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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

## From the CALIPH

### ON THE FOUR WORLDS DOCTRINE (2)

In ON THE FOUR WORLDS DOCTRINE in the Dec 1984ev THE MAGICKAL LINK I brought your attention to how energy cycles thru four dimensions in this Universe and what happens to it when it flows. In terms of the Archetypal/Primordial Man as it is sometimes illustrated think of

Atziloth as Kether Archetypal	HEAD
Briah as Tiphereth Creative	BREAST
Yetzirah as Yesod Formative	GENITALS
Assiah as Malkuth Material	FEET

Then think of your body...and psychic body...the way it is illustrated in Yogic psychic body charts...like what we think of as an electric battery or a magnet with energy leaving the bottom end and cycling back outside the body/magnet/battery and re entering from the top down.

In working w/this doctrine in Crowley's metaphysical universe, it occurred to me it paralleled the 4 Worlds of Philosophy I had outlined for myself while studying for my Master's Degree in Political Theory at U.C. Berkeley in the 1950's e.v. That is, our fundamental understanding of Reality is the Science of Ontology. This decays into Epistemology, the Theory of Knowledge by which we explain most things to ourselves which

then decays into Axiology, our Formative Theory of Values, and it is upon these 3 progressive foundations stones that we experience and evaluate the realms of Sociology/Economics/Politics/Humanities in the world we live in.

This ability of the human being to evaluate, to exercise judgment, is the distinguishing characteristic between the Qualitative Universes of Crowley's Metaphysics...the Physics of Metaphysics...and the Quantitative Universes of Mathematical Physics which up to recently absolutely denied that Aleister Crowley or any other magician could be right about anything because so far as they were concerned those universes do not exist. They were not "hard-metal" mathematics. That is changing. Stochastic Process, statistics, is coming up topologies that bring the two together as necessary complements of each other. We will be getting more into the Qualitative Disciplines in future articles.

In the FOUR WORLDS CHART printed in the Dec 1984ev THE MAGICKAL LINK, Columns IV, VIII, X and XI were contributed by Erin Earthchild. I have asked her to give us comments, and they are enclosed in the Footnotes immediately following this article.

Blessed Beast!

H.A. 777 \*

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## Footnotes to On the 4 Worlds Doctrine

1. Col. IV\*: Grady had told me about this arrangement of philosophical concepts in a personal conversation some years ago; on Fall Equinox, 1984 e.v., I asked him to give me the run-down again, and we had the conversation which resulted in laying out this chart.

2. Col. VIII\*: This should be 2 cols., really--Forces=Gravity, Electromagnetism, Strong Nuclear Force, Weak Nuclear Force; Vectors =Energy, Space, Time, Matter; also, Col. IX should be 2 cols., the color scales given by A.C. in 777, as one, & the Tarot cards that especially pertain to the 4 Worlds as another; my thanks to Tony and Liz for joining us that day & shedding light on the disposition of the 4 forces; also, to Arden for helping me to determine the disposition of the 4 vectors.

3. Col. X\*: In the course of our conversation I was asking Grady about the reason for casting a magik circle with Earth in the north, and he mentioned R. Graves' novel Watch the North Wind Rise; it didn't add anything to our discussion really, but his comment set me to thinking that this might be a clue for the successful reconciliation of Thelema and Wicca--i.e., as G. has said, there is a field reversal for every change of universe/world, which is an idea borne out by electronics and physics.

4. Col. XI\*: These explanatory models for the meanings of the Qualities (Col. II), come from a Tarot class I took in 1983, e.v., from Jason Lotterhand in San Francisco. Or at least my understanding of your ideas, Jason. Again, Arden was helpful in the development of my understanding, and he mentions Yetzirah as the warehouse, as well as the assembly line.

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Sr. Amardi, O°  
Alpha House, 12-22-84

## HERU-RA-HA LODGE of Newport Beach California Autumn Activities

- 10-2 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Venus
  - 10-9 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Venus
  - 10-12 RITE OF VENUS 9pm  
Feast of Aphrodite 11pm
  - 10-13 Seminar  
Symbolism of IT
  - 10-16 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Mercury
  - 10-21 Gnostic Mass, noon
  - 10-23 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Mercury
  - 10-24 RITE OF MERCURY 9pm  
Feast of Hermes 11pm
  - 11-4 Seminar  
Symbolism of III°
  - 11-6 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Luna
  - 11-13 Magick Class  
Magical images of Luna
  - 11-17 RITE OF LUNA (at 93 Camp) 9pm  
Feast of Diana 11pm
  - 11-18 Gnostic Mass noon
  - 11-24 Magick Class 8pm  
Enochian Magick,  
the 30 aethers
  - 11-27 Magick Class 8pm  
Enochian Magick  
the 30 aethers
  - 12-4 Magick Class 8pm  
Enochian Magick  
the Elemental Tablets
  - 12-11 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of Earth
  - 12-16 Gnostic Mass, noon
  - 12-18 Magick Class 8pm  
Magical images of the Rite  
of Demeter
  - 12-21 THE RITE OF DEMETER 9pm  
Feast of the Winter Solstice
- (ALL ACTIVITIES DURING THIS PERIOD  
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## Mt. Olympus Chapter

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of the Law.

Greetings & Salutations! Peace & Joy!

Once again Olympus Chapter descends  
from the dizzy heights of obscurity  
into the honest-to-goodness real world  
of communication and literary device.

It has been months since the Order  
at large has been informed of our  
activities here in the land of good  
manners and Ronald Reagan, so I will  
bring to light that which has lain in  
darkness for so many moons.

Once again, and for the fourth year  
in a row, we celebrated Crowley's  
Rites of Eleusis. We began the series  
of seven rituals back in July and  
finished with the Rite of Luna in  
October, having done one Rite every  
other week until the end. As usual,  
each one was a unique and singular  
experience. Frater Adonai performed  
the planetary banishings and invocations  
for each ritual and this lent an air of  
continuity and singular purpose to  
the whole series. Also, our own Soror  
Shavaz was in town for the Rite of  
Mercury and so it seemed much like  
old times. With so many of our  
members having moved away from the  
area, this was a set of Rites in  
which many of us had a part in each  
and every ritual and despite this  
fact, they came off very well.

Also, last March, the first  
initiations of Mt. Olympus Chapter  
were held; two Minervals were  
accepted into the Order.

For the future we are planning a  
Winter Solstice Ritual and general  
meeting of the Chapter to discuss  
future activities. Also, a Gnostic  
Mass is scheduled for Spring Equinox  
and the Rites will probably be done  
again in 1985. Also, initiations are  
coming up again, so we are actively  
planning those.

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Peace, tolerance, truth, and  
all that jazz,  
from us servants of Our  
Lady of the Balances. Maat Camp  
congratulates Soror Laetitia  
on her recent III° initiation  
and "Little John" and Michael  
on successful Minerval years. They  
are now "born again" Thelemites.  
So what (SV VWHAT = 93)?  
Other projects on which we Maat-ers are  
working in our individualistic  
ways include Hatha Yoga, Thelemic  
Rituals, T'ai Ch'i Chuan, and  
studies in Tarot and Qabala.  
In parting, we present a few  
shots from the Questioner in the  
Hall of Maat:

1) On what 3 themes in contemporary  
popular culture do initiates of I° OTO  
have an interesting new perspective?

2) Who is ADA EAIRD and what does  
she signify?

3) Is a I° OTO initiate thrice or  
four times born?

4) Will the author of the real  
NECRONOMICON please sit down?

5) Why can't basketball players be  
members of IX° OTO?

6) How can you be in two places at  
once when you're not anywhere at all?

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## AZOTH ENCAMPMENT

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Hail and Greetings to All! Newly born, we sit quietly and contemplate our future plans. We save our strength and gear for battle. The enemy: discord within our Holy Order. Coming forth in Southern California, we have been exposed to feelings and opinions from differing and oftentimes opposing factions in the membership. We have heard many complaints, but no solutions.

I would like to point out some things of great importance. Every member of the Order, providing that he or she has performed "Will," has indicated that it is his or her will "to do battle in the cause of Freedom according to The Book of the Law." Our Order is, therefore, a battalion of Freedom Fighters. The Commander-in-Chief of this illustrious and holy army is The Supreme and Holy King, the Grand Master Baphomet, represented in the outer by Our Beloved Caliph, Hymenaeus Alpha, 777. In light of the fact that the Order may be viewed correctly as a perfect manifestation and reflection of the inner constitution of Man, this Grand Master may be simultaneously understood to be the inner Baphomet, the Union of God and Man, the point of balance, the Holy Guardian Angel, "a pure heart, and the Serpent flame therein".

Yes, it may be said that we are all Soldiers of Freedom; but how can an army hope to win such a glorious victory when there is dissent among the troops? We must be unified in action as well as in purpose. As a group, we must stand strong in our allegiance to the Caliph, and as individual Thelemites we must each strive to strengthen the link with the Angel. The whole worth of the Order is in its membership. A ladder is only as strong as its weakest rung.

If it is the will of the membership to ensure the preservation, growth, and prosperity of our Order, each member must strive to be an exemplar of the O.T.O.; nay, to BE the O.T.O., in essence. Let all actions be under the jurisdiction of a

heart duly branded with "Do what thou wilt" and emanating pure 93!

If my comrades should ask me what I think can be done to improve the morale of the membership and restore a sense of brotherhood, my answer would be simple:

Do what thou wilt  
shall be the whole of the Law.

With love under will,  
Fra. V.L., 10

P.S. We at Azoth Encampment support with zeal our local sponsor, Baphomet Lodge, and its Master, Fra. Yod, in the campaign to incorporate the ethical considerations set forth in the Blue Equinox on as wide a scale as possible, beginning with the grass roots. We are receptive and responsive to ideas, opinions, and feelings of the membership. We urge you to contact us, if you will, should you have any feedback. In the near future, we hope to host an open forum or two when significant interest is shown. Our address is on the contact sheet.

### SEKHET BAST RA CAMP

The Campmaster is reviving from a temporary departure from the path of health and wishes to thank all who have been so supportive. We are still in the process of looking for a place to do our work. We are also in the process of making some local state contacts in other areas than Oklahoma.

We can still be contacted at P.O. Box 60311, OKC, OK 73106. "Keep pure your highest ideal; strive ever toward it without allowing aught to stop you or turn you aside, even as a star sweeps upon its incalculable and infinite course of glory, and all is Love. The Law of your being becomes Light, Life, Love and Liberty. All is peace, all is harmony and beauty, all is joy." (Liber DCCCXXXVII)



Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law.



## 12. Pi Standstill (Stagnation)

Heaven is above, drawing further and further away, while the earth below sinks farther into the depths. The creative powers are not in relation. It is a time of standstill and decline. This hexagram is linked with the seventh month, when the year has passed its zenith and decay is setting in.

### The Judgement

STANDSTILL. INFERIOR PEOPLE DO NOT FURTHER THE PERSEVERANCE OF THE SUPERIOR MAN THE GREAT DEPARTS; THE SMALL APPROACHES. Heaven and earth are out of communion and all things are benumbed. What is above has no relation to what is below. On earth confusion and disorder prevail. The dark power is within, the light power is without. Weakness is within, harshness is without. Within the inferior is on the ascent, and without the superior is on the decline. But the superior people do not allow themselves to be turned from their principles. If the possibility of exerting influence is closed to them, they nevertheless remain faithful to their principles and withdraw into seclusion.

### The Image

HEAVEN AND EARTH DO NOT UNITE:  
THE IMAGE OF STANDSTILL.

THUS THE SUPERIOR MAN FALLS BACK UPON HIS INNER WORTH IN ORDER TO ESCAPE DIFFICULTIES.

INFERIOR PEOPLE ATTEMPT TO FLATTER THE PRINCE INTO THEIR SERVICE.

HE DOES NOT PERMIT HIMSELF TO BE HONORED WITH REVENUE.

When people live in opposition and estrangement they cannot carry out a great undertaking in common. Owing to the influence of inferior men, mutual mistrust prevails in the public life, fruitful activity is rendered impossible because the fundamentals are wrong. Therefore the superior knows what he must do under such circumstances; he does not allow himself to be tempted by dazzling offers to take part in public activities. This would expose him to danger and frustration. Since he cannot assent to the meanness of others, he hides his worth and withdraws into seclusion. Only the power of the initiated spirit is strong enough to attract helpers who can be effectively organized, so that through the well directed co-operation of all participants, stagnation is overcome. Thus progress and fraternity are renewed.

Love is the law, love under will.



On November 20, AN LXX en, AYIN Camp gathered itself together and leapt into Force. We began celebrating the coming of the Goat into the fields of midnight (a month early!!) with an invocation of the power named, for convenience, Baphomet/[A]Bavmitra, the name of eight letters to be equilibrated by the Three. The forces of death & regeneration, Pathos 24 (Nun) and 26 (Ayin) respectively, were activated, experienced as discreet units and then fused (as in nuclear). The effect will not manifest until the coming of the Goat Capricorn into dominance.

We then consecrated & consumed the "joy of the earth" and celebrated communion with the Force and Fire, that he might manifest as the spirit of the Goat to carry men off to the pinnacle (after which they must leap for themselves, devoid of Goats, Gods or Guardians...but that's a future scenerio...) Meetings are scheduled bi-weekly and Soror Andriocoon I has been named treasurer. We're planning an ecstatic "Holy Hexagram" ritual invocation and feast on December 25... "O Star of wonder, star of Light..." as last year.

May the AYIN

EYE-INside you be an open portal through which you find access to your own Ultimate.

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### KILILI CAMP REPORT

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of the Law.

Kilili Camp has been especially busy these past few months. In addition to somewhat irregular performances of the Gnostic Mass, we performed a group invocation of the Goddess Kilili which was a ravaging success. Thanks are due to all participants for their extensive creative work on this complicated ritual.

We moved right along to a most amusing Samhain howling a few days later. Fran especially seemed inspired by the night's theme: "The opiate of the people."

Shortly thereafter we found ourselves up to our necks in preparations for the Minerval and first degree initiations which took place Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> e.v. Bill Padgett of Eulis encampment was our formidable Saladin, and his associate, John, was the Wazir. We all deeply appreciate their help, insight, and good cheer. A grand time was had by all, and we did manage to preserve the traditional pre-initiation excursion to the infamous Dungeon late the night before. Well, you'll just have to experience an initiation at Kilili if you wish to be in the know...

A special thanks is also due to our newest associate member, Brooks, whose assistance in the preparation of complex temple furnishings made all of the above rituals possible. He has a unique gift for turning abstract concept into wood and nail and paint.

In general, Kilili is feeling her foundations grow more sound. Plans for upcoming months include workshops on Liber AL, as well as a new series on Magick in Theory and Practice. We also plan a trip to Austin, Texas, to look into the Crowley material that is sleeping there.

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We of the Twin Star wish to thank Mike and Michell of the Ra Hour Kuit Lodge for holding our initiations last CROWLEYMASS. A gathering of our tribe occurred at the Thoth Camp with people coming in from Kentucky, Pennsylvania, and of course Boston. A special thanks, and blessings of Light, Life Liberty and Love to Fra. Bob for putting us up and putting up with us. Along with our new minervals, sister Laylah was raised to 1st, and Daemon to 2nd.

For Hallow's, Daemon representing our camp joined the Pumpkin Lady of Boston's project to create a video showing the Good side of Magick. Too Long have we of the Magickal World been branded as creatures of the Macabre by the shock and shlock mongers of the Cinematic community. This video will be a blow for our side.

As for the camps future plans for the next few months we of the Twin Star shall be getting into the 4R's : Rites, Rituals, Rest and Relaxation. And Peace shall reign.

A final thanks to the Unicorn Star and Fra. Dracoola 1\* for acknowledging our report. And finally a note to an old comrade. Get your Spider Ring out you of the Three Mothers. Laylah is 6 and CK is 5-Both are one in the Twin. Om ha ha ha!







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O.A.K. Camp would like to continue to share the following excerpt from the new book THE DIAMOND BODY. It is from Part IV. Contemporary Applications, b. Meditation and Resonance Effects.

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A human being, immersed in the galactic hydrogen-helium field, may also utilize the pulsing feedback between man and the galaxy to build up the resonance effects, much like we would tune a radio. These primary frequencies are multiples of the base frequency 7 Hz.

The four nucleotides provide resonant frequencies for alpha, theta, and delta. The characteristic brain states going from consciousness to deep sleep is 14-2 Hz. This resonance relationship can be seen to link with helium inside the body at various chemical sites.

The bridge connecting the solar system resonances and the brain frequencies seems to reside in the DNA-RNA helix.

In a paper by Oliver Reiser<sup>1</sup> from the University of Pittsburgh, a relationship is developed between the four helium cores in an atomic nucleus and the matrix forms on the RNA and DNA. Reiser describes them as "radiation belts of thought," the four "nucleotides" in the double helix of the genes. He has some support.

Linus Pauling<sup>2</sup> noted that the arrangements of spherons constitute a Platonic solid and that "resonances" enter into the dynamics of these nuclear properties. A spheron is a nuclear constituent roughly spherical in shape and spaced in concentric layers.

The Platonic solids are the five regular solids described by Pythagoras, now seen to form all crystal formations. These forms later became the basis of the mathematics known as group theory. The so-called "resonances" were specific combinations of the five regular solids geometry.

"Helions" is Pauling's term for spherons when he modeled the helium in the sun, the heliosphere around the earth, and the hydrogen-helium plasma of the galactic disc. An optically activated molecule, such as helium, contains an electron which is coerced into a helical path by an electric field. This one-sided spiral is maintained in the intermolecular transport through protein molecules. Note, that the protein units of "spherical viruses" are packed symmetrically, in accordance with the pattern of cubic symmetry. Once more we find our way back to Pythagoras and the Platonic solids!

"If quantum mechanical properties of matter are actually the conscious property of matter, then one would predict that in all phenomena where quantum wave explanations are important, the phenomena could be interpreted better in terms of consciousness."

Our planet is surrounded by a layer of electrically charged particles called the Ionosphere. The lower layer of the Ionosphere starts about 80 km from the earth. This charged layer is known to reflect radio waves.

Since this is a highly charged layer, the Ionosphere forms a so-called capacitor with the earth. This means that there is a difference in electrical potentials between the two, the earth being negatively charged and the Ionosphere being positive. This potential varies somewhat but is around 200 volts/m.

This is a fundamental type of electrical generator. The solar winds, interacting with the upper atmosphere rotation, act as a collector and brushes of a generator. The lower atmosphere can be seen as a storage battery for this gradient potential.

The electrostatic fields around the earth can be viewed as a stiff jelly. When our bodies move and vibrate, these movements are transmitted to the environment. These fields not only impinge on our body but they also affect the charges inside them. When we are standing on the ground, under normal conditions, we are grounded. Our body then acts as a sink for the electrostatic fields and we actually distort the force lines somewhat.

Our body also has its own electrostatic field about itself. These field-lines are a result of the various biochemical reactions in the body. This resultant bio-field couples us to the iso-electric fields of the planet.

A "tuned system" consists of at least two oscillators of identical resonance frequencies. If one of the oscillators starts emitting, the other will be activated by the signal very shortly. Because the coupling is ideal, they will respond to the tiniest signals and begin to resonate.

In 1957, W.O. Schumann<sup>4</sup> calculated the earth-ionosphere cavity resonance frequencies. His works were updated over the years and the figure now used is at 7.5 Hz. As indicated previously, the micromotion of the body is about 6.8 to 7.5 Hz.

It is obvious that when one is in deep meditation, it is possible for the human being and the planet to start several resonances. There is a transfer of energy. It is no coincidence that this frequency is the Theta region of brainwaves, the state of maximum regeneration of tissue.

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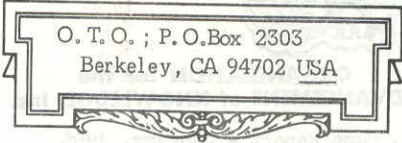
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The first three months here at OZ have already been fraught with FUN! The house we have moved into is already beginning to respond to our proddings and to come to life as a functional dwelling/meeting-place. We completed work on our temple just in time for the joint OZ-Eulis Southeastern Convocational, during which Bil Padgett, assisted by our Brother Byron Hensley, conducted the first Minerval initiation ever performed by THE O.T.O. in Tennessee. Bil and all of the other members of Eulis in attendance were pleased with our progress here in Murfreesboro, and we hope to be able to continue it for quite some time to come. Already there are three other people interested in our work, and we have gained many friends to the Thelemic cause in the area...all of this without recruitment or publicizing our presence to the community-at-large!

Our library should be getting a shot in the arm soon, as we have placed some search orders for some of the harder to find books in Thelemic and other germaine topix with a rare book dealer in Nashville. Our present plans include gearing up a selective recruitment campaign in the Murfreesboro and Nashville areas, further initiations via Eulis, and possibly a trip to N.Y.C. early next year (if our budgets hold out!). We plan to be careful in our recruitment- here in the "buckle of the bible-belt", awful things have a potential for happening to those who are versed in our Art; nevertheless, if we just follow the path of Mildness, we can effect a change...even here in this wilderness!

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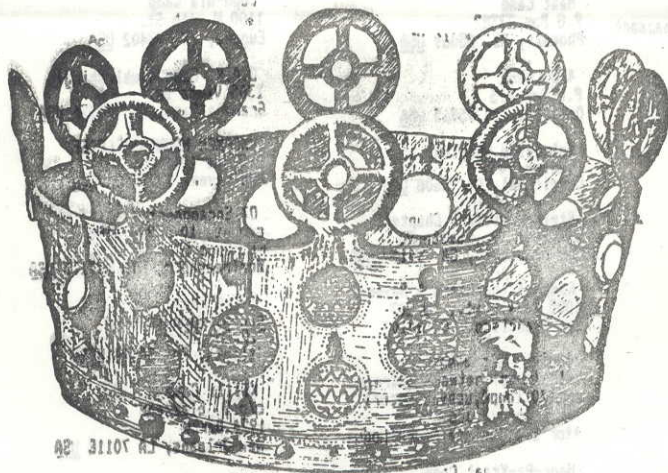
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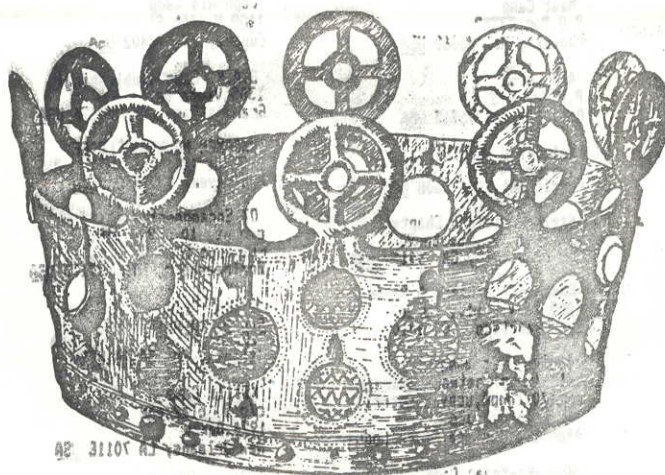
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# The Magickal Link

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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

## From the CALIPH

### ON WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO FLAMING BABALON?

"A new order substitutes for the divine.  
A silence falls upon the spirit's heights.  
From the veiled sanctuary the God retires,  
Empty and cold is the chamber of the Bride;

... ..

A flame that sang in Heaven sinks quenched  
and mute,

In ruin ends the epic of a soul.  
This is the tragedy of the inner death  
When forfeited is the divine element  
And only a mind and body live to die."

p. 255 Sri Aurobindo's Savitri

(Pondicherry, India, 1970)

The resurgence of Christian "conventional morality" traits, as Bernard Shaw put it in MY FAIR LADY, in otherwise viable Thelemes is one of those things we never looked for. And yet so reasonable when you stop to think about it ... not that I approve ... but it seems to run in 5 year cycles, depending upon the age and/or experience of the candidate at time of joining the Order. We all grew up in this country so we all know what a Sunday School is ... no matter how revolting ... and high school romance (thought you had forgot, didn't you ... but it is there because it is a part of our growing up) and many other social mores of which we are unconscious because they have always been there. For you. For each of us.

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And being Americans we tend to act within the social mores of our times. Which is ironic because as Thelemes we have rejected so much of that "Word of sin is restriction" trip as possible. And we all do. For awhile. And then something strange happens. Being Americans we are subject to something called "conformity." Don't scream. It's purely subconscious. It was Alexis de Tocqueville whose DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA ... a French nobleman who made an 1830's journey thru the new Republic just after the Revolution ... who first spotted it. We Americans want liberty-freedom, but we will settle for equality, and in equality is conformity to "the rules of the game" otherwise you have no social stability, no "safety".

Conformity mass movements in America surface as moral crusades involving sin. You have forgotten, I have not, the no sale of alcoholic beverages in this country up until the 1930's. The Prohibition Law was Put here by "moral majority" conformists of the time who today would like to go

IMPORTANT NOTICE: IX<sup>0</sup> members and other interested members.

On March 16th the biennial O.T.O. member's meeting will be held at 5205 Railroad Ave., Pittsburgh, CA (that's CA, not PA, for the travelers among you) times to be announced. All IXth Degree must attend in person if possible, by proxy if not. This is an advance announcement, and details will follow for IXth<sup>0</sup> ~~IX~~ members by separate notice.



the whole way and have just one whole plain of flat Christianity. We protest.

And what are we doing to prevent it? Within ourselves, within the Order, within society in general? That is where cycling comes in. First there's your first Saturn return. That hits you at the age of 30, unless you are especially precocious it might hit you earlier, which is when most of the young women of your acquaintance suddenly disappear. Oh they are still there physically, but the "stability" circuit has clanged on ... that great lead ball of Saturn packs one hell of a whack ... and reminds them "nesting instinct!" time is here, but with whom? It is at that time you see couples who have been together since their teens breaking up, and gals who have been independent singles since forever suddenly "mating" ... finding one guy and forming a "club". Of two. At first it's sort of cute. But it gets to be a real drag when they take it so seriously that they cannot do the Gnostic Mass as Priest and Priestess except with each other. At that point the Highschool Romance has really taken over, which is easy and almost unrecognizable because of the parent relation of our own Holy Grail trip. As I said "purely subconscious." But you act on it as with any gut feelings. And your acting on it has all the rationalizing in the world just automatically built in. At that time one or the other probably already has a child for the ready made "family", and if not the female of the duo almost always has to immediately get pregnant to prove her "commitment." Comes marriages, civil or Pagan "hand-fasting." Some of which are very beautiful.

But whatever happened to our sense of high adventure in the Thelemic quest? Well mostly it will have a 5 year rest while the kids get their heads straightened out on how to handle this thing, and then quite often the cycle comes round and we see wonderful independent action. And it's about time. What is the O.T.O. up to? All you have to do is ask any outsider and they will tell you, "Sin and Sex Magick." ... how do they know? because, "Aleister Crowley was the Devil and Anti-Christ (they wouldn't know one Beast from another) and they have read all about it in the popular

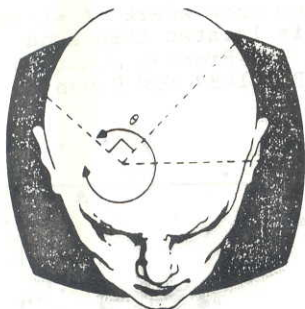
yellow journalism of the time." Well just where that "sin and Sex Magick" is in the O.T.O. I would really like to find out. Of all the IXth papers that were handed out I have had a personal report only from one couple. It had been a strange adventure. and they had had to manufacture some of their own rules due to the strangeness of the operation, but it was personal, it was real, and the results could certainly be accounted for. It is about the only positive magickal operation of that kind I have know of since I got together with a certain Priestess of the Order and brought down the residence we now call Alpha House But I despair not. The energy is there and will manifest like anything else when the cycles are right. It's like I have a letter from Aleister Crowley commenting on Artemis Iota and saying, "If you were entrusted with a gun of power & accuracy six times greater than any you ever knew" and elsewhere comparing the proper use of the Sex Manual to the Atomic Bomb compared to our ordinary use of politics or whatever in trying to get things moving. Well it's about time we started some serious thinking about high level energy physics in those dimensions.

If not we are going to be in for a bad time as "moral majority" conformity sweeps over the land and moral crusades against you-know-who begin ... we advise getting your mail in a post-office box rather than at a home address ... as it tries to create a society in which

"until eternal sameness eats their soul" as I said in a poem once. For that is the "inner death" of Aurobindo's Savitri. There is no divine element such as poetry and dramatic ritual add to sex. A good ritual is Liber Samekh, invoking the energies of the New Aeon. But there are many others, including your own. Also I suggest you re-read those passages in The Book of the Law concerning the role of the Scarlet Woman as opposed to the veil of the modest woman. The Lovers card in the Tarot. And the Lust card. Without these divine elements in your Magical Practice "only a mind and body live to die."

Blessed Beast!

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#### Do What Thou Wilt Shall Be The Whole Of The Law

As the above preamble would indicate, Amon-Ra Lodge has opened new lines of electronic communication. The lodge may now be reached either through COMPUSE or the uucp usenet network. Enquiries re: Initiation dates, workshops, publications and general activities are especially welcome. In related activities we recognize Josh (Bouleak Encampment) and Tim Maroney (New Age Newsletter) for the dissemination of accurate information re: Crowley and Thelema through the computer networks.

Amon-Ra Lodge joins with the rest of the Order in celebrating Weiser's success over Marcello Motta in a recent court decision. We extend our thanks to Grady, Jim Wasserman and William Breeze in their efforts on behalf of the Order in this regard.

Also, we must echo the concerns of the many contributors in the 'Magickal Link' re: funding of subsequent court action against S.O.T.O. In this spirit, O.T.O. Ontario Inc. has completed a province-wide dues billing. For those who have not as yet responded to a request for back dues...it's not too late; get into contact with the Secretary of Amon-Ra Lodge (Avi McCaffrey) at the earliest possible convenience. It is a matter of strictest importance to you and the Order.

Love Is The Law, Love Under Will.

LJP L II

The College of Thelema gave a successful seminar over the weekend of Dec. 29 & 30 of 1984. This same seminar could be given in the Bay Area if there is enough interest. The subjects covered were the history of O.T.O. and Thelema and how it got to Calif. as its center and operating hub. This was very popular as most people do not know of the minor characters who carried the Work of Thelema forward from Crowley. Another subject was the Psychology of the Tarot, also well received as again many persons do not realize that the Thoth Tarot Trumps show them to themselves and can be equated with the language of Jungian Psychology. We had no time for the differences between the O.T.O., the A.A. and the College of Thelema, what they can and cannot do and what to expect of each. But this lecture could be given too as all the notes are in place.

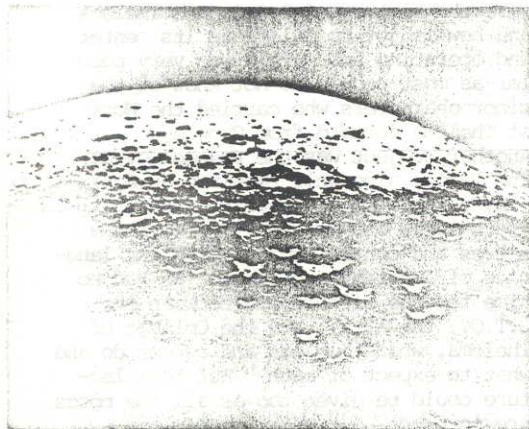
IN THE CONTINUUM is available at the cost of \$4.00 an issue. There are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II and 6 issues to date in Vol. III. We expect to have issue No. 7 of Vol. III ready by the Spring Equinox. There are writings of Aleister Crowley in these issues, some of which have never before been printed and some which help the student in his understanding of Thelema and the writings of Crowley. There are also analysis' of various rituals which help immeasurably in understanding what one is doing. There is poetry by A.C. and others, psychology, Astrology and much, much more. All who have the whole set are enthusiastic about the help these issues have given to them. It is suggested that the issues be ordered in sequence as much of the material is serialized. Please write to IN THE CONTINUUM, P.O. Box 415, Oroville, CA. 95965 and if ordering, please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler.



