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these experiences, that is what he is referring to, and we propose to show that they didn't have them, that they couldn't have had them.

Now, furthermore, and I think this was crossed over rather superficially with references to other relations of the Bible, etc. These respondents promised definitely to these persons who part with their money for these publications that they would acquire presently, and now, the power to precipitate gold or automobiles or lunches, or whatever they want at any time; that they have been lead astray and that they have parted with their money upon such beliefs, and actually attempted to do it. We will show that nobody in this movement ever precipitated anything except, if you call precipitation paying over to the respondents monies for the purchase of thses publications that they have sold through the mails, or in another way, a form of donation called "Love Gift". As a matter of fact, Mr. Solicitor, I believe we will be able to prove that these books, contrary to Mr. Nash's memorandum, are simply plagiarisms of other books which have long existed, which were in the hands of the Ballards when they wrote and prepared their manuscripts. They even collaborated in the earlier stages before this movement got the name "I Am"; that they had the collaboration in a preceding group of classes from Mr. Spaulding, I think his



A Yes. Mr. Dechter made a transcript of the conversations that took place at that time.

Q Now, was that interview reported or recorded in any other way, Inspector?

A Yes. Mrs. Ballard arranged to have a recording on records. She furnished us copies of those recordings subsequently.

Q Do you recall now any other persons who were present in association with the respondents at that time?

A Yes. Various members of their staff, Mrs. Ballard; Donald Ballard; Betty Mundy; Paul Stickel; Bert Corporon; Frank Vonderhoya; Mr. Ely, their attorney; Jack Koster; and several others whom I do not recall at this moment.

Q Prior to beginning your interview, did you inform Mr. Ely or Mrs. Ballard or either of them as to the purpose of your interview?

A I did. I first showed my commission to Mrs. Ballard and advised her that the interview, of course, was entirely voluntary, and that she did not have to answer any questions at all. She indicated that she understood that, and that she was not only willing but very anxious to answer any questions.

Q Were Mrs. Ballard and Donald Ballard present throughout the course of that interview, Inspector?

A They were.

Q Did Mr. Dechter, your stenographer, transcribe his notes of the conference?



Mr. Nash. I withdraw the question. There is no reason why we should spend time discussing this.

Mr. Murray. All right. Let's go along.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Inspector, I ask you whether Mrs. Ballard informed you as to the name or names under which the business or organization was conducted.

A She stated that she operated under the name St. Germaine Foundation and St. Germaine Press.

Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard for her residence address?

A I did.

Q What did she state?

A She stated that her residence was at 1620 East 84th Place, Chicago.

Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard for the names under which she and her son received mail relating to her enterprise?

A I did.

Q What did she state?

A She stated that they received mail in the incorporated names, that is the St. Germaine Press, St. Germaine Foundation and the variations of those names, and that she also received mail in their personal names and in the names under which the books were written, that is under Mrs. G. R. King and Mr. G. R. King.



Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard for the dates of the incorporation of the respective enterprises, that is to say the St. Germain Press and the St. Germain Foundation?

A I did.

Q What did she state?

A She stated that the St. Germain Foundation was incorporated March, 1938; that the St. Germain Press was incorporated December of 1938; that they were Illinois corporations.

Q Did you ascertain from Mrs. Ballard at that time what she had been doing prior to the incorporation of these companies?

Mr. Nash. I object to that, if your Honor please, as being entirely irrelevant and immaterial.

Mr. Murray. Objection overruled. I think it is competent.

Mr. Nash. Exception.

Mr. Callahan. I asked Mrs. Ballard when the business or work or organization started, and Mrs. Ballard stated that the first book came off the press January, 1934, and that the book sales commenced at that time. Judge Armstrong, I believe, at that time interposed the remark that Mrs. Ballard had been conducting classes in her home in Chicago for some three or four years prior to the publication of this first book which would, of course, place it between 1930 and 1931 that they actually started classes.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did you ascertain from Mrs. Ballard who owns the two corporations?

A I did. Mrs. Ballard stated - -



shortly have in her possession, everything in connection with the ~~Co~~operations.

Q Did that refer to one particular corporation, Inspector?

A No, that referred to both - -

Mr. Nash. (Interposing) I object, your Honor, please, he is going into conclusions.

Mr. Murray. I think that has been covered. The inspector covered both corporations.

Mr. Callahan. She stated specifically as to ~~they~~ they were both taken up independently. Pardon me if I testified in that way. We took them up independently, and she stated specifically with reference to, first, the St. Germain Press and then the St. Germain Foundation, that she owned them both in their entirety.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard state who the officers of these two corporations were?

A She did. Mrs. Ballard stated that Donald Ballard was the president of both corporations, that Paul Stickel was the vice-president of both corporations, and that she was secretary and treasurer of both corporations.

Q Did you make any inquiry of Mrs. Ballard as to the gross receipts accruing to the two corporations, respectively.

Mr. Nash. I object to that, your Honor, please, as being entirely immaterial and irrevelant.

Mr. Murray. Objection overruled.

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Mr. Murray. All right.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Now, Inspector, did you have any conversation with Mrs. Ballard regarding what are called "Dictations" which appear in the various books of the "I Am" series?

A Yes, I asked Mrs. Ballard what these "Dictations" were. She stated that they were messages that came through from St. Germain, Jesus and other ascended beings, and that she took them down just as, and she pointed to my stenographer, and she said just as Mr. Dechter is doing now.

Q Did she state where any of those "Dictations" were received by her?

A Yes, she stated that they were received in their home in Chicago.

Q Did you address any inquiry to Mrs. Ballard with regard to the entity called "St. Germain", that is to say, whether he was a tangible person or an unreal figure?

A I asked Mrs. Ballard who St. Germain was, and she said that he was an Ascended Master, and that he was in a real, tangible body. She said that you could shake hands with him, and he was just as tangible as I was when I was standing before her.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard make any references to the - any "Dictations" emanating from Jesus at that time?

A Yes, she said that Jesus had dictated several, I think



the expression was he joined St. Germain and the others in dictating several of these discourses.

Q Did she state whether or not she had actually ever seen Jesus?

A She did. She stated he had held her in his arms. I think she said that he has held us in his arms. I believe that <sup>was</sup> the way it was expressed, and just as tangibly, just as I was standing there in the room.

Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard as to who authorized her or them, that is to say the Ballards, to promulgate or publish these instructions?

A Yes, I asked Mrs. Ballard first if there was any reason given why - for their selection out of all the people to spread this word as messengers. First she said no, and then she went on to say that it was because of their previous great service to mankind in other embodiments, and that the "Dictations" came through <sup>and that</sup> St. Germain had directed that they get them into manuscript form and have them printed and get them out as soon as possible. That is the best of my recollection.

Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard whether or not she had ever used a mailing list or a student list in connection with the formulation of her classes?

A I didn't ask that, but Mrs. Ballard volunteered.

Mr. Nash. The question has been answered to that; you didn't ask that.



By Mr. Haynes.

Q Now, I will ask you further, Inspector, did Mrs. Ballard make any statement as to whether she did or did not use student or mailing lists?

A Mrs. Ballard stated of her own volition that she had never used any mailing list and had never solicited or asked for student lists of any kind.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard make any statement as to whether or not she had ever asked anyone for any money to carry on this work?

A She stated that they had never asked anybody for a dime. That expression recurred a couple of times during the course of the interview.

Q Did you ask Mrs. Ballard from what source or in what books would be found these teachings, representations and instructions promulgated by her in connection with the "I Am" activities?

A Mrs. Ballard stated that "Unveiled Mysteries" and the "Magic Presence" contained a record of Mr. Ballard's experiences with St. Germain and the "I Am" discourses which came out later were the "Dictations" which had been received from these ascended masters.

Q Did you have any conversation with Mrs. Ballard relative to the manner in which these various books you have named were sold or placed before the public?



Mr. Murray. I think you are right about that, Mr. Nash.  
That foundation should be laid first.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard approve the comment or statement made by Judge Armstrong at that time, Inspector?

A She did.

Q Well, will you tell us then what that particular statement was?

A Judge Armstrong stated that these were great truths which had been guarded in - for centuries passed by the ascended masters in various retreats; that they were changeless, ageless and that the reason why mankind hadn't known about them before was because the ordinary humanbeings couldn't contact the ascended masters. That is in substance what was said.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard, Inspector, make any statement with reference to the public character of classes which she had been conducting, and if so, what did she state?

