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AT WORK AGAIN

This issue of the Triangle, No. 6, is dated September instead of August because of the vacation season and the non-issue of the Triangle during the month of August. The consecutive number is six, however, so that there is no break in the numbering of the issue. All our activities are renewed for the fall and winter with great encouragement, as will be noted in the article in this issue regarding our order's affiliations. The last issue of the Triangle served its purpose excellently well and has been put to very good use. However, notwithstanding what was said in the last issue and what is told again in this issue there are those in some cities as, for instance, New York City, Chicago, and even as close to us as Oakland, California, who claim that one or two other Rosicrucian movements or societies in this country are authentic ones or branches of the Ancient Rosicrucian Brotherhood and carefully avoid the definite claims made in our last issue of the Triangle. In Chicago, for instance, there has appeared one who claims to be a great Rosicrucian Light, revealing the Rosicrucian teachings of Egypt and offering these in series of ten and eleven lectures for a hundred or more dollars along with some other Hermetic verbiage. This great teacher held forth in England for a long time and then in New York under different names and conducting different movements, all designed to reach the innermost recesses of the purse. Some are misled into believing that in such manner as a few brief lectures or lessons and under the cloak of mysterious phraseology and incomprehensible ceremony the great secrets of life will be revealed and mystic power attained. The hour is soon at hand, however, when such methods and movements will come under a formidable ban and cease to exist even in the deepest shadows of the darkest valley. In the meantime don't be deceived or led from the path upon which you have entered if you have been fortunate enough to find the path.

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REGARDING OUR AFFILIATIONS

Referring to the matter presented in the last issue of the Triangle under the Pronunziamento No. 777, we wish to say that the A. M. O. R. C. has received official communications from various parts of the world relating to the reconstruction of Jurisdictions of the Rosicrucian Order decreed since the great war ended. From these communications we learn that our Rosicrucian Order (in its Latin name or translations) is organized in the following countries: North America, South America and its countries, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Great Britain, Russia, Poland, Germany, Austria, France, Switzerland, Spain and Portugal, Italy, Persia, Arabia, Egypt, Sicily, Malta, North coast countries of Africa, South Africa, Gold Coast of Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, South Sea Islands, Japan, China and India. In such other coun-

tries as Belgium and Holland, Turkey and the Balkan States, plans are not completed, while in Palestine the Order is about to announce its reorganization.

We further learn that the Jurisdiction of our Order here has been added to and that we are also empowered to act as representatives of certain English Lodges in other countries. But more important than this are the official papers of affiliation and fraternal relationship sent to us from many foreign centers and the honoring of our Imperator as an official of the highest Lodges of the Order in other countries.

One other item may interest our members. A large and interesting document was received during the month of August from a Sovereign Sanctum of Freemasonry abroad conferring upon our Imperator the highest Masonic degrees such as Honorary 33rd and the 90th and 95th Degrees of the Ancient and Primitive Rites of Memphis and Mizraim (under a charter of authority issued by John Yarker, 33rd, the eminent Masonic authority and historian and Sovereign Grand Master General of England) whereby our Imperator is given the Masonic titles of Prince of Memphis (Egypt), Member of the Sovereign Tribunal and Defender of the Order; and Sovereign Patriarchal Grand Conservator of the Rites, Sublime Prince of the Magi. The Honorary 33rd Degree carries with it the title of Knight Grand Inspector General. The document further makes the Imperator an Honorary Member of the Sovereign Sanctuary of Switzerland, Austria and Germany. These Masonic honors are conferred under the charter and authority of Grand Orient of ancient Gaul and the Supreme Sanctuary of Great Britain. Also the Ordo Templi Orientis (Oriental Order of the Temple, Fraternity of the Hermetic Light), has conferred its high degrees upon our Imperator with the title of Most Illustrious Sir Knight and Fratre R. C., appointing our Supreme Lodge in this country as Gage of Amity for the Ordo Templi Orientis of Europe.

Furthermore, the world council of the Rosicrucian Order, under its official title (translated), "The Supreme High Council of the Universe," through its Great White Collegium (Lodge), announces its forthcoming annual pronouncements, conferring upon our Order some high honors and making all our high degree members of the Supreme Grand Lodge of North America, Honorary Members of the Grand Shrine of Egypt and of the Illuminati of India by virtue of the power of the Magister of the Temple R. C. at Calcutta. This Supreme High Council of the Universe has under its immediate direction more than thirty of the Secret Orders of the world which have existed since the dawn of civilization, which means all the esoteric Orders or Fraternities, including the Essenes, Oriental Theosophists, Esoteric Masonry, Rose-Croix de Heredom, Krata Repoa of Egypt, Rites of Mithras, Knights of Jerusalem, Oriental Druids, L'Ordre du Martinisme, Oriental Knights Templar, the Order Rosae Crucis, etc. The practise of all the ancient

and primitive rites of these Orders, the conferring of their degrees and the establishment of their Lodges are under the control of this Supreme Council, and thereby all are united into one large and co-operative, harmonious, secret organization. Our Imperator is a high officer of this Council and all our members who reach the Twelfth (Illuminati) Degree of our Order will be appointed official representatives of this Council.

