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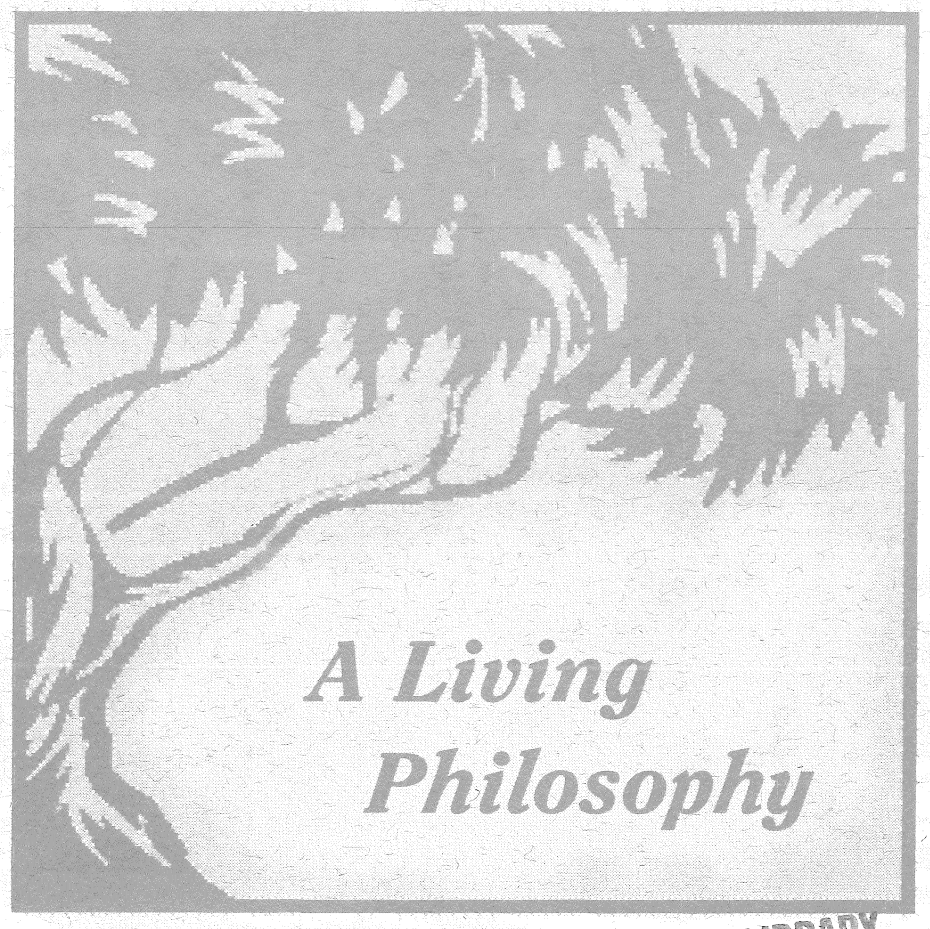
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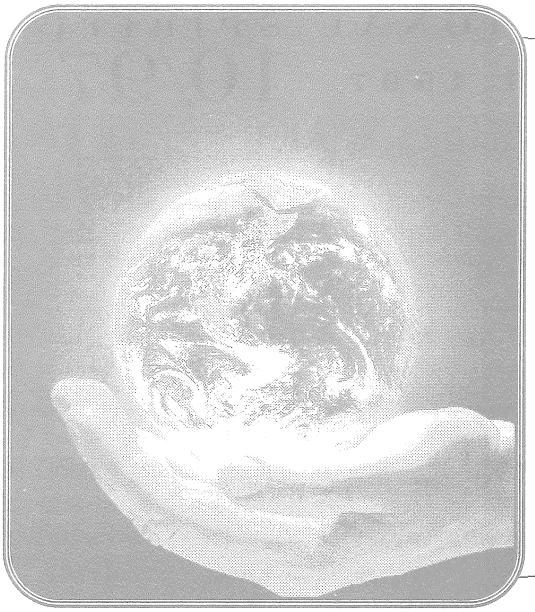
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Our Living Philosophy
A Comparison!

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Spiritualism Is a Philosophy *because it studies the Laws of Nature, both on the seen and unseen sides of life and bases its conclusions upon present observed facts. It accepts statements of observed facts of past ages and conclusions drawn therefrom, when sustained by reason and by results of observed facts of the present day.*

Spiritualism is based on Natural Law, a living philosophy, and is a way of life. All religions are a way of life, so it is interesting to compare a few of the major differences and similarities. The main tenets of the religions may be different, yet the central theme is the same, a desire and a search to be more attuned with the Infinite. There is One Divine Creator, One Source of Life that is concerned and loving of Its Creation. One God, called by many names, described in many ways, with an infinite number of pathways leading to the Great Infinite Spirit.

Spiritualism teaches that all religions contain truth and that life is a perfect expression of Infinite Intelligence with each person where they are supposed to be, learning the lessons the immortal soul requires to grow. In an effort to keep an open/even mind and be well informed, let us examine some comparisons of a few religions to demonstrate the infinite variations to the pathway of Light, but that also show us that mankind is indeed a religious being.

It is not the purpose of this comparison to present the entire beliefs of a religion, for this would take volumes rather than pages. Also, within each religion, there are variations of beliefs. So this is a capsule examination of just four of the World's Religions and their fundamental philosophies.

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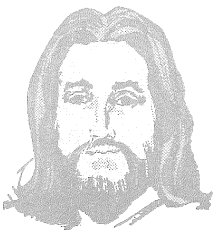
This is an excerpt from a wonderful series of articles printed in *TNS* during 1979, written by Herbert L. Schneider, about the book, *The Penetralia*, by A. J. Davis.

A. J. Davis provides twelve commandments of Laws of which the sum of them is: "to do good and harmonious works for the redemption and ennoblement of your fellow men." This is to be done without discrimination, because the human race is but one family. "To do this is the highest homage to the Great First Cause which was before all things and in which all things exist."

1. **The Law of Self Love:** is the foundation of all individual rights and liberties, without vanity or self abnegation.
2. **The Law of Conjugal Love:** demands the keeping of pure spiritualizing conceptions of the true marriage relation without deviation.
3. **The Law of Parental Love:** calls for pure and reverent devotion, for the foundation of the world is Childhood. Respect and care from the embryo onward with exemplary conduct in the presence of the young so as to prevent laxity of moral principle or blindness to the Divine Existence.

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OUR LIVING PHILOSOPHY – A COMPARISON! *(Continued from previous page.)*



CHRISTIANITY

Creation – God created man and then out of Adam's rib, God formed woman. Human's were created in the image of God, perfect, but they fell or sinned, thus atonement became necessary.

Trinity – The Holy Trinity of Christianity is God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

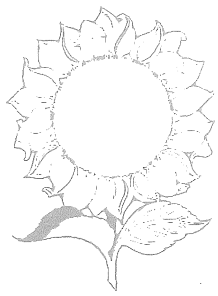
God – God in three persons, the Father being the Creator, the Son being the Savior Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit being the Animating Inspiring Force. God is Love, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnipotent. Gave mankind the Ten Commandments to show them how to live. The **Bible** is the Word of God.

Religion – Asserts religion is a question of Salvation which Jesus (God's Only Son), through his crucifixion on the cross resolved – "the just for the unjust." Asserts original sin because of the Fall of Adam; the Immaculate Conception of Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Practices Baptism, to remove Original sin; Confirmation, to receive the Holy Spirit; Communion, to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

Based on Vicarious Atonement and the precepts and doctrines taught by Christ and his disciples and written in the **Bible**. The Creeds never change. The Apostles Creed stressed in Christianity was taken from the "Old Roman Creed" and its first record in the exact form used today appeared in the writing of a missionary named Pirminius who died in 753 A.D. The **Bible** is the infallible voice or word of God, and teaches through parables, the Commandments and thou shalt nots. Moses taught the Law and Jesus taught Love and Law, and to "know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

The Devil or Satan is considered a personal tempter that causes individuals to stray and do improper things.

Heaven and Hell are literal places. Salvation is through repentance, faith, baptism and belief in Christ whose atonement removes sin. **Hell** is pictured as a place of death, degradation and destruction; of punishment, fire and fear; of devils, hopelessness, helpless, and eternal torment. **Heaven** is pictured as a glorious place with the saints and angels surrounding God and Jesus. A paradise of beauty, music and leisure. Some teachings say after **death** of the physical expression, that the soul will sleep until a **Universal Judgement Day.** At this time Gabriel will blow a horn for the souls to be awakened and judged as worthy of heaven or hell. Salvation is by God's grace, judged by Christ at the Second Coming. He will decide who will be transported to paradise and eternal life. All others and all those who are **unsaved** will be sent to an eternal bottomless pit of fire and brimstone ruled by Satan and the fallen angels. There is no chance of redemption for the damned.



SPIRITUALISM

Creation – Infinite Intelligence created human beings and continues to express and create through humankind. The spark of the Divine Mind is within, but mankind was given free will which is subject to personal responsibility through God's Natural Laws.

Trinity – The expression of body, soul and spirit. The body is matter or the physical expression, the soul/mind is the spiritual expression and the Spirit is the activating, animating, sustaining force.

God – Infinite Intelligence, Divine Source, Spirit, a positive, creative, inspirational force in All Life, unlimited and the sustainer of the Universe. God is Love and Law, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnipotent. One God, undivided, within all, expressing through all.

Religion – "Spiritualism asserts the object of religion is to furnish knowledge and understanding that man may recognize his relationship to all else in the universe, and thereby better prepare himself for his future existence."

Based on Science, Philosophy and Religion. It incorporates truths found in all religions and philosophies and upon the demonstrated fact of continuous life proven through mediumship. It accepts the teachings of Jesus, for he taught the basic truth of the Law of Love. Spiritualism feels that doctrines and creeds are limiting and static, and that concepts must be open to change as mankind steadily progresses mentally and spiritually. The **Declaration of Principles** is the code of fundamental truths which are open to personal interpretation and have been often changed to embody new findings. It finds truths and mediumship in the **Bible** and other sacred texts, but feels they are not infallible, are written by and interpreted repeatedly by man throughout the ages.

Heaven and Hell are states of consciousness. There is no **Devil**, for Spiritualist's believe there is One God, Undivided, All that Is, a Force of Intelligence and Love. We feel that the Kingdom of God is within, part of our consciousness, part of every cell and atom, therefore, we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey **Nature's Physical and Spiritual Laws.** Universal Law is constant, immutable, order, Divine Principle, binding on all creation, does not judge, rather it teaches and shows the way. It is taught that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any human soul, here or hereafter. That upon death the departed soul travels to the next dimension of life to continue growth and spiritual progression. That a soul is attracted to the sphere of light and energy and consciousness that is comfortable and in accordance with their development. Some of the planes of existence have limited light but there are spirit guides to guide all souls in this area to a brighter existence, to the Light.

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BUDDHISM

Founder, Siddhartha Gautama, known as Buddha (563 B.C. - 483 B.C.) "The Enlightened One," for he sat for 49 days of meditation under the Bodhi tree.

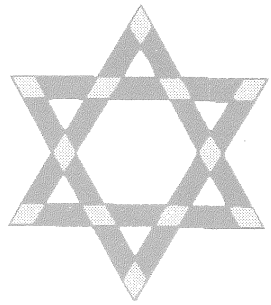
Creation – There is neither creation or a Creator in Buddhism. "The rising of the world is a natural cause. Its rising and perishing are by nature itself." Buddha believed "that the word is spirit and life." A concern for humanity, love for all things is its nucleus. Believe that all men are equal in spirit potentiality.

Religion – The cause of suffering is because of human craving and selfish desire due to ignorance, but by right living and mental disciplines, one may remove these cravings. The way to grow out of suffering is through a system of human conduct based on rationality and service. It relies very little on anything supernatural. Buddha is not worshiped as a god, but as an embodiment of a principle of enlightenment. The first religion to send out missionaries. They believe in reincarnation and the doctrine of Karma.

Based on The 4 Noble Truths (Suffering is universal; the cause of suffering is craving; the cure for suffering is the elimination of craving; the way to achieve the elimination of craving is to follow the Middle Way, described in the Noble Eightfold Path.) **The Nobel Eightfold Path** (Right knowledge; right intention; right speech; right conduct; right means of livelihood; right effort; right mindfulness; right concentration.) **5 Precepts** (To abstain from the taking of life; to abstain from the taking of what is not given; to abstain from all illegal sexual pleasures; to abstain from lying; to abstain from consumption of intoxicants because they tend to cloud the mind). Teach the **Middle Pathway** (Avoid extremes in life). A Buddhist practices detachment from the turmoil of daily conditions, not by a set of rules, but more of a way, a technique of action, so the individual may achieve the tranquility of selflessness.

The Devil – Mara, is the evil tempter of the world of passion. Believe in the fires of hell, but the loving compassion of the Bodhisaitva will lead inmates from hell to salvation.

Heaven and Hell – There are differing concepts of the afterlife or Nirvana, but most agree it means releasing delusions and desire of the physical world. Some feel Nirvana means the end of any continued separate existence and the individual's consciousness merges with Universal Consciousness. They believe in Nirvana which is the absolute, beyond time and space, the eternal world, the ultimate end of all aspiration. The way to attain this goal is through the Wheel of Rebirth, through good works and good thoughts in successive lives, reincarnation. Truth, knowledge and service lead to Nirvana. Love for all life.



JUDAISM

Abraham received God's earliest covenant with the Hebrews. They trace their ancestry through Abraham's son Isaac. Circumcision decreed as a mark of their divine covenant with God. A Chosen People with the responsibility of love for All. Moses was the Lawgiver, taught that God, Law, and Life are Holy.

Creation – God created heaven and earth in six days and on the seventh day God rested, and blessed the seventh day as holy. Adam, man, was created from the dust of the ground and Eve, woman, from one of Adam's ribs. The fall of Adam and Eve brought sin.

God – "One Living God and His Law." Believe that God is the Creator, Author and Guide of everything; that God is unity; that the Creator "is not a body and that he is free from all the properties of matter, and that he has not any form whatsoever;" that God is first and last; that it is right to pray, for God is a personal God; that the Creator knows our thoughts and deeds and rewards or punishes those that keep or transgress the Commandments. Monotheistic. Jehovah can be an angry but loving God, very close at all times. "I AM that I AM." Not part of a triad, God alone, above all, not part of nature, above it.

Religion – Aim of religion is holiness and its spirit humane. Love and Law are the same. In Judaism, history and religion are inseparable, so there is "a continuing re-enactment of the drama of Exodus: bondage, liberation by God's grace, service to God as a result."

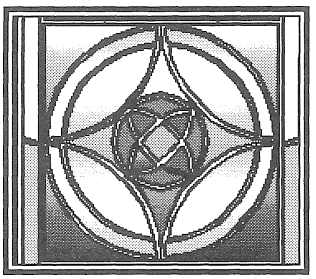
Based on The Ten Commandments given to Moses. The **Torah** is a scroll of the Law, is handwritten on parchment. The body of oral law, *Mishna* (repetition) and the *Gemara* (learning) were finally put to paper and is known as the **Talmud** (teaching). It is where the Code of Ethics is written. Sacred books, **Bible** (Old Testament), **Talmud**, **Midrash**, the **Torah** (most revered-first 5 books of the **Bible**). Hebrew's try to know the will of God through knowledge and study of the **Talmud** and **Torah**. The **Cabala (Kabala)** is the mystical tradition or a metaphysical teaching thought to help one experience God, and used to foretell the future. Judaism is divided into 3 kinds of congregations: Orthodox, Conservative, Reform. The teachers or leaders of the religion are addressed as rabbi. The seven-branched menorah is significant in Judaism. The Unity of God is supreme.

The Devil – Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement is a yearly 10 days of repentance. God is one, so is life, so all life is sacred. Man, being man, cannot escape sin, but Love and Law show man the way. They teach the supremacy of goodness above ceremony, dogma, or duties.

Heaven and Hell – The human is a spark of the Divine and God's gift is life. Believe in a hierarchy of angels, thus a Spirit Dimension.

There is a cause for everything that happens, for every action a reaction. For every thought and deed there is a corresponding result.

There are no miracles, because all events happen according to Natural Law – more specifically according to the Law of Cause and Effect. The chemist in his laboratory knows that by combining certain chemicals, certain effects will result. We know that we find ourselves at any given moment in a certain place because of events which preceded this point in time – events which we ourselves brought on or encouraged one way or another.



We learn through experience to set causes into motion that bring health, harmony, and happiness as their effects – if that is what we are truly seeking. By understanding this Law, we learn to accept personal responsibility for our own actions. If you are dissatisfied with the events in your life, change them by changing the causes which have brought these events about.

Sometime this week, if you find a situation is causing you a problem, sit down and retrace your steps prior to your current situation. Jot your steps down on paper. You may be surprised to find out how you brought this on. You may be dismayed to see how you created this predicament. Or you may be encouraged to realize what progress you have made and that your current situation is simply a hurdle in your pathway to a goal you set for yourself. The Law of Cause and Effect makes us realize that we must take personal responsibility for what is going on in our lives.

As a Spiritualist, I have come to believe in thought power. I believe that mental force, good, bad, or indifferent, can be considered as one and the same thing – a force or substance, acting under different rates of vibratory motion. Thought force travels in waves, much the same as the sound waves of a radio.

As we study, we realize that our material progression, as well as our spiritual unfoldment, is governed by our own mental processes. The phrase "As a man thinketh in his heart so he is," happens to be a real and demonstrable theory.

Some writers say that our deeds control our lives. This is very true, but the thought comes before the deed. We bring happiness or unhappiness into our lives through the power of our own thought habits. Therefore, if we control our thoughts, what is detrimental to our progression and well being, will not come into being.

