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Religion held sole sway in the so-called "dark ages." During that time it bound both Science and Art hand and foot. Then came the period of the Renaissance, and Art came to the fore in all its branches. Religion was strong as yet, however, and Art was only too often prostituted in the service of Religion. Last came the wave of modern *Science*, and with iron hand it has subjugated Religion.

It was a detriment to the world when Religion shackled Science. Ignorance and Superstition caused untold woe, nevertheless man cherished a lofty spiritual ideal then; he hoped for a higher and better life. It is infinitely more disastrous that Science is killing Religion, for now even Hope, the only gift of the gods left in Pandora's box, may vanish before Materialism and Agnosticism.

Such a state cannot continue. Reaction must set in. If it does not, anarchy will rend the cosmos. To avert a calamity *Religion*, *Science*, and *Art* must reunite in a higher expression of the *Good*, the *True*, and the *Beautiful* than obtained before the separation.

Coming events cast their shadows before, and when the Great Leaders of humanity saw the tendency towards ultra-materialism which is now rampant in the Western World they took certain steps to counteract and transmute it at the auspicious time. They did not wish to kill the budding Science as the latter had strangled Religion, for they saw the ultimate good which will result when an advanced Science has again become a co-worker with Religion.

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The Current Outlook

[FROM THE ROSICRUCIAN VIEWPOINT]

Food--Focus of World Economy

By JOSEPH DARROW

OOD is a very live subject at the present time and will be more so in the coming year or two years, for the reason that more and more farm workers are being absorbed by the armed forces of the United States.

We have recently been informed by the authorities that there is a serious food shortage in prospect in the Los Angeles district and in fact in all Southern California. This condition applies to a lesser degree all over the country. In spite of laws passed to control the situation, prices

FOOD SHORTAGE are increasing to a very noticeable extent. The rationing of food is a possibility that may overtake us before

the war is ended. Even at that the people of the United States are in a far better condition than those in any other part of the world, particularly those in countries subdued and occupied by the so-called Axis nations, where semi-starvation is an actual fact.

There are two sides to the question of food. First, the material, and second, the occult. We will consider the material side first.

On January 4th there was held a meeting or convention of the Farmer Field Women of Wisconsin for the purpose of outlining the possibilities and preparing a proper plan of operation. This convention was called and presided over by the Head of the Division of Information of the U.S. Department of Agriculture from Washington, D.C. A great deal of information about the production of food and future farm production requirements was brought out in this meeting which was conducted on the discussion group plan. We have an outline of the discussions which took place, and from which we will quote some interesting information. This report contained a quotation from Vice-President Wallace. In his "Free World" speech of May 8, 1942, he said:

"The peace must mean a better standard of living for the common man, not

merely in the United States BETTER and England, but also in LIVING India, Russia, China and STANDARDS Latin-America—not merely in the United Nations, but

also in Germany and Italy and Japan."

The earth was designed by the Masters of Evolution to support adequately all the human beings that may at any time live upon its surface. Therefore it is merely a matter of man finding out the methods and devising the techniques by which this may be accomplished, because the earth will do its part. If man's native selfishness can be overcome so that the cornering and hoarding of food is done away with and so that all have an equal opportunity, the problem will be very much simplified.

We will now quote from the Wisconsin discussions:

"Can the United States procure a good living for everyone in this country by ignoring the rest of the world? In order to have higher living standards in this country, is it necessary to help other countries improve their living standards too? Should we in the United States help people in foreign lands just out of kindness and generosity? Or should we do so because we are helping ourselves when we help others? Is it to our selfish interest to assist other countries in making progress? Should we continue to send the United Nations as much food as can be shipped even if it doesn't leave for ourselves the diets to which we are accustomed? After the war should we ship abroad as much food as we can to keep people from starving even if we have to deny ourselves food we feel we should have?"

The questions brought up in the preceding paragraph are questions on which the Rosicrucian student has definite opinions. He knows that humanity from the occult standpoint is a unit, therefore

EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD all have to be considered equally, and as far as possible there will have to be an equal distribution of food in all parts

of the world. This isn't going to be as difficult as it may seem. Donald Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, recently stated:

"For the first time in the history of the human race there can be enough to go around. Poverty is not inevitable any more. The sum total of the world's greatest output of goods divided by the sum total of the world's inhabitants, no longer means a little less than enough for everybody. It means more than enough. The possibilities in that simple statement are beyond calculation—and what we are fighting for is the right to turn some of these possibilities into realities."

Again we return to the Wisconsin discussion for a few more facts:

"In order that all sections of the population have enough of the right kinds of food and to accomplish this on a world basis would require expansion of production of the following orders of magnitude: cereals 50 per cent; milk and other dairy products 125 per cent; vegetable oils 125 per cent; fruits and vegetables 300 per cent;—and meat [for the meat eaters] 90 per cent. In the United States this program will require an additional forty million acres of crops above the acreage of the 1936-40 period." Agriculture in the United States is rapidly becoming more scientific and the application of scientific methods and knowledge to agriculture will have to be progressively increased in the coming years. Changes in technological practices applied to agriculture will be necessary and more man-power must be assigned to it.

Britain has proved that war does not necessarily decrease the food standards. In fact, she has actually proved the opposite, as stated by Claude Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, December 22, 1942:

"Britain already has demonstrated that an effective food program can mean

Britain's Food Demonstration a rise in the dietary standards of the people as a whole, even though there is a reduction in the total

food supplies. All in all, British people are better fed now than before the war began, and it is because they are dividing their supplies better than they did in the past." In other words, the British are carrying out the occult program of equal distribution for all under present war conditions because it is recognized as necessary for national preservation.

In addition Mr. Wickard said: "It is a political necessity that starvation disappears in any country we re-occupy. We must make sure that re-occupation by our forces will be accompanied by swift and well planned importation of food, seed, and essential supplies. We must see to it that populations delivered from Axis bondage are given a real deliverance, for they have been told many times by our enemies that democracy means freedom without bread. In the future-we hope the not too distant future-we will have new allies. When the conquered nations are able to throw off the Axis yoke and join us we will give them food just as we are giving food to our allies now. We want the strength of these people added to our own strength.

Their strength is great. Their spirit still is unbroken despite privation at the hands of their Axis rulers."

As we have said many times in these columns, universal democracy is the ultimate plan of evolution, where every individual will have free will under the law, which he will voluntarily and gladly comply with instead of being subject to the orders of others. Where there is no free will there is little or no evolution because evolution depends upon free will.

Now as to a little information on the occult side of the food situation. The first and most important fact that we encounter is the Law of Assimilation, as stated in the *Rosicrucian Cosmo-Concep*-

THE LAW OF FOOD ASSIMILATION tion. This Law allows no particle to be built into our bodies that we as spirits have not overcome and made subject to our-

There is life in every particle of selves. food, and before we can build that life into our bodies by the process of assimilation we must overcome and make it subject to ourselves, that is, subject to the will and direction of the spirit or Ego or Higher Self within. Otherwise there could be no harmony in the body. Every cell of food substance has a cell will, and it is that will which must be overcome and made subject to the will of the Ego in order for harmony to be maintained. Some foods are harder to digest than others, not only because of their differing in chemical constituents but also because their cell will is stronger.

It is well to know something about what kinds of food are the best and why some kinds are detrimental. Old age and decrepitude are ordinarily brought on gradually by a consolidating process which causes the organs and muscles to become more and more rigid. The minute capillaries throughout the entire body gradually choke up and change into solid fiber, no longer pervious to the blood. Hence the circulation of the blood is retarded. Chemists state that this ossification of the body is brought about prin-

cipally through an increase of phosphate of lime, carbonate of lime, and sulphate of lime. Therefore it should be our object to select food with lesser quantities of these substances except in the period of childhood, when more lime or calcium is required to form the bones and teeth.

Undistilled water, which usually includes considerable amounts of mineral substances, including lime, is detrimental because the lime is deposited in the tissues and promotes the process of ossifica. tion. Therefore distilled drinking water and whenever possible distilled water as the basis of other beverages and in cooking should be used. Grape juice is a particularly wonderful solvent. By a course of unfermented grape juice treatment people with sunken eyes, wrinkled skin and poor complexions become plump, ruddy and lively. Buttermilk is also said to have a very beneficial effect along these lines.

There is one final bit of information which is most important in the mainte-

nance of health and decreasing the ossification of the ANGER body. Annoyance and anger OSSIFIES must be especially avoided THE BODY because through these emotions the rush of forces in the desire body makes the arteries and veins swell and opens the way for the passage of the white corpuscles into the tissues of the body where they form bases for the earthy matter which kills the body. Given the same amount and kind of food the person of serene and jovial disposition will live longer, enjoy better health and be more active than the person who worries and loses his temper.

In the preceding we have endeavored to give some of the material and scientific facts about food and to supplement them with some occult information which will enable us to prolong our lives and make us better instruments for the use of the Great Ones in the tremendous work of evolution. Knowledge is power, and therefore let us try to utilize as much of this information as possible.

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Life on Other Worlds

By WILLIAM GIFFORD HALE

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RE the planets inhabited? This is a question most frequently asked astronomers by the public, and answered too often by a simple allembracing negative which satisfies no one, and is far from the truth. For, as life, intelligence, and soul have developed upon the Earth, why so positively deny them to the other myriad worlds of space?

As one who has for sixty years studied this question of life on other worlds, may I present the assembled facts as I see them?

The essential conditions of life—what are they? On our own world of Earth, we find them to be: light, heat, water, air, and food. What evidences exist of such like conditions upon the near planets we know, Mars, Venus, Mercury? and the giant planets, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune? What signs of such evidence must we look for? Which of these planets are most likely to be habitable?

MARS. Begin with the one most easily viewed when it is nearest to us, Mars. Mars has water, for we see snow come and go on its surface with its seasons. Snow could not so show if there were no air to carry its vapor, so we may include air. Light it has a plenty, from the Sun, in less degree than we have, and heat also, but a far clearer atmosphere than

Earth, so these both would be more effective than here. The heat is evidently enough to evaporate vast quantities of water from its surface to form the snow observed: 1,000 miles around each pole in turn. A complicated system of water channels (I can give it no less definite term) very evidently carries the water from the melting polar snowcaps in turn thousands of miles across red deserts to low-lying lands that then turn green, apparently with plant growth. In summer they brown up, and in some equatorial parts, turn green again as the water from the other pole reaches them. so we have some evidence of two crops a year, that year being nearly twice as long as ours. On our world, plant life is invariably accompanied by animal life, so why should not it be so on Mars? Further: Here animal life mounted to the intelligent, reasoning stage, why not on Mars? Its very system of canals powerfully supports the idea, for they are 'way ahead of anything we have yet constructed on Earth. So much for Mars, though very much more could be argued and inferred about it.

VENUS: A world that long ago stopped spinning, so that one hemisphere always sees the Sun, and the other side never, it also shows signs of a water distribution on lines adapted to its strange conditions. The "sunny" side has dark lines converging from the twilight rim towards the center, as if following the lines that water from the snow piled up on the arctic side would most usefully take if it were applied to grow food plants there. Venus has more clouds than Earth, so here again we have evidence of the existence of the necessary air, water, wind, and heat to actuate the transfer of water across the planet's surface. The very rate of movement of these clouds has been observed and measured, 500 miles in three days. Here too, then, is material for a romantic story of life on a neighbor world.

MERCURY is a more extreme case of the same cessation of daily spin, for its sunlit side must be torridly hot, though the dark, night side, must be as "arctically" cold! A much more complicated system of markings nets its surface over, though their plan and possible purpose is not so clear. But their very existence and complication is argument of the strongest kind for intelligent life of some kind there. So much for the three worlds that circle the Sun nearest to Earth.

The four big worlds of Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune are each so enveloped in deep, cloud-laden atmospheres that we never see their real surfaces. Some astronomers have concluded, on rather slight evidence, that they are zero-cold; but as this evidence only relates to the higher reaches of their atmospheres, this is far from certain. Our own air, miles up, is certainly zero-cold tco; but we are all alive down here on the

ground. Little sun-heat van reach these great planets, and less light than we enjoy, but still much more than our full moon affords, and we can see our way pretty well by that.

What kind of air exists there, is an open question; apparently light, poisonous air high up, but the heavier lifesustaining oxygen may be abundant enough down on the surface. Air movements are swift, for on Jupiter 200 miles an hour is an ordinary wind!

If, as many scientists believe, all the planets of our solar system were formed at the same time, when another Sun came by ours, and tore out vast materials from it to form those worlds, then they were all furiously hot to begin with. Our own small world is still fiery hot inside, as any deep miner can tell you, while volcanoes and geysers confirm it. Mars, a smaller planet, is cooler on the outside, as we should expect to find it, from quicker cooling. The greater planets, Jupiter and his fellows, on the same reasoning, should still be very hot; and they may very well be so, far inside their tremendous cloud coverings. Life as we know it may not even have started there yet, for this reason.

Life on the larger moons of these great planets may be possible; for on 'Ganymede, Jupiter's greatest satellite, white polar areas, indicating possible snowcaps, and lines like those on Venus, have been seen. Snow means probable water, with air to carry its vapor, while here, too, light from the Sun would be enough for life to exist by. If Jupiter is still hot, he may, as Proctor suggested years ago, be acting as a subsidiary sun to his moons; and the same idea goes for the moons of Saturn, Uranus, and even distant Neptune's b'g moon Triton!

But beside our Sun and his family of worlds, there are thousands of stars; giant suns themselves, in space, thou-

Occultism hails with joy the discoveries of modern science, as they invariably corroborate what occult science has long taught....

The life on Mars is of a very backward nature and the socalled "canals" are not excavations in the surface of the planet. They are currents... The shifting of the Martian "canals," noted by astronomers, is thus accounted for. If they were really canals, they could not possibly shift, but currents emanating from the Poles of Mars may do so.—The Rosierucian Cosmo-Conception, pages 99 and 259. sands of light years away. In fact, our distance units are just meaningless when compared with the expanses of the heavens. The interesting point to us is: Do these distant suns also have planets moving round them that may be both habitable and inhabited? Our nearby planets ars only visible to us because they are lit up by the sunlight; they have no intrinsic light of their own. So we can never hope to see the planets of these far-off suns, for such reflected light would be too faint to show so far away.

