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EDITORIAL.

Each Age, or period has its own characteristics, its own key-note as it were, which is exactly in accordance with the need of humanity at that particular time. The now disappearing Old Age - the Piscean Age - was a period of mysteries and secrecies, a period of hidden Truth. This was necessary as the majority of mankind was not ready. Truth, therefore, was veiled in parables, fairy tales, myths, etc.

The New Age or Aquarian Age is the Age of Light - of Revelation. Mankind is coming of age, and making ready for another step in its evolutionary progress. The fast changing conditions in all fields of endeavour since the beginning of this, the 20th Century, tells its own story. Means of transport and communication have gone forward with leaps and bounds. Our earth which even at the start of the century was considered vast with much to discover yet, has now become almost too small. Man's outlook was limited, many did not know more than their own village, town or district; his horizon has literally widened, and encompasses now not only the world but other planets as well.

We have seen the discovery of many things, all of which have brought forces into operation requiring the manipulation, knowledge and understanding of the laws governing these findings. Steam, gas, electricity, telephone, telegraph, radio, television, x-rays and space travel are examples of this. As the discoveries in space travel advance, it will be seen

that an acceptance of other dimensions and planes of consciousness can no longer be ignored.

Materialisation and de-materialisation are not new. Jesus materialised before his disciples after his crucifixion. Since then this has been demonstrated with mere objects as well as with people. There is no need to elaborate on this here since there is ample material available in our libraries.

During the past twenty odd years of visits from U.F.O.'s to our planet, many observers had evidence of the appearance and disappearance of a U.F.O. "in the twinkling of an eye" and there is reason to believe that the transition from the 3rd dimension into the 4th dimension brings about such a phenomena. It is said that this occurs through changing the rate of vibration. Since the majority of mankind has lost the gift of clear seeing - our divine heritage - he is unable to see anything in that 4th dimension, but because it is invisible it is not to say that it is not there or that it is nonsense. It is high time that man becomes aware of his own potentiality.

What do we think will happen when the prophecies in the bible come to pass and "We shall not all sleep but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye". (I Cor. 15-51)?

We are approaching this time rapidly now.

We are seeking the Truth, and we do want to do this scientifically. Should not we then start to take our lessons from the greatest Scientist of all - the One who made and created us in His likeness?

"The Kingdoms of this world are become the Kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ - and He shall reign for ever and ever." (Rev. 12 - 15)

SPECIAL REPORT FROM A RECENT ISSUE OF "CONTACT" U.S.A.

Around spring of 1960, while doing some personal running down of U.F.S. reports, we heard from a Mrs. Ron Belvin, at that time living at Ellet, Southeast of Akron, Ohio. She called to say she had been observing a large orange-red sphere of light hovering at tree-top level for some time. Its appearance was not constant, but its size was approximately the same, and on several occasions she had noted a long sweeping beam of light arc down from the object to apparently "centre" beneath her house, with a sort of singing sensation; in other words, she felt the house "sing" all over when the beam of light beamed beneath it. This house did not have a basement but was housed on a cement slab foundation.

Over a period of about a month, Mrs. Belvin reported to us a variety of objects, and also an assortment of odours noted, of odd sensations - such as hair-prickling at the nape of the neck, slight dizziness and temporary inability to balance, the eerie feeling of an invisible presence, etc. Many of her sightings were validated by other persons unknown to her and living at, or passing through, her area.

During September, 1966, Mrs. Belvin called us considerably disturbed, and had quite a story to relate. Her husband was a post-office employee who worked nights and it was around 10 p.m. She had been in the bathroom and as she glanced into the mirror above the wash-basin she was shocked to see, leaning against the door of the room opposite the bathroom, a tall, slender, long wavy black haired young man, his arms folded across his chest, smiling at her. She observed he had some sort of soft drapery material, comparable to jersey, in a dull grey colour for a blouse effect. With absolute fear she turned round to face her viewer - only to discover he

was not there. She was confused, then went into the kitchen to think about what had occurred, and about that time her husband walked into the room, at which point Mrs. Belvin broke down completely in deep uncontrollable sobs. Her husband understandably became unnerved and stated flatly that her interest in U.F.S.'s was the cause of her seeming imbalance, and she needed to see a psychiatrist. He advised her to commit herself to a Mental Health Hospital. At this point she called us, asking her husband to allay his action until he had talked to us. She then told him what had occurred.

