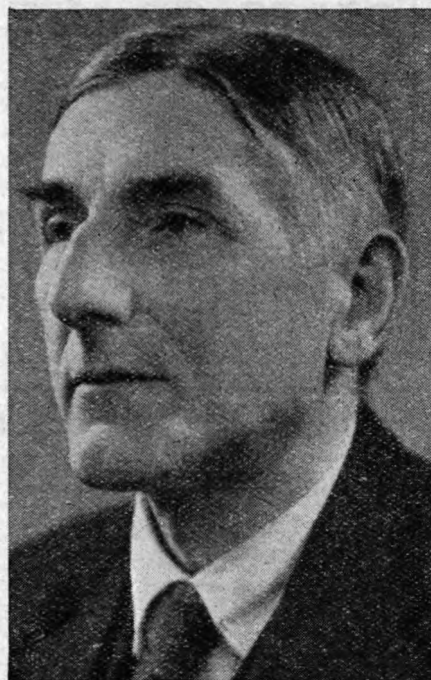
A propitious month for signing up contracts, agreements, etc., for entering into new business deals (particularly any negotiations concerned with entertainment, luxury articles, women's goods). Old deals which somehow or other didn't materialise will once more be on the mat; it is an especially good month in this respect. Look for goodwill and co-operation amongst colleagues, don't hesitate to ask favours from the people who are in a position to grant them.

For the Leo employee (if there are such!) there are chances of that long-deferred promotion coming along about now; for those Leos in the fighting services the same thing applies, whether it be from unpaid lance-corporal to Corporal or to receiving a commission from His Majesty the King.

No good indulging in speculation or gambling. Fortune's Wheel will act most perversely, both at the gaming tables and in sporting hazards.

Look out for happy times and a number of social occasions in October 1940; make the most of both, get out and about as much as possible, even in the black-out. Indeed, some of the most delightful experiences will come during black-out hours, for the month will provide a spice of Romance to tempt your never-jaded appetite!

Good news this, for those who are in love or who sigh for the tender passion; if you are at the stage of 'walking out' in all probability engagement will come your way now.



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If you are engaged, however, don't be surprised if wedding plans are hurried up.

Married Leo subjects may find home-affairs rather unsettled; changes and reshufflements in the domestic circle not unlikely, one member of the family (probably one of the youngsters, makes a move, has to go on a journey). For the Leo subject personally, however, travel-Stars are not favourably placed; care should be maintained to avoid unnecessary road risks, don't take silly risks of any kind.

Good dates in a generally fortunate month are the 15th and 30th; delays and hindrances, though, on the 27th.

VIRGO

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by all Virgo subjects (AUGUST 24—SEPTEMBER 23 birthdays).



VIRGO folk are serious folk, fully alive to the worries and troubles of everyday life; for all that, October 1940 will find them in happy, if not frivolous, mood. Curious, this, in view of the fact that the month appears to bring many problems to do with financial and business affairs; nevertheless, the Virgo subject just won't be worrying about such things at present! Or if he is, then he won't allow such trivialities to interfere with his generally optimistic outlook!

The month's Stars are pleasure Stars. If you are young, this will mean plenty of fun and games in social life, a good time all round. If you are one of the Sun-Virgos who have reached their thirties, this will mean Romance with a capital R. If you are a married Virgo subject, it will mean a renewal (or a cementation) of the ties of affection between yourself and marriage-partner. If you just aren't interested in love, it will mean pleasant experiences amongst friends, spiritual contentment.

In one way or another the personal factor will play the dominant rule on the stage of life for those people who come under the influence of Virgo—"The Virgin."

Monetary affairs present a somewhat lowering aspect, stormy clouds will dull your financial outlook. If you are not careful, the month will bring heavy losses due solely to your own lack of foresight. Avoid impulsive financial negotiations, as far as possible postpone everything of financial importance until next month, when your luck will be greatly changed for the better. Neither gamble or speculate in October 1940; in all business negotiations play for safety.

The month will bring one important development connected with a letter or journey, linking up with business affairs.

Nevertheless, despite this somewhat depressing feature the month will bring a much more settled and less nebulous atmosphere; recent muddles will show signs of

clearing up, recent worries (apart from financial ones) fade out.

The 2nd, 7th, 12th, 23rd and 28th are the most propitious dates for everything that matters.



LIBRA

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of Oct. by Librans (SEPTEMBER 24—OCTOBER 23 birthdays).

LIBRA folk never feel much effort in negotiating Life's tricky corners; they will need all their inherent tact and diplomacy to avoid getting at cross purposes with at least one individual during October 1940, however. Someone will tread rather heavily on the Libran toes, probably a business associate. Compromise will, as usual, serve the best purpose should this occur.

Librans will give more time and thought to financial affairs than they usually do; one financial problem will come to a head about now; it may concern a partnership.

In spite of the somewhat irritating atmosphere, there will be an undercurrent of goodwill working in favour of the Libran fortunes; it will in all probability involve interests known only to one other subject besides the subject himself.

Libran subjects who are at present serving in one or other of the Services will feel the best of this influence; it will mean in all likelihood the acquirement of an extra stripe or 'pip.'