But they reveal their existence to us in another way, of which Algol, the "Demon Star" of the old Arab astronomers, is the best example. These sharpsighted desert dwellers early noticed that Algol's light, every day or so, suddenly dimmed down to two-thirds of its usual brightness, stayed so for some hours, and then shone out as brilliantly as before—the whole series of changes lasting only a few hours, and recurring regularly. They might well call it a demon star, to indulge in such portentous winks.

When modern astronomers got to work on Algol, they quickly found the answer to the puzzle: Revolving around Algol was another star, this time a dark one, which, every day and a half, came directly between Earth and Algol. It turned out that this dark star was nearly as big as Algol itself, and so close to it that it want round it in less than two days; speeding so rapidly in its flight that it took only two hours and a half to interpose its huge bulk in our line of sight.

Although so close to its sun, this giant planet will almost certainly be in like state to Mercury and Venus, keeping the same side to its primary, for when two worlds are as close as that the tides raised in the seas or liquid interior of the smaller will check its daily spin till it keeps one side turned to its sun; even as our earth has treated the Moon, so that we see only one side of our Moon! If this is so in Algol's case, the dark companion planet may have one habitably cool hemisphere, though the other may be redhot. So here we have one possibly habitable far-off world too. There are hundreds more of such companionate stars. Some where a planet world circles two suns at once, of varied hues. Imagine living on a world where your sky was lighted by two suns : a blue and a red one, or green and violet. These

are not fancy statements, but "true as the stars." Consider what strange life conditions could prevail on such a world, and we begin to realize the amazing variety of our universe, and our own smallness in it. Yet our part is essential to the whole great plan.

Life is active on our world, and we may be very sure, on many others too. The very germs of life may, as Arrhenius said thirty years ago, be literally "blown" across the celestial spaces by the light pressure of the stars, from planet to planet, to germinate life on the worlds that are ready for life's drama to take the stage.

The Old Days?

In the writings of Josephus, the Jewish historian, about 70 A.D., he expressed his opinion of the peoples of that time. He said that his own generation in Judea was the wickedest that the world had ever seen; that if the avenging sword of the Roman had not smitten Jerusalem with God's vengeance, the very earth must have opened to swallow up their iniquities.

Some years ago an Assyrian tablet was unearthed, which was dated 2800 n. c. On it these words were inscribed: "Our earth has degenerated in these latter days. There are signs that the world is speedily coming to an end. Bribery and corruption are common, the children no longer obey their parents."

Each generation thinks its problems are the hardest of all. So it is interesting to read the following from the columns of an Egyptian "newspaper," published on papyrus in the city of Memphis, 4,000 years ago: "A few lawless men are depriving the land of sovereignty. The laws are cast out and men walk upon them in public. The lawbreaker is lord of wealth."

"Scanty is gold; craftsmen are without work; the reaper of the harvest gets nothing, while he who plowed lost profits."

Bible Shows Dreams Guide Man's Evolution

By GEORGE L. MILES

For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumbering upon the bed; then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction. (Job 33:14-16.)

AX HEINDEL, in The Rosicrucian Philosophy in Questions and Answers, page 71, says: "It

happens at times, however, that when the Ego is altogether outside the dense body, as in dreamless sleep, it sees an event concerning itself about to materialize, for coming events cast their shadows before, and ere anything happens in the material world it has already happened in the spiritual worlds. If, upon awaking from such an experience, the Ego succeeds in impressing the brain with what it has seen, we have a prophetic dream, which in due time will come true, or which the Ego, if its Fate permits, may modify by a new action. For instance, if warned of an accident, it may take steps to counteract the impending calamity."

The first dream recorded in the Bible is in Genesis 20:3. "But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife." Continuing with the 7th verse we read, "Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou and all that are thine." King Abimelech not only dreamed true but heeded the dream, and by restoring Sarah to Abraham he averted the impending calamity.

The next recorded dream is Jacob's dream of the ladder given in Genesis 28:12-15. Jacob slept in a place on his way to Haran from Beer-sheba, and dreamed this dream. He was so impressed that he set up a pillar of stone to God and called the place Beth-el (the house of God).

Another dream of Jacob's is recorded in Genesis 31:11, "And the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, saying, Jacob: And I said, Here am I." And concluding with the 13th verse, "I am the God of Beth-el, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred." Then in the 24th verse we have the dream of Jacob's father-inlaw, Laban.

Joseph's first dream is told in Genesis 37:5 and 7, "And Joseph dreamed a dream; and he told it his brethren; and they hated him yet the more. . . . For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf." And Joseph dreamed a second dream given in the 9th verse, "And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me." These prophetic dreams were fulfilled when Joseph's ten brothers (the youngest brother, Benjamin, remained with their father) went down to Egypt to buy corn from him when the seven years of dearth was in all lands. In chapter 42:8 and 9, we read, "And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him. And Joseph remembered the dreams which he had dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye are spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come." The wonderful lesson in forgiveness follows.

To return to the 37th chapter : Because Joseph was a sensitive and favored of his father, Jacob, his brothers envied him and sold him into slavery. In prison in Egypt with Joseph was Pharaoh's chief butler and baker who both dreamed dreams. Genesis 40:5, "And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound in the prison." Joseph correctly interpreted these dreams and his interpretations came to pass three days later, verses 20-23 : "And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharoah's birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants : and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants. And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand : But he hanged the chief baker : as Joseph had interpreted to them. Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgat him."

Two years later, beginning with the forty-first chapter of Genesis, Pharaoh dreamed a dream. The chief butler then told him how Joseph had interpreted the chief baker's dream as well as his own when they had dreamed while in prison. Pharaoh sent for Joseph, and Joseph interprets his dream, Genesis 41:25-32:

"And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one: God hath shewed Pharaoh what he is about to do. The seven good kine are seven years; and the seven good ears are seven years : the dream is one. And the seven thin and ill favored kine that came up after them are seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be seven years of famine. This is the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God is about to do he sheweth unto Pharaoh. Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt: And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the

plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land; And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it shall be very grievous. And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass." This resulted in Joseph being set up as Ruler over all Egypt and ties in with the fulfillment of Joseph's first dream as previously stated. The correctness of Joseph's interpretation is again mentioned in verses 53 and 54 of the same chapter. "And the seven years of plenteousness, . that was in the land of Egypt, were ended. And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands: but in all the land of Egypt there was bread."

In the 46th chapter of Genesis, verses 2, 3, 4, "And God spoke unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here am I. And he said, I am God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation: I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes." (This is included because it was a *night* vision.)

The next instance is of a certain man who told his dream, which was followed by immediate fulfillment: "And when. Gideon was come, behold, there was a man that told a dream unto his fellow. and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay along. And his fellow answered and said. This is nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: for into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host. And it was so, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and the interpretation thereof, that he worshiped, and returned into the host of Israel, and

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said, Arise; for the Lord hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian." (Judges 7:13-15.)

Then there is that peculiar but human situation recorded in the twenty-eighth chapter of I Samuel. After Saul had put out of the land those with familiar spirits and wizards (mediums and black magicians), he could get no answers by dreams, so disguised himself and went to a medium at En-dor. She called up and caused a materialization of Samuel at Saul's request, so that Saul could converse with him. Samuel flatly told Saul that he had disobeyed God and that was the reason for his present predicament. Saul, who had lost his faith in God. allowed fear and anxiety to push him into a negative method.

In Gibeon Solomon dreamed a dream as set forth in I Kings 3:5, "In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said. Ask what I shall give thee." (Also given in II Chronicles 1:7-13.) This dream was fulfilled in I Kings 4:29, 30, 34. "And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore. And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt. . . . And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom."

A second dream in which the Lord appeared to Solomon is recorded in I Kings. after the temple was built and dedicated, I Kings 9:2, "That the Lord appeared to Solomon the second time, as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon." (This also appears in II Chronicles 7:12.) In this dream Solomon, was told by the Lord, "But if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them: Then will I cut off Israel out of the land. which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall

be a proverb and a byword among all people." (I Kings 9: 6, 7.) The calamity was not counteracted and came to pass twenty years later, "And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the Lord commanded. Wherefore the Lord said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant." (Verses 10 and 11.)

King Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams. "And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him." (Daniel 2:1.) Nebuchadnezzar, however, forgot the dream, and Daniel, one of the major prophets, recovered and interpreted the dream. The remaining part of this chapter is devoted to the recovery and interpretation of this dream and the subsequent promotion of Daniel.

Nebuchadnezzar has another dream, a warning dream in which he relates: "I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace: I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me." (Daniel 4:4, 5.) The interpretation is given by Daniel beginning with the 20th verse and ending with the 27th verse:

"The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth; whose leaves were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation: It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

"And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;

"This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king: That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will. And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule. Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity."

And after a year the dream of the tree was fulfilled, in the manner that Daniel had interpreted it to the king:

"At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon. The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty? While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee. . . . The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

"And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and

I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation. . . . At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me." (Daniel 4:29-31: 33, 34, 36.) . The 37th verse is added so that the full lesson involved may be ap-"Now I Nebuchadnezzar preciated : praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase."

The next recorded dream is in the Gospel of Matthew 1:20, 21. "But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost." Obedience to the angel's instructions is recorded in verses 24 and 25, "Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS."

Then in Matthew 2:12 the three wise men were warned in a dream and heeded the warning, "And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way." In the next verse, Joseph was warned: "And when they [the wise men] were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." As before, Joseph obeyed at once, thus averting a calamity : "When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt." (Verse 14.)

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A ROSICRUCIAN CATECHISM

Consciousness After Death

By EMILY W. LORTCHER

Q. What occurs when man leaves his vital body at death?

A. The process is much the same as when the dense body is discarded. The life forces of one atom are taken, to be used as a nucleus for the vital body of a future embodiment. Thus, upon his entrance into the Desire World the man has the seed-atoms of the dense and the vital bodies, in addition to the desire body and the mind.

Q. How long must he remain in the Desire World?

A. If the dying man could leave all desires behind, the desire body would very quickly fall away from him, leaving him free to proceed into the heaven world, but that is generally not the case.

Q. Does not loss of the physical body remove desires pertaining to earth life?

A. Most people, especially if they die in the prime of life, have many ties and much interest in life on earth. They have not altered their desires because they have lost their physical bodies. In fact often their desires are even augmented by a very intense longing to return. This acts in such a manner as to bind them to the Desire World in a very unpleasant way, although unfortunately they do not realize it. On the other hand, old and decrepit persons and those who are weikened by long illness and are tired of life, pass on very quickly.

Q. Is sudden death by accident more desirable than a normal death?

A. No; it is especially hard for people to die who were taken out of their bodies by accident while at the height of their physical health and strength, engaged in numerous ways in the activities of physical life; held by the ties of wife or husband, family, friends, pursuits of

business and pleasure.

Q. What is the fate of the suicide after death?

Α. The suicide, who tries to get away from life; only to find that he is as much alive as ever, is in a most pitiable plight. He is able to watch those whom he has, perhaps, disgraced by his act, and worst of all he has an unspeakable feeling of being "hollowed out." The part in the ovoid aura where the dense body used to be is empty and although the desire body has taken the form of the discarded dense body, it feels like an empty shell, because the creative archetype of the body in the Region of Concrete Thought persists as an empty mold, so to speak, as long as the dense body should properly have lived.

Q. How does this differ from a natural death?

A. When a person meets a natural death, even in the prime of life, the activity of the archetype ceases, and the desire body adjusts itself so as to occupy the whole of the form, but in the case of the suicide that awful feeling of "emptiness" remains until the time comes when, in the natural course of events, his death would have occurred.

Q. What determines man's stay in his desire body ?

A. As long as the man entertains the desires connected with earth life he must remain in his desire body and as the progress of the individual requires that he pass on to higher regions, the existence in the Desire World must necessarily become purgative, tending to purify him from his binding desires. How this is done is best seen by taking some radical instances which will be covered in the April issue.

By MAX HEINDEL

O speak of ether as an avenue of forces conveys no meaning to the average mind, because force is invisible. But to an occult investigator the forces are not merely names, such as steam, electricity, etc. He finds them to be intelligent beings of varying grades, both sub- and super-human. What we call "laws of nature" are great intelligences which guide more elemental beings in accordance with certain rules designed to further their evolution.

In the Middle Ages, when many people were still endowed with a remnant of *negative* clairvoyance, they spoke of gnomes and elves or fairies, which roamed about the mountains and forests. These were the *earth* spirits. They also told of the undines or *watersprites*, which inhabited rivers and streams, of sylphs which were said to dwell in the mists above moat and moor as air spirits, but not much was said of the salamanders, as they are fire spirits, and therefore not so easily detected, nor so readily accessible to the majority of people.

The old folk-stories are now regarded as superstitions, but as a matter of fact, one endowed with etheric vision may yet perceive the little gnomes building green chlorophyl into the leaves of plants and giving to flowers the multiplicity of delicate tints which delight our eyes.

Scientists have attempted time and again to offer an adequate explanation of the phenomenon of wind and storm but have failed signally, nor can they succeed while they seek a mechanical solution to what is really a manifestation of life. Could they see the hosts of sylphs winging their way hither and thither, they would *know* who and what is responsible for the fickleness of the wind; could they watch a storm at sea from the etheric viewpoint they would perceive that the saying "the war of the elements" is not an empty phrase, for the heaving sea is truly then a battlefield of sylphs and undines and the howling tempest is the war cry of spirits in the air.

Salamanders are found everywhere, and no fire is lighted without their help: but they are mostly active underground. They are responsible for explosions and volcanic eruptions. When we say it storms, battles are being fought on the surface of the sea and in the air, sometimes with the aid of salamanders to light the lightning torch of separated hydrogen and oxygen and send its aweinspiring shaft crashing zigzag through the inky darkness, followed by ponderous peals of thunder that reverberate in the clearing atmosphere, while the undines triumphantly hurl the rescued raindrops to earth that they may be again restored to union with their mother element.

The classes of beings which we have mentioned are still subhuman, but will all at some time reach a stage in evolution corresponding to the human, though under different circumstances from those under which we evolve. But at present the wonderful intelligences we speak of as the laws of nature, marshal the armies of the less evolved entities mentioned.