# STAR SEARCH

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole  
of the Law. AL I:40

It is a well known fact that on the  
moon you'll be able to find a crater  
named after Frater Belarion known as  
the 'John W. Parsons' crater. (The  
tiny star in the picture below is  
the crater itself.)



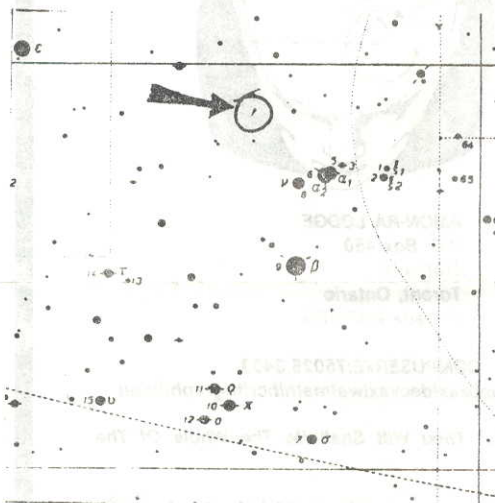
This crater was named in recognition  
for his help in the foundation of  
the JET PROPULSION LAB at Cal Tech,  
then called the Arroyo Seco Lab.

Here is another piece of date that  
although well documented it is an  
almost obscure bit of knowledge that  
few know.

Out in the universe there is an  
actual star with the proper name  
given unto it of ALEISTER CROWLEY!  
Strange as it may seem it is a fact.  
It was named after our glorious  
father the Great Beast for his  
accomplishments & feats.

& so obscure is this knowledge that  
we here at Brocken have decided to  
hold a 'Star Search' contest! In the  
chart of the heavens given we have  
circled the actual star with enough  
clues nearby to give anyone the  
proper info to locate it. So how  
good of an astronomer, or researcher  
are you?

If you think you know where 'Aleister  
Crowley' star is located then send  
your answer to The Brocken Mountain  
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## OCEANIA LODGE

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Last month the Unicorns put on a wonderful show at their Sky to Earth Confest. It was held at an old racecourse in Victorian mineral springs country. 4 days of occult entertainment and 4 nights of music, the best of which (to my mind) was 3 members of 'No Fixed Address' playing didjeridus. A brilliant performance, a growling shouting howling of music that echoed up the valley whose whole attention listened in wonderment. The beautiful trees around the huge flat oval rustled not a leaf but their great heads were gazing, and the birds furred not a feather but stared also. And every bug and flower and human was stockstill entranced alike. Only the bonfire moved liquid flames and ancient shadows danced across the band.

Canned Heat played the next night and the Oz Hells Angels were there (along with a dozen or so cops apeice) supporting them. The only trouble was caused by locals resentful of our Thelemic invasion and who broke into the grounds after hours to poo up the pitch. Vivid contrasts, including the weather which was scorching by day and icy by night.

A triangle of Eucalyptus trees shaded the Gnostic Mass and a large appreciative congregation from the midday sun.

After the event 3 more Minervals brought the number of Minervals Initiated in Oceania to 59 to date. The first Second Degree's were performed and we now have 7 of them.

Dues from Lodge members have been coming in much too slowly and it must be considered that those seeking Initiation here will in future have to pay beforehand, sometimes a very impractical method. I appeal to all Oceania Lodge Initiates to meet their financial obligations to the O.T.O. and to donate money towards the Caliphs medical expenses. This Grand Old Master has put in many years service in the cause of freedom and so that you can boast membership in the O.T.O.

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Egeria, 111° X1°  
Cheif, Oceania Lodge

The Chancellor may be reached via  
Grand Lodge or via Hoor-Pa-Kraat Camp

### CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Do what thou wilt  
shall be the whole of the Law

There seems to be some doubt and confusion among some of our fraters and sorors as to what is the "true" O.T.O.. Certain groups and even high ranking individuals have asserted that they are the "true" O.T.O. and that the O.T.O. lead by Hymenaeus Alpha as Caliph is not the successor of the "true" O.T.O.. The individuals and groups involved need not be named herein, the Book of the Law has already done so: "professional soldiers who dare not fight."

We will therefore set forth our understanding of why Aleister Crowley Baphomet and O.H.O. chose the Caliph he did. COURAGE my young friends, courage. In that virtue no one can deny Grady L. McMurtry and for that virtue (among others) did Crowley choose Grady. For as it is said in Liber Aleph "To Dare is the Crown of all thy Virtue, the Root of the Tree of True Magick." Who among you will call me a liar in this. Who would say that our Caliph does not have Courage. We would gladly stand back to back with the Caliph, in combat, rather than have 10 of you who hold yourselves out as being the "true" O.T.O. at our side. For my foolish friends, we fear that at the first clash of arms you who talk so well would turn and run. We will and shall always support the Caliph and deem Crowley's selection to have been a wise one.

Love is the law, love under will

  
James T. Graeb IX  
CHANCELLOR of O.T.O.



I Tz Ch L T I  
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I would like to apologise to Fra. Hon. Homini Deus for directing my anger towards him. I do not enjoy being angry. But, I do not feel the events of the past four years have left me much choice. Now I have used angry words against my brother when he did not deserve them. To mend this I would like to apologise for all the other times I have spoken out angrily against him, in his presence and out of it, and for the unwitting part I played in having him deported from Canada. You were not guilty of any ignoble intentions in your operation of Phoenix Lodge.

The response I have received from the Acting Secretary of the Electoral College of the Senate was a relief. It seems that that important body is stirring to life. Once it has begun to function parliamentary means for resolving disputes between Men of Earth will be accessible. Argument can then triumph over intrigue as the means of bringing about change. I intuit that the problem of intrigue is more widespread than Phoenix Lodge and Twin Star Encampment. I intend to file my case with the Electoral College by An. LXXXI Sol 0° Aries, Luna 22° Pisces.

Phoenix Lodges' Acting Master and I celebrated this past Solstice by dining and talking. After our love lives but ahead of Tibetan Buddhism the popular topic was this dispute. I think that he understands my position and that I intend the order no harm. He and Fra. Homo Homini Deus are fairly close so he did his best to explain. I would like to end with the close Fra. Homo Homini Deus must have put in my license:

"In the name of the freedom of Man,  
in whom is God."

Dracoala I° (315)



ENCAMPMENT BEELZEBUB

TU WAS DU WILLST SOLL SEIN DAS  
GANZE GESETZ

Greetings!

We have made the next step in order to give the O.T.O. under the Caliphate in Germany an official status according to our Federal Law. On Dec. 22 nd 1984 e.v. the by the German law demanded foundation meeting took place in Aachen - seven Thelemites were present. After the usual elections (Chairman, Treasurer, etc.) we made decisions concerning fees, publications and about the next steps we will have to do for founding an German branch of the O.T.O. under the Caliph. If we get successfully through this whole procedure the O.T.O. under the Caliphate will get among other things the right to use the name O.T.O. exclusively in Germany.

LIEBE IST DAS GESETZ, LIEBE UNTER WILLEN

Fr. Hyperion I°

Editorial Policy Change for the Link'

The offering from I Tz Ch L T I Camp, just to the left on this page has been shortened by half, on the express order of the Caliph. The excluded portion addressed myself, the G.T.G., in continued protest over the details required in the Camp's charter --- see the column by this body in a recent issue. Although personal communication in Camp reports for the Link is not itself usually appropriate, this exclusion was made on the grounds that the matter had been properly submitted to an appropriate reviewing body and that it no longer belonged in the Link. The Caliph directed me to act in similar manner when Link reports become instruments of devissive attack on other members, or upon groups within the Order.

This does not mean that problems should not be discussed within these pages; but it does mean that such discussions should be kept within fraternal bounds. Personal attack and villification will henceforth be excluded from the pages of the Magickal Link. Problems with individuals or groups that go beyond civil limits are properly directed to the Chancellor and/or the Electoral College, when they cannot be settled by local and Grand Lodge officers.

# Grand Lodge Report

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U. S. A.

Here's the latest news about the Motta Case: As was indicated by a too brief foot-note in the last issue, Motta and S.O.T.O. lost their case against Samuel Weiser, publishers. Motta and S.O.T.O. had entered suit against Weiser to obtain a judgement on copyright violation. Motta et al contended that they were the "real O.T.O.", that Motta was the Outer Head of the Order and that Weiser or any other publisher could not publish the works of Aleister Crowley without paying royalties to Motta and his S.O.T.O. During the trial it came out that Motta's organization had only 5 members. The Judge in the case made several findings of fact, drew conclusions of law and issued opinions. On the contention that Motta was a representative of Karl Germer for O.T.O., the finding was "...not proven that any such document was ever given by Germer to Motta."

The Judge stated in his findings: "Also, the Court is not persuaded of Plaintiff Motta's credibility on the central question regarding his status in the OTO, and, therefore can accord very little weight to his testimony."

"Germer himself recognized that McMurtry held a preeminent historical status in the OTO several times during the 1940's and the 1950's."

"The Court need not decide whose claim is superior. The Court simply finds as a fact that Plaintiffs represent only one of several groups who claim to be legitimate successors to Aleister Crowley's original O.T.O."

Among other conclusions of Law: "Plaintiff Motta and SOTO do not own the Crowley copyrights in their individual capacities."

In stating opinion, the Judge added:

"The Court has found that Germer did not appoint Plaintiff Motta as his successor."

"It is true that the Court need not choose among rival claimants, but the Court must determine that the OTO has legal personality in order to find that it is capable of ownership. Such a determination cannot be made on this record."

and the bottom line:

"Accordingly, it is ORDERED that Judgement be entered in favor of Defendant."

from the findings...in re.  
CIVIL NO. 81-0459 P, 12/6/84  
Gene Carter, United States District Judge, District of Maine.

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Before you get too excited, this is not our case against Motta. We still have to go through that, and pay for it! We have a motion for partial adjudication of the case which is scheduled for March 8th, and the actual trial could be as late as two months after that. Motta has lost a lot, but we have to establish the reality of the O.T.O. in Crowley and Germer's time through records which were not called in the Weiser case. The continued cost of the case will be in the thousands; and therefore it is not likely that Grand Lodge will have a Temple again by the time of the commemoration of the Writing of Liber AL -- the money will go to legal expenses, not rent. We have a lot to prove, and the fight is nowhere near done. Dues and Donations are urgently needed. A dues billing is in the works for February, please be ready. We are currently about \$2,000.00 in the hole-- but should be able to pay that by the time you read this. Let's all hang in there, not hang together with a certain party!

!WARNING!

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I would like to take this time to recommend that all members who wish to preserve their privacy and possibly their peace use a Post Office Box and/or answering service or machine.

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FR. A.U.D.C.A.L.



BONUS ITEM: This is the first set of minutes from the first meeting of Agape Lodge in 1935 e.v. Agape Lodge was the last functioning body of O.T.O. from before Crowley's death until the re-emergence of the Order in the 1970's. Agape faded out roughly between 1948 and 1949 e.v.; although the members continued to meet informally up until the 1970's at intervals. The Lodge introduced Crowley's initiation rituals to the USA, and performed some of the initiations for the first time anywhere. The earlier initiations had been by the Reuss period rituals, which were not thelemic in design. Crowley used the Lodge to complete the Thelematization of the Man of Earth Triad Degrees. Agape lodge contributions were responsible for the continued publication of Crowley's works until well after his Greater Feast in 1947 e.v.  
-----copy provided courtesy of Sr. M of the College of Thelema (see page 3)

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#### Fall Equinox.

Sept 21, 1935, the ORDO TEMPLI ORIENTIS was started in the United States of America, by putting on the reception degree of Minerval, on the sands some distance out from Playa Del Rey, California.

Before leaving for the "desert", Brother Smith gave a short talk on the history of the Order, its antiquity, and mentioned some of the Great Ones who had gained their wisdom through its formulas, and gave in return weight and dignity to it. He reminded the candidates of the solemnity of the occasion and pointed them towards the importance of the step they were taking.

SALADIN - W.T.Smith  
BLACK GUARD - Max Schneider.

Oliver Jacobi and Regina Kahl, both Minervals, witnesses.  
Jane Wolfe, also Minerval, remained apart with the candidates, and started each and all on the journey to Saladin.

Miss Frances Leslie.  
Miss Viola Morgan.  
Mrs. Maria Prescott.  
Mrs. Mary Green.  
Mr. James Young.  
Mrs. Ruth Schoenberg.  
Mr. Irving Hendler.

After the ceremony, all returned to the Profess House of the Order, 1746 No Winona Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, and partook of a banquet prepared by Regina Kahl and Jane Wolfe.

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An enjoyable and festive time was had by all.

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## From the CALIPH

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### ON DOWN AMONG THE WIREHEADS

Here is a letter from Aleister Crowley:  
(copy-and original)

Ex Castris  
Netherwood  
The Ridge  
Hastings



Feb 8, '46 e.v.

Thrice Illuminated, Thrice Illustrious  
and Very Dear Brother

Do what thou wilt shall be the  
whole of the Law.

We are much gratified by the serious and  
thorough spirit in which you have carried  
out your mission in New York and California.

It is still Our great hope that you may  
be able to reside with Us for a period as  
a preparation for further high enterprise.

Love is the law, love under will.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order



Baphomet

"High Enterprise." That is presumably  
something different from ordinary events.

There is a lot of lemming in most people,  
even when they deny it. We react to social  
pressures automatically far more than we  
realize. It is the simplest way to re-  
main invisible, to simply go about your  
business of doing your Will without being  
bothered by people who are guided on rails  
of conventional morality. AL I:41

"They feel little, these wireheads; what  
is, is balanced by weak joys..." as it  
might have been written. Or, "These are  
dead, these fellows; they feel not." II:  
18 And so what are wireheads? People  
who go thru life with their heads wired  
like the plug board on a computer, "the  
slaves of because" II:54, the programmed  
people who have had their heads mind-set  
from the age of 1 that there is only one  
religion, one morality (the Majority, of  
course), one set of rules, one set of  
conventional morality in a sea of con-  
formity. We are talking about your rela-  
tives, everyday America, the people you  
escaped from when you couldn't stand  
their bullshit anymore. On the one hand  
we are the most radical people in the  
world w/our Thelemic imperatives of,  
"Every man and every woman is a star."  
I:3, and, "I am the flame that burns in  
every heart of man..." II:6, and on the  
other hand the most conservative in our  
strict interpretation of Liber AL. But  
sometimes we forget, being overwhelmed  
as we all are with the problems of every-  
day living.

And sometimes we become confused and  
forget the imperatives of our joy. "Come  
forth, o children, under the stars, &  
take your fill of love! I am above you  
and in you. My ecstasy is in yours. My  
joy is to see your joy." I:12-13 "Beauty  
and strength, leaping laughter and deli-  
cious languor, force and fire, are of  
us." II:20 "But exceed! exceed!" I:71

And what is the engine of this change?  
 "Now ye shall know that the chosen priest  
 & apostle of infinite space is the prince-  
 priest the Beast; and in his woman called  
 the Scarlet Woman is all power given." I:  
 15 So where are these Power Houses now  
 that we need them? Undoubtedly waiting  
 for the cycles to Manifest, as usual.

On the other hand, "Poetry is the geyser  
 of the Unconscious," as Crowley reminds  
 us in the Apologia to IOLA. Here is some  
 thing of mine.

Nadir

"I have stood upon the battlements  
 Of ebon stone, and jet  
 Black light has bathed my body  
 With the force it can beget.  
 The Brothers of the Shadow  
 In the gloom that never fades  
 Have welcomed me to keeps that guard  
 The gulf thrown palisades.  
 I have stood in their Cathedrals  
 And the hymns of hate I've sung.  
 I have heard the Mass of Mendes  
 Chaunted by a slitted tongue.  
 I have taught the works of blasphemy  
 With succubi I've lain  
 By necromancy I have raised  
 The phantoms of the slain.  
 My steed has been the basilisk,  
 My armor was a spell,  
 By sorcery I could command  
 The fiery gods of Hell.  
 In monasteries of the Night  
 I've worn the hooded gown  
 With monks who crucify The Toad.  
 Where endless stairs go down  
 To the stagnant Wells of Shadow  
 Where the Four Great Princes stand.  
 I am alone. I am alone!  
 Dead. In a charnel land.

9-28-41 e.v.

"I am alone: there is no God where I am."  
 II:23 In the Arkaddian tradition, the  
 Skull in the Orchard. A reminder that to  
 take an incarnation is to "enter the tomb  
 of transgression."

Crowley liked this poem very much. When I  
 came swinging jauntily into 93 Jermyn St.  
 one sunny morning in the Fall of 1943 e.v.  
 he met me at the door saying, "Oh there  
 you are! A line from one of your poems

has been running around in my head and I  
 can't get it out." The line was  
 "I have heard the Mass of Mendes  
 Chaunted by a slitted tongue."

"To the stagnant Wells of Shadow  
 Where the Four Great Princes stand."  
 To remind us of the Veil of Paraketh.  
 "I have stood in their Cathedrals  
 And the hymns of hate I've sung."  
 To remind us of the endless reversals of  
 values as the Serpent progresses up the  
 Tree thru each of the Paths. How many  
 Heads has the Beast?

And how is this Power to operate? At this  
 level your H.G.A. is dealing with you in  
 the same way as Nuit with us where She  
 says, "I am Heaven, and there is no other  
 God than me, and my lord Hadit." I:21  
 How? "Work, & be our bed in working!"  
 II:66 Bed. Palanquin(APEIRIVAN = # 347)  
 (Liber D nee Sepher Sepheroth) Cant.iii 9  
 Bridal bed; nuptial chariot. At the same  
 time, "There is great danger in me; for  
 who doth not understand these runes shall  
 make a great miss." II:27 "Let the Scarlet  
 Woman beware! If pity and compassion and  
 tenderness visit her heart; if she leave  
 my work to toy with old sweetesses;  
 then shall my vengeance be known." III:43  
 "But let her raise herself in pride!" III:  
 44 "Then will I lift her to pinnacles of  
 power..." III:45 "I am the secret Serpent  
 coiled about to spring: in my coiling  
 there is joy. If I lift up my head, I and  
 my Nuit are one." II:26 And so we  
 remind ourselves of the difference between  
 Thelemites and wireheads. We discovered  
 early on that the wiring was an adjustable  
 head-set. The only question was your  
 choice of weapons. "But there are means  
 and means." I:51 "Nor let the fools mis-  
 take love; for there are love and love.  
 There is the dove, and there is the ser-  
 pent. Choose ye well! He, my prophet,  
 hath chosen, knowing the law of the for-  
 tress, and the great mystery of the  
 House of God." I:57 High enterprise!

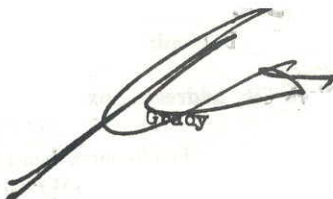
Blessed Beast!

H.A. 777

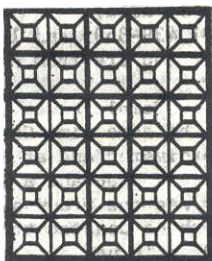


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WINTER REPORT



Enochian Magick provides the core of the winter activities at HRH. The 16 week class beginning on the Ides of Jan. and continuing every Tues. night through Walpurgis night offers a comprehensive study, sub-angle by subangle, of the elemental universe giving special attention to the heretofore ignored Holy Table, Planetary Talismans, Sigillum Dei Aemeth and Round Tablet of Nalvage. To help the students with skrying and memorization, Brother Dennis Rose has donated the facilities of Golden Goose Recording Studio and each call is being recorded in English and Enochian along with the appropriate temple openings. We are happy that so far no fewer than 19 students have attended each class, including non-members and members of other Southern California Magickal Societies.

FLASH!

HERU-RA-HA HAS A NEW TEMPLE!  
Gnostic Mass will be celebrated on the evening of the Vernal Equinox to dedicate the beautiful new facilities. All above activities were privately sponsored events.

IN THE CONTINUUM is featuring for Spring Equinox of 1985, some letters from Crowley to Jane Wolfe which have never before been published. In these letters, 666 gives his ideas about the conduct and the purpose of the O.T.O. and its members. One of his sayings in these letters is: "A title is no use unless you can live up to it." There are other very interesting and important views of his in these letters and also some information on finding the True Will for each person. Remember that IN THE CONTINUUM has many serialized writings by Crowley and the history of Jane Wolfe from childhood to the time of her death is serialized as well. It is a good idea to order the issues in sequence so that eventually you will have them all. There are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II, and by Spring there will be 7 issues in Vol. III. One can order one at a time, or as many as one likes. Please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler and write to P.O. Box 415, Oroville, CA. 95965.

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PRES. THOMAS JEFFERSON  
writing of his Ambassador to Spain

## Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Phoenix Lodge has been through a few changes since our last report. Our main activities aside from initiations in Montréal, Toronto and New York have centered on publishing and research. In association with members of the New York City O.T.O. and Caliph Hymenaeus Alpha we edited, designed and typeset The Holy Books of Thelema, which was over a year in production. We also participated in the defense of Samuel Weiser, Inc., our trusty and loyal publisher.

We have contracted to approximately 22 active members, four of whom reside in the U.S. and one of whom is due to move to England shortly. Of our affiliated chapters and encampments, one has become an autonomous Lodge, Amon-Ra in Toronto. We commend Brother Brian Postnikoff, Amon-Ra's Lodge Master, for his organizational talent and dedication to the Great Work. Sebra Encampment is inactive, and Starry Wisdom and Dragon's Spectrum Arc are reorganizing.

The Encampment master of Hugues de Payens Camp has been appointed the acting Lodge Master of Phoenix and is being chartered to initiate through III°. Through the generosity of a corporate board member we have the use of the basement of the Café Thélème for temple space, and renovations are almost complete due to the efforts of Lodge members.

Any Phoenix Lodge members desiring initiation should apply in writing to the Montréal address, providing your current address and telephone number. Initiations are planned to begin by or before the Spring Equinox.

We have had four inquiries as to the availability of The Commentaries to the Holy Books due to its listing in the bibliography to The Holy Books of Thelema. Not exactly overwhelming response, but then it wasn't meant as an advertisement. We only regret that we gave the lie to the bibliographic listing by not producing the book! It grew to include the complete commentaries to Liber Legis working from the most complete typescript extant—that commissioned by Bro. Jack Parsons in the late '40s E.V. The book is in production and will get out eventually—if you want to get on a waiting list drop a note to the New York address (but don't send money). We are in fact interested in knowing how many people would like the book, so send wish lists.

We also wish to commemorate the work of Frater ALTzBA, recently departed from the scene. All of us probably have Crowley books on our shelves for which he was responsible, and to that extent at least we all have excellent reason to wish him well wherever he goes. "Lam" is Tibetan for "path", after all.

Love is the law, love under will.

NEPHTHYS CHAPTER  
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1. Initiations: Five minervals were duly brought into the fold at Solstice AN LXXX. Saladin wrought forth a delectable medieval delight for the feast and it was the first ritual conducted in our new Temple Space.

2. Intitutions: Will be held again April 7/85 ev. AN LXXX for those intrested in Minreval and residing in Western Canada ( boy howdy thats a mighty big area). call (403) 439-3595 and leave a message if you are from out of town.

3. We lost our Temple Blues..... at about the same time Ch. did. But we percivered and at Hallowmas the Gods were good and a member of the Order was the proud owner of a house which he donated the basement for the Order's use as a new Temple.

4. Some of us traveled eastward to Toronto and Montreal this fall had a wonderful time and would like to wave helo to you all Eastward ho.

5. We are sending donations for both the Caliph's Medical Fund and for The Orders legal expenses. Its the least we could do. Since the Order has backed up it's members in times of difficulty likewise we should all endeavour to aid the Order at this crucial time in the eighties.

6. 'I am the Warrior Lord of the forties the Eighties cower before me and are abased.'

777: Chose; 1,2,3,4,5,6, or all of the above. Mix at random. Viola a new chapter report.



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Kykuit Encampment has been established in January 1985, in affiliation with Tahuti Lodge (N.Y.C) and the Grand Lodge of The O.T.O. (Berkeley).

Tarrytown, N.Y. is situated at the widest section of the Hudson river. At three miles across, the Dutch called these waters "The Tappan Sea".

Before the settlers arrived in 1609, the Tarrytown area was a major village of the Weckquasgeek Indian Tribe. Known as Alioconck, and situated at the juncture of the Pocantico and Hudson rivers, this village was the center of religious observance and ceremony for both the Weckquasgeeks and the more northerly Sint-Sinks. Sint-Sink means "Place of Great Stones" and is the location of the famous institution which bears its name.

Seen from the water, Alipconck lay, nestled among the handful of large beautiful hills which surround the Pocantico River. The Natives considered this land to be magical, sacred ground, and many local legends testify to mysterious, even otherworldly phenomena that have occurred here.

Washington Irving immortalized this area in his famous "The Legend Of Sleepy Hollow". The Indians had used Sleepy Hollow as a burying ground, and also held their quarterly councils and ceremonies atop its spectacular summits.

The highest hill in Sleepy Hollow is known as Kykuit (the lookout). From this vantage point, exactly 23 miles north of midtown Manhattan, one has a commanding view of the river valley and inland hamlets for miles around.

Frater Aleph, campmaster of Kykuit Encampment, is a native of Tarrytown and has been exploring the hills, woods, and streams of Sleepy Hollow for over 25 years. In researching the culture of the original inhabitants of the Kykuit area, Frater A. has discovered delightful symmetries between the Indians' magico-religious system and our own Thelonic way of life.

One aim, therefore, of Kykuit Encampment is the reawakening of powerful planetary energies through the performance of Earth Magick in the same power-spots last used by the Weckquasgeeks over 300 years ago.

It is interesting to note that the Indians of this area, banded together as the Wappinger Confederacy, had a system of lodges and camps not unlike that of our own order.

Kykuit Encampment is proud and responsible in its status as a representative body of The O.T.O. and pledges to uphold the sanctity and dignity of our Ancient Order.

Love Is The Law, Love Under Will

Fraternally, **FRATER A.**  
(Robert Sean Brazil)

## PYRAMID ENCAMPMENT

DO WHAT THOU WILT SHALL BE  
THE WHOLE OF THE LAW.

Pyramid Encampment is just getting established--its charter is in the works. Since November we have held three monthly meetings. Seven members attend regularly, several others have visited.

The work to date has centered on a suitable organization, and a study of the early chapters of MTP. In January we decided that each meeting would include a short ritual, a study of some basic magickal vocabulary and symbols, one chapter of MTP, and a verse from Liber A1. Smaller groups are forming to work independently on ritual, kaballah, and yoga. These will report back, and contribute their special experience to the monthly meetings. It will take a while before our individual achievements will deserve special mention.

LOVE IS THE LAW, LOVE UNDER WILL

E.A.O.A./77  
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KANTHAROS TRIBE  
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For the first time in New Zealand the O.T.O. recieved radio coverage. From 11-17 November 1984 e.v. a recorded interview with Soror A-A and Frater S.T. was played on air by two local radio stations covering the magickal side of Auckland, generating a number of replies and lots of feedback.

All copies of LIBER 1264, The Greek Gematria, have been sold. 93/93 ASHARATH



## STRANGE LOOPS

AND OTHER PATHS  
TO FREEDOM

אמא.קבל



שלמד:

Welcome back, beloved readers! Again it has been several months since we last talked with each other. The response to the last column was very satisfying to me personally. It was meant to be a memorial to someone that was very close to me for a long time. One non-member friend was kind enough to say that his respect for the O.T.O. was much increased because of our willingness to 'allow' such sentiment to be so openly expressed. While Gerry and I never formally declared our relationship to be a 'thelemic' one, it certainly was one where love was the law, love under will.

The more observant may have noticed a small change in the logo of this column. Where formerly rested the eight pointed star of Stellar Visions there is a new lamen that represents the Camp of the Stars and the Raven. Tsama Kabal has now accepted the responsibility of being a camp master. Last September several things happened that brought about this about. The Chapter Master, Ebony, accepted the responsibilities of the office of GSG. At the same time he and his beloved moved to the East Bay area. This required a change in meeting place if Stellar Visions was to keep a viable presence in the Babylon-by-the-Bay area. Fortunately the energy available was great enough to foster a mitosis and we now have two bodies of light where we only had only one before. The details of where Stellar Visions is meeting will be reported in S.V.'s column. This column will report on CSR's activities and researches. We are still working very close with each other, like a binary star system with a common center to rotate about.

The camp meets every week, sometimes twice. We have taken upon ourselves a very special task as a group: that of gaining the ability of presenting all of the Man of Earth degrees without reference to notes (with a few obvious exceptions). We

have been working very hard toward this goal. This detailed study has brought to each of us unexpected enlightenment. We have re-confirmed that the work is the heart and soul of the O.T.O. The study of the Minerval degree helped us to clarify why we are forming a camp. It is a process that every body must go thru. As each of us seeks to gain our freedom by learning to know ourselves, so must each body of light of the Order seek their identity and special task (true will).

Our rituals are the one experience that we all share (more or less). Genius was at work when they were first developed. We were astounded at the insights we have found. We have reaffirmed our determination to fight the battle for freedom and are rearming ourselves to be more efficient as soldiers in the army of Baphomet.

Another task that is helping us greatly in our rearmament was the choosing of a name for the camp, designing its lamen, and decyphering their meanings. Initially the name was just an inspiration received by the camp master at the Supreme Council meeting that approved its charter. They had to have a name. The "stars" were meant to allude to its lineage from Stellar Visions and to the passages from Liber CCXX. Every man and every woman in the camp is a Star. We are even contemplating taking the names of stars (of the in-the-sky-type) as our "camp" names. The Raven alluded to a favorite Poe poem. Later we discovered a relationship between the Dove and the Raven. The stars became the 5 and 6 pointed stars that unite the below with the above (or is it the above with the below) and symbolize the path of return thru the sun. We tend to think of our bird as that strange bird in the Baphomet seal in flight. You may even find some strange silhouettes in our lamen that may remind you of your Man of Earth Degrees in some way. There is a certain symmetry with the lamen of the Order. Please share with us what you experience using our lamen as a mandala for meditation.

Needless to say, anyone in the Bay Area is welcome to seek affiliation with CSR. But be prepared to commit yourself. Each member of the camp also has a sponsor within the camp to encourage one-on-one relation-



ships. It is not a teacher-student relationship, but rather one in which both are traveling the same path for a while. Our meetings are for study, rituals, practice, research and mutual support. We have a lot of fun at the same time. There are no dues but we make a point of sharing expenses of feasts and any travel.

We cannot close without a special tribute to Stellar Visions and its Master. Those in the beginning core of this camp pay special tribute for the training, development, and nurturing that we have received within the eight pointed star from the Jackal. Without it there would have been no Camp of the Stars and the Raven. The pains felt by us all are akin to the pains that must be felt by parents and offspring alike when fledglings first try their wings on their own. There are tears of many kinds. But these tears are tears that nurture those seeds that grow so well within the heart.

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On Candlemas we initiated three Minervals including a brother who came down from Nebraska. We hope he will carry the light of the Gnosis back with him, that all of Omaha will perceive.

We have a temple that we are in the process of implementing and furnishing. We have Mass on Sun Day, classes and initiations. We are going through an administrative and heirarchy crystallization as individuals begin to see where they can be of service. We have several talented individuals with a variety of experience and knowledge.

The O.T.O. Rituals Video is now reliably available. The video runs 30 minutes and sells for \$40.00. It contains the LBR Pentagram and Hexagram, Star Ruby, V vel Reguli, and the Mass of the Phoenix. As I have no marketing information I am open to trade, barter, and reasonable bickering over the price. Profits will go to the extermination of the pSudo O.T.O.'s and the liberation of entombed quill-drivings of our prophet.

## ONE MEMBER'S OPINION

It is a tradition among Thelemites to gather for the anniversaries of the 3 days of the writing of the Book of the Law. At these gatherings it is usual for one of the company to read or recite the appropriate "fold" of the Book (i.e., Nuit's on Apr.8, Hadit's on Apr.9, Ra Hoor Khuit's on Apr.10).