We create what we want and need with our minds, at least that is how we start to bring substance into our lives. I have been taught that THOUGHTS ARE THINGS. We can put limits on ourselves if we allow ourselves to think in a negative manner. It is up to us to take personal responsibility to create what we want and need in our lives.

Thoughts held in the mind will cause us to be attracted to conditions, persons, and things that reflect our persistent thoughts. We will associate with people and things that are the same as our thoughts. For instance, notice how people who think alike tend to group together, be it a gang of teenagers who are negative or a gang of teenagers who are trying to do good in the community by creating positive situations. They tend to find those who think and feel the same. Some people are unhappy in situations, such as a marriage, however, when they leave one marriage and go to another, many times the same problems are still present. This happens because we tend to stay with or choose the same type of person for the second marriage. We also tend to keep the same ideas. We should look at ourselves, see what we are attracted to, write down our ideas concerning our relationships, then see if and where we need to make changes. This will help us to find what will make us happy.

Never make an assertion, no matter how true it may look on the surface, that you do not want continued or reproduced. As you think and create an image in your mind, you begin to bring it into being.

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Choose thoughts which focus on the good we desire, rather than on the loss, limitation or lack we may be experiencing. Concentrate upon the perfect outcome of challenges.

Four modes of mind are:

1. **ONENESS:** we are one with our habitual thoughts, and one with the activity of our mind action.
2. **ORDER:** order establishes the right sequence, or right timing and right relationships among things.
3. **CIRCULATION:** circulation governs life, as in breathing or blood flow. If circulation stops, stagnation prevails. Circulation always brings more of what we circulate.
4. **ATTENTION:** focus on truth, rather than fact. Truth is enduring, facts are changeable, facts only seem real. The more attention we pay to something, the more influential it becomes.

One of the greatest mental handicaps to health is the "fear thought." So many things in our present society instill this in us. And likewise doubting, which is closely associated with fear, is a common practice which we need to eliminate from our lives. We must counter these negative possibilities with the opposite, with Faith. Faith is a way of thinking, a fusion of thought and feeling which is so complete, and flexible that no external events or happenings can move you. We all have faith of some kind, but we must have faith in the positive possibilities and not the negative.

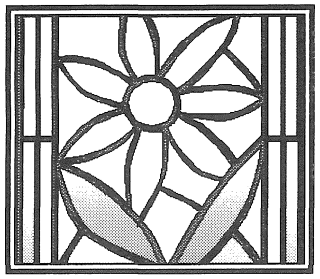
All affirmations that are constructive and positive are an advantage to us. Just to have in our subconscious storage, such as the well known affirmative statement "Day by day, in every way, I am getting better and better." Such thoughts help to keep us in an optimistic attitude of mind. The thought or truth underlying the suggestion will cause the subconscious knowledge to develop spiritual realization.

Knowing the Laws governing thought vibrations and our responsibility as to the effect of these thoughts upon others, as well as ourselves, should be an incentive to us to assume

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responsibility as to the nature of the thought we send out that will eventually become a part of the great Cosmic Consciousness.

The following are some ideas about using thought power to make your life better, so you can use this power to create what you want and need in your life; improve your quality of life; increase your learning ability; help bring out your creative talents to practice self healing; help you know your needs; re-experience your childhood; stretch your imagination; deepen your feelings of love; sharpen perceptions; discover strength and beauty; feel good; go beyond present limitations; go beyond the physical material world and enter a complete world of spiritual material balance.



CAUSE AND EFFECT

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To use thought power effectively, you should first select your goal. Your goal must be: clear and well defined; realistic and available; based on correct information; actively set; of interest to you; constantly be kept in mind; concern the future and must mean something to you.

1. **Set your goal:** To set your goal, decide on something you would like to have, work toward, realize or create. It can be on any level – a job, house, relationship, change in yourself, increased prosperity, happier state of mind, improved health, beauty, or better physical condition. At first, choose goals that are fairly easy for you to believe in, that you feel are possible to attain in the fairly near future. That way you will not have to deal with too much negative resistance in yourself, and you can maximize your feelings of success as you are learning creative thought power. Later, when you have more practice, you can take on more difficult or challenging problems.

2. **Put yourself in a relaxed, receptive state:** Meditation, in the same manner you have already learned, is the best state to use.

3. **Create A Clear Idea or Picture:** Create an idea or mental picture of the object or situation exactly as you want it to be. You should think of it in the present tense as already existing the way you want it to be. Picture yourself with the situation as you desire it to be Now. Include as many details as you can. Examples: kind of new car – go into detail to see and feel every aspect of the car, the make, model, color, seats, smell, feel, even sound. For a new job – see the place, the people, see the building and the office or area, see the type of work and see yourself doing the work there. Become aware of the feelings you associate with the pictured goal. Let both your body and your mind experience whatever is there.

4. **If negative feelings come up**: Fear, anger or anxiety for example, it is important not to push them aside, experience them. Look for what is causing these feelings. Explore them or challenge them. They may point to a counter current that is undermining the positive visualization. They may indicate that you need to deal with another aspect of your life first. Or they may indicate the reemergence of an old, habitual **no** to expansion, growth and satisfaction. Sometimes saying no to your no and standing by your right to pleasure and success will move you through the place. Sometimes the negation is deeper and more persistent. In that case, using visualization can help you to find out why a part of you resists or rejects what you think you want.

5. **Experience the visualization** with your other inner senses. Listen for sounds. Use your sense of thought, if it seems appropriate, smell or taste what you find in your visualization. The more complete the experience, the more aware you are of both the sensory and feeling components, the more power you give to it.

6. **Bring your idea or mental picture to mind often**, both in quiet meditation periods and casually throughout the day when you happen to think of it. In this way it becomes an integrated part of your life. It becomes more of a reality for you, and you project it more successfully. Focus on it clearly, in a light gentle way. It is important not to feel like you are striving too hard for it or putting an excessive amount of energy into it that would tend to hinder rather than help.

7. **Focus on your goal** and think about it in a positive encouraging way. Make strong positive statements to yourself that it exists, that it has come or is now coming to you. See yourself receiving or achieving your goal.

8. **Tell yourself in words**, and send into yourself the thought, that you deserve the very best in life, and especially the state or object or goal that you are visualizing.

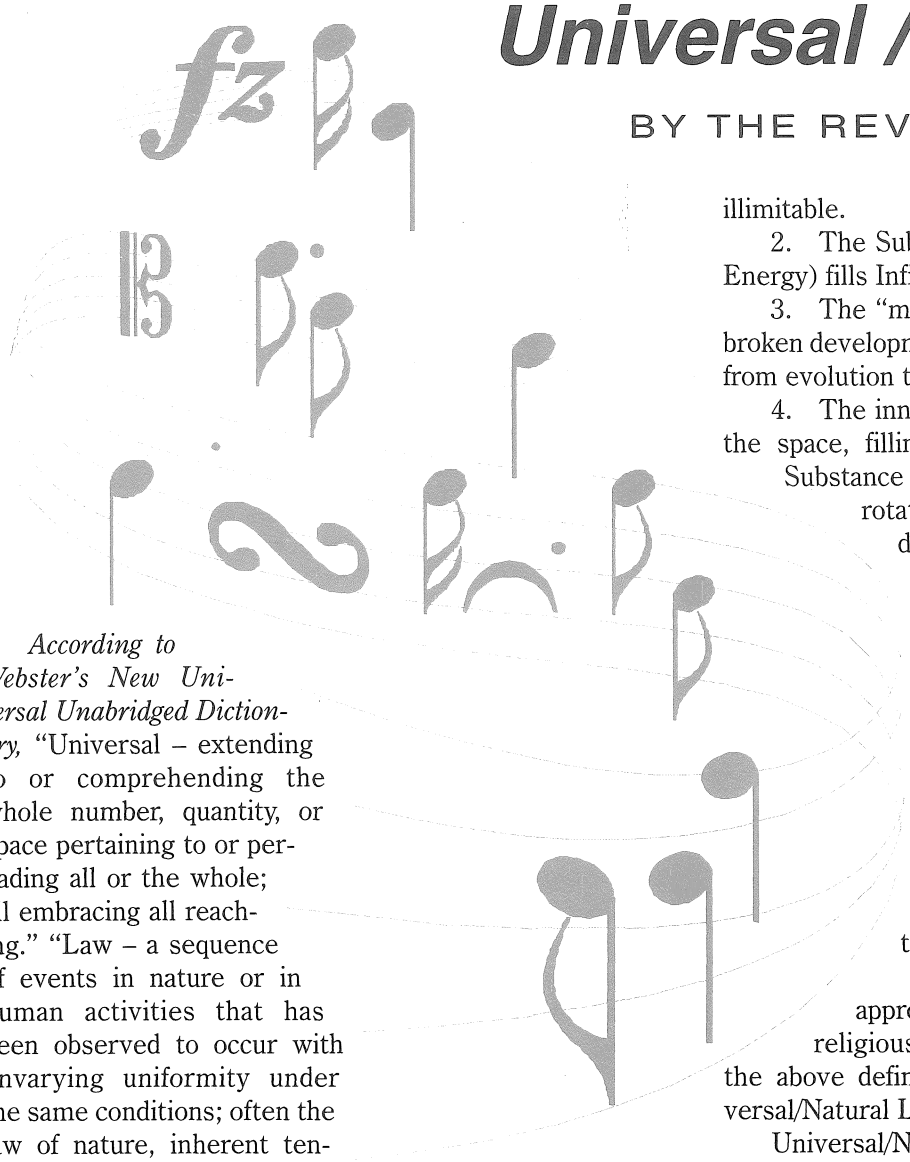
9. **Trust and believe** that you will have what it is you want. The positive belief serves to motivate the visualization. Believing means that you just give this process an honest chance. You need patience, as it may take time to manifest, and willingness to accept that there are many possibilities below your consciousness and beyond the limits of your present experience. You also need to consider that what may appear to be coincidence is not. This is a live process of Cause and Effect, of consciousness creating reality.

When we want or need changes in our lives, it is our responsibility to put into motion the thoughts and deeds to bring these changes about. Our spirit guides and loved ones are near to direct and guide us. We must remember that these spirits will guide, they will not force us. They will not make our decisions for us. Natural Law dictates that we use our free will to make our lives as we want them to be.

As a Spiritualist, we study Natural Laws. Natural Law is another name for God's Laws. We see that everything happens according to these Laws and at no time, for any reason, have these Laws been set aside or broken. These Natural Laws are in effect even if we do not know about them or if we do not understand them, they are still always in effect.

Universal / Natural Law

BY THE REV. BRENDA J. WITTICH



According to Webster's New Universal Unabridged Dictionary, "Universal – extending to or comprehending the whole number, quantity, or space pertaining to or pervading all or the whole; all embracing all reaching." "Law – a sequence of events in nature or in human activities that has been observed to occur with unvarying uniformity under the same conditions; often the law of nature, inherent tendencies, that portion of morality which supplies the more important and universal rules for the governance of the outward acts of mankind."

"Natural Law – rules of conduct supposedly inherent in the relations between human beings and discoverable by reason; law based upon man's innate moral sense; the laws of nature, collectively."

Natural Law, Universal Law, Cosmic Law, Divine Law, and God's Law are all interchangeable terminologies. The awareness that they are synonyms can assist in avoiding unnecessary confusion.

Cosmology is defined as the theory or philosophy of the nature of principles of the universe which deal with the origin and general structure of the universe, with its parts, elements and Laws.

According to Sir Oliver Lodge, the following complete the concept of cosmological theorems (an idea, statement, belief, method generally accepted as true, generally accepted by persons watching a situation under like conditions and seeing the same results):

1. The Universe or Cosmos is eternal, infinite and illimitable.
2. The Substance, with its two attitudes (Matter and Energy) fills Infinite Space and is in eternal motion.
3. The "motion" runs through infinite time as an unbroken development with periodic change from life to death, from evolution to devolution.
4. The innumerable bodies which are scattered about the space, filling the ether, all obey the same Law of Substance or Constancy or Cosmic Law – while the rotating masses slowly move towards their destruction and dissolution in one of space, others springing into new life and development in other quarters of the universe.

Matter never dies, it only changes form. Matter becomes energy and energy becomes matter according to the rate of vibration which it moves.

There is a Universal Presence that acts as though it were intelligent, and we may assume that it is.

There is a Universal Intelligence acting as Law – we may assume this to be true.

The term Universal/Natural Law can be approached in a variety of ways, be it scientific, religious or philosophical. However, based upon the above definitions, we can draw a composite of Universal/Natural Law.

Universal/Natural Law is that part of the Eternal Law of God that is made known to us by our reason. It governs our actions towards God, towards humanity and all creation.

Universal/Natural Law is that Law which God (Infinite Intelligence, the Source, Divine Mind) has set in motion to govern all that has been created or is in being. It is immutable and unchangeable and we know of no instance where the Source (God) has set aside that Law in response to any human appeal nor suspended that Law for any reason. Universal/Natural Law is the order and system of all of creation, seen and unseen.

It is a great line running not only through the physical world as we know it, but through the universe (seen and unseen), reducing it like parallels of latitude to an intelligent order. All of nature is in harmony: humanity in all its relations stands therein. We will discover that harmonious Law is apparent in the physical, mental and spiritual modes of existence. These modes of existence seem to imply separate Law(s) governing each, this is an illusion. The Laws manifest at different rates of vibration but are the same Laws. Universal/Natural Law is actually a series of Laws

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and each has its purpose. We are fully aware of many of these Laws, but there are many yet to be revealed until humanity reaches a higher level of comprehension. Consider the Hermic axiom which states, "As above, so below," and the Ancient Axiom, "By discovery of one, learn thou of all."

Knowledge of Universal/Natural Law and its operation are essential to the unfoldment and development of the spiritual nature of humanity. Knowledge leads to understanding and understanding leads to proper application, harmony and attunement with the Law.

The instrument which we use to acquire and apply knowledge is **Mind. Mind is the instrument of Spirit – The Power Which Knows Itself.**

Mind – No one has ever seen Mind (Infinite Intelligence) or Spirit (God/Source/Power). The only proof we have of Mind is that we can think, but we are perfectly justified in believing that we have a mind. Actually, there is no such thing as your mind and my mind, there is just Mind, in which we live, move and have our being. Mind is both conscious and subconscious. Conscious Mind is Spirit, either God or humanity. Unconscious Mind is the Law of conscious Mind acting and is, therefore, subconscious or subjective. Mind is potential energy, while thought is the dynamic force which produces the activity for manifestation. To our current knowledge, the One Mind is Truth. Our mind, that point in God-Consciousness which we call our mind, is as much of Truth as we will allow to flow through and bless us.

We need to grasp the idea that potentiality of all things exists in the Divine Creative Medium of Mind. Through this principle, we can and do demonstrate healing of the body of condition. It acts mathematically and neutrally because it is the Law. The Cause, thought/idea, is always unseen and the Effect is observed and perceived through our physical senses. Spirit is self knowing, but Law is automatic and obeys the will of spirit, having no alternative other than to obey. All Universal/Natural Law is impersonal and compelled to act. Spirit thinks or knows within itself, and as a result of this inner action, creation manifests. As we think about ourselves, we are surrounding ourselves with a mental atmosphere and nothing can enter this except through the avenue of thought, be it conscious or unconscious. However, we can learn consciously to control the stream of thought which we allow to enter our inner and creative mentalities.



Thought is an inner movement which is largely the result of our perception of life and our reaction to it. Every time this movement takes place, it takes place within Mind as Cause according to the Law. We deal with the same power which molds and creates universes and all within their systems. Our ability to use this power is not limited by Principle/Infinite Intelligence/God/Law, but limited by our understanding of it. We are dealing with a neutral, Creative Power, just as we deal with any natural force. This Creative Power is of the highest vibration because it is Infinite. Our thought, when it is externalized, will reach its own level of creativity, just as water reaches its own level without effort.

Each of us is the result of all our previous thoughts and actions based upon our usage of the Law. When we realize this, we shall see that what we are, have and experience are the results of what we have thought, we can then realize what we shall become is contained in what we are now thinking. Nothing will happen to us that does not happen through us. We are bound by nothing except Law and our belief in its action. **(Speak of belief as not being necessary for the Law to work, but belief as setting limitations on the Law.)**

All branches of Universal/Natural Law with their respective attributes are complementary and mutually interdependent, one Law naturally flows into another Law and they all work in conjunction.

1. **Law of Desire** – All things start with the desire, which is colored by the force of emotion and will power. It matters not if the desire be for something material or for advancement in thought, knowledge or soul growth. Desire is the beginning which when followed by study and application leads to the expansion of a person's mental horizon, unfoldment and contact with the Law of Love.

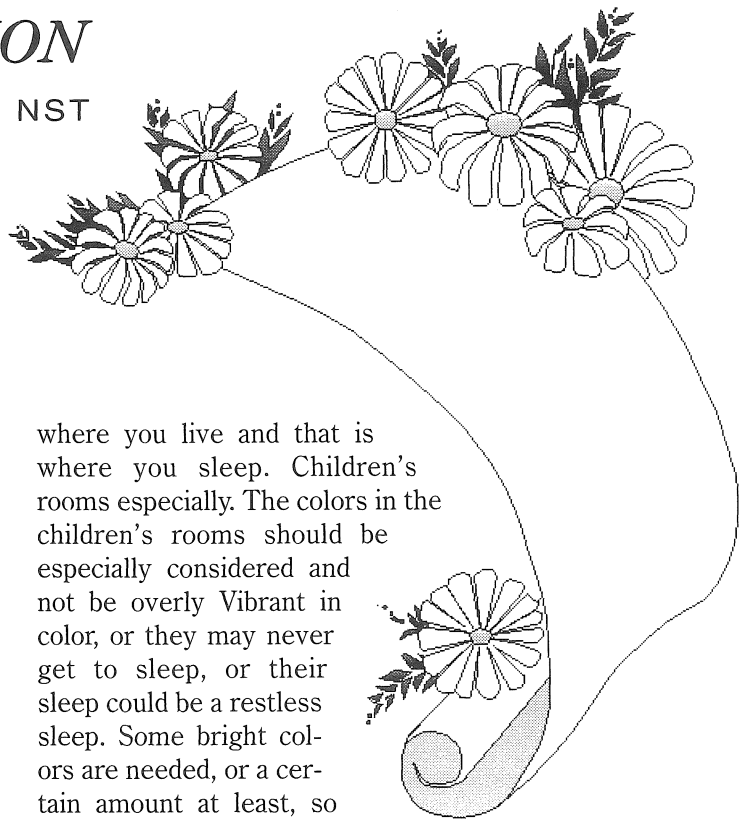
2. **Law of Love** – Love is the cohesive element in all creation. It is eternal, present in all things and the abode of conscious memories, traits and personalities. The Law of Love makes it possible for us to meditate, contemplate and be. Love never dies and is the bond by which we continue to exist after death and communicate with our loved ones in the other dimensions of life. Love is that which puts the Law of Attraction into action. This Law is active in all of creation.