To get back to monetary matters, it is a better month for small profit and quick return deals than for delayed business plans. As far as possible deal with all business negotiation as expeditiously as possible, losing no time in delay. Don't take on deferred contracts.

Personal affairs are under somewhat cryptic Stars. There is a very strong romantic interest in the background, but for one reason or another romantic interests won't proceed smoothly, there will be a vein of secrecy dominant.

This may work out in secret engagement or marriage, or something of that nature; however, attachments formed will lose none of their attraction in consequence of this element.

Married Librans will find the month fraught with domestic problems linking-up with the marriage partner; misunderstandings are liable to arise unless the Libran uses to the full his or her rare gifts for making other people feel comfortable!

It looks as though the marriage-partner's finances will be one cause of any matrimonial worry, incidentally.

Friends figure prominently on the month's programme; a woman-friend in particular.

The luckiest dates for Libran affairs will centre around the 3rd, 7th, 18th, 23rd and 28th.

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SCORPIO

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of Oct. by Scorpio subjects (OCTOBER 24—NOVEMBER 22 birthdays).

SCORPIO people will be feeling restless and eager for change during October 1940; such change, however, will not easily come about. The month will be notable for the recurrent postponements and delays it will bring, the re-orientation of such plans as the Scorpio heart had been set on. Do not, therefore, expect your pet schemes to go through easily during this period; in all probability they won't go through at all.

Nevertheless, it will not be an uncongenial month, especially in personal interests. Friends and friendships will do much to leaven the period; sound advice to Scorpio folk is to concentrate upon personal rather than business interests in October 1940. Make the most of the social side of life, go 'all out' to enjoy yourself, let business go hang for the time being.

These folk appreciate emotional stimulus; they will get it to the full during this period. Scorpions of all ages, from sixteen to sixty, will live a full emotional life just now. If you are in love and unattached, this will mean an 'understanding' or better still, actual engagement. If you aren't interested in love at the moment, you will probably be the means of bringing about an attachment between mutual friends.

Not much good backing your fancy this month, the lucky numbers just won't turn up, or your pet gee-gee will be scratched or sit down to scratch himself!

Important and rather critical influences rule over Scorpio partnerships, personal and otherwise; a spot of worry in connection with the affairs of the other person, which, however, should soon pass.

A little worry, too, in regard to health, both personal and that of somebody near and dear to you.

For all really important negotiations, reserve the first week of the month; lie doggo for the remaining period.

A good month for Scorpio service folk, but especially good in the first seven days.

The 4th, 9th, week-end of the 20th and the 25th are the month's best dates.

SAGIT-TARIUS

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of Oct. by all Sagittarians (NOVEMBER 23—DECEMBER 22 birthdays).



IMPORTANT and propitious month, is October 1940, for Sun-Sagittarian subjects; the luck of the game of Life will be all in their favour. Particularly will those who are in one or other of His Majesty's Forces feel the good effects of the influences in operation; a record number of extra stripes and commissions will be handed out amongst these folk.

Financially, it won't be an especially affluent period; those who will best profit in this way will be business folk whose interests have to do with food, entertainment, textiles, medical supplies, dyes. The professional type will find the period good, particularly from the inspirational standpoint.

But Sun-Sagittarians one and all will be out to enjoy themselves; and they will find no difficulty in getting diversion and relaxation. For Service folk this will mean the ability to 'wangle' passes easily, to get the maximum of enjoyment out of Service routine. For non-Service folk, it will bring an improvement in general conditions, some added prestige in working life.

Though generally speaking, life will bowl along merrily for the Sagittarian, a spot of trouble will turn in in connection with one friendship. Some misunderstanding may lead to a temporary estrangement, it would be best to reserve your judgment if a quarrel arises, for you would be apt to regret a hasty decision.

Love affairs will flourish for Bachelor Sagittarians, but the female of the species may not find things quite so happy. Here again there is the tendency to get at cross-purposes with the beloved, with undesirable results.

A little extra care in regard to personal health is advised; Sagittarians will be going the pace to such an extent that health disorders will be apt to result.

One important note for Sun-Sagittarian 'bosses': 'ware trouble with staff, difficulty in getting supplies through, hold-ups and delays in transporting goods.

The 8th, 22nd and week-end of the 27th are the best periods of the month; watch for important developments near the 18th.

CAPRI-CORN

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of Oct. by all subjects of Capricorn (DECEMBER 23—JANUARY 20 birthdays).



IMPORTANT month, this, for Sun-Capricorn subjects; the planetary positions indicate major developments in worldly affairs. Don't read into this a warning; on the contrary, the month should bring excellent opportunities for advancement in whatever line of work you are engaged upon, though it will particularly favour those connected with one or other of the Services, or engaged upon work connected with mechanism or fire-arms.

You will be fired with initiative this month, your innate ambition will be much in evidence; moreover, the opportunity will be there for you to gratify both. Get down to work, therefore, put business considerations before all others in October.

Curiously enough, despite war-conditions, it would seem to be a better period for those who have business interests abroad, who are linked up with the export trade, etc.

