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There was a time, even as late as Greece, when *Religion*, *Art*, and *Science* were taught unitedly in the Mystery temples. But it was necessary for the better development of each that they should separate for a time.

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 has strangled *Religion*, for they saw the ultimate good which will result when an advanced *Science* has again become a co-worker with *Religion*.

A spiritual *Religion*, however, cannot blend with a materialistic *Science* any more than oil can mix with water. Therefore steps were taken to spiritualize *Science* and make *Religion* scientific.

In the fourteenth century a high spiritual teacher, having the symbolical name Christian Rosenkreuz—Christian Rose Cross—appeared in Europe to commence this work. He founded the mysterious Order of Rosicrucians with the object of throwing occult light upon the misunderstood Christian *Religion* and to explain the mystery of *Life* and *Being* from the scientific standpoint in harmony with *Religion*.

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The Current Outlook

[FROM THE ROSICRUCIAN VIEWPOINT]

Prostrate France--An Object Lesson

By JOSEPH DARROW

“**L**IBERTY, equality, fraternity!”

Since the French Revolution, which began in 1789, this has been the slogan of France and free Frenchmen everywhere. Their present plight is sad and represents the apparent collapse of their ideals. France has been a republic during the greater part of the time since the Revolution and one of the leading exponents of democracy in the world. But due to her collapse in June, 1940, she has temporarily ceased to be a member of the democracies of the world. She is no longer

FRANCE free France, although a
NO LONGER portion of the French
FREE colonial empire is still relatively free, and General De Gaulle has assumed leadership of a large free French group.

The relations between the French and American republics have in general always been cordial. Just now, however, there is a slight riff in that cordiality. Within the last few days President Roosevelt has addressed a strong protest to the Vichy government, under General Petain, against further surrender of France to the Nazis and the turning of her resources over to them for possible use against her former ally. The President doubtless felt that the situation was very critical, otherwise he would not have addressed so drastic a note to Vichy.

Petaim's reply to this, as quoted in the *Los Angeles Times*, was:

“France must today turn to her conqueror, Germany, and participate in the reorganization of Europe in order to keep her position as a great power, her integrity, her territory and her empire and has a

right to negotiate with Hitler on these matters.”

France has a most interesting history. The original French, the Franks, were a Teuton people of Indo-Aryan speech who settled in ancient Gaul in prehistoric times. They were a part of the fifth Aryan Race, of which the Anglo-Saxons and the Teutonic Germans are the outstanding members today. Caesar conquered Gaul about 50 B.C. as recorded in his Commentaries. Then around 800 A.D., under Charlemagne, there was a considerable amalgamation of the Franks with the Roman Latins and the Germanic Teutons so that today the French are to some extent a mixed race people. The emotional Latin temperament of the third Aryan Race is quite pronounced in them.

France is Catholic to a greater degree than Protestant. French religious history centers around the great Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, which traditionally has been the place of the coronation of French kings throughout the centuries. But basically France has a truly independent spirit, and is not slavishly under the domination of the Roman Church.

In the matter of history we must not forget the French-Norman invasion of England in 1066 under William the Conqueror, with its subsequent profound influence upon the English national character and government. The Frenchmen carried many of their cultural and economic ideas into Anglo-Saxon Eng-

land, which speeded up English evolution materially, and was a large factor in making England the melting pot of Europe after the Middle Ages. The independence of the French spirit was demonstrated forcibly in the French Revolution in which Queen Marie Antoinette lost her head—literally. Her most famous sentence, when protests were made to her that the French people had no bread to eat, was: "Let them eat cake." The queen was not hard-hearted as this might seem to indicate, but it was a similar spirit that brought on the Revolution against the unfeeling governing classes and made possible the beginnings of French Democracy.

About this time Napoleon flashed across the political sky of Europe like a comet, beginning his meteoric career some time before the Revolution, and continuing it until Waterloo in 1815. His end was like that of a comet, or the end which comets will eventually reach—he came down like a stick. Thus was his great threat to democracy broken up, militarism was given a setback, and his project of invading Britain was never realized. Fifty-five years later, the Franco-Prussian War, initiated by Bismarck, burst upon an unprepared France, and a period of national humiliation and hardship began. The French, however, recovered from this comparatively quickly. French history was more or less quiet until the advent of the World War in 1914. That was the beginning of the change of everything, an influence which is still in operation. The Treaty of Versailles which was to end war has failed to realize its purpose.

Freemasonry has always been strong in France until August of last year, when under orders of the Nazi command it was outlawed by a decree of the Vichy government. Thus France, under duress, has followed the lead of Germany, Italy, Spain, and Russia. Freemasonry, as we have said before in this column, is the philosophy and religion of the Sons of Cain, the more creative branch of the hu-

man race. Rosicrucianism is Esoteric Masonry, the part of Masonry which modern Masons have forgotten. It is unfortunate that Freemasonry has received this setback in France because Esoteric Masonry, namely, Rosicrucian Christianity, is destined to be the universal gospel of the coming Aquarian Age. Every such setback delays to some extent the coming of that Age.

France has made great contributions through the years to the cause of culture and civilization. Among her scientists, Curie, the discoverer of radium, and Pasteur, in bacteriology, were outstanding. Her literary men have been many and versatile, Victor Hugo being one of the best known to English readers. Voltaire, the great French philosopher, was a noted champion of human liberty. His creed was aptly expressed in one of his remarks: "I don't believe in anything you are saying, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." In the field of art France has always been a leader, and the Ecole de Beau Arts in Paris has been the training school of large numbers of American artists.

A new book entitled, *France, My Country*, by Jacques Maritain, French philosopher and lecturer at American universities on the political and social conditions that led to the French disaster, has recently appeared. We quote from a review in *News-Week*:

"Dr. Maritain believes that if Nazi domination should become established over Europe, France would need a century or two to surmount its state of slavery. On the other hand, his belief in his countrymen stirs the hope that a Free France will emerge much sooner."

The French have always been good colonizers, running second only to the English in this field. Their colonizing ability is attested by their great colonial empire in French Indo-China, North Africa, Dakar on the African West Coast, and French Guiana and Martinique in the Western Hemisphere.

Bureaucracy and graft, however, have been on the increase in France in late

years. These things are the present-day course of democratic government everywhere, due to the undeveloped character of the Egos who are now incarnating on the earth. This phase of political government, however, will disappear in due time after the necessary evolution, and the Aquarian democracy which is coming will be free from them. The prevalence of such things doesn't mean that the people living in democracies are of a lower standard of character than those living under dictatorial governments, but merely that there are many more opportunities in a democracy for grafting than under governments where the people are held down more tightly.

The French are to a considerable degree a nation of epicures, and French chefs have been famous in all times for devising rare dishes. In the matter of the relations between the sexes the French have always been much more unconventional than Anglo-Saxon standards endorse. Generally speaking, the French have refused to discipline themselves voluntarily, and now they are having involuntary discipline imposed upon them by others.

The French "Popular Front" government, in force during the last few years, is credited with having created many of the conditions which led to the collapse of France.

FRENCH Democracy is a difficult proposition to manage because so many people have a finger in the pie and so many have to be consulted in the making of vital decisions. The Popular Front made great efforts to bring better living conditions to the masses of the people, but it was infested with devastating strikes, favoritism and inefficiency, with the result that France was unprepared to defend herself against the smashing blows of the war machine. In this respect she is an object lesson and a warning to America. However, America has a world destiny and will eventually find her way successfully through the maze of national and international complications, although she has much to learn

before she will be able to make the great success of democracy of which she is capable.

From the esoteric standpoint universal democracy is the coming world order for it is founded upon the evolutionary freedom of the human will. Therefore dictatorships in all parts of the world at all times, founded on force and the denial of the freedom of the will, are opposed to the forward trend of Evolution. Hence we know from this one esoteric fact alone that they are eventually doomed, although they may hang on for a long time.

The Rosicrucians proclaim there is a divine plan and pattern according to which all human affairs and the affairs of human governments are being worked out, and which unconsciously they are following. During the last half century

CORRUPTION mankind has become too materialistic and has not
DELAYS THE been making the necessary
NEW AGE progress toward the Aquarian ideal of unselfish cooperation of all for the common good. There has been too much grasping for personal advantage in both high and low places, and wide-spread disregard of the common good just so the individual was served. Such obstacles must be cleared out before the New Age can be ushered in. When mankind does this voluntarily the world moves along smoothly, but when it refuses to make a reasonable degree of voluntary progress, then the Directors of Evolution make use of man's own evil creations to destroy those elements which are blocking the coming ideals, and war results.

"Karma, viz., cause and effect, is the perfect teacher," and this esoteric aphorism applies to nations as well as individuals. When the nations have learned their karmic lesson, strife and war will pass away. Individual graft and national aggrandizement will be equally repugnant to the citizens of the New Age, voluntarily abandoned. Then and then only will the realization of the divinely destined regime of Brotherhood and Universal Friendship be possible.

The Mystic Light

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Our motto is: A SANE MIND, A SOFT HEART, A SOUND BODY.

From Law to Faith

By MAX HEINDEL



HERE is one fact very noticeable to the student of Comparative Religion, namely, that the further we go back in time, the more primitive the race, the more crude is also its religion. As man advances, so do his religious ideas. Materialistic investigators draw from these facts the conclusion that all religions are man-made, that all conceptions of God are rooted in human imagination. The fallacy of that idea is readily seen when we consider the tendency of all that lives toward self-preservation. Where only the law of the survival of the fittest governs, as it does among the animals, where might is right, there is no religion. Not until a higher *extraneous* power makes itself felt can that law be abrogated and the law of self-abnegation come into play as a factor of life, as it does in a small measure in even the most crude religion. Huxley recognized that fact in his last lecture, where he pointed out that while the Law of the survival of the fittest marks the animals' line of progression, the law of sacrifice is the heart of human advancement, impelling the strong to care for the weak, giving gladly what they might easily withhold, yet growing by such giving.

The reason for this anomaly cannot be

found by the materialist; from his viewpoint it must ever remain an insoluble riddle, but once we understand that man is a composite being: spirit, soul, and body, that spirit expresses itself in thought, soul in feeling, and body in action, and that this threefold man is an image of the triune God, we shall readily understand the seeming anomaly, for by his constitution such a composite being would be peculiarly fitted to respond to both spiritual vibrations and physical impacts.

When we see how little the majority care for the higher life today, we may infer that there must have been a time when man was nearly entirely callous to the spiritual vibrations in the universe. He sensed vaguely a higher power in nature and being then partially endowed with clairvoyance, he recognized the existence of powers not now perceived, though working as potently as ever.

Man was to be led for his future good, so in order to guide him aright and aid the higher nature in obtaining mastery over the lower nature, the personality, the latter was at first worked upon by *Fear*. To have given him a religion of Love, to have tried moral suasion would have been absolutely useless when the human Ego was in its earliest infantile stage and the animal nature of the lower personality was paramount. The God who is to help such a humanity must be

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a strong God who can wield the thunder-bolt and strike with lightning.

When man had been brought a little further along he was taught to look to God also as *The Giver* of all, he was imbued with the idea that if he followed the *Laws* of this God *material prosperity would follow*. Disobedience on the other hand resulted in *famine, war, and pestilence*. In order to lead man up higher he must be taught the Law of Sacrifice, but at that stage man prized material possessions highly, and therefore he was prompted to sacrifice his sheep and oxen *through faith* in the promise that "the Lord will repay an hundredfold," that he who gives to the poor lends to the Lord, who always returns abundantly. There was then no promise of a heaven; that was yet beyond man's capacity of appreciation. It was emphatically stated that "Heaven, even the heavens are the Lord's: but *the Earth* hath He given to the children of men." (Ps. 115:16.)

Next, man is taught to *sacrifice himself for a future reward in heaven*. Instead of performing an *occasional* act of sacrificing a material possession, a bull or a sheep which the Lord quickly restores, it was now required that he should give up his evil desires and by "*continuance in well-doing*" "*lay up treasure in heaven*," carrying nothing for material possessions which thieves may steal or moth and rust corrupt.

Almost anyone may for a short time work himself up to a pitch of exaltation where it is easy to lay down all in one supreme act of renunciation, it is comparatively easy to *die* for one's faith, as in martyrdom, but that is not enough; the Christian Religion requires of us the courage to *live* our faith from day to day all through life *by faith in a future reward* in a heaven which is but very dimly adumbrated. Truly, the labors of Hercules seem small in comparison, and what wonder if doubts come to weigh us down with a burden like that of Atlas, robbing us of faith in the beneficent, all-sustaining power of God. . . .

Faith is the force in man which opens

up the channel of communication with God and brings us into touch with his Life and Power. Doubt, on the other hand, has a most withering and blighting influence on the spiritual life. That such are the effects of faith and doubt can easily be seen by examining their influence in our daily life. We know how expressions of faith and trust buoy us up and how depressing is the effect on us when we are doubted by others. The same holds good in the higher realms. . . .

The childlike attitude is particularly conducive to the acquisition of the knowledge which is symbolically spoken of as the Kingdom of God, in contradistinction to that ignorance which is the estate of man. Let it be clearly understood that the faith which is required is not a *blind* faith, nor an unreasoning faith which clings to a creed or dogma contrary to reason, but an open and unbiased state of the mind which is ready to entertain *any proposition* until thorough investigation has proven it untenable.

Prayer is an opening up of a channel along which the divine Life and Light may flow into the spirit, in the same way that the turning of a switch opens the way for the electric current to flow from the power-house into our house. Faith in prayer is like the energy which turns the switch. Without muscular force we can not turn the switch to obtain physical light, and without faith we cannot pray in such a manner as to secure spiritual illumination. If we pray for worldly ends, for that which is contrary to the law of love and universal good our prayers will prove as unavailable as a glass switch in an electrical circuit. Glass is a non-conductor, a bar to the electric power, and selfish prayers are, likewise, bars to divine purposes and must therefore remain unanswered. To pray to a purpose we must pray aright, and in The Lord's Prayer we have a most wonderful pattern, for it caters to the needs of man as no other formula could do. Within a few short sentences it encompasses all the complexities of the relationship of God to man.

Babel

By SYLVIA B. CAPPS



HE legend of the Tower of Babel takes up such a small space in the Book of books and seems of little significance, consequently it is passed over by many; some believing it a myth. Whether a myth or actual fact is not important to us. The lesson such a story holds for us; the kernel of truth is our concern today. Several gems of value are to be found in this tale; one especially in keeping with the Aquarian Age we are now preparing for.

This man-made pile was supposed to have been erected about 4248 B.C. on the cusp of the Taurian dispensation; that is, when new teachings were about to be ushered into the consciousness of the humanity living at that time.

We are again approaching changes and advancement; adjustments and adaptations are now being clearly marked for those who are alert to them. The first square to this past Taurian Age is soon to be felt, is already being noticed by those sensitive enough to respond to it. The square is a stormy aspect, calling for action and often drastic measures.