3. **Law of Attraction/Repulsion** – This Law works with desire and proper attitude to determine our progress in life. We draw to our self that which we have created in thought, action and deed. Through this Law, we draw to our self those in the physical and spiritual worlds who are in harmony with our desires, our unfoldment and soul growth. This is due to the Law of Vibration or atomic affinity. Based upon our rate of vibration, we can also repel from our self those individuals and situations which are not conducive to our growth. The Law of Attraction/Repulsion always begins in our

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THE LAW OF VIBRATION

BY THE LATE REV. FRANCES SCHER, NST



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The Law of Vibration is an important Law, for without Vibration we would not even be here. We would not even be motivated. We could not do anything. It is the Law of Vibration that activates us mentally, physically and spiritually. What is most important for you to understand is, all people have a rate of Vibration. It is the same as all people being born with some psychic ability. Some Vibrations are higher than others, but we all have a rate of Vibration . . . and not only does every human being have a rate of Vibration, but all things, and all animals, every thing animate and inanimate. It doesn't matter what the material may be. We cannot see Vibration, the same as we cannot see the wind, or electrical current, yet we know it is there. We have felt the wind, and even some of us have felt electrical current, and yes, we have also felt Vibration.

We have felt Vibrations that come from other people, from objects and materials that surround us, and we wonder sometimes why we feel a certain way about some people, and not the same about all people. That of course is due to the fact that everyone's Vibration is different. Some are Vibrations we feel good with, others we feel perhaps negatively. Some Vibrations overwhelm us. We do not see Vibration, we see the results of Vibration.

I taught, in my class, that we select people to sit in our circle who we feel a good balance with. So, while we each have our own rate of Vibration, all those who are in the class are under the same umbrella, where each one can learn and develop in this rate of Vibration. As long as the Vibration in our circle is compatible with each and every one, it would then uplift the rate of Vibration of that particular group of people. The most important thing is to be in Harmony with people you sit with, or people you visit or see socially. If you do not get along with certain people, it simply means that you and they are not within the same realm of Vibration. This does not mean that you can never be friends, or that you cannot get to like that person or persons. Our Vibrations change. As we learn, as we progress, our rate of Vibration becomes higher and stronger if you will.

We do change, as the Vibrancy flows through us. It is the Vibrancy we feel from the music we hear, from the flowers that we see, the beautiful colors that people wear, or have in their homes. Most people do not realize how important it is to have the proper colors in their homes. That is where you live and that is where you sleep. Children's rooms especially. The colors in the children's rooms should be especially considered and not be overly Vibrant in color, or they may never get to sleep, or their sleep could be a restless sleep. Some bright colors are needed, or a certain amount at least, so that there is enough energy to keep the child, or adult as well, with enough strength to balance out any negative Vibrations that may be in that person's Vibration.

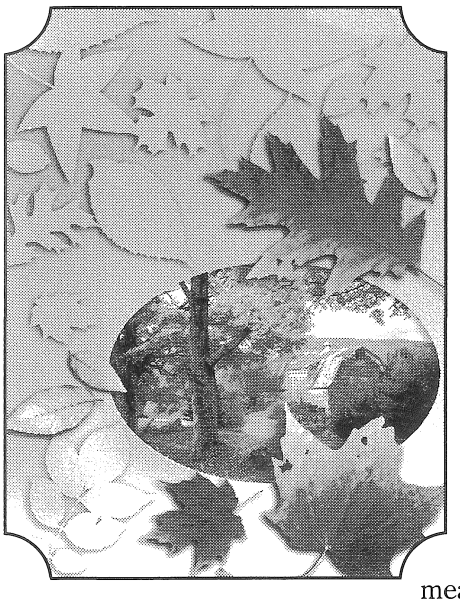
Now you hear us talk about raising your Vibrations. Why are we saying that . . . what does this have to do with anything?

Well, it has to do with our spiritual growth. If we can raise our rate of Vibration to a particular Plane, or level, and the Immortal Spirit can lower theirs to that same level, then we can come in contact with that Spirit Entity. This is how we receive our messages, our lessons, or whatever the Immortal Spirit wishes to bring to us – by coming into oneness with those who come to teach us and guide and assist us from the Spirit World.

We are taught over and over again how important it is to consider the Law of Cause and Effect and the Law of Attraction. We must know more about the Law of Vibration if we are to understand any of the other Laws. If you think about these Laws, the very titles of these Laws, such as the Law of Attraction, what does this mean? It means just what it says. We are going to attract people, or things, or conditions to us, not just from the Spirit side of Life, but from our very own Earth Plane. How do we receive better positions, better wages? How do we receive good and honest friendships, how do we receive anything, or anyone? We are attracted to them, as they are attracted to us. But it is through our rate of Vibration that we do attract all things and all people to us.

Scientists are coming closer to believing and proving

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NATURAL LAW
The Law of Association!

BY THE REV. BERNARD F. BAKER, NST

Natural Law has been called by different names, such as Natural Law; God's Law, Cosmic Law, and other names. If you think about that, those names all seem to mean the same thing!

Natural Law has also had several definitions and all of those seem to mean the same thing.

For instance, Peggy Barnes says that Natural Law is the Law that God set in motion to govern all that was created. It is immutable and unchangeable. We know of no instance where God has set aside that Law in response to human appeal or for any other reason.

Henry Drummond states that Natural Law is an ascertained working sequence or constant order among the phenomena of nature. He further points out that the Law of Nature is simply statements of orderly conditions of nature and what is found in nature. Also, that Natural Law is a great line running not only through the universe; reducing it like parallels of latitude to an intelligent order.

Webster defines Natural Law as a body of Law or a specific principle held to be derived from nature and being binding upon human society in the absence of or in addition to positive Law.

Here are a few interesting questions for you to ponder: How many Natural Laws are there? Which is the most important Law? What can happen if we don't follow the Laws? Do the Laws apply equally to everyone? Is there any deviation to the Laws?

Of course I could go on and on with such a list of questions, and they all are important and should be answered. Perhaps you, the reader can seek your own answers to these and other questions regarding Natural Law. That would be an exercise well worth the effort and one that would provide you much more information and learning than simply reading the answer to a question.

Instead of answering these interesting questions I thought that I would focus on just one of the Laws for this article, and that Law is the **Law of Association!**

This Law is not as frequently discussed as some of the other and better known Laws, but it is just as important as any of them. Here is a formal definition of the Law:

The Law of Association establishes harmony and forbids injustice. We reflect that with which we surround ourselves. As we develop greater awareness and understanding, we raise ourselves to a higher level of understanding. So to raise ourselves to these greater levels, we must consciously and carefully choose those with which we associate.

Reading this definition you can begin to feel just how important such a Law actually is. Our daily lives often reflect our instinctive compliance to this Law, although usually without our conscious effort. I often think of this when I go to church. I do consciously choose to go to our Spiritualist church at every opportunity, and that is where I most often have the opportunity to enjoy the company of other Spiritualists. Of course, I usually don't think about the Law of Association at church, but it is surely at work.

The definition begins by stating that this Law *establishes harmony and forbids injustice.* Well, just like choosing to attend a Spiritualist church is your own personal choice; you also may choose whom you want to be with or associate with. As far as the harmony goes, you have the responsibility of choice. So if you do choose to associate with a person or persons where there may be conflict, you have in fact violated or ignored the Law. The resulting difficulty would have been caused by your failure to properly choose your associates.

Surely by this same reasoning injustice is forbidden. What does happen is the direct result of your own personal choice. As a result, you reap the results of your associations, whether positive or negative, causing no resulting injustice.

The definition goes on to state that *we reflect that with which we surround ourselves.* How easy it is to see the truth in this statement! Not only are young people often led astray, but also even mature people fall prey to associations with negative or vicious people.

Have you ever agreed with someone or acted in accord with them simply because you are in or part of a group with them? Of course you have (if you answer the question honestly). Well, what if those people have only their inflated egos as the reason for their actions? You have reflected the desires of such people, simply because of your association and have yourself become a victim. Look closely at such situations and remember that not only do you have personal choice, but you also have personal responsibility.

Personal responsibility is surely a most important aspect, isn't it? You cannot blame another person for any harm that you do. You cannot say that because of your association with someone you caused despair to another. No, the Law of Return, or the Law of Cause and Effect come into play as a result of your ignoring or violating the Law of Association. The result is for you and you alone to realize.

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4. **The Law of Fraternal Love:** is that which binds mankind in a vast brotherhood of races and nations. It is charitably thinking no evil of your neighbor, because the wise know there is no absolute unrighteousness, but only transgressions in degree of certain principles. Therefore let there be no distinctions made against your brother man, neither theological, political or social so that there is no division of one opposed to the other.

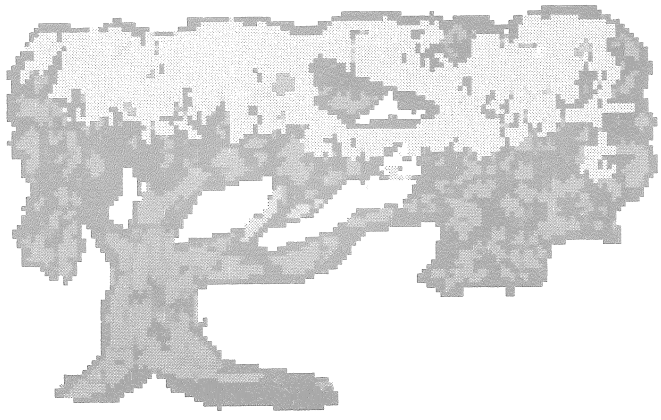
5. **The Law of Filial Love:** is to honor thy father and thy mother, because they were instrumental in giving you an eternal individualized existence. Gratitude is next to generosity. However no individual is required by Divine Law to sacrifice individual rights to perform imposed duties. All disrespect for the rights of others is a violation of Filial Love.

6. **The Law of Universal Love:** is to identify your peace, prosperity and happiness with that of others, eliminating all selfishness. Isolated activity involving self alone is contrary to this law.

7. **The Law of Use:** is to apply all things and means available to good purpose, whether the utilization of an inborn talent or converting misfortune to success. Avoiding desecrations of any natural object by misapplication or the profanation of any function or faculty by misemployment; such as, "using the lips to pray to God or to imprint the betrayer's kiss."

8. **The Law of Justice and Material Success:** is by seeking the vocation for which you are best qualified and to prosper without ever infringing upon the rights and liberties of others.

9. **The Law of Power:** is the employment of the energies of the body and mind for human good and happiness by avoiding idleness.



10. **The Law of Beauty:** is concerned with both the objective and subjective, the inner and outer man. It involves pleasurable symmetry and agreeable conformation of body and mind or in any object. There must be a harmonious balance. "The beautiful lives in the depths of the soul," where injustice has no place.

11. **The Law of Aspiration:** pertains to our progression. It requires us to constantly reach upward spiritually and to be consciously grateful for all higher accomplishments.

12. **The Law of Harmony:** requires every effort to be put forth to preserve that which is best for our fellow mankind and his progress toward Harmonial Unity. Sincere effort on our part will bring the necessary spiritual help for accomplishment. The intelligent application of love and wisdom is essential to achieve Harmony.

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that the Law of Vibration is indeed the foundation, the reason for all things to move, to change, to progress. They are now looking into and building all kinds of instruments by which they hope to measure the Vibratory rates of all objects, perhaps even of people. Even if we were put on this Plane without a Rate of Vibration, the best we could do, if we could do anything, would be to stagnate. Now, who wants to stagnate? Spiritualism teaches us the importance of progression. We want to do more, we want to do better with whatever we are doing. Vibration is very important, and again I ask, how do we raise our Rate of Vibration? Those of us who sit in our classes, in our circles, receive from each one. As we receive from the others we also give to the others. Vibration operates in a circular manner, which is why we sit in a circle in class. Wherever you go, and you are sitting among people, and you feel a good energy, you are among people with whom you can be in good balance and harmony and this lifts your Vibration.

In the various sciences, such as physics and chemistry, Vibration is explained a bit differently. There is the position of equilibrium or the center neutral position, and when a motion from one extreme to the other passes through the neutral position twice, it is called a cycle. The number of cycles per second is known as the frequency of the Vibration. We cannot see the energy of the motion, we only see the motion, that the Vibration caused to take place. As the strings on a piano or violin vibrate, the Vibration has caused the strings to stretch to attain a certain sound. So it is the result of the Vibration that we see or hear, not the Vibration. It is Vibration that activates our minds as well as our bodies, and even our spiritual bodies. What else can be more important than Vibration? O

Amazing Natural Laws

BY THE REV. PAT SMITH, NST



Natural Laws are in existence at all times, however, do you really think to analyze them? To get the best results in our lives we need to know those Laws thoroughly and understand that there are two ways they operate, those that bring *automatic results,* and others that need *motivated action* by you to bring results. For example:

- Law of Attraction (as you are, so you attract),
- Law of Cause and Effect (as you sow, so you reap),
- Law of Compensation (for good things done),
- Law of Jealousy (cause of physical health problems),
- Law of Hate (cause of physical health problems),

to name a few, bring *automatic results* by Natural Law to all people. However,

- Law of Retribution
- Law of Abundance
- Law of Desire
- Law of Harmony
- Law of Balance

and others, require us to *motivate* them personally to get results.

Some believe that the Law of Cause and Effect takes care of retribution, (as you sow, so you reap, which is indeed a true statement), but that does not release you from making Retribution which is *ACTION* you have to take yourself specifically, to atone for a wrong doing, to have any meaning or credit in your spiritual bank, here or hereafter. Other things need to be visualized in a positive way to bring them into our lives, as when working with the Laws of Abundance or Desire.

The Law of Balance and the Law of Harmony need to be focused on in a meditative state. Andrew Jackson Davis' *Magic Staff*, **under all circumstances keep an even mind,** is important in this area.

Disharmony in the body brings physical problems, and in our relationships, arguments, divorce, and other negative actions. Here we need to remember the Law of Vibration, which is a Law that is essential to work with at all times, and it is our own efforts that keep it on a higher level.

So you see, if we are going to make the Natural Laws work for us, we have to really analyze them and learn how to put them into operation for our benefit. Just knowing about them or reading about them without taking action achieves nothing.

I am reminded about something the Rev. Anna Franz told me many years ago, when the people in her church were putting out their prayers for spirit to find them a new church building, and she finally asked her teachers why it was taking so long. The answer was, "When we find one that is pink and white, with round and oblong windows, purple and blue carpet, bench and individual seating, etc., etc., we will let you know." I may not remember the exact details she gave me, but you get the picture. Everyone was asking for different things to be a part of the church. So they got together and worked on all praying and visualizing the same things, and it worked. They did find a lovely little church building.

So start working now on those wonderful Natural Laws that need your *Motivated Action.* Get involved for yourselves as individuals, but also for the world in general. ●

NATURAL LAW - THE LAW OF ASSOCIATION *(Continued from page 11.)*

So many of the Natural Laws seem to interact and even overlap each other, that it is often difficult to discuss one without referencing others.

Perhaps the term "violating the Law" should now be discussed. This term is used rather loosely when discussing any of the Natural Laws, but for this article I will stick to the usage of this term when discussing the Law of Association.

You cannot actually "violate" the Law, because the Law will be at work and will apply no matter what you do. What you can do though, is to ignore the results of what can and will happen if you fail to take positive steps.

It is really quite simple! If you associate with either negative or positive people, the Law will work in accord with what you have set in motion.

I have been discussing the result of violating the Law of Association, by making negative choices, but there are also countless positive aspects to the same Law. We see examples of this daily in all of our experiences.

Consider your association with dedicated Spiritualists. Now I don't mean those who profess to be a dedicated Spiritualist, and fail to sincerely work at it. To borrow a phrase from the First Spiritual Temple in San Francisco, "Don't tell me how good a Spiritualist you are. Show me!" Your association with these good people, will result in progress for you and for them.

Your associations with friends, where you choose to go, what you choose to do, all of these things affect the Law of Association. All of these things determine how the Law is going to function. As a good Spiritualist, you know the results of your actions, so your good intentions, actions and associations will bring you happiness and good fortune throughout your entire existence. ●

The Law of Attraction

BY

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The inter-play between the spiritual and material in the name of the Law of Attraction goes beyond one's wildest dreams. In striving to put this Law into operation, it's important to understand what makes it tick!

Again, it would be foolish to think that anyone could cover such a vast Law in one article.

"The Law of Attraction is one of the most important and fundamental Laws, as it is the Law by which not only the animate but inanimate structure of the universe is held in perfect union," as stated in the Advanced Course of Modern Spiritualism.