By all this it will be seen that the A. M. O. R. C. is the only organization, body, society or group of Rosicrucians in America (or in the world, for that matter) having the approval, recognition and direction of the Supreme High Council of all ancient and modern Secret Rites.

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INTERESTING NOTES

We have just learned that the mummy of Queen Ti, mother of Amenhotep IV, which was brought to America some time ago, is now in the museum of the Emory University of Atlanta. If any of our members can get to this place to examine the mummy and translate the ancient tablet that is with it we will be glad to have further information for publication in the Triangle.

The recent epidemic of suicide, especially among children, can be easily traced to the Aquarian influence upon the minds of those who have not come to appreciate mystical laws and interpret impulses and strange desires as they should be interpreted.

In a very recent book on color vision and the psychology of seeing by an eminent authority, we find the scientific mind reveals itself as it often reveals itself in regard to things that are known theoretically and not by law. The first two chapters of the book deal with the easily known and demonstrated physiological nature and function of the eye. Chapter three begins the serious part of the book dealing with the psychological basis of color vision and in the first paragraph of chapter three we read: "In this long and complicated path there are two points of contact (study), the physico-physiological and the physiologic-psychological. Of the former we know a little, and the elements of our knowledge have been discussed in the last chapter. Of the latter we know nothing." Then the author proceeds to write nearly 300 pages regarding that of which he admits he knows nothing.

In regard to the Tell-El-Amarna activities in Egypt we wish to advise our members that response to the Imperator's suggestion in connection therewith has not been as complete or as prompt as was expected and this little veiled hint is to remind you of your privilege and opportunity at this time. Speak to your Master or high degree members regarding this matter at once.

We read in a copy of Hermes, the official Rosicrucian Magazine, published by the Grand Lodge of Mexico that the Masons and Rosicrucians in Mexico City have founded a large occult, metaphysical library there and named it the Harvey Spencer Lewis Library. As they state, he has been one of the great authors of recent times to the unveiling of metaphysical knowledge. If you have a copy of this magazine let us take this opportunity to ask our Spanish speaking members that they send this magazine in the Spanish Language in-teresting. If further information is desired about it write to the Supremo Secretary, 1255 Market Street.

The Pristine Church of the Rose Cross is being organized in a number of cities, full details of which will probably be given in our next issue. In San Francisco the Church has increased in membership and number of attendance each Sunday and it is now the largest spiritual, scientific, or metaphysical assembly or congregation in the city. It has recently moved to greater and more pleasant location in a beautiful building used for civic meetings in the residential section of the city and a branch is being planned for Oakland, the city across the bay from San Francisco.

The Supreme Grand Master is now located with National Headquarters in San Francisco and all communications for him from officers and members should be addressed to this place.

Those interested in studying and mastering the International Language as presented in Cromat A of our official handbooks will be glad to know that since the Armistice was signed the interest in this world-wide language has been taken up again by the various linguistic committees and authorities in various universities and groups throughout many lands and its use is being widened and approved by individuals and institutions almost universally. Note the special announcement regarding this matter somewhere in this issue.

An amusing incident occurred when a member of our order in Pittsburgh wrote to the Rosicrucian order in England asking for membership in that order and inquiring whether there was a branch of the Ancient Rosicrucian Order in America. His letter was promptly answered by the Order in England, and his inquiry mailed to us to inform him that there was a Lodge of the order in his city. This in turn was given to the Master of his Lodge and in this wise he was made acquainted with the fact that could have been answered with a telephone call in his own city. We have received from the order in England recently enquiries from persons in various parts of the United States, including San Francisco. It shows that despite the conservative publicity we give our work and the amount of literature distributed that there are many seekers near us who do not know of us. Have you any suggestions to make for more efficient propaganda for the benefit of such seekers.