The people of old misinterpreted the signs of their times and we of today are in like danger of mistaking the guideposts along our path of life. These ancient ones of course read in the light of the coming age, as we believe we are doing, expecting some trouble to be of a physical nature dealing with the material element water (Scorpio), the complement of Taurus, among other fears they embraced (Fixed Cross). They were going to save themselves, because they knew in advance; their precautions would keep them high and dry. They planned a safeguard of stupendous magnitude; it was not only to shelter them from storms and protect them from the deluge; but, they reasoned, why not, while they were about it continue building until they reached heaven? Co-

operation was their keyword: one ideal, one goal; all doing their part, and working harmoniously with their team mates. This co-operation with one another indicates that the Venusian influence had already begun to make itself felt; an important step toward the unity which we of the Piscean Age are striving for. Their choice of location is significant. *Babel-on* means the "Gateway of the Gods." A fitting place for their venture.

As long as harmony existed, all of one accord working for the big issue, each taking care of duties allotted him, everything went well. The seventh story was completed: seven outlooks, seven planets, messengers of wisdom bringing knowledge of Divine Law. Why not use this knowledge for self? Individual desires began to assert themselves, selfish aims clamored for recognition. Newly acquired abilities, earned and developed during this sevenfold creation were expended upon self. The eighth story barely started. Were they almost ready to respond to the vibrations of another planet? Noteworthy also is the significant symbol of four degrees for each story. Babylon is as you know in thirty-two degrees North Latitude. The tipping of the earth's poles and the position of the equinoxes are determined if Babylon was the Greenwich of their day, establishing the time in the earth's history of its construction. The united effort necessary for the continuance of the cause became completely overshadowed by personal ambition.

Not much wonder God was "angry," although the heavenly powers were not to blame for the disaster that followed. The response these people made to the zodiacal and planetary vibrations and not the jealousy of God as has been often claimed, frustrated the plans for their Tower. Individual differences were the means of disruption, the drifting away

from each other caused the confusion and the scattering of the people to the four corners of the earth. That is, they expressed negatively the world cross they were entering, each choosing to travel alone and selfishly: emphasizing materialism (Taurus); exploiting egotism and power (Leo); choosing the dark side of things dealing with desire (Scorpio); and cultivating cunning, plus unrestrained freedom (Aquarius). Babel or confusion of course was the result; no one could understand the other fellow—they did indeed speak different languages. Working for and thinking of self alone, and disregard of the laws written in the sky always bring misunderstanding and bewilderment.

Let us see how we may apply this lesson to ourselves. We are *all* building a Tower within ourselves. Our pattern is our highest ideal; the goal, union with our higher self, the all-knowing Ego. No one is exempt. Every one is expected to be at work continually on his own tower, from the mightiest personage on earth to the tiniest cog in the human kingdom. The problems we face are much the same as those of yesterday; and we are confronted with lessons of a similar nature, fixed and looming on our horizon. The threatened floods are the psychic elements and emotionalism, and the other dangers are the same as scattered the disconcerted people of old. These and various other factors plus scores of temptations tend to distract us from the vision of our true destiny, preventing us from centering and focusing our forces on the achievement of this destiny. We scatter our energies as desire and curiosity dictate, trying this, sampling that, and investigating something else till

we ourselves are splendid examples of Babel. Our very mode of living might be named Babel.

Let us see how we may overcome these detriments; how we may line up our faculties so they will co-ordinate, harmonize, and become our partners instead of our masters. The main item to keep in mind is that we are striving to lift ourselves to the highest in us, to the higher self called by many the Silent Watcher. The personality is trying to become worthy to work and grow under the guidance of the Ego. It hopes to blend with it, become one with it and manifest the perfection which true spirit is. A valuable point to remember also is that this divine self is nearer than hands and feet; is with us at all times, ever ready and willing to send messages to aid us. Whether we listen or not, this service is perpetually available, seemingly silent because we have neglected training ourselves to hear it.

Quieting the human self by locking out stray thoughts and tramp desires allows us to commune with this part of us that is pure Spirit, embodying divine wisdom. Listening to this gentle voice within will lead us safely through turmoil, help us improve environmental vibrations, endow us with more diplomacy in contacting our associates, overcome the dread specters of fear and anxiety, and give us courage to cope with the conditions and problems that assail us. Unbosoming ourselves regarding our short comings, promising to do better; in fact, making a confidant of this higher self opens up to us new ideas for improvement and progress; new ways of achieving our ideals.

The Ego is the inner power furnishing us with



vital energy and a Will to conquer life's lessons. It gives us the incentive to clean house and discard all that is negative and undesirable. Going to this power with our hopes, ambitions, and aims, discussing plans and ideas we find to our delight a comrade and companion. Also we discover the architect for our tower. We partake of the essence of perfection. We learn how to truly pray; in fact, find ourselves following Paul's suggestion "Pray without ceasing."

Another element with us every conscious moment is Thought—a constant stream running through the mind, on and on and on. Every day in taking care of mundane matters, doing the work required of us, recognizing duty and working with it, hoping and planning, we of course are using thought.

Thoughts constitute the supply of brick we place in our building or tower. Thoughts of appreciation, of looking for the good all around, of regard and love for others, of ways and means of being helpful; those of thankfulness for the opportunities given us of aspiration to find out how to use the gifts we have—all these are in harmony with our true selves and with the universe; they are also magnetic and bring the things they concern to us. These are made of good cement that will stick together.

Thoughts of an adverse nature: anger, fear, jealousy, hatred and so on, create discord and do not harmonize with cosmic rhythm. They tend to crumble; the reason for this is that if we think ill of a thing we tend to push that thing away from us. Any dislike of ours mentally shoves the object as far away as possible, not wishing to have anything to do with it. Selfish thoughts are of the personality and of course the personality being for this earth span only, these thoughts are not permanent. Hatred is a form of self-love, an attempt to raise the personal self above the object of the hatred. These negative types of thought sidetrack us from achieving our birthright and should not be allowed; instead, positive thoughts should be substituted.

The material we are creating for our edifice need not all be used as made, but may be stored in the wonderful storehouse of ours called memory, and brought out as needed. Memory is of great importance and should be stocked with the best of materials, only those worthy to go into our tower. The more we can have available for our use the better selection we have, and the easier it is to choose substance needed for the soul-body in its construction—because of course this is the tower we are building, our means of reaching God.

At night, just before giving ourselves up to slumber we have the privilege of going over the day's events in reverse order. That is, we take the last brick off the pile first: look it over, inspect it for fitness or flaws and make it ready to place in our tower in its proper position; then we consider the next brick, and so forth. This is called Retrospection, purifying ourselves of mistakes (unfit material), laying aside some bricks to be used later, and making usable the materials to be incorporated at once. This nightly confession with ourselves not only helps us in selection but acts as mortar, keeping the brick in place and allows us to build with continuity. This is the most important of exercises.

We, like any other builder, often need credit (many look for luck). We have for our use in the Universal Bank the deposits made in good deeds, favors, loving service and thoughtful helpfulness. Thinking of the other fellow's comfort, being generous with encouragement and in sharing not only make new deposits but often wipe out debts of long standing. Forgiving those who are not good to us makes many more deposits of love. All the knowledge in the world is not wisdom if we cannot have love to use as a mixer. We find it impossible to forgive another until we discover something in him to love. Our total in this Universal Bank if of goodly proportions helps us harmonize ourselves and those we contact with the Cosmic Plan, putting to rights that which is out of line. The

gift of healing which we covet and will eventually earn, is the talent of making right, making whole.

To build tall we need scaffolding, something to aid us in reaching the heights. Praising the endeavors of others, instilling courage in them to go on even against odds, freely passing on constructive ideas, and trying to smooth the rough places encountered gives us their good will in return—sturdy planks to support us, and them. Looking for the good at all times in all things helps us find surer footing (understanding). Appreciation is our trowel. Being grateful for the gifts, talents, and faculties we already possess inspires us to use them, to improve them while working, and as we advance we see where other talents would be precious treasure. The better quality trowel the more incentive to live and progress.

Building is a process of transmutation, a means of regeneration. Each level should be higher and finer than the last, a positive spiritual spiral stairway to God and our heavenly home. God is to each of us just what we are able to picture Him. To most of us the God within is about as high as we may visualize. As we evolve, our ideas grow. We do the changing; we are part of God and can never be separated from Him except in our imaginative consciousness.

We construct this tower, our soul-body, to align the personality in closer attune-

ment with the spirit, aspiring for a conscious sense of rapport. Paul's admonition, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus," is what the soul is seeking. We ever feel a lack, a sense of loneliness until we are one with the Father in consciousness, and that will be when our tower is complete. The construction of it rests entirely with the individual. All have the possibilities, and all may possess this marvelous treasure through attainment. Everyone builds something; let us ask ourselves, "Are we creating the true pathway? or a tower of Babi-Lu, a gateway of tears and frustration?"

The best example to follow is the Teacher who appeared about nineteen hundred years ago, the Perfect Expression of the Godhead. He came to show *all humanity* the Way of living, the Truth of cosmic wisdom, and the Life of divine law. His story is our story, the life we are to live, the truth we are to manifest and this truth is Spirit, the shining light each of us possesses. "Let your light so shine" as He advised, with ever greater intensity, expanding in volume and glowing continually brighter. We are on the threshold of the Aquarian Age, and Aquarius, as you know, holds the Urn, the symbol of the heart, which is pouring Love-Wisdom on all the world—a spiritual baptism, a river of Divine Love. Are our hearts ready to receive this outpouring?

Lesson Gifts . . .

By DELLA ADAMS LEITNER

*Accept them as a gift from God,
These lessons that you learn
Of patience and humility,
Their value do not spurn.
As on you go and upward reach
New heights where visions fair
Are yours, be glad of all the help
You had to bring you there.*

*For out of pain and sorrow comes,
If you but bless and use
The insight and the wisdom gained,
New strength, 'tis yours to choose.
There is no helplessness or fear,
Dismay or burdening loss
To that brave soul whose faith decrees
Redemption from his cross.*

Path of the Flame

By CLARA EMELIA BURR

(IN FOUR PARTS—CONCLUSION)

In Parts Two and Three: One midnight Dr. Sand comes upon Cleo, his godchild, in his library chanting an occult ceremonial from his rarest book *Seven Gates*. She answers his inquiries with amazing disclosures (for a girl of sixteen) of occult knowledge. In the Fall, her father takes a house on the same street and Cleo resumes school. Many suitors are attracted by her beauty and talent, but she is mildly friendly only to Julian Jermyn (19 years old), who has similar interests. She is now seventeen. Dr. Sand takes a world trip; meanwhile Cleo's father dies and she writes Dr. Sand that she is joining a private tourist party to the Pyramids. Julian goes also. Julian later tells him a bewildering story of that journey, ending in Cleo's *disappearance* in the Pyramid, and says he must go back. Dr. Sand goes with him to help trace Cleo and to know for himself *whatever happens to Julian*. They are now approaching the Cheops in dead of night, by faint moonlight. Now finish the story.



JULIAN stood there, perhaps one minute or perhaps ten, as usual the sense of time deserted me. At last he raised his arms toward the Pyramid and sent forth a call. A strange, clear, penetrating, and somehow compelling call. Three times he intoned it and each time it echoed back from the Pyramid and the night with a swelling sound that crashed like thunder. It seemed to pour a molten fire over me so that I tried to shrink back within myself.

Suddenly I saw that someone joined him. With a thrill I recognized Cleo, proud and aloof and with a new wonder over her like a golden cloak. Her voice rang in my ears with a harp-like cadence.

"Do you know what you have done, Julian?"

His reply came without hesitation: "Yes, Cleo; I know."

"I must accept your challenge, but you may not be able to prove your right to make it. You don't understand what awaits you in the King's Chamber," she said gravely.

"You forget that I also read the book 'Seven Gates,'" Julian told her, his voice steady.

At this she clapped her hands and immediately about a dozen figures surrounded them, clad in the same sort of burnouses we wore. Presently they all came toward the spot where I crouched and seemingly began to pass in through the solid stone. But, as I summoned all my courage and mingled with them, I saw that one of the great blocks swung inward and left a small opening. One of the band stayed behind to operate the mechanism that closed this aperture. I followed the rest in the dim light that had no visible source.

Cleo led the way, with Julian following and flanked by two on either side, the others forming a sort of vanguard. Our way led along a passage that widened into a sort of gallery, but presently we came to a low place where we must creep to get through. Finally we wound up in a large space that I felt must be the King's Chamber. A stone receptacle stood in the center of the room. We stopped here and I saw that three other figures stood awaiting us, one of them a tall and imposing man, half a head higher than anyone else. I caught a glimpse of his face and recognized Leon Aries.

Something about him froze the breath in my throat. I felt an awe, mixed with terror. Cleo's words to Julian and the deep mystery about everything had prepared me for some sort of danger. Now I remembered the guard set over the seventh gate.

I understood that he had challenged powers that would hold him to answer, that even Cleo might be endangered through his rashness. As this thought flew through my mind Leon Aries addressed Julian, his voice stern:

"What right have you to crash the portals of Divinity?" he asked, so solemnly that I felt my flesh crawl. But Julian stood there with a look of white pride on his face and his answer came with a ring of exultation:

"I have kept my mind, my soul, and my body fit for the love that is supreme. I came in under the wings of Sun conjunct Uranus in Aquarius rising and I understand the Message of the Stars and the transmutation of sex through the Kundalini. I ask to be tested so that I may prove my right to walk beside Cleo to our destiny."

Involuntarily I looked at Cleo, to see her face lose its mask of calm repose for the fraction of a second. Then she wrapped herself in her mantle of aloofness, again, as if what she heard meant nothing and the man standing beside her and daring all for her sake remained a mere figurehead. I could have found it in my heart to despise her for that, but I did not have time to think any more about it.

For the three men moved aside, and at a signal from Leon Aries a ring formed about the central group of five that included Cleo and Julian. I stood on the outer fringe of this circle, but could see everything, for the light suddenly grew much stronger. Now, as I looked, my breath caught in my throat and my heart seemed to stand still.

Leon Aries and his two companions stood at the head of a large stone receptacle; I knew it was the King's coffin, and at either end of this a series of steps led in and out. Cleo and Julian faced it at the foot, but it blazed with bright, licking flames! I felt the heat of them against my face.

Julian gazed down into it and I saw little lines etch themselves about his mouth, for the reality of his challenge crushed against him now, it was no longer theory but fact, he stayed silent as he looked at Cleo.

She nodded, her voice low: "You must dare the Path of the Flame. If it destroys you that is the end. But, if you

conquer it, then I must go through the ordeal also."

"No, Cleo! No, no, not you!" Julian cried, his voice breaking with his fear for her; but she silenced him with upraised hand and an imperious look.