Atoms, both animate and inanimate, vibrate at the same rate. It is the Law of Affinity operating in the four kingdoms - mineral, vegetable, animal, and spiritual. Science does not yet openly acknowledge the spiritual kingdom, but psychic science does. In fact, some scientists claim the Law of Affinity is analogous to the Law of Gravity, and applies to physical objects only. Others admit candidly that there is more! Much more than mere physical facts.

Man is conscious of the power of attraction and accepts it as a universal, though somewhat, mysterious force in nature, which governs all things. Even the most able scientist is unable to adequately explain it. What information we have has come from scientists and philosophers who have attempted to find a common ground. One absolute fact that Spiritualists assert is that Laws are avenues open to all for all time.

Everything is composed of atoms. The auric emanation from an object, due to its atomic weight determines the vibratory, magnetic power that attracts other objects to it. Directly, though not always evidentially, new forms and many unexpected events occur. Herein, is the proof of the reality of this Law's constant activity. There is no cessation of this Law. There is not such condition in the universe as inaction or stagnation, or what is commonly termed death.

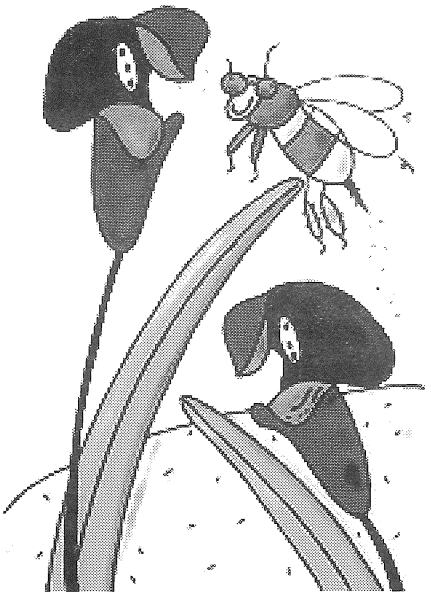
Attraction and repulsion are equally important expressions of this Law which governs all ascertainable phenomena, including psychic demonstrations. Repulsion may convey a *wrong* impelled by a thought, a person, or an object. Some idea of aversion or dislike immediately grips us and we find ourselves trying to evade what proved antagonistic toward the thought, or the person.

In studying personalities, we know by results that like attracts like. The affinity of the magnetism resulting from the atoms produces the auric emanation. By the same power, certain atoms or bodies repel each other causing one to recede from the other. The thought that should be conveyed to the mind is one of the propelling atoms, according to their vibratory magnetism. To relieve the confusion which has arisen in the minds of students regarding the term *repulsion* – many writers and teachers of science substitute a phrase that is less confusing and call the Law Attraction and Repulsion, or Propulsion.

Nothing in this universe just happens. Through the law of Attraction, the great Law of Cause and Effect is being satisfied. Man, through exercising use of the attributes of his mind, is capable of directing vibrations which make the contacts that lend assistance to this Law of Attraction.

A general knowledge of this Law is important. Knowing, even in a meager way, how the Law operates, man has grown more conscious, more careful of his thoughts and acts, in an effort to safeguard himself from attracting that which is harmful to him, and to the attainment of his ideal.

In unfolding mediumship, ever be conscious that the Law of Attraction is ceaselessly operating, and that you are attracting according to the life you live, and to the degree to which you exert conscientious effort.



Bucminster Fuller, architect and philosopher and 20th century visionary, commenting on the universality of the principle of attraction has said: "I'm utterly convinced that we are all here for one another that every experience that everyone has is relevant. It all counts, the universe is so extraordinarily well-designed that it needs all those experiences."

Whatever one gives out in life will be given back. It may not return in the same way or shape or form as expected, but it will return, have no doubt.

Just as the needle of a compass tends to align itself with the earth's magnetic poles, so does the human mind align itself with the more powerful field of consciousness. In the case of a free magnet, the needle is drawn to move towards the object of attraction. In the case of the mind, if material desires are strong it will be attracted to similar objects and ideas. If on the other hand, spiritual ideas are predominant, it will be attracted to things of a spiritual nature. Only man himself can cease to keep either positive or negative desires active by his intention, in the same way an electromagnet is kept active by the flow of current through its coil. We can be quite certain, as long as we think of choice as eternal to us and separate, we will be bound by "fate." But upon the realization that we can make our own destiny and that it is our own inner most choice that shapes our circumstances and the things which are attracted to us, we make available an ever increasing number of fields in life for ourselves and others to harvest.

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Law and Creation

BY A. J. MOSS

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I seem to have but one thought in mind
And that is, how can I help mankind?
My supreme and most earnest soul desire,
Is to teach man how, and what to acquire.

First, I would say; seek ye the truth;
Teach all children the value of youth,
Teach all ages that God is divine,
But does not resemble, so much, mankind.

There are myriads of planets, of huge dimensions
In the cosmic arena, of infinite extensions,
That exceeds all of man's imagination,
Governed by Law, in the realm of creation.

The Law is intrinsic, supreme and eternal;
Constitutes wisdom, substance, and is vernal;
Spirit is life, the essence of creation,
It has an atmosphere of material duration.

Two worlds cannot collide, or come together;
The atmosphere repels to a great measure;
The universe consists of unlimited generation,
Where spirit and mind, and matter, are relation.

If you would to convene in infinite mind,
Avoid mistakes and to others be kind;
You must replace error with substantial good,
If you wish to convene in the master-hood.

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• IOWA •

CLINTON - First Spiritualist Church
5416 - 6th Ave. So., P.O. Box 123, 52732-0123, (319) 243-3233; Sun. Worship and Message Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Sun. Adult Lyceum 9:30 a.m.; Dev. Class every Wed. at 7:00 p.m.; Church closed during months of July and August, open first Sun. after Labor Day; Pastor & Pres., Rev. Georgia Milton Reed, (319) 243-9738; Secy., Richard Turner, 229 - 20th Pl., 52732.

CLINTON - Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Assoc. Camp
Mt. Pleasant Park, P.O. Box 75, 52733-0075; 1997 Camp Season, July 5 through August 16; Pres., Harvey Horstman; Secy., Rev. Bonnie Horstman, NST, (319) 242-8460.

CLINTON - Sunflower Spiritualist Church
10 Mt. Pleasant Park; Mail to: P.O. Box 6, 52733-0006; Sun. Serv. at 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bonnie Horstman, NST.

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church
1429 W. Seventh St., 52802, (319) 324-9659; Laying on of hands healing Sun. 1:30 p.m.; Worship & Message Serv. Sun. 2:00 p.m.; Adult Lyceum Classes Tues. 7 p.m.; Children's Lyceum Sat. 10:00 a.m.; Pres. & Lyceum Conductor, Anita Buchholz, (319) 326-3453; (Closed during July and August.); Pastor, Rev. William E. Buchholz, Jr., 806 E. 13th St., 52803-4240, (319) 326-3201; Secy., Nancy Speer.

• MAINE •

MAINE STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
Pres., Rev. Rupert Sigurdsson, NST, Rt. 1, Box 91, Canton, 04221; Secy., Betty Simpson, RR#2 Box 5055, Carmel, 04419-9802; Treas., Bernard R. Langley, 8 Dale St., Poland, 04274.

AUGUSTA - Augusta Spiritualist Church
Corner of Court and Perham Streets, 04330; Sun. Healing & Worship Serv., 10:30 a.m.-Noon; For classes and Spiritual Fairs, phone for information; Pres., Margaret M. Tracy, (207) 623-7264.

BANGOR - The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church, NSAC
114-118 Harlow St., 04401; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m., Please call for information about classes to be held in the fall and seminars; private readings are available, please call for an appointment; Pastor, Debbie Locke, (207) 474-2960; Pres., Nedra Foster, RR2 Box 6820, E. Holden, 04429, 843-6065; Secy., Betty Simpson, RR2 Box 5055, Carmel, 04419-9802, (207) 848-2273.

HARTFORD - Pinpoint of Light Spiritualist Center
Mail address: R1, Box 91, Canton, 04221; Sun. Serv. 2:00-3:30 p.m.; Classes Wed. and Fri. evenings 7:00-9:00 p.m.; Secy., Virginia Norris; Pastor, Rev. Rupert Sigurdsson, NST; For information, phone (207) 597-2600, E-Mail - rupert@megalink.net.

MADISON - Madison Spiritualist Camp
Located at Lakewood Village, Rt. 201, six miles north of Skowhegan; For information: 74 Central Ave., Waterville, 04901-6214, (207) 474-7723; July-Aug. schedule to be announced. No accommodations for rooms, camping or meals. Pres., Zella Longley, (207) 465-3310; Secy., John Davidson, (207) 877-2204; e-mail jdavidso@mint.net.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritual Camp, Assoc.
Shore Road, Northport on Penobscot Bay; Camp Session mid-June through Labor Day. A different featured medium each week. Serv. at 7:30 p.m., Sun., Tues., Thurs., Fri.; Message Serv. 7:30 p.m., Wed. and Sat; Seminars Monday 7:30 p.m.; All-day workshops Sat.; Accommodations and meals available. For a program or information: (207) 338-3029; P.O. Box 311, Lincolnville, 04849-0031.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritualist Church
Shore Road, Northport; Services 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Temple Heights Spiritual Camp from April to Nov. and in Belfast from Nov. to April; (207) 338-3029; Pres, Jean E. Bower, 159 Northport Ave., Belfast 04915, (207) 338-1355; Secy., Carol Fricke.

PORTLAND AREA - Portland Spiritualist Church
719 Main St., (Unitarian Universalist Church), Westbrook; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6551 PTS, 04102; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Fri. Class 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Michael Carter, (207) 797-2039; Secy., Diane Warming, (207) 871-9334.

• MASSACHUSETTS •

MEDFORD - Medford Spiritualist Church, NSAC, Chapel of Peace
Sunday Services held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 147 High St., 02155; Summer schedule beginning 6-10-97 on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Healing and Meditation Service and Spirit Greetings; Our first 1997-98 Sunday Services will resume on 9-7-97 at 5:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Ida J. Donadio, 235 Winthrop St., #7711, 02155, (617) 393-0130; Secy., Donna Watts, 24 Howell St., Dorchester, 02125, (617) 282-4614.

ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Co-Workers Camp
Season opens June 30th till Labor Day; Camp phone (508) 291-0073. Prior to opening (617) 268-9495; Secy., Donna M. Watts, 24 Howell St., Dorchester, 02125-1149 - (617) 265-7955; Mediums Day's - Workshops - Message Circle's; Call for a full schedule.

SALEM - First Spiritualist Church of Salem
34 Warren St., 01970; Sun. Early Serv. 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Lunch break 6:00-6:30 p.m., Healing & Evening Serv. 6:30-8:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations, (508) 745-2098; Church season is Sun. after Labor Day - last Sun. in May; Pres., Priscilla Herrick, 9 Harbor St., Danvers, 01923, (508) 777-4268.

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES, *(Continued from previous page.)*

SOMERSET - First Spiritualist Church of Brockton
In Masonic Hall, 145 Pleasant St., Somerset, 02726; Mailing addr., 59 Ripley St., Somerset 02725; Sunday Serv., Healing and Church Service at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations (508) 994-9145; Pastor Mary A. Bouchard, 59 Ripley St., Somerset, 02725, (508) 673-5434; Secy., Georgette Biscari, 42 Anthony St., Acushnet, 02743, (508) 991-9145.

SPRINGFIELD - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.
33-37 Bliss St., 01105, (413) 732-1234; Worship Serv., 1st Sun. after Labor Day until last Sun. in June at 3:00 p.m.; Development Classes year-round, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. John F. Sullivan, 26 Witt Hill Rd., P.O. Box 392, Worthington, 01098 - (413) 238-4495, e-mail: jsulli1942@aol.com; Pres., Carolyn J. DaPonti, 324 Boston Rd., Springfield, 01109 - (413) 783-2541; Secy., Joyce C. Barlow, 16 Seymour Rd., 5H, East Granby, CT 06026 - (860) 651-0507; e-mail: barlow1104@aol.com.

• MICHIGAN •

MICHIGAN STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOC. OF CHURCHES
Pres., Marcia Hyatt, 4161 Buckingham, Detroit, 48224-3538; Secy., Marjorie Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, South Branch, 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

CHARLEVOIX - The Golden Rule Spiritualist Church
07444 Old 31 N, 49720; c/o Gail Wrona, Sec'y., 07453 Old 31 N, 49720-9422, (616) 347-3899.

CHARLEVOIX - Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp
07444 Old 31 N, 49720; c/o Gail Wrona, Sec'y., 07453 Old 31 N, 49720-9422, (616) 347-3899.

DETROIT - First Spiritualist Temple of Detroit
4161 Buckingham, 48224-3538.

LESLIE - Flower Memorial Spiritualist Church
West Bellevue at High St.; Sun. Lyceum 10:00 a.m., Church Serv. 10:45 a.m.; Pres., Timothy Weichner; Secy., Nikki Potter, 1584 1/2 W. Barnes Rd., 49251, (517) 676-6136; Silver Star-Free Spirit Lyceum, Conductors Nikki Potter and Elda Goddard.

OXFORD - Spirit of Harmony Chapel, NSAC
340 North Lapeer Rd., 48371; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Michael Dumbrigue; All mail to Secy., Kathleen Bentley, 504 Worthington Dr., 48371, (810) 814-9172.

ROYAL OAK - First Spiritual Temple
3224 Greenfield Rd. (1 1/2 blocks So. of 13 Mile), 48073-6534; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Stanley Gutt, (248) 548-2240.

SOUTH BRANCH - Chain Lake Spiritualist Camp Association
8000 W. Chain Lake Rd., 48761-0089; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., June 21, 1998 through Sept. 6, 1998; Annual Retreat July 12-17, 1998; Lyceum Supt., Dawn Hyatt; Pres., Donald Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, 48761-0089; Secy., M. Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

• MINNESOTA •

DULUTH - First Spiritualist Church
1414 E. Ninth St.; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3652, 55803-3652; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m. (10:00 a.m. Summer); Pres., Sharon Szukis; Secy., Mickie Brown; (218) 724-6554.

MINNEAPOLIS - Second Spiritualist Church
2230 Lyndale Ave. N.; Sun. Serv. 10:15 a.m.; Secy., Chrissy; Pres., Warren, P.O. Box 6115, 55406, (612) 529-0781.

MINNEAPOLIS - Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church
Services held at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays in the Lake Harriet Community Church Bldg. at 4401 Upton Ave. S., 55410; Sr. Pastor, Rev. Pamla Ashlay, NST, (414) 774-2994; Pastor, Rev. Toni Ferdelman, NST, (612) 572-8940.

ROCHESTER - Third Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church
Services Mon., 7:00 p.m., in the Unity Church building, 911 11th Ave. NW; Pastors, Rev. Joyce E. Young, NST, and Rev. John E. Young, NST; Secy., (507) 775-6358; Mailing address, P.O. Box 7312, 55903.

ST. PAUL - Spiritual Science Church
411 Main St., 55102; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Joan LeDuc, 2169 Scheffer Ave., 55116, (612) 225-4609 (church) or (612) 699-4858 (home); Secy., Maureen Florés, c/o 2169 Scheffer Ave., 55116-1255.

• MISSOURI •

KANSAS CITY - The Light of the World Spiritualist Chapel, NSAC
20703 S.E. Outer Rd., Peculiar 64078; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Mailing address: c/o Edna Rowland, Secy., 111 S.E. Grand, #21, Lee's Summit 64063, (816) 525-0902.; Pres., Robert Ault.

ST. LOUIS - Fifth Spiritualist Church
6026 S. Kingshighway Blvd., 63109; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Healing, Meditation & All Message Service, 1st Wed. of the month at 7:00 p.m.; Student Minister, Toye E. Stinson, 10210 Tanner, 63136 (314) 867-0949; Secy., Rev. Brenda Wittich, 3903 Connecticut St., 63116-3905, (314) 773-0106.

• MONTANA •

BILLINGS - Spiritualist Church of Inner Light
928 Broadwater, Ste. 107, 59101, (406) 254-2863; Sunday Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Open Circles, Fri. and Sun. 8:00 p.m.; Secy., Carrie Veatch.

• NEBRASKA •

OMAHA - Spiritual Science & Philosophy Church, NSAC
321 Hascall St., 68108-2121; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Philosophy Class Noon when scheduled; Pastor & Secy., Alace Jayne Fanslau, 321 Hascall St., 68108-2121, (402) 345-0101.

• NEVADA •

LAS VEGAS - Spiritualist Desert Church, NSAC
953 E. Sahara Ave., Commercial Arts Bldg. #D-12, 89104; Mailing address: Box 82134, 89180-2134; Tel. or Fax (702) 257-7506; Sunday Serv. 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Classes, Tues. & Thurs. 7:00 p.m.; Healing Serv. Wed. 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Catherine Stewart, NST; Secy., Nancy Noble.

• NEW HAMPSHIRE •

SALEM - The Church of Spiritual Life, Inc.
Masonic Hall, 109 Main St., Rt. 97; Mailing address: P.O. Box 2089, 03079-1147; Year Round Services; Children's Lyceum Sunday 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.; Regular Service Sunday 10:30 a.m.; Wed. classes 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth Wingood, L.M., (508) 454-4163; Secy., Chistine Nagle, P.O. Box 2089, 03079-1147, (603) 887-2557.

• NEW JERSEY •

MERCHANTVILLE - Stow Memorial Foundation
Herbert Schneider, 107 W. Maple Ave., 08109.

WESTVILLE - Church of Eternal Life
243 W. Olive & Folsom Sts., 08093, (609) 456-2196; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Lillian Joyce, 405 Binker Ave., Berlin, 08009, (609) 767-1651; Pres., Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, 08107, (609) 854-4317; Secy., Irene A. DiRenza, 119-D Haddon Hills Apts., Haddonfield, 08033, (609) 858-6535.