A Mrs. Ballard said that for some years the classes had been open to the public, but that it had been necessary shortly before that to close the classes because of some disruption which was <sup>caused</sup> ordered by somebody throwing stink bombs, or something of that kind, at some of the meetings.

Q You said ~~something~~ "shortly before that", Inspector. Can you clarify that?

A Shortly before the interview. As I recall, it was within



that previous year that the classes had been closed.

Q Inspector, may I ask you if you yourself ever attended or attempted to attend an "I Am" class?

Mr. Nash. I object to that, if your Honor, please; that has nothing to do with this interview we are discussing now and has no materiality in this case.

Mr. Murray. Objection overruled.

Mr. Nash. Excepted.

Mr. Callahan. I wanted to attend the class of the "I Am" which was at that time being held at the Shrine. I presented myself at the door there in Los Angeles, and I was told - -

Mr. Nash. I object to that, if your Honor, please. Again he is stating what he wanted to do and drawing all kinds of conclusions.

Mr. Murray. I think he has a right to state why he was refused admittance.

Mr. Nash. Well, who did it? How does it tie up with these respondents?

Mr. Murray. Let us go along. I think it's competent.

Mr. Callahan. The gentleman at the door told me that - -

Mr. Nash. (Interposing) I object to any gentleman at the door not <sup>identified</sup> ~~certified~~ if your Honor, please.

Mr. Murray. Objection overruled.

Mr. Nash. Exception.

Mr. Callahan. He told me that I could not be admitted as I didn't have a card of admission. I asked him what would be necessary to secure such a card, and he told me that I would need a - to have something from either Mrs. Ballard or one of the group leaders, so



the following day I called Mr. Henry Ely, Mrs. Ballard's attorney, and asked him if he would - I told him my experience the day before, that I had been unable to attend this meeting after presenting myself, and asked him if he would tell Mrs. Ballard about that, tell her that I was desirous of attending a meeting merely to sit there and observe, and that I would appreciate it if he would have her issue the necessary cards or credentials. Mr. Ely called me back in about an hour and said that Mrs. Ballard had told him it would be impossible to have me present at any of those meetings.

Mr. Nash. I move to strike the whole answer. It has nothing to do with the issue at all. Certainly the Ballards not being present couldn't be bound by anything like that. What Mrs. Ballard is alleged to have said comes third-hand to him.

Mr. Haynes. It comes through an authority who was present at this conference, Mr. Solicitor.

Mr. Nash. It is absolutely incompetent testimony.

Mr. Murray. Let the motion be denied.

Judge Armstrong. If the Court, please, let me be heard a moment.

Mr. Murray. All right, sir.

Judge Armstrong. Mr. Ely has not been engaged in this activity. He did not represent Mrs. Ballard.

Mr. Murray. I thought he was one of the attorneys for Mrs. Ballard.  
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an attorney in a law suit, has the right to do something about it, give him a card for him to enter when he did not have it and never claimed to so far as I know.

The Assistant Solicitor. I didn't so understand the inspector. I understood he communicated with Mr. Ely for the purpose of having him to inform Mrs. Ballard of the experience that he encountered in an attempt to attend a meeting in the shrine the previous night or day. Is that correct, Inspector?

Inspector Callahan. That is correct.

Judge Armstrong. If that is true, your Honor, that should be brought home to our side by the contact having been followed up with someone who did have authority in the question, and we are not responsible for what people did that haven't authority to do those things.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let the testimony stand; I think it is competent.

Mr. Donnelly, Sr. Exception.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Inspector, do you recall where we left off during your narrative?

A I think I answered the question at that time.

Q Now, Inspector, directing your attention again to the interview, did Mrs. Ballard make any statement at that time as to how she regarded the character of her organization?

A Yes, she did.

Q What did she state?

A Mrs. Ballard stated that this is not a cult, it is not a



religion, it is not a racket, and it is not a philosophy. It is the law of each individual's own life.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard make any statements with reference to healing activities at the interview?

A She did.

Q Will you tell us what she stated?

A She stated that Mr. Ballard had healed 20,000 persons in 8 years. I asked her what these people were suffering from. She said they were suffering from various ailments, various incurable diseases which the doctors had given up, and that they had taken these people and healed them.

Q Did she particularize at any time as to the specific character of any of these incurable diseases that she referred to?

A No, she did not.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard herself include herself as participating in healing activity?

Mr. Nash. I object to the question. That calls for a conclusion, if your Honor, please.

Q Did she state that Mr. Ballard himself was the only one of the Ballard family who participated in healing activities?

A Mrs. Ballard stated that this power had passed on to her and that she could do the same for others.

Q You are referring to healing?

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Mr. Haynes. Page thirteen.

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A Yes.

Q What was that?

A Mrs. Ballard stated that the Saint Germain Foundation was a non-profit corporation and had been granted tax exemption by the Internal Revenue Bureau. That ruling had been obtained for her by her attorneys here.

Q Directing your attention to the book "Unveiled Mysteries" to which Mrs. Ballard referred, Inspector, during the interview, did Mrs. Ballard make any statement as to whether or not she herself was with Mr. Ballard at Mount Shasta, California, when these adventures occurred?

A She stated that she was not with Mr. Ballard at that time, that she was at home in Chicago.

The Assistant Solicitor. When was this, Inspector?

The Witness. According to the book, it was supposed to have occurred in 1930.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard make any statement, Inspector, as to why Mr. Ballard was at Mount Shasta at that time?

A She stated that he was doing some work for his uncle and that he was working for the Government from some other angle.

Q Did Mrs. Ballard make any statement as to any mines on or about Mount Shasta as connected with Mr. Ballard's visit there?

A She stated that Mr. Ballard was manager of his uncle's mines and that that was one of the reasons for his being at Mount Shasta in connection with some investigation about mining.



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Mr. Haynes. We are basing a number of our representations in the memorandum of charges, Judge, on statements which appear in these various magazines. They are all part of an interwoven <sup>whole</sup> ~~piece~~; they all relate to the same idea, the same proposition--buying the "I AM" books and you will find, if you read through here, ~~that we propose to establish~~ various plugs for the books and for the ~~messages~~ <sup>magazines</sup> coming through from alleged Ascended Masters.

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The Assistant Solicitor. All right, let's go along and develop what proof you have.

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By Mr. Haynes.

Q Inspector, during the course of your investigation, did you secure copies of correspondence purporting to have passed between Mr. and Mrs. Ballard at various intervals during 1930?

A I did.

Q I hand you a number of, what purport~~s~~ to be, photostatic copies of the correspondence, Inspector, and ask if you can identify them.

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Q Now did you ask Mrs. Ballard this question, "Well, now, who gives these dictations? You will have to bear with me in this because I am trying to get at it the best way I can. It is a little unusual. Just who gives the dictations?" Do you remember asking that question?

A Yes, I do.

Q Do you remember the reply?

A As near as I can remember she stated that St. Germain and other Ascended Masters. They were later joined by Jesus and others.

Q Do you recall, in answer to that question, Mrs. Ballard stating (I am quoting) "The Ascended Master St. Germain dictated it to Mr. Ballard in my presence in Chicago"? Do you recall that answer?

A No, not in that form, Mr. Donnelly, I am quite sure that that was not the form of the answer. I'll find that here in these notes. Now, here is the question: "Who gave these dictations? You will have to bear with me, just who gave the dictations?" Mrs. Ballard stated, "The Ascended Master St. Germain dictated these to me in my presence in Chicago".

Q "To me in my presence?"

A Yes.

Q From what are you reading, Inspector?

A From the transcript of the stenographic report of the interview.

Q Did you take down that stenographic -- those stenographic



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A Yes, I do.

Q Do you remember the reply?

A As near as I can remember she stated that St. Germain and other Ascended Masters. They were later joined by Jesus and others.

Q Do you recall, in answer to that question, Mrs. Ballard stating (I am quoting) "The Ascended Master St. Germain dictated it to Mr. Ballard in my presence in Chicago"? Do you recall that answer?

A No, not in that form, Mr. Donnelly, I am quite sure that that was not the form of the answer. I'll find that here in these notes. Now, here is the question: "Who gave these dictations? You will have to bear with me, just who gave the dictations?" Mrs. Ballard stated, "The Ascended Master St. Germain dictated these to me in my presence in Chicago".