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NOTES OF LODGES

We have just received an official report from the Secretary of Tlaloc Lodge No. 17, situate in the city of Tampico, Republic of Mexico, in which we read that on the 4th and 5th day of August, the first and second parts of the first degree initiation were conducted with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers from Mexico City. We further read that at the close of the second part of the ceremony, "the Worshipful Grand Master of Mexico, representing the Imperator of the Supreme Lodge of North America and the Grand Lodge of Mexico, made delivery of the charter for the Tlaloc Lodge No. 17 to the new brethren there, their Master-Elect, and Tlaloc Lodge of Amore from that moment was declared legally and duly installed and constituted in strict conformity with the Constitution of the Order." This was followed by an address by the Grand Lodge Officers, complimenting the Masons and others of Tampico upon their excellent work in establishing a large and enthusiastic Lodge. We extend our official congratulations and best wishes to this new Lodge.

We are informed that Delta Lodge No. 1, Philadelphia, has moved its Temple and social and reading rooms to a new locality on Broad Street, near the Metropolitan Opera House, where with increased space and additional facilities the Lodge will greatly increase its membership, add to its activities and conduct a branch of the Pristine Church. The Master and several brothers of this Lodge have gone to considerable expense and responsibility in securing and establishing these new rooms and Temple and we understand that the new Temple is to be even more beautiful and symbolical than the one just vacated. We extend to Delta No. 1 our best wishes and congratulations.

We wish to announce that during July Brother Goetz of Delta Lodge No. 1 passed to the higher realms, and the beautiful Rosicrucian ceremony, celebrating and symbolizing his rising to the higher degrees was conducted in the Temple. Brother Goetz was greatly loved by the members of his Lodge and those of the C. C. who knew him personally and by correspondence. We will always remember him because of the work he accomplished in behalf of the order and his particular Lodge.

A charter has been granted for a Grand Lodge for the State of Texas located at San Antonio. This Lodge has been in process of organization for only a few weeks and has rapidly grown to good size and great interest. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to Grand Master and Officers of Quetzal Grand Lodge.

In Boston, New York, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Tampa, and other Eastern cities the activities of the Lodge which were partially suspended during the month of August have all resumed the full activities again, and the utmost enthusiasm is being shown in the work of the highest degrees.

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AMORC COLLEGE NOTES

The lessons of the second term in the course of Arcane Cosmology are being prepared now and issued, and our College students should receive them almost as soon as this paper reaches them. The lessons of the second term are very important, dealing with a very intricate and interesting subject and will be issued every two weeks during the fall and winter months.

Another course is also now ready, that of Practical Astrology. It consists of a course of lessons in the art of erecting a horoscopolical map from any birth date, instructions for computing or figuring the aspects, and the outlining of additional aspects pertaining to possible future events for any given year with further instructions in the proper method of reading these aspects and securing the proper interpretation of all the signs and symbols in each map. The course will be in six or more parts and is accompanied by several books, one of which is given with the course. The lessons have been prepared with the idea in mind that the student who receives them knows nothing whatever of Astrology and they are therefore graded in very easy steps and well illustrated. The complete course costs \$5.00, \$2.00 of which is payable when the student enrolls and the balance paid as parts of the course are delivered. The first part covering the lessons on the making of the map is ready for those students who desire it.

Other courses will soon be added to the College curriculum as time permits. All correspondence in regard to these matters should be addressed to Amorc College, 1255 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

REGARDING NEW MEMBERS

The new plan of accepting new members by having them first initiated into the National Lodge and then transferred to local lodges after proper test and investigation as voted upon by all lodges will be put into operation by January first in all jurisdictions. Most jurisdictions have already adopted this plan and new members are being accepted on this basis. In some jurisdictions, however, applications of candidates have been on hand for some time under the old plan and for various reasons they have not yet been initiated, consequently until all applications on hand in all lodges have been cleared from their present status the new plan cannot be put into effect universally, but the Imperator has issued a statement deciding that not later than the end of this year—which means only a few months more—this new method of accepting members must be in general use.

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HELP FOR MEMBERS

Several new books are being prepared at headquarters for the guidance and help of our members in the mastery of their work. One is a complete dictionary of the terms, words, symbols, phrases and principles used in our teachings with not only complete definitions but cross references, examples, illustrations and indications as to what lectures and what phases of our work the words and terms relate and refer to. The other book is an account of a great cosmic principle and law recently revealed and pertaining to much of our higher work and especially to the peculiar experiences that members in the higher degrees are having from time to time. This latter can be presented in an interesting story, making plain every point to our members without revealing anything to those who have not had our studies. It will no doubt be one of the most valuable helps we have ever given to those of our members who are above the 7th degree.