• NEW YORK •

ALBANY - Capital District Spiritualist Center
2245 Central Ave., Schenectady, 12304; Thurs. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Church is open all year; Secy.-Treas.,Diane Van Wormer; Pres. and Pastor, Rev. Stephen Robinson, NST, (518) 374-7558.

ALBANY - Spiritualist Open Center
1471 Rte. 9, Rome Plaza, Clifton Park, 12065; Sunday Serv. 10:30 p.m., held at Clifton Common Community Center, Vischer Ferry Rd., Clifton Park; Year-round Spiritual Philosophy Classes; Circles Fri. 7:30 pm.; Pastor, Rev. Hillary Kramer, NST; Pres., Patricia Cizewski, (518) 383-1931.

BINGHAMTON - First National Spiritualist Church
97 Riverside Dr., 13905.

EAST AURORA - First Spiritualist Temple
29 Temple Pl., 14052, (716) 652-5018; Sun. (except Dinner Day) 1:00 p.m. Lyceum Classes adult & children; 2:15 p.m. Healing Service; 3:00 p.m. Lecture & Message Service; 4:30 p.m. Coffee Hour; Dinner Day 3rd Sun. of month; 2:15 p.m. Healing Service; 3:00 p.m. Lecture and Message Service; 4:30 p.m. Dinner followed by All Message Service; Secy., Tracey Spencer, P.O. Box 314, Delevan, 14042, (716) 492-2069.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Assembly
5 Melrose Park, 14752.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Spiritualist Church
Sun. Serv. Healing 10:30 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m. (Sept.-June) 10:30 a.m. Alternate Sun. Lily Dale Auditorium (July & Aug.), Lyceum 9:30 a.m. (Sept.-June); Karen Payne, Director; Church Pres., Bruce Kaus; Secy., Karen Payne; Address all correspondence to church at P.O. Box 1128, 14752.

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LONG ISLAND - A Sanctuary of Infinite Spirit, Inc., NSAC
Healing & Worship Service, Sun. 11:00 a.m. at the Smithtown Masonic Temple, 34 River Road, Smithtown, NY; Pastor, Rev. Virginia Berg, (516) 588-3150; Asst. Pastor, Rev. Nancy Lloyd, (516) 736-1058; Mailing address: 1280 Claas Ave., Holbrook, 11741-3902.

LONG ISLAND - New Horizon Spiritualist Church, Inc.
261 Elmont Rd., 11003,(516) 354-1395; Services every other Sunday 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Milagros G. Rivera; Secy., Ismael Rivera; Pres., Dorothy Chusid.

LONG ISLAND - Temple of Metaphysical Science, NSAC
15 Oak St., Patchogue, 11772; Sun. Serv.: Healing 10:30 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m.; (516) 366-2422; Pastor, Rev. Edna C. Claussen; Asst. Pastors, Rev. Catherine Snell, NST, and Rev. Janet Travis, NST, (516) 724-8025; Please address all correspondence to church Secy. at P.O. Box 1150, West Babylon, 11704.

ROCHESTER - Plymouth Spiritualist Church
175 Carter St., 14621, (716) 544-0427; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Wed. Evening Message Service, 2nd & 4th, 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Tom Hyldahl, (716) 359-2996.

• OHIO •

OHIO STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 253, Ashley, 43003.

ASHLEY - Ashley Spiritualist Camp
P.O. Box 24, 43003.

ASHTABULA - First Spiritualist Church
4230 Main Ave.; Sun Serv., 2:00 p.m., Healing & Clairvoyance; TELEPHONE FOR WEATHER CANCELLATIONS (216) 293-7056; Pres., Charles J. Benes, 8513 Creek Rd., Williamsfield, 44093, Secy.-Treas., Dorothy A. Benes; Services are held starting with the 2nd Sunday in September and continue through the last Sunday in May. The Church Book Shop is open every Sunday. Church is not in session during June, July, and August.

COLUMBUS - First Spiritualist Church of Linden
1751 Aberdeen Ave., 43211; Pastor, Rev. Neil C. Griffen; Secy., Carl Duffey, (614) 263-1631; Services, Sun. Morn. - Lyceum 9:30 a.m., Lecture Serv. 10:30 a.m.

COLUMBUS - Spiritualist Church of Spirit Revelation
1081 E. Weber Rd., 43211.

DAYTON - The Church of Two Worlds, NSAC
2272 Newgate Ave., 45420, (513) 256-2129.

MARION - Memorial Spiritualist Church
667 Henry St., 43302-6137; Sun. Serv., 2:30 p.m., Thurs. Message Serv., 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Robert Hull, 316 Franklin St., 43302-4020, (614) 387-8887; Secy., Miriam Mansur, c/o church..

• OKLAHOMA •

OKLAHOMA CITY - Central Spiritualist Church
2348 N.W. 36th St., Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Lyceum Sun. 1:00 p.m.; Pastor, Juanita Oyer; Pres., Charlotte Griffin, 1306 S.W. 38; Secy., Juanita R. Oyer, 6216 S.E. 10th St., 73110, (405) 732-7975.

• PENNSYLVANIA •

ALLENTOWN - Getter Memorial, NSAC
1123 Oak St., 18102; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, Ludwig L. Zernicek, LM, P.O. Box 329, Bloomsbury, NJ 08804-0329, (908) 479-1772; Pres., Sharon George, 202 N. 8th St., 18102, (610) 434-3454; Secy., Susan Zernicek, P.O. Box 329, Bloomsbury, NJ 08804-0329, (908) 479-1772.

McKEESPORT - First Spiritualist Church
809 Locust St., 15132; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m., Healing, Lecture and Messages; Pres., Ella Bryner, 501 Pirl St., Apt. 4-M, 15132; Secy., Carol Perella, P.O. Box 1981, Pittsburgh, 15230.

PHILADELPHIA - Second Spiritualist Church
423 S. Broad St., 19147, (215) 735-9630; Lyceum Sun., 4:00 p.m.; Serv., 5:30 p.m., Wed., 8:00 p.m.; Pastor, John E. Faison; Secy., Gladys M. Faison, 2118 N. Natrona St., 19121, (215) 232-9219.

• TEXAS •

TEXAS SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
Executive Offices: 5213 Chestnut Lane, Bellaire, 77401.

AUSTIN - First Spiritualist Church
4200 Ave. "D", 78751; Devotional, healing & message service every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.; Dr. Jean Hamner, LM, CM, CH; Elaine Fernandes, CM, (512) 458-3987.

CAMERON - First Spiritualist Church
802 S. College Ave., P.O. Box 1152; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Lunch 12:00; Second Service 1:00 p.m.; Third Sun. of each month; Pastors, Mrs. Frances Brown, Licentiate & Medium, 2723 S. Congress, Apt. #2311, Austin 78704, (512) 447-2188, and Rev. Evelyn Muse, NST, 1104 Susan Dr., Edinburg, 78539, (512) 383-2510; Secy.-Treas., Connie Cannon, (817) 697-2296.

DALLAS - Second Spiritualist Church of Dallas
4653 Cedar Tone Dr.; Devotional and Message Service the 4th Sunday each month at 10:45 a.m.; Pastor, Arthur E. Hanson; Secy., Rosie Lee Hanson, (214) 331-8236; Pres., Elizabeth Ann Council, (214) 218-7220.

GALVESTON - Science Of Serenity Church, NSAC
2323 Avenue "N", 77551; Pastor, Martha L. Garrett; Secy., Douglas Smith.

HOUSTON - First Church Of Divine Science
2115 Turner St., 77009.

HOUSTON - Church Of Divine Spirit
8010 Wier, #1, 77093-6138.

SAN ANTONIO - Louise Scholtz Memorial Chapel, NSAC
1627 Pan Am Express Way No.; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Pastor, Garrett H. Scholtz; Secy., Ruby Thornton Robertson, Rt. 2, Box 380N, LaVernia, 78121, (210) 217-4901; Treas., Elizabeth Dolyak, 19211 Sandyglen, 78240, (210) 641-6589.

TAYLOR - First Church of Psychic Science, NSAC
1300 W. 4th & Ferguson, P.O. Box 1113, 76574; Servs. 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., every Sun.; Pres., Jennye Lou Swanson, 12316 Fay St., Manor, 78653, (512) 251-5425; Pastor, Mrs. Frances Brown, 2723 S. Congress, Apt. #2311, Austin, 78704, (512) 447-2188; Corr. Secy., Libby A. Miller, 164 S. Valley Dr., Georgetown, 78628-9710.

• VIRGINIA •

FALLS CHURCH - Center for Spiritual Enlightenment, NSAC
222 No. Washington St., 22046 (at the Women's Club), (703) 242-8823; Healing Service each Sunday 10-10:30 a.m. followed by Worship Service at 10:30 a.m., September through June; Co-Pastors, Rev. Patricia Stranahan, NST, and Rev. Barbara Starr, NST; Pres., Christine Krithades; Secy., Rita O'Connor; All mail to President at 8725 Stockton Parkway, Alexandria, 22308.

NORFOLK - The Memorial Spiritualist Church, NSAC
307 W. 37th St., 23508.

• WASHINGTON •

MILTON - Camp Edgewood, NSAC Assoc.
1228 - 26th Ave. Ct., 98354, (206) 927-2050; Pres., David R. Chapman, Sr.; Secy., Denice L. Chapman, 1200 - 26th Ave. Ct., 98354, (206) 952-6753.

MILTON - Church of Spiritual Truth, NSAC
1228 - 26th Ave. Ct., 98354; Sun. Serv., 11:00 a.m.; Lyceum, 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Lillian Johanson; Asst. Teacher, Sabrina Chapman; Pres., Fred Klontz, (206) 627-3874; Secy., Jean Ringena, (206) 627-3874.

MILTON - Church of Spiritual Unity, NSAC
Camp Edgewood - Church Serv. Sundays, 2:30 p.m.; Pres., Colleen Mohler, 1210 - 26th Ave. Ct., 98354 - (206) 927-2365; Secy., Nicholas Williams, (206) 927-8903.

• WEST VIRGINIA •

WHEELING - First Spiritualist Association
(Way Memorial Temple) Broadway & Maryland Sts., located on Wheeling Island; Sunday Lyceum, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship Serv., 10:45 a.m.; Message Serv., 1st and 2nd Wed. 7:00 p.m.; Healing Serv., 3rd and 4th Wed. at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Velma Gasber, 104 N. Broadway St., 26003; Parsonage, (304) 233-5795; Church, (304) 233-5065; Secy., Sue-Beth Warren, 87 Fernwood Ave., 26003, (304) 242-6032; Lyceum Conductor, Melvins Taylor, Rd 1 Box 120, Triadelphia, 26059.

• WISCONSIN •

WEST ALLIS - First Psychic Science Church
6228 W. Washington St., 53214; Sun. Healing 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; Church Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pres., Manilla Kochanski, (414) 474-7332; Secy., Mrs. Diane Palen, 3349 No. Golden Lake Rd., Oconomowac 53066, (414) 567-1126.

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WONEWOC - West Wisconsin Spiritualist Camp Association
304 Hill St., 53968, (608) 464-7466; 94th season opening, June 19 through Sept. 17, 1993 (Near WI Dells); Please call Ilene Geier for pre-season information, (608) 464-7466.

• CANADA •

BRITTEN MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CANADA
657 Lansdome Ave., Toronto, Ontario, M6H 3Y2.

THE CHURCH OF UNIVERSAL LOVE
118 Finch Ave. West, Willowdale, On., M2M 2H9 - (416) 730-8988; DIVINE SERVICE Sun. 10:30 a.m., Tues. Open Development Circle 7:00 p.m., Wed. Healing & Messages 8:00 p.m., Fri. Open Meditation Circle 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Marilyn Gaitskell.

THE FIRST SPIRITUAL CHURCH OF MONTREAL
2186 St. Catherine St. West, Montreal, Quebec, H3H 1M7; English Serv. - Sun. 2:00 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m.; French Serv. - Sun. 4:30 pm., 2nd & 4th Wed. 7:30 p.m; Rev. Mary Amato, Minister, (514) 365-0661.

THE FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF GALT
72 Grand Avenue North, Cambridge, Ontario, N1S 2K9, (519) 622-7177; Pastor, Rev. Ed Kenning; Sun. Serv.: Healing 2:30 p.m., Devotional 3:00 p.m.; Summer: Healing 6:30 p.m., Devotional 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Karen Charles, (519) 744-8088; Meditation, healing and message circle, Wed. 7:00 p.m.; Development Classes available.

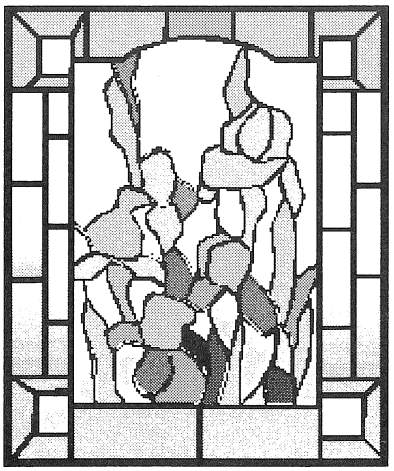
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Due to the volume of wonderful information on Natural Law and Philosophy, we have not included the NSAC Book List or Lyceum pages this month. Please refer to previous issues or call the NSAC Office. This information will again be included next month.

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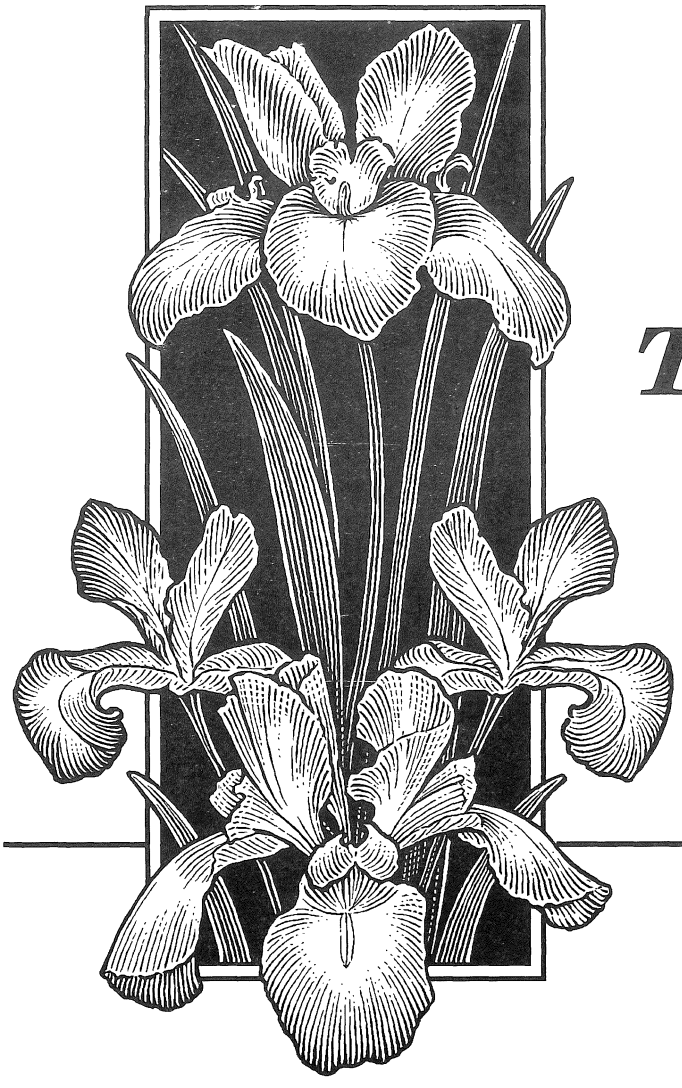
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The Law of Freedom

BY THE REV. JEAN KERR LERCH, NST

The Law of Freedom gives us the right of unlimited choice. Of course, our choices will directly affect our happiness, just as our 7th Principle maintains: "We affirm the moral responsibility of individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual Laws." As Spiritualists, we recognize that we have personal responsibility; therefore, freedom of choice also brings a certain commitment.

We have the freedom to pursue higher education. We also have the freedom to aspire to any profession. To be successful however, a commitment should be made to set time aside to study or practice to further develop skills. Success in our endeavors brings happiness and fulfillment.

Another freedom we have is our selection of friends. Knowing that "like attracts like", of course we want to draw to us those individuals who will encourage, support, and inspire us for our higher good. We want to choose friends who are spiritual, loving, and growing in their own understanding of Natural Law. To *have* a friend, we must *be* a friend. This commitment strengthens the bonds of friendship, which will bring us happiness and a sense of security.

One of our other freedom of choices is whether to select a lifelong companion or start a family. These decisions also bring commitments of putting others before self, and learning to love unconditionally. When these and other responsibilities are met, the freedom of happiness will be complete.

Our country gives us not only the freedom to practice our religion, but it can be the religion of our own choice. We are not bound by government directives. As Spiritualists though, we *should* be bound by our sense of personal responsibility. Knowing that if we do not work together, our freedom means nothing. Perhaps H. Gordon Burroughs said it best: "The real Spiritualist will at all times place the welfare of the cause he represents and the church to which he belongs before his own personal feelings. He realizes that in cooperation there is strength and he will make every effort to cement together as strongly as possible all the branches of the organization to which he belongs, even though he does not always agree with the personal opinions of some of the members. He does not allow his personal likes or dislikes to bias his opinions in any way. He is ever ready to lend a helping hand to those who are working to build a Cause..."