"Am I less than you, that you should forbid me?"

At that he knelt to her for forgiveness, and her face grew very soft as she sank down with him. Somehow I knew why she did that: she wished to match him in humility as in pride. When she spoke her voice sounded as tender as any mother crooning over a child:

"We will go together."

But the others did not want that and a murmur of dissent and denial went up, quieted only when Leon Aries broke in.

"Let them choose," Leon Aries advised calmly. "But first let us be sure you understand the dangers of the Flame. It is not always death to fail, sometimes it may merely sear certain parts or destroy one or more of the senses, sight or hearing, etc., if your hearts and minds are not pure enough to pass unscathed. So think it over well, lest you come out crippled." He paused, then added: "Or mentally unbalanced."

Again I thought I felt invisible fingers trail over my neck and scalp. I had seen men crippled in the World War and just recently in Spain, I personally thought this worse than death and I felt sure that those two, so glorious of body and mind, would feel the same about it.

Cleo and Julian rose to face Leon Aries again, and Julian's face set sternly as he directed his question to Cleo.

"Do you truly desire this, my beloved?"

"Nothing can compel me save my own heart," she told him as she stretched her hands out to him. He caught them up against his breast.

"Then that means that you love me?" he demanded.

"It means that I do indeed love you," she said, so softly the words were scarcely audible, I guessed rather than heard in the physical sense. The next instant they

stood clasped in each other's arms, oblivious of us all; and in spite of my feeling that our eyes were profaning so sacred a moment I could not tear mine away. Indeed, at that time I found little time for reflection, I waited for the next moment with a wild prayer in my heart as I searched my brain for some plan whereby I might still prevent the awful test. Then Julian released Cleo's clinging form and his tone rang strong and purposeful.

"Now I know the meaning of the Path of the Flame: No one may dare it for selfish gain. I am daring it for the highest love I know, not for my own sake but for Cleo's. Others may brave it for other reasons that are just as great and holy. But since this is so for me, I ask the privilege of going alone this time. If I pass, then I will walk beside you again, Cleo, if indeed it is so that you must also do this."

A murmur of approval rose at this decision and Leon Aries bowed his majestic head in assent.

"That is well chosen, let it stand so, Cleo."

Cleo stood silent for a moment, then she agreed: "It is your choice, Julian," she said, her hand still clasped in his and looking into his eyes.

My lungs contracted with a horrible sense of futility. These people, even Cleo and Julian, were caught in the grip of something stronger than themselves; something that I felt beating like an immense, invisible heart in the great chamber. I could not bear to look at Julian and drew a fold of my cowled burnoose over my tortured eyes as he ascended the outer steps. A sighing breath swept over the gathering.

Then a chant arose, the same chant Cleo had intoned that night in my library, here it sounded still more majestic and awe-inspiring. It snatched the heart out of me so that I shook like an aspen. I swept the cloth from my face and beheld Julian on the first inner step and about to plunge forward into that cauldron of Flames, now boiling

around in a rhythmic motion with the chant.

The spell broke for me, I opened my mouth to shriek a warning and took a step forward. Whether any sound escaped my mouth or not I do not know, for I saw a dark pit open under my feet into which I sank swiftly to oblivion.

I awoke in broad daylight in my own bed within my tent, alert to the immediate reality of my surroundings and drew a gasping breath of relief. Now, without the hypnotic quality of the night to contend with, my experience seemed unreal. Had I been the victim of hallucination? Had I dreamed the whole thing? If so, where was Julian? I looked toward his roll of blankets opposite me; he was not there, yet he might possibly be outside exploring the pyramids and the desert. I rose and prepared to dress and go in search of him, but as I threw the cover back and sat up something fell on the floor of the tent with a little thud. Picking it up I saw that it was a small package wrapped in a fine linen handkerchief. I opened it swiftly and stood for a moment looking at it with the nausea of dread at my solar plexus.

I saw the book Cleo had borrowed: "Seven Gates!"

So I knew I had not not experienced an hallucination nor a dream but a stark reality. I had witnessed a barbaric rite of human sacrifice to some strange Deity symbolized by fire, had myself been subjected to a hypnotic spell that sent me into oblivion as I tried to prevent it. Leon Aries held these human pawns in his power, even Cleo; doubtless he had designs on Cleo for his own ends, be these what they might; anyone who challenged this claim must be destroyed. I had studied these things enough to know it was not an uncommon practice among certain cults to arrange things thus for the benefit of those who held the reins of authority.

Sick to the soul, I resolved to destroy the book forthwith before it could do

further harm. But even as the match flared toward the parchment pages a letter slid out from between them and fell at my feet. I stooped for it and recognized Cleo's fine, unique writing. Then I read:

Dear Godfather Eric: I am placing this in your book as you are sleeping, for I know that your Puritan conscience will try to convince you that it is evil and you may blame it for all that happened and through it censure yourself. I beg of you earnestly that you dismiss such thoughts, or, if you cannot do this, then at least do not feel sorry for me.

For it was in my fate to find this book as surely as I drew breath, and follow the thread it held to its end. So I thank you sincerely for the part you played in it all; I love you as I loved my father; in some ways you understood me better than he did or could.

You see, I knew my destiny even before Mother told me, almost on her last breath, that she had named me as near to Egypt's famous Queen as seemed permissible. She understood Egyptian legend better than the learned Egyptologists who seek only the material, for she was well versed in the occult lore. It may be difficult for you to believe, but I had been in Egypt long before my first physical visit last year; I knew the insides of the Cheops as well as you knew the outside. I stood in the King's and the Queen's chambers and witnessed rites too sacred to reveal, even before I met you.

Fate timed my visit here with the annual pilgrimage of those faithful few who are Initiates in the Mysteries of the Spirit. I made my first invocation in ignorance of this and you may imagine my amazed delight when it was accepted by them. Julian stumbled into this almost profanely, I feared he might try to stop me, therefore I begged them to take me with them and they consented.

I know you think it harsh and cruel to let

Julian and you and the rest of my friends wonder and grieve over my disappearance. All I can answer to that is: We do not think as the World thinks. We do not look on life and death as you do; the physical is not our 'ultima thule' as it is to the World. Those who loved me truly enough to seek the solution would be granted knowledge of me, for the others—what mattered?

Since my entrance into the ranks of the White Brotherhood, which knows no distinction of sex, I have trained intensely. But I could not forget Julian and somehow his love for me was strong enough to raise him into the realm of spirit where his call demanded my answer. And before I knew the height of his courage and his worth I felt sore afraid, for I did not dream that any man could challenge the Path of the Flame for me and I could never accept a lesser love. There were those among my fellow initiates who might have aspired to win me but for this, yet even they, with all their knowledge and purity of life and of purpose, quailed. This super-crown of his love will bless me forever! Hard as my road has been at times, I would not have missed treading it for a thousand heavens. For we walked through the Path of the Flame side by side, unscathed.

Therefore I beg that you will keep this book still, as a memento of your experience with me, and Julian, if you wish. Our leader tells us that your courage and faith failed at the last—the body is still more than the spirit with you, thus you are not one with us in fact; nevertheless I think of you as coming to this union. That is all I may say to you now, except that our leadership is not of the sword nor of might nor of death; we receive our powers from the Flame of Truth and Life. It is for this we are tested, the torchbearers of the New Age must have courage and the will to use it. If we meet no more in the flesh, as I hope

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"Butterflies in December"

A Personal Experience

By INEZ M. C. AVERY

EEATED one day at the organ, I was weary and ill at ease. No, this is not the immortal song "The Lost Chord." It simply expresses more adequately than any words of my own creation at this time the attitude and state the personality was wrapped up in at the time of its entrance into this picture. The organ no doubt is where I would like to have been seated as I love dreamy organ music; but—contrary to this lofty position—I was standing at the kitchen sink.

I have experienced some very low and discouraging conditions on different occasions during my lifetime, but this day seemed to be the kingpin of them all. The year was dying, for it was December 23rd in the morning. The summer had extended late into the fall, which was very warm for that time of the year. As I remember, a sprig of phlox dared to blossom in the garden where it was sheltered among other sturdier plants. Scrub oaks were as green and shiny as the stately glorious pines. All around indications pointed to a green Christmas, and among the many thoughts that drifted through my mind (as I shifted from one foot to another at my work) this one stood out paramount:

"Winter in California, or other points south and west—" I found myself nursing this particular line of thought until I began being sorry for myself. I knew no such luxury could be mine, at least in no way that I could imagine, and so I mused on all of the hardships I had known for many

years. Now, because of the fact that we are strictly vegetarians in our house, many weary hours are passed at the sink preparing palatable dishes, which of course is its own reward. Anything worth while constitutes work in some form.

This special December morning much holiday preparation was keeping me chained to this spot longer than usual with plenty of opportunity to lament my lot. My train of thoughts seemed to bore through an eternity of time and I retraced the first part of my active life spent in a store working hard by day as the family bread-winner, and at night I played nurse to an invalid mother and a semi-invalid sister who could do no vigorous exercise of any kind. When they had passed on, I had married, thinking I would better conditions along with a bit more freedom thrown in. Everyone knows the financial toboggan slide of 1929—my husband, who had been independent up to that time, saw comfortable surroundings melt before his very eyes. . . .

This day as I stood before this memorable kitchen sink these and a score of destructive and morbid thoughts seemed to literally reduce the bone in my limbs to jelly—I could no longer stand, and as I reached out to retrieve a chair to rest my weary body—it happened! While leaning over to recover the chair, something in my hair caught in one of the curtains (possibly a pencil) and released it from its moorings into the sink, water and vegetables; I suddenly wondered what



strange climax to my previous experience this was, and quickly wrested the curtain from the melee of pots and vegetables. In so doing I gave the curtain one hard vigorous yank out of the sink and into the air, and lo! out of the folds emerged the most beautiful golden yellow butterfly I have ever beheld. It fluttered around a bit, then came and rested before me on the remaining half of the curtain at the window.

Being highly intuitive, and sensitive to the emanating vibrations of my previous thoughts, I concluded: "It is always darkest before the dawn," and as if another new vision had been opened up to me I mused "It is nearly Christmas and really the darkest time of the year which I am reflecting today. In a few days more, there will be the new birth of the Cosmic Christ at Christmas, and possibly a new birth for me too." Continuing on, "A butterfly comes into my home, of all strange things, the omen and forerunner of glad tidings of an elevating nature, symbolic of the butterfly."

As if by magic the feet that so shortly before seemed formed of clay, were suddenly transformed into the winged feet of the Cosmic God Mercury.

The vegetables in the sink suddenly took on the hue and beauty of my garden flowers, and the task of preparing them seemed no longer a task. From that time on, this is what has come to me in recognition socially and executively.

The following January, I pioneered the first "Sunday School of the Air" over one of the branches of the Columbia Broadcasting System, using the exalted teachings of cosmic philosophy for our lessons, and we remained on the air nearly a year.

Women socially prominent came to me and solicited my membership into the most exclusive clubs. I have become

radio director for the largest body of women in the world through this section of radio broadcasting. At the present time I am radio director of the largest women's organization in western Massachusetts over the Columbia Broadcasting System. Also director of the Massachusetts Federation over the Colonial Broadcasting Company. If war conditions permit we are to produce a program of our own, one of mystical and cosmic philosophy in fantasy form, my co-worker being a doctor of psychology.

This is my third year doing the above tasks alone, without advice or help of any kind. I have written and had published the "Love, Life and Adventure of an Amateur Gardener." All this while recuperating from a siege of angina pectoris from which I definitely cured myself as much as anyone can be cured of this ailment, after being given up by several physicians because I would not take their medicine.

It is my belief that because I have worked hard and suffered much—while constantly seeking to use my talents and praying for guidance and the privilege of serving when and where I could and spreading our beautiful Rosicrucian Philosophy at every step—my reward came even at this late date. It is very evident that we all have to start at the lowest rung of the ladder before we can maintain a permanent place in the Sun.

"Butterflies in December" was an omen of better times ahead, which was clearly understood and interpreted by me as being a physical manifestation, and answer to my prayer of despair.

What became of the butterfly? Because it was such an unusually warm day I took it out in the open and cast it high in the air—it soared and then flew a distance of about 200 feet when it was lost to my view in some soft green piney shrubs.



A ROSICRUCIAN CATECHISM

The Four Kingdoms

By EDWARD ADAMS

Q. What four kingdoms of life are evolving on our planet?

A. The mineral, plant, animal, and human kingdoms.

Q. What are the dense bodies of all kingdoms composed of?

A. Of the solids, liquids, and gases of the Chemical Region.

Q. What is the difference between the dense body of a man, and that of a stone?

A. They are both a chemical compound, but the stone is ensouled by mineral life only.

Q. What other differences are there between these two kingdoms?

A. Man moves, grows, and propagates his species—the mineral does none of these things.

Q. What two faculties have the dense bodies of the plant kingdom and man?

A. They are capable of growth and propagation.

Q. What other faculties has man, and not the plant?

A. Man feels, has power of motion and sense-perception.

Q. What faculties do both man and animal possess?

A. Feeling, motion, growth, propagation, and sense-perception.

Q. In addition, what has man?

A. He has the faculty of speech, the brain, and hands.

Q. What has man evolved which is so important?

A. A definite language in which to express his feelings and thoughts.

Q. Where must we go to account for these differences in the four kingdoms?

A. To the invisible Worlds.

Q. What must we possess in order to function in any world, and express the qualities peculiar to it?

A. We must first possess a vehicle made of its material.

Q. To function in the Physical World what must we have?

A. A dense body adapted to our environment.

Q. To express life and to grow what vehicle must we have?

A. A vital body.

Q. What must we possess to show feeling and emotion?

A. A vehicle composed of materials of the Desire World.

Q. What must we possess to render thinking possible?

A. A mind formed of the substance of the Region of Concrete Thought.

Q. Describe the conditions of the atoms in the densest solids to the most attenuated gas.

A. No two atoms touch each other: there is an envelope of ether around each atom: all atoms in the universe float in an ocean of ether.

Q. Do the atoms of the World of Desire, of Thought, and the Higher Worlds interpenetrate the mineral?

A. Yes, they do.

Q. Then why cannot the mineral think?

A. Because it has not the *separate* vehicle to use.

Q. Which of the four states of ether is active in the mineral?

A. The lowest ether, the chemical.

Q. In the vital body of the plant which two ethers are active?

A. Only the chemical and life ethers.

Q. What does it do by means of these two ethers?

A. It grows by means of the chemical ethers, and propagates its species through the life ether of the vital body.

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WESTERN WISDOM BIBLE STUDY



Parable of the Marriage Feast

By JANE TEMPLETON



And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.

Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.

But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.

But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.

Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.

And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:

And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

For many are called, but few are chosen.

(Matthew 22: 1-14.)

In this parable lies hidden one of the most significant of occult truths: the mystic marriage of the lower self to the higher self, the ultimate goal for every spiritual aspirant.