Fortunately, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis were at my house about another matter, and had with them their Geiger Counter. We decided to try taking it out and seeing if it might possibly pick up anything unusual. When we arrived, Art had checked the Counter to be certain it was in working order, and as we got out of the car and walked up the lawn, it ticked rhythmically along. When we reached the steps outside the back door and went up to the door, the counter suddenly and inexplicably shot to the highest point on its register - 500. We stood still for a moment and then Mrs. Belvin opened the door and all stepped inside. Once inside, the counter needle went immediately back to its normal staccato rhythm. Art then opened the door and went back out onto the steps, only to have the same rapid chatter resume and the needle move without hesitation to the highest possible register on the counter. Then it sagged down gradually as though the object which made it respond was moving away. Art moved into the driveway to follow whatever it was, and picked up a faster beat as he reached about 75 feet from the house.

Behind the Belvin home was an empty acre lot, pretty well grown with grass and weeds. Art followed as best he could the direction of the high count and seemed to weave a path of leisurely walking through the

grass and back to the house, stopping at the side of the house. Mrs. Belvin instantly gasped "but that is my daughter's room - and that is where I saw that man, in the doorway to her room". We then went inside. No additional increase in the natural pick-up of the counter was observed as we moved through the house. We returned to the living room and Art sat the counter on the coffee table while we talked. Suddenly a brilliant flash of light was seen on the living room wall and the counter needle moved instantly upward and began a rapid rhythm. Mr. Belvin was nonplussed. We continued listening to his wife's story. When she had finished we all noted the needle went slowly down to normal. Her husband did NOT commit her - the action of the Geiger Counter, that time at least, was sufficient to convince him something out of the ordinary had definitely occurred.

After this incident, Mrs. Belvin did not, to our knowledge, have many other unusual incidents, but she continued to have sightings from time to time. We checked to see if she had wide peripheral vision, on advice from another friend that this might account for her being able to view the fellow in the doorway. She DID have wide vision. The friend who submitted this information, Fred Hartline, then proffered the possibility that perhaps her wide vision, when looking into the mirror, acted like a completed circuit allowing her to SEE the person behind her, which she "erased" when she turned around and looked directly at the spot where he stood, because she was no longer seeing in the same capacity. We were referred to the Moire Patterns used by psychiatrists to check out certain conditions in patients, and were told, as in these, the pattern of light and wave-lengths of colour, or vibration, was responsible for what each individual saw. In this woman's case it was possible that with the extended vision created by the mirror she had SEEN the man with a different

wave-length of light radiations than was visible to her when she swung around. I, personally, do not fully understand the totality of these ponderings and offerings but I do know that Mrs. Belvin apparently saw something and I do know that the Geiger Counter reacted to that something - whatever it was. Also, I do know that we had many similar reports falling into the same classification over the ensuing months.

We include this for your reading and thinking. We know that a pattern is being formed ... we do not know where this is at ... but from the accumulation of all reports, believable or not, the final answer will undoubtedly be arrived at.

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SIGHTING REPORT.

There has been only one sighting reported to us recently, and this was at Eshowe in Zululand.

One night, towards the end of May, at about 10.15 p.m. three people (who wish to avoid any publicity and have therefore requested us not to publish their names) observed a large object in the sky for approximately three quarters of an hour. This bright object hovered about, stopping and starting at short intervals.

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T E L E P A T H Y.

Extracts from several books by Alice A. Bailey.