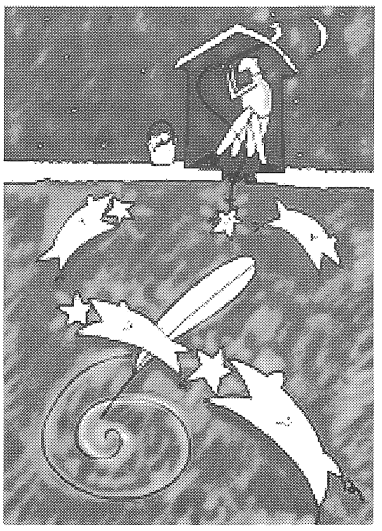
Whether we are a member of a church, State Association, or the National Spiritualist Association of Churches is our choice – it is one of our freedoms. But as Spiritualists, this freedom brings commitment. The commitment is to love one another, to help one another, and to work together for the mutual benefit of all. This Law of Freedom should not be taken lightly, since our choices will directly affect our state of happiness. We have the freedom to be happy and fulfilled, or unhappy and frustrated. Natural Law never varies – the choice is ours.

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As Albert Schweitzer wrote "No ray of sunlight is ever lost, but the green which awakens into existence needs time to sprout and it is not always granted the power to see the harvest. All work that is worth anything is done in faith."

The factors governing the Law of Attraction – faith, freedom, and fate are within our providence. How we utilize these factors can determine our ability to attract that mysterious and often elusive ingredient of life known as *good luck!* To explain in actuality what this really means, obtaining the elusive ingredient known as good luck in life, the simile of *Gersham Scholem* is most helpful and should be remembered as an important principle of the Law of Attraction. Scholem said, "...if the whole universe is an enormous complicated machine, then man is the machinist who keeps the wheels going by applying a few drops of oil here and there at the right time. The moral substance of man's actions supplies this oil, and his existence therefore becomes of extreme significance since it unfolds on a background of cosmic infinitude."

Ralph Waldo Trine said, "About the Law of Attraction that is the Spirit of Infinite plenty, the power that has brought, that is continually bringing, all things into expression into material form. He who lives in the realization of his oneness with this Infinite Power becomes a magnet to attract to himself a continual supply of whatsoever things he desires."



If one holds himself in the thought of poverty, he will be poor and the chances are that he will remain so. If he holds himself, whatever present conditions may be, continually in the thought of prosperity, he sets into operation forces that will bring him into prosperous conditions. The Law of Attraction works unceasingly throughout the universe and the one great and never changing fact in connection with it, as we have found, *like attracts like.* If we are one with this great Infinite Power, this source of all things, then in the degree that we live in the realization of this oneness, in that degree do we actualize in ourselves a power that will bring to us an abundance of all things desirable.

Are you out of a job? Let the fear that you will not get another take hold of you, and the chances are that it will be a long time before you will get another, or the one that you do get may be a very poor one indeed. Whatever the circumstances, you must realize that you have within you and around you forces and powers that you can set into operation. Once put into operation, you will place a magnet that will draw you into position for the better.

Recognize, working in and through you, the same Infinite Power that creates and governs all things in the universe, the same Infinite Power that governs the endless systems of worlds in space. Send out your thought – thought is a force, and it has power of unknown proportions when rightly used, wisely directed. Send out your thought that the right situation or the right work will come to you at the right time in the right way, and that you recognize it when it comes. Hold to this thought, never allow it to weaken, and continually feed it with expectation. It'll occur just so!

The Law of Prosperity: When apparent adversity comes, do not be cast down by it, but make the best of it, and always look forward for better things, for conditions more prosperous. To hold yourself in this attitude of mind is to set into operation subtle, silent and irrestible forces that sooner or later will actualize in material form which may be merely an idea. Ideas have power.

This is but one of many instances in connection with the wise and effective use of the higher powers. It also carries a lesson. Don't fold your hands and expect to see things drop into your lap. Set things into operation. Do what your hands find to do, and do it well. The basis for attracting the best of all the world can give to you is to first surround, own, and live these things in mind, or what is falsely called imagination. All so-called imaginings are realities and forces of unseen element. When you are down, calmly and persistently see yourself as up. Do not envy other people who have riches as that envy is just so much capital stock taken from the bank account of mental force.

The majority of people in the world are looking for things that are practical and can be utilized in everyday life. The more carefully we examine the Laws underlying the great truths we are considering, the more that we will find that they are not only eminently practical, but in a sense and in the deepest and truest sense, they are the only practical things there are.

As stated by Alfred Armand Montapert, "A person cannot become great and think small – neither can one remain small and think great. Thought is the original source of all wealth, all success, all material gain, all great discoveries and inventions and all achievement. Good thoughts must be coupled with right methods if we would achieve desired results.

"All rewards in this life are for right thinking and acting. If we think right we will act right. No one can enjoy living unless he has a positive state of mind. How wonderful life is every day when we apply ourselves positively to the task at hand. Maintaining a positive attitude puts you in a position where you can overcome practically all of the negative things that come your way in life."

Look around you now. How can you give greater value for what you can get? How can you serve better? How can you make more money for your employers or save more for customers? Keep that thought ever in the foreground of your mind and you'll never need to worry about making more for yourself.

One must use his God-given talents if he wishes to profit from them. *The only "right" is to use all the forces of good – the only "wrong" is to neglect or abuse them.*

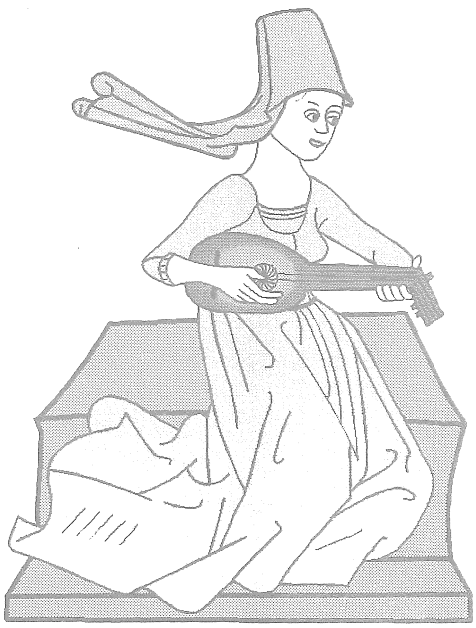
mental attitude and will operate according to our aspirations. This Law operates in numerous ways through our mind, body and spirit.

4. **Law of Vibration** – This is one of the most potent of the Laws and means power, for it is the life of all things. Everything in manifestation is in a constant state of vibration or motion, pulsing at a particular rate of speed. Nothing stands still. The different degrees, varieties and conditions of all manifestations depend upon this vibration. Vibration is the key to relative power, this Law acts as a transmitter between the Spirit World and one's self. Vibration is present in one form or another in all creation. All things which we are and can become aware of are based upon this Law, such as, music, noise, sound, light, color, heat; the elements combine to form animal, vegetable, mineral, and humanity based upon this Law. Vibration in humanity reaches much higher levels through humanity's self consciousness and intelligence. This progression is the natural result of Desire, Love, Vibration and Attraction/Repulsion. We reap that which we sow. Vibration is vital to our spiritual unfoldment, soul growth and mediumistic development.

5. **Law of Passivity and Activity** – The Law of Passivity and Activity operates in the same key or context as the Law of Vibration. It controls all static and enables clear reception of contact made through the Law of Vibration. Passivity means the ability to go within one's self and be receptive to words of wisdom, messages, guidance, etc., which are given to us from the Spirit World and God within. One must not have the mind functioning in an active state (talking constantly to God, Spirit), one must be as quiet, calm and peaceful as possible and listen for the still small voice to speak. Without the Law of Passivity, Spirit communication would be impossible. It is vital to growth of all creation. (Plants appear to be dormant during winter season-passivity, growing during the spring-activity.)

6. **Law of Cooperation** – When the degree of Passivity that is necessary to contact has been reached, then the Law of Cooperation will be established. Unfoldment is directly related to the quantity and quality of cooperation. We can receive only the same degree of power, as we give in effort and sincerity. The caliber of mediumship and the expression of all talents is based upon our diligence in cooperating with the God within.

7. **Law of Productivity and Receptivity** – Productivity by Spirit and receptivity by the individual are functioning examples of the Law of Cooperation. Receptivity creates an expectancy which in turn cultivates Mediumship and other talents. Leave yourself in the hands of Spirit and establish unity in thought and power. Think of yourself as an instrument upon which Spirit plays. The desire for divine expression is mutual, cooperation is essential and the conditions are made both in the spiritual and physical worlds. By cooperating, we become productive in expressing our unique divine individuality to bless all whom we meet.



8. **Law of Compensation and Retribution** – All deeds are compensated for in this world or in the Spirit World. We again reap what we have sown whether it be in action or deed, by commission or by omission. Our good deeds, thoughts and prayers result in a rich harvest in our lives spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically-materially. Bad thoughts, deeds and actions result in disharmony, weakness and lack on all levels as well. The Law of Retribution is the Law in which we must make compensation by some action for deeds, actions and thoughts which have been transgressions of the Law and brought harm in some way to another.

9. **Law of Polarity or Balance** – It is by understanding this Law that we find the true meaning of equilibrium. There is a counterbalancing effect within this Law, and through this effect an even or level state of mind can be achieved. Many Spiritualists are familiar with one aspect of this Law, for most are aware of this statement, "Under all circumstances keep an even mind." When one really understands this Law, the gates to poise and power are opened. Balance and perfection are normal states. The Law commands that all actions of any nature between pairs of opposites in nature, or between humanity must be equal-balanced. The unbalancing of any situation causes negative actions. For example, unbalanced marriages can equal divorce; unbalanced business can equal bankruptcy; international imbalance can equal war; unbalanced chemicals equal explosions, etc. One thing balances out against another in the physical, mental and spiritual aspects of our expression. Our problems are collectively great in life, but Infinite Intelligence/God through the Law breaks them down so that dealing with them individually, they are tolerable, and we can rise above them. We experience losses or have apparently insurmountable difficulties, but other compensations manifest to bring comfort or resolution to us.

10. **Law of Harmony/Rhythm** – Harmony of thought, mind, conscience, with those around us and harmony with Spirit is necessary for a perfect condition of mental development, spiritual unfoldment and reception of spiritual influences. When all is

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in balance and harmony, power is generated correctly. Being out of harmony will cause an imbalance and there will be reduced energy and power. This Law is closely related to vibration. However, harmony/rhythm is motion and all motion within the universe is dominated by a particular flowing order. This particular flowing order produces the various manifest-actions of the universe. But, while everything is in the state of vibration, there must be a rhythmic consistency to produce a specific manifestation. The key to awareness is to understand how to regulate this vibration, thus changing the motion/rhythm and producing an orderly, harmonious flow. It is harmony which connects all the worlds of manifestation and Nature's Laws.

11. **Law of Adhesion and Cohesion** – Adhesion-physical bonding, Cohesion-bonded together. Everything adheres and coheres based upon vibratory control. When we reach out to attain Spiritual Light we are using the Law of Attraction based upon our vibration and the Law of Adhesion. When we reach out to be of assistance to others in the true spirit of kindness and unconditional love, we are working with the Law of Cohesion which brings about true unity. We are all a part of the greater whole, this Natural Law unites or holds together the atoms of being in all forms of matter but the bonding agent is love.

12. **Law of Supply and Demand** – The source of all that we can ever desire is unlimited. It is only in the finite mind that we have the concept of limitation on any level such as material wealth, health and growth. Each of us is a part of Infinite Intelligence/God which is limitless and being a part of this great Source, we must learn there is no limit except that which we place upon our self. This law responds to us based upon our belief that Universal/Natural Law works for all of us not just a few. By meditating, we become aware of this great Source and move beyond having faith to knowing that whatever our need may be, the supply is ever available. The Infinite Source can never run dry.

13. **Law of Cycles and Periodicity** – This Law describes the concentric manner of nature, the planet orbiting the sun, the recurring phenomena of the seasons. It describes continuity and that everything moves according to this Law. Nothing goes in a straight line. If the surface of the earth is global, then everything must be on a curvature like the arc of an arrow in flight. Einstein's theory of space is that it can be likened to a sea, with waves and flows. This Law governs the revolutions and periods of time as they occur and recur again and again in the same fashion, regulating the state, quality and orderly process of all things. Growth comes in cycles as surely as the seasons.

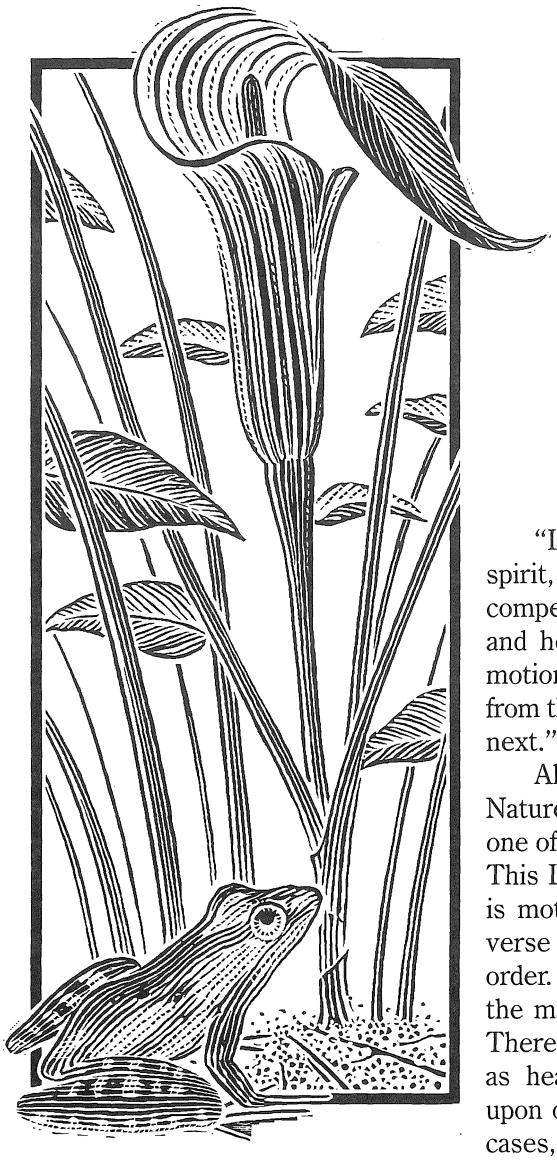


14. **Law of Cause and Effect** – This Law governs all other Laws and the many branches of Universal/Natural Law. It proves a cause for every effect evident in the universe and our lives. We can and must do only that for which we can give cause and know the effect will surely manifest in accordance with our motivation and desire. CAUSE IS ALWAYS UNSEEN, EFFECT IS ALWAYS SEEN, FELT, EXPERIENCED. We must truly know that Universal/Natural Law is neutral and can only respond based upon what we set into action whether consciously or unconsciously. This Law also is very effective in the class/seance room. We place flowers in these rooms and sometimes play peaceful music; the flowers and music are the causes and the effects are greater harmony, balance, polarization, and strength to continue our connection with the Spirit World. We must remember nothing happens by chance, everything proceeds from something and is succeeded by something else. Nothing is independent of what has gone before, nor can it help influencing that which is to follow.

15. **Law of Evolution** – The Law of Evolution guarantees a constant unfolding of progression for all creation. It can further be described as the things within being expressed outwardly, a gradual assumption of new appearance or degrees of appearance. The Law basically deals with the effect of each state of consciousness upon each individualized expression. The evolutionary process is basically the foundation of spiritual and physical expression. It should increase our understanding of our purpose in being. Humanity is on the earth plane to grow – evolve – and this is what evolution guarantees. Growth! However, the rate of that growth depends on the conscious awareness of the individual being. The Law of Evolution has been regarded as a scientific law, however, it must be also recognized as a Spiritual Law. Humanity in its growth process should be constantly reaching out for higher understanding and greater awareness.

16. **Law of Truth** – This is the knowledge of the understanding of right thinking, acting and living. Truth does prevail! It is the Law of Truth that is ever driving us onward toward a higher awareness, a higher understanding. We strive to know the truth of all things. This Law also teaches us correct understanding and thus results in demonstration of right thinking and action. It is a guiding Law which tells us right from wrong. In fact, it might be closely linked to the conscience of humanity. As we learn to know and project the truth at all times, we expand our consciousness.

Living Natural Law



BY THE REV JOYCE E. YOUNG, NST

When we hear someone speak of "laws" we immediately think of man-made laws; those which people have made to control one another.

Natural Law is simply defined as an "ascertained working sequence or constant order among the phenomena of nature." In other words, Natural Laws are simple statements of the orderly working of the universe and everything in it. Natural Law applies to both physical and spiritual life. This means that Natural Law **repeats** itself to unite the spiritual and physical worlds.

Natural Law prevails, even if we fail to understand it all the time. Natural Law has been in effect since the beginning of time, as the operational basis of all creation. The Laws operate in all states of existence, including material and spiritual aspects of life.

The Law of Continuity supports the fact that there is one continuous spectrum of Natural Law. An example of the Law of Continuity is expressed in the Ninth Principle: "We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death." Understanding this Law and principle validates the certainty that spiritual essence, or soul, lives forever.

The Law of Cause and Effect relates to the Seventh Principle: "We make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's Physical and Spiritual Laws." Cause and effect, as Spiritualism defines it, says: "Life is an unbroken struggle toward greater love and wisdom.

"The extent to which we can make effort here, determines the degree of harmony and happiness which we will obtain in our future spirit life. This is a Natural Law, and operates in proportion to what is potential in our nature.

"Life is one continuous unfoldment of spirit, in which there is action and reaction, compensation and retribution, both here and hereafter. In other words, we set in motion causes which are carried forward from this life, which have their effect in the next."

All around us are these Laws of Life, Nature's Physical and Spiritual Laws, and one of the greatest is the Law of Harmony. This Law states that harmony, or rhythm, is motion, and all motion within the universe is dominated by a particular flowing order. It is this flowing order that produces the manifestations of the entire universe. There must be harmony within the body, as health of the physical body depends upon obedience to Natural Laws. In some cases, illness shows that we may have been out of harmony.