To arrive at a better understanding of what these various beings are, and their relation to us, we may take an illustration : Let us suppose that a mechanic is making an engine, and meanwhile a dog is watching him. It sees the man at his labor, and how he uses various tools to shape his materials, also how, from the crude iron, steel, brass, and other metals the engine slowly takes shape. The dog is a being from a lower evolution and does not comprehend the purpose of the mechanic but it sees the workman, his labor, and the result thereof, which manifests as an engine. Let us suppose further that the dog were able to see only the materials which slowly change their shape, assemble, and become an engine but that it is unable to perceive the workman and to see the work he does. The dog would then be in the same relation to the mechanic as we are to the great intelligences we call laws of nature, and their assistants, the nature spirits, for we behold the manifestations of their work as *force* moving matter in various ways but always under immutable conditions.

In the ether we may also observe the angels, whose densest body is made of that material, as our dense body is formed of gases, liquids, and solids. These beings are one step beyond the human stage, as we are a degree in advance of the animal evolution. We have never been animals like our present fauna, however, but at a previous stage in the development of our planet we had an animal-like constitution. Then the angels were human, though they have never possessed a dense body such as ours, nor ever functioned in any material denser than ether. At some time, in a future condition, the earth will again become ethereal. Then man well be like the angels. Therefore the Bible tells us that man was made a little [while] lower than the angels. (Hebrews 2:7. See marginal reading.)

As ether is the avenue of vital, creative forces, and as angels are such expert builders of ether, we may readily understand that they are eminently fitted to be warders of the propagative forces in plant, animal, and man. All through the Bible we find them thus engaged : Two angels came to Abraham and announced the birth of Isaac. . . . Angels foretold to the parents of Samuel and Samson, the birth of these giants of brain To Elizabeth came the and brawn. angel (not archangel) Gabriel, and announced the birth of John; later he appeared also to Mary with the message that she was chosen to bear Jesus.

The Ether is physical matter. It is not homogeneous, as material science alleges, but exists in four different states, known to the occult investigator as chemical, life, light, and reflecting ethers. The vital forces which give life to the mineral forms of plant, animal, and man flow into these forms by means of the four states of ether and work along both the positive and negative poles of the different ethers.

The bodies of the gnomes are made of the chemical ether principally and therefore they are of the earth earthy; that is, one never sees them fly about as do the sylphs. They can be burned in fire. They also grow old in a manner not so greatly different from human beings.

The undines which live in the water and the sylphs of the air are also subject to mortality, but their bodies being composed of the life and light ethers respectively, make them much more enduring, so that while it is stated that the gnomes do not live more than a few hundred years, the undines and sylphs are said to live for thousands, and the salamanders whose bodies are principally built of the fourth [reflecting] ether are said to live many thousands of years.

With respect to the consciousness of the nature spirits, they have what may be called a fourth dimensional consciousness, for in addition to the height, width. and depth which are the dimensions of space in the physical world, there is what we may call "throughness" in the ethers. With the etheric sight you may look into a mountain and if you have an etheric body such as the nature spirits possess. you may also walk through the hardest granite rock. It will offer no more obstruction than the air does to our progress here, in fact, not so much, for here we are hindered by winds. But even among nature spirits there are different entities and a corresponding variation of consciousness.

Nature has work to do. This applies to plant and planet, man and beast, and to gnomes and fairies as well. They are busy folk and their activities are the solution to many of nature's multifarious mysteries, as already explained.—From Nature Spirits and Nature Forces.

Reincarnation--How Build Ye?

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By ERNEST CRUTCHER, M.D.

HAT is it, and why? A new chance! that is precisely what it means!

Unfoldment is characteristic of all created things. That means evolution. A candid survey of history and its peoples, of tribes and habits, plainly shows its step by step development from crude savagery and stupidity into gradual refinement, culture, dignity and self-respect, not to enumerate the several features involving religion, altruism, helpfulness; love of the good and clean.

Your body indicates what you have done and where you have been during ages of time. Its insides tell one story and the outside proclaims the other. To study its unfoldment requires the closest attention. Take an insect, a flower, bird, beast or man, and follow its long roadway and travail while on its agelong journey; it means absorption and-yes, further unfoldment of your own mind. To unfold too rapidly would mean destruction of brain cells, or inability to comprehend. Like looking at a book page-your retina sees all the words, at a glance, but the consciousness finds it impossible to drink in the meaning all at once; unless, like Lord Macauley, you have acquired the capacity of instantly perceiving the thought of the entire page. This was his boast. Because of the still immaturity of our front brains, we are not yet able instantly to perecive all the lines and thought of a page; and upon hearing some abstruse statement, we require time to mentally digest it before it is ours.

So of our physical form: It has gradually unfolded and taken on, one by one, its several organs and limbs, with orderly direction by the ruling Intelligence responsible for evolution, of the part each cell must play in the economy of subsistence; each cell and aggregation of

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cells into organs or parts being given its respective duties. If any cell or part failed in its duties, it became starved and was soon cast out as an unprofitable servant and partner of the society of cells constituting the body.

One short career was never sufficient to complete the unfolding of the divine purpose of creation. Some careers, or lives, were cut off in seeming untimely ways, but never without knowledge of the unseen Power that brought us here. It might have been due to an imperfect suit or body, an error in creation of the envelope that was to serve while we enacted our respective roles; for be assured—our coming or going was never a haphazard incident. There is and ever was Intelligence directing, however fatuous and unseemly our wilful going might seem.

Time, with nature, is of no consequence particularly. It is results and individuality she seeks, however slow the process. The vast majority of humankind is yet in the infant class of intelligence and development. Hence, the conditions of earth-life demand a superior Mind to protect us from multifarious dangers and unsuspected hurts all the way. Just as soon as any of us is strong enough to walk alone, that duty is put upon us.

As soon as any can go without aid, such care is taken away in large measure, and we get the bumps and falls incident to living that cause us to exercise care and forethought that we escape pain. (Pain is the blessedness that causes us to take knowledge of hurtful conditions.) "The simple pass on and are punished."

Foolish misusing of the body invites pain, and if ignorantly or heedlessly continued the body thrusts the inmate out, and we say he is dead. He is not. He merely has misused his implement, this engine he occupies for function on earth,

and gets pained, and an outcasting that he may know better next time. What a glorious invention it is that we regard, generally, as a dreadful event,-our death, when we have worn out the present envelope, or by neglect have caused it to be impaired and unfit for competent use. Death is only a change of clothes, with warning about the future suit. We are here to learn, to unfold, to grow complex and individualistic. To weep over our dead is foolish. God is never asleep or away from home; neither inattentive to our needs, however blind we are, however profanely reckless and whining. The dead have never died. Life ever is and continues, whether in or out of the flesh. And there is purpose in it all, however inane, uncertain and brief it appears.

Too rapid unfoldment is like unto cancer: the cancer cell is quite like the normal cell, but in its development it seems to lack that intelligence the healthy cell carries; and it multiplies without number, so fast indeed, the blood supply cannot sustain the increasing multitude. Lacking blood nutrition, the cells then begin to die by softening and breaking down, inviting involvement of the normal cell neighbors, resulting in poisoning of all by disorganized action. So of life: if we drive into the mysteries of development overfast, we invite derangement and discord, provoking death of all. Life is like a day in school : we learn a-b ab, and 2 plus 2, and slowly gather the rudiments. Life is progressive education, a constant leading out, unfolding character and molding it into soul.

To unfold too rapidly would ruin the type intended for each. Every one of us has a definite program of existence, and to evolve too fast is like baking a fine cake too fast: it is imperfectly done. We make progress by studying nature and our own selves, and practising the wiser way of going. Since nature is in no hurry, but has a fixed plan for each, the sagacious will adopt the maxim of the wise man who said: "Know thyself. Presume not God to scan. The proper study of mankind is man"—yourself. True, you will be misjudged and misunderstood, and your self-esteem will often be hurt by having your finest intentions unrecognized. It is the developed character that goes steadfastly on, nor notices the clamor and bark of the thoughtless he brushes along the way.

Live your own life. It will be short, at best. Make the most of it. Live today, that is all you have. And try that each nightfall finds you have improved the day in some way, if it only be to have helped some one else understand the object of being.

One of the strongest arguments for reincarnation, rebirth, is the imperfection at death. The projected evolution cannot be done in one career. It may require hundreds of opportunities. It is a gracious Plan that gives us a new chance, however blindly we use it. This small earth is but one of the tiniest globes in Are the others uninhabited creation. and of no use? Our intelligences have been gyved and suffocated by shallow imaginings of self-appointed leaders who declared they were the elect, chosen to direct other men in the way, the truth, the life. Blind leaders of the blind !

Every man stands alone, and he alone is responsible for his failure or success. We reap what we sow, regardless of any dogma. No belief will avail in the process of evolution of character. The nautilus builds a new house, but it is obliged to drag with it the old and vacant one. So of our own building: we become what we personally designed and built.

The body is not you, but yours. It is what you have built in divers other careers. It declares You. It took a long time for some to build so gross, ugly, illformed a residence as is manifest in the body. If you wish to be beautiful, graceful, admirable, possess greater perfection, begin now. You can make the next incarnation quite different from the imperfect body you now have. Genius is not inherited. It is the result of pre-(Continued on page 143)

The Musician Gnome

A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

By GWEN CHAPPELL

FEW years ago I was listening to my radio; one of Wagner's pieces was being played, and I was lost in its beauty. You see, the radio being small was on the top of my piano, giving me the opportunity of joining in wherever I knew the piece. I was thinking over this great composer's life, and was trying to feel the depth, the breadth of his insight. Tears began to fall, not of sorrow, but of exquisite joy, for it seemed I looked into the soul of all things.

I had reached the part of his contact with the Nature Spirits, and in my heart I said, Someday I shall understand and become worthy to see.

I heard a voice say, "Would you like me to help you?"

For a moment my heart stood still, and I'm sure my hair began to stand up. Where did it come from, so near? how did it get in? Oh, did I pray! Gradually becoming more composed, a jolly laugh greeted me, as my face must have been a picture. My fingers seemed frozen on my piano keys. At last I gained enough courage to turn my head, and there, seated on the top of my piano. sat a little Gnome, a jolly little fellow, his fat face wreathed in smiles, brown suit, and carrying a baton. Knowing I must answer mentally, I said "Hello!" rather weakly, and again he said, "Want me to help?"

I said, "Yes, I'd love you to." You see, I'd seen these little folk before at a distance, but the effect is not the same as when near and I almost lost my courage. Now, I'm so ashamed and humiliated, as you will see later.

He told me he was a leader and was very busy, but as he had seen how I wanted to compose music, and the kind thoughts I had sent out to his little people, he would help me, but I must give close attention to fully understand because he was very busy, as it was in the Spring and he worked with the vegetation. This conversation was done through the power of thought, and I was supremely happy and walked in other worlds. After our talk, he jumped down and said very seriously, "Put your fingers on these chords. Try to follow me as I give you the music."

My eyes were blinded with tears as I looked at this little man, his face one big smile and his high-pitched voice commanding my attention. First, he said, "There will be different dances, and all are to be played in A-flat. Now play!"

I tried to follow, slowly at first, but he was wonderful, his baton going up and down, singing in his high-pitched voice. Such patience—why, this little body was Rhythm! Harmony! Music! After many tries I succeeded with the first part, and when I struck a wrong note, did I get hit, and not particular where!

Do you know, I spent hours and hours with this kind friend, and happiness such as I never expected to taste was mine. Then he said, "I must go, but do you want me to come back?"

"Oh, please do. I thank you so very much!" and away he went, smiling and waving his stick. It seemed all light went with him, my little man. I said, "Thank you, kind friend."

Did I practice? Sure, I almost practiced spots off my piano. The next day as I was playing, he rushed in—you know walls are nothing to them. "Hurry up!" and away we went to our practicing. It was not a difficult piece; looks like a child's dream. It seems he had been observing me for a long time, but I was not ready before. My kind thoughts brought him.

This went on for a long time, and he

told me about his work and I learned a great deal about these Nature Spirits. One day he asked me if he could bring some friends. "Oh, yes!" I said. He clapped his hands and in a twinkling of an eye my rooms were full of these Little Folk. Never did I realize there were so many different kinds of Nature Spirits. Some had large heads and small bodies, others long heads, and as I understand it, they are in grades and classes according to their advancement. But the most beautiful of all are the Fairies, so small yet so exquisitely formed, colors of such radiance that it is amazing. Their wings are like filigree lace, and each had long hair and a golden crown of stars, and a wand. They flitted here and there and everywhere, sometimes on the piano, sometimes on my shoulder, then on the heads of my visitors, and do you know, when they stand on the petals of the flowers, they are so light that the petals do not move.

Now all were called to order, and it was beautiful to see their shining faces, waiting at attention for an order from their Leader, and as my eyes wandered here and there, I realized the superficiality of so much we call life. Why, here was beauty, charm, color, harmony, and yet we who call ourselves human beings will not believe in the glories that await those who will develop the inner sight!

As they came to order, the Leader said to me, "Play!"

And play I did. Such dances! I am sure I have all the steps. Such grace, such lightness—my rooms, were full of little people, yet as they moved they seemed to dissolve into thin air to make room for the others. It was so wonderful I was lost. I forgot to play. Then a sharp tap brought me back!

It was a wonderful afternoon. I kept repeating as far as I had reached in my piece, as this was only a tryout, to see if I could play in time. My little Leader said he was pleased with me, for I had proved an apt pupil, only I must work

faster, for time was going. But one day in particular they were all assembled when it became dark and rain began to fall. Then a command, and in a twinkling of an eye my rooms were empty everyone to his work.

Gradually my piece was about finished, when the Final Dance was arranged, and still more came. What a privilege was mine! Can you wonder I lived in a dream of loveliness? And as they danced this last dance I realized the depth of love our Father has for His children. These wee folk-what lessons they can teach us! Politeness, charm, beauty and love, for when human beings work with them, it is one beautiful picture after another, but we have destroyed so much that they have become rebellious. They give their little lives to bring us beauty. and we-what do we give in return ? Can we paint such pictures of color as the Springtime, have we watched them work? Why, they work hours over one small plant. There is so much we could say in reference to these little folks alone, but now to the Last Dance;

It was a beautiful afternoon, sun shining, and in came the Leader. I wish you could see them walk, with their upturned pointed shoes to help them work in the earth. As the Nature Spirits took their places, we started. Well, I played and played until these wee people fell down exhausted, even to the Leader, but they were so happy, and so was I. My heart was full-it was singing a song such as it never sang before. Then the time came to say good-bye. They all thanked me and were so grateful. Soon all left, leaving my Gnome and me alone. He said I had made him very happy, also his followers: I thanked him with a lump in my throat, te is in my eyes, for never will this vision leave me. I would that everyone could have such a revelation as mine.