These ceremonies are most likely to produce a group effect if they are performed by people with good voices and some degree of dramatic sense. Also, the usual practice of having women do the 1st night and men do the 2nd & 3rd nights is only one of many approaches. A man or a woman may be the "voice" of Nu, Had, or Ra Hoor Khu; it's only the inspiration that matters.

Another idea would be to have someone with dramatic ability and proper costuming (see Genesis Libri Al) perform all 3 days in the role of Aiwass. Other formats include group readings and round robins. Musical presentations are effective when the audience "gets off"; otherwise they can be miserable.

Properly performed, these festivals are a source of great strength for the Order.

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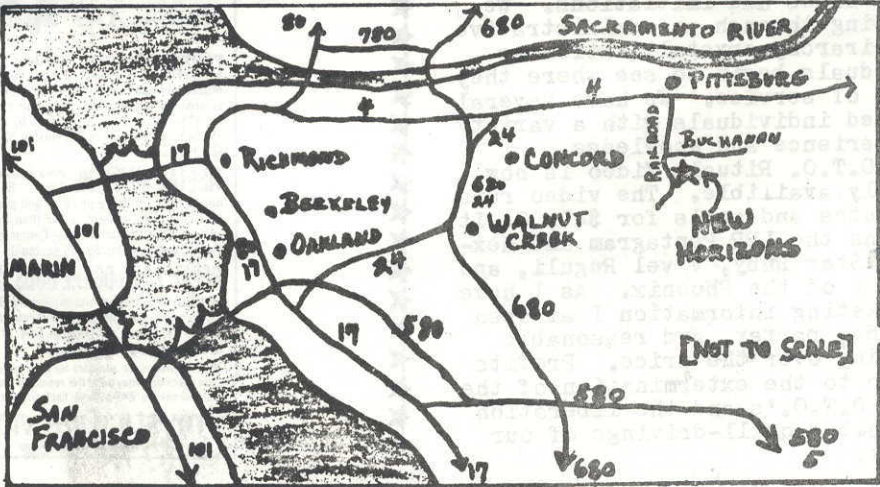
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- 2:22 - Opening Ritual (Volunteers Needed)
- 3:31 - Feast (potluck, donations expected)
- 4:18 - IX & MEMBERS MEETING (Members only at Meetings)
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The Caliph has supplied us with a list of his favorite foods. His personal requests are as follows: Deviled Eggs (at least 6 for his personal consumption), Potato Salad (with lots of egg), Lasagna, Seafood - particularly deep fried shellfish, Chocolate Desserts especially Mousse

P.S.



Bonus Item: This is the first of a 5 page essay by Crowley on his experiences with preserved food. Although it may have been intended for publication in Magick Without Tears, its subject matter strayed too far from the editorial criteria. The present interest is mainly in Crowley's remarks about his expeditions. Fear not--the remaining four pages won't be published unless by popular demand---or lagging dues!

The question of preserving food has been recently put to me from several quarters, and there should be no doubt something like an official instruction in the matter; but the general principles are clearly discernible from the doctrine of the Sanctuary of the Gnosis.

This is a matter which has occupied me for very many years, ever since I started exploration.

It should be evident to all Members of the Sanctuary that the essence of thaumaturgy resides in the idea that nourishment must be in some sense or other alive, sentient and capable of assuming its own character and personality. There are numerous hints on this subject in Chapter 12 of "Magick".

With regard, however, to nourishment in the most ordinary sense, without any consideration of thaumaturgy at all except that to which reference is made in the Creed of the Gnostic Mass, a few strictly personal and entirely unofficial remarks may be of use.

It is hardly a digression if I recount some of the observations which led me to an understanding of the traditional doctrine of the O.T.O. First of all, Mexico 1900. We were camping out on Istaccihuatl at a height of 14,000 feet and more, a day and a half from the village of Amecameca. We were therefore compelled to rely entirely on canned provisions. These had been bought in Mexico D.F. which was in those days far less contaminated by civilization than since exploitation has become paramount. The cans which we were able to purchase were some years old. We had, of course, been accustomed to use a certain amount of tinned stuff on small expeditions like that of 1898 on the Schoenbushl Glacier; but those provisions were first-class and quite fresh.

In Mexico, we noticed almost at once an immense difference between the old and the new.

The next observation is dated the summer of 1902, the journey to Camp 11 at Chogo Ri from Srinagar. This time our provisions were all first-class; but we noticed an immense difference between the foods which approximated to their original condition, and what I may describe as made-up foods. There was a thing called Bovril Bacon Ration which we found simply uneatable. From my notes on this journey I was able to provision the 1905 expedition to Kanjanjunga in a perfectly satisfactory way, although at a cost of additional difficulties of transport. For instance, we found that canned peaches and pears from California were excellent. I did not take with me any dried vegetables chemicalized out of all semblance to a natural food which we had with us in 1902. For instance, the Erbsuppe which was said to form the basis of the ration of a German soldier (who had the reputation of being the best man on the march in European Armies) proved not only uneatable but unsatisfying. I came to the conclusion that the form of food was an important matter. For instance, there was a French product of vegetables called Chollet, of which we were able to make an excellent stew. It was a kind of mace'doine but no monkey tricks had been played with the vegetables themselves beyond cutting them up and allowing them to dry.

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## From the CALIPH

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### ON DEATH AND THE PASSAGE OF FRIENDS

I am sorry to have to report that we no longer have that bright and shining person known formally and to history as Dr. Francis I. Regardie, and as "Francis" to his friends. Our report is that he died suddenly of a massive heart attack while at lunch with 2 friends. Apparently it was so sudden there was no pain. The name of "Francis" was bestowed upon him by an English lady during his Golden Dawn studies...she thought he was so much like St. Francis of Assisi. He took it as a middle name for awhile, but eventually took it for his first name.

Francis has played quite a role in the development of the Order, altho his role has been a strange one, and Francis was never a member of Ordo Templi Orientis. This may seem strange to some people, but you will find no record of his having joined the O.T.O. while he was with Crowley in Paris, and his latter work in England was with the Golden Dawn people. And that is the way he would live and die, the "highest Master of the Rosy Cross in America" according to Gerald Yorke, and I have seen nothing to refute that testimony. He was also one of our "two witnesses."

In any Magickal Operation one always has "two witnesses," the "Eyes of Horus". Of course in our ordinary, every day ritual cycles we more or less take them for

granted but in higher rituals and heavy workings they must be accounted for in greater formality. Since you are aware that you are under observation to begin with, all Magickal Operations are, you might as well formally invoke them...the result is sort of like invoking the Four Watch Towers...don't worry, you will be "observed"...just be sure to bid them a fond "Dismissal" after it is over. So on the material plane one must deal with material witnesses. In this instance during the Kaaba Clerk House days with the THOTH deck assured of publication and the Investigation of the Crowley Library Rip-Off being written, I decided the time had come to activate Crowley's documents of authorization and establish the Caliphate. So I sat down and typed one letter to Gerald Yorke in England one to Dr. Regardie in Studio City CA. Since they had known Crowley personally as well as I had, they seemed just right to establish our credentials. Thus Francis became one of our "two witnesses".

It is well known that Francis and Crowley had one hell of an argument and were estranged for many years. But when Crowley died, as Francis said to me one day, "I got so mad at the unfairness of the obituaries to the old boy that I decided to write again to set the record straight." We can all thank him for that. THE EYE IN THE TRIANGLE, a biography of Crowley to set some things straight. And his editing of MAGICK WITHOUT TEARS, THE LAW IS FOR ALL with Commentary, and of course



his GEMS FROM THE EQUINOX. One of the more delightful moments of my acquaintance with Francis was one day I was visiting him at his home in Studio City in L.A. and he had taken me out to one of his favorite restaurants...TAIL O' THE COCK...or something like that, and the subject of GEMS came up. Being me I argued, "But Francis, what we need is the entire EQUI-NOX set published!" I still think so, but am subject to correction in this department. If I had to grab a compendium of Crowley writings real fast because that was all I was going to have to read for awhile, that would be high on the list.

Francis was a gentle friend and personally I am happy to recommend his current publishers:

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As for my own health, I have just survived a 3rd trip to the hospital thru the Emergency Room. Congestive heart failure augmented by a medication that had developed a toxic side effect, setting up fibrillations of the heart plus spasmodic breathing. Took them about a week to get me "cured," and another week to get my medication straightened out. I am out now and feeling fine so long as I do not try to exert myself like going shopping by bus. Ebony scores the mail and Sirius Encampment and others come by with wheels for necessary trips like renewing a prescription, cashing a check, etc. At least I am back at the typewriter. Who knows, you may hear a lot more from me!

Farewell, Francis, you were a great friend. Welcome to your Greater Feast. You were a far better "witness" by remaining outside the Order. Thank you.

Blessed Beast!

H.A. 777 \*

IN THE CONTINUUM AND THE COLLEGE OF THELEMA.

I.F. regardie often praised IN THE CONTINUUM. He called it "fascinating" in the last letter he wrote about it before his death. Others have expressed great appreciation for the much needed help they have received from its pages which has given them an understanding of very difficult parts of Crowley's writings. This publication has been designed to not only aid the student who is new to Thelema but also to inform those who are more advanced in their studies. It is suggested that I.T.C. be ordered from Vol. I, No. 1 all the way to the present, which is Vol. III, No. 7. Many articles both by Crowley and Meral are serialized. Meral has been writing the history of Jane Wolfe and how the O.T.O. got to CA. She is also responsible for the new series on "The Trumps of Thoth and Psychology" which has been widely acclaimed even though this series is only started. A.C.'s Commentary on his own LIBER LXV and LIBER VII are included in I.T.C. and are serialized where needed. Other articles by A.C. are serialized as well. Many people cannot afford all of these issues at once and so it would be a good idea to order one or two issues a month until the collection was up to date. Each issue is \$4.00. There are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II and 7 issues in Vol. III. Please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler.

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Does anyone know where we can purchase some cheap pyramids in which to house a surplus of M.T.'s?? The egocentric climate is overbearing and the amount of real work being done is incredibly negligible. Hate to thrash a dead horse but armchair magicians englamoured of their own intellects make me sick. If they had any real understanding they'd shut their sucking great mouths and get on with it. And as for one Brother in particular who recently quit the Order altogether on the failure of me personally to recognize his claim all I can say is you can be what ever you want to be you don't need anyone else to O.K. it.

It's amazing how many Brothers say they should be running this show and how little effort they put in in fact just sit on their bums and complain and reckon they're powering the whole thing with their minds just by thinking about it. Laughably sad. If they spent more time sorting themselves out they'd do us all a big favour. If you think I'm being bitchy I am, I'm real pissed off.

The Lodge is back to school in Sydney with Mass celebrated every Sunday at various locations, and new Mass teams shining through. Camping trips by some members into the wilderness where the elements are rife. The Rites of Eleusis are planned for May/June which will be the 7th occasion of their performance by O Lodge. And our magazine is again on the drawing board..all contributions welcome. Initiations have been going ahead apace, and the Dolphin Tribes welcome the addition of Ibis Tribe in central Victoria replacing Unicorn Star who are metamorphosing into a Melbourne based Tribe.

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*Emma*  
Georgia.

Stellar Visions Chapter S.F. CA

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Greetings from S.V. Chapter!

So much has happened in the last 5 months, and we are in a whole different situation now, as we, the chapter master and mistress, were compelled to move to a new home in Nov. 84. At this time meetings are held at one of two members homes in San Francisco, and still happen at 2-4 in the afternoon or the 1st and 3rd Sunday's of each month.

Another body has opened in S.F., Stars and Raven Camp, though a few of their members are also in S.V. Chapter, they are chartered through Grand Lodge. We would like to extend our welcome to them and wish them well, many of their members are involved in local Initiations.

We at S.V. are still working on Book 4, all parts, and the task for which we originally formed, communication and Initiation. There has been an increase in the duties of such a task now that the master has become G.S.G., and a reduction in chapter membership. In the face of such changes, we feel that now is the time to reassess our Chapter policies, accordingly, the next few meetings are important if you are now, or are interested in becoming, a member of the Chapter.

Love is the law,  
love under will.

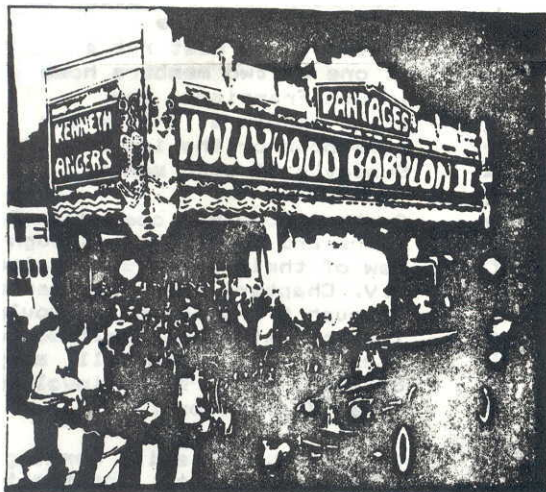
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### Underground Filmmaker Hollywood Historian

"You've seen the movies  
now read The Book, be-  
cause The Book is al-  
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movie."

America thrives on scandal. The  
Hollywood film communities  
avant-garde lifestyles have per-  
petually provided copy for yel-  
low-journalistic scandal  
tabloids.

In Paris during the early 60's  
a rebel Hollywood filmmaker  
made publishing history, re-  
leasing his stark expose' of  
Tinseltowns infamous inmates  
eccentric antics.

Banned in America. Hollywood Ba-  
bylon, printed in French, became  
a underground classic, making  
bestseller lists throughout the  
literary world.

Eventually America's 1960-70's  
"Do what thou wilt" morality  
caught up to Kenneth Anger's  
celloid timecapsul. Translated  
into English and printed in  
many other languages, Hollywood  
Babylon continued to sell inter-  
nationally in hardbound, large  
paperback, and standard paper-  
back editions.

October 29, 1982 E.V.

## Vicious burglars swap book for Tylenol



KENNETH ANGER  
Halloween victim?

FOR the last year and a  
half, author Kenneth  
Anger has been working  
on a sequel to his best-  
selling "Hollywood  
Babylon," a non-fiction  
work about the private  
lives of stars.

This week, thieves  
broke into his Upper  
East Side apartment  
and stole the manu-  
script — but brazenly  
left the typewriter on  
which it was being

"The place is just a  
shambles," he told News-  
Week. "They took some  
other things of value —  
like my stereo radio and  
a Tiffany glass lamp —

but the book is in-  
valuable to me because my  
wife was the only copy I had  
of most of it."

According to Anger,  
the robbers scattered  
Tylenol through the  
apartment over the floor  
left empty beer cans  
through the apartment  
and left the butt ends of  
several marijuana cig-  
arettes lying in the hallway.

He feels that the  
break-in was a malicious  
Halloween prank, an  
appeal to whoever has  
the book to return it.

"It had to be someone  
who knew of me," says  
Anger, "a maniac with  
some presence of mind."

"The notion they stole  
was new, never before  
published material about  
Princess Grace, John  
Brennan, Natalie Wood  
and William Holden."

Anyone with informa-  
tion on the theft should  
call the SF Pol. at 555-  
5411, or contact editor  
Bill Whitehead at Duf-  
ton 735-1215. All calls  
will be kept confidential.

October 31, 1984 E.V.

On Halloween night, author,  
filmmaker, magician-Kenneth  
Anger and his publisher E.P.  
Dutton released a virgin morn-  
ing star upon a trick or  
treating world.  
Hollywood Babylon II was out.

November 1984 E.V.

The United States President,  
Ronald (6 letters) Wilson (6  
letters) Reagan (6 letters =  
666), a semi-retired grade B  
actor, apexes the final "Death  
Valley Days" chapter of Hol-  
lywood Babylon II.



Graciously Kenneth Anger mailed to Ronnie (you old actor), Nancy, and the kids each their own personally autographed copies of Hollywood Babylon II. Within a week thereafter Anger was hit by a IRS tax audit.

December 1, 1984 E.V.  
Liber AL. CH.2. VS. 41

37th Anniversary of Aleister Crowley's Death.

The Boleskine O.T.O. sponsors Angers 1st West Coast Hollywood Babylon II booksigning in Berkeley at Moe's Books. In a inverted Serling twist, Babylon II's dead celloid stars were eulogized. Moe's Books was a literary mausolium, and the autograph liturgy a post funeral receiving line.

In the evening Anger attended a high level O.T.O. saurez held in his honor by the Sirius Camp. The Templar hierarchy, including The Caliph, the G.S.G. and other high ranking O.T.O. initiates were enthralled by the authors unrevealed Hollywood analogs.

The Greater Feast for the Beast concluded when Angers Thelemic escort deposited the filmmaker at the San Francisco Vatican of his infernal comrade, the Black Pope of Satan, Anton Szandor La Vey.

The Boleskine Chapter expresses our thanks to Sr. Galaylah III, Fra. Malone II, Sr. Glenn III, & Fra. Lonnie IV, for their help with the Hollywood Babylon II booksigning.

The Illuminati Express emphatically recommends all Thelemites to obtain both copies of Hollywood Babylon. Available at a bookstore near you.

A limited supply of O.T.O. T-Shirts remain in print. \$7.77 + \$1.50 US-\$2.00 POC for postage. Make payable to C. Dietler, indicate size.

Frater Zardoz IV°P. M.


## Kilili Camp Report

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Now that the dissipative energies in the month preceding Mardi Gras are behind us, we are rekindling our activities with renewed vigor. The relocation of Soror Chen has granted us a new, vastly improved temple. She also sends heart felt thanks to Tahuti Lodge for her 3<sup>o</sup>, as well as her best wishes to Bill Breeze's plants. Frater Malai extends his gratitude for his appointment as camp secretary. Our current projects include a series of study intensives on Liber AL, the establishment of regular Gnostic Masses, and our second annual Feast and ritual for the writing of the Book of the Law. There are also tentative plans for inter-mural barbeque with a local Fourth Way study group. Lastly, Vajra 18 has unveiled the principle of Supply-Side Karma, formulated as "Rob from the rich and give to the Void." Its advantages, he has explained, are threefold: 1) You get to get in on all the stealing; 2) You aren't doing it for your own personal gain; and 3) You don't have to find a particular individual to take the damned stuff off your hands.

Love is the law, love under will.

93/93

*T/Hali* 

## COPH NIA CAMP Report

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Fr. Audio: So, what are we going to tell them about this time?

Fr. Video: How about the Enochian?

Fr. A: What about it?

Fr. V: We could tell them about the time dennis fell through the crack in the Aether.

Fr. A: No, they'd never get that!

Fr. V: The giant bugs around the campfire?



Fr. A: We didn't even know where we were!  
 Fr. V: How about the time ROhNahC saw Fr. Emet fly by?  
 Fr. A: No, he might get mad.  
 Fr. V: Finding gold? We've got three different ways.  
 Fr. A: It'll take too long.  
 Fr. V: Well, we could at least tell them about Sloane 3191.  
 Fr. A: You mean how, with the kind assistance of Soror Astrum Draconis, we were able to order a copy of same from the British Library, for the highly Qabbalistic price of 39.93 English pounds?  
 Fr. V: Yeah, that.  
 Fr. A: And how we would be willing to supply copies of same for postage and reproduction costs, to interested brothers?  
 Fr. V: Yeah, that too.  
 Fr. A: And how about Coph Nia dissolving into the aether?  
 Fr. V: Oh no, not that! Save that for later.  
 Fr. A: We could just say Scire, Velle, Audere, Tacere, ad Iram.  
 Fr. V: That would be fine.

Love is the law, love under will,

Abscondor, 329, II°

#### KONZ ON PAX CAMP

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law!

The encampment has been involved in discussing and some limited working the 93 Current with local area Vicca groups. This work continues. We also maintain correspondence via electronic-mail with occultists and Thelmites across the country.

Frater S-S recently completed the requirements for, and was awarded a Masters Degree in Business. Work is currently underway on a book dealing with the influence of occult currents on modern rock music. More time is also available for the research into the Draconian Current.

Love is the law, love under will.

Frater Solis-Serpentis  
 Konz On Pax Camp

#### NEMO ENCAMPMENT

Do what thou wilt  
 shall be the whole of the Law

Members of Nemo Encampment meet the first Monday of each month. All members are invited to attend. We are presently engaged in the study of the Major Arcana. A different Trump is reviewed each meeting. "The Lovers" was studied at the last meeting. The B.O.T.A. version is currently being used, along with the Thelemic insight provided by the Theth Deck.

Love is the law, love under will

Frater H.I. M<sup>0</sup>

#### PYRAMID CAMP

DO WHAT THOU WILT  
 SHALL BE THE WHOLE OF THE LAW.

We're still organizing, meeting monthly, and growing. The seven initial members met in February, 17 met together in March.

Following the admonition in Liber Al, Ch. 2, the March meeting began with our first "formal" group working--a Ritual of the Elements --to celebrate the Vernal Equinox. Each of the original seven members contributed in some individual way. Thanks.

Following the ritual we discussed the nature and symbolism of the Star Ruby, and continued our study of MTP with Ch. 4 & 5, מלך, and IA0.

The special interest groups on ritual and on Kabbalah have begun to meet between the regular meetings.

Our next meeting will be on 10 April, when we celebrate the writing of the Book of the Law, and discuss the formula of the Neophyte from MTP, and apply it to some examples.

"Success shall be your reward."

LOVE IS THE LAW, LOVE UNDER WILL.

E.A.O.A./77

# Organization for the Advancement of Knowledge

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Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

O.A.K. Camp would like to share some poetry from a well-known Seattle writer. He originally wrote this as a gift to the opening of Beltane Books in 1973. We felt it was worth sharing to the Guild:

## TANTRA/THELEMA

In works of fire, in works of wonder,  
Let me hear the heavens thunder.  
Work in me a web of spells,  
Protect me from the vajra hells.  
Give me a sign of the star and the garter,  
A vision of the bleeding martyr,  
A vision of crosses, a vision of swords,  
Crowned children, conquering lords,  
Words of wisdom, words of love,  
The ruby rose, the single dove.  
Show me in one hour all there is of power.  
Point my eye, direct my will,  
Teach me to perfect my skill.

Give me the rites, give me the rituals  
For bright celebrations and dark nuptials.  
I want to worship, I want to weep  
In the starry body of Nuith.  
I want to be a vessel filled,  
Selfishness and ego killed,  
With love and light and wisdom willed.  
Horus, Thoth, Tara, Yama  
Jesus, Buddha, Krishna, Rama.....  
Am I not ready yet?  
Satan, Kali, Baphomet!  
There I've said your names  
Now come and fill me with your flames.

Charley Moffit, 1973

Love is the law, love under will.



LECTURES, WRITING, RESEARCH

## NEW VISITOR PROGRAM

Feeling isolated? Do you sometimes wonder whether the official communications you receive reflect what's really going on at Grand Lodge? Would you like to have a Thelomite from California visit your group for a weekend or a week, meet your members, join in your activities, listen to your gripes, exchange news and perhaps give a workshop or a lecture?

A number of active and senior members of the California OTO are interested in visiting outlying bodies of the Order, if their travel expenses will be paid by the host body. If you would like to have a guest, start saving up the air fare and write me a letter including the dates during which you could receive a visitor, any special interests of your members, and a phone number if possible. I will give you a list of the people who can travel on those dates and let you complete your arrangements directly. If you want a visitor but can cover only part of the expense, write anyway and we'll see if something can be worked out. Camp of the Stars and Raven attn Bender/ 1005 Market St. #207, SF CA 94103.



## ISRAEL REGARDIE: IN MEMORIAM

First met Israel REGARDIE by sending some school essays I'd written on Wilhelm Reich and a collection of my poetry, "American Mutant." No response. When down in L.A. called him (he was actually in the phonebook) to ask if he ever got the poetry. "Rascally? I don't recall getting any poetry." No, poetry, poetry. "Oh, yes. Well, Marc, I'm too busy this weekend, why don't you give me a little warning next time you're in town?" I did and finally met him, a short but surprisingly energetic man for someone who appeared at least in his late 60's. His thick accent maybe cockney? made him all the more charming as we covered all sorts of occult and mystical grounds. He encouraged me to join our O.T.O. I needed that recommendation from a man who was obviously the foremost Crowley authority. This led to a number of visits and correspondence. During this time, by his direct influence, I not only found myself initiated, but hooked up with a Reichian therapist I saw for 8 years. REGARDIE also helped me through a crisis when I had taken Buddhist Refuge vows with Chogyon Trungpa, Rinpoche and worried that there was a conflict between Theloms and Buddhism. He saw none, pointing to Liber O's Buddhist-like outlook. When it was time for him to move on to Phoenix, and he answered my last letter with a short note telling me he was "up to his ears in packing" and sorry, didn't have time to see me. The note bothered me in one sense: no forwarding address. I had the feeling that our chapter had come to a close; he had helped me on my way, and though he obviously still liked me, I was part of a peripheral correspondence that he seemed to want ended, perhaps to pursue his writing. This was all assumption, but there was certainly no encouragement to continue to write him. Simply, I didn't want to bother the man any more than I already had, since he had been so gracious. Even when Grady offered me his address, I still felt reluctant to follow through. What or ask? I didn't want to begin to think of his again, and that I should write him before he died. I learned yesterday that he had died that very week. Blessings, dear Israel.

3/18/85

Marc Glansted  
Frater Shiva Bone 170



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LeRoy Lauer, Vº and Senator O.T.O. and Master of Babalon-Therion Chapter, is the most experienced and accomplished Deacon in Southern California. Fondly regarded as Thelema's own Zen Master, LeRoy's wisdom and perceptiveness contribute handsomely to the seminary faculty.

### SAMPLE TOPICS

Friday, April 12. Symbolism of the Temple; IHVH & the Parsifal Legend; The Children; IAO; AUMGN; The Gnostic Creed; THE CEREMONY OF THE INTRODUCTION.

Saturday, April 13. Greek Pronunciation; Gender; Role of the Deacon; The Serpent & the Lion; The Collects; The Anthem; The Cup & the Great Sea; CEREMONY OF THE OPENING OF THE VEIL.

Sunday, April 14. The Crown; Role of the Priestess; Role of the Priest; The Eucharist; Trinities Alchemical, Qabalistic & Gnostic; CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS; THE MYSTIC MARRIAGE & CONSUMMATION OF THE ELEMENTS.

Each day begins at 10:00 A.M. sharp and continues into the evening, with two meal breaks. We recommend attendance all three days, although Friday can be missed with the least sacrifice of continuity and completeness. Ordinations are available to qualified individuals attending at least the Saturday and Sunday sessions, by prior arrangement with Bishop King. The seminar will conclude Sunday with a very magical celebration of the Gnostic Catholic Mass; ordinations; and our usual pot-luck festivities.

### Important Note

One purpose of this seminar is the controlled, permanent alteration and elevation of your consciousness. We recommend that for these three days you refrain from other (potentially interfering) methods of consciousness alteration, to achieve maximum benefit from the seminar.

### FEES

Full three days, \$50. Two consecutive days, \$35. Single day, \$20. Previous graduates of this seminar may attend at extremely reduced rates (contact us for information). Paid pre-registration by April 5 is recommended to ensure minimum registration for seminar. Seminar may be cancelled without notice to non-registrants due to less than 10 pre-registrants.

# Grand Lodge Report

P.O. Box 2303  
Berkeley, CA 94702  
U. S. A.

The Magickal Link is both over-stuffed and late this time, and we are a little concerned that we may miss getting out the May issue.

The day in court between our O.T.O. and Motta's organization is set for May 7th, in San Francisco Federal Court. Between now and then a lot of work has to be done and it is not certain that the next issue of the Link will get done in time to be mailed for May. We will try to get it out, however.

This issue didn't have enough room for a Bonus item from the old correspondence of the Order, but I will tell you this much: We have it on Karl Germer's authority in a letter to Grady in October of 1946 e.v. that Crowley was circumcised as a baby. Why Germer wrote that to Grady and how he knew is another story... This bon motte' comes to you in appreciation of another "Missing Link"---circulated, we are told, out of Southern California. Many of you will be seeing it in the Thelemic Underground in time to come. It was quite a relief to see such good humor from the land beneath the great cloud. We were worried that you guys in LA had suffered from too much Northern air pollution! Where there's satire, Thelema is alive and well. Bravo!

New bodies and address changes --to appear in the next contact list:

Tahuti Lodge address:  
J.A.F. P.O.B. 7884, New York,  
NY 10116 USA

Nephthys Chapter is now  
Nephthis Lodge.

New Camp:  
Athexaea Camp, P.O. Box 7243  
Flushing, NY 11352 USA  
New Tribe:  
Ibis Tribe, c/o Alan Shanks,  
P.O. Box 118, Maldon, 3463 AUSTRALIA

The Order is still in great need of funds to carry through the legal battle, and we have a fine Attorney who gives us the minimum rate; but \$\$\$'s are greatly to be desired. Thanks to the many who have formed a sort of unofficial \$93 club, by their generous donations. We expect a \$5,000.00 bill before the court date, and more of like size after. If dues and donations keep coming in we will make it with room to spare.

There will probably be some delays in routine mail from Grand Lodge through about mid May while we work up the evidence and such for trial. It still astounds me that in all of this we still haven't come across any sign that Motta was ever an O.T.O. member! Because of his published remarks, we had assumed that he at least had been initiated; but in all the records and the correspondence he had with Germer there's no mention of his ever being initiated into O.T.O. A.A., yes; but not O.T.O.! If it hadn't been for his suit against Weisers and the research into his old file that we did in conjunction with that, we might never have realized this oddity.

For those of you who may wish to pay your dues in advance, here's the schedule for the first few Degrees: 0° -- \$15, I° -- \$15, II° -- \$30, III° -- \$45, IV° -- \$60 All per annum ( fees at time of initiation extra

The Biennial IX° Members meeting went well, with many members standing up for Francis I. Regardie in fond memory. Four new Emirs were elected to fill the places vacated by the retiring four: Jim Eshelman, Bill Breeze, Kaye Lewis and Jim Graeb (the last two have been on the Supreme Council before). A meeting of the V° Senate led to 8 proposed members for the Electoral College. The College will meet in 3 months to continue its role in Blue Equinox pattern.

In Memorium for F.I.Regardie

POST CXX ANNOS PATEBO  
IX



# "COMMON SENSE"

Be what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.  
The Eighties demand a strong ship with able sailors.  
The O.T.O. has leaks in its hull, a wayward crew,  
and its officers are dicing in the wheelhouse.

Our first weakness is one of structure. We may have officially endorsed the Blue Equinox constitution. But for practical reasons large sections of it remain unactivated. Further, many members retain serious doubts about this document. Is it too baroque to be workable? Too aristocratic to be fair? Besides, Crowley never ran the Order by the book. And there is evidence he favored "a complete change in the structure of the Order."

This issue needs attention. Things change; it is too easy to imagine a near future in which the cumbersome B.I.L. constitution is only a theoretical model, while our ~~de facto~~ government is the much simpler O.T.O. corporation. This is merely the legal face we present to external authority. Asking a corporation to govern a magical order is a little like inviting Customs to pilot your ship.

Our members seem as indifferent to this as to other Order-wide issues. Certainly there is important work happening in the field. But if it happens at the expense of involvement with the rest of the Order, something is wrong. We have a dues delinquency of critical proportions. Local groups need constant reminding just to send in Link reports. Indeed, lack of communication in this Order constitutes a problem in itself. And often the information we do share with each other is scarcely better than silence. Most issues of the Link will bear this out.

It's nice to have space to share poetical accounts of your very own date with Nuit. It's also hard to tell if you've really been somewhere or just watched too much teevee on acid. And it's not our problem to decide. I'd rather read serious dialog about the state and affairs of our Order. Especially if that means the Link has less space for the following: Invitations to last month's events. Subsequent, interchangeable accounts of same. Articles whose purpose is to list the honorifics of--or otherwise glorify--a local field commander. Sermons on how to be a proper Thelemite, and anything else that smacks of the Late Knights of B. Self-serving spite against one's personal enemies, real or imaginary. Etcetera.

So much for ship and crew. Headquarters is insulated from the rest of the planet by more than geography. In the early years there was no O.T.O. outside California. Now we are worldwide; yet there are signs the machinery of headquarters, and perhaps some of its minds, are still geared to that provincial era. A too common sentiment in the field is that Berkeley is irrelevant.