Sometimes people believe they have little ability to live in the conscious awareness of all things. As people recognize their oneness with God, they begin to manifest the Law of Abundance in their lives. People must begin to recognize that abundance doesn't always mean material wealth, but those things which money cannot buy – those extremely important aspects such as health, strength, peace of mind, love and joy.

Spiritually, individual consciousness is the Law; you can control your supply. Being in tune with or being a part of the God-source, you can continually produce your needs, or the outer expression of your being.

Practicing the Law of Harmony, as you relate to others, brings a healing of relationships, a feeling of well-being. As you begin to look for understanding and peace within yourself, you come into harmony with others. This happens

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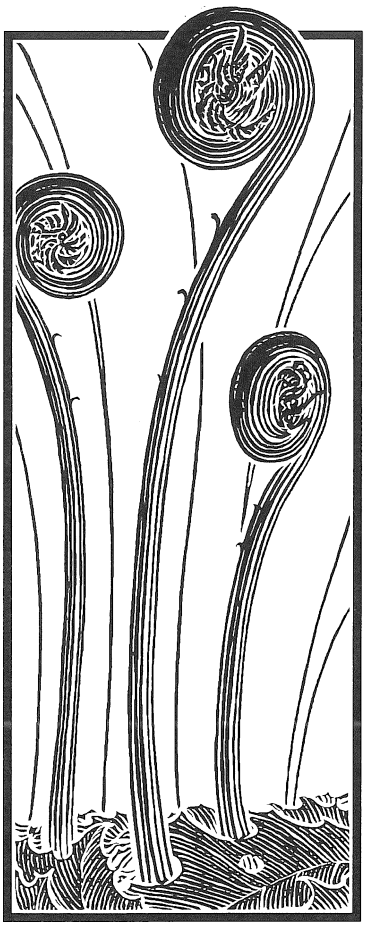
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because your sense of well-being gives off a loving energy, making for calm and peaceful situations.

Along with harmony, you need another important Law: the Law of Love. In acknowledging your at-one-ment with all there is, you learn the Law of Love is the basis of all true family life. And the word "family" extends anywhere in the world, because everyone is a component of God.

It is only through soul education that you come to understand that anything which tends to separate us, one from another, is a violation of the Law of Love. Injury, or love, done to one affects all. The Law of Love is the Golden Rule in action.

Along with the love within, you must use mind. The Law of Thought pervades all that is. Since thought is a process of communication, this Law also encompasses the world of creative thought. Positive, creative thoughts create high vibrations. As you think, so you are; by your thoughts you mold your being, solve problems, and help create a better way of life for all humanity.



Closely linked to the consciousness of humans, the Law of Truth encompasses the knowledge of understanding right thinking, acting, and living. This Law encourages you to search for greater awareness. As a result, you will strive to know the truth of all things. It is a Law of guidance, for it helps you tell right from wrong.

Numerous local and government laws are based on Natural Law. When people consciously live the Laws of God, especially the Law of Truth, there will be no need for the man-made laws.

People are basically moral, but mistakes spring from ignorance of Spiritual Law. It is only when people understand the Law, yet refuse to meet its requirements, that they could be called immoral.

Life is enhanced when people live entirely within their spiritual potential and obey Natural Law. This, in turn, speeds up the evolution of the universe, taking everyone even closer to God-consciousness. ❍

BEHIND SYNCHRONICITY

BY MERRY BROWNE

The metaphysical Law of Automatic Attraction of persons, places and things equivalent to one's own consciousness into his life is fairly well known and can be observed.

To realize this is happening in each and every life on a daily basis is to glimpse the overall, everchanging patterns within the grand design of The Great Designer as a veritable living kaleidoscope.

Each person, place, thing, a bead magnetically drawn to a destined space at a destined time in unerring movement and unending effort to weave The Intricate Tapestry of Life.

Psalm 19:7-10

The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the Lord is clean,
enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb.

The Law of Polarity

BY ELIZABETH HARRIS, DSNU

Life must be a polarity. You must have what you consider is the good and what you consider the bad, but they are equal and opposite and equal in service they perform. Action and reaction, equal and opposite, they are the two sides of the same coin.

Every aspect can be used for good or evil. That is the element of your choice, your free will, your decision, your judgement.

Your life is a polarity. You must have the challenges, and face obstacles and handicaps, otherwise that tremendous latent divinity within you will never find expression.

From the spirit guide, Silver Birch, 1938

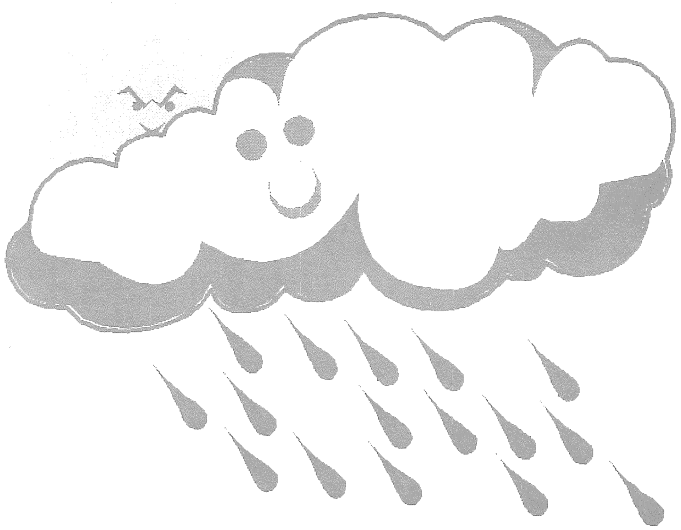
Of all the Natural Laws, none is as paradoxical and mystifying as the Law of Polarity. Not only Spiritualists concern themselves with this puzzling Law of Nature, but modern main-stream scientists and philosophers, too, now study it. The unity of contrasts and the unity of opposites (Law of Polarity) are difficult but fascinating concepts to fathom.

Yet, the Law of Polarity was understood in ancient times. Herakleitos of Ephesos said in the fifth century B.C. that *the way up and the way down are one and the same,* – a concept also found in Ancient Chinese Taoism.

Scientists find polarity everywhere. They say, *when you open a window in winter you not only let in the cold, but you also let out the heat.* It's Newton's famous Law of Action and Reaction.

The modern physicist, Fritjof Capra, author of the book, "Tao of Physics" says: *All differences and contrasts are relative. The notion is that all opposites are polar (complementarity) – the light and dark, winning and losing, good and evil are merely different aspects of the same phenomena. Force and matter, particles and waves, motion and rest, existence and nonexistence are some of the opposite or contradictory concepts studied by modern physicists today.*

The physicist, Niels Bohr, introduced the notion of "complementarity" to the world of physics which has become an essential part of the way physicists think about nature – that opposites stand in a polar – or complementary relationship with each other.



When Bohr was knighted in Denmark for his achievements in science, he included in his coat-of-arms, the inscription "Contraria sut complementa" (Opposites are complementary.)

But the profoundest polarity of all is that of good and evil, which continues into cause and effect, free will and fate, mortality and immortality, yin (feminine) and yang (masculine), etc. For good and evil epitomizes polarity more than any other pair of opposites.

Yet in this respect, the Law of Polarity is an exceedingly troublesome Law, for we ask, *Why is there evil in the world? How can there be a God of Infinite Intelligence who presides over a world of injustice, crime, war, ugliness, pollution, disease, pain and apparent evils? What good is evil?* The answer lies in evil's obvious polarity with good.

Philosophers have long touched on the relationship between good and evil. The key idea is that the human soul "thrives" on a challenge or a problem – that adversity is a kind of "growth hormone" opposite from, yet absolutely essential to spiritual development.

Spiritualists, too, are concerned about the polarity of good and evil and the reasons for them. In the Spiritualist book, "Light From Silver Birch" we read, *The essence of life on earth is it offers stark contrasts and polarities. It provides goodness and the lack of goodness. The object of earthly life is to make available a variety of experiences, to enable the soul to exercise its divine potential and emerge stronger as a result. And so you will have crimes, sin and violence.*

Yet, the unfairness of adversity is troublesome to some. We ask, *Why are some babies born feeble-minded or deformed in hovels while others, no more worthy, are born bright witted and beautiful in palaces?* However, who are we to assume to know the spiritual values of intelligence, normalcy, wealth, pain, happiness?

The polarity of life and death played a prominent role in

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the philosophy of ancient China, where "life and death" were considered "the two sides of one coin" and considered an integral part of yin and yang. For, together, life and death create a whole – a spiritual organism – a being – a soul.

We can see all around us that evil and good are two contrasting sides of a single issue. For example, when a baby gets punished by his mother for repeatedly trying to climb up a ladder, this naturally seems to the baby to be evil – the most horrible experience he has ever known. He naturally cries out in outrage. To the mother, on the other hand, the discipline is not evil, but essential. It is a constructive form of teaching.

And, like the baby, the adult experiences what to us is evil – crime, hatred, destruction and war. And we, too, protest and try to correct these evils.

Yet, it could be that crime, disease, famine, waste and war serve a purpose. One could not call these things good, for they aren't good. Yet, are they really evil? Are they not the mysterious code which teaches through deed and example the elementary lessons of spirituality.

The Hindu Prophet Krishna taught that "pleasure and pain, gain and loss, victory and defeat, are all one and the same." War is madness – but battle the spice of life.

Despite the horrors of war, we must admit that they have forged tribes into nations and made feudalism into democracy. World War I produced the tank which evolved into the bulldozer, which developed into submarines and aircraft. World War II created the aerosol bomb, the transistor, radar, the jet, the longe-range rocket, the atomic age and the space age.

What is evil to one, may be good to another. As the ancient Chinese said, *To be right you must also be wrong.* To many, evil is defined as an absence of good, a negative quality, a relative value.

We can clearly see the relativity and contrast of good and evil in history. Would we remember Joan of Arc if she had not been burned at the stake? Would Winston Churchill be considered a great leader without the "evil" of Hitler – or Abraham Lincoln without the Civil War?



Light and darkness are relative and "polar". For example, if we think of light to mean good, therefore it would make the opposite side, darkness, to be evil. Yet, we know that darkness is not necessarily bad. It would be simpler and more accurate to say that darkness is the negative side of light – a relative value. Again, while it isn't always noted that darkness is vital to light, the pupil of the eye, the blackest part of most people's bodies, is actually the part that lets in the most light to the interior.

Another mystifying thing about "polarity" is found in love and hate relationships. Could it be that love and hate obey Laws resembling those of magnetism, where poles of opposite charge attract each other while like ones repel? Psychologists tell us that the normal human being is put off by any human who closely resembles himself – almost surely because what's called negative comparison is a threat to self-esteem.

Success and failure are another polar pair increasingly studied by educators. It used to be assumed that children want and need to be understood, but recent findings suggest that in many cases they not only want and need, but actually depend on a solid foundation of misunderstanding in order to develop self-reliance and mature as independent-thinking adults. This could well account for the outstanding success of Albert Einstein, for the young Einstein didn't learn to talk until he was three, dropped out of school in disgrace, and was discharged from his first three jobs. Again, Thomas Edison was considered a "hopeless" scholar.

The polarity of happiness and unhappiness is often not what it seems. For, it has been noticed that happiness is more affected by one's *movement* toward (or away from) success than by one's *position* near (or far from it). We have heard the old familiar story how a famous conqueror, who had everything he wanted, is less happy than a blind beggar, who never had anything he wanted, but had just found a crust of bread. So the Law of Happiness says happiness waxes and wanes in direct proportion to progress to or from a goal, a worthy cause, a creation, a companion to be loved. It is not absolute, but *relative.*

Our polarized earth, meanwhile rolls on. It is a world where love is hinged with pain, evil spawns good and hate cannot exist without love – a world in which easing another's pain always helps one's own.

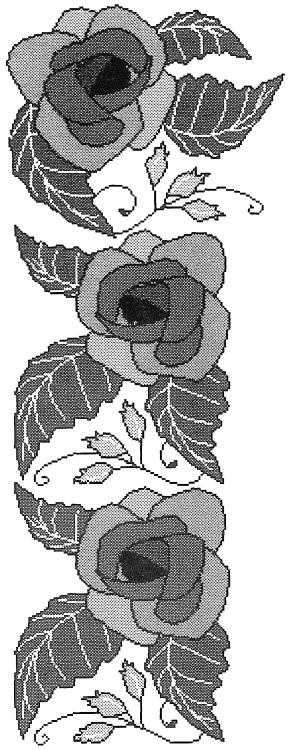
For these things are subject to the Law of Polarity – that mystifying, paradoxical Natural Law.

Therefore, we have only to meet the challenges, face the obstacles and handicaps. Infinite Intelligence has given us free will (within limits) to fill this old world of ours with radiance, beauty, glory and happiness, or to make it a hell on earth.

The choice is ours.

The Philosophy of Spiritualism

BY ALISA F. BUTLER



The intuitive yearning in mankind for wisdom, knowledge, and truth is aided by the pursuit of philosophy. Philosophy can be recognized as the knowledge of explanation of all things in general by their ultimate causes. Philosophy leads the search for truth, it questions, and it coordinates efforts into an understandable end result.

Philosophers spend their lives in the pursuit of wisdom through philosophy. The Philosopher is not satisfied with just the pursuit of knowledge and facts, but also uses and applies what he learns. The philosopher puts together the pieces to make a better whole than there was before.

Spiritualism has a unique philosophy, but many of the philosophic thoughts found in Spiritualism have also been the thoughts of many great philosophers. Socrates spoke and wrote about death, and about the continuation of life. What Socrates had to say agrees with the Spiritualist declaration that the existence and personal identity of the individual continues after death. Spinoza wrote about a God that was not an extraneous cause of all things, but rather that "All is in God; all lives and moves in God." This is in agreement with the Spiritualist belief in Infinite Intelligence. Our belief in the highest morality being contained in the Golden Rule was also voiced similarly by Aristotle. I think that it is important for Spiritualists to realize and remember that many of our beliefs are not just ours alone, but have a basis in the knowledge taught to many others in history by men of eminence.

In the religion of Spiritualism, Natural Law is a significant philosophical consideration. It is the basis for many of the tenets of our religion. Natural Law is not a new concept, it like other philosophic thoughts in Spiritualism, has been around for centuries. However, the path of our present understanding of Natural Law was a long one. Before there was a discipline called science, men observed and recorded what they saw happening in the world around them. This led to many isolated facts with no connecting links between them and no perceived relationship to connect them into an understandable whole.

Men of science like Copernicus, Kepler, and Galileo were responsible for the first true understanding of an orderly universe, but it was Isaac Newton and his Law of Gravitation that caused all of science to dedicate their pursuits to Natural Law. Now the metaphysicians and philosophers were joined by scientists in the search for the greater understanding of an orderly existence and Natural Law.

Natural Laws are simple statements about the orderly working of the universe and all that is in it. They are extremely important to us for they represent an understanding of what we can expect to happen in any given situation. Natural Laws do not just apply to physical existence but also apply to spiritual existence. Natural Law is a continuum, there is a single line of Natural Law that extends from infinity to infinity. Some of the Natural Laws that deal with the physical world are the Law of Acceleration, the Law of Conservation of Energy, the Law of Gravitation. We are not, however, just physical beings and so there are also Natural Laws that deal with our spiritual being, like the Golden Rule, the Law of Attraction, the Law of Cause and Effect, the Law of Continuity, the Law of Harmony, the Law of Thought, and the Law of Truth to name just a few.

Mankind is unique from other life on earth. Somewhere in the beginning Simple Consciousness evolved, over half of the animal kingdom possesses this elementary type of awareness. Then another leap was made, and that was from Simple Consciousness to the human faculty of Self-consciousness and language. Self-consciousness indicates that an individual is aware of his or her environment, body, and that he or she is a distinct and separate unit from other things in the universe.

Spiritualism teaches us that each individual is a triune being of body, soul, and spirit. The physical body is the vehicle through which the soul expresses itself and through which it makes contact with the material world. The mind is a part of spirit and is the foundation link between the physical and the spiritual consciousness. Soul is the essence and essential part. Spiritualism teaches us that man (woman) is a soul entity that is expressing through the physical body. The physical body is temporal, the soul is eternal.

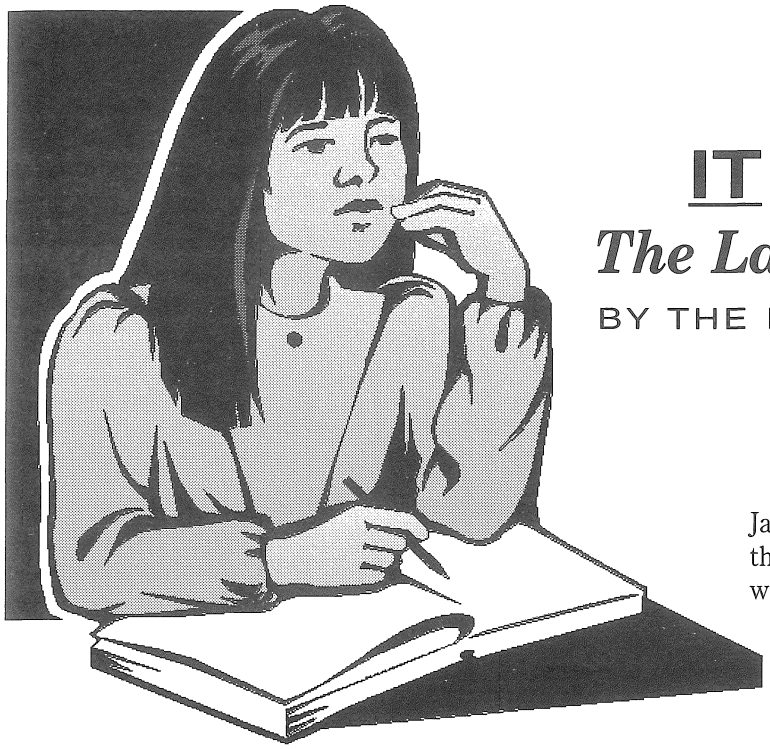
Spiritualism teaches us that as a triune being, men and women have the potential of the Infinite within them. The trinity is based upon the Natural Laws of the Universe. Mankind has been climbing the ladder of evolutionary progress, and evolving closer to the most important part within, the Infinite.