Now I had no title for that last dance but was told I would receive it later, and later I did. It was named "The Dance of the Sylphs."

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The Woman of Samaria

By JANE TEMPLETON

Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour.

There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

(For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. (John 4:6-14.)

In this interesting incident we find Christ Jesus introducing the precepts of Christianity into the land of Samaria, the inhabitants of which were scorned by the Jews. The more humble the people, and the more despised the transgressor, the stronger the appeal to the all-embracing compassion of the Master Teacher and Healer.

The well is used frequently in Bible narratives to symbolize a deeper or hidden truth, which may become an inner fount from which springs the spiritual understanding and sustenance essential for the seeker after truth. There is always the inner and the outer; the spiritual, or lasting, and the physical, or temporary. To those not yet able to discern the real meaning of life and its experiences, there is little beyond the material facts and values of existence. They live chiefly to "eat, drink, and be merry," and any treasures they may acquire are those of the earth. They partake only of the water from the outer well, the material things of life.

To those who have attained to a deeper understanding of the purpose of existence, however, there comes a new "breath of life." Material things are gradually forsaken, for they have not the power to assuage the inner longings of the soul. The spiritual neophyte seeks to partake of that "water of life" which is symbolical of the cosmic wisdom embodied in the teachings of Christ Jesus, for he has become acquainted with the rich promise and real'ty of the inner life.

Having once drunk from the fount of spiritual truth, the aspirant is thenceforth never satisfied with the husks of materiality. The inner longing for truth, once awakened, can never be quenched until it has gained satisfaction. With the drinking of this water, the acquiring of the wisdom which satisfies the questionings of the mind as well as the longings of the heart, comes the courage and strength to continue steadfastly on the path of spiritual attainment. The "well of water springing up into everlasting life" is a constant reality to the blessed travelers on the Initiatory Way.



The Astral Ray

Astrology is a phase of Mystic Religion, as sublime as the stars with which it deals, and not to be confused with fortunetelling. The educational value of astrology lies in its capacity to reveal the hidden causes at work in our lives. It counsels the adults in regard capacity to reveal the indeen causes at work in our lives. It counsels the adults in regard to vocation, the parents in the guidance of children, the teachers in management of pupils, the judges in executing sentence, the physicians in diagnosing disease, and in similar man-ner lends aid to each and all in whatever station or enterprise they may find themselves. The laws of Rebirth and Consequence work in harmony with the stars, so that a child is born at the time when the positions of the bodies in the solar system will give the conditions necessary for its experience and advancement in the school of life.

What Is Astrology?

BY MARGARET THORPE

HAT is Astrology, anyway? Can one imagine an exploded theory or antiquated superstition persisting for thousands of years, if there had not been some truth in it? Time is merciless, and what is of no real value to Now, humanity eventually perishes. why has astrology remained ?-as a legacy from the past? Yes, but it is infinitely more. It is a true guide of life, pointing out our weaknesses and strengths with an unerring finger. Our weaknesses must be conquered by our own will which no horoscope can entirely determine. The stars impel us in one direction or another, but they never compel, for compulsion must come from within one. Highly developed persons are not dominated by their stars, for the human will is greater than any aspect in the horoscope. Man can and does rise above his adverse aspects.

"Astrology teaches us that all life is regulated by unchangeable laws of eternal justice, that our weaknesses and sins must be conquered by our own free will, and that, if not done voluntarily, the Laws of Nature wil compel us to do it." The more highly we are developed spiritually, the less we will allow any planet to dominate us. If astrology is used rightly, to help and to heal, then its secrets are not hidden from the astrologer. True spiritual astrologers never charge for reading a horoscope. They do not advertise nor do they use their power of reading the stars, to entertain the foolish.

C. C. Taylor in "The Influence of the Stars" says:

Our magazines are full of advertisements by so-called astrologers who will cast your horoscope for a monetary consideration. They offer to tell your future in detail! Now, to cast a full horoscope with progressions for a number of years would take many hours... Consequently, most bought horoscopes are but travesties of accuracy and the readings accordingly valueless. Moreover, the *spiritual* astrologer casts a horoscope not for money, but in order to help another. Astrology is a part of his re-ligion, and he brings to it that loving sym-nathy and understanding that psingtaking pathy and understanding, that painstaking accuracy which makes his reading some-thing which cannot be bought. What month were you born in? Yes, that is important, but if that were all the data which was required, there would be only twelve kinds of people in the world, and that assumption is ridiculous. It is necessary to know not only the time, the day, and the month, but also the year of birth [and place].

Real astrology is a phase of religion but fakers have debased the Science whose seven planets represent the "Seven Spirits before the throne of God." In Revelation, 1st chapter, 20th verse, we find this statement:

"The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand and the seven golden candle sticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches. and the seven candle-sticks which thou sawest are the seven churches."

Some of our best proofs of the high use and authenticity of astrology come from the Bible. The Wise Men followed a star to find the Savior of the world. Did the coming of this unusual star mean nothing to the world? Why did it appear exactly at the time of Christ's birth? In Judges, 5th chapter, 20th verse we find this reference:

"They fought from heaven, the stars in their course fought against Sisera."

Katherine Taylor Craig in "Stars of Destiny" says:

The scriptures and other ancient records abound in verified prophecies and although the Bible frequently alludes to reprehensible monarchs who delight in assembling their own regal astrologers and magicians for no other purpose than that of confounding the pious Hebrew prophets, the star-gazers are never mentioned with the aspersions that the holy men invariably cast upon necromancers and followers of the art of (black) magic. . . . Daniel and other great prophets are said to have employed this most scientific method of prediction for making the amazing forecasts which from time to time confounded the enemies of righteousness and caused the wisdom of the Hebrew prophets to be in demand in the courts of the heathen kings. The frequent allusions found in the Bible to various constellations confirm this impression by implying a knowledge of astronomy, at that time Astrology, pure and simple. "God maketh Arcturus, Orion, and the Pleiades and the Chambers of the South," says the Patriarch Job; and he makes the immortal inquiry, "Canst thou bind the sweet influence of the Pleiades or loose the bands of Orion?"

Recall the Biblical warning given by Daniel to Belshazzar: "Thou art weighed in the *balances* and found wanting." The sign Libra, the seventh sign of the Zodiac, sypmbolizes the scales of justice (balances) mentioned above. Daniel knew from his study of astrology just why Belshazzar had failed and that judgment was upon him now.

The twelfth sign of the Zodiac is Pisces, a watery sign. Christ came to this earth about 500 years before the Sun entered Pisces (the Fishes) by precession, to preach a doctrine which would fit humanity for the New Age of Pisces. Do you remember on how many occasions He speaks of fishes and water? The Apostles were fishers of men. Notice these references to water and fishes which show that Christ knew of this symbol of the Fishes (Pisces). Christ walked on the water, stilled the waves, turned water into wine, fed the multitude with loaves and fishes, was baptized with water, offered living water to drink, His disciples were fishermen, etc. A coincidence you say? Can anyone accuse the greatest man who ever walked this earth of not knowing astrology, after mentioning these sign references so constantly?

Let us refer to another sign reference as given by Christ. Aquarius is the eleventh sign of the Zodiac whose symbol is that of a man pouring water from a pitcher. Do you recall this speech of Christ's: "When you go hence, there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water. Follow him." This sign is the symbol of the coming age when wine shall be dispensed with and only water will be used. The attempt to banish the use of alcoholic drinks is a preparation for the new age. Astrology was well known, well understood, and used by this greatest of all Teachers. What stronger proof is needed ?

Truly, coming events cast their shadows before them. Astrology is a true foreshadower. The sign Aquarius is also an airy sign, and, as we are nearing it now, wireless, aviation, and radio are coming to the fore. More and more inventions of the air will be made as the Sun more closely approaches the sign Aquarius. Edison, by the way, was an Aquarian. Does the fact that these inventions were made at this particular time mean nothing?

Many more instances from the Bible could be cited to prove that writers of Holy Writ were believers in astrology. Surely no one would dare to say that these holy men gave their sanction to a fake.

Nor are ancient religious men the only believers in astrology. In our time, the rector of St. Mark's Church in New York City, the Reverend William N. Guthrie, uses astrology to help him diagnose his cases. The following quotation is taken from The Los Angeles Examiner some years ago:

The Episcopal Church of St. Mark's in the Bowery, which some time ago incurred the disapproval of Bishop Manning because of its rhythmic dancing services, will utilize psychoanalysis in the solving of the personal and social problems of those who apply to it for such aid, it was announced today.

The Church has created a new pastoral office of psychological guidance, which will be under the direction of the Rev. Guthrie Pitbladdo, who has come from a Pittsburgh church to be assistant to the Rev. Dr. William Norman Guthrie, the pastor. It will have experts in psychology, astrology, and physiognomy at its call for consultation on the cases which come to it. The announced object of the new department of the church, which will be supplemental to the "body and soul, health and efficiency clinic already ex isting there, is to give considerable counsel and practical guidance."

Can it be coincidence that Professor Piazzi Smith, Dr. David Davidson, and many other noted research workers and astronomers after many years of study of the Great Pyramid of Egypt find that it was built according to astrological rules? The Great Pyramid may well be regarded as a Wonder of the World to nearly all except the few who have the key-and that an astrological one. It faces the four cardinal points of the compass. "The base line of the Pyramid measures 365.242 cubits, according to the days of our year." The measurements of this The more one Pyramid are cosmic. studies of the inner measurements of the Pyramid, the more one finds out about the astrological rules that it was built by. The more impressive and convincing details proving the place astrology has in the construction of this great mystery can be read in the articles by these research workers. Their proofs are simple, detailed, and attested by many witnesses.

To further impress upon the reader the truth that astrology is a worthy science and not a fake, let us give the names of a few reputable individuals who were firm believers in it. They are noted men of the past and some of the present time. Among them are: Martin Luther,

Dr. Dee (Queen Elizabeth's astrologer), John Ruskin, Kepler, Worsdale, Lilly, Nigridus, John Dryden, Sir Isaac Newton, Tycho Brahe, Alan Leo, and our own Max Heindel. These names stand for great stability and integrity of character. Would they have wilfully misled people with their predictions when their chief desire was to help by this study of the Divine Science? Can you imagine Martin Luther giving his allegiance to anything unscrupulous? Can you imagine Max Heindel giving his best years to a science of no value to humanity?

Tycho Brahe, a distingluished Danish astronomer and astrologer, did great work for his king by his exact predictions. Sir Isaac Newton also was an astrologer although not generally credited as one by Science. It was not popular in former times, as now, to believe in this science. dubbed "witchcraft" by the powers of a former day. Shakespeare made constant references to the influence of the stars on us in many of his great plays. He says that we and not our stars are responsible for our being underlings. The poet Wordsworth speaks of "our life star" in his Ode: "Intimations on Immortality." He has many mystical and astrological references in his poems. It cannot be that these men and others like them are all deluded.

The public is aroused now to an interest in astrology, and there are some who will really become deeply interested. In their search for the real spiritual astrology, they will discard the charlatans and find the true teachers of this sublime subject. When it is studied with an open mind and the findings applied in the lives of present and future generations, then the world will truly become better. This science is a great uplifting agency. Many will learn through the study of astrology the pitfalls to be avoided ; some of which are drink, immorality, drug addiction. There will be fewer divorces and broken homes, fewer hasty and ill-considered marriages when this science is consulted by individuals. One of the chief uses of astrology is for the guidance of children and formation of good character. Every conscientious parent should learn his child's bad and good traits in order to help him eradicate the one and strengthen the other. If this were done, fewer young people would appear in juvenile courts, or in reformatories, or would begin to tread the downward path. Any child will become a more useful citizen if he is properly and intelligently guided. Parents'need this science.

The Message of the Stars by Max and Augusta Heindel states that unhappy marriages will continue to be a problem until the astrologer's advice is heeded. The charts of husband and wife should have harmonious rising signs. Occasionally, however, debts of destiny are paid during unhappy marriages. That is always foreshown in the charts and no astrologer could prevent a marriage of this type, for we know that no debt of destiny can be sidestepped.

Astrology as an aid in diagnosing diseases is invaluable to the doctor and healer. Many are beginning to use this superior method of diagnosis. All hidden causes are revealed ; the very soul of the patient is laid bare. Many times astrological diagnosis has been able to point the way to heal patients who have been despaired of or given up by doctors who had done all in their power and used all known remedies and vet had failed. They were unaware of the hidden reason which is revealed in the horoscope. Real healing comes from the Father, but astrology can tell whether the patient is likely to respond to healing ministrations, and the probable time when such healing will take place.

If astrology can help in healing a sick world, then it is indeed an invaluable science to healers and doctors alike. Better still, it can point out your physically weak spots to you to warn you of them so you can keep well. May many more doctors learn of its great value and use it for the benefit of our sick world.

Astrology is the science of tendencies. It teaches the harmony of nature. It is the concord of mathematics and the celestial aspects of cosmic law. Astrology, in its purity, is a true guide of life. It has been used and guarded throughout the ages of dark materialism by the savants and sages from Pythagoras to Christ, from Copernicus to Tycho Brahe and Kepler, and from Bacon and Shakespeare to the present day. And now a band of esoteric students selected for that purpose is reverently offering its teachings to the world at large, the world which so sorely needs its light and which now may be ready to accept its divine truth.

The uses of astrology are so many and so practical that it would seem to need no defense. There will come a time very soon when many more people will be seeking the causes of their troubles and how to avoid illness and disease. Then astrology will be a guide and comforter. When any science can prove its worth by helping to heal the world, many will receive it gladly. We have shown that astrology is too valuable to be a fake. Therefore, it will inevitably come into its own, for it has already passed the turning point. The pioneers have laid their rock foundation, they have done their work so well that astrology can no longer be disregarded as a science.