Reaching this coveted goal involves

the activities of two important glands in the head: the pituitary body and the pineal gland. Between these two glands lies the third ventricle, called by occultists the "marriage bed." The persistent endeavor to live purely and unselfishly establishes a current of spiritual force in the spinal canal, and when the aspirant has sufficient of this, and is considered worthy to receive esoteric instruction, he is taught exercises which set the pituitary body in motion. The lines of force thus established are continued until they reach the pineal gland and the gap between the two is bridged. From the time this bridge is built, or the wedding performed, man becomes clairvoyant and able to direct his spiritual gaze at will.

Since the coming of the Christ as the indwelling Planetary Spirit of the earth, "whosoever will" has been bidden to the mystic wedding, but many there will be who cannot attend because of having "made light of" living the life which would insure them admittance. Continuing in their earthly, sense life, they will possess no wedding garment, or soul body, and therefore when the time of evolutionary change comes they will be cast "into outer darkness," or left behind to take up their pilgrimage later with another stream of life.

The few who are "chosen" will be those who, regardless of their station in life, by their *own efforts* to emulate the ministering spirit of Christ Jesus in their daily lives have attracted sufficient of the light and reflecting ethers to form the holy "wedding garment," the luminous vesture which is the blessed symbol of the *Christ Within*.

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 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 manner 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.

Man's Debt to the Moon

By BERNARD CROSLAND MITCHELL



WHEN laggards inhabiting a Moon have retrieved their position and returned to the parent planet; or, when continued retrogression has caused complete disintegration of their vehicles, the abandoned Moon also commences to dissolve. The momentum of a Spiritual impulse which propelled it in a fixed orbit for aeons, may endure for aeons after the Moon has been vacated, and from the physical point of view it may still seem to be a satellite of the planet it encircles. As the time goes on, however, and the power of attraction exercised by the parent planet diminishes, its orbit widens, until it reaches the limit of our solar system. It is then expelled into interstellar space; dissolved in Chaos."—*The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception*, page 260.

Of the nine planets which science places in our solar system our Earth has one satellite, Mars has two, Jupiter nine, Saturn ten (including the doubtful Themis), Uranus four, and Neptune one. No satellites have as yet been discovered belonging to Mercury, Venus, and Pluto.

Mars is a comparatively small planet possessing two small moons named Phobos (Flight) and Deimos (Fear); named after two of the five sons of the God of War, Mars; the former is about ten miles in diameter, and the latter

about five miles. They are the most extraordinary satellites in the whole of our solar system. Phobos encircles the parent planet three times a day remaining above the Martian horizon about four hours, rising in the west and setting in the east and changing its phases in this brief space of time, from full to new or new to full. Deimos behaves in quite a contrary manner to his brother Phobos and remains above the Martian horizon for about three days without setting, changing from new to full or full to new twice over.

Jupiter, the most brilliant object in the heavens, is the largest body of our planetary system except the Sun and is attended by nine satellites, which represent a miniature solar system. Of Jupiter's nine satellites four of them are always visible and may be seen with the help of a telescope under favorable conditions. A peculiar thing about Jupiter's satellites is that they never appear in the same relative positions; sometimes they are seen grouped closely together or at another time they are seen in a row across Jupiter's disc, or some may be seen to pass across the disc whilst another may be turning so as to vanish behind him. Ganymede, the largest of Jupiter's satellites, is half again the diameter of our Moon and larger than the planet Mercury; it is in fact the

largest satellite in our solar system and shows phases similar to our Moon. A Jupiterian therefore may always enjoy the spectacle of at least four bright moons at night. Incidentally, Jupiter's enormous gravitational mass has attracted a large number of comets from outer space, some fifty in number, diverting their paths so that they travel round it and the sun in the same direction as Jupiter and the other planets.

Saturn is roughly ten times as large as the Earth and seen through a telescope under favorable conditions is one of the most wonderful of celestial objects. Its magnificent series of rings is presumed to be the result of a shattered satellite which approached too close to the parent planet and was disrupted into millions of small particles forming a ring of debris around its primary. Astronomers tell us that a similar fate awaits Jupiter's innermost satellite which is approaching too close to the "danger zone" of the parent planet.

Uranus, a planet about four times the size of our Earth, possesses four satellites; and Neptune, similar in size to Uranus, has only one, named Triton, which is about the size of our Moon.

Regarding these satellites it is stated in *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception*:

When a planet has Moons it indicates that there are some beings in the life wave evolving on that planet who are too backward to share in the evolution of the main life wave, and they have therefore been set out from the planet to prevent them from hindering the progress of the pioneers. Such is the case with the beings inhabiting our Moon. In the case of Jupiter it is thought probable that the inhabitants of three of its moons will eventually be able to rejoin the life on the parent planet.

The further statement is made that it is thought that at least one of the others is an "Eighth Sphere," i.e., a field of disintegration, like our own Moon, where retrogression and disintegration result.

Satellite of the Earth

The Moon is the nearest celestial object and its mean distance from us is

238,857 miles. Its relative nearness, as compared with other celestial bodies, has made it one of the most closely studied of the celestial bodies. Its diameter is approximately two-sevenths that of the Earth whilst its surface area is approximately two twenty-sevenths or about thirteen and a half times smaller than the Earth; or roughly equal in area to North and South America.

Astrological Influence of the Moon

Very few pause to think of the disastrous consequences that would follow if our satellite suddenly went off on a tangent from its course.

Everything that happens on earth is influenced by the Moon and were it not for the latter, life in a physical body would be impossible. The Moon's influence is a real factor in evolution. It is known to influence all growth, counteracting that of the Sun.

On page 265 of *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* Max Heindel tells us:

The Moon forces reach man from the exact distance necessary to enable him to build a body of the proper density. But although the latter forces are active in the building of the form, they also cause death when their continued work finally crystallizes the tissues of the body.

The Sun works in the vital body and is the force which makes for life, and wars against the death dealing Moon force.

The Moon is known to exercise a peculiar power over the female organism, governing gestation, and is connected with the periods of inter-uterine life.

Referring to *The Message of the Stars*, Chapter XI, page 217:

According to astrology Cancer is the home of the Moon. The ancient Egyptians pictured this sign as a scarab or beetle which was their emblem of the soul and they called Cancer *the sphere of the soul*, for it is said that through this moist watery sign fertilized by the lunar ray the seed atoms are projected into the womb of the prospective parent who is thus prepared for the period of gestation; and occult science adds to this that the seed atoms of the animal kingdom, which is still mindless and therefore not amenable to lunar influences in that direction, are projected through the watery mar-

tial sign *Scorpio* while the seed atoms of the inert plants are poured in through the Jupiterian sign *Pisces*.

The Moon continues to exert its influence in septenary periods after birth. At seven years of age when the Moon has progressed square to its position at birth the Vital Body is born. At fourteen years of age when the Moon is in opposition to its position at birth the Desire Body is born, and at twenty-one years of age the Mind is born and the individual attains majority.

The Moon forces also express themselves in the imagination and it is well known that many mental diseases ("lunacy"), characterized by the individual's imagination being carried to excess and running riot, are attributed to the Moon.

Effect of the Moon on the Tides

The tides are produced by a combination of the gravitational effects of both the Sun and the Moon, but of these the Moon's is by far the greater. The highest tides occur when the Moon is new or full for then the action of the Sun is added and they act jointly. Our Moon therefore performs an important service to the waters of the sea and also the rivers flowing into them which also affects the rotation of the Earth.

The Moon as Time Keeper

Our months are measured by the Moon which takes approximately that length of time to encircle the Earth—or more exactly 27 days 7 hours 43 minutes 11 seconds known as the sidereal month. The "month" is a lunar time measure and from the earliest times has afforded a convenient gauge of time. The division of the month into "weeks" is also measured by the satellite's four phases.

In the beginning of our evolution the Moon was nearer to the Earth and bigger than it is now, hence the months and years were shorter which probably accounts for the seemingly great age to which people lived in far-off biblical times, but gradually it has retreated

from us becoming smaller in size. It is estimated that the Moon is being pushed away from the Earth five feet every century and the rotation of our planet is getting slower in consequence due to the tidal actions which act like a brake on the Earth's rotation. Tidal friction has lengthened the day from approximately three hours to twenty-four.

In our Religious Service Calendar the festival of Easter is dependent upon the lunar motions. We know that Easter cannot occur earlier than March 22nd or later than April 25th. Easter Sunday is the first Sunday after the full Moon which occurs upon or after the 21st day of March. If the full moon falls upon the Sunday then Easter Day is the Sunday following. Thus it follows that the moveable feasts advance or recede each year according to the date on which Easter occurs.

In the Islamic World the end of the Fast of Ramadan is determined by the first appearance of the Moon after the new moon.

The Full Moon which happens on or near the Autumn Quarter, about September 23rd, is called the Harvest Moon because it rises almost exactly at sunset for several nights after the Full, and is sufficiently bright for the harvesters to work well into the night—sometimes all night.

The Moon always presents the same face to the Earth because the Moon makes one complete turn on its axis while making its monthly journey round the Earth. Yet we see more than one-half of her surface due to a slight inclination of the axis to the plane of the path in which she travels round the Earth. We really see about four-sevenths of the whole area. Much speculation has been made as to the possible condition of the invisible side, which nobody has ever seen, but there is no reason to suppose that it is much different from the face we see.

The most powerful telescope brings the Moon to within a distance of about forty miles but too far for objects such

as the size of an average building to be perceived—yet large cities would be observable if the Moon were inhabited by beings who build cities.

Early astronomers were of the opinion that with the invention of bigger and more powerful telescopes living beings or at least organic existence would be observable upon its surface. They considered the darker parts of the surface to be seas, similar to the oceans of the Earth, and the brighter parts land. However, since the advent of the modern telescope we learn that the satellite is devoid of air, water, and atmosphere, or vaporous surroundings suitable for the maintenance of life such as we know it. No clouds have ever been seen, though color has sometimes been observed upon her surface which might suggest some low form of vegetation; though this is difficult to reconcile with the lack of air and water.

Furthermore the Moon is a planet subject to torrid heat and intense cold, estimated at about 280° Fahrenheit at midday, whilst at midnight of the lunar night it cools down to about 140° below zero Fahrenheit.

Gravitation is also much less. A human being placed on the Moon could easily spring four or five times his own height and lift a mass weighing half a ton with the greatest of ease.

Astronomers have been able to map the surface, and the planes, craters and mountains have been measured and given names similar to those upon our Earth.

Seen through a powerful telescope the Moon is indeed a wonderful sight: Extinct volcanic craters of every conceivable variety ranging from half a mile to seventy-eight miles in diameter, chasms, a mile wide and of unfathomable depths, crags, pinnacles, precipices, vast plains, gloomy valleys and dark yawning pits form the most characteristic features.

The finest lunar range of mountains is named after the Appennines and is about 450 miles long containing about 300 lofty peaks, one of which rises about

18,000 feet. There are the lunar Alps also, containing innumerable lofty mountain peaks.

One of the largest and most impressive lunar craters is Copernicus. It has a diameter of 56 miles and the summit of the ring rises 13,500 feet above the level of the surrounding plateau. In its center is a six-headed mountain whose peaks rise about 2400 feet.

The grey planes called "seas" appear to be smooth, but closer telescopic observation reveals these areas as innumerable slopes and irregularities, some of them lying much deeper in the Moon's surface than others.

These so-called "seas" have been given attractive names, such as: The Sea of Serenity; the Sea of Tranquility; Sea of Sleep; Lake of Dreams; Sea of Rains; Lake of Death; Ocean of Tempests; Sea of Putrefaction, etc, etc.

In conclusion, it is interesting to observe how closely the scientific view, given by Dr. Clyde Fisher, as to the origin of our Moon approximates that given by Max Heindel.

Dr. Fisher says: "The moon is now regarded as an immense fragment of the earth that became detached through tidal strain when they were both molten; it is, therefore, probably composed of materials similar to the earth's. Being so much smaller, it has cooled more quickly."

Max Heindel says: "In the beginning of the Lemurian Epoch, these 'failures' (note that they were *failures*, not merely stragglers) had crystallized that part of the Earth occupied by them to such a degree that it became as a huge cinder or clinker, in the otherwise soft and fiery Earth. They were a hindrance and an obstruction, so they, with the part of the Earth they had crystallized, were thrown out into space beyond recall. This is the genesis of the Moon."

REFERENCES: Max Heindel, *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception*; *The Message of the Stars*. Dr. Clyde Fisher, Curator of Astronomy, American Museum of Natural History, series of lectures in *The Popular Educator Magazine*.

The Bible Story in the Stars

By ZEL L. MORRIS

The Constellation



of Aries

“Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world.”
(John 1:29.)

(IN TWELVE PARTS—PART EIGHT)

Here we are shown the foundation on which the blessings of the Redeemed rest, namely Atonement. We are reminded of the “blood of the Lamb.”



RIES. This is the picture of a ram, full of vigor and life; not falling in death as Capricorn. In the Denderah Zodiac its name is *Tametouris Ammon*, which means *the reign, dominion, or government of Ammon*. In that ancient picture the lamb's head is without horns, and is crowned with a circle. The Hebrew name is *Taleh, the lamb*. The Arabic name is *Al Hamal, the sheep, gentle, merciful*. The Akkadian name was *Baraziggar—Bar* meaning *altar, or sacrifice*, and *ziggar* meaning *right making*; so that the full name would be *the sacrifice of righteousness*. Its chief star, *El Nath*, means *wounded, slain*; next is *Al Sheratan, the bruised, the wounded*. Over the head of the figure is a triangle, which the old Greeks said exhibited the name of the Deity, and its principal star bears a name signifying *the Head, the Uplifted*. Hence the Lamb exalted to the divine glory, to the throne of the all-holy One.

The presentation accords with what the Scriptures say concerning the Seed of the woman. As the Son of man he is continually represented as the Head and Prince of the flock, the Lamb—“the Lamb that was slain”—the Lamb lifted to divine dominion and glory. In His

exaltation He is represented as “the Lamb in the midst of the throne.”

In legend Aries was a great ram with a golden fleece and possessed the ability to fly. Mercury brought this beautiful creature to Helle and Prius, the persecuted children of the King of Thessaly, so they might climb upon its back and escape across the sea from their cruel stepmother. On the way over Helle lost her hold on the fleece, sank under the waves and was drowned. Ever after the Sea of Helle was known as the Hellespont. Prius came safely to the end of his journey, and dedicated the ram to Jupiter, who placed it among the stars.

As in the sign of Pisces, where we saw one fish going in one direction and another a different way, we see in this myth one child losing its hold on the golden fleece and falling into the sea, while the other with a steadfast hold was securely borne to safety.