One other characteristic of the month is to do with the business side of things; has

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some significance in regard to legal matters. If you are by chance embroiled in such, or there is any likelihood of any such proceedings arising in October, then Fate will be on your side. By the same token, it is a good period for signing important documents, drawing up agreements, etc.

It looks as though October or the immediate future will be a turning-point in your affairs, i.e., that you will come to an end of one particular line of business or interest, and about now commence upon an entirely new phase.

A happy month from the personal point of view; plenty to do on the social side of life (though don't neglect business for pleasure) and a romantic period for those young Capricornians who are in love or want to be in love. I think this period will bring a record number of engagements or marriages amongst the Capricorn tribe.

Married folk will receive news of, or visits from, in-laws; this may entail a little unexpected financial help for the Capricornians themselves. In any case, it is a good month for asking favours of your parents-in-law, or for 'touching' your wealthy, but cranky old Aunt for a loan!

The 8th and week-end of the 27th are the most favourable dates; the most important period of all centres around the 18th.

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AQUARIUS

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by all Aquarians (JANUARY 21—FEBRUARY 19 birthdays).

PISCES

★ The influences which will be experienced in the month of October by the subjects of Pisces (FEBRUARY 20—MARCH 21 birth-days).



OCTOBER 1940 will be an eventful and fast-moving month which opens on a rather unexpected note. There will be a multiplicity of new interests on hand; events will rather crowd upon each other. Do not expect to be able to get quietly down to work this month; if anything, you will have too many irons in the fire.

Financially, though, it will be a surprisingly good period; though this does not indicate that gain would come through speculation or risky hazards; rather will old business plans and deals now show a profit.

The first week of the month is the best period for setting in motion any new financial enterprises of your own; after that, the best business results will come through the 'other person's' goodwill rather than by your own efforts. Seek co-operation throughout the period, and most important of all, don't be side-tracked by red herrings drawn across your path.

It is not a favourable month for doing business at a distance; supplies will be difficult to get, you may suffer losses in transit, etc.

If your business has to do with the Stock market, a jumpy, unsatisfactory month; best results will come from those investments linking up with luxury of women's goods, cloth, medical drugs, rubber. If you have investments in anything directly or indirectly connected with the above, so much the better for you.

For employees, not too easy a period; the atmosphere of working life may be fraught with uneasiness, but largely it will be merely unnecessary nerviness. It is not, however, a good period for making changes, for asking favours (unless you do so in the first seven days).

News from relatives at a distance which may prove irritating or troublesome, or both. If relatives threaten to visit you, put 'em off!

Same applies in the case of in-laws, if you are married. In any case, the affairs of the marriage partner will be taking up all your time. But there is no need to worry in this respect, a spot of good luck will descend upon the family through this source.

On the whole, a happy time for Aquarian lovers and sweethearts, in spite of the general atmosphere of uncertainty.

THOSE happy-go-lucky folk who were born under the Sign of "The Fishes" will enjoy themselves in October 1940; war or no war, they will manage to get about and see life.

The month may not be particularly notable for worldly progress, there will not be much extra money to be made (though an element of good-luck runs through financial affairs during the period, which will save you from losses!) but this will be more than compensated for by the generally happy conditions and the happiness you will get from personal contacts and interests.

From the business side of things, it is a good time for co-operation, for drawing up new agreements, entering into partnerships, generally negotiating tricky business deals. On the other hand, if you handle or manipulate the finance of others, you are in for a few headaches! Borrowed money may be called in, for instance.

Pisceans love their little flutter, and the month will bring them some good tips.

Mr. and Miss Piscean are not usually in a great hurry to see the parson or registrar. Once they have found the right candidate, they are usually content to jog along for an indefinite period of courtship. But this month they will bestir themselves, and as a result marriages among the Pisces community will soar.

If, however, Dan Cupid has not looked your way up to now, don't get dispirited. The odds are that before October 1940 has passed you will be in the running for the matrimonial stakes.

Other Star flashes for October indicate at least one important development in the domestic affairs of married Pisces subjects; important news of or from relatives, the possibility of plans now being made for extended travel a little later on.

Health influences are better in the first week than the other three; there is a tendency to a little disturbance in the region of the 'tummy' round about the early middle of the month.

For thoroughly enjoying yourself, the 8th, week-end of the 13th, the 18th, 22nd and week-end of the 26th are the best dates.

Portrait of a DIPLOMAT

YES, they are born diplomats, these sons and daughters of the 7th Sign of the Zodiac. Wherever you contact them, in Court circles or in cocktail lounge, you will be struck by this one outstanding feature of the Libran character. Mr. Libra never makes a faux-pas (or very, very seldom—and even then he covers it very adroitly); Miss Libra will tactfully bridge the most awkward pauses.

Both sexes have the supreme gift of charm; you will not be embarrassed by blatant or fulsome flattery from your Libran confidante; in a subtle way you will be made to feel that you have done just the right thing, that you are a gift to an unappreciative world.