THINK ON THIS

Max Heindel has said that no matter what people say to us or about us, their words have no intrinsic power to hurt. It is our mental attitude towards their utterances which determines the effect of their words upon us for good or ill. He has also reiterated time and again that the "stars impel, they do not compel" action on our part. This is as true of good aspects as of the much more talked-of adverse ones. Just why do we lend the power of concentrated attention to the evil which we dread rather than to the good which we desire?

It is definitely not the thing that happens that makes us happy or sad—it is our reaction to the event or circumstance. A circumstance may be beyond our control, but how we take it lies in our hands, so we are not helpless. Think on this!

The Children of Pisces

Birthdays: February 20 to March 20.

SISCES is the 12th sign of the zodiac and closely associated with the last or 12th house of the horoscope. The natives of this sign are kindly, sympathetic, and courteous, and for this reason make friends easily. They are peaceable in disposition, will seldom fight for their rights-it is too much work. Max Heindel states that they are negative, subject to varying moods, and very sensitive to the mental atmosphere of their surroundings. Parents of Pisces youngsters should therefore be more than usually alert as to their companions and the nature of places of recreation which they frequent until they have learned to discriminate and to choose rightly for themselves.

As Pisces is a common or mutable sign, the nature is flexible to so great an extent that will power is usually weak, and there is a noticeable trend to indolence. Here is where parents or teachers who know their astrology can be of great service. These children are easily led, therefore naturally obedient and can be taught to be diligent, while the nature is most plastic. In the earlier years they should receive training in controlling the appetites for they are very fond of good things to eat. This training does not mean saying "Don't eat this-don't eat that, either. Don't eat so much cake after all that rich gravy. Why, Bobby, I'm surprised ----- " etc. The training must be by precept and example. Otherwise these tendencies will result in wrong habits which will be ruinous to health and well-being.

Pisces, being a watery sign, is very fruitful and tends to large families, often producing twins or triplets. The feet and toes are ruled by Pisces, therefore corns, bunions, chilblains, are Pisces conditions, as well as deformities of the feet. It has a reflex effect on the abdominal region (Virgo), indicating intestinal diseases and dropsy. A desire for drink and drugs is often an affliction of this sign.

Neptune, the ruler of Pisces, is of special importance to the world at this time because he has recently entered the sign of Libra where he will remain for 14 years, with the exception of a brief return to Virgo (retrograde motion) from April 18 to August 3. As Neptune is their own ruler, Pisces people should be particularly awake to the opportunities which Neptune favorably aspected in Libra will bring to them, according to which house of their horoscope Libra occupies, and to avoid the pitfalls indicated by adverse aspects. Knowing in advance gives opportunity to prepare. Perhaps they should remember that while their sign of Pisces is frequently called the sign of self-undoing, it is also the sign of hidden power and spiritual strength.

"The Planet of Divinity" is the name applied to Neptune by Max Heindel, who, differing with many other teachers, asserts that Neptune is the higher octave of Mercury. "Intellectuality, ruled by Mercury, lifted us beyond the animal and made man, man; the Spirituality ruled by Neptune will in time raise us beyond the state of the human and make us divine." Therefore, Pisces the Mystic, under favorable conditions may become a pupil of a mystery school and a factor for great good in the uplift of humanity; under opposite conditions he is in danger of becoming the tool of spirit controls. Being forewarned he is forearmed so that he can meet temptation with resistance.

Among the virtues of persons having the Sun in Pisces are honesty, dependability, compassion for those in distress, kindness to animals. They are idealistic and imaginative, and have an ability for abstract contemplation and for concentration, and are naturally intuitive.

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IRENE H.

Born January 2, 1928, 10 A.M. Latitude 33 N. Longitude 117 W.



This young girl has common signs on all four angles and the life ruler Jupiter is also co-ruler of Pisces, the rising sign. Jupiter is in the 1st house conjoined with the planet of impulse Uranus, a wonderful combination, even though Uranus may at times disturb the placidity of Jupiter. However, Jupiter being the stronger on account of its sign. Uranus will be of great assistance in bringing out the very best in this Jupiterian girl. We find a trine aspect from the planet Venus in the 9th house in Scorpio to both Jupiter and Uranus. Venus, however, is not at her best in the Martian sign of Scorpio, but the beautifully strong Jupiter may hold this Venus nature in check. Venus, Uranus, and Jupiter in favorable aspect and position give talent for music, especially the Pipe Organ.

Classical or church music would bring out the higher side of Venus; especially is there great power for higher development in the music of the Pipe Organ. The Moon in the Venus sign Taurus, sextile to Pluto, strengthens the talent for a musical career.

First choice of a life work for this girl would be the musical career, especially church organist or musical director, including teaching of music and harmony. This is a profession in which she could hold an honored position in the community, and be a definite force for good, both of which are essential to her peace of mind and happiness.

Sun and Mercury in Capricorn trine the Moon in Taurus will give steadfastness and balance to the mental qualities. Also, Capricorn people being ruled by Saturn are keenly suspicious and can sense things which are not right. Both Capricorn and Virgo (ruled by Mercury) individuals make the very best detectives, and in this horoscope we find a most unusual grouping of planets in and near the Midheaven, namely, Saturn and the Dragon's Tail, a double Saturnian influence, are both conjoined the fighting and aggressive Mars, and all three are conjoined the Midheaven, which represents the government. Hence, another vocation would be Secret Service work for the government; training to serve in the F.B.I. would give great satisfaction to a girl of this nature, for Jupiter is also ruler of Sagittarius on the Midheaven. This brings Jupiter strongly to the fore as the ruling influence, and

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with Saturn placed in the 9th house and sign (ruled by Jupiter), the best of both planets is indicated. Thus, she could bring into her life work the discrimination and executive power of Saturn coupled with the Jupiterian philanthropy and desire to elevate humanity by selfhelp under just laws and true religious impulse. Such people aim to work for the public good whatever their particular vocation or position in life.

She should guard against over suspicion and jealousy, and the tendency to insist on having her own way at all times.

As to her health, Pluto is in Cancer, the sign which rules the stomach, and is opposition to the Sun, which will give this girl an appetite for indigestible foods, strange and unusual mixtures, such soda fountain drinks, chocolate 28 candies, and the kind of foods found on the soft drink counters. These are today doing much damage to the tastes and the health of our school children. Restricted circulation is shown by a square aspect between Neptune in Leo and Venus in Scorpio, which is liable to give some difficulty during menstruation. Rest at that time with carefully chosen foods will relieve the trouble.

Sun trine the Moon is an excellent aspect for general success in life, good home surroundings with faithful friends and esteem in the community. She can rise through her innate ability, gaining recognition of people in a position to help her rise; or she will carve her own way.

Mercury elevated and rising before the Sun gives her a keen mentality and memory. Mercury is the Lightbearer who holds the torch of reason before the Spirit, which is symbolized by the Sun in the horoscope. Therefore, she will use good judgment when important decisions are to be made. Mercury being in Capricorn will offset the unreliability of the Moon, and she will not change her mind repeatedly or in unexpected manner, as she would otherwise do with this configuration.

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Designer. Dressmaker

ANNA M.—Born September 24, 1896, 3 A.M. Lat. 40 N. Long. 75 W. Pluto, Neptune, and Mars all conjoined in Gemini, the sign ruling the hands, and trine Venus and Mercury in the Venus sign Libra, indicates, Art, unusual talent which should be expressed with the hands, for instance in designing of gowns and creating of same. Jupiter conjoins the Ascendant in Leo and is trine the Moon in Aries—originality in designs is shown.

Woodworker. Chauffeur

ROBERT F.D.-Born September 25, 1890, 5 A.M. Lat. 43 N. Long. 79 W. At the age of fifty-two it is somewhat late to begin to learn a trade, or to start something which takes years to perfect. This man has three planets, namely, Neptune, Pluto, and the Moon, also the Dragon's Head all in Gemini, ruling the hands, and Jupiter in Aquarius trine the Moon. We would advise some work where the man creates with the hands; he would be unusual in designing in wood work. furniture making, etc. We find Mars in Pisces sextile the Sun in Capricorn and trine Uranus which would give some talent in electrical or mechanical engineering; chauffeur. This man should cultivate self-confidence.

Gift Shop. Art. Drafting

ESTHER M. T.—Born August 23, 1887, 3 A.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 71 W. Leo is on the Ascendant and 2nd house (finances), and the Sun in Leo is sextile the Moon in Libra, with Venus and Uranus also in the sign Libra, the sign of the artist, and Neptune and Pluto both in Gemini, indicating that the hands could create most clever and original things which could be sold in a gift shop. With both Saturn and Mercury conjoining the Ascendant this woman would manage such a shop with success.

Hospital Manager. Nurse

ALBERT B. R.—Born March 24, 1925, 7 A.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 71 W. Sun and Moon are conjoined in Aries in the 12th house, sextile Mars in Gemini, with Venus conjoined Uranus in Pisces, also in the 12th house, which indicates hospitals and places of confinement. Both Venus and Uranus are sextile Jupiter in the Midheaven; we also find Mercury in the 12th house in Aries trine Neptune. Male nurse in hospital or insane asylum; manager of a sanitarium; warden of a prison. This man's influence would be most soothing as a nurse or masseur.

Author. Musician

Mrs. CISSIE A.—Born June 21, 1906. Hour not known. We have another horoscope with a number of planets in the sign of the hands, Gemini; here we find Jupiter, Pluto, Moon, and the Sun. and to strengthen these planets we find the Sun conjunct Mars and Neptune in Cancer. This woman should be unusually clever with the hands, in playing musical instruments, especially stringed instruments, also pipe organ. Gemini being the third sign representing the writer, she should be able to write fiction and poetry.

Actress. Saleswoman

AFNA O.—Born December 15, 1916, about 4 P.M. Lat. 55 N. Long. 0. In this horoscope we find a strongly placed and strongly respected Uranus. Conjunction the Midheaven and in its own sign Aquarius, Uranus is sextile Jupiter in Aries in the 11th house, and the Sun in Sagittarius in the 7th house. A most beautiful indication of public vocation, she should appear before the public, as an actress, lecturer, or entertainer. She could also succeed as saleswoman, clerk, etc.

Osteopath. Writer. Healer

JULIA M. S .- Born May 11, 1891, 4 A.M. Lat. 53 N. Long. 2 W. Neptune conjuncts Dragon's Head and Pluto, with Mars separating from a conjunction to Pluto, and these four are in Gemini, the sign ruling the hands and arms. Mars is also sextile Venus in his home sign Aries, the Moon in Gemini is trine Uranus in the 6th house, the house of sickness. We find Jupiter in Pisces in the 12th house, which rules hospitals and institutions, sextile to Mercury and Sun in Taurus in the 1st house. You have natural aptitude for the vocations men-The hands should be tioned above. trained to write, massage or manipulate; they have wonderful healing power with the unusual planets Neptune and Pluto in Gemini.

Voice Teacher. Mechanic

NATHANIEL M. B.-Born August 2, 1920, 10 A.M. Lat. 34 N. Long. 118 W. Here we have the horoscope of a young enlisted man, and we wager that wherever he is this man is the sunshine and the life of the crowd, a born entertainer; could write poetry too. Uranus is conjoined the Moon in the 5th house with both Moon and Uranus trine Pluto near the Midheaven, and these trine Mars, in its own sign Scorpio, show mechanical ability. However, the indications of a good voice are shown by a strong Leo, also well-aspected planets in the 5th house denote teaching ability. Teacher of voice would be a vocation of our choosing.

Secret Service. Policeman

ROBERT K. J.—Born November 28, 1919, 12:20 A.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 94 W. Virgo is the rising sign, with Saturn conjoined the Ascendant, sextile Pluto

and semisextile Neptune and Venus; Mars is also in Virgo in the 1st house, Virgo and Capricorn people are very keen at detective work, they seem to sense the criminal, and have a natural tendency of finding out things which others might never suspect. With Saturn in Virgo, and a prominent Mars this young man would do well to train for secret service or for police work.

Child Guidance. Nursery

ELLEN A. S.—Born January 13, 1899, about 6 P.M. Lat. 33 N. Long. 122 W. Here the natural fifth-house sign of Leo is rising, and four planets, namely, Mercury, Saturn, Uranus, and Venus are all in the 5th house which represents schools, children, education in general. The Sun is in Capricorn in the 6th house, which is the house of service. We could hardly fail in advising this woman who has already reached her forty-fourth year, to affiliate herself with schools, or start a nursery school or kindergarten.

Reporter. Writer

PHILLIP L. S.—Born October 6, 1909, 4:30 A.M. Lat. 41 N. Long. 88 W. The ruler of both Ascendant and Midheaven is Mercury, which is in the 2nd house, semisextile Jupiter and Venus, also trine Pluto. Jupiter on the Ascendant in Virgo indicates a good mixer. Newspaper reporter or the type of writer who also interviews people should be successful vocations.

Salesman

ERNEST R. S.—Born January 25, 1894, 5 P.M. Lat. 41 S. Long. 175 E. The planets in this horoscope are pretty well scattered over the chart, an indication that this man can be fairly at home in any vocation, but also that he is too apt to scatter his forces through his restless nature. He has Mercury conjoined the Sun in Aquarius—salesmanship should have been his vocation, as this is where he will find the best field for his energy.

Worth-While News

TAS JAMMA BUT

Tobacco 'Allergic' Railroad Passenger Ejected

Tate T. Hackney, the veteran Treasury Deparment employee who once claimed an all-time record for getting wear out of a suit of clothes, stated today that he was taking the Southern Railway System into court because he was thrown bodily from the Knoxville express at Alexandria (Va.) station early yesterday morning for objecting to passengers smoking in a regular day coach.

The railroad maintained through its spokesman, H. C. Yancey, however, that Mr. Hackney was escorted to the platform with a certain amount of persuasion because he refused to surrender his ticket. Smoking passengers, Mr. Yancey admitted, were a factor in the incident.

Mr. Hackney, a colorful figure in the District before his transfer to Louisville, Ky., eight months ago—where he states he was instrumental in having a smoking ban for trolley and bus passengers legislated claimed that in the altercation he received an injured knee and bruises to various other regions of his person. He was treated at Emergency Hospital for the knee injury.