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A (Reading:)

"Perhaps I can say something to Mr. Callahan that can clear up things. We have proved through our experiences and we have proved this as it is stated in the instructions of the Ascended Master St. Germain, that the human body sends out electrical impulses in the process or during the process of thought and feeling that are of considerably higher frequency but are very much akin to that which comes from a radio transmitter and that rate of vibration sent out has just as definite effect in physical substance as does the X-Ray. Now, you know that neither you nor I nor anyone else ever saw or touched an X-Ray but the X-Ray will burn the structure of the physical \_\_\_\_\_ just as sure as open flame will, but all humanity through the centuries has failed to realize that discordant and destructive thought and feeling will destroy the tissue of the human body just as surely as the X-Ray will. However, the same law can be applied in that constructive thought and feeling will have actually set into motion electrical impulses which control the structure of physical substance in a beneficial manner to the human body, and I might also say at this point that the Mighty I AM Presence as we refer to it is the individualized portion of the Supreme Intelligence of the universe, call it God if you will, that breathes the breath of life into every human body and it is that life



which disconnects from a physical body at so-called death and which every scientist in the world has failed to fully understand or explain. Its a part of you that has thoughts and feels - feelings. Its your intelligence or rather, I should say, that the intelligence acting in the physical body, is a part of that life which perhaps will make a little more clear our stand that by the use of decrees which simply set certain rates of vibration into action that we can and do control certain action in physical substance, which is the reason we call this activity the law of life itself instead of a religion or any such similar name and that is why it should be divorced wholly from anything that humanity has thought of in the past as the supernatural\*\*\*"

Q     Maybe I can help you, Inspector. Did Donald then go on and say that "It is merely an application of the very laws that the scientific world is beginning to discover today and to carry it out to their fullest possibility of application as the scientific world will inevitably do in a few years to come, because already at -- I believe its Caltech -- they are starting to be able to measure the electrical impulses sent out in the processes of thought and feeling, and some day they will prove everything that we have set forth as the law of life. I trust that will give you a little more concrete understanding of just the principal from which we work."

A     That is right.



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A. I did.

Q. What did she state?

A. She said that was a pen name used by her husband in writing books and poetry. I remember she had another name by the name of King in the same connection, Godfre King. Mr. Haynes. I would like to offer these in one group, that is, Exhibit 73 and sub exhibits.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q. Inspector Purcell, did you at the time of your conversation with Mrs. Ballard regarding those letters make any inquiry as to who Leonora Killen, the addressee of those letters, was?

A. Well, in that connection, before I had a chance to ask Mrs. Ballard about the subject matter, she said to me "I know what you want to talk to my husband about". I asked her what it was, and she said it was in connection with a complaint made in behalf of Miss Killen at Denver, Colorado, who had been confined in a psychopathic hospital, and while she was there, I believe Dr. Peck got these letters and other papers and submitted them to the inspector in charge at Denver, Colorado, and made a complaint relative to the matter.

Mr. Nash. Now, if your Honor, please, I think the answer should be stricken. There is absolutely not the remotest connection between that statement and any issue in this case. It is hearsay, and a lot of statements were voluntary too.



scheme, on representations that the adventures related in certain of those books, namely, the first two, are real and factual, physical, and that when we read the text of these particular books we propose to establish by them that during the course of these experiences Mr. Ballard, as a result of those alleged experiences, claimed to have acquired certain, stupendous, supernatural powers, including the power to precipitate gold and jewels and other material necessities from the ether. This correspondence I offer will negative the possibility that either Mr. Ballard or Mrs. Ballard, who joined in writing that correspondence, could possibly have had such powers, and negative also the possibility that either of them could have any foundation upon which to base any honest belief, or did believe that they had such powers.

Mr. Nash. That is the most ridiculous thing that I ever heard of.

Mr. Armstrong. If the Court, please, I have never once listened to this kind of conversation and this kind of testimony in various courts of this land. There has never been one iota of proof by any witness living or dead that ever made such a statement. There is a record covering the whole trial of many weeks in California. They never attempted to prove that; Mr. Ballard never claimed that. Mrs. Ballard never made any such statements, and these men can't prove anything of the kind.



The Assistant Solicitor. Do you desire to cross-examine the inspector? I would like to know myself what actually transpired at this interview between you and Mrs. Ballard about this correspondence.

The Witness. I asked her in connection with our conversation how they got in touch with Miss Killen, and she said several years prior to the - to my interview with her - that Mr. Ballard had met Miss Killen in Denver, and that she agreed to contribute - voluntarily agreed to contribute money to Mr. and Mrs. Ballard to finance the publishing and distribution of these books, and that these letters were in connection with that voluntary statement that she was going to contribute, and that they were endeavoring to get that money away from her in those letters.

By the Assistant Solicitor.

Q Where is Miss Killen's complaint that was made to you by this Dr. Peck?

A Well, the complaint was from Dr. Peck, indicating that the letter was to the effect that these letters and various other documents or discourses contributed to the condition of Miss Killen being confined in a psychopathic hospital; that was the nature of the conversation.

Q Did Miss Killen actually contribute money for financing the publication of these books?

A Well, according to Mrs. Ballard she voluntarily offered to contribute money.



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Q What did you do?

A I worked on the portion of the manuscript that was given to me by Mrs. Ballard and reported on it after a few days.

Q Just what work did you do on the manuscript, Mr. Gysi? ✓

A The most important thing, I believe, I did in connection with that was to report to Mrs. Ballard that the ever recurring phrase on nearly every page, many times mostly, was the phrase "The Mighty 'I AM' Presence" and that was written in this manuscript in five or six different ways, and I worked out, what I considered the right way to frame this phrase and submitted it to Mrs. Ballard. She accepted my suggestion and it was incorporated in the book the way I suggested it.

Q I show you a copy of the book "The Magic Presence", Mr. Gysi, and leafing through the pages at random, we'll take page 28. I see the expression "The Mighty 'I AM' Presence". Do you see that?

A Yes. That is the way I proposed to have it and now it is uniform in the whole book.

Q What else did you do, Mr. Gysi, with respect to going over the manuscript at Mrs. Ballard's request?

A I found, for instance, one geographical error in the journey that Mr. Ballard describes which he took to India. The ports of call were in an entirely wrong order. For instance, it might be traveling from West to east to India. We stopped at Suez and at Port Said and then Karachi and then Bombay. ✓



Mr. Haynes. Government's Exhibit 82, Love gifts & Special Fund, Boston, October 18 - 27, 1935, shows a total of \$1256.20, bears the acknowledgment of Mr. G. W. Ballard, "Received in full the within amount, October 28, 1935". Government Exhibit 83, Love Gifts received in Philadelphia November 8th to 17th, shows a total figure of \$1737.40 bears the acknowledgment of Mr. G. W. Ballard, "Received in full, 11/18/35".

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mr. Gysi, can you state whether or not those reports include sums received from the sale of the Ballard publications?

A None whatever. That is purely love gifts.

Q Mr. Gysi, you have testified, I believe, that you became acquainted with Mrs. Betty Mundy during your Florida tour?

A I did.

Q And that she later became associated with Mr. and Mrs. Ballard and yourself?

A I did.

The Assistant Solicitor. Were you called an accepted messenger?

The Witness. No.

The Assistant Solicitor. What was your title?

The Witness. Assistant director, I think, was the official title.

The Assistant Solicitor. Who was the director at that time?

The Witness. Mr. Ballard.

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That is the solution to the enigma "I AM".

The Assistant Solicitor. All right, sir.

Mr. Haynes. (Continues with the Recapitulation)

979	Charts .....@	1.00	.....	\$	979.00
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By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mr. Gysi, do these receipts represent receipts which were obtained at the very beginning of this I Am activity?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I object to the question. He is in no position to testify on that question.

The Assistant Solicitor. Well, we don't know. Let's see if he knows.

The Witness. During these dates Mrs. Mundy received these sums--

The Assistant Solicitor. That is not responsive. He doesn't understand the question, I guess, Mr. Haynes.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I move that that response be stricken.

The Assistant Solicitor. All right, let it be stricken.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q I call your attention, Mr. Gysi, to these dates--various dates on, the remark referred to was duly stricken from the record.)



Mr. Nash. I object. It is entirely irrevelant.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

The Witness. When I reached Los Angeles, I arranged for classes at the Friday Morning Club, took a hall holding 350 people. That was soon too small, took the larger hall after four days. That was too small, took the Trinity auditorium seating 1200 people or more, and when that was too small I took the Shrine auditorium. That had a very large seating capacity, they call it the largest auditorium in the world.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mr. Gysi, when you were making arrangements for those classes in Los Angeles including those which were subsequently held in the Shrine auditorium, from what source did you obtain the names of the students who attended?