For all that, the Libran tribe are not as popular as they deserve to be; carping critics accuse them of being just as sympathetic and confidential with the other side as they have been with you, even go so far as accusing them of deceit. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Mr. and Miss Libra will agree with both sides partly because they can appreciate two points of view, partly because they hate to hurt others' feelings. They will sympathise with you whilst listening to your grievances; the trouble is that when they hear the opposite views, they will sympathise just as deeply. Not for nothing did the Ancients symbolise the Sign Libra by a pair of Scales; and the better type of Libran is a well-balanced, equitable soul. But all types have that one little failing, if one must use so harsh a word.

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Libra folk are born negotiators; no one can better them at getting around difficulties with the minimum unpleasantness. The key-note of their theme-song is Compromise; they are (apparently!) always ready to meet you more than half-way.

Quietly and understandingly they will listen to your point of view; not until everything is finished and done with will you realise that you have not attained one jot of what you intended, that despite his suavity, your Libran combatant has had things all his own way!

For beneath the outward diffidence and charming insouciance of the Libran temperament runs a vein of cold ruthlessness not to be equalled by any other of the twelve Signs. None so implacable as the Libran when his own interests are at stake; yet never once will that ruthlessness show through his outwardly urbane mask.

What are they like to look at, these people? The males are rather below the average height, slim, have youthful, trim figures even in middle-age; are impeccably dressed in clothes which are 'just right,' never ostentatiously turned out. Both men and women have fine skins in youth, but in later life the skin-pigment coarsens, becomes mottled and florid, often troubled with skin irritations.

The female of the species is attractively dimpled, has a curvilinear figure which is

never too accentuated. Her taste in dress is excellent, though when she does err it is on the side of too many frills and furbelows, just that extra amount of jewellery which was not necessary. Usually, however, she is discreetly dressed in clothes which suit her. She has fine, large, gazelle-like eyes, and not the least of her charms is her voice, soft, often slurred by a soft lisping drawl.

Your true Libran is no pure business type; for one thing they are not fond of work for its own sake. They are best linked-up with anything which has to do with entertainment or dress. You will find them occupying very successful positions as dress designers, fashion experts, interior decorators, in all branches of the Theatre world, as demonstrators of cosmetics and beauticians.

KING SOL rolls into the sign of "The Balances" at 4.46 a.m. on the 23rd September, 1940; he will not leave that sign until the early afternoon of October 23rd. The charming people born within this period come under the Aegis of the 7th sign of the Zodiac—Libra. Even if your birthdate was not within this limit, you may recognise in R. H. Naylor's Character Reading much that applies to you: in which case Libra will have been prominent at your birth.

They have undoubted artistic gifts, though whether these be pronounced would of course depend on the various other factors in the individual Horoscope. But one and all alike have an eye for colour, an appreciation of beauty and the things which go to make for beauty. Some of the most talented artists are to be found among Libra subjects; again too, many very accomplished musicians are also born with Libra dominant.

But above everything, they are diplomats. They excel in all positions which call for tactful negotiation, from estate-agent's representative to Ambassador. In political circles one finds them among the attachés and in the diplomatic Corps.

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Financially, Libra subjects have a fairly easy time; they never amass much money, they are too busy spending it to make life more comfortable and enjoyable. But on the other hand, the benefic rays of Venus guard them from misfortune. Your true Libran never appears to be sweating blood in order to make enough money to exist on!

Librans excel in partnerships, and on the whole benefit very well from them; indeed, in both professional and non-professional business life, one usually finds them linked up in this manner. The fact that Librans are not 'lone wolves' by temperament, can never live

entirely unto themselves, is never more apparent than in their working life.

As a rule, their best speculations are associated with entertainment (shares in theatre, hotel and other entertainment companies) food, dress, textiles, cosmetics, artistic ventures (play productions, film backing) and anything and everything which comes under the influence of Venus.

Their luck is not consistent, but usually more good than bad; much of course depends upon their individual birth-Map. But when Libran luck is 'in' nothing can stop them!

But they tend to run through money at breakneck speed; for their own sakes, this type are well-advised to invest money in annuity and endowment policies.

On the personal side of life, the Libran has a full and satisfying time. These folk are no puritans; they take life and love where they find it! Your Libran is always in love with something or somebody, frequently with two people at once!

Unkind people say they are fickle; but the truth is the Libran finds it so difficult to make up his or her mind in heart-problems. They are always fated to have several strings to their bow, their instinctive re-action is to take the line of least resistance.

If you have a Libran lover or sweetheart, don't delude yourself that you will be the only interest in his or her life; you will have plenty of rivals, it will be no easy task to persuade your Libran companion to settle down. Once they do marry, however, they make loyal and affectionate home-mates; always appreciative of the comforts of the domestic hearth.

In health, the Libran constitution is radically strong, but these people live so much upon their emotions that unhappiness or worry re-act very quickly upon their physical machinery.

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Again, too, the kidney and bladder are danger-zones, at one time or another of life they almost certainly develop some health-trouble in these regions. Most purely physical health irregularities can be traced to eating and drinking not wisely, but too well! No amount of doctors' pills will so quickly cure Libra health-troubles as congenial environment, peace of mind and plenty of sleep.