CASSIOPEIA

This is the figure of a woman crowned. In the last chapter we saw the woman bound. Here she is freed, delivered and enthroned. Some of the stars in the figure are *El Sedar, the freed*; *Ruchba, the enthroned*; and *Caph, the branch*. The name *Cassiopeia* means *the beautiful, the daughter of splendor*. Close by her side is Cephus, the King.

We can see reflected here “the Bride, the Lamb's wife, the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem,” the “partakers of the

heavenly calling." The Jerusalem that is above "is the mother of us all." The scriptures reveal the secret that the congregation of Christ is to be the mystical "Body of Christ." The presentation is that of deliverance and heavenly triumph, as we speak of the Church triumphant. The Church is "the queen in gold of Ophir" of which the Psalmist (45:9) so enthusiastically sang. This enthroned woman sets forth the truth that the blessings founded on Atonement and the Redemption wrought by the Lamb that was slain, result in a glorious answer to Israel's prayer, "Turn our captivity, O Lord" (Ps. 126:4, 5), when they that have "sown in tears shall reap in joy," and the Lord shall loosen her bonds and place her enthroned by His side.

This, however, involves the destruction of her enemy, and this is what we see in the next picture.

CETUS, THE SEA MONSTER

This is a very large constellation low down, far away towards the south or lower regions of the sky. One of its ancient names was *Knem*, which means *subdued*. Its stars have names meaning, *Menkar, the bound or chained enemy*, *Deneb Kaitos, overthrown or thrust down*; *Mira, the Rebel*. Cetus is generally called *The Whale*, which is the natural enemy of fishes.

The doubled end of the Band which upholds the Fishes (Pisces), after passing the front foot or hand of Aries, the Lamb, is fastened on the neck of the monster and holds him firmly bound. He whom no man can take or bind, the Lamb has in His power. By the same power with which He upholds the Fishes He restrains the devouring Enemy. Isaiah prophesied of a day when "the Lord with His sore and great and strong sword shall punish Leviathan . . . and He shall slay the Dragon that is in the sea." (Isa. 27:1.)

PERSEUS

Here is the figure of a mighty man,

stepping with one foot on the brightest part of the Milky Way, wearing a helmet on his head and wings on his feet, holding aloft a great sword in his right hand, and carrying away the blood-dripping head of the Gorgon in his left hand. His ancient name was *Perets*, from which we have the Greek name *Perses* or *Perseus*, meaning the same as in Micah's prophecy, *the Breaker*. Some of the stars in the figure are : *Atik, He who breaks*; *Al Genib, the One who carries away*; *Mirfak, Who helps*; and *Al Ghoul, the evil spirit*.

The Breaker here must needs be Christ, the Lamb of our text, breaking the way of His people through all the doors and gates of their imprisonment and disability.

Perseus was one of the most beloved and admired of all the hero-gods of mythology. He was the son of the divine Father who came upon Danae in the form of a shower of gold. No sooner was he born than he and his mother were put into a chest and cast into the sea. They were rescued by fishermen on the coast and befriended by the king. His great courage and wisdom made him a favorite. Indebted to the king, he went in search of Medusa, the serpent-headed Gorgon. Pluto lent him his helmet, which had the power of rendering the wearer invisible; Minerva furnished her buckler, resplendent as a polished mirror; and Mercury gave him wings for his feet and a diamond sword for his hand. It was on his successful return from slaying the Medusa that he saw the beautiful Andromeda chained to the rock and the terrible monster of the sea advancing to devour her. He broke her chains, fought off and turned to stone the monster.

Again we see the promised Seed of the woman, the Lamb that was slain, going forward as the Breaker, bringing death and destruction to the monsters of evil, setting wronged captives free. The victorious Perseus comes for deliverance and to share His own triumphant immortality.

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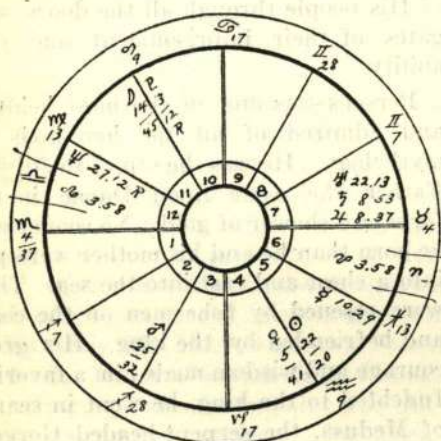
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WALTER R. B.

Born February 11, 1941, 10:35 P.M.
New Zealand, Summer Time.



We have here a horoscope with fixed and cardinal signs on the four angles, Scorpio on the Ascendant. While Scorpio is a fixed sign it is also watery, and has as its ruler the fiery planet Mars, and so we find the mixture of fire and water. Both these elements are frequently quite prominent in the Scorpio child; he is at one time watery, fluidic or wavering, and at other times very fiery and fixed, hence it is often a difficult matter to understand him. And the parents must be most gentle and patient else the child will withdraw his confidence from them and become morose, resulting in a warped mental outlook.

Mars, the life ruler of this chart, is posited in the 2nd house in Sagittarius,

and is well fortified by a sextile with the Sun in the fixed sign Aquarius in the fifth house indicating the pleasures, and worldly ambitions. Mars square the mystical planet Neptune from the 12th house shows a tendency to stand in his own light, to do those things which would interfere with his best interests, and should he become interested in Occultism he might be inclined to make wrong use of such teachings. However, there is a protecting influence which will watch over him in these things—the wonderful sextile of his own life ruler Mars to the Sun. This is the very best aspect one could wish for, more especially when the Sun's influence comes from the humanitarian sign Aquarius which is on the cusp of the Sun's house, the 5th.

We also find the Sun square Uranus in the 7th house, relations with partners, and the public in general. Hence we may expect that the boy will often respond to the Uranian influence in a manner adverse to his own welfare, and disappointing to those associated with him. The parents of this high-strung, nervous and talented boy have a special opportunity and responsibility, that of helping him to use the dynamic energy of this aspect of Sun square Uranus in a constructive manner. They should remember that an adverse aspect to either Sun or Mars is much better than no aspect, because an unsuspected Sun and Mars makes the person listless, vapid, and in general of little account. Even with other planets

well aspected, energy is lacking with which to *will* and then to act and carry through. This native's problem throughout his life and that of his parents during his early years will be to rightly direct the powers he has been given.

With the planetary combinations from the 2nd, 5th, and 7th houses we would advise the parents to educate this boy along mechanical lines, especially the electrical. This planetary configuration would give unusual talent also along the lines of radio or television. The mind will be unusually bright for we find a marvelous configuration of Saturn conjunction Jupiter, and both these planets sextile Mercury, the planet which has rule over the mind; it also is posited in the 5th house.

We find one danger in the life of this boy, which will come through his friends, for we find the Moon in the positive and fixed sign Leo in the house of friends in opposition to the Sun in the 5th house indicating pleasures; we also find Pluto in Leo in the 10th house near the cusp of the 11th and in opposition to the pleasure-loving planet Venus. Hence, from these indications he should be taught moderation in pleasures; also the importance to himself of curbing the lower nature in his relations to the opposite sex.

Teach this boy purity and the sacredness of the generative functions, which will in later years save him much sickness and unhappiness, for with Uranus, Jupiter, and Saturn in Taurus afflicted by the squares of the Sun, Moon, Venus, and Pluto there may be danger of contracting some life-destroying disease, and the right training may save him many unhappy days.

Should this boy have trouble with the tonsils we advise strongly against operations, which doctors are very prone to advise should there be any swelling of the throat. Instead, we would advise strict diet and moderation in proteins. Raw vegetables and fruit juices will do what the knife will never accomplish.

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Service Station

HARRY O. G.—Born June 30, 1882, 4:00 A.M. Lat. 39 N. Long. 95 W. We find a man with common signs on all four angles. Mars, ruler of his house of employment, also rules machinery and is well placed in Leo, a fiery sign, and trine to the Moon on the cusp of the 7th house in Sagittarius. We would not advise a man of his age to take up a trade, but with these planetary aspects he could make a success in a gasoline station where he services vehicles, and also deals with the public. Salesmanship. His Jupiter on the Ascendant sextile Venus should give him success in a carefully planned enterprise.

Lecturer. Writer

DAHUNSI O. C.—Born April 16, 1922, 12:30 A.M. Lat. 7 N. Long. 4 E. A horoscope with cardinal signs on all angles. Retrograde Jupiter is the highest elevated planet and in the 9th house, in Libra; it is sextile the Moon and Neptune and conjunct the Dragon's Head. Saturn is also strong in its exaltation sign Libra, even though Saturn is also retrograde.

With both Jupiter and Saturn in the sign of voice Libra and in the 9th house, religion, law, higher mind, and the ruler of the 9th house, Mercury, in Aries in the 3rd house indicating the lower mind and coinjoined the Sun, we would advise the lecture platform, preferably with the object of spreading religion, also to express through the pen, for the Sun and Mercury are both in the third house, writing, advertising, publicity, etc.

Nurse. Domestic Science

CAROL M. H.—Born September 17, 1923, 5:45 P.M. Lat. 41 N. Long. 82 W. We have here a young woman with com-

mon signs on the four angles and Pisces rising. Three planets and the Dragon's Head are in the 7th house in Virgo, with Pluto in the 5th house sextile Mars in Virgo. We would choose the vocation of nursing, or home economics.

Engineer. Teacher

GEORGE L. M.—Born August 7, 1906, 2:00 P.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 73 W. In this horoscope we find the Sun and Mars very strongly placed, both are conjunct the Dragon's Head in Leo; Mercury is also in Leo conjunct the Sun and sextile Pluto. With all this fiery planetary configuration in a fiery sign (Leo), we would advise the vocation of fireman or engineer. Leo being the natural 5th house sign (education), teacher of mechanical engineering would bring success.

Home Decorator

MISS TEMPEST M. O'F.—Born May 29, 1927, 7:20 P.M. Lat. 46 N. Long. 113 W. Mars, Venus, and Pluto are in conjunction in Cancer, and Mars is sextile the Moon in the sign which rules art and in the home sign of Venus, Taurus. Mars also trines Jupiter in the 4th house, strong in its own sign Pisces. Therefore, we advise the study of art along the lines of women's adornment, and the decoration of the home.

Bond Salesman

PAUL L.—Born August 10, 1920, 2:30 A.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 71 W. Cardinal signs on the four angles, the Sun at home in its own sign Leo, also Mars in its own sign Scorpio, in the 5th house, ruling speculations, and the Sun in the 2nd house ruling finances and conjunction Neptune, Jupiter, and Venus. Here we see a powerful lure to follow the exciting path of horse races

and games of chance—with losses of money and prestige caused by square of Mars to Neptune and Sun, and opposition of Uranus to Jupiter and Venus. Three planets in Leo in the 2nd house are strengthened by a sextile of the Moon, and two by a semisextile to Saturn. The horoscope of a leader where ever he finds himself, we advise banking or bond salesmanship.

Airplane Manufacture. Leader

JOHN E. S.—Born March 5, 1915, 5:00 P.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 73 W. In this horoscope we find the rulers of the Ascendant, Midheaven, the 6th, and the 9th houses all in the airy sign Aquarius; of these Mars and Mercury are conjoined the Dragon's Head, and we find four planets and the Dragon's Head in airy signs. We advise work in government airplane manufacture; also electrical engineering. Saturn in Midheaven trine Mars and Mercury gives integrity and ability; Sun and Jupiter conjunct in the 7th house and trine Moon, deserved public recognition.

Chicken Farm

MRS. S. F. J.—Born October 31, 1880, 11:30 P.M. Lat. 44 N. Long. 70 W. It were foolish for us to designate a vocation for one who has reached the mature age of 61 when the greater part of the life has been spent, but it is never too late to make a start in some vocation which will assure the individual of a living, and with Mars conjoined the Sun in Scorpio in the 4th house with Mercury and Venus, also in this same house (in Sagittarius), we would advise chicken farming. Yes, the interest in astrology is shown and the study of it will broaden your understanding.

Artist. Writer

OLIVE Y. S.—Born December 7, 1892, 12:00 Noon. Lat. 42 N. Long. 73 W. This woman has squares and oppositions in her horoscope, often an indication of an old soul which has come to earth to pay many debts of destiny; stumbling blocks, however, often become

rungs on the ladder of attainment if we are able to surmount them. Venus, Uranus, and the Dragon's Tail conjoined in the sign Scorpio, indicate an unusual leaning towards the artistic, and Pluto and Neptune conjoined in Gemini, the sign ruling the hands, again shows unusual talent if expressed through the hands from the 3rd house—literature, art, writing. Art might express through illustration connected with magazines and books.

Pharmacy

MARGARET A. T.—Born August 31, 1923, 1:30 P.M. Lat. 37 N. Long. 120 W. This young woman has expressed the desire to take up something connected with chemistry in laboratory work; she is also artistic. With Mars in Leo, conjoined Venus and the Sun in Virgo, the sign which rules chemistry and physiology, and with the Dragon's Head also conjoined to the Sun and Venus, we would advise the study of pharmacy in laboratory work for Jupiter in Scorpio sextile the Sun gives a strong interest in healing, especially where Jupiter is also trine Uranus.

Children's Hospital

ERASMIA K.—Born August 9, 1925, 6:00 A.M. Lat. 42 N. Long. 84 W. With the Sun in its own sign Leo, conjunct Neptune and Neptune conjunction Mars also in this same sign and in the 12th house and the Moon elevated in the sign Aries and trine the three planets in Leo in the 12th house, we would strongly advise institutional work; hospitals for children would be the best field.

Dental Surgeon

ROBERT W.—Born March 1, 1920, 1:30 A.M. Lat. 44 N. Long. 123 W. With a well placed Mars in its own sign Scorpio, the sign of the surgeon, and Mars sextile Saturn in Virgo and trine Pluto in Cancer, and Uranus in Pisces, we would advise the field of surgery, dental surgery especially. Aptitude for writing is also shown by the Sun in the 3rd house.

Worth-While News



Women Clash on Campus Smokes

EXAMINER BUREAU, SACRAMENTO, April 3.—Shall "the kids" at the Los Angeles City College be permitted to smoke on the campus?

"Yes, by all means," says Mrs. Robert Green, wife of the Assemblyman—she is the former Betty Magruder, who in 1939 was president of the student body at L.A.C.C.

"Over my dead body," retorts Assemblywoman Eleanor Miller, chairman of the committee on education, to which Mrs. Green's "cigaret bill" was referred.

So it's a battle between ladies, no holds barred.

Mrs. Green as Betty Magruder grabbed the cigaret thing as one of the issues when she ran for student body president. "Smoking on the campus" was one of the planks of her platform, and she was elected. She says now that she is the bride of an Assemblyman, the "kids" are demanding she do something about it, for they still have to go to neighboring "joints" to smoke.