Furthermore, he claimed that at Alexandria a railroad policeman detained him for two hours before his superior officer ordered the railroad passenger's release.

Mr. Hackney related that he boarded the 11:50 P.M. Sunday train at Union Station and took a seat in a day coach not designated as a smoker. As the conductor arrived for his ticket, he continued, Mr. Hackney asked him to order five or six passengers to stop smoking. He explained he is allergic to tobacco smoke; is not a "crank."

That started the melee, he said, that lasted until the train pulled into the Alexandria station where he was ejected to the platform.

Mr. Yancey's version agreed with Mr. Hackney's point up to where, in the passenger's story, the conductor became abusive.

The conductor, according to Mr. Yancey, explained to Mr. Hackney that in these days when travel was so heavy it was sometimes impossible to prevent smoking in some of the regular day coaches, and then asked for the rider's ticket.

No, insisted Mr. Hackney, he was keeping his ticket until the railroad got rid of those smokers, according to Mr. Yancey. That was the situation, Mr. Yancey continued, when the train pulled into Alexandria. There the conductor called on a railroad policeman who could do little with the situation and then the conductor took matters and Mr. Hackney into his own hands and escorted the passenger to the platform, the railroad official continued.

Mr. Hackney said the matter is in the hands of his attorney. Mr. Yancey said the railroad is conducting a thorough investigation.—*The Evening Star*, Washington, D.C., October 14, 1942.

It is a well-known fact that many people who do not smoke are so allergic to tobacco fumes, particularly those given off by eigarettes, that they often become really ill when forced to inhale them for even a short time.

The clothes of persons riding in railway trains, traveling in transport buses. or sitting in rooms filled with tobacco fumes, become so permeated with these objectionable odors that they are not eliminated from the clothing for a considerable length of time; and in such instances, not only the person whose clothes are saturated with tobacco fumes, but all other people who contact such a one closely are forced to breathe these same odors until they finally disappear, and thus they too run the risk of nicotine absorption, as the following quotation taken from Nature's Path magazine of September 1942 shows:

"Non-smokers in a room absorb more nicotine from slow intermittent smoking by others than does a smoker from his own rapid, continuous smoking."

In the light of the foregoing it only requires the exercise of common sense to see that the non-smokers certainly have rights which should be respected. However, it appears that each day these rights are being more and more ignored, as is shown by the reprint at the head of this article; all of which is caused mostly by the ignorance of the great masses relative to the danger which accompanies the tobacco habit, which danger is well known and recognized by most doctors and all hospital staff physicians.

Dr. David H. Kress, Chief of the Neurological Department of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Washington, D.C., states, "The liver is the organ chiefly to be thanked for the partial disposition of the poisons in tobacco. Its distoxicating powers are remarkable. But when called upon to do double or triple duty in disposing of the nicotine a smoker absorbs into his blood stream, the liver's usefulness for working over and refining the crude products of gastric and intestinal digestion is greatly hindered. An overworked liver allows waste elements to accumulate in the blood and tissues . . . furthermore, long years of battling against nicotine finally brings about a diseased condition in the liver itself. Sclerotic and fatty changes often follow chronic nicotine poisoning . . . Because the evil effects of tobacco are not to be seen by the naked eye in the smoker's heart, blood vessels, kidneys, liver, stomach, and brain day by day as he smokes, and because he does not fall dead after he smokes a cigarette, he thinks he is 'getting by.' Tobacco kills slowly but nevertheless surely. The smoker is committing suicide on the installment plan. The reckoning day is sure to come."

To the occult scientist it is a wellknown fact that all things, mineral, vegetable, and animal, including man, radiate from themselves continuously small particles and odors, which are an index of the thing whence they emanated, including its quality. These particles and odors penetrate the sphenoid bone, impinge upon the pituitary body (in the brain which is the physical organ through which the spirit expresses thought) and start the Uranian alchemistry (Uranus rules the pituitary body) by which a secretion is formed and injected into the blood. This secretion furthers assimilation through the chemical ether, thus affecting the normal growth and wellbeing of the body.

On the nature of the particles and odors inhaled depends the kind of work done by the nature spirits (gnomes) which work on mankind through the chemical ether. Food particles and odors harmonious with nature-building processes produce normal growth and wellbeing in the individual's physical body, but poisonous food particles and noxious odors inharmonious to the normal functions of the physical body will not only cause sickness or even death, but they are responsible for preparing the soil for all sorts of inimical, abnormal growths where parasites, visible or invisible, are able to set up housekeeping within some particular part of the individual's organism, which activity very soon manifests as some sort of disease such as cancer, diabetes, arteriosclerosis, tuberculosis, apoplexy, et cetera.

Thus it is plain to be seen that tobacco poisons are the hidden cause of a large percentage of many of the well-known diseases which attack mankind.

When the consumption of polluted, passion-filled meat, the drinking of poisonous alcoholic liquors, and the smoking of nicotine-filled tobacco have been abolished by mankind, then humanity can hope to see a race of supermen and women come into existence, whose purified emotions and clear thinking processes will change the earth from a chaotic, warfilled bedlam into a world where peace, harmony, and brotherhood prevail; a place where men shall have beaten their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; where nations shall not lift up the sword against nations. neither shall there be famine, bloodshed, nor war. Then truly, the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and a little child shall lead them. It is to such a condition as this that all occult students are eagerly looking forward-to the dawn of a new age where peace, progress, and prosperity shall be definitely established throughout a thoroughly cleansed, regenerated world.

Question Department

Where Is Heaven?

Question :

One hears so many conflicting stories relative to the location of heaven. Some occult students insisit that it is a place apart from our earth, and others say that it is within each individual. What is the Rosicrucian teaching on this subject?

Answer:

In order to make this matter clear it is necessary first to understand the constitution of both man and the earth.

Man has four interpenetrated vehicles in which he functions-a dense body which is visible to ordinary sight, an etheric body composed of ether which is rarefied physical substance, a desire body composed of desire substance, and a mental body composed of mind stuff. During life on the physical plane all four of these vehicles interpenetrate, but each extends into space a short distance beyond the physical body, the etheric body about an inch and a half all around, the desire body about sixteen inches, and the mental body which is densest around the head, extends slightly beyond the other three vehicles.

Our world is similarly constituted. Besides the visible world which we see, composed of solids, liquids, and gases, and interpenetrated by ether, there is also a Desire World which permeates every part of the etheric and physical worlds and extends out in space beyond both of these (physical and etheric) worlds. Then there is the World of Thought, and that also penetrates every part of the Physical, Etheric, and Desire Worlds from center to circumference and reaches out into space still further than any of the other three worlds.

During earth life man lives upon this

firm interpenetrated visible earth. Immediately after death he functions in the etheric region which interpenetrates and also extends outside of the earth's atmosphere while he reviews and transfers his life's panorama to his desire body. He then gravitates to the purgatory region which is located in the lower part of the Desire World. When the purgatory process has been completed he enters the First Heaven which is located in the higher part of the Desire World which, as said, extends still further out in space. Later he passes on to the Second Heaven and then to the Third.

Now the desire substance of the desire body is taken from the substance of the Desire World, and consequently there is a close relationship between man's desire body and the Desire World, the substance of the two being composed of the same elements; and as the First Heaven is located in the Desire World which interpenetrates the physical world it might be said that the Kingdom of Heaven is within man; and the same holds true relative to the Second and Third Heaven. The substance of man's mental body is taken from the same mind elements of which those worlds are composed, and therefore these substances are also within his mental vehicle which penetrates his physical body. So again it might be said that the Second and Third Heaven are within man, although they are also out in space very far from the periphery of our physical globe.

ATTAINING CONTROL OF THE FEAR VIBRATION

Question:

Please tell me how to go about overcoming the vibration of fear. Not only the things happening in our daily life but the conditions prevailing in the world today fill the atmosphere with such strong vibrations of fear that it seems next to impossible to remain undisturbed and keep one's equilibrium.

Amswer:

There are four basic vibrations appertaining to the lower region of the Desire World, all of which man must vanquish before he has fitted himself to become a superman, or before entering and functioning consciously in the higher realms; and one of these basic vibrations is fear; the other three being sensuality, sex, and vanity.

Fear is a vibration of the desire or emotional body; and the positive pole, or center of activity of this vehicle is will, desire being the negative pole. Therefore to master fear it is necessary to develop will power.

The Bible states that "perfect love casteth out fear." And this process consists in substituting a higher vibration for the lower one, in this case the substitute being love. Therefore if the mind is vibrating to love, that automatically displaces the vibration of fear. Hence thoughts of love are a most potent means of mastering the lower emotions. third aid is found through the knowledge The desire of the constitution of man. body, the seat of fear, is correlated to the human spirit, whose home is in the region of Abstract Thought, which is the Third Heaven. Therefore the substitution of the higher vibration of abstract thought is a natural corrective for the lower desire vibration. If one troubled by fear vibrations will devote himself (or herself) to abstract thought to a considerable extent, he will find that thereby he will automatically obtain a measure of control over his desire nature which includes fear.

All branches of higher mathematics come under the classification of abstract thought; therefore the study of mathematics or the working out of mathematical problems will give one a training which will help much in obtaining mastery over fear. Summarizing the fore-

going, we find the following methods put forth: the cultivation of will power, the substitution of thoughts of love for fear, and the development of abstract thought.

WHY AND HOW CHANGES IN THE EARTH'S SURFACE ARE BROUGHT ABOUT

Question :

I understand that the appearance of the earth's surface is altered from time to time in order to afford the necessary environment for the next step to be taken by the evolving life waves. Will you please explain how these changes are made?

Answer:

In the Region of Concrete Thought known as the Second Heaven, are found the archetypes, or living patterns, of every form which exists in the physical region from the smallest to the greatest. These archetypes are built by great creative Hierarchies and beings of lesser development who work under their direction. These archetypes take the form of living, vibrating cavities or hollow molds each one of which emits a musical sound which is its keynote, and it is this sound or keynote which attracts material and builds it into corresponding forms manifesting in the physical region.

Note that it is the musical tone sounding in the archetype which attracts and molds the physical atoms into every form, each particular form being determined by the shape of its own special archetype. Now, when any modification in the surface of the carth is required, the creative Hierarchies before mentioned, change the form and tone of the continental archetype, and this being the pattern or mold of the physical creation desired, it must of necessity bring about a similar change in the physical form. This same process is used whether the physical manifestation be mineral, plant, animal, or man. Note that no change whatsoever can take place on the physical plane until the archetype in the Second Heaven has been altered so as to bring about the transformation.

Nutrition and Health

THUR OFFICEN DEPARTMENT

Rosicrucian Ideals

The Rosicrucian Teachings advocate a simple, pure, and harmless life. We hold that a plain vegetarian diet is most conducive to health and purity, also that alcoholic drinks, tobacco, and stimulants are injurious to health and spirituality. AS CHRIS-TIANS we believe it to be our duty to avoid sacrificing the lives of animals and birds for food, also, as far as possible to refrain from using their skins and feathers for clothing. We hold vivisection to be diabolical and inhuman.

We believe in the healing power of prayer and concentration, but we also believe in the use of material means to supplement the higher forces. Our motto is: A SANE MIND, A SOFT HEART, A SOUND BODY.

The Therapy of Color and Music

By ELEANOR ROY TROUPE

UT of the central source of solar being that has its existence in the personality of Gop, constantly pulsating vibrations flood out to engulf the whole of creation. These vibrations are the basis of all life. Their manifestation in the physical world has many forms with their sources deeply hidden in the heavenly realms. To consider a few, there are the planetary influences, atomic vibrations, magnetic field vibrations, vibrations of sound, and the waves of light refracting and reflecting as color. These of course are subject to investigation in the materialistic sense.

However, even more subtle vibrations are open to investigation by the occultist. He can perceive the triune Gop present in the simple things of nature. Thus: God the Father is present when the color blue is seen; the wisdom, love, and attracting and holding qualities characteristic of the Christ are seen in yellow; the Holy Spirit is present where red is manifested. Indeed, the occultist finds this same manifestation of Gop operating in the human body where light and reflecting ethers are broken up by the seed atom into red, yellow, and blue. The vellow and blue being directed into the spinal cord where, when right living and loving service have accumulated many of these rays, they overflow and surround

the head and body, providing a soul body that is useful for individual investigation in the invisible worlds.

It is well established by occult scientists that Christ is the greatest Sun Spirit, hence the great giver of life. The physical sun is the apparent source of life. In its rays we have the origin and maintaining factor of the earth. The food we eat, the air we breathe, the very things we see, all are made possible by the sun. Judicious exposure to its rays after a long period produces a soft. bronzed, and healthy skin, immune to infection from minor scratches or wounds. Sun bathing increases the hemoglobin and red blood cells and enriches the blood composition in general. Deep sun penetration increases metabolism.

Waves of light when refracted by a prism are seen by the human observer as color. The entire range of colors obtained by refraction is called the spectrum. Each color is caused by a definite wave length of light. Altogether there are estimated to be about 160 distinguishable hues. Thus color is essentially a manifestation of solar vibration.

Color radiation when properly used is beneficial to health. Exposure to ultraviolet rays is an excellent substitute for the sun's rays. Irradiation of milk and other foods has amply proven that color
does have salubrious effects when applied to food stuffs. If vitamin D can be supplied to milk, it is not impossible that other vitamins will eventually be increased by color radiation. It is interesting in this connection to know the color of the vitamins. They are as follows:

Vitamin A—Yellow; Vitamin B— Red; Vitamin B1—Green; Vitamin C— Lemon; Vitamin D—Orange; Vitamin E—Scarlet; Vitamin F—Blue; Vitamin H—Turquoise; Vitamin K—Violet.

NOTE: According to a recent issue of *Time* magazine, experiments with the use of artificially processed vitamins proved them to be unsatifactory. The Swiss and German army doctors found that certain vitamins tended to absorb other vitamins when fed the soldiers in capsule form. Thus vitamin A absorbed vitamin C, and definite symptoms of scurvy developed. Convincing evidence this, that natural foods are the best source of vitamins, since they are most directly subject to the life-giving sun energy.