A The classes in Los Angeles--

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. (Interposing) Just a minute. I think that question is a little too leading, your Honor, please, asking--

The Assistant Solicitor. I don't think so--asking what source.

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Mr. Nash. I object. It is entirely irrelevant.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

The Witness. When I reached Los Angeles, I arranged for classes at the Friday Morning Club, took a hall holding 350 people. That was soon too small, took the larger hall after four days. That was too small, took the Trinity auditorium seating 1200 people or more, and when that was too small I took the Shrine auditorium. That had a very large seating capacity, they call it the largest auditorium in the world.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mr. Gysi, when you were making arrangements for those classes in Los Angeles including those which were subsequently held in the Shrine auditorium, from what source did you obtain the names of the students who attended?

A The classes in Los Angeles--

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. (Interposing) Just a minute. I think that question is a little too leading, your Honor, please, asking--

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The Witness. When I reached there, I telegraphed to friends--leaders of movements whom I had helped previously--to send me names of their students from the Pacific Coast.

The Assistant Solicitor. What movements do you refer to?

The Witness. I refer to, for instance, a gentleman living in this city, Dr. Homer Curtis, whom I helped in Boston and elsewhere. He sent me his students' names on the Pacific Coast.

The Assistant Solicitor. What kind of students?

The Witness. They were interested in religious thought--Christian Mystics, I think it is called.

The Assistant Solicitor. All right.

The Witness. Then I asked some other leaders of thought to send me their students. I had helped all these people before, and they tried to get me their lists of students on the Pacific Coast, and that was the nucleus for my building up this enormous class at the Shrine auditorium where we had 5,000 in the evening and 3,000 in the afternoon.

Mr. Haynes. In other words, you used the mailing lists? ✓

Mr. Nash. I object to that. That's a leading question, your Honor.

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes, that's a little leading.

How did you get in touch with these prospective students out there?

The Witness. I sent them circulars.

The Assistant Solicitor. Through the mails, or how?

The Witness. Through the mails.

The Assistant Solicitor. Did you advertise in the newspapers?

The Witness. No, at that time we didn't advertise at all.



By Mr. Haynes.

Q Have you any recollection, Mr. Gysi, as to approximately how many of these circulars you mailed?

A Some 5,000 at the time.

The Assistant Solicitor. Do you have any of the circulars you sent out?

The Witness. No, not here.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did you compose those circulars yourself, Mr. Gysi?

A I did.

Q Did either Mr. or Mrs. Ballard tell you what to put in them?

A I submitted the finished product to them. ✓

Q To them? - Specifically who?

A To Mrs. Ballard, and Mr. Ballard also. ✓

Q Now during this tremendous Shrine class, Mr. Gysi, were you still in charge of the financial end?

A I was.

Q Did the receipts from the classes continue to grow?

A Yes. ✓

Q Do you know of your own knowledge, Mr. Gysi, during the course of the Los Angeles Shrine classes whether Mr. or Mrs. Ballard hired people to assist them, in any phase of the class work?



The Witness. I don't know whether you would call it an ailment. ✓  
In Florida Mrs. Ballard had a very bad cold, that she could hardly  
speak.

Mr. Nash. I move to strike that, if Your Honor please. What has  
that got to do with it.

Mr. Haynes. It is material.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let the objection be overruled. She  
told the Inspector this, how she wanted to cure herself at the time.  
I think it is competent.

By the Assistant Solicitor.

Q How long did she have the cold down there in Florida?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. If he knows.

The Witness. Roughly, ten days. ✓

By the Assistant Solicitor.

Q Was she doctoring herself?

A Yes, I believe she did. She conducted classes during that time,  
and could hardly speak. ✓

Mr. Haynes. May I call your attention, Mr. Solicitor, to an excerpt  
from the "Voice of the I Am" magazine, dated March, 1939, pages 7 and 8,  
purporting to be a discourse from Mighty Victory. (Exhibit No. 47.)

(Reading:) "There are thousands of people who have been healed  
at one call of the Messenger's." ✓

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The Assistant Solicitor. We will take a recess now until two o'clock.

(Whereupon, a recess was called at one o'clock p.m.  
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Q Was Mr. Ballard to your knowledge invalided as a result of the accident?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I am going to object to the question. It calls for a little more than the knowledge of this witness.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection sustained.

Mr. Haynes. Do you know, Mr. Gysi, to what extent Mr. Ballard was injured in this automobile accident with Donald?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. That calls for a yes or no answer.

The Witness. I do.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q To what extent was he injured?

A He was unable to attend the classes that evening.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I object if your Honor, please. "He was unable to attend," that is his own conclusion.

Mr. O'Brien. That is not objectionable.

The Assistant Solicitor. All right. Let us go along.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. He can say that he didn't attend. We have no objection to that.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let us go along.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. May we have a ruling on that, the motion to strike that testimony?

The Assistant Solicitor. I will overrule the motion.



the books are replete with representations that the I Am teachings will promote harmony, harmony, harmony and eliminate discord, among the "Blessed ones". That's the point.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Government counsel is going to object to this religious proposition in here after all even though - -

The Assistant Solicitor. (Interposing) Wait a minute. Let's just one talk at a time. Go along and I will see if it is competent.

Mr. Haynes. You may answer the question, Mr. Gysi.

The Witness. Repeat the question.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Did Donald ever threaten you at any time?

A Yes.

Q What threat did he make?

A "I'll throw the blue flame at you."

Q Why did he threaten you, Mr. Gysi?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I am going to object to that, if you please.

The Assistant Solicitor. I don't know whether it is competent or not. Let him answer and I will see.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Why did he threaten you?

A Because I was not in favor of purchasing a new car. ✓

Judge Armstrong. If the Court, please, I move that that be stricken. Are we trying a law suit to determine something somebody had done wrong or trying to kangaroo somebody into some unhappy and unfortunate criticism of some atheistic and non-believer than that which is thought.



Mr. Nash. It is a promulgation of a religious and spiritual concept.

Mr. O'Brien. If you want my opinion it is a sacrilegious activity.

Mr. Nash. We don't want your opinion.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let's not have argument between counsels.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I move that the remarks of counsel be stricken from the record.

Mr. O'Brien. I move that all remarks with respect to religion be stricken from the record. The head of the organization admits positively that it is not a religion, and counsel is constantly dragging that ~~red~~ <sup>herring</sup> ~~chain~~ across the issues of this case.

Judge Armstrong. If the Court, please, I want to be heard.

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes, sir.

Judge Armstrong. Those statements are made for the purpose of, and in connection with an effort to clear the minds of the public upon the proposition that a new religious activity was being brought forth. This activity is an educational, spiritual activity for the purpose of enlightening the people and expanding their concept and understanding of the Christian religion as it was brought forth and released by the Master Jesus, and he has so stated. That is the foundation upon which it all stands. Mrs. Ballard has said repeatedly and it is found in some of the books, it is not a new religion. No, it isn't, but it is a spiritual, educational activity intended to inform the people and develop a true concept of what the Master Jesus brought here 2,000 years ago and brings into action the final truths that all he released, and makes it easier for man up to date to protect himself against the destructive humiliation that was about to suppress it at the close of this <sup>cycle</sup> ~~circle~~ when all things were to be made new.



The Assistant Solicitor. Let's go along.

Mr. Haynes. Government's Exhibit No. 10, discourse No. 5,  
dated October 17, 1932, <sup>uttered</sup> ~~ordered~~ by St. Germain, page 56:

"Autos: God is all seeing and all knowing, sees ahead and will naturally avoid undesirable contact. When you say God is driving this car, the vision of God goes ahead, sees blocks and miles ahead, and the prompting will come to go the street which is clear, because God is driving this car, our path is unobstructive in every way. There are two reasons why students have accidents. First because they have become angry and opened the door. Second because the student has laid ~~down~~ on the job."

One other excerpt from the I Am Decrees, Government Exhibit No. 7, page 105:

#### Automobile Protection

"Mighty I Am Presence, Great Host of Ascended Masters, Mighty Legion of Light, Great Angelic Host, Great Cosmic Beings and Great Cosmic Light charge every automobile with the Ascended Master's invincible protection forever. See that all students coming to or returning from all classes and activities of this Ascended Master's instruction of the Mighty I Am Presence are at all times invincibly protected, supplied without limit, perfectly controlled and directed only by their own Mighty I Am Presence and the Ascended Masters. Charge them in all they do under this radiation forever with the most gigantic, majestic Ascended Master Miracles of perfection eternally sustained and every expanded, their joy and freedom and light to all.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. If your Honor, please, I move to strike these passages read by counsel, because they certainly are not pertinent at this time, and ~~how~~ <sup>not</sup> it is <sup>not</sup> connected up with the matter we are now trying here.