Assemblyman Charles Weber of Stockton, who is gallant to glamour, slipped the "cigaret bill" into a skeleton bill by Harrison W. Call without Miss Miller knowing what was happening. The bill goes to re-print and back to the committee, and then look out! Miss Miller will fight.

It is AB 1623. It would authorize boards of education to permit smoking on Junior College Campuses.—*Sacramento News*, May 1, 1941.

It is a well known fact that nicotine, which is the active principle in tobacco, is one of the most deadly poisons known to science. Tobacco brands average about three per cent nicotine content. The cigarette is the most dangerous form in which tobacco is used for the reason that certain poisons are found therein in addition to nicotine and carbon monoxide. Another reason why the cigarette is especially injurious is the fact that its smoke is usually inhaled, or drawn down into

the lungs. Now, the mucous lining of the mouth, nose, and lungs, and related air passages covers an approximate area of from eight hundred to two thousand square feet, over which the entire volume of the blood spreads in its frequent cycles. During inhalation, cigarette smoke with its poisonous contents is brought into direct contact with all this delicate membrane, which readily allows the poisons to pass through it into the blood. The absorption of this poison, although gradual and in minute quantities, impairs both the sense of taste and smell, and "smoker's sore throat" is a condition caused by the action of tobacco poisons on the delicate membranes around the vocal cords. Another disease quite prevalent among smokers is called "smoker's heart." All authorities among physiologists know that tobacco is a heart poison, which often results in apoplexy or heart failure.

Statistics prove that of 100,000 non-smokers at the age of thirty, 66,564 were alive at the age of sixty, while of 100,000 moderate smokers at the age of thirty, only 61,911 were alive at sixty; and of 100,000 heavy smokers at the age of thirty, only 46,226 were alive at sixty. This shows that out of every 100,000 smokers, 25,000 are insidiously killed by tobacco between the ages of thirty and sixty. At the vast Battle Creek Sanitarium smoking in any part, or even in the gardens and on the golf courses, results in instant dismissal, and this rule applies to all physicians, employees, and patients as well.

The nervous system of women is more delicate and more easily injured than that of men, and when a woman becomes a slave to nicotine it seems almost impossible for her to break the habit. Of

all crimes committed against children, says a noted physician, the greatest one is the forcing of nicotine into the blood of an unborn baby, and that is exactly what occurs when an expectant mother smokes. "A baby born of a cigarette-smoking mother is sick. It is poisoned, and may die within two weeks of birth. The post-mortem shows degeneration of the liver, heart, and other organs . . . and sixty per cent of all such babies die before they are two years old."

In the light of such appalling statistics what are we to think of women holding responsible positions in the world openly espousing the smoking habit on our school campuses? Is it not high time that the thinking man and woman became aware of such conditions and took a united stand for the protection of our young people? Occult knowledge clearly indicates that any habit of the desire body that is dangerous to the physical vehicle, or interferes with the evolution of the spirit, should not be tolerated, and the one who indulges in such a habit is contracting a very severe debt of karma which will certainly have to be paid sooner or later. Furthermore, those, who remain calmly unconcerned and make no effort to protect the growing boy and girl from any form of threatened danger are shirking a responsibility that if taken advantage of would redound to their own glory, but if neglected makes them accessories to the crime perpetuated against a younger generation. We are indeed and in truth our brother's keeper, and doubly responsible if that brother has not yet developed the matured judgment needed to guide him across the many dangerous pitfalls of life.

The campus boys and girls of today will become the fathers and mothers of the next generation. Is it not then our bounden duty, as well as our sacred privilege, to help these young people to develop into strong, healthy, God-fearing men and women, worthy of becoming the progenitors of a new and glorious race?

Comic Magazine Menace

Roused by the flood of comic books that entice children away from better literature, the Parents Institute, publishers of the *Parents Magazine*, is searching for a substitute that will appeal to youthful reading tastes.

Parents Institute has just released advance copies of its first attempt to find an adequate competitor for these magazines—*True Comics*. Believing that truth is more thrilling than fiction, these comics dramatize real facts—facts taken from history and science and true adventure. . . .

True Comics is published in full color, and seeks to bring children the thrills and suspense of real life in contrast to the weird imaginings of the comic magazines now in popular favor. . . .

Most of the present comic magazines depend upon lurid tales of murder, torture and abduction for their reader appeal. Often the victim is a child, which apparently gains the interest and sympathy of the children who read them.

Sterling North of the *Chicago Daily News* recently compared the present crop of comic magazines with the old-time dime novels which were surreptitiously read by the youth of an earlier day. By comparison, he said, the old tales of Indian fighting and border bad-men were classic literature.—*Scottish Rite News Bureau*, April 7, 1941.

The education of the child begins as soon as it commences to notice its surroundings. Very early color begins to attract its attention, and this is one reason why children's comics prove particularly fascinating.

Children are emotional, imaginative, and imitative. While still very young they begin to try to act like the characters depicted in the comics, even to imitating the expression on their faces, their postures, and antics. This is really a serious matter, for all future physical growth follows the lines laid down during the first seven years. The child's mind is also exceedingly impressionable and retentive; ideas formed in childhood very often affect the whole after life, and certainly very few parents would care to have their children develop into the kind of people depicted by most of the comics. Knowing these facts it is high time that parents made a concerted effort to clean up the comic pages of the newspapers and magazines.

Question Department



Esoteric Teachings Available to All

Question:

I do not understand why it is that esoteric teachings are kept secret and only given to Initiates and perhaps to a certain selected few. If they are good for some people, why are they not good for all?

Answer:

Esoteric teachings are not kept secret from any individual any more than the intricacies of calculus are kept secret from the child in the primary grade in school. When through service, the development of unselfish love, and the proper exercises, which are available to everyone, an individual has aroused into action the pituitary body and the pineal gland and developed a certain amount of dynamic power, he is shown how to release this accumulated energy. This in turn raises his state of consciousness and opens up his clairvoyant sight, which is dependent upon the activity of the aforementioned glands. Then he is able to contact and see spiritual realities that always existed but that hitherto he had been totally unable to contact or comprehend.

Thus it is evident that esoteric teachings are available for all who will take the time and trouble to prepare themselves to contact them.

THE REASON FOR GIVING OUT THE ROSICRUCIAN TEACHING

Question:

Your literature states that the Rosicrucian teaching has been given out in order to strengthen belief in and start people to lead a Christian life. Now in my case a belief in the teachings of the church has not been increased by this

study. While I believe in your teaching, it does not give me any more confidence in God. Maybe the trouble is within myself. What I would like to have is a few concrete examples of how or where this teaching clarifies that of the Christian churches.

Answer:

It hardly seems possible that one interested in the occult could read the chapters in *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* entitled "Back to the Bible," "Occult Analysis of Genesis," and "Christ and His Mission," without receiving much light on the Bible. For instance, "The Occult Analysis of Genesis" explains in a logical way how our earth came into existence, showing that the days mentioned in the Bible were really great periods of time which coincide with the actual findings of geologists; it tells how man came into being, not as a single man and woman, but as a life wave of men and women, Adam and Eve being generic terms. This fact also explains how it was possible for Cain to go into a far-off country to secure a wife. It explains in a logical way how the separation of the sexes took place, and what the "Fall of Man" really was—the abuse of the creative force, and not the eating of an apple. "Christ and His Mission" explains how Christ took away the sins of the world, not just by the act of dying on the cross, but by entering the earth and purifying the substance of its various vehicles by raising their vibration and etherealizing their composition, thereby giving man better material out of which to build his various bodies.

Through making known the laws of rebirth and cause and effect the *Cosmo* proves the divine justice of God by showing how we are all the result of our own past lives and not just pawns of chance,

and that in the fullness of time we shall all attain perfection. It informs the reader as to the true life after death conditions which are not well explained in the Bible. It reveals the hidden truth contained in many obscure passages in the Bible, showing how when clearly explained such truths are reasonable and quite understandable. All of this appeals to the reasoning mind of the Christian, making his church teaching something that is not only provable but comprehensible as well, and not a mere theory that must be accepted on blind faith. And above all it demonstrates how God in His great wisdom has provided a way for the spiritual development of all His creations, and their ultimate reunion with Himself.

HOW INVISIBLE HELPERS MATERIALIZE

Question:

Not long ago I was told that it was possible for Invisible Helpers to materialize etheric hands to use in making adjustments on or in the physical body of a patient. I am at a loss to know just how this can be done. Will you be kind enough to explain the process?

Answer:

Max Heindel gave a most illuminating description of this process, and we feel that we can best and most satisfactorily answer this question by quoting his own words: "So long as the archetype of the physical body persists, it endeavors to draw to itself physical materials which it then shapes according to the form of the vital body. Thus it is difficult for the Invisible Helper who passes out of his body [in sleep] to refrain from materializing. The moment his will to keep away from himself all physical impediments is relaxed, materials from the surrounding atmosphere attach themselves to him as iron filings are drawn to a magnet, and he becomes visible and tangible to whatever extent he desires. Thus he is enabled to do actual physical work wherever it is necessary, no matter if he be thousands of

miles away from his body. What really brings about death is the collapse of the archetype of the dense body. Therefore the spirits who pass away from this earth life are unable to materialize save through a medium, from whom they extract her living vital body, drape themselves therewith, and thus attract the physical substance necessary to make themselves visible to the sitters.

"There is a third class, namely, the initiated Invisible Helpers who have passed out of this life. They have learned to attract or repel physical matter by their wills, and therefore they are able to materialize despite the fact that their archetype has collapsed. The Christ naturally was at the head of this class, and consequently able to pass through a wall in the vital body; for as the ether interpenetrates every physical molecule, so also the vital body, made of ethers, may likewise pass through physical obstructions. Once in the room with His disciples He attracted to Himself by an exercise of will sufficient physical matter to clothe Himself in a dense body. Then it was possible for His disciples to touch and handle Him as stated in the Gospels."

LIGHT ON THE CONSCIENCE

Question:

Everyone seems to have a conscience, and yet it is such an illusive thing. Will you please tell me what the conscience is and if it has any particular location in man's vehicles?

Answer:

The result of the pain and suffering incident to purgation, together with the joy extracted from the good actions of the past life, constitute what is called conscience, that impelling force which warns the individual against evil as productive of pain and inclines him toward good as productive of happiness and joy. Life after life the result of this pain and joy is built into the seed atom of the desire body and remains there as a permanent record.

Nutrition and Health

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 CHRISTIANS 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.

Chemically--the Physical Body Is a Parasite

By C. DUDLEY ROBERTS



OTHER Nature has a plan, a design for Life, which is endless, boundless, and embraces all things. It is neither a five- nor a ten-year plan for she concerns herself not with Time—an invention of man's—but solely with Perfection. In such a design for Life there are, naturally, many ties running in all directions and sometimes we can pick up a connecting thread and follow it through the intricate design without much effort.

For instance, we know that it is the force of gravitation which is the tie that binds each and every member of our universe: sun, stars, and planets, into a composite unit. In turn our universe is so tied in with other universes and so on, apparently without end. That picture is of broad design with its main features prominent and its details easy to follow.

Sometimes, however, the design is not so broad. As an example, let us pick up one of the threads of that particular design which binds the sun and man in close and vital intimacy. At first the design is not so apparent, the ultimate end not so readily seen, the conclusion not so readily drawn, but the thread of the design once found and carefully followed leads on through a series of intricate and comprehensive details to reveal, finally,

an amazing picture, one so wonderful that it cannot but leave us awed and reverent.

Primitive man looked forward to the daily appearance of the sun for it not only dispelled the darkness of night with its attendant horrors and dangers, but it also brought him light, heat, and the opportunity of renewing his daily food supply. Naturally this beneficent "being," although quite a mysterious one, came to be worshiped as a God and, as naturally, anything that interfered with the sun's actions, such as an eclipse or darkness, was clearly evil and to be feared.

Today our knowledge of the sun is somewhat more precise for we know its diameter, its comparative temperatures, its density; that it is never at rest but is constantly shooting out tongues of flame over half a million miles high; and that it is the center of our particular Universe.

As to the existence of a definite physical relationship between the sun and man most of us are not quite so sure although we admit that there is certain evidence which tends to support such a belief. Yet all speculation aside, there is an actual and definite physical tie between man and the sun, one which is so important that without it no life could exist on the face of the earth.

This link is one of the commonest substances on earth, yet it is one of the most, if not the most important thing in life, for it provides us with all the materials and energies we use. This essential thing is the green coloring matter which exists in vegetation and without which no animal life could exist on this earth. As a matter of fact, vegetation preceded animal life on this planet millions of years.

The name of this substance is *chlorophyll*.

It is known that any illuminated surface absorbs a certain amount of light and that the light so absorbed brings about a change in the chemical make-up of the surface so illuminated. Nature makes use of this truth to produce carbohydrates through the agency of the plants which catch, on their leaf surfaces, about two per cent of the solar energy thrown on the earth.

Plants are the great synthetic chemists of Nature for their green coloring matter, chlorophyll, enables them to use this solar energy for the purpose of synthesizing carbohydrates and other complex compounds from the carbon dioxide exhaled by man. Although the plants receive only two per cent or less of the sun's energy they make exceedingly great use of this small quantity as we may see from the following estimates of production:

Charles Morrow Wilson estimates that the vegetation on the entire earth's surface manufactures at least one cubic mile of sugar every year. He also states that if an acre of land yields one hundred bushels of corn, then there is, approximately, two acres of leaf surface and this surface area has, by the aid of sunlight, produced seven tons of material, more or less. Differently stated it will take one square yard of leaf surface 20 days in which to manufacture the amount of carbohydrates contained in one pound of bread.



Remarkable as chlorophyll is as a converter of solar energy, it becomes more important still when we find that there appears to be a close relationship between chlorophyll and our own blood pigments. The haemoglobin in our blood is an extremely important substance for we know it possesses the power to combine loosely with oxygen and by its aid the blood cells are able to transport, from the lungs, quantities of that gas to the tissues in order that we may live. When haemoglobin is combined with iron it yields derivatives called *cytochromes*, which, although present in red blood cells and all living cells in only very minute quantity, play an indispensable part in every life process.

When the complex chlorophyll molecule is broken down into more simple substances we find that these are similar to substances appearing in man's organism, in the walls of his stomach and in his bile. Significantly, when these substances derived from the chlorophyll molecule are fed to rats they stimulate the formation of red blood cells. One should note, therefore, the important part iron plays both in our blood and in the chlorophyll molecule. Without the proper amount of iron, man's blood becomes deficient and without iron in its food the plant cannot produce chlorophyll.

In view of all the existing facts, Science has come to believe that the only molecular difference between blood and chlorophyll is that the center atom of blood contains iron and the center atom of the chlorophyll molecule contains manganese.

So far we have seen that the sugars and starches are manufactured by the plants from sunshine (via the chlorophyll cells), water, and the carbon-dioxide of the air. Nature's next step is to add to these sugars and starches a trace of nitrogen and sometimes sulphur

from the soil and to synthesize from these ingredients the amino-acids from which the life-supporting proteins are built.