Max Heindel has stated that color has its home in the first heaven. Hence the appeal of color is closely related to the finer elements of the human spirit. As mentioned before, its salubrious effects are axiomatic. Like all things that influence the subtle qualities of man, injudicious use of color can produce an aggravation of the malady under treatment. So the finest sense of discrimination is necessary to handle color therapy.

A fundamental consideration is the general effect of each color. The following list has a general connotation; there are many personal prejudices that cause individual deviations.

Thus we find grayed greens are restful and soothing. Green is easier on the eyes than any other color; it has replaced white in most modern operating rooms. On the other hand yellow is stimulating. Dr. Edwin D. Babbitt states that yellow is the central principle of nerve stimulation and also the exciting principle of the brain. Blue is cooling and sedative. Maniacal patients are soon calmed

when placed in a room painted blue. However, when a patient has been subjected to blue in too large quantities melancholia and depression often result. Blue is considered an aid to concentration.

Red is stimulating. It increases and excites the working of the brain. Cardinal red stimulates bodily functions. Often athletes are placed in rooms where cardinal red predominates so as to stimulate them for a race. Indolent boys are aroused to more industrious activity when their rooms are done in red. Rose aids in mental recuperation. Melancholia was cured in a certain woman patient, who, when depressed went into a red room and turned on red lights; then she passed into a room decorated in yellow and gold, which toned the extreme stimulation of red with their milder stimulation.

Gold is bright and cheering; while gray is cold and depressing. Yellow and violet are cheering. Brown is restful and warming when used with orange, gold or yellow, and with them it counteracts melancholia. Alone brown is depressing. Spring green (pure blues and yellows) is a mental sedative and so is anemone mauve. Purple and mauve produce sleep and counteract mental instability. Blue, violet, and mauve are useful in the treatment of insomnia and headache.

In decorating rooms to be used for mental patients, bright pure colors are used sparingly. Surfaces are dull and mottled or crumpled and rolled. While white is cold alone, it attracts sunlight when used with other warm shades, and is stimulating. Neurasthenics are helped when their rooms have blue ceilings and sunlight yellow walls.

So much for color as used in the surroundings. Color has been applied in another manner. Dr. Edwin D. Babbitt, a pioneer in color therapy, which he termed Chromopathy, attempted to cure disease by applying color to exterior bodily regions; such as purple over the stomach for indigestion. Dr. S. Pancoast used the same method, but limited himself to blue and red light.

Passing now from the general connotation of color, we will consider the personal preference of the patient, a factor which the practitioner can determine by a simple associative test to establish the patient's preference and the effect of the various colors on him. In this regard there are type preferences. For example, men prefer blue; women prefer red. Athletes of either sex usually make first choice of red. Intellectuals choose blue. Egotists are said to have a passion for vellow. Artists, writers, and poets are said to respond more profoundly to color than more mundane individuals. Lafcadio Hearn was much affected by deep blue: Louisa Fletcher was inspired by red. Yellow and brown or coffee color are avoided in the interior color schemes of airplanes because many passengers are nauseated at the sight of them. I have a friend who finds vellow tomatoes offensive merely because of their color. And so we might cite many instances of color reaction.

Just as color depends on vibration, so sound consists of vibrations termed sound waves. These waves are larger than light waves and dissimilar in many other ways. The human ear can hear more than 11,000 different sounds. These range from 20,000 sound-wave frequency a second down to about 12 or 16. The middle C on the piano has 256 vibrations.

The average person finds more satisfaction in listening to music, singing, and speaking than he does from looking at pictures. Hence the influence of sound is felt profoundly in his life. Our modern world is full of incessant sound and clamor. Psychologists say that prolonged subjection to loud sounds tends eventually to injure the eardrums. So it is that we are beginning to pay for the overindulgence in auditory sensation, pleasurable or otherwise. Notwithstanding, music properly used is of utmost value to the healer.

The influence of words and music on the behavior of man has been known and

applied since ancient times. Logo of the Greeks became the Logos of John, the creative word made manifest in the flesh. Thoth, the Egyptian god that controlled sound and words, was believed by his followers to be able to compel the other gods and any human enemy to do or undo at His followers' special behest. All Rosicrucian students are familiar with the creative word to be acquired by mankind in the future. Psychologists find that the ability to express thoughts clearly and in definite language indicates mental alertness. Music and the suggestive quality of the spoken word have an equally long and honorable history as healing agents. In 600 B.C. Thales cured the populace of a plague through the use of music. Plato, the Rosicrucian, said music was a soverign means of mental and bodily hygiene. Theophrastus, a pupil of Aristotle, insisted that men with diseased loins might be cured if a Phrygian air were played opposite the affected part. Pythagoras, who was fascinated by the numeral recurrences in life, is said to have prescribed music for healing.

Our beloved teacher, Max Heindel, tells us that the home world of tone is in the Second Heaven, and that tone is the builder of all forms in the physical world. Pythagoras expressed this occult fact as the "music of the spheres." In *Psy*chology of Music by Diserens and Fine, the general medical profession is credited with believing that music affects the higher cerebral centers, and from thence the sympathetic nervous system and all parts of the body. "Music," they say, "is the natural language of the unconscious."

Richard de la Prade found that music was the only art to which animals, the feeble-minded and idiots are alike sensible; it has, he believed, a kind of electricity which affects the nerves independently of intelligence. And Ribot thinks music acts physically as a kind of vibratory medicine.

Dr. David Campbell of Edinburgh advocates music for the nervous to calm the blood and also to accelerate circulation. For delirium smooth, dolce, piano, or pianissimo are best; quick and varied pieces are stimulating for morbid conditions. Adagios are helpful in cases of excitement; allegros revive the lethargic and help the hysteric and those having spasms.

Dr. S. L. Katzoff recommended regular musical schedules for hospitals and sanatoriums. Specifically he considered Tschaikowski's "The Tempest Overture" or Mendelssohn's "Fingal's Cave" for hazy states of thoughts. "Volga Boat Song," "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice," and "M'Appori Tuii' Amor" for nervous exhaustion and insomnia.

Instrumental music has a better effect according to the type and end desired than vocal music. Music in a minor mood reduces pain, and often induces sleep. It is most conducive to health when used immediately before or after sleep. Insomnia and night terrors in a three-yearold child were cured by a Russian physician, Doctor Beschensky, by nightly playing Chopin waltzes, then gradually decreasing the frequency of playing to every second and then to every fourth night, etc.

During the Middle Ages a dancing mania seized the people of Europe. It is believed to have been caused by the stimulating effect of shrill pipes and trumpets. People flung themselves about in wild and frenzied gyrations. Stopping for nothing, they continued until exhausted. Babies were neglected; work abandoned. The streets were filled with the dancers. Many were trampled to In desperation the magistrates death. hired musicians to soothe the mad multi-The cure consisted in a gradual tudes. transition from high to lower key and from the exciting rhythms of the Tarantella to slower meter. The mania is known as Tarantism; the modern Tarantella is a survival of the music of those maladic dances of the Middle Ages.

In Tarantism we have a significant warning applicable to our times. For today we see much of the same frenzied gyrations in the ball room and dance

halls. Jitterbug dancing is certainly as wild and obsessing as any medieval dance: Adolescent children crowd beer parlors and gambling houses, with their elders scarcely offering a protest. Music that blares incessantly tears down the finer elements that are needed to build up spiritual power. Consequently, if you are seeking to live the spiritual life, you must give heed to the type of music that saturates the ethers surrounding you. A beautiful composition like "Evening Star" by Wagner is surely better for the aspirant than the current "swing" rhythms.

Dr. H. L. Roberts points out that the increasing volume of sound in modern life, without adequate control of its character, is one of the causes of the growing emotional instability in contemporary society.

An interesting digression is the relationship between the ruling planets of nations and the type of music preferred by the people in the various countries. We find England and Germany both ruled by Mars and their peoples liking martial and inspiring music; Ireland governed by Venus, and the people fond of sweet, romantic songs with a lilt and rhythm; Scotland, under the twin influences of Moon and Saturn, and her natives partial to string and wind instruments; Wales ruled by Uranus and Mercury; original music with a religious undertone, and choral and choir pieces are most enjoyed by her people.

The United States, governed by Mercury, is adaptable to all types of music, but still her people will always lean to the new and original and out of the ordinary.

"Many people know that there is an intimate connection between color and tone; that when a certain note is struck, a certain color appears simultaneously." So Max Heindel tells us in *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception*. This same idea was amplified by A. Wallace Rimington many years ago. He too believed there was an intimate relation between color (*Continued on page* 142)

Patients' Letters

Illinois, December 1942. The Rosicrucian Fellowship Oceanside, California.

Dear Friends:

I am so grateful to have your fine en-I am so grateful to have your fine en-couraging letter. I have no pain and I am feeling so much better, and I have avoided the operation. I am faithful to the elimina-tive diet. I have felt the helping and strengthening of the dear Invisible Helpers. I am very grateful. Will you please con-tinue to help me to full health? Sincerely,

-N.M.

California, November 1942. The Rosicrucian Fellowship Oceanside, California.

Dear Friends:

My report today is very encouraging. My throat is quite well and the tongue is coming on nicely-all thanks to the Invisible Helpers, who have always come to my aid when I have called.

> Sincerely your Friend, -Mrs. J.H.C.

Wisconsin, December 1942. The Roscrucian Fellowship My dear Friends:

I am improving more and more every day. Thanks to you for the wonderful help I have been receiving and also for the help - has been receiving.

-Mrs. L.H.

British West Indies, November 1942. The Rosicrucian Fellowship

Dear Friends, Greetings: Your very kind and encouraging letter of recent date to hand. I am indeed very happy to be able to write and say that my physical counterpart is today at its very best in years. In return as common gratitude I am putting forth a tremendous lot of efforts to organize a class in philosophy, astrology, etc., and will continue trying until success crown my activities. It's regrettable how no moneys can be mailed to you now.

Yours in fellowship,

-B.C.

Mexico, December 1942. The Rosicrucian Fellowship Oceanside, Calif., U.S.A.

Dear Friends:

I cannot explain in words my gratitude to the Invisible Helpers, for had it not been for their aid I just cannot form any idea of what might have become of me. May God bless and prosper the Rosicru-cian Fellowship so that not only a few, but

rather, mankind in general. may be helped by it.

Yours in fellowship,

-R.N.

Healing Dates

February	2 - 8 - 15 - 22
March	1-7-24-22-28
April	4-11-18-25

Healing meetings are held at Mt. Ecclesia on the above dates at 6:30 P.M. If you would like to join in this work, begin when the clock in your place of residence points to 6:30 P.M., or as near that as possible; meditate on health, and pray to the Great Physician, our Father in Heaven, for the healing of all who suffer, particularly those who have applied to the Invisible Helpers.

People Who Are Seeking Health

May be helped by our Healing Department. The healing is done largely by the Invisible Helpers, who operate on the in-visible plane, principally during the sleep of the patient. The connection with the Helpers is made by a weekly letter to Headquarters. Helpful individual advice on diet, exercise, environment, and similar matters is given to each patient. This department is supported by freewill offerings. For further information address, The Rosicru-cian Fellowshin, Oceanside, Calif., U.S.A.

Eternal Fires

By MYRTLE BLASSING

I often wonder, dear, if you and I Have not in misty ages long gone by. Together walked the way:

If out beyond the stars, sometime, somewhere.

We have not kindled on an altar there, The love that burns today.

For there's a cadence in your voice that seems

The echo of faint half-forgotten dreams.

And 'tween your soul and mine

Is a companionship that was not born

Today, but has endured the stress and storm

Of centuries of time.

And so I wonder, dear, if you and I Have not in misty ages long gone by,

Together walked the way:

And if beyond death's veil, sometime. somewhere.

We may not meet and find still glowing there.

The love that burns today.

Children's Department

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Aunt Charlotte's Stepmother

By CLARISSA A. KNEELAND

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DON'T care," declared Alice, "I don't like Helen. I never did like her and I never will! It just spoils the whole project for me, to have to have her for a partner."

Then, with a resentful toss of her head: "The teacher gives me a pain. Why couldn't she let us pick our own partners? We know who we like and who we could do good work with. I wanted Hilda or Rose or Florence. All three have splendid ideas and I could work with any one of them. But no, she must go and pair me off with that Helen!"

"Well, Alice," said her mother gently, "I should hope you would treat her nicely."

"Oh, I'll treat her right. I always do. I took pains to speak to her in the library after school but she wouldn't answer. Just gave me the meanest look! *I* don't know what ailed her."

She slammed down her books and stormed into the other room. Great Aunt Charlotte sat there in an armless rocker mending a badly torn pair of rompers. A stack of clean clothes was heaped on the sofa beside her.

"Alice," she said placidly, "come here and sit down. I guess you need to have me tell you about my stepmother."

"I sure need something to take the taste of Helen out of my mouth," Alice assured her grimly.

Aunt Charlotte lifted her needle and squinted at it to see just where the eye was. "I don't promise that this story will do that," she said, "but you just sit down here and while you are listening you look over these stockings and sort out all those that need mending. There! I got that thread in at last."

Alice dropped down on the sofa. A dimple appeared in each cheek.

"I don't mind sorting over any amount of stockings if only I'm not asked to mend any of them," she murmured.

Aunt Charlotte ignored that and began her story.

"Well, you see, my own mother died when I was real small. I could just barely remember her. Some of my aunts always kept house for Father after that and for a long time he did not marry again and as the years went on I just took it for granted that he never would, and I was proud of him because he did not. Then, when I was about fifteen, oh, almost sixteen, here if he didn't decide to get married.

"It was an awful blow to me, but if it had been some one I liked, even an entire stranger, I wouldn't have minded it quite so much, but he had chosen a certain young lady from the town where we lived, a Miss Lucelia Joslyn, and I had never liked her at all."

"Why not?" asked Alice, ruefully surveying the run in her best pair of French tan silk stockings.

"Well, I had always considered her conceited and snippy and I did not think she was a bit pretty. She had a thin face and a long nose and she was quite a bit younger than Father, but still, I do not think any of that had a thing to do with it. After all these years I cannot think of a reason why, but I had always felt an antipathy to her every time I had had anything to do with her.

"When I found out that Father was going to marry her I just about cried my eyes out. I bawled myself to sleep night after night. I did not let Father or any one else know how I felt, but it seemed as if I just *could* not stand it to have Lucelia Joslyn for my mother.