One reason for this is Council's recent pronouncement about the Aeon of Horus. Drawing firm lines for the Eighties, I presume. Some of our brothers and sisters do work with the energies of Maat. But I know of none claiming to have transcended the Aeon of Horus. In short, who needed this decree? At best it is insane. At worst it is one of those innocuous first tacks on a course toward "property in human thought."

Council's latest hobby is subsidizing the impoverished American lawyer. Unsecure of the capital necessary for victory, we wage legal war on a creature already noisily in pursuit of its own destruction. However important the objective of this "legitimacy," it is certainly a prize our Order has flourished without.

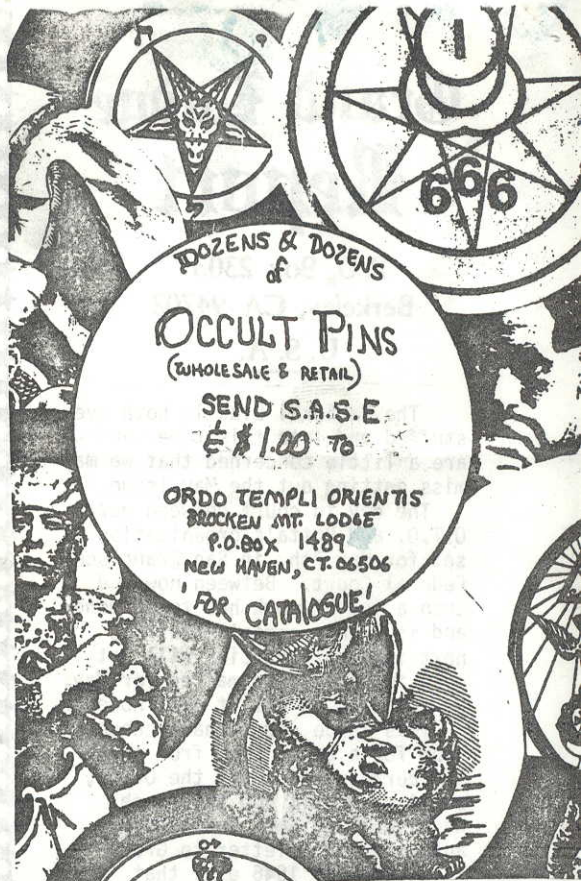
Whoever created them, these are our problems now. If they appear trivial, I suggest rather that they are major but latent...awaiting only the proper karmic trigger to set them off. They are therefore best addressed now.

The O.T.O. represents an interface between the Law of Thelema and strict social structure. As such it is the most important political experiment of our time. If we fail to create of it what we Will, then we shall deserve what we get.

There are rough seas ahead. Let us all look to our Ship.

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Frater NOT 129



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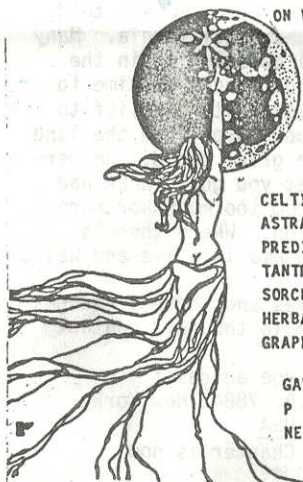
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# The Magickal Link

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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

## From the CALIPH

### ON THE GOD BESZ: A MYSTERY

Several years ago when we were casting the first production of THE RITES OF EIEUSIS here in the S.F. Bay Area I made the mistake of volunteering for the role of BESZ in THE RITE OF SOL. EQUINOX I 6 p. 73 Aries. What is this offering?

Besz. The eater of Flesh is my name "the Probationers...take SOL from the cross and lay him on the Pastos. They cover it. BESZ does his brutal demoniac dance upon the lid of the coffin."

Now where was I going to get a wild, demonic dance? Certainly not in my Shakespeare, so I settled a party trip from back in the '50's: when things got dull I would drop to a crouch and go bouncing around the room on knuckles to stand up drumming my chest and emitting the well known "ape call" at the end. So that is what I did on SOL's coffin. It worked very well, and got me to wondering about this strange "god" BESZ.

"The grotesque god Bes came into prominence during the Eighteenth Dynasty...he appears to have been of African origin...he was a dwarf with long arms and crooked legs; his nose was broad and flat, his ears projected like those of a cat, he had bushy hair and eyebrows and a beard, his lips were thick and gross. Over his back he wore the skin of a wild animal, the tail trailing behind...He was a war god, a god of music

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playing a harp, and a love god...As late as Roman times he was known by his oracle at Abydos (Egyptian oracular gods were very few). Absorbed by the sun worshippers he became the nurse of Harpokrates (Horus) whom he nourished and amused. He also guarded the child against attacks of serpents. ...p. 313 Donald A. Mackenzie, EGYPTIAN MYTH AND LEGEND London The Gresham Pub Co circa 1920's.



Now about that relation of Bes and Horus. On the Metternich Stele "...Horus stands with his feet upon the backs of two crocodiles, and he grasps in his hands the reptiles and animals which are the emblems of the foes of light and of the powers of evil. He wears the lock of youth and above his head is the head of the old

god Bes, who here symbolizes the Sun-god at eventide." p. 270 E. A. Wallis Budge THE GODS OF THE EGYPTIANS Vol 2 NY Dover 1969

Yes, but what exactly is their relation? "In the cippi of Horus of the Crocodiles (Harpocrates, the Child), "He stands on two crocodiles...Resting on the head of Horus is the head of "the Aged" god, which is somewhat like that of Bes, and the figure of Horus and the head together symbolized the old god who renews his youth and strength perpetually." p. 165 Sir E. A. Wallis Budge AMULETS AND TALISMANS NY University Books 1961



Well, now, we know where we have heard those words before:

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End."  
Rev. 21:6

For there is something "mechanic" about Bez. Something automatic in the line of a machine, but that is what you have when you "yoke" an elemental demonic force in some ritual. A machine. A "Devil". In some Medieval town w/a dock there is a picture of a wheel full of men...as they went forward as a body the wheel moved, when they went back if lifted cargo from a barge. It was known as "The Devil" of that place. With it's multiplied power it could move things. And it's that we are getting at. Like that lock of youth" looks like a piece of metallic jewelry. In what universes is it binding, I wonder?

Well, possibly in South America. Here is a perfectly good representation of the god Bez in the Mayan god of pulque, protruding tongue and all. Like I said man, a mystery.



Blessed Beast!

H.A. 777 \*

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418 LODGE OF O.T.O., The A.A.A., and  
THE COLLEGE OF THELEMA.

Many questions are asked about the difference between the O.T.O., the A.A.A. and the College of Thelema. The O.T.O. is formulated on Masonic lines and is mostly political and social. In it, one could remain a "Man of Earth" indefinitely and enjoy the company of one's fellow Thelemites.

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#### SUMMER REPORT

Walpurgis night marked the end of the 16 week Enochian Magick Class. Graduation was celebrated with the obligatory poolside party and a special BM provided by the F. Dashwood memorial League.

The third annual rites of ELEUSIS begin of June 23rd and will continue through December.

Gnostic Mass will be celebrated 5-19, 6-16, 7-21, 8-18, 9-15 & 9-22.

SEX MAGICK will be the subject of a new weekly class beginning in May. (Limited openings)

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Do what thou wilt shall be  
the whole of the Law.

Hold the 'Star Search' Contest entries, we have a winner! Douglas Smith of Oakland, California has correctly guessed the star named 'ALEISTER CROWLEY' as located in the sign of Capricorn, in the Horns of the Goat. His answer was the first to arrive ..... The star, 'Capricornus DA 20H 22m 11s-11 21 was renamed on the 14th day of 1985 after Crowley.

Congratulations to Douglas Smith and all the other numerous entries who guessed the correct location of the Star, but regrettably we can have only one winner!

Love is the law, love under will.

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DO WHAT THOU WILT SHALL BE  
THE WHOLE OF THE LAW.

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GREETINGS FROM HORUSBABALON  
ENCAMPMENT! ALOT HAS BEEN  
HAPPENING HERE SINCE OUR  
LAST REPORT. FIRSTLY, WE  
HAVE JUST MOVED ONTO A 7  
ACRE LOT, ON WHICH WE ARE  
BUILDING A PORTABLE OTO  
TEMPLE. THE CAMP MASTER  
HAS JUST RECEIVED HIS THIRD  
DEGREE PLUS THE RIGHT TO  
INITIATE. (0, 1, 2, 3.)  
ANY PERSONS IN B.C., WASHINGTON,  
OR ANY LOCALITY, INTERESTED IN  
BEING INITIATED CAN MAKE  
ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE CAMP  
SECRETARY. THERE HAVE BEEN  
FOUR MINERVAL INITIATIONS,  
(PLUS ONE UNBORN WITNESS).  
WEVE BEEN HAVING OTO WORKSHOPS  
THAT INCLUDE RITUAL MAGICK  
CLASSES, HISTORY OF OTO,  
TAPING SELECTIONS FROM  
CROWLIAN LITURATURE.  
THE MASS TEAM IS DOING  
GNOSTIC MASSES TWICE WEEKLY.  
WE HAVE A NEW TREASURER FOR  
THE CHURCH, FRATER TO MEGA  
THERION. WE ALSO HAVE A NEW  
CAMP SECRETARY, SOROR  
TYRANNAH AND A NEW CAMP MISTRESS,  
SOROR JIHELA. WE ARE TRYING  
TO SET UP A WOMANS HUT WHICH  
WILL BE THERE FOR WOMEN TO  
EXPLORE THEMSELVES IN THE  
COMPANY OF OTHER WOMEN.  
ANYBODY WHO HAS ANY SUGGESTIONS  
OR WHO IS INTERESTED CONTACT  
THE SECRETARY.

THATS ALL FOR NOW FROM  
THE SECRETARY. P.S.  
EACH OF THE MINERVALS PITCHED  
IN FOR THE CASE AGAINST  
MOTTA—LETS KEEP IT COMING!

THE CAMP MEMBERS VISTED A  
SIKH TEMPLE AND FOUND THE  
FOLLOWING:

SYI ANIMAL QUIZ

LION: HE IS BRAVE AND MAGNANIMOUS  
HE DEFENDS HIS TERRITORY.  
HE REPRESENTS THE NOBLE.

MICE: ...ARE TIMID  
SHRIEK WHEN BEATEN AND  
RUN LIKE HELL WHEN ATTACKED.

JACKASS: HE IS AN UNGRUDGING  
WORKER. OTHERS LOVE HIM  
FOR HIS WORK AND LIVE ON  
HIS LABOURS.

SHEEP: RELATED TO SERIAL 2  
ABOVE IN PROVERBIAL COWARDICE.  
THEY CAN BE SLAUGHTERED AND  
FLEECE AT WILL. ABUSE THEM  
OR CALL THEM BY WHATEVER NAME,  
IT DOES'NT MATTER TO THEM.  
THEY ARE EATEN BY MANY  
PREDATORS INCLUDING MAN. THEY  
CAN GRAZE ANYWHERE AND ARE  
NOT PARTICULAR ON FRONTIERS  
OR BORDERS. THEY CAN BE DRIVEN  
FROM ONE TERRITORY TO ANOTHER  
WITH THE GREATEST EASE.

COW: THIS IS A VERY HOLY THING,  
CALLED SACRED AND WORSHIPPED  
BY MANY. OTHERS SLAUGHTER IT  
AND RELISH ITS MEAT. BOTH  
PUT UP A GREAT SPECTACLE  
THROUGH THIS "SLIGHT DIFFERENCE  
OF OPINION". HAS NO STAMINA  
AND GUTS; GIVES THE CONTENT  
TO THE WORD 'COWARD'. THOSE  
WHO LOVE THE ANIMAL HAVE A  
LOT OF THE QUALITY.

PIG: VERY STUPID INDEED.  
LEARNS NOTHING FROM HISTORY.  
KEEPS REPEATING THE SAME  
MISTAKES. KEEPS FIGHTING  
AMONG HIS OWN KIND AND NEVER  
LOOKS OUTWARDS AT THE DANGERS.

YOU MAY LOOK AT THE TEXT  
SUPERFICIALLY OR TRY TO  
DISCOVER THE CODED MESSAGE.  
FINALLY, WE SALUTE THE 'PERFECT'  
SWAN FOR ITS VANITY.

93/99  
LOVE IS THE LAW, LOVE UNDER WILL.



An. LXXX e.n.  
Sun in Taurus

### THELEMA 93 & THOTH REPORT YUGOSLAVIA

Do what thou wilt  
shall be the whole of the Law.

The members, who are seriously interested in our Order, meet every month.

In January we performed the R. of ♀ from Crowley's Eleusis Mysteries. (The results are in this report!)

In February we performed together Liber Samekh, which was showed to us by our mighty Caliph.

In March there was the feast of the Spring's Equinox. (The Word: CRYSTAL.)

In April was the feast for the three days of the writing of the Book of the Law. We spent those days in the beautiful Alps.

On the first of May there was a four day long course which was leaded by Fra DBR H AVR, and it was concerning two themes: the preparation for the Initiations and the introduction into the witchcraft. We were at the sea-side.

In the following weekend Fra DHA. leaded the first public course: The Introduction into Magick.

The next course about the meanings of the symbols of the rituals of Initiations will be on the June 10-th, for the aspirants for the M & I initiations. The members of our Order will meet again for the feast of the Summer Solstice.

#### Publishing activity

Among 17 books which will contain the translations of 39 Libers under the title 'A..A..Library' we have issued 3 books up to now. (We are adding the list of the books.)

From the Spring's Eq. on we're issuing publicly the FIRST Yugoslav magical MONTHLY periodical: "THOTH", dedicated to Frater Hymenaeus Alpha and Soror Meral. (Ed. Fra. Schachar Yar. Co Ed. Fra. DBR H AVR.)

Ljubljana May 16, 1984.e.v.

The link among the members of the Order is the monthly informant "AHA".

We're also preparing to issue a series of the books which will be called "O.T.O. Library".

Our members VA & CSV are establishing the cassette library with Thelemic Music(k) which will be taped for the people who are interested in.

We're working on matters concerning our registration with the law of our country so that our work for now is based strictly on individual activities.

In July we will send \$ 100.- for the European Travel Fund, and we are inviting also other members of our Order to support financially the international growth of the Order.

Fraternal greetings to ALL, especially to our unforgettable Grady. His presence left in our space the radiant creative seal.

Love is the law, love under will.

'SchachAR YAR' 718  
DBR H AVR. 418

### ENCAMPMENT BEELZEBUB

TU WAS DU WILLST SOLL SEIN DAS GANZE  
GESETZ.

ENCAMPMENT BEELZEBUB has joined the long list of publishing bodies of our Holy Order. At the Vernal Equinox 1985 e.v. we published the first number of our own "Newsletter". We are planning four issues per anno. Order Members can get a free copy by request. Do we have to mention it extra that it is of course in German?

Liebe ist das Gesetz, Liebe unter Willen

Fra. Hyperion I

## Athexasa Camp

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

To the extent that it is possible to point to a finite beginning, Athexasa Camp has begun. We anticipate our approach to be serious, scholarly, even-handed, peaceful and, hopefully, enjoyable. At the present, we are in the process of organising, gaining access to Temple space, getting our new members ready for initiation and otherwise getting our act together. While we get organized, we will concentrate on developing our ability to work as a group in the conduct of rituals, starting with the most elementary and utilizing others as we grow and develop and as our needs are determined. As we progress, we hope to make our reports here as meaningful as we possibly can and welcome hearing from all.

Love is the law, love under will.

93/93

Soror Hypatia 409 1°

### CHAOS ENCAMPMENT O.T.O.

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

We here in the "swamp" are getting things going finally. We had three kick-ass Holy Days and are looking forward to many more. There is a great need for experienced ritual magickians to please(!) help me out. As it turns out I can have my off days.

The Encampment is at present looking into astral work, basic qabalah & study of the tree of life, ways to improve a temple without spending a fortune, and, anything that someone would like to help us with.

If anyone is planning a trip down our us a line & try to drop by. Oh yeah, I have heard sotries & I promise that someone will answer.

So it's goodbye to cheap pasta and all that.

Love is the law, love under will.

Faternally,

Frater Insanvs 0°  
Campmaster.

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### The Last Word from Coph Nia

Do what thou wilt  
shall be  
the whole of the Law.

To all things, good and bad, an end must come, so that they may participate in a new beginning. This time has come for Coph Nia. By the time most of you read this, Coph Nia will be no more. The household of brother Vandimir will be re-locating back in the Grand Lodge area. The remainder of the camp is either preparing to leave, has already left, or will fend for themselves.

Coph Nia began as a dream that I tried to make come true. Perhaps it wasn't ready to come true just yet, perhaps I wasn't wise enough to turn the trick. My time here has yielded some results, but not what I expected. I had wanted to start something here, and it may yet yield fruit, but it will be after I'm gone. For now, Coph Nia returns to the world of dreams and visions from whence it came, waiting for the next time. The next time someone cares to try the "Double Wand of power; the wand of the force of Coph Nia".

My deepest thanks to all who assisted, shared, participated, or visited this dream trying to come true.

And the last word from Coph Nia? "the ending of the words is the word Abrahadabra."



# Grand Lodge Report

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U. S. A.

Last February, we of the Twin Star Camp gathered together, ending a short break for the 4-R's (see Jan Link). We are now back at work planning our next batch of projects.

First, we wish to welcome our three new members to our camp. Sr. Avon IO and Fra. Childe Roland IO hail from Grand Lodge, and Fra. Paul OO from Tahiti. With Sr. Avon in our ranks, we can now perform the Gnostic Mass. Plans are now in the works for doing the Mass in May.

Secondly, plans for our Third Thelemic Convention at Lake Passaquany are still in effect. The ate for the convention will be Aug. 17 18 and 19, at the time of the Feast of the First Night of the Prophat and His Bride. This will be our ast Convention for a while. Due to the poor attendance at last year's get-together, and the cost of trying to put it together, we have decided to try one more time. Our first two Conventions were magickally fantastic (see past Links 9-83 / 10-84), and the third should be even better. Write to our Camp for details.

Thirdly, we of the Twin Star, in association with our sister Thelemic group. The Sacred and Mistical Order of the Sword and Shield, are starting a mail order Book Service. More on this will be mentioned in future Links.

Fourthly, Damon finally got the RS-232 interface for Rex Mundi (his computer). By the time this report is in the Link we should be on line.

Fiftly, due to the financial problems Grand Lodge is having, we of the Twin Star have decided to run a Fund-Raising campaign. Demon has ordered into production 300 Thelemic buttons. All work in the production of the buttons comes from the members of our Camp. All profits will go to the Grand Lodge. The buttons cost us a buck apeace, not counting the price of the button-making machine. We will be selling them for \$2.00 apeace. They will consist of three designs. For more info, contact Twin Star Camp.

Just to repeat the remark on the cover of this issue of the Magickal Link, there was no May issue. We had to devote most of the time available to the suit against Motta and his S.O.T.O. Hopefully, we will be able to provide a special item later this year to take the place of that missing issue. For those of you who can't wait, I suggest writing to Heru-Ra-Ha Lodge for a copy of the "Missing Link" --- good humor satire on the present publication may be available for a moderate price.

About the Motta case. Here's the present situation. We have gone through the trial portion, five days of it; and now await the Judge's decisions of fact and opinions. From that document, we pass to submission of desired rulings, hopefully thence to the action of the same rulings.

What happened? Please understand that I am now going on my memory of the case. I will attempt to confine myself to what happened and what may reasonably be expected to result. We worked with our attorney to research about 20,000 documents from the archives; this was narrowed to about 450 items of evidence. From this we further boiled it down to about 118 planned exhibits. Then we heard from Martin Starr, formerly of S.O.T.O. Martin was concerned enough to provide us with about a thousand additional documents covering Motta's operations and including a good deal of correspondence with his own attorneys. Some of this could not be admitted, owing to lawyer-client relations. We did attempt to introduce one such letter, in which Motta stated that he had only \*\*\*ed under oath once in the Weiser case in Maine. Naturally this was not



admissible, under client privilege, but the process of discussing it before the court may have sparked Motta's testimony ---he spent from 15 to 20 minutes on cross examination explaining that he would only lie on religious questions, and about O.T.O. He also invited the Judge in the present case to decide where he may have been lying in his earlier testimony! I must confess that I felt some sympathy for Bob Mittel about then. Bob is Motta's attorney, and it took a little bit to get over this interesting spot.

Motta also stated these interesting facts: He had never been initiated to any degree of membership in O.T.O., aside from what he said was a cross-link to his A.A.A. membership through being shown the IX<sup>0</sup> MS by K.Germer. Motta never received any charter for O.T.O. work from Germer, and the document he thought was the charter was not in fact a charter. Motta started his O.T.O. representations when he learned that the O.T.O. had an ownership claim on Crowley's copyrights. Motta is the only remaining member of his S.O.T.O. organization, and his personal bills are paid by S.O.T.O. in a flexible sort of salary. He is his own treasurer. His "Directors" did not act as Board Directors, and did not have any veto over his actions. Motta lacked evidence for many of his statements in print against our people.

The Judge in the case accepted the rulings from the Weiser case that Motta was not the O.H.O. of O.T.O. and that he and his S.O.T.O. did not own the Crowley copyrights in own right.

We introduced evidence of conspiracy to commit major crime via letters to J.Ellis from Motta. We further introduced the issue of Motta's applications for copyright and renewals of Germer copyright as well as trademark registrations made after we sued him.

Martin Starr's evidence was most useful, as was the material provided by Tom Whitmore with his discovery of the Liber AL MS. Testifying for O.T.O.: Grady McMurtry, P. Seckler, H. Parsons Smith, J. Wasserman, B. Heidrick, M. Starr. Testifying for Motta and S.O.T.O.: himself only. We wish to thank Michael Aquino for making himself available for testimony on our behalf, at our request. Michael was to be a witness from outside the participants on various matters of his expertise regarding O.T.O. nature and history. The case moved in such a way as to make such

testimony unnecessary, but O.T.O. owes a debt of honor to Michael and to the Temple of Set for his efforts and his able cooperation. Our brother R.Gernon was unable to testify because of impossibility of travel at the time of the trial; and we sympathize with him, for we suspect that he would have enjoyed it. Mr. Gunther was also ~~unable~~ to give testimony, but his documents were helpful.

Thanks also go to Andrea, Rick, and the many others who provided transportation and support, both moral and material.

During the trial, Grady had to be hospitalized twice, but he kept coming back like the old war-horse he is! His health remains poor, but his spirit is strong. I am happy to report that Grady was able to be present while Motta underwent the able and interesting cross-examination of our attorney, Stuart MacKenzie. Grady is resting at home now, and has some considerable discomfort breathing. We should work for his improvement in health as a regular thing. Cards and letters would help too.

There is not much point in going over in depth the testimony of our witnesses now. There were some surprises, but much of what outside said has long been published in our publications. We have never tried to conceal our nature from the membership or from the public. Most of the new info came from Mr. Motta.

How did we do? It's too early to be sure of the details, but very well is my impression. I feel that Motta just about lost the whole ball of wax. I really don't think he ever was a member, and I feel that the Judge may also have a similar view after reviewing the evidence. On the libel, we should be getting some damages. We may have an award of costs. Collecting any money seems to be an uphill struggle. Stuart did a damn good job representing us for a minimum fee, and Bob Mittel fought the good fight for his client. Bob's a nice fellow, by the way; we were on first-name basis from the start. The one large fly in the soup is the issue of the O.T.O.'s right to hold property under Germer's leadership. Some future litigation will be needed there on the question of trusteeship, probably.

Oh, yes. About the legal bill.... It's a honey! The O.T.O. is going to have to pay about \$1,000.00 a month for most of this year. The likelihood of seeing anything from Motta soon is not too good. We need donations bad!



O.T.O. shipments and correspondence have been unavoidably delayed in the last two months owing to legal actions taken by the Order to clear its good name. Mr. M.R. Motta has for some year operated "Society Ordo Templi Orientis" in the USA and elsewhere. He has published books and periodicals attacking O.T.O. and its members and friends. When Mr. Motta entered suit against the firm of Weisers, Inc., publishers, we were in honor and duty required to act. Subsequent evidence has shown that Motta intended to sue us as well. Mr. Motta seems never to have been a member of O.T.O. in any sense understood by us. We have just finished five days in court with Mr. Motta, with former members in high rank from his organization testifying on our behalf. Motta has testified that he is the only present member of "S.O.T.O.", and we have every hope of a favorable decision by the court.

Shipments of O.T.O. publications and tapes should be brought up to date in the month of June, with the August filling of orders going on schedule.

It may take through July to answer the back-log of mail that has accumulated in the interim, and we ask for patience and the understanding of our members and friends. We will work diligently to get things back the way they should be for all concerned.

For those who may be distressed that such legal action was necessary, it must be said that all things have limits. We had to draw a line someplace when suits were entered against the innocent in our name, elderly friends were harassed and the name and honor of both the O.T.O. and Thelema were uncerimoniously dragged through mud not of our making. Dr. Regardie and Mr. G. Yorke passed away without a chance to have their reputations restored following Motta's published remarks against them. People were being mis-led and worse. Something had to be done to deal with this sad pass, and we were the only ones available to do it.

No issue of the Magickal Link or the local Grand Lodge activities calendar was published in May, the month of the trial. Classes and publications should be back to normal in June-July. Donations for our legal bill are tax-deductable in USA.

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# The Magickal Link

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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

## THE CALIPH'S HEALTH

Many O.T.O. members already know that Grady is very ill, but we need to make sure that the Brothers and Sisters not in direct contact with Camps, Chapters and Lodges have the facts too. The news is not good. There is hope, but no certainty of recovery.

Today, Grady will be going into a convalescent hospital in the East San Francisco Bay Area, near Berkeley, California. Until he can comfortably breathe without oxygen, and he can recover some of his strength, Grady will not be able to come home. We must wait and do what we can to speed his recovery.

Once his condition improves sufficiently, he will be able to return to his HQ in Berkeley; but until then O.T.O. members should not visit the Berkeley home of the Caliph without advance clearance from Errin, Grady's friend and roommate who is looking after his personal belongings and keeping his home ready for his return. Visits to Grand Lodge are very much encouraged, and the phone numbers on the Calandar in the back of the *Magickal Link* are the best means of contact. The classes, rituals and meetings continue.

Except for some additional delay into early August, Grand Lodge operations will be rapidly returning to normal in regard to correspondence, dues operations and product sales. One particular request needs to be made: If you have been thinking of visiting the Grand Lodge and the Caliph, please consider doing it soon. Grady is very weak, but company has been the best medicine for him. Day-time visits to him will speed his recovery. Those who can visit Grady during this time should plan to make such visits brief, perhaps about 20 minutes to half an hour. That way he can enjoy the visit without becoming tired as a result. Grady especially likes to be read to in the afternoon and early evening. Please, no gifts of alcohol, Grady has not taken beer, wine or other alcoholic spirits for several years for health reasons. He does like a snack of

chocolate and other easy to eat and digest foods. Cards and brief letters are especially welcome. To reach Grady by mail, just send to the Grand Lodge P.O.: Caliph, Ordo Templi Orientis, P.O. Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702, USA

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

What is the Caliph's illness?

Grady has a congestive heart condition. This means that fluid accumulates around his heart and presses on it, causing it to labor and weaken. The condition is associated with lung disorders, and colds and flu tend to directly make it worse. Congestive heart disease is not catching, but no one who has been exposed recently to any cold or flu should visit him. People in good health otherwise can live for more than a decade with congestive heart failure; but it does damage the heart more as time goes on. Grady went into the hospital in the first part of June with pneumonia-like symptoms. During the week before, he was not able to sleep, eat or take his medication adequately. From June 18th through 19th, Grady suffered two very severe attacks of heart fibrillation and drastically lowered blood pressure. He was not expected to survive, but he did survive! O.T.O. members from all over the area were with him in groups of three during the crisis, including Brothers and Sisters of all Degrees and from many places. Our Brothers and Sisters in Europe were represented by K.D., of Yugoslavia. In a very real sense, the whole O.T.O. held Grady in its arms while he needed us most. Grady pulled through because of that love.

Some time has gone by now, and Grady is still not out of danger. He has recovered enough to have a more relaxed professional care, but not enough to go home as yet. No one can say what will



happen in the next few weeks; but if the Caliph continues to improve a little more rapidly, we may hope to have him with us yet. There is no certainty, and life holds little certainty for any one. In the words of our Brothers of Bergen, Norway, Grady's Magickal Will is in charge. He is a true Thelemite and the most faithful holder of Crowley's charge to perpetuate the Work.

from AL; II, 21: Think not, o king, upon that lie: That Thou Must Die: verily thou shalt not die, but live. Now let it be understood: If the body of the King dissolve, he shall remain in pure ecstasy for ever. Nuit! Hadit! Ra-Hoor-Khuit! The Sun, Strength & Sight, Light; these are for the servants of the Star & the Snake."

What about stories of wrong headed-people?

Those of you who have visited Grand Lodge or have met Grady know first hand that O.T.O. is in more respects than most other organizations, an extended family. Some have warned that this can lead to trouble of the same sort that regular families have. There is such a thing as sibling rivalry, jealousy, gossip and the like. In the III<sup>a</sup>, we swear an oath to mitigate and avoid these vices, but no such oath would be necessary if these things never happened. Grady is like a father to many of us, a teacher also, but more a father than an authoritarian monarch. As Thelemites, we are well guarded against slave-like belief and unreasoned personality worship. We are for these very reasons all the more open to excesses of concern when someone we love is in danger. Among those physically and spiritually close to Grady, there have been and continue to be moments of panic worry. These moments lead to utterances that should not be made against others close to Grady, against how Grady and his interests are being looked after and similar things. Those of you who have had loved ones very ill will remember similar situations in your immediate families. O.T.O. is not known for white-wash and concealment of real problems. I ask that those who have had experience in similar situations help the lucky ones among us who have never gone through such a painful time. If you hear of anything substantial said against someone in the Order, please communicate the utterance to the person. Try to find out if the statement has any substance to it--has any one asked the person involved what is being done?--are the two people presently able to talk to each other?--things like that. Nobody needs more trouble now, Grady least of all. The old saw "Where there is smoke, there is fire" is less realistic in this situation than "Where there is pain, there is hurt and a need for healing."

In times of stress, we all say things in anger at people when we are angry at circumstance. We feel that we must do or see done what we believe is necessary. Everybody close to Grady will blow it in some way or has done so already. So far no lasting harm has been done. These incidents are extreme to the ones in the midst of them, but not much in the perspective of time. Let the Peace-makers among us come forward to calm one-another.

There are only three considerations of importance here: 1. Grady's health, happiness and rights to know and do as he Wills to Do. 2. The continuity of the Order and the conservation of its property and functions. 3. The fact that we are all Brothers and Sisters. No one has done anything very wrong as yet. The property of the Order is ok. The continuity is assured. Grady is being kept informed. What differences of opinion remain are the result of a few people too upset to talk together. If nobody cared enough to freak out now and then, we would be better off in the Old Aeon. No way!

What can I do?

Ritual readings of Liber AL, rituals of healing and protection, volunteer work both in the Berkeley area and elsewhere. Calm the worried and distressed. Visit Grady if you can, being careful not to tire him.

What temporary changes and delays are likely?

Surprisingly few. Grady can't use the seal ring while he is hooked up to oxygen, so if necessary, he may appoint someone to seal for him. He cannot sign more than a couple of documents a day, owing to his tiredness. Legal documents must take precedence. Grady may initial instead of sign charters and certificates.

There may be a process where Grady signs or initials a list of charters and appoints someone else to do the individual signing. We will be taking a little time before we do such things, to insure that Grady is satisfied with the procedure and to avoid burdening him now.

A very few necessary papers of this sort have been signed, allowing two IX<sup>a</sup> members to increase initiation powers to include IV<sup>a</sup> and V<sup>a</sup> in Northern and Southern California respectively. Sister S.G. has been granted a memo of right to initiate from O<sup>a</sup> to III<sup>a</sup> in the Southern States, and plans are being worked up for degree rapid advancement and chartering in Europe. Certificates will be back-logged for up to a calendar quarter in some instances. Camps, Chapters and Lodges will continue to be opened, but powers of initiation will be granted only in obvious need.