While it is not as simple as all this, for the chemical path by which proteins may be formed is uncertain, it is clearly demonstrated that whatever the method, plants are adepts in its use. On the other hand, man has but little ability to synthesize the amino-acids, the muscle builders, so he has to eat the complete proteins which contain all the necessary amino-acids.

Science recognizes twenty-one amino-acids existing in the natural proteins but only nine of them have been found to be absolutely essential for the life of the higher animals, and these have to be in their food in order that they may live. However, many *million* different proteins or protein-like compounds can be formed from twenty amino-acids.

But living matter is not merely a throwing together, in some promiscuous fashion of a series of compounds; it has a definite structure and its component parts have to be built up according to design. The smallest units when produced form part of greater structures and these in turn become part of a still greater whole.

According to design the proteins are built up by a process of condensation from the more simple units, the amino-acids; the carbohydrates are constructed on a similar plan but in their case the unit is the molecule of a simple sugar and, in turn, a combination of simple sugars produces glycogen, starch, and cellulose.

It is from these constituents that the living cells are produced and then become part of the living organism. Proteins make up the vital part of that essential jelly material of the living cell, the protoplasm, the stream of life, and, naturally, most of the more remarkable characteristic activities of the living cell are associated with protein.

As in the case of his carbohydrates man derives his proteins directly or in-

directly from the plants, breaks them up by digestion into their component amino-acids and then proceeds to build up his own particular proteins where they are wanted out of the varied assortment of amino-acids his blood has obtained from his digestive tract. A little thought will show that the eating of food and its subsequent burning in the body is but a reversal of the process by which the solar energy is captured by the chlorophyll cells and stored in the plant in the nature of somewhat unstable chemical compounds.

Protein is the chief constituent of most tissue and as all living tissues are constantly being torn down they must be built up again. This process, known as metabolism, is greatest when the body is at work, less when it is at rest, and even far from being negligible when it is asleep. Consequently broken-down tissues must ever be replaced and the tissues must either synthesize the spare parts required or obtain them from foods which represent the chemical replacements of the materials used up in the process of metabolism. So there must be an adequate supply of protein, as well as carbohydrates, fatty compounds, minerals, and vitamins in the food supply if body equilibrium is to be maintained.

Thus far the main factors in man's food supply have been considered. These are the proteins built up from the amino-acids, and the carbohydrates, both of which must be supplied in liberal quantities in order that the body may create its essential structures. As man cannot manufacture these from simpler compounds, it is well for him that the plants will always be here to create the basic materials of his diet—the sugars, starches, fats, and proteins.

In previous years man's main efforts were confined solely to the study of the effects of various external factors, such as soil and fertilizer, temperature and light, moisture and cultivation, on the growth and proper development of plants. However, as soon as it was realized that there was a closer relationship exist-

ing between vegetation and man the subject of plant growth was given great and careful attention.

As a result it was Julius Sachs, some sixty years back, who, after considerable research, concluded that there were in the plants *some chemical substances* apart from their ordinary foods, which although present in but small quantities, yet affected, powerfully, all plant growth. Today we know that these substances are produced by almost all plants as a by-product of their photosynthesis—that process by which the carbohydrates are manufactured from carbon dioxide and water through the agency of the chlorophyll cells and sunlight—and that not only are these substances essential for the plant's growth and development but they are also indispensable for the efficient operation of man's physical body. Man must have these in his diet but as he cannot manufacture them in his body he has to obtain his supply of these indispensable substances, now known as *vitamins*, from the plants.

Thus is shown man's dependence on the plants for physical existence. However, this parasitic condition of his does not end here but extends beyond the physiological and reaches the psychological, for we find definite connection and mutual dependence existing between the endocrine glands (the glands of personality), the vitamins, and, indeed, the entire nutritional supply.

However, before examining this relationship in detail it would be well to look back some thirty-five years when Science discovered in animals certain chemical substances now known as *hormones*, which perform for animals duties similar to those carried out by the vitamins for the plants and with much the same results.

Dr. James Bonner points out that the distinction between a vitamin and a hormone is not very sharp for both are needed in the body for specific physiological processes. He defines a hormone as a substance which is produced in one part of an organism, is transferred to

another part and there, in very minute amounts, influences a specific physiological process, a vitamin must be supplied from the outside and in the case of man he gets his from the plant which, as we have seen, make them with the aid of sunlight and the chlorophyll cells.

Dr. Bonner goes on to say that a substance which is a hormone for one organism may be a vitamin for other organisms and gives as an example, ascorbic acid (vitamin C) which, as it is not formed by most higher animals must be supplied to them, but which is produced by the rat in its own liver; this substance is a hormone for the rat but it is a vitamin for all other animals and for man.

Another distinction which we must keep in mind is that hormones stimulate growth with positive effect but there is no evidence that vitamins exercise any stimulating action on growth despite the fact that vitamins are indispensable components of living cells and if not present in sufficient supply the normal number of cells cannot be created in the body.

There is a great similarity between the workings of not only the vitamins and the hormones but also between these and the *auxins*, the growth promoters of plants, and the *bios* (life) of yeast, a group of interrelated compounds which control the life processes in some way unexplained at the present time.

This digression was necessary in order to indicate the comparative workings of those controllers of the life processes, the vitamins and the auxins of plants, the bios of yeast, and the hormones of man, before taking up the relationship of the vitamins, as well as the entire nutritional supply, to the hormones of the endocrine glands.

Man is particularly dependent on the vitamins for the proper functioning of his endocrine glands, and if these are not present in his diet in sufficient quantities disturbance follows, either in the production or in the use of the glandular secretions or hormones.

Both vitamins and hormones are catalytic in action; both influence the most

fundamental activities of the body, such as growth, metabolism, digestion, and circulation. There is, at all times, an intimate balance between these two in all the cells and tissues of the human body.

There is also direct interdependence between vitamins and hormones, for a vitamin may be necessary either at the point of manufacture of a hormone, for instance, vitamin E and the pituitary, or at the point of action of a hormone, as when we find both vitamin B and insulin acting in the muscle consumption of sugar.

The endocrine glands are called ductless because they discharge their secretions directly into the blood stream. Modern medical science acknowledges the existence of twenty-five of these glands but considers only the following of major importance: the pineal and the pituitary, in the head; the thyroid and four parathyroids, in the neck; the Islet of Langerhans, in the pancreas; two sex glands; two adrenal glands, above the kidneys; the thymus, in the chest; the spleen, near the stomach.

The endocrine glands, although very much smaller than either stomach, intestines, lungs, or heart, have a direct and powerful influence over them and influence, in a marked degree, all bodily functions and structures. In fact, any change in the blood supply brought about by breathing, exercise, the eating of food, the state of the weather, or an emotional outburst, immediately brings into play the automatic action of the endocrine glands in an effort to restore to the individual his normal condition of blood and brain.

The secretions from these glands which, as we have seen, are necessary to the conservation of the body as a whole, are called hormones because they speed like messengers through the circulation, stimulating or inhibiting such functions as may be necessary in order to maintain a balance in the various operations taking place in the body.

The pituitary may be called the leader

of all the endocrine glands on account of its many functions and the dominance it exerts over all body activities, but all of the endocrine glands interact and influence each other to a most marked degree. For instance, one may have diabetes on account of a disturbance of the pituitary, as well as from a mal-functioning of the Islet of Langerhans in the pancreas, a source which is more common, however, and therefore better known.

Interaction is also found in the fact that sex glands do not act except under stimulation of an entirely non-sex hormone made by the pituitary at the base of the brain; a contradiction of the general belief, held until recently, that all the sex hormones (quite a few) were produced from cholesterol, a waxy substance found in living tissues and in the brain.

Some of the endocrine glands secrete more than one hormone; the pituitary gland is known to produce six hormones, and in all the glands exists the possibility that the flow of secretion (the hormones) may be normal, abnormal, or subnormal either in quantity or quality.

Dr. R. G. Hoskins of the Memorial Foundation for Neuro-Endocrine Research at Harvard Medical School recently pointed out that if the total number of hormones produced by the endocrine glands were taken as fifteen (an underestimate), and if the number of possible conditions of each hormone were taken as three as previously mentioned, then the total number of possible combinations of glandular activity would exceed fourteen million.

The effects of such interaction, although not generally appreciated, may be seen in the clear-cut and universal manner in which these glands maintain physiological equilibrium by series of checks and balances in the human body.

Other effects may be seen in the efforts of the endocrine glands, by their influence through brain and nervous system, to maintain psychological balance also; for instance, a condition of fear and

worry will throw an extra secretion of the adrenal hormones, adrenalin and cortin, into the blood stream but as soon as the anxiety state stops, the flow of secretion ends and the endocrine glands restore the body to normal condition.

However, if this mental condition of fear and worry persists, the hormones continue to flow, the body remains in a condition of instability which, in turn, irritates the sympathetic nervous system with subsequent brain disturbance, and fundamental changes both in the blood chemistry and in the physical structure.

Dr. Louis Berman sums up the importance of the endocrine glands to man by saying that an individual is as good and as efficient as the interlocking activities of his nervous and glandular systems and that these, in turn, depend not only upon an abundant supply of the vitamins but also upon all the other foods in proper proportion.

So whether it be the carbohydrates for his energy, or the amino-acids from which to build the proteins to replace his worn-out tissues, or the vitamins necessary for physiological and psychological balance, man must obtain these substances, already prepared for his use, from the bodies of plants—all of which makes man, chemically at least, much of a parasite.

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Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure and thanks that I am feeling so well, it just seems as though there isn't much to report except I had one bad headache but I didn't go to the doctor, so I feel as though a great battle has just been won and I am the victor. To me it really seems like a miracle but I suppose you do greater work every day. I am so thankful and I feel such a great pity for those who are so in need of help by a greater hand than that of a doctor. I pray every night and give thanks for all that has been done for me.

I remain your faithful friend,

—Mrs. H.L.R.

Wyoming, March 3, 1941.

Dear Friends:

My husband is recovering rapidly to the great surprise of the doctor and also his nurses. Can stand on his feet and walk a little and feels no pain in the intestine whatever.

I wish to thank you and the Invisible Helpers for all you have done for him.

Gratefully yours,

—L.C.E.

New York, March 9, 1941.

Rosicrucian Fellowship

Dear Friends:

Last night I sent a personal appeal for relief from a condition that was painful and costing time needed for work to be done.

Wonderful are the ways of the Lord for in less time than you can imagine I received the loving help I asked for and consciously felt the aid given with love. This experience has so touched me that I can't find the words to describe it.

I know your loving help has done much to help me receive such a blessing and may God grant many more of His children will see the Light and Love that is everywhere abundantly if we but reach out for it with Love and Faith.

Sending you loving living thoughts I am clasping your hand in friendship.

Sincerely,

—T.R.

Illinois, March 18, 1941.

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Gratefully,

—S.M.

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"I Am the Lord"

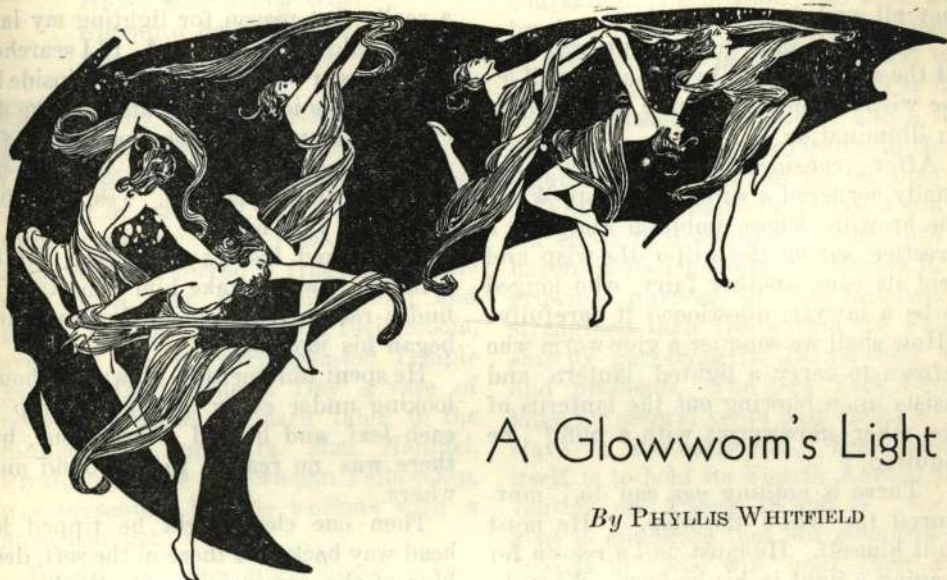
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord. And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God. And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. The number of thy days I will fulfil. And I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. For I am the Lord that healeth thee.

Jesus Christ maketh thee whole. The same yesterday, and today, and forever.

The very God of peace sanctify you wholly.—From the Bible.

Children's Department



A Glowworm's Light

By PHYLIS WHITFIELD

IT is very likely that even though many people have watched glowworms, or fireflies—as they are sometimes called, flying across the field and garden with their twinkling lanterns on many a summer evening, they have never known or really understood why glowworms carry lanterns.

When the stars light their lamps at dusk, down by the rivers, in the gardens, and over the meadows, myriads of glowworms are lighting their lanterns too.

Now, of all the glowworms who faithfully performed their duty by lighting their lanterns on moonless nights to furnish illumination for the flower-folk to dance by, there was only one naughty, new glowworm who refused to light his lantern. He gleefully darted and dodged around and around the faithful glowworms, blowing on their lights to make them flicker and poking fun at them all the while.

Night after night he continued his

pranks until he had exhausted the patience of the other glowworms and the fairies, who, because of that provoking flicker often stubbed their toes during the most delicately-beautiful steps, which was quite embarrassing, as you can imagine.

Putting their heads together they decided upon a punishment. In the daytime, when this particular glowworm was asleep and snoring loudly, one of the fairies, who had been the most offended, sneaked stealthily up behind him and before you could say, "Big Blue Bug," had tied his feelers into intricate knots.

Glowworm woke with a start and wriggled his feelers thoughtfully. Ouch! It hurt! "So, they have tied my feelers into knots," said he. "They will be sorry for doing this to me." And, sure enough, they were, for the following night instead of blowing gently on their lamps to make them flicker, Glowworm blew every lamp clear out, and every

single fairy skinned his knee or bumped his toe.

"How can we dance without lights?" moaned the fairies. "There will be no willow whisks left in the world to relight our lamps with at this rate," groaned the glowworms. "Oh, what *shall* we do?" they all wailed.

"I know," said the most grotesque of all the gnomes. "Why not ask a will-o'-the-wisp? I hear it's quite an authority on illumination."