No character-analysis would be complete without some reference to a little peculiarity which is essentially Libran; I refer to the art of "wangling." All Librans are supreme wangers; no good thinking you have got them cornered, they wriggle out of the worst dilemma with an ease which would make an eel envious.

They turn each and every occurrence to their own advantage. Moreover, when they are 'putting one across you' as the Americans say, they will give you the most plausible reasons as to how it's all for your own good! (Hitler is a Libra type, by the way!)

For the past three years, these folk have been under a cloud as it were; Saturn was passing through Aries, the sign opposite their own.

Hence Librans will have been feeling the full weight of the leaden planet's impress. In March 1940, however, Saturn passed into Taurus; hence during the last six months many Libra subjects will have felt an appreciable lightening of the dismal atmosphere which brooded over their affairs.

Character Sketch by R. H. Naylor

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

What the Coming Year Foreshadows

October 1st. A crisis in affairs now or six months ahead—but things improve after. A change of domicile likely.

2nd. You won't make much money—but you will see life! But business progress may be impeded by lack of concentration.

3rd. Important developments in connection with an elderly relative colour the year; not much money to be had, don't waste what you've got. Play for safety.

4th. Romance for the unattached, adventure and excitement for the others. Things turn out just as you didn't expect. Don't plan important changes.

5th. Good progress to be made—war or no war; stick to your present line. Personal affairs take a back seat.

6th. New plans made, but either fade away into limbo or disappointing. Avoid worry—things will be better than they appear.

7th. A better anniversary for men than for women readers—quarrels likely, you may queer your own pitch through over-impulsiveness.

8th. Good year for elderly folk, and for land, property, real estate interests. Don't be tempted to make business changes—success will favour endurance.

9th. Miracles sometime happen—for instance, this year! Better prospects whatever your circumstances—take chances.

10th. One phase of your life comes to an end—you start off on new tracks, three, four or nine months hence. Good for making changes, but progress slow for all that.

11th. A perverse year ahead—best take no risks. Good for orthodox attachments, the other kind will revert into antipathies.

12th. Good anniversary for planning ahead—commencing on new lines of work. Love affairs disappointing.

13th. Luckier year ahead—but don't get at loggerheads with elders. Good for manual workers, or machine-workers. Don't bother with old business plans.

14th. Dissension rife—but progress to be had, if you stick to work and avoid scandal and quarrelling.

15th. A sentimental anniversary—old and new friends clamour for attention; you neither go forward or backward in business.

16th. Important reshufflements—six or twelve months from now—in business. Look after health; friends help.

17th. Not much to be said about this birthday; the old and well-tried will serve you well, in all things.

18th. A windfall comes your way—after delay; changes amongst the family. Personal ties come to mean more.

19th. Crazy year before you—but nice! No good trying to wangle things with your usual Libran suavity, though! You're the one who'll be surprised!

20th. Propitious anniversary for Service folk of both sexes—a pip or a stripe seems indicated. Women find Romance—but the men lose it.

21st. Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag—despite appearances, you'll make a 'go' of the year.

22nd. Good for routine work, the older generation will like this period; money to be made. Don't take physical risks. Personal affairs erratic.

23rd. An inspirational year, act on your bright ideas with all speed. Romance will come whether you beckoned or not.

24th. A seemingly unfavourable development overtakes you—but you make up for it afterwards, and balance up on the right side of your year's accounts.

25th. Progress comes by fits and starts; the ideas will be there, but headway difficult to make. Plan ahead.

26th. Changes forced upon you without warning—but they turn out all right. Don't plan ahead, take things as they come.

27th. Finances flourish, love affairs do too, after temporary disagreements. In short, something for everybody in this year's bag.

28th. You look like reaching your goal—a year of fulfilment rather than promise. Go 'all out' for whatever you want, you'll get it.

29th. Rather dissatisfied, aggressive influences overshadow your birthday; aim at co-operation rather than aggression in all important matters. Compromise.

30th. Big decisions will have to be made, involving radical changes; a spot of extra cash comes your way.

31st. Old problems recur again—delays will cause financial loss. Don't re-open old associations, concentrate on new enterprises.

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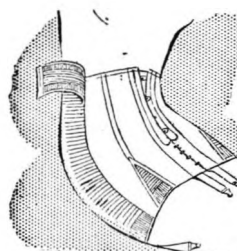
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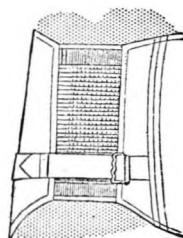
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LOG BOOK

for October

FOR decades the Press poured ridicule on Astrology, but since the appearance of my "*What the Stars Foretell*" series in 1930, public demand led to the widespread publication of Astrological predictive articles. In turn, the popularity of such features led to frequent references of an astronomical and astrological nature in newspaper columns.

Here are the opening paragraphs of a typical example from *The Evening News* (London, August 8th):

"Hitler may have his eye on the moon now for his own purposes, but he is not the only one, for countryfolk who are too busy to think much about him are sparing a thought for the same young moon.

"The new moon, heavy dews and morning mists—all promise full baskets of mushrooms now to early pickers.