Is the O.T.O. property safe?

Relatively safe and getting more so. The Liber AL MS, Caliphate letters and the Crowley Ring are in a bank vault. The location of the rest of the archives is largely the same as before Grady's illness. All such archives are guarded and locked. Plans are well along to remove these archives to even better protection, but details must be worked out to insure satisfaction of the people involved: Grady, the Grand Lodge Officers, Supreme Council, IX<sup>a</sup>, present guardians and the Order's attorney. By the time you read this, the archives will be even more secure. Legal documents and title clearances are substantially finished.

What about the future for continuity in the Order?

O.T.O. is secure in this respect. Our Corporate Articles and Bylaws prescribe what is to be done for succession --- vote of IX<sup>a</sup>. Grady approved and signed these legally binding documents over five years ago. In addition, the Supreme Council has accepted a special officer to insure the timely holding of any election of this kind. The Supreme Council has also rendered all IX<sup>a</sup> members immune from expulsion or suspension and prevented any new IX<sup>a</sup> creations during any time when we may be without Caliph. Finally, there are two back-up procedures to the election. If no election has taken place a fixed number of days (about three months) from the Greater Feast of a reigning Caliph, any IX<sup>a</sup> may expressly call such an election. If that fails, any IX<sup>a</sup> has permission to sue in the California courts to force an election. The fairness of election is established by a quorum and a notice requirement.

These plans have to be made, and they have been made with the full force of Magickal and Civil Law. Grady will not have to worry about this anymore---his expressed wishes have been made as solid as can be.

May Grady live a thousand years in perfect joy; but, if it becomes his Higher Will to depart, his work will not be allowed to falter. The Order will endure.

What about the European Initiations?

Two years have gone by since we were last able to initiate in Europe. Strong measures are now required. What is necessary is at least one and preferably two or three initiators in Europe. Details are not yet final, but a IX<sup>a</sup> has been offered a job which involves travel to Europe for a few weeks. Because the travel is being paid by her employer, O.T.O. cannot expect more than about 24 to 30 hours to be available. At this time, it looks like Aachen sometime in August. When Grady is able to sign a memo of order, which should be soon, we

expect to be able to have a special raising through II<sup>a</sup> and III<sup>a</sup> to the minimum level for initiation powers for one or two individuals who have already been selected. They will in turn be chartered to perform initiations (possibly on the spot by conditional papers, possibly later---this depends on Grady's strength and the time before the departure). The time is probably too short to include a Yugoslavian initiator, but provision will be made if possible. In any event, initiators on the spot will be able to resume all O<sup>a</sup> to III<sup>a</sup> initiations throughout Europe, including England, France, Germany, Norway, Yugoslavia, etc. This plan is not yet final, but looks good. Hardship in travel to the location will be expected for some, and there will not be time enough for more than the initiator's own initiations and perhaps six or so more. Once this is done, all can be initiated by European initiators. When the plans are finalized, airmail letters will go out to Germany, Norway and Yugoslavia. This should be done in less than 10 days (by July 15th). Unfortunately, no more advance notice has been possible. The IX<sup>a</sup>'s passport has just arrived, the plan was first purposed last week. After a year or two, regular initiation visits will resume for solidarity and for IV<sup>a</sup> and higher work. Some other initiation visits will possibly also happen to individual places as a result of incidental travel paid for by external means.

What about the Motta Trial?

Still no decision, and that is not unusual. We did get a bill for \$11,000.00; and have made time payment arrangements with our attorney. Donations and dues payments are very much needed. No full Grand Lodge temple until the debt is paid.

What about the stuff I ordered?

Orders will go out in late July and throughout August. Liber AL is going out in August. With the Legal Case and Grady's illness, we have had to do double time to get caught up. Almost done catching up.

What about the Electoral College?

The V<sup>a</sup> Electoral College has now met twice, roughed out procedures and started to take charge of Man of Earth official body charters, reports to the Link, closures, complaints, fund raising and general operations. More later, but for now you can reach the Electoral College either through the Grand Lodge P.O. Box or through Baphomet Lodge, which is under the Mastership of the vice-president of the Electoral College.



If something more serious happens to Grady, the Caliph, how will the Order change?

O.T.O. will go on as before. We will continue to develop Crowley's Blue Equinox plan and to improve in the same ways. This is not a one man or woman pocket empire. Grady has managed to develop a lasting and self-sustaining embodiment of the charge given him by Crowley so many years ago. O.T.O. has a life of its own. It will continue to grow in the same way it has grown.

What are the other Camps, Chapters and Lodges doing?

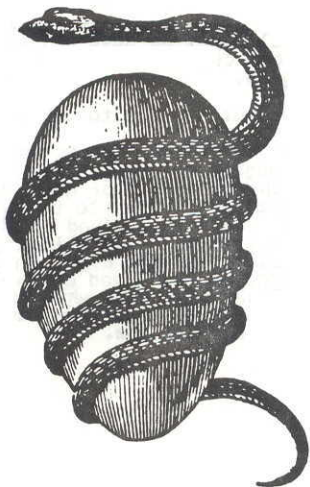
Watch the pages of the Magickal Link for their individual reports and messages of action and concern.

Is there anything else I should know?

Yes, there is. The Office of Grand Secretary General (3rd Grand Lodge Officer) has passed to Tony Iannotti, addressable through Grand Lodge and former Initiation Secretary. Brother Ebony held this very difficult post until late last month when he resigned for reasons of cronic ill health (he's ok, but the strain of continuing would have done for him if he kept at it). Tony is respected and more than capable, was a candidate for Supreme Council in the last election, as Ebony was in the one before that, and has taken the job well in hand.

Ebony was honored by the Supreme Council on his retirement from office for his many improvements and hard work well done.

We have Ebony to thank for the present system of multiple assistant secretaries to divide the tasks of the G.S.G. into manageable loads. The G.T.G. remains the same, Bill Heidrick, more popularly known as "The Grand Gopher General" and the writer of this present section of the link.



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Chaos and Disorder misrule here in the mystical land of Oz. The Rites of Eleusis are taking us all on an interplanetary magickal mystery tour leaving us all stunned and amazed. The energys have been coming through with remarkable potency and the visuals have been beautiful to behold.

Oceania has been growing steadily, Minerval, First and Second degree initiations have been on the agenda and we've been working with other pagan groups in various interesting activities.

The Lodges Temple has been put under threat due to Sydney city council attempting to evict all the tenants of the building which houses us. We now prepare for battle in an attempt to save our Temple. We've a superb Temple location at the moment and have no intention of losing it without a fight.

Oth er than that life goes on feasting and fast living in the city of Sydney.

Recent visitors to the order h ave been ex-members of the church of scientology. These people call themselves ex-gullibles and include some quite h igh ranking ex-members. These people have had some very interesting things to say about the slave organization spawned by L. Ron Hubbar d.

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418 Lodge of O.T.O., the College of Thelema and IN THE CONTINUUM 418 Lodge gave some II<sup>o</sup> O.T.O. Initiation ceremonies in June. The College of Thelema conducted a seminar which presented Astrology and the cards of the Thoth Tarot Deck with psychological meanings in modern Jungian and other types of terms. Students of the College were here 4 days and slept on the premises of our College, which is small, as we are just beginning. The question is asked, "Who was Jane Wolfe?" This subject is in IN THE CONTINUUM, starting with Vol. II, No. 6 and continuing to the present. We finished Vol. III, No. 7 last Vernal Equinox and will be finished with Vol. III, No. 8 by the Fall Equinox of 1985. We are still not finished with the story of Jane Wolfe. Briefly, she was one of the persons responsible for bringing the O.T.O. and the A.'.A.'. to Calif. She worked for Crowley for 7 years in Europe and No. Africa and for 3 of those years she studied under him in Cefalu. She had one student in the A.'.A.'. which was Soror Meral, but quite a few carried on the work of the O.T.O. All of this history is quite entertaining and also one can find many more subjects of great help to the student of Thelema in the pages of IN THE CONTINUUM. In each issue there are many writings of Crowley, some of which have not been printed before. Some of his work is serialized, so it would be a good idea to order the issues from Vol. I, No. 1 to the present. Each issue is \$4.00. There are 10 issues in Vol. I and 12 issues in Vol. II and 7 issues in Vol. III to date. Please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler. Write to P.O. box 415, Orville, CA. 95965

STRANGE  
LOOPS  
and other paths to freedom

By Tsana Kabal

This Camp has been in existence now since last September. One of the problems that we faced is how can we make decisions and implement them. Since this is a problem that any group must face and somehow solve, we will be so bold to present some of our results. We apologize for not presenting to full path followed to reach the conclusions presented here for the space is so small to reproduce all the journals of those involved. Although that is what would be exactly required if one of the major dictums of our way, "the method of science, the aim of religion", were followed to the letter.

How do we "discuss" things and still be True Brothers and Sisters when we finish? How do we get "things" done. Is there a "thelemic" solution to this problem? How do we find a government that combines monarchy with democracy? One that includes aristocracy as well as the seeds of revolution? We think one has evolved for us during the last few months. It is one that is neither autocratic, democratic nor even oligarchic; it is neither monistic nor dualistic; Autocracy is tyranny; Democracy can result in the mediocre a solution for nobody. A solution that will work isn't all black or white.

We needed to develop a method of finding solutions that is synergistic; one in which differences become strengths, rather than weaknesses. A synergistic solution is one in which all members of the group work together to achieve a higher quality decision than the result that would be obtained if each one were working separately. In this context, differences of opinion are seen as a means of gathering additional information. They are a jumping off point for another in the group that did not happen to have the trigger idea. This interaction with each other produces a solution that would not have otherwise existed. Our result comes from applying the well known yod-hay-maw-hay formula in the practical world of Assiah.

The method, we found out later, is often called, by some, "consensus". We are going to define this term as the harmonious agreement reached among the members of a group that are thinking and acting together. Consensus does not mean unanimous accord. Although nice, unanimity of conviction is, more often than not, unattainable, especially among thelemites. This term probably has some unfavorable connotations. For our purposed we ask you to identify them and discard them and hopefully build up a new set of favorable ones. An example of Russell's conjugation of relative viewpoints comes to mind:

I am principled;

You are stubborn;

He/she is a pig headed fool...



A group cannot always reach a unanimous solution to a problem. Then the common objective becomes one of reaching an agreement to implement the decision that appears most beneficial to the group as a whole. What "most beneficial" is is one of the things that must be decided at the same time the "consensus" solution is being developed.

Arriving at a consensus is preceded by the experience of thinking things thru together. The experience includes:

- Considering the needs of all members of the group in relation to the problem being solved.
- Listening to and understanding the divergent views of each other;
- Using memory to recall the experience of the ages, but not to be a slave to it;
- Using intuition and creativity to reconcile conflicting needs;
- Securing commitment to implement the consensus decision from those members of the group who would have preferred another solution.

A group reaches a position from which a consensus can be derived when each member of the group can attest to these convictions:

I believe I understand the problem or need;

I believe I understand your position;

I believe you understand my position;

I will support the decision of the group, whether or not I agree that it is the "best" solution, because it was arrived at openly and fairly and because I participated as fully as I wanted to in its development.

We have found some guidelines that we use for reaching a position from which it is possible to reach a consensus decision.

- \* Everyone is included in the decision making process. We work together to achieve the most acceptable solution to a problem or issue that is available at that time and place with the resources available. We deny that we are in a win/lose situation. We recognize that everyone has a valid position from their own standpoint. Creativity is used to give all a "win" in terms of the options selected and especially in the process used. We respect each other and don't attack persons or personalities. Emotion and intuition and memory are drawn upon to arrive at our final position. The full power of the Tree of Life is used.

- \* Positions are presented with as much logic as can be mustered. Reactions are listened to and considered. We avoid feeling there is only one position (our own) that will "work". We consider the interaction of our position with the position of others. It is ok to make mistakes. What one of us says will inspire another to the synergistic solution being sought. The identification of specific interests and the underlying assumptions that we are trying to serve is considered a paramount path to pass in reaching the "best" position that we are capable of reaching.

- \* Differences of opinion are natural and expected. They are sought out and used creatively. Conflict reducing procedures, such as majority vote... tossing a coin... averaging... are avoided. Even bargaining and negotiating to reach a decision are used with care to avoid the mediocrity that can result from the decisions of a committee.

- \* Solutions presented that have some part with which you agree can be used to find more of the solution sought. We yield only to those positions which are objectively arrived at, seem logically sound, and appear to serve the interests of the entire group. We do not change positions just to reach agreement or to avoid conflict. Discard only those proposals that wholly against the flow of the group.

- \* Consensus is usually not arrived at within a single meeting or session. It usually develops and emerges over a period of time. Use that time to advantage to learn the ramifications.

This is no panacea. But it has worked for us. Even if we had no label to call it. And didn't know what we were doing. Now you have the handicap and advantage of a label. As usual I hope that you will take what we have presented and build upon it; and most especially share with us your reactions, agreements as well as disagreement and extensions. In this way we could extend this consensus process over the entire order.

One more note before we leave this subject. This method assumes that the group concerned has a fair degree of cohesiveness and commonality of purpose and direction that comes from previously working together. It would be hard if not impossible to use consensus with groups that contain hostile factions and hidden agendas. Parliaments, for example, use the term consensus on occasion, but only are able to apply it to trivial items such as the agreement to celebrate "Mothers Day". Single issue coalition groups would be another example. Basically a previous consensus must have been reached (spoken or unspoken) before the method outlined here can be used to any extent.

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"Discover the King in all who you meet"

Editor's note: The following is not without humorous intent. Don't send money without writing first!

### KILILI ENCAMPMENT



Do What Thou Wilt Shall Be  
The Whole Of The Law.

Howdy, Buckaroos! We've had a major transition in the past month, in that our Soror Sheng has vacated her post as Camp Treasurer in order to reside in far-off Colorado. She will be dearly missed. In the meantime, we are lucky to have found a new Treasurer in Don Reynolds, so the Camp marches on...

Now, I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce a few products from the Fall lineup of our merchandising end, KiliCo. **\*\*TANTRIC STUD SERVICE:** That's right, Sorores! Your ol' man won't let you bring your "mumbo-jumbo" into the bedroom? No problem! Our staff of professional, dazzling, and clean hunks are ready to bring you to the Samadhi of your dreams. Now available 24 hrs! No collect calls, please. **\*\*In production, "THE GIRLS OF THE O.T.O." VIDEO CASSETTE.** All new! All sizzling! Soon to be available in Beta-Max and VHS! A mere \$40 donation will get you on the order list and help us to get the real story! **\*\*Tired of sloppy sigils on your breast?** The new KiliCo **BEAST-MARK-O-MATIC** puts an end to the mess and fuss! Just put it where you want it, press the button, and Voila! A "proper sign" every time! Perfect for masses and masochists alike! Impress your friends! Amaze your enemies! Wow! Only \$9.95! \*\*\*\*\*

As a final note: did you know that there is a Crowley, Louisiana? We aren't certain how it got there, but on most clear nights, it is easily visible on a map through the use of a high-powered magnifying glass. Send us the exact co-ordinates of this small town, and we might send you something nifty. On the other hand, we might not.

Love Is The Law, Love Under Will.



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Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

O.A.K. Camp is pleased to announce the first printing of the new book **THE MAGICAL AND RITUAL USE OF APHRODISIACS** by Richard Alan Miller (Destiny Books/New York). Auto-graphed, first-edition copies are now available for Guild distribution.

The book is divided into two different sections: herbs and other. The herb section contains 16 different chapters on such things as muira puama to ginseng. The second section includes chapters on hormones, scents, pharmaceuticals and other aphrodisiac groupings.

Each chapter includes descriptions on the chemistries involved, their preparation and a ritual. The rituals have all been oriented toward western forms of Tantra, including Thelemic tradition. Sources of supply from every part of the world are given, with both a general and chemical index.





The following is from Chapter XXI: TANTRA: on "Sex Magick":

"The alchemy described in the tantric texts are often obscure and little can be made from their jargon. The secret "door" will not open to the uninitiated without a key. Rather than the transmutation of base metals into gold, this alchemy actually takes place within the body itself. It is a hermetic distillation from actual bodily fluids, where all the instruments and utensils used by the alchemist are provided by the body itself.

"A complete Sex Magick ritual is given under the herb Iboga' (Chapter VII). One rite commonly celebrated in many tantric sects is known as the chakra-puja, or circle worship. The participants sit in a circle, implying complete mutual equality among those present. They sit in alternate sex, male to female, with another couple in the center of the circle. A ceremonial meal consisting of wine, meat, fish, and bread is followed by a rite of sexual intercourse. These five items represent certain fundamental categories, equated with the elements and the interior faculties of the body.

"The wine symbolizes fire and the subtle draught of immortality that the tantric must learn to distill and drink. The meat symbolizes air and the bodily functions that must be brought under control. Fish represents water and the technique of sexual occultism. The bread is the earth, or the natural environment which must be understood and controlled.

"Sexual intercourse (maithuna) symbolizes ether, the quintessence of all the elements, and is a means to the final goal of all tantric endeavors. Through it one apprehends the ultimate reality. The sex act in its normal, gross form may occasionally bring a fleeting revelation of eternal truth, but that would be rare as the smoke of passion usually clouds the mind.

"Sex as a sacred ritual, unclouded by passion can, however, help you to apprehend the ultimate Unity. The genuine rite can reveal Being, expand consciousness, and confer true bliss. The way through pleasure (bhukti) can lead one to redemption (mukti). Sex, from this perspective, can be a way of salvation. This is the basis of the secret of tantra."

THE MAGICAL AND RITUAL USE OF APHRODISIACS is available from O.A.K. Camp for \$8.00 (includes postage). The first book of this set, THE MAGICAL AND RITUAL USE OF HERBS is also available for \$7.00 (includes postage). We invite comments and reviews.

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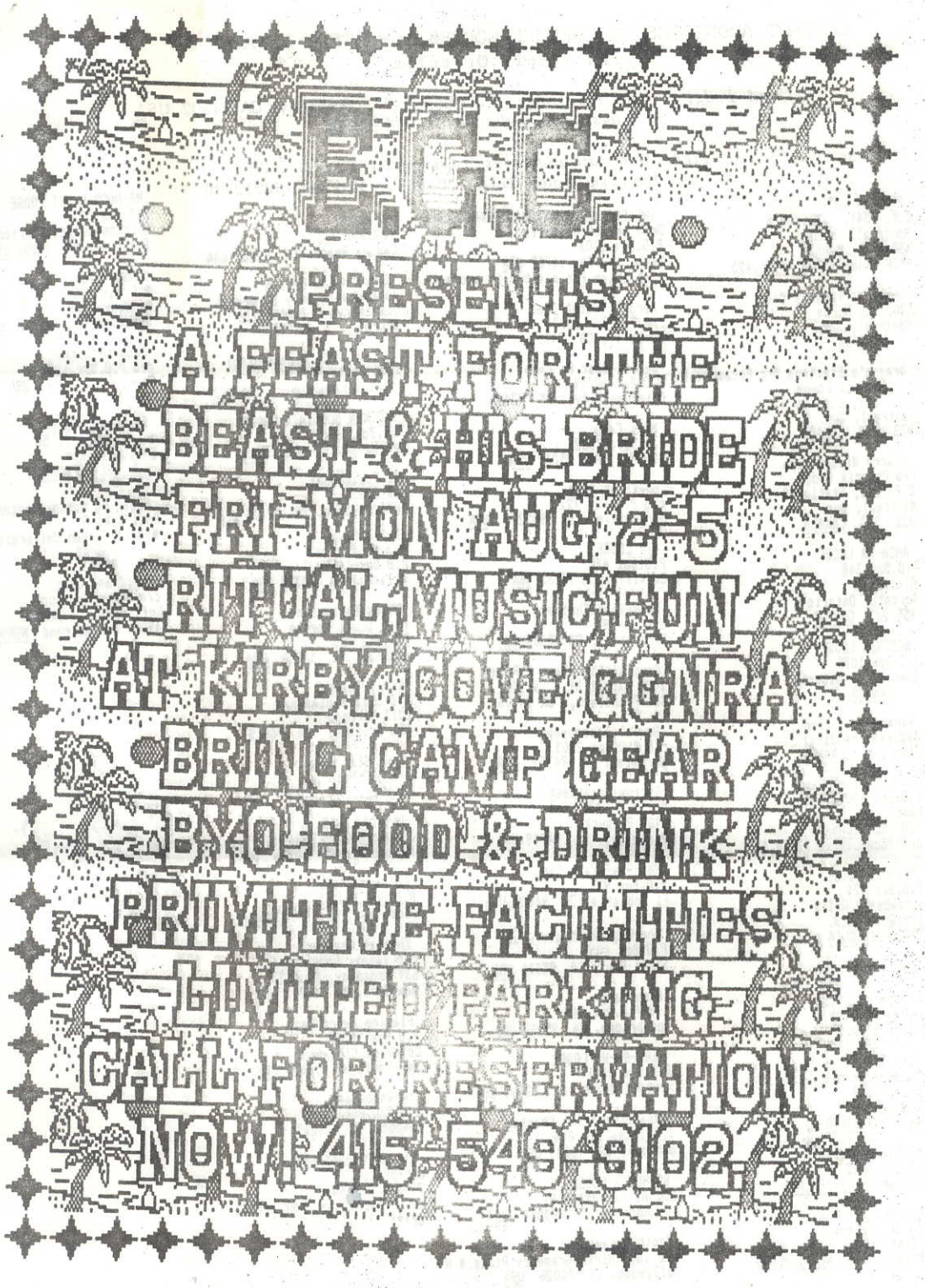
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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*



On July 12th, in the common year 1985  
in the year of Thelema  
LXXXI, at 5:14 PM pdt

Hymenaeus Alpha, IX<sup>o</sup>, X<sup>o</sup>, OHO

Accomplished his Will and passed into  
the embrace of Nuit.

Our brother Grady Louis McMurtry has  
experienced his Greater Feast and is no  
longer on this Earth.

Our father, brother and our Caliph  
died calmly and without pain on the day  
we received notice of his victory, but  
before that victory could be communicated  
to him by any mortal means.

The last act of the Caliph was the signing of a  
document to open initiations again in Europe, with  
local initiators. This was on the 11th.

The last words of Grady McMurtry were in  
conversation with a teacher of meditation:

Grady: "I think my path is more the Sufi Path."  
he was asked: "What is the Sufi Way?"

Grady: "I don't know."

---- then our brother passed beyond Da'at  
and beyond this world.

After 44 years, the receiving of his name from  
Crowley, the manifestation of the Caliphate and the  
full recognition of the Federal Court of his rank,  
Grady had finished the duty given him by Crowley.  
Aleister Crowley failed not of an heir, for that  
heir was truly our Brother!

On the 15th of July, the rites of the Greater  
Feast were done in a 19th century columbarium in  
San Francisco. Our Past Grand Master lay in state  
in his Minerval initiator's robes.

The place was a round Temple of bronze, stone and  
beautiful stained glass. There was a high mosaic  
dome, and many arches crowned by the names of  
ancient stars. The sword used in the Masses of  
Agape Lodge rested on his hands. There were roses,  
great brass pillars and lights, flaming pans suspended  
from the pillars of the latest Gnostic Mass.  
In the arch-way behind the bier were carnations  
in the form of the number 93. More than 100 were  
there to honor him. There were military honors and  
paramilitary honors. Those he made IXth Degree  
came in robes to say the spells that open the way.  
Anpu spoke the words of Holy Khem from the stele  
for our Patriarch. Our brother's poetry was spoken.  
The temple shook with loud voices in unison in the  
Gnostic Anthem. Many were the robes worn by right  
from his hand; women came and men came to say that  
Grady was not here. The lover and the friend had  
departed. Yet it was not an empty temple.  
The shades of elder Masons in their ashes filled  
the dove-cots in the walls. They came again to  
witness as the O.T.O. applause thundered at the  
end of the words. A life in great struggle, a  
life fulfilled. Thy death was beautiful, oh King!

The mortal part of our master in truth held  
him no more. On the bier was only the beautiful  
image of our brother. We filed past. With this  
image that once housed him we placed amulets,  
tears, gems and gifts. Oil of Abramelin described  
the sign of Nuit. Silver, the cross of Baphomet  
upon an unmoving chest. Silver too the ring of  
Tahuti upon that hand that raised up the Order.  
Into the winding sheet was placed a true copy  
of the document on the next pages. Liber AL  
had been read into the air that night. The words  
of the Prophet took wing. The simple book they  
left behind joined what Grady left behind.

We followed to the place of burning, more  
words flew up. Then it was done as he said that  
it should be done. No corruption will ever touch  
the body of the Caliph. His ashes will remain  
for a time.



Thelema is not as other ways. We will miss Grady, but we must not mourn him. Let those tears that fell and passed into the flame with his body be the last. Grady Louis McMurtry did what he came here to do. He was the one who carried the essence of Crowley's charge to perpetuate the O.T.O. Grady did that right well! To see how well, read the decision of the Judge of the Federal Court on the following pages. There is no longer any question about the legacy of Aleister Crowley and the O.T.O.

It does not end here.

There are other battles to fight, including financial and legal ones. One battle that will not be fought will be the matter of the next Caliph. There will be an election on the Equinox in September in which the IXth Degree will elect the next Caliph. Politics comes in for a bad name, but 15 years of doubt and mis-rule will not follow this time. Grady left a will recognizing the elective process, the Order is a legal entity, and the method of election is well known and well founded. Grady will not fail of an heir. O.T.O. has the better part of 2,000 years to go before it must give way. Those other battles are the meat and drink of Thelema. The feast has just begun!

What makes Thelema different from Christianity? Many things and one thing. Let the faint of heart dally with fantasies of martyrdom, a better world to come and avoidance of disquieting things. The Thelemite faces all things that dwell in the world. There are spirits and stones. Both are real. There is joy and suffering. Both are true. Grady lived with all these things. He did not turn aside from argument toward piety. He did not value peace above victory. Yet in all this he was a kind man, and a good man. Grady knew that he was to do his work in this world, and he did it. He had a damn good time doing it. He'll continue to have a fine time where ever he chooses to be. Those who pity their way through life never live it, but they leave it to die forever. Great Pan lives!

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GRADY McMURTRY, et al,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SOCIETY ORDO TEMPLI ORIENTIS,  
et al,

Defendants.

No. C-83-5434-CAL

FINDINGS OF FACT AND  
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The action was tried to the court without a jury from May 13 through May 17, 1985, and was then submitted for decision. The court has heard the testimony, read the exhibits, and weighed the evidence. The court makes the following findings of fact by a preponderance of the evidence, makes the following conclusions of law, and directs that judgment be entered in favor of plaintiffs and against defendants on plaintiffs' complaint, defendants' counterclaims, and plaintiffs' counterclaims to the counterclaims.

For simplicity, plaintiffs, counter-defendants, and counter-counter plaintiffs will be called "plaintiffs;" and defendants, counterclaimants, and counter-counter defendants will be called "defendants."

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The organization and system of beliefs which is called "Ordo Templi Orientis" or "OTO" is a mystical and fraternal organization begun around 1900. The chief international executive of OTO is known as the "Outer Head" or "ORO."

1 Aleister Crowley became OHO in approximately 1921 and served  
2 until his death in 1947. Crowley wrote, or rewrote from  
3 earlier versions, many of the rituals, doctrine, and interpre-  
4 tative and instructive literature of OTO. Crowley set forth  
5 the rules of operation and procedures of OTO in numerous  
6 books, essays, and correspondence.

7 2. OTO had and now has lodges where its members  
8 meet. One such lodge, which existed during the 1930's and  
9 subsequently, was Agape Lodge in California.

10 3. After Crowley's death, Karl Germer became the  
11 OHO.

12 4. At his death, Crowley left all of his previously  
13 undisposed intellectual and tangible literary property to OTO.  
14 As OHO, Karl Germer took possession of all of the tangible  
15 property of OTO around 1950 and moved the property to California.

16 5. Karl Germer died in California in 1962. No will  
17 of Germer was offered for probate and the property of OTO  
18 remained in the possession of Germer's widow, Sasha Germer.

19 6. Sasha Germer died in 1975.

20 7. In 1976, plaintiffs obtained an order from the  
21 Superior Court of the State of California, Calaveras County,  
22 "In the Matter of the Estate of Sasha Germer." The order  
23 decreed that plaintiff Grady McMurtry was authorized to take  
24 possession, on behalf of OTO, of certain property identified  
25 as belonging to OTO. Pursuant to that order plaintiff  
26 McMurtry and others took possession of properties which had  
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1 formerly been in the possession of Crowley, Karl Germer, Sasha  
2 Germer and OTO.

3 8. Plaintiff OTO is now a California Corporation.  
4 It has a legal structure; is a membership organization; main-  
5 tains records; has a set of beliefs; has an established set of  
6 procedures; conducts regular meetings; conducts financial  
7 transactions; initiates and promotes members; and follows the  
8 beliefs and practices derived from Crowley and the prior  
9 unincorporated OTO. It is a continuation of the organization,  
10 beliefs and practices originally established and conducted by  
11 Crowley and OTO.

12 9. Defendant Society Ordo Templi Orientis ("SOTO")  
13 was incorporated in the State of Tennessee. SOTO is not the  
14 continuation of the organization, beliefs and practices orig-  
15 inally established by Crowley and OTO.

16 10. Defendant Motta is a citizen of Brasil. He has  
17 for years been interested in the work of OTO and Crowley.  
18 Motta has caused some literary works of Crowley to be pub-  
19 lished, commented, and edited, in his own name and in the name  
20 of OTO and SOTO.

21 11. Plaintiff OTO now owns, holds all right and  
22 title to, has used, does now use, and has the right to  
23 use: the name "Ordo Templi Orientis;" the initials "OTO;" the  
24 various insignia, registers and symbols of OTO; all writings  
25 and publications of Crowley which were not assigned to others  
26 at the time of his death; the publications of other matters  
27 pertaining to OTO; and the trademarks, service marks, and  
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1 copyrights pertaining to the same. Defendants do not own,  
2 hold, or have any right to the use of such properties.

3 12. The name "Thelema" in connection with publica-  
4 tions is a part of the property owned by plaintiff OTO.  
5 Plaintiff Smith has used that name on behalf of plaintiff OTO  
6 in publications since 1962. Plaintiff OTO has the rights to  
7 the trademarks, service marks and copyrights of the name  
8 "Thelema," and equivalents of that name, in connection with  
9 publications.

10 13. Defendants have used the name "Thelema" in  
11 publications subsequent to its use by plaintiffs. Defendants  
12 do not have ownership of or the legal right to use the name  
13 "Thelema" or its equivalents. Defendants' use of the name of  
14 "Thelema" was without the consent of plaintiffs and consti-  
15 tutes infringement of that name. Defendants' use of the name  
16 "Thelema" in connection with publications has caused confusion  
17 in the publishing industry and among purchasers of books, and  
18 will if continued cause confusion in the future. However,  
19 plaintiffs have not shown sufficient evidence of monetary  
20 losses from that confusion to support an award of compensatory  
21 damages for defendants' improper use of the name "Thelema."

22 14. Defendants' use, and purported registration of  
23 trademarks and copyrights under the names "OTO," "Crowley,"  
24 and "Thelema" were done in contemplation of this litigation  
25 and were done without the rights of ownership of the property  
26 purportedly registered and copyrighted.

1 15. Plaintiff McMurtry is the acting OHO of OTO in  
2 the United States and is the highest overall member. Plain-  
3 tiff McMurtry was personally assigned by Crowley, and contin-  
4 ues to own, a 25% interest in Crowley's "Magick Without Tears."

5 16. Defendant Motta is not the OHO of OTO.

6 17. In 1981 defendants published and distributed  
7 certain books in California and elsewhere which contained  
8 statements regarding the individual plaintiffs listed below.  
9 Certain of the statements were matters of opinion, or were  
10 matters pertaining to religious beliefs, and hence are pro-  
11 tected under the First Amendment. The following statements  
12 about individual plaintiffs were not protected and were  
13 libelous:

14 a. Plaintiff Phyllis Seckler (nee Phyllis  
15 Wade, Phyllis McMurtry) was accused of sending a gang to  
16 assault and rob Sasha Germer, and was alleged to have misap-  
17 propriated property.