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A I helped many nationally known lecturers.

Q All right, who were some of those lecturers that you helped, and how did you help them?

A By arranging lectures and finding fitting audiences for them.

Q And what type of lectures were these audiences arranged for?

A One would be for Dr. Robert Jackson from Toronto, Canada, on health and right living in which I am interested.

Q Anything else?

A There was another lecturer from California, Martin Petorias.

Q What was the subject of his lectures?

A Also correct eating and correct living.

Q Anything else?

A Manley Hall, on philosophy.

Q Any particular branch of philosophy?

A The religious philosophical side.



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A Christian Mystics.

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A I helped Dr. Homer Curtis when he came to Boston.

Q Were you what you call a business agent or business manager?

A Never. I did the collecting all the time.

Q Would you call yourself a student of that theosophy at the time?

A No.

Q Were you interested in it?--each one of these several that you had connections with?

A They were all, to my mind, doing good, so I helped them.

Q It is my understanding of your testimony that you had no financial interests in these movements?

A None whatsoever.

Q And You did it for love's sake?

A I did.

Q Now, did you believe in any of these theosophical doctrines that these associates of yours promulgated?

A Not necessarily a hundred per cent, no.

Q You might disagree with some of their ideas?

A Certainly.



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A No, if it hadn't been a worthy cause at that time, I certainly would not have helped them.

Q And is that the same instinct that prompted you to follow them from Boston to New York in the latter part of 1934?

A I wanted to hear more about their teachings by attending another class and seeing them again.

Q And, what prompted you to follow them to Washington, D. C., in the early part of 1935?

A A friend sent a telegram on January, the first, "I can take you there in my car and bring you back to New York".

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Q If You didn't think it was a worthy cause, would you have helped them?

A No, if it hadn't been a worthy cause at that time, I certainly would not have helped them.

Q And is that the same instinct that prompted you to follow them from Boston to New York in the latter part of 1934?

A I wanted to hear more about their teachings by attending another class and seeing them again.

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testify as a witness in the case of United States vs. Edna W. Ballard, Donald Ballard, and others about a certain letter, dated November 21, 1935, that had been given to you by Mr. Ballard?

A I think I did.

Q And did you identify that letter at the time?

A I must have.

Q Now is this a correct statement of what took place there at that trial, question: "I'll show you here a typewritten form, dated November 19, 1935, a copy of the form addressed to, "To whom it may concern", and signed the Ballards, and ask you if you have ever seen that before". Do you recall your answer, "I have"?

A Yes.

Q Question--"Where did you first see this"? Answer--"I received it from the hands of Mr. Ballard at my request". Is that your answer?

A Correct.

Q Now is this the letter that was then introduced in evidence?

This letter is dated November 19, 1935, and is addressed "To Whom It May Concern."

"This letter is to correct the mistakes made by our assistant director, Mr. Max Gysi. He called our students together for our class work and also explained about the precipitation of stones and a diagram about symbols received by a Mrs. Iola Bernard of Los Angeles, California. She and a Mr. Wayne Walker, also of Los Angeles, are claiming to be under the direction of Jesus, and the Ascended Master, Saint Germain.

"Saint Germain was with us in person, in the Visible, Tangible body in Philadelphia, Thursday November 14, 1935, and said:

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(Signed) The Ballards."

Is that the letter which <sup>you</sup> identified on the witness stand?

A I did.

Q In Los Angeles?

A Yes.

Q Is that the letter to which you referred at the time of your severance of your relations?

A It is.

Mr. Lazarus. Mr. Donnelly, may I interrupt for just one moment. I would like it to appear on the record because we don't have the letter before us apparently that this evidence appears in this letter that Mr. Donnelly read from. It is a letter signed by the Ballards; and within this letter signed by these Ballards is a quoted letter which has been given to the Ballards by St. Germain. As a prelude to the letter within the Ballards' letter, it states: "St. Germain was with us in person in a visible, tangible body in Philadelphia, Thursday, November 14, 1935, and said; and then it goes on to quote what St. Germain said, and the printed signature of St. Germain below it, and then it continued with the Ballards' letter. I would just like that to be part of the record.

The Assistant Solicitor. All right, Mr. Lazarus.



Q And you testified that you designed that symbol?

A Not this one. I told you this was changed after my original. You will find the one that I suggested in my notices. In 1935 when the movement grew, I went to Mrs. Ballard and Mr. Ballard, and said: "We must have a symbol, can you make any suggestion?" Mrs. Ballard said "No". Then I thought about it often, and one morning I had an idea.

Q Do you recall when that was?

A No, but I know exactly when.

Going to my only meal in the day, working for 16 to 20 hours and during that 22 hours, I went to my evening meal at Schabers Cafeteria in Los Angeles where we used to go about five o'clock for our meal, and I asked Mrs. Ballard to come from the end of that table to this end where I was, and in the trolley car going there I sketched on a very roughly shaking car the symbol that came to me which was I in the center and A and M on the left and right side of the I in a heart shaped form, and three flames, flickering flames, because they were referring to this in their discourses and their remarks from the platform. I showed it to Mrs. Ballard and she said: "Why, Max, where did you get that symbol from?" I said: "It just came to me and there was a very rough, shakey sketch," and she made a suggestion about the flames being just a little more, and I suggested that Mr. Sindelar draw from this sketch the perfect symbol, which was afterwards adopted by all. That is the history of that symbol.



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Q And when was the first time you met her?

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A Showed that stone.

Q Do you, of your own knowledge, Mr. Gysi, know what happened to that stone?

A That stone was subsequently set in gold in Boston.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Now, wait a minute, if your Honor please. Were you present at the time this happened? (Addressing Mr. Gysi).

The Witness. When what happened?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. When it was set in Boston?

The Witness. It was given to a friend of mine, a jeweler in Boston, Mr. Balmaken by name, who said that--.

The Assistant Solicitor. (Interposing) Who gave it to him?

The Witness. Mrs. Ballard gave it to him to set.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. In your presence? Did you see her give it to him?

The Witness. (Pause).

The Assistant Solicitor. How do you know that she gave it to him?

The Witness. I went all the time to Mr. Balmaken's shop where he was doing his jeweler work and I saw him and he told me that he had this stone and that he set it in gold.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I object to this last testimony, if your Honor please, unless it is more definitely established that Mr. Gysi knows--.

Mr. Lazarus. (Interposing) I'll establish that further, if you wish.

Q You saw that stone first when Mrs. Ballard showed it to you and said that it was a precipitated stone, coming from Mrs. Bernard, is



that right?

A I saw it that night that it happened--yes.

Q Then did you see that stone again at any time in the shop of this jeweler in Boston?

A I did.

Q And did you see that stone after it was mounted?

A I did.

Q And did Mrs. Ballard tell you where it was mounted or did you know?

A I knew. She didn't know the jewelers in Boston at that time and he was a student of the "I AM" movement.

Q Now was that the incident referred to in this letter dated November 19, 1935, when you were accused of explaining about the precipitation of stones to Mrs. Iola Bernard of Los Angeles, California?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Just a moment Witness, I object to the question.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

Mr. Lazarus. Will you answer the question, Mr. Gysi?

Mr. Gysi. Yes.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. How does he know, if your Honor please, what is meant by something that was written in this letter? Is that the incident that was referred to?

The Witness. Certainly. There was only one precipitation at that time, so that is what is referred to.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let us go along.



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A Those Mt. Shasta experiences did occur at that time.

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Q But the last chapter of the book says, "Many weeks had passed, and the morning of December 31st, 1930 came, and with it the Master Saint Germain." So the statement that the adventures are confined to August, September and October is not quite accurate, is it, according to the book itself?

A Well, he came a hundred times and many times after that, too. You see, Mr. Ballard went over to the forestry place around the Grand Teton. He was doing some kind of work investigating there and writing some stuff, and he stayed there a while and then he went back to the Grand Teton, and then he went to Denver, and he has reference to the visiting of the Master, and that doesn't necessarily mean that the Master came on Mt. Shasta. He could come to him anywhere.

Q Well, it says that the adventures occurred, on Mt. Shasta in August, September, and October, and the last chapter says something about visiting the Royal Teton?