Time and funds are the two elements which at the present time prevent the issuance of these books. A third publishing matter is in our minds at the present time and that is the issuance of little leaflets, one for each degree of our work containing an abstract of the teachings of the degree in such form that the members will understand and be able to use them but reveal nothing to those who have not had the complete lectures. These leaflets will serve in place of the taking of notes at lectures and at the same time be more accurate and have certain cross references and illustrations which the member's note books do not have. Unless we have specific help in the matter of funds for the purpose of publishing these various books and leaflets they will remain for the time being in embryo.

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MEMBRI!! ATTENTCEZ!!

Me esas preparata nun korektar la textalibri e vortalibri di ci membri qua desiras havar la libri korektis a ca dato. Se vu desiras vua libro korektis, skribas a me tale ke me povas dicar vu kande sendar ol. Me havas kelka ldo-Angla vortalibri, quo vendas po kin cent-i. Earl Wayne Sutton, Elyria, Ohio.

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THE VANITY OF MAN

When you meet some one who boasts that in a material, objective, physical way he or she is important, great, and mighty, without giving credit to

the inner self you may find the following facts helpful in making that person realize of what little importance the physical man is: A careful analysis of the physical body of man shows that the ingredients are as follows: Fat enough for seven bars of soap, iron enough for a medium sized nail, sugar enough to fill a shaker, lime enough to whitewash a chicken coop, phosphorous enough to make 2200 match tips, magnesium enough for a dose of magnesia, potassium enough to explode a toy cannon, sulphur enough to rid a dog of fleas. This whole collection would cost about 98 cents, even during the high war prices, and there is just enough water in the body to drown it all.

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SMILES

(Written Specially for The Triangle by Placidus)

Our lives are so filled with things worth while
That it only behooves us to smile, smile, smile.
Smiles are not things we should husband or guard
For smiles will come back if smiles you discard.
How little we know, as we go down life's path,
The great good we do with a smile or a laugh.
It will lighten the hearts of the children at play,
The sun will shine brighter that shines on that day.
It will break down the fortress of cold hardened hearts,
It will make things run smoother in life's busy marts.
It will uplift the widow bowed down by grief's weight,
It will throw off the burden placed on you by fate.
So don't try to keep them, but let them go free,
And then you'll be happy, as happy can be.

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BOOK RECOMMENDATION

So many of our members have enquired regarding a set of books entitled "Sacred Books of the East" brought out a few years ago by a research society and containing as volume two the writings of Amenhotp and others of Egypt, which volume was edited and the illustrations selected by our Imperator, that we are pleased to announce now that the publishers of these books have gotten out a popular set which our members may purchase. The first edition was limited to members of the research society and were expensively bound and costly to secure. Through the kind offer of a representative of the publishers in San Francisco we are able to announce that the entire set of 14 volumes bound in blue library cloth with deckled edges, gold top, and gold lettering, may be purchased for \$89.60, payable by our members at the rate of \$5.00, with the order and \$5.00 monthly until paid in full. Masons or those interested in Masonic matters will be presented with an additional volume called a "Masonic Compendium to the Sacred Books of the East," which is really a key to the symbolical writings contained in these volumes. Those interested in having a set of these rare books should write directly to the representative here, Mr. J. H. Joynt, 256 Sutter St., San Francisco, California, but please be sure and mention that you are a member of Amorc in order to secure this low price and these reasonable terms.

THE FLIGHT

I held my soul within my hand,
A radiant and restless bird.
Every iridescent plume
Gleamed and quivered in the gloom
Covering the silent land.
Every shining feather stirred;
Breast and back and crest and wing
Were like jewels shimmering.

As I stood men came to me
And said, "You mean to let him go
Full-pinioned? Rather clip him first,
Lest from the net of night he burst,
And rising in the sunlight, free,
Sink not to darkness here below."
I soothed him with a whispered word,
And said, "I will not clip my bird."

"Then bind him with an oath," they said,
"To fly but to a middle height,
Lest springing up too fast and far,
Lured by the magic of a star,
He vanish into heaven, fled
Beyond the boundary of night."
I said, "He shall go from me free;
I will not bind my bird to me."

"If he but rise above the trees
And see the stars shine clear and cold,
Or, at a greater height, a streak
Of sunlight on an eastern peak,
Yet he will come and tell of these
Visions and wonders manifold;
Or at the splendor of the sight
Whirl up triumphant in full flight.

"His wings shall beat against the sun,
Blaze for a moment in its fire;
He shall leap beyond its light
Into the vast and star-strewn night,
Till stars have into chaos spun.
Then shall the sting of his desire
Suddenly and strangely cease.
In his heart shall come a peace.
He shall fold his wings and rest
Tranquilly upon God's breast."

—Theodore H. Banks, Jr.