18 b. Plaintiff Grady McMurtry was alleged to  
19 have committed slander, misappropriated property, pirated  
20 property, delivered property to the hand of thieves, and  
21 contributed to the death of Sasha Germer.

22 c. Plaintiff Helen Parsons Smith was alleged  
23 to be a thief.

24 d. Plaintiff James Wasserman was alleged to  
25 have delivered property to thieves and to have pirated property.  
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18. The statements made about the plaintiffs enumerated in paragraphs 17-a, b, b, and d were untrue and constituted libel per se.

19. The plaintiffs enumerated in paragraphs 17-a, b, c, and d did not establish by sufficient evidence any special damages, but are entitled to general damages from defendants in the amount of \$10,000 each.

20. The publications of the libels in paragraph 17-a, b, c, and d were done with actual malice by defendants, with knowledge of their falsity, and with a reckless disregard for the truth, and those plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages from defendants in the amount of \$25,000 each.

21. Neither plaintiffs nor defendants are parties engaged in the media business, and are not entitled to rights or defenses attributable thereto.

22. There is not sufficient evidence to establish that defendants obtained any substantial gross revenue or profit from their publications, or that plaintiffs lost any gross revenue or profit, to support an award of damages to plaintiffs for defendants' use of plaintiffs' names, publications or symbols.

23. Plaintiff Wasserman was an agent of defendant Motta for certain purposes in 1976. Plaintiff Wasserman terminated that agency in 1976, and the termination was acknowledged by defendant Motta. Any cause of action by Motta for the breach of that agency relationship by Wasserman accrued in 1976.

24. No property of defendants was converted by plaintiffs. Even if some personal properties of defendants were included in the material obtained by plaintiffs from Karl and Sasha Germer, they were obtained in 1976, and the obtaining was known to defendants in 1976.

25. Plaintiffs circulated among OTO members a letter written by defendant Motta to Karl Germer dealing with certain matters personal to Motta. Motta has not shown by sufficient evidence that the circulation was a violation of his right of privacy, or that the circulation caused him any special or general damages. The circulation was not done with malice, but in connection with the dispute between plaintiffs and defendants as to who was the OHO and who rightfully held the properties of OTO. The circulation occurred, and was known by defendant Motta to have occurred, more than one year prior to the filing of the complaint in this action.

26. Unless enjoined, defendants will continue to claim and use the name "Ordo Templi Orientis" and the initials "OTO," and will continue to claim that defendant Motta is the OHO of OTO, and will use plaintiff OTO's names, insignia, initials, symbols, trademarks and other properties of plaintiff OTO to the injury of plaintiff OTO.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. To the extent that any of the above findings of fact may be deemed to be conclusions of law, they are incorporated by reference herein.



1           2. The libelous statements enumerated in paragraphs  
2 17-a, b, c, and d of the findings of fact are libel per se,  
3 and general damages are presumed.

4           3. The other allegedly libelous statements about  
5 plaintiffs enumerated in the third and fourth causes of action  
6 of plaintiffs' first amended complaint are not actionable  
7 because they are matters of opinion or are religious matters  
8 protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the  
9 United States.

10           4. Any publications by defendants of allegedly  
11 libelous statements about plaintiffs which occurred subsequent  
12 to the filing of the first amended complaint cannot be the  
13 basis for any award of damages to plaintiffs in this action.

14           5. Plaintiffs are entitled to judgment on their  
15 first amended complaint against defendants as follows:

16           a. On the first cause of action for unfair  
17 competition regarding the use of the name "Ordo Templi  
18 Orientis," and the initials "OTO," and the insignia and other  
19 properties of OTO.

20           b. On the second cause of action for infringe-  
21 ment of trademarks owned by plaintiff OTO.

22           c. On the third and fourth causes of action for  
23 the libels enumerated in paragraphs 17-a, b, c, and d of the  
24 findings of fact.

25           d. On the fifth cause of action for unfair  
26 competition in the use of the name "Thelema."

1           6. By virtue of the decision of the United States  
2 District Court for the District of Maine, United States Dis-  
3 trict Judge Gene Carter, in the action entitled Motta, et al  
4 v. Samuel Wiser, Inc., No. 81-0459, defendants are collateral-  
5 ly estopped from asserting certain of their counterclaims  
6 against plaintiffs. Judgment should be entered in favor of  
7 plaintiffs and against defendants on defendants' counterclaims  
8 as follows, both because of the collateral estoppel effect of  
9 that action and because of the findings of fact which are made  
10 above:

11           a. Defendants do not own the Crowley copy-  
12 rights.

13           b. Motta is not the OBO of OTO.

14           c. Defendants' purported registration of copy-  
15 rights are not valid because defendants do not own the proper-  
16 ty purportedly copyrighted.

17           d. Plaintiffs did not breach any copyrights of  
18 defendants, as allege in defendants' first counterclaim.

19           7. Plaintiffs did not violate defendants' alleged  
20 trademarks regarding the insignia of OTO, as alleged in defen-  
21 dants' second and eighth counterclaims.

22           8. Plaintiffs did not violate defendants' alleged  
23 trademarks regarding SOTO, as alleged in defendants' third  
24 counterclaim.

25           9. Defendants' fourth counterclaim is barred by the  
26 statutes of limitations, either by the two year statute of  
27 limitations provided in California Code of Civil Procedure

Section 339 or by the three year statute of limitations provided in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 338; the cause of action accrued in 1976 and was barred prior to the filing of the complaint in this action in March 1983.

10. Defendants' fifth counterclaim is barred by the three year statute of limitations provided in California Code of Civil Procedure section 338; the cause of action accrued in 1976 and was barred prior to the filing of the complaint in this action in March 1983.

11. Defendants' sixth counterclaim is barred by the one year statute of limitations provided in California Code of Civil Procedure section 340; the cause of action had accrued and was barred prior to the filing of the complaint in this action in March 1983.

12. Plaintiffs have not waived their statute of limitations defenses by not specifically asserting them in an answer to defendants' counterclaims.

13. Plaintiffs did not breach any federal trademark regarding the name "Ordo Templi Orientis" as alleged in defendants' seventh counterclaim.

14. Plaintiffs did not breach any federal trademark in the symbol "OTO" as alleged in defendants' eighth counterclaim.

15. Plaintiff OTO is entitled to the exclusive use of the trademarks and names claimed by defendants in their counterclaims, except those of SOTO.

16. Plaintiff McMurtry owns the interest in "Magick Without Tears" assigned to him by Crowley.

17. Plaintiff OTO is entitled to possession and ownership of: the remainder of the copyrighted material about OTO, the archives of OTO, and the remainder of the writings of Crowley.

18. Defendants' purported registration of trademarks are invalid and of no legal effect, because defendants did not and do not own the marks, except those of SOTO.

19. Plaintiffs are entitled to injunctive relief request in their counterclaim to the counterclaim.

#### JUDGMENT

Plaintiffs are to submit to this court, within twenty days of the date below, a proposed form of judgment incorporating these findings and conclusions. Plaintiffs are to simultaneously submit the proposed form of judgment to defendants, and within ten days thereafter defendants are to advise the court in writing what objections they have to the proposed form of judgment prepared by plaintiffs. Judgment will then be entered by the court.

Dated: July 10, 1985.

*Charles A. Legge*  
CHARLES A. LEGGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



## Athexaea Camp

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

With the initiation of our first Minervals, we have begun a smooth start. Our primary task is working toward HGA attainment and the rituals we have begun utilizing are designed to aid in this. We had expected the usual problems for a group who had only recently begun working together, but found that our energies blended quite harmoniously. This was evidenced by our working at the time of the solstice. As we were unable to be together at that early morning hour, we decided that each of us would utilize whatever ritual seemed appropriate and which included meditation on a portion of the Book Of The Law he or she felt was most needed in the world today. Although none of us discussed what we would do in advance, it was determined afterward that all of us had performed a banishing (LBR or Star Ruby), meditated on the first chapter of the Book Of The Law and culminated with a Resh as the solstice here was near the time of sunrise. We expect that within the next month, we will, in addition to our other undertakings, begin regular practice for the Gnostic Mass. For those who are into computers, a member of the camp is currently setting up Liber 777 utilizing dBase III and possibly also dBase II. The applications program and database file will be made available to members of the Order for a very modest sum. anyone interested in this project may learn more by writing to the Camp. Soror Nineveh 77 O<sup>o</sup> has been appointed Camp Treasurer and Frater Cheiron O<sup>o</sup> has been appointed Camp Archivist. My thanks to them for assuming these duties.

Love is the law, love under will.

Soror Hypatia 409 I<sup>o</sup>

## SEKHET BAST RA CAMP

We are still practicing, and piecing together the temple for the Gnostic Mass. We are in the process of planning for more initiations. Some of us have kept up with the feasts. We seek any sincere Thelemic contacts in the area. Our thoughts are with the Caliph. We can be contacted at: P.O. Box 60311, OKC, OK 73106

### BAPHOMET LODGE REPORT

Now is the Blessing of Death at Hand.

Go forth in your strength, O Brother, among the stars.

We swear to guard you in your ways.

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Amidst the flurry of court cases and settlements, of sickness, death and Life renewed, Baphomet Lodge continues with initiations, classes (Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.) and masses (fourth Sunday of each month, 3:00 p.m.) on a regular schedule. Initiations have nearly tripled in the last three months. With the added responsibilities of the lodge master on the Supreme Council and as (now) Acting President of the Electoral College, we have been a bit tardy with this report. To make amends to members so slighted, we append here an excerpt from Crowley's poem "Epilogue" with which Brother Wilson crowned our requiem for Grady L. McMurry, held July 14:

"One last stroke, O heart-free master, one last certain calm of will,  
And the maker of Disaster shall be stricken and grow still.  
Burn thou to the core of matter, to the spirit's utmost flame,  
Consciousness and sense to shatter, ruin and sight and form and name!  
Shatter, lake-reflected spectre; lake, rise up in mist to sun;  
Sun, dissolve in showers of nectar, and the Master's work is done.  
Nectar perfume gently stealing, masterful and sweet and strong.  
Cleanse the world with light of healing in the ancient House of Wrong!  
Free a million million mortals on the wheel of being tossed!  
Open wide the mystic portals, and be altogether lost!"

# ALEISTER CROWLEY S



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THE RITE OF JUPITER	Sept. 5	NOON
THE RITE OF MARS	Sept. 10	8 P.M.
THE RITE OF SOL	Sept. 15	NOON
THE RITE OF VENUS	Sept. 20	7 P.M.
THE RITE OF MERCURY	Sept. 25	8 P.M.
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ANNOUNCEMENT: Grady McMurtry, Hymenaeus Alpha, IX<sup>U</sup>, X<sup>O</sup>, Caliph and OHO of O.T.O. had his Greater Feast on 7/12/85 e.v.

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The IX<sup>U</sup> members will gather at New Horizons in September  
to elect the 5th acting O.H.O. and next Caliph of O.T.O.

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# The Magickal Link

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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

As the time of the Caliphate election draws near, many O.T.O. members are wondering just what is going to happen. Some of the information is private, but most of the news is available.

In the last half of September, at a place and time which has been communicated to the IXth Degree members, the IXth Degree will meet privately to elect the successor of Hymenaeus Alpha, Grady Louis McMurtry, past Caliph and de facto O.H.O. of O.T.O. Other business will be conducted, including consideration of Amendment of the Articles and Bylaws (including possible relocation of the Grand Lodge), guide line setting for the new administration, planning for the transitional period, and assessment of the general operations of the Order. In addition, the stewardship of the G.I.G. (who has been acting in the capacity of the Caliph during this period in accord with the Articles and Bylaws) will be reviewed. The new Caliph may receive pro-forma resignations from some or all of the Grand Officers so that he or she may make known any desire for new officers without undue concern. The date of assumption of the new Caliph to office will be set, and preliminary plans for an investiture will be made. There will be a chance for any IXth Degree to voice objections or ask for a hearing by peers before the meeting ends. Once the slate is clear and the IXth Degree have presented their fealty, the meeting will adjourn and an announcement of the new Caliph will be made.

Following this meeting, the Supreme Council and the Electoral College will meet with the new Caliph presiding to continue transition into the reign of the Vth Head of the Order.

The IXth Degree meeting will not be open to the general membership, with exceptions granted by the IXth Degree in concert at the meeting. Access to the Supreme Council meetings is more open, but access to the Electoral College meetings is limited.

It is possible that secret IXth Degrees will come forward to be recognized for the meeting proper. Such recognition will be in the hands of the IXth Degree members; but it is

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recommended that no one expect any luck in applying unless they possess a paper of recognition of the Degree signed by a previous Head of the Order. Proper or improper possession of the MS of the IXth Degree Secret means nothing in regard to actual membership in the IXth Degree in the Outer. Knowledge of the Secret of the IXth Degree likewise does not confer membership in the Degree in the Outer or any voting rights. Finally, only the IXth Degree members can nominate candidates for election to the office of Caliph. Although any member of O.T.O. from Minerval through IXth or XIth Degree is qualified for the office, it still takes two IXth Degree nominations to be on the ballot.

At present, the leading candidates include three IXth Degree and one Vth Degree member. This is by word-of-mouth poll.

The process of electing the next Head of the Order by vote of the highest members is well founded in the history of the O.T.O. Such a method was described in the 1917 e.v. constitution of the O.T.O. under Th. Reuss in the event of the failure of direct nomination to the office by the previous Head of the Order. Over several decades, Hymenaeus Alpha established and reversed a number of methods of selection for his successor. These ranged from creation of a committee through appointment and nomination of a successor. When the O.T.O. was incorporated forty years after Crowley ordered it done, the IXth Degree election process became established. Hymenaeus Alpha did designate an approved successor from time to time, but withdrew the last such approval more than 18 months ago. In his last will and testament, the past Caliph simply gave approval to the elective process.

As will be seen in reading the letter from Gerald Yorke printed in the back of this issue, Crowley was himself elected to the office.



THE COLLEGE OF THELEMA AND IN THE CONTINUUM.

A person can hardly expect to accomplish the Will and move events to fulfill this aim if that person does not know how to understand, know and control the self. This is the basis of being a magician and of learning to know where one fits in the general scheme of life. The College of Thelema stresses "know thyself" as a basic for its teachings. To join the C.O.T. it is necessary to be prepared to travel to its seminars and receive instructions on a one to one basis at its Headquarters. If a person cannot do this, the next best thing is to purchase IN THE CONTINUUM, which gives much needed information on Thelema, Psychology, Astrology and kindred subjects which will aid the student to know her or himself, and which will aid in the study of the freedoms of Thelema, etc. I.T.C. also features writings by Crowley which are difficult to find or which aid the student in his growth or which have never been printed before. At present we are writing the history of Jane Wolfe, who was partly instrumental in bringing Thelema to Calif. Also featured is "The Thoth Trumps and Psychology" which aids the student to know that he himself is structured as are the Tarot cards. There is always something by Crowley, some of his poetry as well, often from rare books hard to find. More information about the College of Thelema is printed in Vol. III, No. 2 of I.T.C. and much information about the O.T.O. and the A.'.A.'. is scattered through the issues. There are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II, and 7 issues to date in Vol. III. To order please write to P.O. box 415 Oroville, CA. 95965. Each issue is \$4.00. Please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler.



LXXXI en CAMP OF NORMAN/Aug 2,85 ev  
Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

To see the human being whatever it wills has meaning beyond language.

I have lost a friend to the Stars, and I rejoice in his Feast of Light.

I thank the Scribe for capturing my friends last communication, which is:

GRADY: "I think my path is more the Sufi Path."

(he was asked) "What is the Sufi Way?"

GRADY: "I don't know."

Talk about warriors...Perhaps Grady was not only the first but the last of his kind..I couldn't say, but I see a Judgement in defense of his gnosis coming down after so, so long, and I see him moving on just two days after that decree..

Let another play advocate, and let the name of Hymenaeus Alpha IX°,X° Live On and Shine On. My rituals for the next month are devoted to his memory, his conversations with me, his patience and his great and loving sense of humor in It Al!!

I send in my past Dues and support those that sense something sublime in the Workings now complete.

"We gotta keep movin',  
we gotta keep groovin'  
gotta stay on both sides of the sky"

Jimi Hendrix

From the Mountain Camp, to all and Al,

9393, Norman

Norman Kaeseberg

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole  
of the Law.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The program in preparation for  
III<sup>rd</sup> directs that the candidate "take  
responsibility for some task benefiting  
the Order." I have chosen the task of  
fostering communication between members  
in different regions.

When the Order was smaller, our  
late Caliph and a few other people  
visited other chapters and camps fairly  
often. We are getting larger and more  
spread out, making it harder to keep  
track of one another, but travel, except  
for required attendance at business  
meetings, has nearly ceased. A dearth  
of direct contact between lodges fosters  
suspicions and misunderstanding, and  
keeps us from benefiting from the  
creative work our fellow magicians are  
doing over the horizon. Letters, phone  
calls, and publications are useful, but  
no substitute for the stimulation of  
gathering in the same room.

A number of dedicated and responsible  
people in New York, California, and  
Canada (and probably in other places)  
are interested in visiting other regions.  
Most cannot afford to unless part or all  
of their travel expenses are defrayed by  
the group inviting them. Nephtis Lodge  
and Grand Lodge have been exchanging  
visitors this way for years. An off-peak  
plane ticket isn't outrageous if ten or  
fifteen people chip in for it. You can  
raise that much with a keg party. If  
your visitor is entertaining, you can  
hold an event with him as guest of honor,  
charge a small admission and make some  
of the money back. Hosting visitors from  
other chapters isn't an irksome duty,  
it's a form of entertainment and ought  
to be provided for in your fun budget  
along with the foaming wines.

If you want to arrange for a visitor,  
or to get one of your people sent out to  
other regions (you have to take them back  
afterwards), I'm willing to help. No  
mystery guests will be imposed on you.  
I'm here to screen out turkeys and to be  
a go-between if you need one. I welcome  
advice on how to make this program better.  
Write to Sr. Filiamontis c/o Camp of the  
Stars and Raven.

Love is the law, love under will.

Space unending -

the whirl of Maya

The open door - where does it lead?

Questioning self questioning -

A very dark night.

A glow in the distance

A sound - a life

Is that Myself?

A dream of unending sunshine

On an ever green and sandy peak

The treasure of the Spark

Dispeller of darkness

A trial by light

A trial by fire

And another within the

Very Dark Night.

Silence. Peace.

The Unutterable.

(Sr. Bast M., LXXXI e.n.)

### ONE MEMBER'S OPINION

The election of our new Caliph  
takes place this month. Only IXth  
degree members will be able to  
vote. If you are not a IXth degree  
member your only chance to affect  
the outcome is to bring your  
opinion to the attention of the  
IXth degree members. They are not  
obliged to take heed, or even note,  
of your advice, but if you send a  
letter of counsel soon to the  
Secretariat (not the horse) the  
G.S.G. will make it available for  
perusal by all interested IXth  
degree members. The address is care  
of Grand Lodge.

Frater HalayL



## The Knights Korner

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of Law.

The Knights of Baphomet chose the symbol associated with the Knights Templars of old, the same symbol found on Key 15 of the Tarot. It is interesting to note that this one Key, above all, is the most misunderstood of all Keys. (Not saying that anyone really knows ALL there is in any of the Keys.) But the DEVIL has been misunderstood for centuries.

Consider just the simple excuse some of offer, "The Devil made me do it!" Or the symbology of the Snake in the Garden of Eden. Or the reaction to any reference to "The Dark One", SATAN, even to "His" residence, hell! All of these words are filled with negative thoughts and emotions in the hearts of men. In fact, the choice of Baphomet as a symbol for the Templars was one of the major charges against them during the Inquisition.

For those Thelemites who know a bit of the TRUE meaning of Key 15, another name for the DEVIL is the "Face of GOD!" This Key represents the way we mere mortals "see" (with our Ayin's) evil. But it is "the face of God!" How can we resolve this apparently contradictory fact?

Traditional religion always talks of two forces (or dieties). Taking one religion, the Judo-Christian belief, which this knight had a passing exposure to, there is God on one (usually the Right) hand, and there is the Devil on the other. All of life is a struggle of God over the Devil, Good over Evil, Right over Wrong, Holiness over Sinfulness. Yet, in Tarot, these two concepts are combined in the same Key, Key 15.

Suppose the truth is that "God" and "Satan" are the same thing? "But they have the half: unite by thine art so that all disappear."

Most minds think that when bad times come, it's the Devil's work and when good times come, it's God's Hand. Is it possible that the hard knocks of Life are really

knocks on our head to make us see something? Perhaps we should not try to blame fate, other people, the times, etc. for the trials and ordeals which befall us. Instead, we should be thankful that these problems are given to us.

If we can surmount these obstacles, overcome adversity, get on our horse and ride through the battlefield, and finally conquer the "enemy", then we will find a new life, a new day, a greater Strength and Power.

This knight suggests looking at the words in Liber Al with this thought in mind, remembering that we asked for the Karma we now have by our applications for Initiation. Our beloved Caliph has said numerous times that the main effect of the initiations is to speed up our Karma. And who among us is not truly glad (deep down delighted) that we are among the Initiates?

Love is the law, love under will.



# Grand Lodge Report

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U. S. A.

In the last edition of the Magickal Link, an omission was made in the description of the Caliph's Greater Feast!

One of Grady's original Minerval initiation team was present. This very special person is Helen Parsons Smith, once Treasurer of Agape Lodge, a past member of the Supreme Council of O.T.O. and the senior IXth Degree of the Order.

AL II,40: "...a feast for life and a greater feast for death!"

June 13, AGAPAE Camp assembled at 9 p.m.

SALADIN: Brother Smith

WAZIR: Brother Parsons

EMIR: Brother Secklar

Present: Brother Reid

Sister: Kahl, Wolfe, Parsons, Reid,  
Secklar

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June 13 The Minerval Degrees was administered to

Grady L. McMurtry,

Clair V. P

Sara N

After which these 3 were initiated into the First Degree.

A banquet was then served the newly initiated members, which was joined in by the other members.

*Tam Wolfe, Sec'y*

Dues bills are out in the mail again, and should have been received by now. If you owe dues, please pay as early as you can. The billing covered USA, France and Israel with isolated members in parts of Canada and Associate member expirations generally. A future billing will go out to Europe, Oceania and the remainder of Canada when the records can be set to rights. We held off from billing most of Europe until initiations should be set up there again. As this has been done, the billing can now resume. Oceania and Incorporated/Associated parts of Canada have largely monitored their own dues billing, but it's time for Grand Lodge to give a hand in reminding a few members in those regions of lapsed dues -- in instances where the reminders of the local regional Lodges have not been responded.

Advance report has been received that the initiations in Europe have indeed succeeded in providing European initiators. A two-year lapse in initiations on the continent has been permanently repaired. Thanks go to the G.S.G., who was able to do the rituals. Well done!

Thelema Lodge product orders received through the early part of August will continue to be shipped through the first half of September, with some further delay still possible on copies of Liber AL. Sorry it has taken so long to fill orders, but the events of the past few months have been very demanding on time.

Members of Ecclesia Gnostica Catholica should be informed that they haven't been forgotten. The E.G.C. is alive and well. By provision of the E.G.C. Articles and Bylaws, the Caliph of O.T.O. is automatically the Patriarch or Matriarch of E.G.C. Thus, the process of election of the Caliph of O.T.O. will also provide the next Head of the E.G.C. In the meantime, Bishop Jayne H., accessible through the O.T.O. P.O.Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702 USA, is in charge of Church operation.



As an editorial observation, from one who has participated in the Supreme Council since its inception, I find some stories and reports from a particular region a bit more than annoying. The story has it that there exists a group of the O.T.O. which includes some members most unhappy with Grand Lodge. That's not so terrible, after all. You can't please everybody, especially when you are chronically short-handed. The solution has always been the same. If folks are unhappy with things, they need to make their feelings known where something can be done about the problem. Sometimes a problem cannot be solved without a lot of argument, help and understanding. Some problems can't be solved at all owing to resources or the interests of a few doing damage to the essential freedoms and needs of others. There can be any number of solutions and blockages. Nothing can be done, however, if the aggrieved parties talk only among themselves. There are several words to describe such a situation, depending on the details of the case. "slave mentality," "slander," "stupidity," and "treachery" come trippingly to mind. Admittedly, we have begun to emerge from a world culture in which all the masses are supposed to huddle and grumble, while the Superior Person who opens his or her mouth expects a swift kick somewhat lower on the anatomy. That crap is the reason Thelema came into being. As the hiker said while walking through the pasture, "the Bull shit has gotta end some place!" Thelema is that place. O.T.O. is a Thelemic Order. Note, I didn't say an anarchic or a democratic Order; I said a THELEMIC ORDER! Around here you don't get the "stone wall treatment". You don't necessarily get things the way you want them either. A Thelemite takes ultimate responsibility for his or her own actions, opinions and problems. If someone else is the cause of those actions, opinions and problems, you are no Thelemite if you do nothing about it. If you have problems with another Thelemite, you talk to the person. Maybe you find out something you didn't know. Maybe they find out something they didn't know. Probably you will have to have some hot words before the thing is settled. Problems and dissatisfactions are not mellow things. There's more to life than mellow. This particular situation seems to be a movement among a few people to withhold dues, inveigle an initiator into initiating without reporting to Grand Lodge before or after and, in general, schism away. All this is in the name of a crack-pot view of Thelema ala "do what ever you feel like shall be...". Maybe I'm being excessive. Wrong! Oath breaking is damn serious business. If people want to do it, fine. Karma is karma. Just don't expect me or anyone else to smile and nod in appreciation. The basis of all this seems to be an objection to dues going to pay legal bills. To that I have two things to say: 1. What is money for if not to meet material needs? 2. Where was all this concern when the matter was brought up in the Magical Link? This whole unpleasant business was discussed years before anything was done. The time to say "don't" comes before it's too late to change things. The loudest voices of this little discontent all knew the way to Grand Lodge and the Supreme Council way back

when. Not one word was said when it counted. These noble souls waited until the Caliph passed on to his reward. I don't think the matter is a simple as these folks would have it appear to be, unless it's even simpler. Perhaps it's just that a few people want to split, and, being gutless, want to make it everybody else's fault. If anybody wants to leave, go in peace with friendship and blessings. Don't get two years behind in dues and blame it on somebody else for doing something you didn't like a year ago! As the late Caliph was known to remark: "Good-Grief-Charley Brown!"

Incidentally, no one has been booted out for face-to-face honest complaint around here in eight years. But there is a wide road ahead for people who would rather slander and ripoff than stand up and face their fellow Thelemites honestly and above board. Snakes I like, but not snakes in the grass. If you can't pay your dues, say so; and we will work something out every three months or so. If you don't want to pay your dues, and would rather find fault than talk about it; bug off. If you have a problem, let's talk about it. Might be I am doing something wrong or somebody else is. If you won't deal directly with your Brothers and Sisters, you are no 'kin of mine.



The three page letter beginning on the facing page provides insight into a relatively unknown period in the Order's history. Mr. Yorke's information is more sound than some of his conclusions, but on the whole this should be considered a very valuable first person account of an interesting part of the O.T.O. past. We don't vouch for all that is said here, but most of it seems to be the real course of events



28 Feb. 48.

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London W.1.

Dr. R. Swinburne Clymer

Dear Sir,

Aleister Crowley died some months ago and I have been helping his literary executor to sort his papers. The executor, John Symonds is writing a life of Crowley, and I am trying to see that his references to Crowley's G.D. and O.T.O. connections are accurate. Neither Symonds nor I are followers of A.C., though at one time I was a neophyte in his A.A., but then fell out with him.

My object in writing is twofold, first to get some information from your records, second to correct some minor errors in your book *The Rosicrucian Fraternity in America*. In this connection let me say that I support your main thesis wholeheartedly, but think that if you ever issue a second edition it will be stronger if you incorporate the facts which I will give you. Moreover, on general grounds I would like to record the facts for Rosicrucian and Masonic records in general.

Reuss' charter to Crowley as X<sup>o</sup> O.T.O. has not survived among Crowley's papers, but a number of years ago, when it was temporarily in my possession, I allowed a friend to photograph it, and it is reproduced as an Appendix in vol. 2 of *Occult Theocracy* by Lady Queensborough, privately printed in Paris, no date. The contents of these 2 volumes are valueless historically except for the documents reproduced in the appendices. Reuss' charter is dated 24 Apr. 1912 and is made out to Aleister St. Edward Crowley 33<sup>o</sup> 90<sup>o</sup> 95<sup>o</sup> X<sup>o</sup>. It makes him National Grand Master General for Great Britain and Ireland of *Mysteria Mystica Maxima* (M.M.M.) and is signed "Theodor Reuss 33<sup>o</sup> 90<sup>o</sup> 96<sup>o</sup> X<sup>o</sup> Fra. Superior and Outer Head in Mundo of the Ancient Order of Oriental Templars" etc. In the same year Reuss made G.M. Cowie V.I.P. Crowley then called his house at Boleskine a Profess house of the Order, and founded a lodge in London, while Cowie founded another in Edinburgh. Both lodges were closed by the police owing to the German connection with Reuss during the 1914 war. No lodge has operated subsequently in England.

IX<sup>o</sup> O.T.O. was sexual before A.C. joined the Order. In 7th Sep. 1914 he wrote to Cowie (the original is in my possession)

"I did not know until June 1912 the tremendous importance of the knowledge held by the O.T.O., and even when I knew it I did not realise it. It has taken me practically 2 years hard work to assimilate the instruction then received in three short words. I have not even yet done a tithe of what is to be done to conclude a thoroughly scientific investigation."

It was not until after Crowley was given the IX<sup>o</sup> secret by Reuss that he wrote and published *Energised Enthusiasm in Equinox* I, 2, The Ship in I, 10 and the Gnostic Mass in III, 1. By this time he had devised his private O.T.O. Seal of a dove descending and his Baglamet



cock. He enthused Reuss with his De what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law formula, and Reuss accepted it for the O.T.O. Reuss also published a garbled version of this Mass in German, as a result of which Bricaud quarrelled with him. Reuss in turn asked Crowley to put the extant O.T.O. rituals "in proper shape". A.G. writes "I did so. They incorporated in nine degrees the whole of Masonic knowledge, as well as that of other orders, but I found when I visited America that rituals thus prepared as far as degrees one to three were concerned were held by Masons to clash with their . . . rights . . . I prepared three new rituals which contained the knowledge but did not imply the symbolism to which objection was taken." These rituals were worked in England, South Africa, Australia and U.S.A. They are not being worked anywhere to my knowledge at the moment.

10 May 1921 Reuss as Peregrinus issued a charter to G. Stanfield Jones (at that time Fra. Achad in Crowley's A.A.A.) giving him as Parzival X<sup>o</sup>, and a charter covering the United States of North America. I have not actually seen the original, only references to it. This is prior to the document given to Lewis of which you reproduce a photograph. Crowley then sent Jones his rituals.

3 Sep. 21 Reuss issued a patent for Denmark to O.W. Hansen-Kadosh, who was succeeded by Grunddahl Sjalling (see 2nd edition of Hartman's Who's Who), but did not send him any of Crowley's rituals.

Crowley only rewrote the first six degrees in ritual form, the others being in the form of lectures. The IX<sup>o</sup> in Crowley's series does however begin "Merlin by the Grace of God Triune, and by the favour and appointing of the Secret Master, called to the service of Mankind, and exalted among ye as the Outer Head of the Order, unto Baphomet, Summus Rex Sanctissimus X<sup>o</sup> O.T.O. of Ireland Iona and all the Britains . . .". The key degree does therefore remain as written by Reuss but presumably translated (and possibly altered) by Crowley from the German.

Before leaving the subject of Crowley, he was never expelled from U.S.A. or refused admission to England. He was expelled from Sicily by Mussolini, and the French refused on one occasion to renew his permit de sejour - I possess the original document. He was never technically expelled from France. He was never in difficulties or trouble with the English Home Office. He did, however, die an undischarged bankrupt.