Treatise on Cosmic Fire - Page 978:

Speech is very largely a mode of communication on physical levels; on the subtler levels where on the worker stands, and in his communications with his fellow workers and chosen co-operators it will play an ever lessening part. Intuitive perception and telepathic interplay will distinguish the intercourse between aspirants and disciples, and when this is coupled with a full trust, sympathy and united effort for the plan we will have a formation wherewith the Master can work and through which He can pour His force. The Master works through groups large and small and the work is facilitated for Them if the interplay between units of the group is steady and uninterrupted.

Education in the New Age - Page 35:

The new education will deal with, analyse and interpret the laws of thought, because the mind will be regarded as the link between the soul and the brain.

These laws are the means whereby:

- (a) Ideas are intuited;
- (b) Ideals are promulgated;
- (c) Mental concepts or thoughtforms are constructed which in due time will make their impact telepathically upon the minds of men.

The Reappearance of The Christ - Page 154:

The truth lying behind all invocation is based upon the power of thought, particularly in its telepathic nature, rapport and aspect. The unified, invocative thought of the masses and the focussed directed thought of the New Group of World Servers constitute an outgoing stream of energy. This will reach telepathi-

cally those spiritual Beings who are sensitive and responsive to such impacts. Their evoked response sent out as spiritual energy will in turn reach humanity after having been stepped down into thought energy and in that form will make its due impact upon the minds of men, convincing them and carrying inspiration and revelation. Thus has it ever been in the history of the spiritual unfoldment of the world and the procedure followed in writing the world scripture.

The Soul and Its Mechanism - Page 148:

The recent spectacular experiments into the nature of telepathy are tending in the right direction, but this technique of telepathy is as yet in its infancy; much will be revealed when a distinction is made between communication from mind to mind, which is mental telepathy, and that much rarer form of communication between soul and soul and between soul and brain. This latter form is called inspiration ...

Telepathy and inspiration are as dependent upon the individual human etheric body and its relation to the universal ether as is light itself or the radio. They bear witness to this subtler world of spirit and of soul.

Discipleship in the New Age - Vol. I Page 24:

Those Lives who carry out the ideas of the Divine Mind exist in Their graded orders, and with the detail of Their groupings we are not concerned, except with the fact that the planetary Brotherhood is in telepathic rapport with Those Who are responsible for the planetary conditions in the solar system, with the Great Council, therefore, at Shamballa. They are also in immediate telepathic rapport with each other. The slowly manifesting powers of the radio and the sensitive workings of the perfecting radio mechanisms and of television,

are but the response in physical matter of the perfected telepathic powers and television of the minds of the Masters of the Wisdom. Forget not that such powers are inherent in all men.

The inner group of Masters with Whom I am associated work telepathically with Their disciples and the disciples with each other in lesser degree. The power to "see" the Master - which has been the misguided impulse of the devotees of the world who substitute this desire for aspiration towards soul contact - is but their response to the "television" of Those Who seek to guide them into the light of their own souls.

Your response to such stimulation as I can give you and an earnest endeavour on your part to love with unselfishness, will gradually perfect in you a similar relation to other workers. This will work out in three directions ...

Can you not see, therefore, how a miniature replica of the Brotherhood can be established on earth and how in decades to come working disciples of the world, the isolated initiates in the many world organisations and the personnel of the New Group of World Servers will automatically respond to the telepathic sensitivity of such groups as will be found working in the many Ashrams of the Masters? The result of this will lead to the recognition of a universal power.

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Extract from a talk given by Mr. Kees Beers on:

"THE SPIRITUAL SIGNIFICANCE OF U.F.O.'S".

DIVINE ORIENTATION:

There is much confusion concerning values, not only amongst the worldly minded, but also to an extent in the minds of those who strive to regain the great freedom of divine expression. May this treatise help to further the understanding of those facets of Truth, which are manifested in the particular period we now live in, the latter days of our cycle.

It is acknowledged, that although Truth ever remains the same, there are no two periods within or without time that Truth has manifested itself in an identical form or manner. Does not a baby at birth reveal itself to the mother in quite a different way than 21 years later? No two moments can be precisely the same, for God, Truth or Life, does not repeat itself, never expresses itself, in an identical manner.