"I tried to think up some way of getting out of it, but of course there wasn't any way. Finally I took my trouble and went to Miss Amanda with it.

"Miss Amanda was my Sunday School teacher. She was an old maid, but really not so awfully old. In those days you know, if women were not married, they called them old maids when they were really pretty young."

"Yes, I know," said Alice. "Did you like Miss Amanda?"

"Oh, yes, indeed. Everyone did. She was very nice and good and everyone had a great respect for her. There were eight or ten of us girls in her class and she took great pains with us in all sorts of ways.

"We all felt free to go to her if we were in any trouble and she would help us think up the best way out of it. So when it seemed as if I couldn't stand it any longer about Father and Lucelia, I went and told Miss Amanda all about it.

"Well, she listened to what I had to say and then she looked into my eyes very sober and steady and she asked, 'Charlotte, do you love Jesus?'

"That made me fairly catch my breath, for you see, Alice, I did love Jesus; I couldn't remember the time when I had not. I was going to join the church, and every day I was taking pains to read in my Bible something of the life and teachings of the dear Savior, and I had wished, and wished and wished that I could do something for Him to atone to Him for what they had made Him suffer. To have Miss Amanda ask me if I loved Him made me feel something like Peter did when the Lord asked him the same question, and I answered about like he did. I said, 'Why, Miss Amanda, you know I love Jesus.'

"Then, Charlotte,' she said firmly, if you really do love your Savior, you have no right to feel like this about Lucelia Joslyn,' and she reached for her Bible.

"Alice, I have often wished I knew my Bible as well as Miss Amanda knew hers. She was never at a loss to know just where to turn to find anything she wanted. So that day she found all the places where Jesus told them to be kind and loving and do to others as they wanted others to do to them. Where He told us to love each other, to love our neighbors, and to love our enemies.

"She made me read them all and she bore down especially hard on the verse where He said *If ye love me, keep my* commandments.

"It was no time at all till I could see that if I loved Christ I really did not have, as she had said, any *right* to feel as I did about Lucelia. If I loved my earthly father I had no right to feel so about the wife he was choosing and giving me for a mother. I could see it, and I was honest enough to admit it."

"'But Miss Amanda!' I wailed, 'what can I do? I *don't* like her, I just don't! How can I love some one that really I pretty near hate? How can I?'

"' 'Charlotte,' she said, 'if you wanted a lovely climbing rose to grow over your porch, would you think you could not have it just because there chanced to be an old hop vine there? Indeed, you would not think any such thing.

"'You would clear out all of that hop vine, pull up all the roots and all the weeds and thistles, and you would get the best rose cutting you could secure to set there. You would water it faithfully and see to it that it got the morning sun but was shaded if the sun seemed too hot at noon.

"'You would watch carefully to see that nothing should stunt that plant and if you found injurious insects on it you would kill them immediately. And you must behave the same way to make the rose of love grow.'

"She went on to remind me how I had wished the Lord would give me some big, brave task to show Him how dearly I loved Him. Now He had given me this, and there I was whimpering and whining like a sickly child rebelling against its medicine.

"''Now, dear child,' she told me, 'I want you to stand up and prove that you really *do* love Christ more than you do your own pride.'

"So then we talked it all over and she told me what I must do and I promised I would do it. She told me I must

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stop even *thinking* about how I disliked Lucelia. I must not go over that ground even in my own secret thoughts. If I found myself starting out on the t I must force myself to think about something else. There must be no more bawling myself to sleep at nights.

"Above all else, I must not let a word slip out to any one, no matter how intimate I was with them, to lead them to mistrust I did not like my father's wife. Not a word nor an action. That is, I must not drop my eyes, or shrug my shoulders nor heave a sigh that might arouse any suspicion."

(To be continued)



Echoes from Mt. Ecclesia

HOSE of us whose duty and privilege it is to read and answer the hundreds of letters that reach Headquarters, often wish we might share the inspiration they bring us, as well as the knowledge of human needs. We wish that you who are "out in the world" might know firsthand what the Rosicrucian Teaching means in reconstructed lives, in despair giving way to hope and courage, in confusion of thought turning to clarity and the confidence born of knowledge. If you but knew as we know; if, as the Bible says, you "believed our report"-? There would come to Mt. Ecclesia "sheaves" of subscriptions to the Rosicrucian Magazine, and of orders for the "Cosmo"-for others. Will you look over our shoulder now?

"I have just completed the reading of the Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception by Max Heindel. I found it one of the greatest books I have ever read on occult wisdom. ... I have never before found the wonderful truths contained in this book.... it has inspired me beyond my power to express."

"Thank you again. It is good to have something upon which to concentrate. I believe I am all the better—both as a man and a citizen soldier—for your teachings." (Great Britain.)

"The January issue of the Rosicrucian Magazine arrived today and I had to read it all before putting it down once."

"I have been able to pass the teaching on to some of my friends . . . it has opened to them a new line of thought and a different vision of life. One's desire is to shout it from the house-tops, but of course that would not be wise."

"Since becoming a student and trying to put into practice as much of your Teachings as I have been able, life has taken on a different aspect and the conditions have greatly improved."

The Patients' Letters which are printed each month on another page of the Magazine also constitute a happy "echo" from the work going out from Headquarters. Many contact the Teachings for the first time in their successful efforts to find health through the ministrations of our Healing Department.

Mrs. Max Heindel's 78th birthday was the occasion of a special cake, designed, ornamented, and baked specially for this birthday eve. Mrs. Heindel's table was decorated with lavender sweet peas and white phlox, and maidenhair fern, and as is her custom, those whose birthdays make them fellow "Aquarians," were guests at her table. The handsome cake was iced with fancy ruffles (how done is a mystery) all around, and on top seven lovely red roses also of icing. "Happy Birthday" was sung, and there was a spontaneous parade of friends to the table to add personal congratulations. The huge cake was cut and generous slices served to all-with ice cream. May this happy little ceremony be repeated for many another January 27th is our earnest wish.

The winter classes now in progress are a source of interest to residents and guests. Tuesday evenings are given to astrology and Wednesdays to the Rosicrucian Philosophy. Everyone is welcome.

January 21 and 22 broke the "unusual" winter weather of almost no rain in Southern California with a very unusual downpour of rain, and a driving wind of such velocity that roofs leaked and the rain beat in around windows and under doors. Outside, branches were stripped from trees and large pine and acacia trees were uprooted and toppled over. And since then we continue to receive rain, until we have reached normal for the season to date.

Now that the rains have come, our winter gardens are getting under way, and will no doubt be of more help in our food problem than ever before. Extensive plans are being made for bigger and better vegetable crops, followed by canning, drying, dehydrating, so that we need take less from the precious market supplies.

Rosicrucian News Bureau



"For a web begun, God sends thread." —Old Proverb.

EW vistas of life, exceedingly fair to behold, open up to those who realize that life is not merely an unfoldment of causes begun in previous existences. We are not actua'ly bound by the chains of the past, for as individual spirits, sparks of the Divine Flame, we are blessed with the power to set *new* causes into operation. The faculties of initiative and epigenesis are ours as a divine heritage, to be used in reaching new heights of spiritual attainment.

Appreciable progress in life comes only through the exercise of the faculty of epigenesis, and we therefore, as spiritual aspirants, have the key to our future destiny in our own hands. We may not at once make radical changes in our lives, b"t we can remedy mistakes we have made if we will. The majority of people are carried along in life according to the trend indicated in their natal horoscopes, but those who know something of the spiritual laws governing life and being have no excuse for continuing as victims of circumstance. It is as if a door into a utopian land were opened before us, and we refuse to enter in and partake of the glories there. More soul-satisfying states of consciousness are ever before us, to be enjoyed to the full by those who are willing to pay the price of persistent effort.

Every passing day is a priceless opportunity for us to exert our initiative in some constructive way for the upliftment of our fellowmen. As individuals and as groups we will become more efficient atoms in the body of God by using our divine powers to work out new ways of serving, new methods of weaving Christlike patterns upon the never-ceasing loom of life. If we begin the archetype, God will surely provide the substance for its completion. By refusing to be bound by our yesterdays, we may sow for glorious tomorrows!

LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND.

From the secretary of this Center comes a letter which warms the heart:

"Undaunted by the conditions which limit our attendance, we continue to keep our wee Center open to whomsoever wills to learn. Though but few of us have been able to attend most of the time, yet we are happy in the knowledge that other members and friends are with us in thought and spirit and have promised that as soon as time and circumstances permit, they'll all return to give of their best to seeking humanity.

"A dear friend sent us five pounds toward keeping our Center open, and we have duly conveyed our deep gratitude to him for his generous gift which makes it possible for us to keep open for quite a while longer. Truly, God doth provide when the need is great. We thank Him for all blessings received and we are indeed World Headquarters

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grateful to all at Headquarters for their loving interest and co-operation during these very difficult times. We know we shall be permitted to 'carry on' and when conditions return to a more normal state, we intend resuming all our regular classes and services. Please continue to pray for us during the coming months."

We know that the prayers of many friends everywhere, in addition to those at Headquarters, are constantly being offered for those so bravely facing the discouragements of today, and there is blessed comfort in the thought that "all the darkness in the world cannot put out the light of one small candle."

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

Orders for our books, and subscriptions for our Magazine, along with the communications that come from the friends of this Group, are happy evidences that the Teachings continue to go out in that part of the world, brought nearer to us by the marvels of modern transportation and communication. The secretary writes: "We have been advertising the Class activities recently, and have had an influx of inquirers in regard to Group meetings. Many of the older members are unfortunately having their attendance at the Center interfered with by the various duties occasioned by hostilities, but we hope that this condition will not last much longer. The interest in Fellowship literature is, we are happy to say, still sustained, and we appreciate very much the help from Headquarters in the way of monthly lectures and general class material."

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

From the secretary of the Fellowship Center in this city comes word that the Work continues very nicely there, although the general obstacles of the times are felt. He writes:

"There has been considerable work done on the Center recently. A Probationers' Room is being redecorated and furnished. We now have a ladies' lounge.

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a gentlemen's lounge, a combination dining room and class room, a kitchen, and the assembly hall. Because of gasoline rationing our attendance has naturally been somewhat restricted, but that is to be expected. To suit the convenience of our students, the astrology class has been changed from Friday night to Sunday afternoon at 5:30, after which we usually serve refreshments and remain for the Devotional Service."

These friends are fortunate in having their own building for the Center rooms, a Probationer having left it for this purpose at her passing some years ago. Obviously, good use has been made of the various rooms, and a vibration established which will continue to attract those attuned to the Western Wisdom Ray.

MÉRIDA, YUCATAN, MEXICO.

Recent communications from the friends of this Fellowship Group bring the encouraging news that the Work is being continued there with no lessening of the interest and enthusiasm which have characterized its activities since they were begun. A constant effort is made to carry the Teachings into new fields, and the new students and patients enrolled attest to the new friends being reached.

Along with the other activities of this Group, the translation and publication of The Rosicrucian Magazine for Spanish speaking friends all over the world is being continued, an English copy of the Magazine being rushed to the translators from Headquarters by air mail as soon as printed. A beautiful labor of love is this splendid service of putting out the Magazine in the Spanish language, and we pray that the coming years may bring it a rapidly increasing circulation. Such devotion to serving one's fellowmen is a striking example of the statement made by William James that "the great use of a life is to spend it for something that outlasts it."

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BIBLE SHOWS DREAMS GUIDE MAN'S EVOLUTION

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There Joseph and Mary and Jesus remained until the angel fulfilled his promise to bring him word. "But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, Arise and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life." And once again Joseph followed the dream as told in the 21st verse, "And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel."

In the Acts of the Apostles we have Paul's two *night* visions: "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night," there stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us." (Acts 16:9.) And in Acts 18:9, 10, we read, "Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city." Fulfillment is shown in verse 11, "And he continued there [at Corinth] a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them."

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." (Acts 2:17, quoted from Joel 2:28.)

THERAPY OF COLOR AND MUSIC (Coninued from page 133)

and music. After much thought, he devised a scale based on the seven notes of the diatonic scale and using colors that the notes suggested to him.

Having devised the scale, he set to work to put it to practical use. The result was a color organ. In order to operate this organ, the room was darkened and a given melody played. As the

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notes were struck a medley of colors illuminated the projection area.

Looking back over the information set forth in these pages, I am struck by the fact so much of it can be applied by all of us. We can tastefully and healthfully decorate our homes. We can select and use the best colors for our personal wearing apparel. We can listen to and play music conducive to our betterment. Indeed, ours is the choice between the best for us and the haphazard, take what comes, so characteristic of the many. Therefore, let us use color with discrimination, and cultivate a taste for good music. In so doing we are following the intelligent course to spiritual attunement with the Cosmic. The Good. the True and the Beautiful are available to all if we have the courage to accept them and the responsibility they impose.

REINCARNATION

(Continued from page 113) cedent endeavor by the same individual spirit in one or more lives.

The talent of now evinces your previous use of opportunity in precedent life and lives. Think it over! Would not God or nature be unjust if great genius were thrust upon any without effort at excellence? We reap as we sow, whether we sow grain, weeds, acts, or habits. Each is just now the cumulative result of his past lives and efforts, and his future will be based accurately on his

Index for 1942—Free

May we remind our friends who keep files of this Magazine that they may have the complete Index for the year 1942.

The reprint each month of an article by Max Heindel makes the Index a convenience in locating this valuable material instantly, as well as all the other splendid articles, stories, and poems which make up the 48 pages of each issue of The Rosierucian Magazine.

Please address your request to— THE ROSICRUCIAN FELLOWSHIP Oceanside, California, U.S.A.



Beginning January 1, 1943, a new policy went into operation, limiting patients received to those not requiring nursing. It is realized that for the duration few who need nurse care can go far from home.

The Sanitarium now offers the same modern treatment facilities, and equipment, services of the same osteopathic physician and skilled physiotherapist to those able to walk the short distance to our Vegetarian Cafeteria for meals.

Mt. Ecclesia Sanitarium is located in a beautiful 50-acre park with scenic views of ocean, mountains and valley from every room. The modern hydrotherapy department is equipped to handle every case where water treatment is indicated. Separate sections for men and women. Osteopathy and electrotherapy. Shortwave diathermy, massage, colonics.

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