Now as to H. Spencer Lewis and his family. Crowley was unaware until your publication of the document issued by Reuss and published by you. He was surprised to find that one of the seals on this document was a copy of his private seal. He never met Lewis or corresponded with him. Lewis was not a disciple of even an acquaintance. He did, however, as you point out, plagiarise some of Crowley's work in his lectures.

On Reuss' death Jones (Parzival) as the Grand Master of the O.T.O. for the United States of North America, and the Grand Master for Germany (whose name and motto I do not know) met and concurred in proclaiming Crowley (Baphomet) as O.H.O. Crowley did not therefore succeed automatically as the only surviving X<sup>o</sup> as you state.



Now for Tranker (Reenartus) and his Pansophia. From paper in my possession Reenartus was acting as some sort of agent for Crowley in Germany in July 1925. In 1924 Karl Germer, who was associated with A.C., financed the first numbers of Pansophia, and supplied German translations of the Crowley material which was used. Germer's association with Tranker went back to 1922. In 1926 A.C. stayed with the Tranker and as a result of this stay and the financial transactions with Germer he broke off all connection with Tranker, writing (a copy is in my possession)

"I went to Germany at the Summer Solstice of 1926 at the urgent invitation of Tranker, who had somehow obtained credentials serious enough in their appearance to demand immediate investigation. I found this man ignorant even of the language of magic and mysticism. . . I found further that in his dealings with other people he was mean unscrupulous and dishonest... His conduct was so outrageous that it was necessary to make a formal complaint to the police. . . He has now taken a list of some of the orders which I represent from a published volume of mine and proclaims himself to be the Grand Master... He cannot produce a single document of any kind in support of these absurd claims. I publicly challenge him for example to give me any of the signs of Recognition in the O.T.O. or Hermetic Society of the G.D.."

From the above I think you will agree that there was no direct relation between Crowley and Lewis, though the latter certainly obtained by bluff his document from Reuss in the latter's old age. The sexual basis of the O.T.O. also antedates Crowley, but in his own words "the secret as at that time expressed by the Order was in a very crude and unscientific form and there was no explanation of the conditions which had to be brought about to get it to work. I spent many years of work finding out what those conditions were". He then rewrote the rituals and all the lectures with the exception of the last for IX<sup>o</sup>, incorporating into many of them symbology and ethics from his highly questionable Book of the Law.

I have written the above partly in the interests of historical accuracy amongst Rosicrucian and Masonic circles, and partly in the hopes of obtaining the following information

1. Could you possibly have typed out and sent to me those parts of the 1906 Constitution of the O.T.O. which you do not reproduce in your facsimile reproductions Nos. 55 to 55a in volume 2 of your Rosicrucian Fraternity.
2. Can you give me any indication of the history prior to Kellner's founding the O.T.O. of the sexual side incorporated in IX<sup>o</sup>. I can find no trace of it in the Scottish nor Memphis and Mizraim Rites of Masonry, nor in the Sec. Res. in Anglia, nor in the Hermetic Society of the G.D.. . . Does this strain come in through Reuss' Illuminati with their presumable connection with Weishaupt, or through oriental theories brought in by Franz Hartmann through his connection with Madame Blavatsky?

Yours sincerely

H.J. Yorke.



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## CENTRUM IN TRIGONO CENTRI

**Delivered from the Sanctuary of the Gnosis**

**Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.**

Care Fratres et Sorores,

At 11:11 PM Pacific time on September 21, 1985 E.V. (An IIIxv) the Sovereign Sanctuary of the Gnosis IX° of Ordo Templi Orientis unanimously elected me the successor to our late Frater Superior, Caliph Hymenaeus Alpha X°, with a mandate to implement the Constitution of Ordo Templi Orientis.

The life's work of Hymenaeus Alpha was to preserve the Sanctuary of the Gnosis, to which he was personally admitted by Baphomet XI°, for future generations. As Caliph, he carried out his mandate from Baphomet to establish the Order in the emergency conditions that ensued after the passing of Baphomet and his immediate successor, Saturnus X°.

Our beloved Caliph accomplished his Will. The emergency has passed. We are free (and bound) to complete the work of realizing Baphomet's vision of a Constitutional Order.

Caliph Hymenaeus Alpha relied upon his Grand Lodge officers and field initiators to bring about the new era we have entered. We are a "people" organization—without all of you, nothing tangible could have been accom-

O.H.O.  
 appoints  
 & deposes  
 Supreme and  
 Most Holy  
 Kings—can be  
 removed from office by  
 their unanimous vote—  
 Supreme Authority of  
 Order—can be chosen from any  
 Degree—Method of succession to  
 office of OHO not here declared.

XI° no relation to Order,  
 dwells in own palaces,  
 is inscrutable

#### Grand Treasurer General

May be of any grade  
 Vow of Poverty  
 Authority in financial matters absolute  
 Appointment by Supreme and Most  
 Holy King and responsible to same  
 Appoints committee from each of  
 governing bodies

X°—Rex Summus Sanctissimus, Supreme &  
 Most Holy King—appointed by OHO—Ultimate  
 responsibility for all within his Holy Kingdom

IX°—Initiate of the Sanctuary of the Gnosis—prime duty to  
 study and practice the theurgy and thaumaturgy of the grade—  
 act as direct representatives of Supreme and Most Holy King—  
 move unseen among us, leading us to True Light—ratify decisions of  
 VIII°—include 2 revolutionaries appointed by Electoral College to  
 criticize Supreme and Most Holy King, they alone cannot succeed Him

VIII°—Perfect Pontiff of the Illuminati, Epopt of the Illuminati—Philosophical body—  
 Areopagus of the Order—Composes all disputes between governing bodies—can  
 reverse decisions of the governing bodies—before it stands an independent Parliament  
 of the Guilds between whose disputes it presides—periods of isolation 4 months per year

#### Parliament of Guilds

Subject to VIII°  
 Guilds contain members of  
 all Degrees from each trade,  
 science or profession

### HERMIT 1<sup>ST</sup> TRIAD

Vow of Poverty

plished. His Grand Treasurer General, Frater Emt (Bro. William E. Heidrick), must be singled out for his success in establishing the Order on a sound financial and legal basis.

Of necessity, the first Constitutional tradition to be implemented was my secrecy as the newly-elected Caliph, X° and Acting O.H.O. If this was not effected immediately, it would await the next succession and therefore become the very last Constitutional measure to be adopted. Additionally, the traditional secrecy of the personal identities of higher-degree initiates has been implemented. Frankly, it would be hypocrisy on my part for these Constitutional measures to be applied to my Sisters and Brothers if I personally disregarded them as Caliph. If you want to meet me personally, stick around for VI°.

I held the degree of P.I. at my elevation, having had several years of field initiation experience. That a young Man of Earth who did not consciously seek the Caliphate could be approached, drafted, nominated and unanimously elected by the Sovereign Sanctuary is proof that the magical principles underlying the O.T.O. and its Constitution are truly genuine: "The succession to the high office of O.H.O. is decided in a manner not here to be declared; but this you may learn, O Brother Magician, that he may be chosen even from the grade of a Minerval. And herein lieth a most sacred Mystery."

In recognition of my line of succession from Baphomet, and in the spirit of



Supreme  
Grand  
Council  
appointed by  
Supreme and Most  
Holy King from VII°—  
governs Lovers Triad—  
Vow of Poverty—appeal  
authority over Electoral College

VII°—Very Illustrious Sovereign Grand  
Inspector General—Great General Staff of  
Army of VI°—members report to Supreme and  
Most Holy King on Lodges & Chapters, to  
Supreme Grand Council on 2nd Triad, to Electoral  
College on 3rd Triad. Must invest real property in  
Order

Prince of the Royal Secret—Propagates Law—Beginning of  
Inmost Secret declared—induces 111 people to join the Order

Grand Inquisitor Commander—Members have right to a seat on the Grand  
Tribunal, to which all members of all Degrees subject—decisions final except  
for appeal rights thru Electoral College to Areopagus—resolves all disputes of V°  
or Lodgemasters

VI°—Illustrious Knights Templar of the Order of Kadosh & Companion of the Holy Grail—  
Executive or military body representing temporal power of Supreme and Most Holy King—  
vowed to enforce the decisions of authority

Senate—Members of the Senate of Knight Hermetic Philosophers—First of Governing Bodies—within  
which is Electoral College—Knights of the Red Eagle—composed of 11 persons in each country—Full control  
of affairs of Man of Earth—appoint Lodgemasters—No authority over Chapters of Rose Croix (V°)—volunteer for  
appointment by Supreme and Most Holy King—11 year term, must renounce advancement—need first rate ability in  
athletics and thought—three-month periods of solitude once every two years—Vow of Poverty—President summons  
quarterly or as necessary—receive all applications to V°—appoint 2 IX° Revolutionaries—appeals to Areopagus for  
disputes with Grand Tribunal—may be overruled by Supreme Council.

V° Sovereign Prince of Rose Croix, Knight of the Pelican & Eagle—concerned with social welfare of Order—beauty & harmony—  
natural stopping place of majority of men & women. Most Wise Sovereign of each Chapter appoints 2 men & 2 women to arrange all  
social gatherings etc. Promote harmony, compose disputes without necessity of appeal to higher authority.

## LOVER 2<sup>ND</sup> TRIAD

Knights of the East & West—Bridge between first & second series—New pledge form signed devoting life to Establishment of the Law of Thelema

continuing the work of my honored predecessor Hymenaeus Alpha, I have taken the motto and titles of Hymenaeus Beta X°, Frater Superior (O.H.O).

The Grand Headquarters (GHQ) of the U.S. O.T.O. and the Grand Lodge of the International O.T.O. are being moved from Berkeley to New York City. I have appointed Frater Ad Veritatem to the office of Grand Secretary General. Frater Antony has resigned this position with great honor and now serves as Assistant Grand Secretary General in Berkeley, as well as Grand Archivist of the O.T.O.

The appointment of a new Grand Treasurer General is inadvisable at present in the interests of continuity of operations during the transition period. I request that all members continue to send their dues, fees and initiation reports to the present Grand Treasurer General at the Order's usual address (Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702) until further notice. At the

P.I.  
Prince  
of  
Jerusalem

IV° Companions of the  
Royal Arch of Enoch

III° Master Magician

Man of Earth series choose 4 persons, 2  
male & 2 female, who represent feelings of  
general body to serve Supreme & Most Holy  
King--They must volunteer at conclusion of II°  
ceremony & delay their advancement thereby.

II° Magician

I° Man and Brother

0° Minerval  
Prologue to I°

### MAN OF EARTH 3<sup>RD</sup> TRIAD

Honor concerned with unselfish support of those who have abandoned all for their sakes.  
No share in the government of our Order, but encouraged and expected to push on to the next  
stage. Every man or woman that is of full age, free, and of good report, has an indefeasible right  
to these degrees. Beyond this, admission is only granted by invitation from the governing body  
concerned.

appropriate time, a Grand Treasurer General for the New York GHQ will be appointed.

The Electoral College, headquartered in Los Angeles, is fast approaching full operational status and will come to assume many of the reporting and management responsibilities previously held by Grand Lodge for Camps and Lodges of the Order.

We're going to change, and for the better. If you want to know how, study the accompanying diagrams. They will give you a schematic overview of the entire national O.T.O. as envisioned by Baphomet. This should be studied together with the "Intimations With Reference to the Constitution" published in the *Blue Equinox*.

You will be receiving *The Oriflamme* on a quarterly basis—it is already in production. If you lack *The Equinox*, with its important O.T.O. instructional papers, these will be included in the first issue.

Yours in the bonds of the Order.

Love is the law, love under will.

*Hymenaeus Beta X°*

HYMENAËUS BETA X°, CALIPH  
FRATER SUPERIOR, O.H.O.

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# Grand Lodge Report

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U. S. A.

To add a little to the Caliph's message and to inform the Membership of certain matters, I need to say a few things.

Addresses: for now, use the Berkeley address for everything but direct communication with the new Caliph. Use the New York address for writing to Caliph Hymenaeus Beta. More will be provided later on when the new work load shifts become established.

The Caliph needs time to study the Articles and Bylaws of the O.T.O. For that reason, one or two of the statements made in his message should be considered plans, rather than accomplished facts. The Grand Secretary General is still Tony Iannotti at this writing, and I am still the Grand Treasurer General. Resignations from these offices can only be accepted by the Supreme Council, and only the Supreme Council can fill the offices for remaining terms. The Caliph's wishes will certainly be given the highest regard, and his appointments will probably be confirmed by the Supreme Council. I will remain Grand Treasurer General until either the expiration of my term in 1 1/2 years or I see no further need for my services. I can be removed only for serious cause, and then by the IXth Degree Members only. Besides, the Caliph is a good buddy. We get along.

Grand Lodge is still Thelema Lodge in Berkeley, with an alternate address for mail in New York only. HQ also cannot be changed except by IXth Degree vote & by Supreme Council vote (Amendment).

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ANKH-AF-NA-KHONSU LODGE

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law.

GREETINGS BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF THE LIGHT. We of Ankh-af-na-Khonsu Lodge are here in Berkeley to serve as host to local activities in the interest of the furthering of the law of Thelema. As most Thelemites know we are currently experiencing drastic changes in our organization due to the election of our new Supreme and Holy King. It is out of this background of chaos and confusion that we have emerged. All those wishing to join with us are cordially invited to our first meeting to be held on Wednesday October 9, 1985 e.v. at 8 p.m. Please call 549-9102 for directions and details.

Our curriculum will include classes, rituals, social gatherings, and the Ghostic Mass. Due to poor participation in previous open weekly masses our schedule will be cut down to once a month by invitation only as well as Thelemic High Holy days. The mass will be moved to 2:00 p.m. and will be followed by a potluck supper. Nominal dues and a onetime Lodge Initiation fee will be charged to members.

Our purpose is to study and to explore with full earnest the Blue Equinox recommendations towards smoother and more lucid methods of Magickal Protocols. We will concentrate on Egyptian mysteries implied or underlying Thelemic Law. Under planning is a study group to help members implementing Computers and Magick. Further, we will offer various workshops designed to promote individual rituals so that beginners may practice with experienced adepts, in a relaxed ongoing class.

One night a month will be left open for initiations through the third degree. You must apply at least 30 days in advance, agree to comply with all local customs, and be of otherwise good report. The Holy days will also be observed with lodge functions. Included is the newest "GRADYHASS". One of the projects we hope to inaugurate will be a small Lodge Newsletter and calander of events. We invite your subscriptions as well as your contributions. Anyone wishing to pledge either time, money, or your materials should contact us. Besides Magick, poetry and line drawings we need humour more than commentary on current events.

All interested in applying should contact Bran or Thiaviavon at 549-9102 at NETEMET-ANKH-NETEMET TEMPLE of Ankh-af-na-Khonsu Lodge here in Berkeley. 93 93/93.

FR. BRAN MASTER & THIPIAVON MISTRESS.  
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## BAPHOMET LODGE REPORT

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

"Let my servants be few & secret: they shall rule the many & the known."

"Success is your proof; courage is your armour; go on, go on in my strength; & ye shall turn not back for any!"

"This shall regenerate the world, the little world my sister, my heart & my tongue, unto whom I send this kiss."

We have a new Caliph! Baphomet Lodge salutes HYMANAEUS BETA. May it be said of our new King:

"In armour of leaping flame, let the Adept rage through the Universe, majestic and irresistible as the Sun. Let no eye behold him unblasted; let him strike upon the necks of the ungodly. Let him be a mighty light of comfort, and the Father of all Fertility. Let him send forth rain in due season, and the earth grow green at his coming. Let his planets whirl upon his wheel; let him send forth his comets as angels unto his brethren; and let him give light to all his realm. Let no eye behold him unblasted; let him strike upon the necks of the ungodly."

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It has been customary in recent years for the master of this lodge to select from The Book of the Law a "Word of the Equinox" to set a magickal keynote for local members. Generally, this Word is treated as confidential until it has expired. (The Word of the last Spring Equinox was "honour," which we also regarded as ON AUR.) However, at this point of renewal for the entire O.T.O., we wish to share the new Word of the Autumnal Equinox with our brothers and sisters throughout the Order. The Word selected by divination from Cap. I, v. 57 was "Love".

Agape to all; and to all a good Night.

Love is the law, love under will.

Fra. Yod

IN THE CONTINUUM, Vol. III, No. 2 for the Fall Equinox of 1985 is now ready. In this new issue there is more about the history of Jane Wolfe. Are you curious as to what happened to the early Thelmites when they moved to Orange Grove Ave. in Pasadena? How did a Thelmic community operate and how successful was it? What lessons can be learned now from what happened then? Has it not been said that not to know a history is to be doomed to repeat it? Are you repeating it? Some adherents of Thelma are thrown off the path by friction with other individuals. Some forget that it is the system and Thelma itself that matters and not the personalities. Who makes this mistake, who made it in the past?

If you enjoy the company of other Thelmites, if you enjoy political matters, if you enjoy group ritual and the working out in real life of common ideals, then the O.T.O. is for you. If, though, you wish to work on your own Path to the Light without interference, concentrating on Magick and Mysticism and willing to work hard at Crowley's system, then the A.A.A. might be better for you. Reading about the differences in these 2 Thelmic Orders may help you to decide. Information about the O.T.O. and the A.A.A. is found through many issues of IN THE CONTINUUM. There is also much about the aims and methods of the College of Thelma. In this next issue we are featuring LITTLE ESSAYS TOWARD TRUTH by Crowley. This is a system of Initiation in itself for those who meditate on the Essays. Also featured is the ongoing book on "The Trumps of Thoth and Psychology". It is suggested that all the issues of I.T.C. be collected as much of the work must be serialized. There are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II, and now 8 issues in Vol. III. Each issue is \$4.00 which includes ordinary postage but not airmail. Write to P.O. Box 415, Oroville, CA. 95965. Please make checks payable to Phyllis Seckler.



DEDICATED TO: Grady L. McMurty  
Caliph, Brother,  
Friend and Uncle.

"Write, and find ecstasy in writing! Work, and be our bed in working! Thrill with the joy of life and death! Ah! thy death shall be lovely: whoso seeth shall be the seal of the promise of our agelong love. Come! Lift up thine heart and rejoice! We are one; we are none."

Liber Al Ch. II vs. 66

We are saddened at your passing and yet we celebrate it with joy and reverry. We remember your brown bag filing system. The stories that you did weave conjuring up images of A.C., Jack Parsons, WWII, The Brighton Gang, Kabba Clerkhhouse days. The endless consumption of condiments. The games of chess. The readings, out loud (an almost lost art), of poems and stories that we did pass the time with, entertaining each other. We never will get a chance to finally hear "Poem penciled on the helmets skull". But brother as you are a star you will see the Order you have revived grow and prosper in the cold northern wastes of Canada. You will still always be with us in joy and love, life and liberty. We go forward in your name, only too happy to have shared these past seven years with you as our Caliph, brother and favorite uncle. May your army boots tread upon the firmament of Nu. May your pipe be ever smoking, and the twinkle of the star at night shall remind us of the twinkle in your eye when you said; "who the hell is in charge of the OTO?" "Remember all ye that existance is pure joy; that all the sorrows are but as shadows; they pass and are done; but there is that which remains."

A memorial mass was held upon the passing of our Caliph, July 14/85 ev. Twenty lodge members were present squeezed into our tiny temple. Only one saint was present, our Caliph, the anthem were his poems read by the priest and priestess and the disembodied voice of our Caliph. The rituals were performed with beauty and joy. No regrets, but the joyful memory of the eventful visit our Caliph made up here, and the people whose hearts he touched in his own gruff outspoken way. He has passed on, but will remain with us forever, yea even until we too ascend unto the body of Nu. Yea unto the body of Nu.

Eugene Plawiuk IV Helene Schuld II

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## THE KNIGHTS PAGE

from The Encampment of Aiwass

**Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.**

The CALIPH is dead! Long live the CALIPH! Now we have a new Caliph and it is time for the Knights of Baphomet to repledge their loyalty to the new Caliph, as is the custom for the knights to do when the king dies and another king is crowned.

What does it mean to a knight when he pledges loyalty to his king? The main symbol of this pledge is when the knight "gives his sword to the service of" his king. This implies that the knight is willing to fight against the enemies of his king. He is willing to put his life on the line for him, defend the castle, and protect the royal family. The knight also fights to protect the kingdom, that special space on earth which the king has claimed as his territory.

Further, the knight's pledge is automatic upon the succession of the throne. There is no question in the knight's mind as to, "Is this new king really worthy of my sword?", "Do I really like this new monarch?" He pledges himself and his sword without question, almost bursting forward to be the first to promise his faithfulness. Notice that this act is an impersonal one. It does not depend upon the personality of the monarch. Instead, it is based on the knight's conviction that he has CHOSEN to defend the kingdom.

The knight does not make this pledge out of some sort of ob-

ligation he feels for the king. The knight has earned his armor and sword, as well as his title, and is under no obligation to anyone EXCEPT HIS SELF! This is important since monarchs tend to be rather imperfect at times and a knight, devoted to honor and such noble ideals, would not be knightly if he was obligated to the king in a personal way.

Instead, the knight feels a commitment to preserving a way of life that he knows to be true and honest. He knows that the kingdom is worthy of protection and he willingly gives himself to that opportunity. Unlike the common foot soldier who isn't really sure why he is holding this pitchfork (other than now, for the first time in his life, he has two meals a day), the knight knows who he is fighting and, more importantly, why! And it is his devotion that inspires the pitchfork soldier to perform great deeds of valor and courage!

When we communicate our pledge of loyalty to the Caliph, let us insure that the motive stems from gratitude for the space to be a Thelemite, and not out of a feeling of obligation, or out of the hope that, by pledging our loyalty, the Caliph will reward us in some way. Knights are self-sufficient and self-supporting. They do not need the king to provide their needs. Instead, they give to the king and ask nothing!

**Love is the law, love under will.**

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One Member's Views, a mixed editorial,  
ramble and commentary.

by Bill Heidrick

First, if your Magical Link is a bit more bent out of shape than usual, blame me. This issue needs seven sheets of paper to say all that needs to be said, and my mechanical folder is only designed for six sheets. Thus we may have some slightly mangled copies going out.

Many of you know me; and whether you realize it or not, you have been in my hands for just about as long as you have been members of O.T.O. I do all the mailing list work, record the initiations, write and run nearly all of the form letters, print the Link, the forms and a whole lot of other things.

I have been Grand Treasurer General ever since O.T.O. was incorporated, and before that I was Secretary in the Grand Lodge. In the IXth Degree election, I was the last candidate in the race for Caliph, with the winner. I am not, repeat, not the Caliph. Frankly, that's fine by me. The new Caliph is a good man. I on the other hand am a bit burned out. My state of disaster is not permanent, but it would have adversely influenced my tenure, had I been elected. When the Beta Max gets his staff working full tilt, I am going to be able to recover my churlish disposition. How long that takes is any body's guess. I will stick around, whether appreciated or not, until I am satisfied that he is over the worst of things. After that, it's domesticity and peace for me until they put me to work again. I intend to get writing a bit, teaching, finally setting up correspondence courses around here and generally making my self useful. I may end up Master of a Lodge in the greater SF Bay Area, but that should be for Jim Graeb first. One thing I do want to keep up is the Magical Link. More on that later.

Here's where I stick my foot in my mouth, and why I am writing this as an ordinary member. What I say in this paragraph is my personal opinion only.

We have a new Caliph. That he is the Xth Degree for USA, I have no doubt. He has to act as O.H.O. for the time being because there is no real and unconditional O.H.O. That makes him de facto and not de jury O.H.O. Some day a few years from now there will be other Xth Degrees out there. They will pick the full and de jury O.H.O., not we of the IXth Degree. Hymenaeus Beta is in charge of O.T.O. world wide. He should be able to do what I could not and what Grady could not, establish the O.T.O. permanently and fully everywhere it can take root in the World. Grady and I got it back going again, won its legal status and set it up for the next fellow. There should be an unending succession of next fellows. To that end, I do not feel that every part of the Blue Equinox Intimations to a Constitution should be implemented without a lot of thought. I don't like vows of poverty unless they are left to the people making the vows to manage. Everything I own either goes to support me or to the interests of the O.T.O. As a Thelemite, I don't want anyone taking the choice from me. I also have some uneasy feelings about too much secrecy in who is in charge, but no worries about the present Caliph. It's the bugger who comes after him that could be the tyrant. Our new Caliph is a man I can trust and argue with. So was Grady. The same could not be said about Karl Germer. The same might not be said about Hymenaeus Gamma. I know that this will not be the most politic thing to say, but I'll say it anyway. Invisible Heads of Organizations sound Old Aeon to me. But then I have always been a believer in the Diwan of the Oasis, the right to bring any problem before the face of the King. I know that that isn't universally practical.

Back to the ramble...by the way, I am shamelessly using these extra two pages to say what I want. I have printed the thing with my two hands for all this time, and this is the first time I have knowingly abused the power. I'll pay for these two pages.



---by which I mean I'll pick up the tab for 1000 sheets of paper printed on both sides. That's about \$8.40 the way I have been printing it in the back of my house. The postage is the same either way.

About the Magical Link; It costs \$3,000 per year, postage included. I feel it serves a necessary purpose, but others dislike it. The Caliph wants to stop the Magical Link. He has in mind a much better thing, the Oriflamme, on a quarterly basis. This new publication will be more like the long lost O.T.O. Newsletter in many ways, but it will be available to the General Public on a scale beyond that of the old Newsletter. Public sales will be necessary to finance it. So far excellent. There are two catches. 3/4 of the O.T.O. members are not affiliated with any Camp, Chapter or Lodge; and they would thereby get little beyond what a member of the General Public can get for their dues. The other thing is related to what the Oriflamme is not. It is not a rag like the Magical Link. It's been my experience that every household runs on rags as much as on the quality upholstery. If you want to be able to get the news that outsiders shouldn't see, to be able to get your views and your dingy spelling and typing out to the Brothers and Sisters, you need a thing like this. Spelling is indeed defunct, and there is indeed a word not known. There is also little to recommend in some of the typing that gets in here. Some of that can be easily improved when the work lets up a bit, but much of it cannot go into the Oriflamme no matter how polished. The Link could function without required reports, but the Oriflamme probably won't accept most Camp, Chapter and Lodge news for publication at all. Postage has been 75% of the cost of the Link. This means that any spot bulletin between issues of the Oriflamme will cost as much as the Link, even if it has only a page or two. Ergo, no chatty and frequent messages, and no forum for the members if the Link goes. No tacky rag either. If you want to let go of the Magical Link, do nothing. If you want to save it, pull up a chair.

Well, now that we conspirators are alone, let's get down to business. On the back of this issue is a note and a coupon. You don't need the coupon. If you want, clip the coupon, check where it says what you want and mail it in. If not, just send a post card to the Berkeley P.O. Box 2303 and write either "DUMP THE LINK" or "SAVE THE LINK" on the back. We will collect these and show them to the Caliph. He decides. If you have more to say, write a letter to Hymenaeus Beta at the New York address. Don't add anything to the cards or enclose anything else with the coupons. This is a vote, and we have to keep the counting simple. Don't delay either.

If enough positive responses come in, we will still have to decide what to do with the Link. I really don't see that there will be any need for it in those months when the Oriflamme comes out. Maybe four times a year would be enough. (\$750 cost). Maybe we can have four Magical Links a year and four publications, mailed at O.T.O. HQ expense, from the local Lodges as they get such things together. If we keep the house rag slot open, we can maintain and build personal contact on the grand scale. The Thelema Lodge calander might go, or a general event calander could replace it. What do you want? Tell me later; right now tell the Caliph if you want the Link at all. Do it with a post card or a coupon, but do it fast.

Before the story gets out that our new Caliph is the Caliph who took the "k" out of Magickal, I think I had better explain. The change in spelling of the name of the Link came at my suggestion, heartily supported by the Caliph. Magick is spelled with a "k", in sign of the distinction of the Thelemic variety. Magical is not. This was Crowley's usage, and we have returned to it. This is also the ancient usage. To see why, try to pronounce magickal without a hick-up. That is a glottal stop sound, and it's not in English. you can end a word in "ck", but it doesn't work right inside words. Let's all have a big controversy in the Link over this while we can still publish such stuff.



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# The Magical Link

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*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

## The Blood Libel

In the last few months, in the USA, an ancient evil has surfaced. This is the infamy known as "the blood libel." The news media have carried stories, and one major TV network has actually aired a "documentary" on the quaint subject of Satanist child murder. Beyond the fourth estate this curious piece of emotional arson has found true believers among investigative agencies and citizens. Beloved Thelemites and friends, George Santayana once wrote: "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to relive it." Here is truth. Here is history.

Tens of thousands of children vanish in the world every year. Most return. Some are found. Some are prostituted. Some are murdered. Some are savaged. Many just leave home as my grandfather did at age 16. This has been going on since there were human children in the world. The numbers change with population and hard times; but like any seed there is a loss in every generation. Care and nurturing can diminish that loss statistically, but there is no way to protect all. There is no parent as powerful as chance. With so precious a being as a child, reason cannot balance what Nemesis has blindly taken. The parents of a lost child can be compensated with purpose but never healed.

There are people who know no limits in their quest for power over minds. There are people who deliberately use the grief of parents as an unspeakable road to power. This is how they did it 2,000 years ago, and how they are using it against good people now.

At the dawn of the last Aeon, there was a new Cult in the Roman Empire. It consisted mostly of unlettered persons, of the poorer classes. This Cult did not believe in much, just love (Agape) and the teachings of a Magister Templi called Joshua. This Rabbi had told stories and taught certain old precepts common to the philosophies of Persia and Egypt. Perhaps he had worked wonders, but such things grow in the telling. Mostly he ministered to the poor in the countryside near the Lake of Tiberias.

There was political unrest in those times. Joshua was considered a foreigner (Josephus is the only outside source about him, and in his works the only reference is to "an Egyptian"). The poor fellow got carried away, became a scape goat for other rabble-rabbis and was crucified. This was probably done as a warning to the public nuisances of the day.

Joshua was thought very special by a dozen or so of his followers, and they diverted their grief into a new mystery concerning his "dying and conquering death". This led in a couple of generations to communal meals and recitation of quotations from Joshua's more personal remarks on similar occasions. One of these remarks may have had to do with the blood-red color of wine and a macabre jest about the human sacrifices still being occasionally performed by poor women in the near-by Vale of Hinnom. Typically a lady found with child, and unmarried, had to get rid of the baby fast. There was a death penalty for un-wed mothers in those days.

The valley called Hinnom was once a place of sacrifice to the local Baal. Such women were allowed to expose their babies there. The more disturbed would sometime kill the baby, perhaps as an act of defiance to the god who made men immune to this particular problem. Rabbi Joshua probably had some elaborate reference in mind and may have missed the punch-line in his cups. The next day, he was arrested. After the passage of some



years, this remark came to be interpreted differently.

The Christian writers of the first 150 years refer increasingly to the body and blood of their Jesus Christ (this is Greek for "Joshua the Messiah"). In the earliest instances, this reference seems to imply kinship with Rabbi Joshua, not any sort of ritual consumption of symbolic flesh and blood under the guise of bread and wine. Pseudo Barnabas (c.100 e.v.) wrote strongly against the sacrifice of animals and plants common at the time.

By the second century, a very different public view of the actions of the Christians had formed. Largely because of the lack of participation in public sacrifices and an abstinence from meat (at least meat such as was commonly sold in those times, being meat from the temple abattoirs), the Christians were roundly denounced as Atheists. The ancient governments used public acts of worship as an integral part of the political system. Since these Christians tended to keep mostly to themselves and to eschew sacrifice, they were held to be possible traitors to the State. Some unfortunate things happened, notably the public execution of Polycarp. According to Irenaeus (c.120 to 202 e.v.), one particular instance occurred in a Greek community. Suspecting something, Greeks (Irenaeus doesn't say if they acted officially or as vigilantes) captured some slaves of Christians. These slaves evidently were not Christians themselves. Under torture, the slaves were made to talk about the religious practices of their masters. The slaves quoted their masters as saying that "their communion was of the body and blood of Christ." Official investigations of charges of cannibalism followed. It should be pointed out that some Greek mystery religions of the time did have a cannibalistic element, notably the Orphic and Dionysiac. The Mithraic mysteries were much more widely spread, were often practiced by Christian family members and had a "god eating" aspect. A Roman house under San. Clemente in Rome was excavated about 35 years ago. Legend had it that a house on that site was the first place where Peter the Apostle celebrated the "Mass" or remembrance of the "Last Supper" in ancient Rome. There was a small household temple found in the excavation, complete with statue of the Good Shepherd. This statue had horns, and was Mithraic, not Christian.