A Yes, well that reference in that first part there that the items that were reported to have taken place on Mt. Shasta did, but he never went under the Amazon River on Mt. Shasta. He had to go down there. What I'm trying to say



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Q When did the Master Victory do that?

A It says in one of those books, I don't carry the dates in my mind. It explains that the Master Victory heads that hierarchy which is to take the place of the great and glorious ones known to us as the Kumaras who have guided the people of the earth for a long period of time-- Many hundreds of thousands of years. Soon after the great change they withdraw into the liberation and the Master Victory becomes the one in charge in his hierarchy of the activities of the earth, of the people of earth. All of these Great Masters are channels through which the God-head works.

Q Now in the letter dated "5/3/30" to "Blessed Angel of Light", which I take to mean Mrs. Ballard, and signed "Ray", he wrote this sentence: "I plead with you to conserve your energy that the writing intended may be given forth through you". As a matter of fact, Mr. Armstrong, doesn't that show to you that they planned writing these books back in May before even their own account states that they'd met Saint Germain, and was a plan that they had formed to publish certain books with Mrs. Ballard as the author?

A No, that doesn't show that, doesn't intend to show that. It has no relation to that kind of a situation. Mr. Ballard was not a man of finished literary education, and Mrs. Ballard did his writing in this life, as in one former life he did hers, and in that cooperative spirit she was to be the one that took the drudgery of preparing these things in mechanical form and getting them through the press and out of the press and to the



public, and she has done it.

Q And that was all, that sentence referred to that some months before the book says he met Saint Germain?

A That letter had reference to his work, he'd been working with Saint Germain for thirty years, those experiences--

Q It doesn't say so in his book?

A Yes it does, oh yes, and Saint Germain said so.

Q Where?

A Right there, you'll find it in the early lectures of the book he's been giving the people training for 30 years, preparing them for this activity. And he'd also been working with some of the rest of us, and the rest of us couldn't make the grade so he could use us. And, these were the only two out of the whole gang that he found in America, or throughout the earth, that he could use and depend on to do exactly what he wanted done the way he wanted it done, and that's the reason he took them. The Master Victory came here in 1900, I believe it was, or about that time, went all over this earth, all over America, and throughout all the civilized people and could not find a channel which he himself would recommend for that purpose.

Q How can you reconcile that explanation with the very first paragraph of "Unveiled Mysteries," page 2, paragraph 4? "I had planned such a hike for pleasure, as I thought to spend some time deep in the heart of the mountain when the following experience entered my life to change it so completely that I could almost believe I were on another planet, but for my return



to my usual routine in which I had been engaged for months." You still claim that he met St. Germain prior to that time?

A Surely, he had known him, had known him for hundreds of years, as a matter of fact, but the activity I'm talking about was on the inner plane, and what you're reading was on the physical plane.

Q Well, wasn't he writing letters on the physical plane?

A The letters were being written that way, surely.

Q Sure they were. And all during the correspondence with his wife, with which you are familiar, Mr. Ballard never once mentions the name Saint Germain, does he?

Mr. Nash: Let him speak for himself.

Judge Armstrong: Some of them do, some of them don't.

Mr. O'Brien: Well, can you explain why he discusses writing books and never mentions Saint Germain in the letters?

A He never insofar as I know, he--some of those letters do not mention that name. Those are not all of the letters by any means. Wherever it is necessary or desirable he did mention him.

Q What letters have you got where he mentioned him?

A I do not have them in my possession but I've seen a stack of them that high.

Q Didn't introduce them at Los Angeles, did you?

A All of them were not introduced,--they introduced what they thought was desirable and necessary. The Government knows about the others, they had them. --A lot of them. We never tried to hide anything. We've given the Government everything



The Assistant Solicitor. I guess you know <sup>that</sup> that/is his signature there.

The Witness. Yes.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

Mr. Nash. Exception.

Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Reporter, will you give me a exhibit number for this letter dated September 6, 1934?

The Reporter. 87.

Mr. O'Brien. The letter which has just been introduced in evidence is dated Chicago, Illinois, September 6, 1934.

(Letter dated September 6, 1934,  
Government's Exhibit No. 87,  
offered and received in evidence.)

"Mr. Harry Sieber

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Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Reporter, will you give me a exhibit number for this letter dated September 6, 1934?

The Reporter. 87.

Mr. O'Brien. The letter which has just been introduced in evidence is dated Chicago, Illinois, September 6, 1934.

(Letter dated September 6, 1934,  
Government's Exhibit No. 87,  
offered and received in evidence.)

"Mr. Harry Sieber

"Beloved Precious Brother:

"I Am sitting in the living looking at your Blessed Angel Deva as I write. This is the first evening we have had a chance to visit alone, Mrs. Ballard, your love and I, since the arrival of the class here.

"We are working so earnestly that the Mighty "I AM" Presence open the way and bring in the abundant supply of money to put out at least a Two Thousand edition of the "Magic Presence" and give you complete charge of the distribution of all the books. It must and does come about now.

"Blessed Brother, I have no right to say this but I know it is right to cut your self completely loose from Pelley in ever way. From the Inner Action there isent a chance he will right himself in this embodiment. Mrs. Sieber is like a new being. Don't let her be subject to anymore contact with him. I am sure that was the only cause of her illness which is forever consumed and corrected.



"We so much look forward to a class when Mrs. Sieber and yourself will be here together with those blessed children.

"We are having wonderful time. So much wish we were so situated to keep your blessed Angel Love here at the house all the time, she is so blessed and lovely.

"It is Divine to know such blessed ones as you and your blessed family. Remember us to them and that blessed Harry Jr.

"Even though this is brief, was determined to get this much off to you.

With all the love of the Mighty "I AM" made manifest to you and yours. With the full God supply of money in your hands right now. Yours in the full Power of the Mighty "I AM".

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Mr. Nash. Now, your Honor, I move to strike that explanation.

I don't see anything at all in that letter that has any bearing whatsoever in the issues here. Your Honor, may I ask whether this is to be considered as testimony against Mrs. Ballard and Donald Ballard when it has been testified that the letter was signed by Guy W. Ballard?

Mr. O'Brien. Now, Mr. Solicitor, this is merely - - merely shows the initiation of a business relationship between the Ballards and Mr. Sieber.

The Assistant Solicitor. It is competent for that purpose. Let the motion be disallowed.

Mr. Nash. Who is this supposed to be evidence against, if your Honor, please? Are we just going to take these things as they come, put it in and say here is some evidence. Is this to <sup>be</sup> held against Mrs. Ballard and Donald Ballard when there is no showing that it has ever



Mr. O'Brien. Exhibit 88 reads:

"1620 East 84th Place  
"Chicago, Ill.

"September 16, 1934.

"Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Sieber  
"P. O. Box 246  
"Lansdale, Pa.

"To Our Very Beloved Friends, The Siebers,  
"Beloved Children of the 'Light':

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"My dear Mr. and Mrs. Sieber and Family:

"I was hopeful that P. when he left here would change about, but his inability to hold himself steady in the balanced activity failed utterly. His willingness to allow viciousness and jealousy of the channel to enter into his consciousness has made it impossible to do some of the things I had hoped to do.

"If he continues in his constant destructive activity, he will endanger everyone with whom he is in association. The evidence of the Truty of this is that he has already done it and he really grows worse. When he wants individuals to do his way, he can seem very humble and thus draws their sympathy: but when he is plentifully supplied with money, he goes ahead with a ruthless hand.

"Should he get clear of this present charge, still greater danger is ahead because it will encourage him to be more ruthless than ever. All this I am saying to you in confidence for you are too fine to be drawn into something from which you cannot extricate yourself.

"I like the idea of the class work very much and I would suggest confining it to about fifty people unless there were places where it is possible to have more and the larger groups could be harmonized.



"You would always be free to let the individuals know that love gifts could be accepted but that the Messengers themselves may not even suggest it. It would be perfectly right for each group to understand that they were to take care of the expense of the Messengers, and I would further suggest that the harp be used before each class.

"Both yourselves and these good Messengers, being entirely unselfish, I am sure you will be able to arrange the financial division entirely satisfactorily.

"I do congratulate you on your blessed companion and beloved son in the wonderful manner with which you all have received this wonderful Truth. I assure you that the gate of freedom will open before you as you live more and more in that Glorious Majesty of the Mighty I Am Presence.

"You are a blessed family and I love you all dearly. This good Brother's feeling concerning your daughter was quite correct. So after all, she was not left out. Know at all times that I shall do all the Law of your Being permits to give assistance in every way.