"Mushrooms grow with the moon: at least that is what Sussex folk say, and it seems to be true. Certainly when the old moon was waning, mushroom-pickers came back morning after morning with empty baskets, while now that the moon is growing mushrooms grow in plenty too."

—which brings up two points of interest—(1) The widespread idea that the Hitler regime time their occasions by the Moon, and (2) that sagacious observers are conscious of the link between the growth of fungi and the Lunar phases.

The Pendulum of Destiny

As the children of men pass on their long pilgrimage, the pendulum of destiny swings remorselessly from extreme to extreme. Just as the steady "tick-tock, tick-tock" of my Grandfather clock measures out the passage of the hours, so the pendulum of destiny (we may imagine) solemnly ticks off "Freedom, oppression; freedom, oppression; freedom, oppression" as it measures out the passage of the millenniums.

It may be, indeed, that such a swing from one extreme to the other is necessary to prevent psychological and spiritual stagnation. I do not know. But the fact remains that the preordained swing from one extreme to the other in human evolution breeds the blackest cruelty and the noblest heroism.

Thus and thus thought I, the other night, when meditating on the position of Astrology at the present day.

I had just been dipping into Professor Van Den Bergh's *The Universe in Space and Time*. Like most orthodox scientists with a literary bent, the worthy Professor is an able exponent of the discoveries other men have made and the dogmas other men have evolved.

He devotes about one page to "Astrology." This is how he starts off:

"So in a certain month of the year the Sun is in the sign of Cancer. In olden times, when people were ignorant of the fundamental principles of astronomy and not aware of the smallness of the Earth in the

whole scheme of the Universe, this fact was held to be of great importance . . . Astrology is a doctrine at which we must look askance . . . It is no good arguing about it . . . It is really a mystery how otherwise very sensible people can still believe in it. . . . But astrologists . . . for them the sun is in a certain month in exactly the same 'sign' as it was many centuries ago!"

Here, perhaps, is one of the most amusing examples of pseudo-scientific twaddle I have ever read. Just exactly what the position of the Sun in Cancer has to do with Astrology I leave to the reader to guess. Furthermore, why an orthodox scientist whose science has been evolved solely and only because his predecessors had argued and followed up their arguments by research, should forbid believers in Astrology to argue, passes one's comprehension.

Again our Professor says that "very sensible

The PLANETS This Month

THE SUN, following his usual time-table, is in the 9th degree of Libra on the 1st of the month, reaches the 8th degree of Scorpio on the 31st; changes sign from Libra into Scorpio on Wednesday 23rd.

There is a total eclipse of the solar orb on the very first day of the month, but it will not be visible in Britain. From the predictive point of view, this eclipse is of great interest. It may be taken as indicating events of tremendous importance involving Japan in particular and the Far East in general. These events according to traditional Astrological rules, would mature early in 1941. I hope to offer certain observations thereto in future issues of PREDICTION.

THE MOON is, of course, new at the time of the eclipse above—you will find the times and dates of its phases set down in the Aspectarian. It so happens that during October a second new Moon occurs on the 30th. The stars at the time foreshadow events of tremendous consequence in Ireland and elsewhere.

Incidentally, the Moon is increasing in the first fifteen days of the month: decreasing between the 16th and 29th.

MERCURY passes through the last few degrees of Libra at the commencement of the month, enters Scorpio on the 3rd and reaches the 29th degree of that Sign on the 31st. Certain factors linking up the position of Mercury and the New Moon at the end of the month make it all the more likely that areas around Ireland will be a focus of World attention.

VENUS starts the month in the 24th degree of Leo, passes into Virgo on the 6th, by the 31st she has reached the 29th degree of Virgo. So much the better for readers of PREDICTION born anywhere between the middle of August and the 21st September.

MARS starts the month almost at the very point Venus reaches by the end of the month, in the 28th degree of Virgo. He leaves Virgo for Libra on the 5th and by the end of October has reached the 17th degree thereof. Readers born between the 20th September and the 9th October may watch with interest the effects of Mars transiting over the place of their natal Suns. Martial radiations mean more energy, but less peace.

JUPITER on the 20th October will be in Zodiacal conjunction with Saturn. The same conjunction but in Right Ascension is formed a little earlier (on the 11th). I have already referred to the far-reaching significance of this conjunction—which is one of a series of three—in previous issues of PREDICTION.

people" still believe in Astrology. One would ask him how, if Astrology is nonsense, the people who believe in it can be termed "very sensible."

The last quoted sentence implying that Astrologers believe that the Sun each month is in the same Sign it occupied many centuries ago tickled me to death! Bless my soul, I have met all sorts of cranky Astrologers but never one quite cranky enough to believe that.

From the above we may surely make one or two deductions eminently useful at the present turn to social and political history.

(1) The orthodox scientist should concern himself only with orthodox science: I have never yet met one or read the words of one who had an even elementary knowledge of Astrology.

(2) That just as in past ages the religious hierarchy have murdered and plundered and tortured and oppressed those who dared to differ from them in spiritual convictions, so, in future, the scientific hierarchy is in a fair way for doing "ditto ditto" in regard to intellectual freedom—if they are given the chance.