Since the beginning, mankind has sought the answer to where he came from and if there was a purpose to his existence. Humanity's intellectual history can be divided into three parts, the age of superstition, the age of science, and the age of materialism. Through all intellectual history, specific questions about God and what part God played in the lives of each individual have been asked.

During the age of materialism it was discovered that the universe operated according to fixed Laws and Spiritualists concept of God comes from these beginnings. Spiritualists endorse a God concept of Infinite Intelligence. Infinite Intelligence cannot be limited to an anthropomorphic being, but is all inclusive, omnipotent, omnipresent and manifesting through all forms of life and matter. Nature and all of its phenomena are the expression of this Source. God is the "Eternal Perfect", the Infinite Intelligence that manifests through humanity and everything else. An individual is immortal because he or she is an individualized part of Infinite Intelligence.

There are several theories about the creation of the

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IT MUST BE SO

The Law of Order and System

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I remember as a child asking questions that were obvious, and receiving a response, "It must be so, mustn't it?" The old *answer a question with a question*, and if that question in response to a question compels a correct answer, we call that the Socratic method of teaching. Additionally, this in turn requires us to apply analysis and reason. The Jesuits are masterful at this, although in their religious teachings they require absolute acceptance of theological dogma.

As Spiritualists, we should never abandon reason, and our philosophy is based upon three fundamentals that we have accepted as proven to us individually: The continuity of life after death; The retention of individuality and characteristics (the latter hopefully changing as we adapt to our new environment and spiritual condition.) The absolute existence of Natural Law, and the variety of phenomena called Universal Laws, which are collectively called Natural Law.

Among ourselves we argue the merits of these Universal Laws stating which one we believe to be the highest and most noble. It reminds me of the stories of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table in Camelot, where each of the knights had a particular virtue, and now that virtue is associated with that name. So then, which one is paramount?

For me, hands down, the answer is, Order and System.

If we accept the premise (and we do) of a Supreme Force and Power (not a being) in the Universe, which we call Infinite Intelligence, then the process of evolution is one of order and system, even if it was, and is still periodically, volatile. Just ask those of us living on an earthquake faultline! Nothing happens without reason, and without being preceded by something else. This despite the fact that it may appear as some scientists say, "as the roll of the dice." It is all predicated upon Natural Law.

How many of us watched that marvelous program of Jacob Bronofsky, "The Ascent of Man?" In it he explains that certain grasses survived and became our cereal grains, while other grasses failed to even survive. Again with fauna, why do some of these wonderful creations become extinct, while others not only adapt and survive, but even flourish? Often the answers to these questions cannot be ascertained scientifically, so we then entertain a theory which philosophically will satisfy our need for an explanation. Sometimes the divine cannot be explained within our brief earthlife experience, but can only be experienced until we matriculate into the higher more refined existence, which we call the Spirit World.

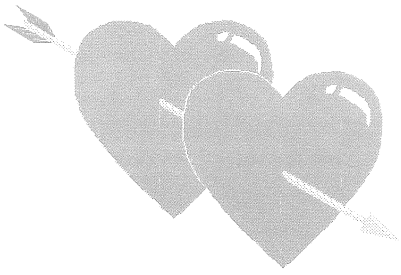
While I believe the premier Universal Law to be Order and System, it can never be isolated from all of the other Laws constituting Natural Law. The awesomeness of the inter-connectedness of these Laws can only be compared with the miracle of our physical bodies. Just for a moment contemplate the harmony of the whole of the body parts, a circulatory system, a heart – the main pump of the body, in actual fact operating as a muscle, a brain – the nerve center, itself feeling no pain, but registering where the pain is occurring in the body, and prescribing the formula to the pharmacy of the body to deliver in exact quantities the needed chemicals for proper functioning, a skin – the largest organ of the body, exhibiting by color or texture the state of health of an individual, constantly renewing itself through its several layers, while discarding the dead cells in such minute quantities as to be undeterminable except through microscopic examination. If this does not describe the only miracle we will ever know, the miracle of creation, I don't know what it would take to convince us.

Natural Law is a miracle, but only in the sense of it being so admirable and perfect in manifestation. For there are no miracles, only the attuning that allows us to express in harmony (and I do not use any adjective before harmony, since there is either harmony or disharmony) with Natural Law, which is a part of our understanding of Infinite Intelligence, the only part we will know outside of ourselves.

In conclusion, I leave you with this quote from Shelley, and I use it as a metaphor for our wonderful religion of Spiritualism, "I have drunken deep of joy, and I will taste no other wine . . ."

Natural Law of Love

BY THE REV. E. ANN OTZELBERGER, NST



The LAW OF LOVE, is the creative source and power of all life; the realization of this Law is the highest goal to be attained; love is purifying. It is the power that lifts the heart and soul to the highest spiritual awareness. The highest levels of consciousness are achieved through this Law.

Living with knowledge of the Law of Love provides us with freedom, freedom from negativity, jealousy, hate, resentment, and revenge. This freedom leaves us free to pursue the positive goals of peace, harmony, happiness and contentment. By living this Law we can create a new and positive awareness for not only ourselves, but for others as well.

The love principle is the action of giving and its reaction of regiving; it is the constructive force of all forces and this the highest vibration. To quote Drummond, "The spectrum of love is patience, kindness, generosity, humility, courtesy, unselfishness, good temper, and sincerity."

You can read a story concerning the Divinity of man in the NSAC Manual, it seems that *The God's, having stolen from man his divinity, met in council to discuss where they should hide it. One suggested that it be carried to the other side of the earth and buried; but it was pointed out that man is a great wanderer, and that he might find the lost treasure on the other side of the earth. Another proposed that it be dropped into the depths of the sea; but the same fear was expressed – that man, in his insatiable curiosity, might dive deep enough to find it even there. Finally, after a space of silence, the oldest and wisest of the Gods said: "Hide it in man himself as that is the last place he will ever think to look for it." And it was agreed, all seeing its subtle and wise strategy.*

Man wandered over the earth for ages, searching in all places, high and low, far and near, before he thought to look within himself for the divinity he sought. At last, slowly, dimly, he began to realize that what he thought was far off, hidden in "the pathos of distance" is nearer than the breath he breathes, even in his own heart. – By J. F. Newton.

Each of us, as we go through this life in this vibration, eventually will learn that we all have a spark of divinity within us. We learn that we are all a part of God, and all a part of each other. As a part of God, we all have the same rights and privileges. We understand that as we are all a part of God, we do not have the right to judge each other for the things we think and do in this life. We know that as we follow the Laws of God, which are called Natural Laws or Cosmic Laws, each of us has the same responsibilities. We are responsible for the things we say, think and do, we are responsible for the world around us.

As we grow and learn in our lives, we learn that the only limits placed on us are those limits that we place ourselves. We learn that we will not always be held down to the conditions around us now, because we will achieve, we will grow, we will learn, we will work, not only for the purpose of going forward and outward, but for the purpose of helping our fellow men. Helping to make them stronger, giving them light and love and enabling them to realize that good is everywhere, is within the human soul, is within each individual.

As we grow in the spiritual realm, here and on the other unseen side of life, we must cultivate love for our fellowman, and love for the world around us. Love is a word that many of us use, not really understanding the full meaning of what we are saying. Love is used to express the fact that we like a certain item, such as, "I just love that dress you are wearing.", or "I just love to go to the movies."

Love is a powerful force and when we think of love it is difficult to define, because love is limitless, and as you become bigger and more beautiful and more expansive so does love. So to define love seems to limit love. One definition of love from one of the saints is that love is a process not of my wanting to make you over in my image as I would desire you, but my wanting to lead you back to yourself, to what you are, to your uniqueness, to your original beauty.

Love is learned, fear is learned, prejudice is learned, hate is learned, concern is learned, kindness and gentility are learned. All of these are learned in a society, in the home and in a relationship.

We start language processes at the age of between one and two years old, when words begin to appear and take on emotional and intellectual content. Those are the words with which you will structure your environment and with which you will live for the rest of your life, and which will either cage you or free you.

Self-concept, *who we are,* we learn mostly from our family. This is why you should make yourself the greatest, grandest most wonderful, loving person in the world because this is what you are going to be giving to your children and to all those who you meet.

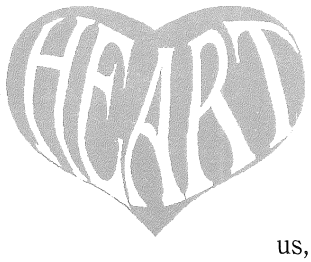
In our sixth principle, we state, "We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye also unto them." This idea points us to a way of peace and harmony and happiness in our lives. It brings us to think of the Natural Law of Compensation, which states, "you get back exactly what you give out". In other words, if you do to others what you want for yourself, then you will find that you will have that come back to you. When we consider that we are all a part of each other, then when we do good for someone else, we are also doing good for ourselves.

We teach, in Spiritualism, that we are each one of us responsible for the things that we do. We usually say transgression of the Laws, instead of using the word sin. Transgression of the Law means that we are going against Natural Laws in what we are doing. We are responsible for

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what we do, and we know that with Natural Laws what we do will come back to us. We do not believe or teach that Jesus died for our sins and we do not believe or teach that God is keeping a record of the things we do in order to form some kind of punishment for us. Here again we come back to personal responsibility. We are responsible for what we think, say and do to or for ourselves and our fellowman.



We all need love, and we all need just one person in our lives that will say: I will love you no matter what; I will love you if you are stupid; if you slip and fall on your face; if you do the wrong thing; if you make mistakes; if you behave like a real human being; I will love you no matter what.

We all need a feeling of achievement. We need to be able to be recognized for doing something well. We need occasionally for someone to pat us on the shoulder and say, that is good, I really like that.

We all need someone to care about us, not in big ways but in small things that can mount up for us, and become big things. Just one person, but one who really does care.

We need to have a certain amount of freedom to learn, to change and to become ourselves. And as we do this we still need someone who is really interested in us, someone who truly cares. But we need that freedom in order to create our lives as we want them to be.

We need to have freedom, but we need to remember others as we create for ourselves. We need to know when and where is the best place and time for us to be free to create.

We need nurturing. We all need to be touched, we need some sort of manifestation of love. One of the saddest things in our culture is that we stress the sexual aspect of a relationship way out of proportion. What a pity, because in those things we are often missing the tenderness, the warmth, the kiss when it is not expected, the touch on the shoulder when you really need it most . . . that is real sensual gratification.

We all have our own path. There are a thousand paths to take in discovering yourself. We will all find our own way. Don't let anybody impose their path on you, find your special way. You on the other hand, have no right to order anyone else around. You can try to communicate, try to understand, but each of us must choose our own path.

Remember that we are all a team, we are all working together. We are all a part of each other. We all have the potential to love, but it is only a potential, and like all potentials, unless it is realized, unless you do something about it, it is not going to happen.

Ask yourself, what is essential about me, what is my worth, what are my needs? We know there is no limit to us, we will always be us, so take your own path, make your own way, be responsible for yourself, and love yourself.

To love yourself does not make you ego-centered like the old witch in Snow White, the one who looked into her mirror and asked, "Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest one of all?" Loving yourself means a genuine interest, caring, concern and respect for yourself.

If you love yourself, you will try to maintain your uniqueness. You will know that it is never too late. The pursuit of self, should help us learn to be a good person, a loving person, a feeling person, an intelligent person, and a person who cares. Before we can love all others, the first responsibility in love is to love one's own self.

In the Bible you read, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." This tells us we must feel responsible to grow in self love, so we can feel the love toward helping our fellowman.

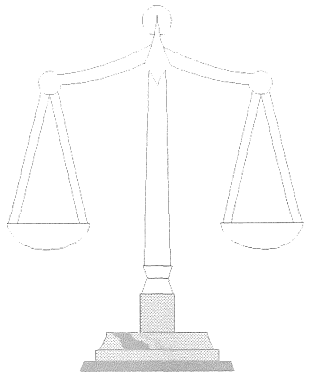
It isn't our bodies which are essential. Certainly they are important, and certainly our thoughts and our programming of ourselves is important, but wherever we are right now is very important . . . love now, where you are, for it all starts here. We should start by saying, yes I love me, where I am with all my limitations, but that does not necessarily mean it is where I am going to be tomorrow. It just means that I like me where I am now. You cannot go on until you make that statement, if I had a single wish in the world and I had a magic wand. I would wave it over everybody and have you say and have you really believe, "I like me wherever I am right now, right this minute. I am great!"

I know this: I exist, I am, I am here, I make my life and no one else makes it for me. I must face my own shortcomings, mistakes, transgressions. No one can suffer my non-being as I do, but tomorrow is a new day, and I will continue to live and to love. And if I make mistakes, I will know that it is my life and my path and my responsibility. ●

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Universe and it is important to say which one is correct. The major hypotheses are that the Universe is either self-existent, self-created, or that it was created by some external agency. One theory, put forth by orthodox Western religions, proposes that God created the universe and all that is in it. Some scientists have suggested that the Universe is self-existent, that is, that it always existed. Others have suggested that the Universe started with a "Big Bang." Spiritualism does not attempt to repudiate the established facts of science. Spiritualism gladly accepts the efforts of Science and anything that attempts to increase our knowledge. But, Spiritualism feels that "Unless we conceive of matter and (energy) as being directed by a primal source 'Spirit', we could have nothing more than change, probability and chaos." This suggests that Spirit uses energy as a directing force and matter as the mode

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Seeking Balance

A Natural Law

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When you are asked about Natural Law which ones usually first come to mind? Probably the Law of Cause and Effect or the Law of Attraction come more speedily than others because we can usually make a quick case for their apparent outworking in most lives.

Easily forgotten in our hurried and harried world of today is the Law of Balance. Oh, we may give it a fleeting nod as we rush to the next panic calling for our attention. Often we don't really give it much thought until something stops us short and makes us take time to regain the balance so precious to our well-being. How do I know? I am one of the greatest "forgetters" you'll ever meet.

The zeal to live life to its fullest often tempts us with the thought, "I'll catch up later," and we usually do, but not in the manner we would. Sometimes disease causes us to catch up with our own needs. How many colds have progressed to something worse because the "victim" kept thinking "it's just a cold." How many slips and falls came from being too tired or in too big a hurry? The first Law we thought of – good old Cause and Effect. Perhaps it would be better if we learned to think Balance.

Balance is, "all's right with the world" exuberant state that we all have vowed at one time or another to always live in, only to find it disappearing as we allow ourselves to be caught in frustration or the instability of the material world.

It easy to remember, "Under all circumstances, keep an even mind" when are not challenged by situations that leave us in an "uneven" minded position. All the Laws sound good to us when they seem to be working in our favor. What about those times when personal responsibility calls us to task for not living by the Laws we so firmly declare to believe?

Every one of us will know ebb and flow in our lives, it's remembering at ebb tide that the flow will return that keeps our head about us. Then is the time to think of our Principles and how they define our reasoning. We state that we believe the door of reformation is never closed. Have we closed it on ourselves? We profess to understand negativity can be overcome by positive action and attitude. Do we then find ourselves dwelling on the negative condition we are in, instead of looking for any little sign of encouragement?

Chronic Fatigue is a disease I am well familiar with and through it I learned many things. At one time it seemed a "miracle" to walk across a room. Today I go about my business, seldom giving thought to how wonderful it is to move about as I please. So often when we are challenged by life we forget to count our blessings, whether it simply be the sun shining on a new day or a life enriched with friends and laughter. Sometimes when we count them, our minds drift off to the "blessings" we'd prefer at the moment.

If you are challenged today, see how you can apply the Natural Laws you understand to your present life. For inspiration, turn to your *NSAC Manual* or the *Lyceum Manual*, thumb through back issues of *TNS* or *SPOTLIGHT* magazine. Apply the Law of Love to yourself. Know you are a precious and loved child of God. Allow yourself the freedom to believe you have an innate and inalienable right to live in peace and harmony. I ask you not to limit your thinking, but to listen to Spirit's guidance.

The Serenity Prayer states, "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen." Combine it with the *Magic Staff,* "Behold! Here is thy Magic Staff. Under all circumstances keep an even mind. Take it. Try it. Walk with it. Talk with it. Lean on it. Forever." You will find yourself living in Balance by letting go of the things you can't change, changing the things you can, and keeping an even mind under all circumstances. Use the inborn wisdom you have discovered through the gift you have been given in finding the Light we know shines for us all through Spiritualism.

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of expression. The end result of these events is Creation.

The thought that Spirit is directing energy and matter helps us explain many things. The chasm science mentions between inorganic and organic life might well be covered by the primal element Spirit. Through this idea of Spirit the visible universe can be understood to represent the materialized expressions of an invisible universe, a universe of energies and a directing power called Spirit. The Laws of Nature also take on a whole new meaning, for they can now be seen as the constant manner in which directing energy, Spirit, operates.

The philosophy of Spiritualism is not a closed or dogmatic philosophy, but rather an open, uplifting philosophy that teaches us how we may truly live happier and more harmonious lives. It teaches us that we can do this ourselves, not by praying to some Father type God or Savior type God, but by the use and understanding of Natural Laws. The philosophy of Spiritualism gives us the freedom and the power to ever expand ourselves. Spiritualism is a most beautiful philosophy. It teaches us that we are a triune being with the time of our greatest efforts, our furthest reaches, yet ahead of us! What power and hope this philosophy gives us! Aren't we lucky to be Spiritualists?






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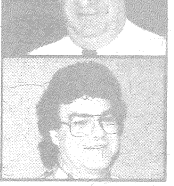
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