In our present time, Life has its message also, part of which is a unique revelation of this era's importance, much in the same way that in the last school year, the life of a high school pupil signifies a greater importance than in previous years. To state now that the importance of our time lies in the fact that we are running out of time, does not help to understand the reasons nor the implications of this. Nor does it help to say that while time is available we should prepare ourselves, without the knowledge of the goal. And if the goal proves to be attractive to us, we should be shown the way to achieve it. If

someone intends to become a specialist, he needs the basic knowledge and training of a medical practitioner first. This applies to all fields of a more specialised understanding; all need a common grounding, a basic knowledge before the finer details of Life may be studied and known.

To try to understand the spiritual significance of the times we live in without some basic spiritual and universal understanding, is to find oneself in a cul-de-sac street of a strange city; or it can be likened to assembling a corner of a jig-saw puzzle without having all the other pieces, for although it may be a comprehensible detail in itself, the relationship with the greater part is lost. So it is when we wish to have a sound spiritual understanding of our particular time, we first need to have a general and wider field of understanding.

All knowledge is based on laws and the great law of the universe is the law of cause and effect, a law little understood by man in its deeper sense. Let us take a closer look.

The phenomena of Life, of Creation, need form-building and this not only applies to the visible plane of creation as we see it, but also to the, as yet to us, invisible planes or dimensions of creation. Now, all manifested Life, all forms or other expressions of Life, are governed by this immutable law of cause and effect. By this law all visible and invisible creations are brought forth. To a point we are familiar with this law, for when we plant a tulip bulb, we do not expect to grow a carrot; and when we push a ball over a smooth, level surface, we understand the relationship between the distance and direction of

travel and the force we exert on the ball before release. We take that aspect of the law for granted because we are familiar with it. But, as mentioned, the law of cause and effect is also the law of the inner dimension or kingdom, much in the same way that a machine or instrument is the result or outcome of an idea in the designer's mind. By the same law that all that is manifested belongs to a cause, so do all our thoughts accompany us as a spiritual force and nearly always manifest themselves incognito; hence it appears as if by chance and not by law and justice "things happen to us".

But to understand the signs of our time in the context of the greater picture of Life, where it concerns us even more, we need to take the understanding of the law of cause and effect much further. The law of cause and effect is not limited to the lifespan of a physical body, but rather outworks itself within the lifespan of the "earthly consciousness" of the soul. If it was limited to the lifespan of a human being, why is it that some people are born blind, while others are born with perfect sight and some even with extra-sensory perception? Why are some born in the poorest and ugliest of circumstances, while others are born healthy and wealthy and in the most harmonious surroundings? Why is it so natural for some to accept phenomena transcending earth-level concepts, while others do not even believe what they themselves see or what others see? Why is it that some grow up with an inborn urge for perfection, while others spend the same life force frivolously? If I did not believe that man had intelligent pre-existence before his birth on earth, I might have no option but to join the ranks of those who mumble that it must be the will of God, and so hold Him responsible for man's suffering or happiness.

The higher understanding of the law of cause and effect will reveal that any man is the result of his own past, that no man suffers or enjoys experiences caused by another apart from "the other" being instrumental to return to us what is our due. That which we have sown must ever be that which we will reap. The Book of Wisdom does not suggest that we shall also reap what we have not sown. That which we, as eternal beings, have caused to be, will accompany us as effects in disguise and is not bound to one body or expression in time. It is well known that "the law grinds exceedingly fine"; it does not forget the slightest. This harvest of our thoughts and deeds is our company along the road of our soul's experiences, through which experiences we have chosen to progress; to progress to the point of conscious action of our soul, and from that moment onwards to act as Law or Life giver in the great at-one-ment, instead of to react to the working of Life and Law.

God creates by "becoming" that which He creates. We, as sons of God, are co-creative, for have we not become that which He creates and are we not struggling to lift this dimension into His perfect keeping? Is the world to-day not crying out in its final labours?