"Not yet being a Messenger, as these two are, it is entirely within your province to offer suggestions which these Messengers may not do. So it seems to me you could co-operate in a wonderful manner that would bless you all in every way, and it gives me great joy to see your love and willingness to co-operate in this service.

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books, you should certainly have the same discount that we give to dealers which is 30% and so far as the love gifts are concerned, we could split fifty. Does that seem fair to you? Your family must be taken care of and at present this is a way by which we could get the knowledge of the 'I AM' before as many people as possible in the shortest time and that is important for America - now.

"We are still working to bring forth the money for publishing 'The Magic Presence' and the next edition of 'Unveiled Mysteries'. It will come from the right channel which the 'I AMPRESENCE' knows.

"We began a ten days class in Racine today and Saint Germain thinks it might be well to try out two classes in October and two in November in the East, if you care to arrange them. He thinks it best to return to Chicago for the first five or six days of each month to do the work with the large class here which is concerned with the national activity of blessing out country. At least this is his desire until after the holidays. In bringing the harp for the class work there will be no extra expense as we can check it on two tickets.

"If this meets with your approval and seems practical to you we shall not arrange any further classes in Chicago until later. Please let us know how you feel about these suggestions and know that Saint Germain and we thank you sincerely for your wonderful love and spirit of co-operation. We want to do all in our power to work as efficiently and joyously as possible for the mutual good of all concerned.

"We enfold you and your blessed family in our deepest love and blessings and all the good the "MIGHTY I AM PRESENCE" holds and we know only THAT "MIGHTY LIGHT" does everything through us all to manifest the fulness of Its Perfection and Plan.

"Lovingly in the Presence and Service  
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"G. W. Ballard

"P. S. Don sends the best of good wishes to Harry and the other children."



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Q You arranged that Washington class, did I understand you to state?

A I did.

Q How did you arrange for the class with respect to assembling the persons who were to hear the discourses?

A Sent out circular letters in Washington.

Q Did you have a mailing list?

A I did not.

Q Well, how did you get the names and addresses of the persons to whom the circulars were sent?

A I got them from Dr. Homer Curtis.

Q And how did you meet Dr. Curtis, or did you meet him?

Mr. Nash. I think this is going too wide of the case here, your Honor; do we have to go into the question of who Dr. Curtis was and all that kind of thing?

The Assistant Solicitor. I think it is proper.

The Witness. Dr. Curtis came into the Philadelphia class, the second Philadelphia class, and I met him there, and at that time he offered his list of names, and when it came to raise the Washington class I had no contacts here, so I asked Mr. Ballard to request the list of Dr. Curtis, and Dr. Curtis said to send the envelopes to him and he would address them, which he did.

A Yes, there was a return card in them to indicate whether they were interested in that, and then that was answered with a circular letter telling them when and where the meeting was to be held.



Q What is your street address there?

A 5337 Kenmore Avenue.

Q Mrs. Bliss, are you acquainted with Mrs. Edna W. Ballard, one of the respondents in this case?

A I am.

Q Were you acquainted with Mr. Guy W. Ballard?

A I was.

Q Did you ever meet Donald Ballard?

A Yes.

Q Where did you first meet Mrs. Ballard and when?

A I met Mrs. Ballard on the 12th day of September in 1930 in her sister's bookshop in Chicago.

Q What was the name of that bookshop?

A The Philosopher's Nook.

Q Will you tell us briefly the circumstances under which you met Mrs. Ballard at that time?

A I had gone in to get a book and my daughter was with me it was just the day before my little grand daughter was born--and Mrs. Ballard engaged my daughter in conversation, and myself also. I told her at that time that I wished we could get someone who would give us spiritual assistance for the coming ordeal and she volunteered to hold Betty, my daughter, in the Light three times a day until the baby was born and asked that I let her know when



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The Witness. September 12th.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q And, did you thereafter see Mrs. Ballard?

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A Yes, at that time Mrs. Ballard was publishing, writing and getting out a small weekly magazine. First, it was known as "The American Occultist"; later, "The Diamond". And she was assisting in her sister's bookshop where I met her frequently.

Q What was Mrs. Ballard's sister's name, Mrs. Bliss?

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Mr. Haynes. I will withdraw the question.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Do you know how that magazine was being distributed or sold, Mrs. Bliss, at that time?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Objected to. Certainly not material to this issue.

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Will your Honor consider that we have a standing objection to any questions about the--what is it?--"The American Occultist"? As long as it has nothing to do with this case we object to it.

The Assistant Solicitor. All right then, all objections to it.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Thank you, Sir.

Mr. Haynes. Will you read that last question, Mr. Reporter?

The Reporter. (Reading) Do you know how that magazine was being distributed or sold, Mrs. Bliss, at that time?

The Witness. Yes, they had the back numbers as well as the current numbers on sale in The Philosopher's Nook, and a little while later than that--I don't recall whether it was immediately or shortly after--we could buy them on a yearly subscription.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mrs. Bliss, I hand you a paper bearing the name "The American Occultist" thereon with the date June 6, 1930, and ask you if you can identify that, or state whether you have ever seen



By Mr. Haynes.

Q What are they?

A Those are both copies of "The Diamond" which I purchased, either on subscription or directly from The Philosopher's Nook.

Q And you have testified that the name of "The American Occultist" was later on changed to "The Diamond"?

A Yes.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. If your Honor, please, that certainly is improper examination.

The Assistant Solicitor. I think not. She has already testified to that, and why is it improper.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. If it isn't leading, I never saw a leading question.

The Assistant Solicitor. Well, she had already testified to it. Mr. Haynes was simply repeating her testimony.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Yes, and trying to emphasize it. More argumentative than anything else.

The Assistant Solicitor. Just saving time as I see it.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Well, we would like to save time, because we have been here long enough now.

Mr. Nash. Are these the same ones offered in evidence?

Mr. Haynes. Yes.

Mr. Nash. I don't understand from her testimony where they were obtained.



Mr. Haynes. Will you state again, Mrs. Bliss, to the best of your recollection where these particular magazines came from.

The Witness. Yes, I obtained them from the Philosopher's Nook, at 15 East Washington Street, Chicago, or else they were mailed to me. The last few copies I received were mailed to me on a yearly subscription. Prior to that I bought all the back numbers, all those that had been gotten out before I met Mrs. Ballard, as well as those that went on until she discontinued the magazine.

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Q And do these particular magazines have The Philosopher's Nook's name on them?

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Well, they speak for themselves if you'll offer them.

Mr. Haynes. I offer these in evidence as Government Exhibits 105 and 106 for the same purpose heretofore stated.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. May I examine the witness as to the identification of these documents?

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes.

By Mr. Donnelly, Jr.

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A I paid 25¢ a copy until I took my eight-dollar yearly subscription.

Q To whom did you pay that money?

A Mrs. Ballard, or at times when I went into the Philosopher's Nook they were on the counter there and if she was not in, her sister naturally sold them. They were part of the stock.

Mr. Armstrong. We object to this, your Honor, and move to strike all this from the record.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let the motion be disallowed.

Mr. Haynes. I defer the reading from those exhibits, your Honor.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Now, Mrs. Bliss, at about the time or shortly after the time that you met Mrs. Ballard, did you have any conversation with her with respect to lectures or talks which she was giving on metaphysical or occult subjects in her home in Chicago?

A Yes. About a year after I met Mrs. Ballard she called me up one day and invited my daughter Betty and myself to attend a Wednesday evening class in her home, at which we were to study together the laws of life.

Q And did you attend such classes?

A I did.



Q What subjects were discussed at these classes, Mrs. Bliss?

A Well, it was a general outline of metaphysical and occult subjects.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. If your Honor, please, I move that the answer be stricken.

The Assistant Solicitor. Let the motion be denied.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Unless the witness is qualified as an expert to testify to these things--metaphysical and occult. What do they mean?

The Assistant Solicitor. Let's go along with the examination.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q At those particular classes, Mrs. Bliss, were any teachings or instructions given by Mrs. Ballard which related to what is now known as the Saint Germain or I Am activity?

A Not at that time; that came later.

By the Assistant Solicitor.

Q How long did you attend these classes?

A From the time they started until 1934 when Mr. and Mrs. Ballard left Chicago on tour.

Q When did you first begin attending the classes?

A I met Mrs. Ballard in 1930, the classes started in 1931, and continued--that Wednesday evening class--continued until 1934 when they left Chicago.