Lastly, there is a topical reason for calling your attention to the above. I predict that in the next few years a determined attempt will be made to suppress Astrology. R. H. NAYLOR

During the course of the month Jupiter retrogrades from the 15th degree of Taurus back into the 11th degree. It may in some cases financially benefit readers whose birthdates fall in the first ten days of May.

SATURN is retrograding from the 14th degree to the 12th degree of Taurus: on the 18th, two days before he is in conjunction with Jupiter, Saturn will be occulted by the Moon.

Here is a remarkable and very rare phenomenon—an occultation of a major planet almost synchronising with a great conjunction involving that same planet. (See remarks in my articles in recent issues of PREDICTION). Readers whose birthdates occur in the first week or ten days of May will probably feel the effect of Saturn's influence. As his influence is merged with that of Jupiter, it is difficult to form any definite judgment as to the result.

URANUS is retrograde in the 26th degree and 25th degree of Taurus. Possessors of birthdays in mid-May may find this position of Uranus of interest, he is of course transmitting over the place of their natal Suns. The nature of Uranus is to bring the unexpected.

NEPTUNE is in the 26th and 27th degrees of Virgo, which links up with birthdates around September 18th and 19th. As the influence of this planet is obscure and erratic, little can be said regarding possible effects.

PLUTO is in the 5th degree of Leo and moves very little in the course of the month. R. H. NAYLOR

Libra Luck

Libran luck will be better during the next few years than it has been since 1937 last; the tardy delays and disappointments which have dogged their footsteps will no longer be present.

Just as well, therefore, to give the various factors traditionally associated with the Sign of the balances. Here they are:

Number: 6.
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The Editor welcomes readers' views for publication on this page. Since, however, there is very heavy pressure on the space available, correspondents are asked to make their letters as concise as possible.

The Easter "Miracle"

Thanks for your very commendable Editorial in the August PREDICTION. Yes, I, too, do thank God I am "privileged to be alive to-day." The flesh would fain rest in peace and tranquillity—but no, it seems decreed I have to fight till the end of my days—and perhaps go down fighting!

You say the "Crucifixion was the crowning-glory of Christianity." True, and the first Eastern morning set the seal on our Lord's divinity, for He raised Himself from the tomb even as He had prophesied: "Destroy this temple and I will raise it again in three days hence." The whole message of Christianity rests upon the verification of this prophecy.

Edinburgh, 6.

T. A. DICKSON.

Appreciation

May I say what a great help to me was the article in your July issue called "After Death—What?" I had just lost a very dear friend and believe now that they do come back, as I have heard and felt her near me.

I should like to say, too, how much I enjoy PREDICTION and all its articles from cover to cover. I think it's a wonderful book.

Swansea.

MABEL PETERS.

A Word for the Forces

As a regular reader of your most interesting magazine, I would be pleased if you would insert this in the next issue.

The other day I wrote to a lady who is mentioned in PREDICTION, as I required some information. This information was duly received, but the kind lady also sent me a beautifully hand-knitted pair of socks, which were gratefully appreciated.

Kind acts like this go a long way with fellows like us these days. It's good to know there are so many kind-hearted people about! Officers' Mess, "VOLUNTEER," Somewhere-in-England.

New Definitions

The Scientist is the man who commands this age.

The Materialist is not to blame if he does not know the ultimate truths. He is to be blamed only if he condemns these truths without investigation.

Ignorance is often excusable but not the will to remain ignorant.

Light is what the scientist must find when he seeks the origin of the Universe.

Thought is the creative process behind all phenomena.

Doncaster, Yorks. (Miss) E. ROBB-SCOTT.

Looking to the Future

May I draw your attention to the fact that the "crowning glory" of Christianity is the Resurrection, *not* the Crucifixion. Proved survival is the important thing, not the preamble of physical disruption. You are using here the Christianity of yesterday. To-day we look to a glorious unfolding future—not to an incident of the past!

Patchway, Bristol.

JOHN B. SCORE.

Reincarnation—the Best Proof

In his interesting article "Reincarnation—Have We Proof?" in the August PREDICTION, Mr. Harvey-Day does not mention the Rosemary case set forth in *Ancient Egypt Speaks* and other books by Dr. F. H. Wood.

To my mind, as a student both of Egyptology and psychic matters, this is the most convincing proof of survival and reincarnation yet given to us.

London, W.6.

JEAN ADAMSON.

East and West

I think it will be a fine day when the East and the West help each other more as regards spiritual matters. It is unthinkable that all we have tried for in the past should be lost if Germany and the other evil powers win.

Like others of your readers, I, too, should like to thank you for your editorial on the front page of PREDICTION each month. It cheers one up, and we certainly do need cheering, however brave we try to be. The powers of evil seem as strong against us. But if others in far off lands are also praying for us, we shall feel encouraged. I find PREDICTION most interesting and am glad you are able to carry on.

Sevenoaks, Kent.

(Miss) R. G. KERR.