After considerable difficulty they finally cornered a will-o'-the-wisp. While one brownie, whose ambition was to be a wrestler, sat on the will-o'-the-wisp and held its ears, another fairy, who longed to be a lawyer, questioned it carefully: "How shall we conquer a glowworm who refuses to carry a lighted lantern and insists upon blowing out the lanterns of the other glowworms with a puff?" he inquired.

"There is nothing *you* can do," murmured the will-o'-the-wisp. "He must do it himself. He must *find* a reason for keeping a light in his lantern. When he has found it he will be proud to carry a light of his own." Then it slipped from beneath the brownie's fingers and disappeared with a glimmer.

Each fairy scratched his head. Each glowworm twiddled his feelers meditatively. After much scratching and twiddling the fairies and the glowworms came to the conclusion that this was a problem of such profound perplexity that fate alone could solve it.

That evening Glowworm was especially sad, for no special reason—which is all the reason in the world when you are feeling sad. The truth of the matter was that Glowworm was not naughty at heart. He wasn't even lazy. He just couldn't light his lantern and hold it all night for the fairies to dance by when there was no particular reason for lighting it. He could sleep just as well without lighting his lantern. He could eat just as well and fly just as easily so why should he light it at all? There was no object in carrying a light. When the

other glowworms ignored him, because he would not light his lantern, he played tricks on them to make them notice him. All day long and all night long he did exactly as he pleased, yet he was truly unhappy.

"I wonder," he thought, "if I found a really fine reason for lighting my lantern would I feel happier? If I searched for a reason would I feel better inside?" Turning the idea over in his mind he decided that he would seek everywhere for a reason so that lighting his lantern would become a pleasure. Yes, he would begin this very night.

He packed his traveling case, for he believed it would take him some time to find a reason that was good enough and began his journey.

He spent innumerable glowworm hours looking under every pebble, on top of each leaf, and behind every stone, but there was no reason to be found anywhere.

Then one clear night he tipped his head way back, and there in the soft, deep blue of the evening sky was the largest, handsomest star he had ever seen. Catching his breath as he gazed at its luminous beauty he cried, "Oh, if my lantern light were only as clear and bright and shining as that star I would be the happiest glowworm on earth!" Oh, marvel of marvels, he had found a reason for lighting his lantern! At last there was an object in keeping his flame burning. He would try with all his might to make his lantern match the radiance of the star and he would find delight in doing it. Filled with joy, he bent slowly; picking up a willow whisk he lit his lantern. The glow fell on his face and on the ground around him. His heart was warmed as he carefully fanned its blaze with his wings.

From that time to this, in his memory, glowworms have blinked their lanterns as a friendly greeting when passing one another and the fairies have had proper illumination for their dances on moonless nights. Nary a fairy has stubbed his toe since!

Echoes from Mt. Ecclesia



*In the time of roses,
Hope, thou weary heart!
Spring a balm discloses
For the keenest smart.*



At the time this article is written, May 20, the grateful earth is giving forth a brilliant shower of roses in exchange for the abundant rains of winter. Pink roses, white roses and red have spread a fragrant mantle over lamp post and trellis, wall and porch. The park is gay with their bloom, even to the recently planted Temple garden. On Mother's Day a vase of roses was placed on each table in the dining hall, and Mrs. Max Heindel, President of the Rosicrucian Fellowship, was presented by the workers with a huge bouquet.

Would that roses might bloom everywhere, in all hearts! Alas, it may not be. On blood-drenched lands desolation bows the head, blights the soul. Where earthly flowers have been destroyed, spiritual blossoms must give man courage to face the daily struggle.

Realizing that peace-time activities no longer suffice, the Rosicrucian Fellowship is making greater effort to spread its message of peace over the world, to lift the heavy hearts with its joyous tidings. Every care is taken to maintain correspondence with members in belligerent nations, that they may receive the inspiration for which they hungrily turn to Headquarters. In order that every possible medium may be studied for reaching the institutions, organizations, and individuals of our own rapidly-arming country, the Board of Trustees has created a new Publicity Department. Its first concern was to consider the spiritual needs of the newly-conscripted army, now being saturated with thoughts of war. The prompt and appreciative response from various Army

and Navy headquarters is greatly encouraging. Permission has been given by the office of the Commanding General of the Ninth Corps Area, the first to be approached, to send a copy of "The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception" and a Rosicrucian Magazine subscription to thirty-eight military camps in the territory.

While Headquarters makes a prayerful effort to draw new people into the haven of its teachings it rejoices in the growing purpose of the members to strengthen their ties within the Fellowship by gathering to discuss their aims and problems. The New York Centers have for several years past called a Conclave in the early fall. Headquarters itself is to hold its Fourth Annual Convention on August 16 and 17. We are glad to announce that our members and friends in Chile will hold their First Congress in Santiago June 6-8.

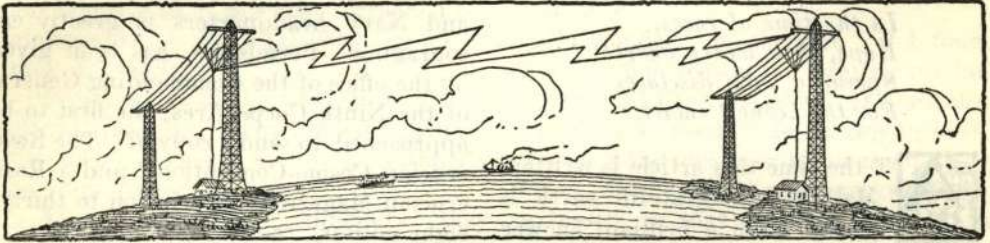
In the dining hall on Saturday, May 17, Mr. George Schwenk played a number of vocal and instrumental recordings made by the talented musicians of the Los Angeles Center. On previous occasions this method has been employed to draw the people of Los Angeles and those of Oceanside closer together. It is hoped that it may gain wider use in the future.

We hope many readers will enter the Manuscript Competition described on the inside front cover.

ASTROLOGICAL CONVENTION IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

The third West Coast U.S. Convention of Standard Scientific Astrologers is scheduled for June 26-29 in Oakland. Arrangements have been made to send Mrs. Arline Cramer of Los Angeles, an expert on both Rosicrucian Philosophy and Astrology, and a member of the Board, to represent the Fellowship. As usual, the publications of the Fellowship will be on display and doubtless will attract wide notice.

Rosicrucian News Bureau



As a factor in forwarding man's evolution the value of retrospection is enormous, far-reaching beyond imagination. It has been called the greatest teaching ever known, revealing the inmost secret of soul growth. For the intellectual class, in particular, it fills a great need: that of developing the *power of devotion*.

The majority of people will agree that the value of any particular teaching depends upon its power to make men better *here and now*; to make them kind and considerate at home, conscientious in business, loyal to friends, forgiving to enemies; and any teaching which is easily applied and will accomplish such results, needs no further recommendation. Retrospection is such a teaching, and it has the added advantage that it arouses no antagonism in any devotee of any religion, or even in an agnostic, for it need not be labeled religious. It will produce most beneficent results from the day it is applied, and will affect future lives also, regardless of whether it is given in connection with any definitely labeled teaching or not. We may talk, even to casual acquaintances, something like this:

"Every night when I have gone to bed I review the happenings of the day *in reverse order*. I try to judge myself impartially. I blame where blame is due, repent, and resolve to reform. I praise myself, if praise is merited, and

determine to do better next day. I fail often to keep my good resolutions, but, knowing that there is no actual failure save in ceasing to try, *I keep on trying*. Little by little I succeed."

It may be well to explain also that by reviewing events in reverse order they are more firmly implanted in the memory, but further elucidation is better avoided until we are sure that our listener is seeking a solution to the problem of life. When that is the case then the way is open to an explanation of the law of cause and effect, and other deeper teachings.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA.

The friends of this Study Group continue with their regular meetings, in spite of warring conditions, we are happy to hear, the present meeting place being at 1407 Queen St. W. The "Cosmo" and other literature from Headquarters forms the basis for their weekly study and question period.

A library of Fellowship books is maintained by this Group and those interested are cordially invited to make full use of it.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

An interesting letter from the secretary of this fine Group tells us that, "Our Study Group is steadily growing stronger. There is marked improvement

in the attendance over last year and a deeper reverence for the Teachings.

"Last Thursday one of our members entertained the Group at her beautiful home on the west hills. The dining room was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and gleaming candelabrum, where a sumptuous dinner was served. Later in the drawing room we all enjoyed singing from our Jolly Song Books. The climax of the evening was a splendid talk on How the Rosicrucian Teachings Help One to Live Victoriously."

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

"Our Study Group is steadily increasing," enthusiastically writes the teacher of the class in this city, Mrs. Ada Kemp, 2 Cronulla St. She adds, "Up till last Monday it consisted of students whom we have attracted to the Fellowship Teachings through lending the "Cosmo," etc., but at our last meeting we had the pleasure of introducing a member who had a Center many years ago, which she tells us broke up during the depression and has not functioned since. She was very much impressed with our class and wishes us to tell you that she will be attending it regularly."

May the Light being "kept ablaze" by these earnest aspirants ever burn brighter and illumine the way for many fellow seekers after Truth.

LONDON, ENGLAND.

That the Light of Truth will ever be kept ablaze by those sincere ones whose courage never flags, no matter what the circumstances, is well demonstrated by the fact that both our chartered Center of 95 Belgrave Road, and our West London Group, 35 Cranley Gardens, continue their meetings. Recent reports indicate a very fair attendance.

Practically every letter that comes from these dear friends expresses heartfelt appreciation for the understanding of life and its vicissitudes which has come to them from the Western Wisdom

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Teachings. A blessed anchor, indeed, they are to those who have them during these days when the tides of life swirl so turbulently.

THE NETHERLANDS.

Only occasionally have Fellowship Groups been able to meet in this country during recent months, the Work having to be carried on largely by individual members. However, despite the difficult conditions the spreading of the Teachings continues through the efforts of loyal friends.

The letters received are most encouraging and indicate forcibly the great spiritual strength and fortitude inspired by the Fellowship Teachings. Heartfelt gratitude is expressed by the students for the knowledge they have of the occult principles which enable them to understand the deeper meaning of present world conditions. Thankful they are for this privilege, and for the opportunity to live and help ease the aching sorrows and suffering of their fellowmen.

One Probationer writes: "I keep in mind the beautiful words contained in our Temple Service: 'God is Light, if we walk in the Light as He is in the Light, we have fellowship one with another,' and pray that I also may bring some Light to the spiritually blind who need it most."

BARBADOS, B. W. I.

A recent renewal of Fellowship activities in this island of the West Indies is bringing very encouraging results, according to letters and reports from various members. The secretary writes, "The Work is progressing very well, and the Teachings are deeply appreciated by the students. On the first and third Wednesdays of the month we have a Students' Symposium which brings a splendid attendance."

It is gratifying to hear that a considerable number of young people are being attracted to this Group.

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PATH OF THE FLAME

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we may, remember we are kindred in Spirit. We salute you. *Cleo. Julian.*

I stared at the signatures as though my eyes could not grasp what they saw. Then a flood of life-giving relief and joy flowed through my being, loosing the cords of fear from my heart and mind. I put the letter away in the book, then summoned the Arab guides and with the explanation—which after all was the true one—that my companion had chosen to go with another caravan, I prepared to depart. They looked at me with skepticism in their dark eyes, but with the calm indifference of their race to the matters of another race they accepted my story without comment. I arrived home a month later without further incident.

Those who have ears may hear and those who have eyes may see, thus my message will reach those it should reach. It is true that danger attends the service of the Flame of Life and Truth; it is true that it destroys those who serve with falseness or fear in the desire to wrest some selfish gain for their own ends. But a Cleo or a Julian may pass the barrier with serene mind. Knowing this I am almost ready now for my next pilgrimage to the Pyramids, and I have hopes of acceptance into the White Brotherhood, even though I may not reach the point of attempting to pass through the Path of the Flame.

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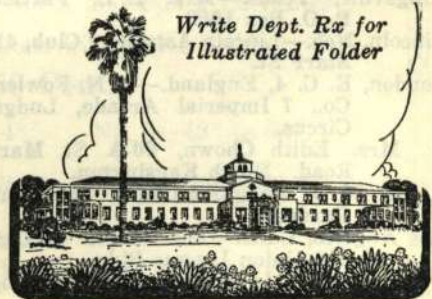
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July 7 to August 15, 1941

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

	9:00-9:50	10:00-10:50	11:00-11:50
Monday	Philosophy I	Astrology I	Astrology II
Tuesday	Philosophy II	Anatomy	Astro-Diagnosis
Wednesday	Philosophy I	Astrology I	Astrology II
Thursday	Healing Principles	Anatomy	Bible
Friday	Philosophy III	Center Work	Bible

Monday, 7:30 P.M. (July 7, 14, 21)—Interpretation of Wagnerian Operas

Wednesday, 7:30 P.M. (July 9, 16, 23)—Interpretation of Wagnerian Operas

Friday, 7:30 P.M.—Sociability Evening.

COURSES OF STUDY

The Rosicrucian Philosophy: Four splendid courses based upon our textbook, "The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception," by Max Heindel, and on other writings of this illumined messenger of the Brothers of the Rose Cross. I—The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception. II—The Rosicrucian Philosophy. III—Practical Application of Cosmic Truths. IV—Interpretation of the Wagnerian Operas.

Healing: Rosicrucian Fellowship Method of Healing.

Astrology: I—Erecting the Horoscope. II—Delineation and Progression. III—Astro-Diagnosis.

Bible Study: The Western Wisdom Teaching as applied to the Bible has restored faith in the Book of Books to thousands. Inspiring.

Anatomy and Physiology: A good foundation for astro-diagnosis.

Center Work and Public Speaking: Forming and conducting Rosicrucian Fellowship Study Groups and Centers; technique of Center Work. Speeches and Platform Department.

LECTURES AND SOCIAL EVENTS

In addition to class lectures, there will be addresses by resident and guest speakers, in the Chapel every Sunday evening. Friday evenings are our get-together periods, and special trips are planned for Saturday afternoons.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Rooms will be available at the following rates:

Rose Cross Lodge \$6.50 to \$8.25 per week, one person in a room.

Rose Cross Lodge \$7.75 to \$9.50 per week, two persons in a room.

Vegetarian meals in our cafeteria are served at the following rate: Breakfast 30 cents, dinner 40 cents, supper 30 cents. Weekly rate of \$6.00 for meals during Summer School. Rooms additional, as given above.

Working for board and room will not be possible. A deposit of \$5.00 is required in advance to secure accommodations. This will be applied on the first month's room rent. Please make reservations early.

There are no fixed fees, but the expense of conducting the courses is met by voluntary contributions from the students.

OBJECT OF THE SCHOOL

Instruction will be given in the subjects mentioned to all who are interested in receiving the New Age Teachings. The School also aims to prepare teachers and lecturers for Center and field work in general.

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