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Q. All right.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. Would you ask the witness what year that was, your Honor, please? I see you are trying to get that time and so are we.

The Assistant Solicitor. It was July 4, 1932, when she first heard of the I Am, as I understand it, and it was some months after July 4, 1932, before you heard of Saint Germain, is that right?

The Witness. The I Am was not mentioned as such. They used the title, The God Head, and The Diamond Self, and other such things with reference to what later became the Mighty I Am Presence in their work, although the words I Am were used at that time, too, I am sure, but it evolved.

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Mr. Donnelly, Jr. We are going to object to any further examination on this subject, if your Honor, please. What are we having, a memory test here?

The Assistant Solicitor. Objection overruled.

The Witness. She read Mr. Spalding's books and from various books that are used in theosophy.

By Mr. Haynes.

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A "The Life and Teaching of the Masters of the Far East," Volumes I and II were read in class.

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A Yes. Mrs. Ballard, your Honor. She testified that they are

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The Assistant Solicitor. Let the motion be disallowed and the objection overruled.



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The Assistant Solicitor. Yes.

We'll take a recess until two o'clock.

(Whereupon, a recess was called at one o'clock p.m. until two o'clock p.m. of the same day.)

#### AFTER RECESS

The Assistant Solicitor. All right, you may proceed.

By Mr. Haynes.

Q Mrs. Bliss, I believe you testified in response to a question asked by the judge that you first met Mr. Ballard in Chicago in or about September, 1932. Is that correct?

A That is correct.

Q Now, prior to the appearance of Mr. Ballard in Chicago, Mrs. Bliss, had you ever heard of Saint Germain? Any reference to him by Mrs. Ballard?

A Saint Germain was brought into the teaching either just prior to or just after the time I met Mr. Ballard.

Q Now, any time prior to the time that you met Mr. Ballard in Chicago in 1932 and after you had met Mrs. Ballard in 1930 and began to attend classes, did Mrs. Ballard ever discuss where Mr. Ballard was?



A Yes.

Q What did she state?

A She said he was in California doing research work of a governmental nature.

Q Did she specify the location at that time?

A Not other than California. No.

Q Now, after you met Mr. Ballard in Chicago, did the classes of the I Am activity continue?

A Yes, they did.

Q Where were those classes being conducted at that time?

A At my home the Wednesday evening class was held at 2130 Lincoln Park West, and then one in Riverside at Mrs. Brownwell's was started shortly after that, and then one in Mr. and Mrs. Ballard's home on the south side of Chicago on Friday evening.

Q Three classes a week, is that correct?

A Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, as I recall.

Q Did you attend all of those classes yourself?

A I didn't attend the class in Riverside, but I did attend the one in my own home and the one in Mrs. Ballard's home.

Q Did you ever see Mr. Ballard at any of those classes?

A Yes, after I met Mr. Ballard and he started coming to the classes, he came regularly.

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which he was supposed to be having?

A No, not that I recall. Only research work. That is what I thought he was doing.

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The Assistant Solicitor. That would appear to be true, as I recall Mr. Gysi's testimony, he testified he prepared a pamphlet announcing the meetings in New York in the fall of 1935.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. In the Engineering Auditorium.

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. And he tried to recite from memory what was in the pamphlet and he remembered something about books.



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Letter dated Saturday 1 p. m., 5/3/30:

Beloved Meta:

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My Precious Sweet White Dove:

Yours of the 30 rec'd at 12 last night. Honey Sweet Precious Love, please don't think when I write of experiences here (seemingly unpleasant) that I am holding feelings against anyone or conditions, for well I know everything that appears is for my good. I may possibly know far more of what has gone on there, of the tremendous experiences you have gone thru there, for me, and our precious boy, never thinking of your precious self. That is why at one time I almost went mad. Dear precious heart I know you have only told me a small part of what has gone on there. But that I have been a channel of strength & healing to you, has sustained my reason. As I wrote you, yesterday I went to the Doerr's last night, they want me to come and take a room at \$4.00 per week. I could not make up my mind when there. So I got home at 12 p. m. As I was ready to retire, I sat in meditation a few minutes that the healing current might go forth to you, and as I finished, like a flash I knew. I was to accept the Room at the Doerr's. Immediately, such a flood of joy enveloped me unspeakable and I slept. On awakening this morning, my call I have waited for, for 30 years came, not by sight or hearing, but I just positively & certainly knew, and was ask, "Are you ready to serve, where you are directed." I said, I certainly am ready. Then take the room and serve where you were almost ready to refuse, and according to your joy & poise in serving will the time be reckoned. I said, I joyfully accept.

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Worlds of love & blessing to the two most precious ones.

Your adoring,

Ray.

Bring one trunk so you can bring yours & R's boots and all you need without having to carry lot of things with you on the train: I am only a block from the Depot.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. May I interrupt counsel, if your Honor, please, for just a moment?

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes.



Mr. Donnelly, Jr. We might be able to simplify the issues in this case considerably if we knew exactly what the contention of the Government was as far as these exhibits are concerned. Is it the contention of the Government that Mr. Ballard was not at or near Mt. Shasta in the months of August, September, October and November of 1930; or is their contention that even though he was there he did not have these experiences? I think the answer to that is the crux of this case.

Mr. Lazarus. May I clarify that, Mr. Solicitor?

The Assistant Solicitor. Yes, sir.

Mr. Lazarus. The contention of the Government is that Mr. Ballard was at Mt. Shasta in that time. He was up there trying to write stories which he planned to sell as was brought forth in that last letter. The contention of the Government further is that Mr. Ballard was experiencing great hardships at that time in getting enough money together to support himself and his family, and that appears from these letters. Now in contrast from the miraculous, actual, physical, visible, tangible experiences that he had as set forth in the books relating to being with the Ascended Masters in their halls of gold, we feel that the Solicitor might be able to draw some conclusions from that. Possibly it will be deemed that those experiences were not real. We also feel that the various experiences set forth in the books would have been related in these letters had they occurred, and there is no



evidence whatsoever in the letters that these experiences as set forth in the books did occur. Rather than that, Mr. Ballard speaks of simple matters like walking to the top of Mount Shasta and planning to boil some eggs in some hot springs up there.

Mr. Nash. I hesitate to interrupt counsel but isn't this all argumentative, Judge?

The Assistant Solicitor. Mr. Donnelly asked for the contention and Mr. Lazarus is stating the position of the Government.

Mr. Nash. Well, the point of it simply was this, Judge--.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. We questioned him about issues, that is all, and he can answer which is which.

The Assistant Solicitor. I think he has answered your inquiry.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. I think he has, too. We have a concession of record, then, that the Government will admit that he was at Mt. Shasta at that time.

The Assistant Solicitor. That is my understanding--.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. (Interposing) Then we know where to go from there on.

The Assistant Solicitor. The Government said that the experiences related in the book "The Unveiled Mysteries" that the experiences on Mt. Shasta with Saint Germain are not actual experiences, as I understand.

Mr. Donnelly, Jr. We are very satisfied with that statement in front of your Honor as to the issues in the case. I think we can get along very nicely from there on.



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Well, our life & affairs are now under perfect Divine Order. So be it.

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on Sept. 29 being today, was surely a direct message  
to me, Through the eyes of Spirit, - perfect vision-  
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I cannot go to any of these little towns for these people are passing back and forth through them every few days, but before that I will have found out the situation at Jackson, Wyoming.

Gee this is all more Fascinating than a Sherlock Holmes.

Thanks for the booklets, probably wont do much reading for the next ten days, while I have this Typewriter, I like the Royal fine.

Yes I am quite comfortable thanks to you my precious Angel love.

You just bet we will soon have it so R. can come out in the mountains and run to his hearts content, I hope in the next letter you will have read the manuscript. can hardly wait for your comment.

We sure have given some service in this old world of ours, when you read "Unveiled Mysteries", no wonder I have been so interested in Mining, this time, if you love the first book you will worship the second.

Worlds of love and Blessing to you both, and great avalanches of prosperity pour into your use now.

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The last letter dated Oct. 1, 1930:

Beloved Angel:-

I have been held so steady at the typewriter, havent had a minute to get a word to you, so am making one grand rush now to get this off to you, I am now under ground on the Madeira, branch of the Amazon. and I have Just taken down three typed pages of the most marvelous words ever uttered it seems to me, by the Being who Officiated there Sixteen Thousand Years ago, I think this is the place once intimated to us, I began this morning and didnt stop until after three didnt dare to stop less I loose the connection it is simply marvelous.

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