Foretold the War

As there appears to be a widespread idea that most Astrologers, Numerologists, Mediums, etc., were wrong in their predictions for 1939, I should like to draw your attention to my remarks in your Special Coronation Number of PREDICTION, published in May, 1937. In my reading, on page 162, I twice mentioned the danger of war.

Discussing the numbers of the King and Queen, I wrote, "The conjunction of the numbers 7 and 4 indicates sudden and unforeseen events in the international situation, and during the next three years there is grave danger of war."

In the same column there I give the events for the coming five years. For 1939 I forecast social upheavals and war.

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DAY	MAIN ASPECTS	GENERAL INTERPRETATION (For All Birthdays)
1st	☉, P♂, P♀, P☉ ☿△♂ New Moon	Important day for the world and you. Critical turns in business or personal affairs.
2nd	♂♀, ♂♀ Waxing Moon	Good for women and their interests. Clear up correspondence, make the best of the evening hours.
3rd	♂♂, ♂♂, P♀, P♂, P♂ ♀☿♂♀	Postpone decisions today, plan for tomorrow. A disappointment likely.
4th	♂♂, ♀♀, ☿♀, ♂♂, P♂ ♂♀	Better for women than men, quarrels and misunderstandings likely. Don't go off at a tangent.
5th	♂♀	Cut out week-end holiday, work all day. Good for setting out new plans; contact the people that matter.
6th	☿♀	Footling sort of Sunday, you can't make up your mind whether to go to Church or to enjoy yourself. Don't let vague worries disturb your peace of mind.
7th	♂♀, ☿♂, ♂♂	Good for the professional worker to forge ahead, not so good if you have to do with mechanism. Don't travel, take risks.
8th	♂♂, ♂♂, ☿♀ Moon's 1st Qtr.	Good for the older generation, planning ahead; don't embark on new enterprises till tomorrow, though.
9th	♂♂, ♂♂, ♂♂, P♀, P♂	Much activity in the war zones today, both on land and sea and in the air. A generally good all-round day.
10th	☿♀, ☿♀, ☿♀, ♂♂, P♂	Good working day, if you can keep your mind on the task in hand. But opposition to be met.
11th	☿♀, P♀	Things will turn out just as you didn't expect. Something unforeseen turns up; good for relaxation in evening.
12th	♂♀, ♂♀, ♂♂, P☉	Good for the very young and the very old; not so good if you are in love. Clear up arrears of work.
13th	♂♂, P♀, P♂	Keep off the roads, go to Church, meditate. An orthodox Sabbath, you will be drawn to the spiritual side of life.
14th	♂♂, ♂♂, ♂♂, P♂, P♀	Not a propitious start to the working week. Compromise, start nothing new. Critical turn of events in war-history.
15th	☿♀ Waxing Moon ♂♀	Happy, peaceful day today. Take a day off if possible, visit friends in the evening.
16th	♂♀, P♀, P☉ Full Moon	Rather similar to yesterday. Fix important interviews.
17th	♀♂♂ Waning Moon	Not particularly important, best finish off old jobs. Seek out the elderly for help and advice.
18th	♂♂, ♂♀, ♂♀, ♂♀, P♂, P♂ ♀♂♂♂	Day starts with a disappointment or an obstacle impedes progress, later on things look much brighter.
19th	♂♂, ♂♂	This week-end will bring important news in regard to sea, land and aerial combat. Don't expect today to conform to plan.
20th	♂♂, ☿♀	This time it's the men's turn; a good sporting Sabbath. Make the most of outdoor activities available.
21st	☿♀, ♂♂	Good for starting new business projects, but be careful what papers you sign. Avoid muddle.
22nd	♂♂, ♂♂, ♂♂	Don't waste time arguing, get down to work. A spot of money luck not unlikely.
23rd	♂♀, ♂♀, ♂♂, ♂♂	Propitious day, both for work and play. Act on hunches, put bright ideas into practice.
24th	☿♀, P♂ Moon's Last Quarter ♂♀	Don't touch important business, clear off small jobs. Not unlucky day otherwise.
25th	☿♀, ☿♀, ♂♂, P♂, P☉ ♀♂	Good for hard work, don't get impatient if results are slow. Old folk hinder rather than help.
26th	☿♀, ☿♀, ♂♂	Erratic perverse day. Avoid travel, changes.
27th	♂♂, ♂♂, P♂, P♀, P♀ ♂♀♂, ☿♀	Follow the nation's example, and devote today to work. Not a very favourable day for joy-riding, anyway.
28th	♂♀, ♂♂, ♂♀, ♂♀, P♀, P♀ ♀♂	Fix romantic dates for the evening. Sudden developments bring unexpectedly fortunate results.
29th	♂♂, P♂ Waning Moon ♀♂	Don't get rattled today—count ten before entering into contention. Important day for land offensives.
30th	♂♀ New Moon ☿♀, ♀♀	There's a New Moon this evening; and it will mark propitious changes. Clear off outstanding work, be ready for new ventures.
31st	♂♂, ♂♂, P♂, P♂, P♀ Waxing Moon P☉ ♀♀	Not much money to be had, but don't get depressed. No good trying to push things ahead, it's a slow-motion ending to the month.

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