We are God-beings, and have no beginning and no end. That at one stage we went into the outer dimensions on a mission of perfecting it through identification became our fall, for our identification with mortality and materiality and its ever-changing patterns became too intense to keep our inner attunement pure and changeless.

But this fall from divine at-one-ment is now nearly past. Our friends of the unseen realms know how near it is and they are fully prepared to lead us out of this earthly situation into the greater freedom of divine expression, our true nature.

Until now, through a process of birth and rebirth has man strived to grow out of his earthly limitations. Those who have progressed to a satisfactory level of consciousness, will now be offered the great helping hand of Cosmic Brotherhood.

The story of the prodigal son is the story of each one of us. Let us not think that it relates the history because we cannot remember any part of it.

The mercy of the Plan provides freedom for man to live unburdened from past memory, but man does take with him the sum total of his past life experiences. This "sum total" is expressed by his circumstances of life in general, his health, his character and its tendencies, reactions and the possibilities of expressing his soul through this medium of positive and negative qualities.

The understanding and experience of Life are not only gathered while being incarnate in a human body, but also while discarnate in other mansions of Life. The sum total of all his past life experiences determines in accordance with the law of cause and effect what manner of man or woman he or she will be in any given life.

When it is said that spiritual man left the Father's house, we must understand that we have always existed in the Father and the Father in us, that our departure from this at-one-ment has no lasting or spiritual reality. These was a time in the history of our very young souls that we wished to explore the Father's outer mansions, thereby manifesting ourselves as co-creators. But little did we know of the knowledge required to accomplish that feat, and it was in a state of naivety that we desired the knowledge of the outer and material

dimensions of consciousness, not at all realising the lengthy process or cycle that is required for the son who wishes to leave the bliss of the inner sphere where there is peace and completion, but no manifestation. It is like the six-year old child leaving its mother to go to school for the first time and only knowing in its naïve understanding what is required of it in the many years ahead.

When we left this inner sphere of peace and contentment, the Father supplied us with sufficient spiritual awareness and power to last us a lifetime, which is forever. But because we were untrained or immature in the seven aspects of being a son of God, simply because we were infants of knowledge, we spent our heritage unwisely and did not feel the need to replenish the consciousness of the inner dimension.

We are like a ray of pure light, which, while emanating from its source has to pass through a prism, manifesting itself as seven beams of prismatic light. We know what happens to a light spectrum when increasingly obscure glass is placed between this and the light source: the seven light bands distort, fade and become unrecognisable. Only when the spectrum is again fed by the unadulterated light, will it once more project in its original strength and beauty.

The seven precious gifts the Father endowed us with were represented in John's Revelation, where Christ spoke of the seven aspects of immortal man in the seven messages to the seven churches. The restoration of our inner attunement to the Christ-life within will restore us to the use of the seven divine attributes and re-establish us as divine cosmic beings.

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A continuation of this article will be printed in the next issue of Skywatch.

MEETINGS FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

DURBAN: June: International Sky Watch Day
 Saturday, 19th from 7 a.m. to
 Sunday, 20th at 7 a.m.

 July: Wednesday 28th at 8 p.m.

 August: Wednesday 25th at 8 p.m.

Meeting Place: The Centre, 3rd Floor, Progress House,
Hermitage Street, Durban.

JOHANNESBURG: June: International Sky Watch Day
 Saturday, 19th from 7 a.m. to
 Sunday, 20th at 7 a.m.

 July: Monday, 5th at 8 p.m.

 August: Monday, 2nd at 8 p.m.

Meeting Place: 17, Westmeath Road, Parkview,
Johannesburg. If any new friends
would like to attend these meetings
please contact Mrs. Neslie Schmultz
at the above address.

PRETORIA: Please contact Mr. Johan Jacobs at
P.O. Box 215, Pretoria, for notices
of meetings.

EAST LONDON: Please contact Mrs. Una Ryder-Clark
of 7, Mirbalt Court, Belgrave Road,
East London, for information on all
meetings.

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