The early Christians made a practice of adopting infants left exposed and abandoned in public places. Although this act of charity was probably intended simply to add to the numbers of Christians and to relieve suffering, it did seem to support the slander that Christians were sacrificing babies to their god. Before long disappearances of

children left unattended in the market place were attributed to Christians. Runaways were said to be the victims of Christians. The occasional maniac who actually did kill children was sometimes called a Christian by the public. Some fallen pagans actually may have emulated the public view of what the "bad Christians do" in those times of long ago.

Early on, people like Ignatius (c.30 to 107e.v.) attempted to organize and control the Christian movement. Ignatius in particular invented the episcopal idea (bishops apart from laity). He committed suicide to obtain a remembrance of martyrdom because Polycarp (a kind man who opposed telling Christians what to do) had become famous through martyrdom. In time Christianity became confounded in the minds of the worshippers with Mithraism; and the "Gospels" (post 100 e.v.) were written, mixing the stories of Rabbi Joshua with the doings of Mithras. This more practical faith spread among the legions and the provinces until the Roman Emperors appropriated it to the State as a valuable asset. Suppression of the former Roman religion followed, and the "Blood Libel" shifted off the Christians as an explanation for child vanishments.

Over the intervening centuries, the Blood Libel has continued to play a major role in suppression of minority religious and ethnic groups. Undoubtedly the worst case is the use of this monstrous lie to drive pogroms against Eastern Jewish communities in the 16th to 17th centuries. It is to that period that we owe the coining of the term "blood libel". Whole villages were murdered by Cossacks on the bizzarre slander that Jewish families sacrificed Christian babies as the "lambs" each Passover.

Gilles de Raiz, the military advisor of Jean of Arc, was tried and convicted of child murder in Satanic and sexual rituals, and is remembered under the name "Blue Beard". It is possible that Blue Beard actually did these things, but it is known that he was taken out for political reasons. The court of king Louis the XIVth of France had a scandal of "Black Masses" with human sacrifice attached to one particular priest and some ladies seeking advantage at court. The Reformation saw many instances of protestants claiming the Catholic Nuns were harlots who bricked up their bastard get in the walls of nunneries. Again, there may have been some instances of this owing to the practice of Maria Theresa of Austria in committing "loose girls" to life in convents.

In every generation there are lost and brutalized children. In every generation the government tries to ignore infant mortality and vanishments as a problem too great to solve. In every



generation the just outcries of bereaved parents are taken up by well meaning and by unscrupulous alike as a crisis needing attention and a contemptible road to power.

Today the cry is out against Witches and Satanists. The pogrom is being mounted in the halls of the US Congress; and you, dear reader, are the intended goat of public sacrifice! Because Witches in the present day are more often middle class and above average education, it may be possible to prevent the burning again. Don't think that Thelemites are safe because they aren't Satanists and need not be Wicca. The radical Christian right does not make any such distinction.

For that matter, about 1/3 of O.T.O. members are also involved in Wicca, about 1/3 Jewish (these are overlapping estimates) and an unknown but small minority of O.T.O. members may actually believe in the Christian Devil. I chanced to see the other day a segment of programming in which a video showed someone with a "Born again Pagan" sign. The commentator said "atheist". It doesn't seem to penetrate to the average Christian that non-Christian religions are real and valid. The average Christian is blind to the fact that only Christians can become Christian Satanists. Most non-Christians simply don't believe in either the Christian God or the Christian Devil. How could they believe such things and not be Christian?

Here's what has happened. No organized underground of child stealing Satanists has been found, probably owing to no such crime organization existing. There are isolated instances of maniacs and crazies who have tortured and maimed children. There are a lot of missing children. The radical Christian right has decided to attack the 1st Amendment of the US Constitution through alleging that pagans are responsible for the missing children. Lack of any real evidence doesn't seem to be a problem. Fundamentalist Christian propaganda against pagans and wicca is providing a school for child murders. Violent crazies of Christian background listen to this crap and come to think that what they do in their sickness is "Satanism", "Witchcraft" and the like. That is what they say when caught. These unfortunates assemble doggerel ritual from movies and bible-thumper sermons. Some of them seek us out in their quest for company. Some of them kill our children!

Here was the first step. Senator Jesse Helms, R.N.C. introduced this language into an amendment to the fiscal 1986 Treasury and Postal Office appropriations bill: "No funds appropriated under this act shall be used to grant, maintain, or allow tax exemptions to any cult, organization or other group that has a purpose, or that has any interest in, the promoting of Satanism or witchcraft." This amendment

to the bill passed the US Senate by voice vote. Next came the House of Representatives, as HR3036. The amendment was quietly cut from the bill on 10/31/85 e.v., probably as a Holloween after thought. Representative Walker offered HR3389: "A bill to deny tax exemptions to, and income tax, estate tax, and gift tax deductions for contributions to, religious organizations having a substantial interest in the promotion of witchcraft. 503(n) Religious organizations having a substantial interest in the promotion of witchcraft."

(1) In general...notwithstanding subsections (c) (d) of section 501, any religious or apostolic organization which has as its primary purpose the promotion of witchcraft or which has a substantial interest in the promotion of witchcraft shall not be exempt from taxation under sec 501(a).

(2) Definition of witchcraft---As used in this subsection the term "witchcraft" means the purported use of

- a) Power derived from evil spirits;
- b) Sorcery;
- c) Supernatural powers with malicious intent."

I understand that these follies have temporarily failed in the House of Representatives, but they will be back. This interesting direction in American politics seems to be coming from the same Senators and Representatives who are backing mandatory Christian prayer in schools and a ban on Abortion.

If you would like to express an opinion where it counts, you can find the name of your Senator or Representative in the phone book or public library. The two addresses are: Senate Office Bldg, Washington D.C. 20510 and House Office Bldg., Washington D.C. 20515. Telegrams are given more respect than letters, and a 20 word Western Union Public Opinion message telegram can be sent for \$4.45 by calling 1-800-325-6000

Apologies to our Brothers and Sisters outside the USA for all this matter on a regional problem, but if this can happen here it may also happen where you live. Take a lesson, and watch your media and political representatives.

A closing note on this subject. Thelema is as vulnerable as the early Christian movement to false report and misreadings of what we say and publish. Crowley wrote that he sacrificed a child many times. We know that he meant contraception, but non-Thelemites don't. In particular, there are many people who take Crowley to mean literal murder by this statement. It's up to us to correct such a potentially disastrous misinterpretation.

Bill Heidrick, G.T.G.



Secretary's

Korner

Do what thou wilt  
shall be the whole of the Law.

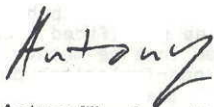
Let it be known that the rumours of my resignation have been greatly exaggerated. I am, however, now inclined to live up to them. While being a politikal football may not be anyone's idea of a good time, I have found it both instructive and sobering (a rare event).

I take the great joy that I get out of coordinating the initiations, archiving, and correspondence as a sign that I am following my True Will. I will continue to coordinate these events if desired, but no longer as G.S.G. All things must pass, as they say, and I am not a politikal animal.

The great honour with which I resigned in last month's episode really belongs to Mordecai Shapiro; the workhorse of the Correspondence Department, and to Ebony; (in Publications), who has a great bark. All who made the Secretariat (the office, not the horse) happen should be congratulated, and invited to continue to work as they have.

I hereby offer my resignation as Grand Secretary General of Ordo Templi Orientis, effective on the reading of this kolumn, to whomever will accept it. I have the strongest faith in the abilities of Ad Veritatem whose work I have known for years, and whom I am just beginning to appreciate as a friend. It is time to practice the proverbial theurgy and thaumaturgy (still "working" for the good of the Order) and I humbly, yet frankly, suggest that you all do the same with yourselves.

Love is the law,  
love under will.



Antony Wm. Iannotti,  
Antonius Eques,  
The Horse  
(not the Office)

# Grand Lodge Report

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Here's the latest from the West Coast portion of Grand Lodge.

Where to send mail: All mail for the direct attention of the Caliph, Hymenaeus Beta should be sent to

JAF Box 7666  
New York, NY 10116

Initiators please send the Initiation certificates to the East Coast Address. On the back of each certificate, in light pencil, print the name and address of the place to which the sealed certificate is to be returned. ALL OTHER INITIATION Paperwork, including Red Books, apps. & tests is to be sent to the West Coast address.

All other Grand Lodge mail is to be sent to the West Coast Address until further notice. For our members overseas, the Berkeley address is West and the New York address is East.

It will be some time before Grand Lodge is finally shifted to the new location in its entirety, and by then the Electoral College in South Calif. will be handling much of the paperwork.

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All honor and thanks go to the retiring Grand Secretary General. The new Grand Secretary General is Jim Wasserman, at the New York Grand Lodge. All sympathy and knowing head shakes go to the new GSG, as is the tradition. The work of the GSG will continue in the Berkeley, California area under assistant Secretaries for the time being.

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All initiations, call (415) 655 4942 or (415) 454-5176 for expediting. Those in the know can call the Caliph and the President of the Electoral College, but cross-checking will delay clearance in some cases.

All Heads of Lodges, Chapters and Camps in the USA please take note!

A form mailing has gone out from the Electoral College. This form is not optional, but must be filled out and returned. Under Hymenaeus Alpha, a number of official bodies operated with tacit understandings with the Caliph. It is now necessary for the Electoral College to assume oversight of official Bodies of the Man of Earth Triad in the USA. If you don't send in the form, your Camp or Chapter will probably be closed! Lodges and international Bodies are still under Caliph and Supreme Council for the moment, except for USA Lodges run by other than IXth Degree's.

Results on the Save/Dump the Magical Link pole have begun to come in, but it will be sometime in December before we can reasonably expect all the votes. At present, we have about 100-140 votes, running about 15 to one in favor of keeping the 'Link. If you haven't voted yet, do so at once. Only one vote to a member. Coupon or post card votes only. Please identify yourself by a normal name. You wouldn't believe how many duplicate Magical names there are out there!

Believe it or not, the Thelema Lodge product mailings are almost up to date. We ran out of Equinox of the Gods, Liber AL and Vision and the Voice. Stocks on 'Gods, have been replaced to take care of back orders only, and Vision' is out of print, period. The Liber AL's are in printing and will be shipped before the end of the year. A few ordered Liber Aleph, in anticipation of publication. We will honor those orders, but not accept any more. Please write to Ginko Press, c/o the Thelema Lodge P.O.Box 3203, Berkeley, CA 94702 for information about these and other photocopy editions in the future. Thelema Lodge proper will not be supplying them after the current back orders are filled.

If you are a Minerval and got a bill from Grand Lodge, but didn't pay it, this is almost certainly the last Magickal Link you will receive. About 12 members from 1st Degree through IVth have been made inactive as well.

The next billing for back dues will go out in the middle of November.

The new Caliph is doing well, and was able to attend the Supreme Council Meeting of O.T.O. in October. As the Patriarch of the E.G.C., he also presided at the Annual Bishops meeting. About four Bishops were put on notice for inactivity, and will be ruled out of active membership in E.G.C. unless they respond to the notices. The E.G.C. is continuing for the foreseeable future, as an affiliated but independent entity from O.T.O. Stories of it's imminent absorption were exaggerated.

On the subject of the "k" in Magickal/Magical Link, here's some comment from Beverly, the Sister who started it, set up the original art and named it: MAGICAL = 105 = to subvert, ruin, change. MAGICKAL = Magick of the AL = 93

M=40	A=1	G=3
I=10	C=20	A=1
L=30	Total = 125	
M=40	A=1	G=3
Ck=8	A=1	L=30
Total 93		

As an Astrologer, Beverly informs me that I am going through my mid-life crises.

Bill Heidrick, G.T.G.





### ENCAMPMENT REELZEBUB

TU WAS DU WILLST SOLL SEIN DAS  
GANZE GESETZ

At the end of August the GSG Br.  
Antony Iannotti visited us here in  
Germany. On August 24th and 25th  
he made initiations into the first  
four degrees of our Order. During  
this weekend there was also a Brother  
from Yugoslavia and one Brother from  
Norway present who also got their  
initiations here in Aachen.  
We would like to thank the GSG  
for his efforts and all other Order  
Members who made his trip to Germany  
possible.

As a direct result of this visit we  
are now able to initiate into the  
Order by ourselves. On September the  
28th we initiated four Minervals in-  
to our Holy Order. Among them there  
is also the first French Initiate.

LIEBE IST DAS GESETZ, LIEBE UNTER  
WILLEN

Fr.°. Hyperion III°

From The Encampment of Aiwass

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of  
the Law.

Aiwass Camp has increased in size some  
800% following the Minerval initiations  
for two new members on the New Moon and  
one more on the Full Moon. If your  
mathematics has you boggled by the 800%  
increase with only 3 initiations, let it  
be said that others have joined the camp  
without initiation.

Aiwass Camp also has contacted and  
visited with Magick Theater Camp and has  
become more than thrilled by the new  
association. Plans are in the works for  
alternating the Mass between the two  
camps in the near future. These two  
camps are also planning on joint initia-  
tions with three I° initiations planned  
for November 1 and two or three O°  
initiations on the 9th of November.

The camp is looking for more members in  
our area wishing to associate and work  
with fellow Thelemites. If you received  
a letter from the camp and haven't  
responded yet, do so! We need you! There  
are great plans ahead for the camp and  
we know you would just love being part  
of it all. Come and help us manifest the  
new Aeon.

Finally, Aiwass Camp will host Soror  
Meral November 30 - December 1 when she  
will present a two lectures on the  
History of the O.T.O. For further infor-  
mation, contact Aiwass Camp (address  
listed elsewhere in this issue).

The members of Aiwass Camp wish to  
express our love and trust in the New  
Caliph and pledge our strongest support.  
We also urge all our brothers and sis-  
ters to help support the Magickal Link,  
which has supported us so well in the  
past. It is our turn to "pay" our debt  
to the Link. **!!SAVE THE LINK!!**

Love is the law, love under will.

## THE KNIGHTS PAGE

from The Encampment of Aiwass

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Knights are "verbs", not "nouns". Old Aeon English would have us believe that "Knight" is a proper noun, sitting on some pedestal to be revered and fussed over like some paragon of strength, virtue, and honor. True, knights are strong, virtuous, and honorable...but this is only the result of their being "verbs".

A verb (or voib, if you are from the Bronx) is defined by Webster as, "The part of speech that expresses action, existence, or occurrence in most languages." (Emphasis added.) The key connection with a verb (and a knight) is action, existence, or occurrence. Knights are men and women of ACTION. They cause existences and occurrences.

The most distinguishing characteristic of a knight was the fact that he had a horse. The horse, that most noble of beasts, was held higher than common man. In the Renaissance tongue, horses were always called thou, even by the nobility. Kings did not even object to walking in horse droppings. The horse was the most respected animal, save the Unicorn—a horse of another color and type.

But the horse was not an object of worship to the knight. True, the knight dearly loved his mount and would sacrifice his own food and comfort if needed to care for his horse. This was so because his horse provided him with mobility, that one aspect which set the knight apart from the common soldier. By being mobile, the knight could take action. His horse provided the means of breaking the bonds which trapped the gross. It permitted the knight to exist in, what seemed to the medieval mind, many places at once. Because these places were just a short ride apart from each other.

What has all this to do with us currently de-horsed Knights of Baphomet? If we are to be true to our heritage, we, too, must be men and women of action. We must manifest a positive, active life. We cannot be content to set by the campfire in comfort and reflect passively on our past accomplishments. We must always seek the Holy Grail, we must ride forth, lance at the ready, to conquer and win.

The prize we seek is not for our ownself, however. We fight for the glory of our Order, to perpetuate the Light of the Gnosis to all. "...the Law is for all." The knight never seeks personal recognition, personal fame. He or she is content in the knowledge that the Golden Ideal is brought closer to the hands of all, that honor and respect befalls the King (read that our Caliph). If there be any other goal in the heart of the knight, surely failure and "the direful judgments of Ra-Hoor-Khuit" shall be upon the knight's head.

And the knight knows full well that success is assured!! This has been proven many times over. As the knight roams the earth, what is willed to be, is! "For pure will, unassuaged of purpose, delivered from the lust of result, is every way perfect". Each time the knight mounts his noble steed he knows that success is guaranteed. If it were not so, he would remain in the shade of the Oak tree, polishing his armor. But a KOB cares not for shiny armor, his armor is hard and functional, his horse strong and spirited. He rides into battle, not onto the parade ground.

Ride forth, O knights, into the face of danger. Show our new Caliph the strength of our arm, the determination of our will, and our love, support, and honor we give him.

Love is the law, love under will.



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The hero, who is a married man, meets a charming girl of sixteen, falls in love with her—and she with him. Every conceivable circumstance conspires to bring about immoral relations, so-called, between them. The girl's father himself urges it. But the hero remains chaste. The tragedy thus brought about is absolutely nauseating. It is hard for the review to think of the grim and griesly abomination which follows. The hero has to go away to Switzerland, for a month or two and during his absence the girl marries a Canadian and goes to Canada with him. The gloom is not even lightened by any hint that she may have had some adventure previous to the marriage. No hope is held out that she may have any adventure after that. The Abomination of Desolation is set up in the holy place.

But there is reserved for us a yet more terrible contemplation. If one had said, "The girls escapes from the intrigue with her married lover, and is honorably married to a Canadian," every one would say, "What a wholesome story!" The poison of puritanism has rotted through the whole of human athought. Conventional morality is the syphilis of the soul, and it is for the God Mercury, no one less, to oppose its action. Our trouble is rendered a thousand times more grievous because most of us do not recognize how foul is our disease. The words 'marriage with a Canadian' should be expunged from human language. People should be prosecuted for printing so foul and obscene a phrase.

Yet these things happen every day. The sun turns sick in heaven to behold them. Yet we do not see his anguish. Life which involves such possibilities of infamy and horror as 'marriage with a Canadian' must be surely be some atrocious species of damnation; the reward of infinite iniquity. But humanity has become so callous, so anaesthetic to any proper feeling, that many people may even fail to see the high seriousness and noble purpose of such statements as the above. The degradation of humanity has gone so far that marriage with a Canadian seems almost normal and natural.

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Equinox Volume 3, Number 1

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Yes, once again the Chaos writhes in the claws of its dragon. ASIDE FROM chain letters from Yugoslavia and many "strange drugs" getting stranger, the Encampment is studying tarot until Crowley mass.

To Grady, even though we never met, I am proud to have been initiated during your reig. There must be something symbolic in that.

Anyhell, we continue to recieve wierd mail & have fun reading it, the last one got to me though, and just after G.L. said a lot about chain-shit. Tsk, Tsk. The Thelemite who sent me the thing is to be duly dissappointed. Sorry Charlie.

From the screaming depths we come, to the abyssmal maelstron we return.

Til next.

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The Encampment  
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## Grand Lodge Report

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Here's the latest from the West Coast portion of Grand Lodge, and general news about Grand Lodge, general operations and where to go for what.

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The Grand Lodge of O.T.O. is now AGAPE GRAND LODGE. And these are its mailing addresses. The new Grand Lodge is a bit spread out, with a good 3,000 miles between some of its major offices. It is administrative and legislative in character, but will in time include some of the functions commonly associated with a more limited Lodge. The name Agape has been used two times before in the history of the Ordo Templi Orientis. First it was the Canadian Lodge of W.T. Smith, then it became the famous Agape Lodge, also under W.T. Smith, Fr. 132, called by Crowley "the Unknown God" in at least one letter. The second Agape Lodge was located in Southern California, and was for many years the only Lodge active in the O.T.O. Agape was the only Lodge at the time of Crowley's death. For phone numbers and other information, please see the Contact Address sheet and the Calendar in the back of this issue.

More of the functions of the Grand Lodge will be taken up at the New York branch as time goes on, but for now the business of the secretariat, treasury, records, and Corporation are accessible through the Berkeley address.



Thelema Lodge has been maintained at the P.O.Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702 USA address. Thelema is now under Brother J.Graeb, Master, and Sister DeWolfe and Brother Heidrick are also officers of the Lodge. Thelema Lodge was the Grand Lodge under Grady, and will continue to devote most of it's energy to helping in the transition to the new Grand Lodge operation. Now Thelema Lodge is a regular Lodge of O.T.O., but it's temporary involvement in the re-location work will mean that many of the activities that will later be a regular part of Lodge operation will not separate from Grand Lodge for some months yet. Thus, Thelema Lodge meetings will gradually replace most of the Grand Lodge classes and meetings and initiations that have been carried on the Calandar in the back of the Link up to now. You will see the name of the Lodge appear on the Calandar events as this happens, and will thereby gain a perspective of progress in setting up the Lodge. Some SF Bay Area Camps and Chapters may wish to align with Thelema Lodge as Satellites, and that option is available. If enough local support materializes, we will rent a Temple space. Until then, the work goes on in private homes. Appearance on the Calandar in the 'Link of activities does not signify that those activities are a part of Thelema Lodge, unless definitely stated. The Calandar will generally announce SF Bay Area activities of both O.T.O. and E.G.C., as well as important events from Agape Grand Lodge and the Electoral College in Southern California.

Tahuti Lodge in New York is also not the Grand Lodge, but may have some future part in helping the establishment of Agape Lodge in NY. Tahuti is now under R.Gernon, and is conducting an experiment of considerable importance to the O.T.O. future. One major concern over the years has been the quality of the O.T.O. local membership experience. When only a few O.T.O. members gather together in a place, only a few things can be done and a living room suffices for most of the meetings. Initiations do present a problem in crowded circumstances,

and larger numbers of Brothers and Sisters quickly overflow most homes. From time to time rentals of space have been tried, but the over-head is high. Tahuti Lodge has instituted a \$5.00 per month membership dues to enable operation and development of a really nice temple. In addition, local O.T.O. members who seek initiation at Tahuti are going to be required to pay a special fee for the experience. There is a condition. The local initiation fee of Tahuti Lodge cannot be charged unless the Lodge Master can provide direction to a viable local alternative for initiation in the New York area. This means that nobody has to pay the Tahuti fee in New York in order to get initiated in New York. People traveling some distance will be given initiation at Tahuti either without the special sur-charge, or with a token charge. Local O.T.O. members will be put in touch, on their request to Brother Gernon, with another initiation opportunity in the New York area.

There has been much unnecessary excitement about this extra fee lately, and I hope this report can help lay some of the fears to rest. Tahuti Lodge sent out letters of notice about the new policy. Some folks may have taken enthusiastic phrasing for something other than it was. No body's rights are being taken away. In New York O.T.O. members have a chance to get onto a good thing that they never had available before. The regular channels of NY initiation will re-open or remain open. Tahuti Lodge is now able to give a deluxe experience in meetings, rituals, classes and initiations formally only available by commuting back and forth between

Thelema and Heru-Ra-Ha. It costs more, but the cheaper alternative for New York members will remain open. You gets what yah pays for!

About the Magic(k)al Link, response has been overwhelming favorable, but only by proportion. We have received 139 votes to keep the link and 8 to dump it. That's out of a possible 600 to 750 votes. Either most of the members don't care, or most have been procrastinating. We will keep counting, but 200 more votes would be necessary for any real mandate.



If you haven't voted yet, pro or con, please send in a card immediately marked either "Save the Link" or "Dump the Link" along with your name and a note of your Degree (or Associate membership).

Here's the situation. The Caliph reports that he has become convinced that a publication for members, like the Magical Link, is really necessary. Something like it will continue. At present, however, the Caliph feels that the members-only publication should be based in New York, and that the present Magickal Link should stop publication. There would be no over-lap in editorial or other operation with the present monthly. The Oriflamme is in proofs, at about 48 pages for the first issue. The Oriflamme would not be this monthly, and is not going to be free to members, after the first issue. After you get the first issue of the Oriflamme, you will be asked to subscribe at a discount from the price available to the General Public. The replacement for the Magickal Link would not be available to nonmembers generally, and will continue to be paid for by your membership dues. The reason the Oriflamme will have to have a subscription price for members to get it has to do with its size and quality, both better than originally planned.

All this will take some time to put into effect. The Caliph has promised a January '86 e.v. issue of the Magickal Link, and has indicated that he will permit it to be published until the New York (as yet unnamed) members' newsletter is set-up. The January issue of the Link should carry a notice of extended publication for the Magical Link for some months more. How many, I cannot say.

It is probably not possible to offer a Thelema Lodge Magickal Link at subscription. We would need at least 250 firm subscribers; and less than that number voted. Monthly's need a minimum volume for use of economical postal rates.

Not all is done yet, your opinion still counts. Unless it counts up to about 400 or so, and definitely says it wants this Magical Link, and not a similar publication; the Magickal Link will probably cease publication by the end of 1986 e.v.

*with E. Th. G. Grand Treasurer Caliph and*

From Magick Theatre Camp

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Mass will be celebrated in Santa Cruz on the following **SUNDAYS:**

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December 8

December 15

December 22

December 29

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First let us say that we of the Twin Star were Greatly Grieved at the passing of our Father/Brother/ Caliph, Grady Louis McMurtly and wish him well in his Journey into the infinite. Due to our being so busy here in Boston we've not reported for a while, but with the changeover of power we believe we should report while there is still a Link to report to.

(Enough Said)

Since March we of Twin Star have been quite active, thus the best way to make our report is chronologically.

I March '85

Boston papers headline a story of a possessed house in Tewksbury, Mass., and the summons of famous Demonologist Warren from Connecticut. Warren is a charlatan who attacks our Order as well as the Master Therion, with vicious lies. Daemon, our campmaster, decided to steal his fire by beating him to the exorcism. First, he traveled to the Tewksbury Police Dept. to volunteer to exorcise the supposed demon with a single "LBR", claiming "a good LBR and Star Ruby" is more effective than all of Warren's Ritualistic B.S. When asked how our ways differ from Warren's, Daemon answered, "Our Ways Work."

Daemon was informed that Warren's exorcism was to take place the next Saturday night.

Accompanied by Fra. Bombastus, Daemon arrived Saturday afternoon. After finding no psychic activity near or in the house, they performed an LBR and a quick invocation to Ra Hor Kuit taken from the Abrahadabra Ritual. Forty-eight hours later Warren keeled over with a heart attack, and a report was broadcasted on a local radio station that the whole possession was a hoax. Ah, the Direful Judgment!!!

II April, '85

Daemon Magus had decided to start a financial enterprise to keep our camp in coin. The original ideas were button manufacturing and a book service. Well, the button deal was a disaster, mainly because the Broken Mountain Lodge was quicker and classier. The book service first required books. With permission from Grand Lodge, Daemon started Twin Star Publications. Our planned first three publications: 1) The Book of the Law (to take the pressure off Grand Lodge's backorders); 2) The O.T.O. Manifesto; 3) Aradia, the Gospel of Witches.

With a Publications Dept. and a planned book service in the works, Daemon decided to start a Mother Group to run the entire production. This group would be called Twin Star Associates, with sub-groups of Twin Star Book Service (TSBS), T. S. Productions, T. S. Graphics, and T. S. Publications, which has put Aradia the Gospel of Witches into production.

III May, '85

The present Laird of Boleskine (Jimmy Page) with his latest musical incarnation, The Firm, came to Worcester, Massachusetts. Daemon and Childre Roland went to Worcester to attend the concert and present Jimmy with a gift from our camp. The gift was one of two leather and gold winged serpent crowns that Daemon had crafted. The second was made for Grady, but didn't get to him in time. (later on this)

As Childre Roland was entranced by the concert, Daemon, dressed in Ceremonial Robes, signalled across the audience to Jimmy, first giving the sign of Isis Mourning, to which Jimmy replied by giving the sign of Aescapis Destroyer. Daemon then gave Osiris Slain and Risen answered by Jimmy doing Pan. As the concert continued more signs were passed between Daemon and Jimmy. (Childre Roland also felt in communication with the people on the stage but in a less "pronounced" manner.) It was fantastic!!!!

After the concert (and a rather encouraged departure for the Childre), Daemon and Roland met one of the roadies and were invited to the after concert party. Jimmy had flown out right after the concert, so Daemon presented

the crown to him to be given to Jimmy. Being denied admittance to the party by a Marriott Hotel doorman, on account of dress (really now!) the two still made their presence known.

Later that month, On Memorial Day Weekend, Twin Star Publications first offering (Aradia: a reprint of the classic Leyland book) went on sale at the EarthSpirit Community's Rites of Spring Festival in New Hampshire.

IV June, '85

To celebrate the Solstice we of the Twin Star performed the first Gnostic Mass in Waltham. Priest: Daemon. Priestess: Serrav. Deacon: Fra. C. R.

V July-August '85

With the grave illness and final passing of our beloved Caliph, the Twin Star Camp went into a period of Silence to mourn and rejoice at his next incarnation. During this period we turned our 3rd annual Passaquany Convention into a closed memorial service, and plan to open it again next year. Also during this time Daemon decided to create a living memorial to Grady. He did so by activating Twin Star Productions. A group that would promote Poetry and Music, in honor of two great Poets, Aleister Crowley and Grady Louis McMurtly. T.S.P.'s first production is The Fire of Prometheus: a troupe of Fantastic Performing Poets.

VI September '85

Fire of Prometheus play colleges, cult festivals, and on the streets of Cambridge. On the Equinox Daemon and Bombastus perform the poetry of the Master Therion at the City of Boston's Poetry in the Park Festival. They did Dedications from the Mass, the Hymn to Pan, and Empty Headed Athenians. Later that night Daemon began doing the Hymn to Pan on WMFO-FM Radio at Tufts University.

VII October '85

On the Sunday before Crowleymas Daemon performs again on WMFO, doing One Star in Sight and Empty Headed Athenians. He was well received and asked to return often. On Crowleymas Daemon goes to New York to pay homage to the new Grand Lodge. He presented the second leather crown (originally intended for Grady) to our new Grand Secretary General, to present to our new Caliph.

On October 17th, a meeting of our membership was called (6 present, 3 absent), at which time we of the Twin Star voted to: 1) remain an independent body answering only to Grand Lodge; 2) petition the "powers that be" to give Daemon his third degree, and permission to initiate up to third degree. With all the problems our group has had trying to get initiators to Boston (see Magical Link Oct. '84) and all the work Daemon has gone to for the Order this seems fair and proper. 3) With a vote of 6 to 0 (with 3 abstentions due to inability to contact) the group decided to support Bill Hiedrick's attempt to keep the Magical Link in publication as an in-house organ. We also support Oriflame as what is supposed to be a journal open to the public. Some things should not be broadcasted to the public, (i.e.: camp/chapter/lodge reports, questions looking for feedback, operational instructions, etc.,...). These belong to an in-house paper and the Link is perfect for it.

On October 27th Daemon brought the Fire of Prometheus to New York City to perform in the 10th Annual Samhain Festival, held at the Magical Childre. We were loved!

VIII The Future

Future plans include a 4th Annual Passaquany Convention, continuation of the Mass on we hope a monthly basis, a five part radio broadcast of Tannhauser which Daemon has already started work on, continuation of our research library, and more publications with the Book of the Law scheduled next. Just to name a few....



### From The Encampment of Aiwass

**Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.**

Mass will be celebrated at Aiwass Camp on the following dates:

December 1 (Sunday)

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The mass starts promptly at 6:30 PM. A donation of \$2.00 is requested from those not already supporting the camp by monthly dues. If you are planning on attending, please call so we can insure a Cake of Light for you. All attendees are expected to partake in the communion. Punctuality and Private cups are welcomed.

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**Love is the law, love under will.**

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Everywhere there are plaudits and expressions of gratitude for the help this has been to so many people in their studies of Thelema. We have now been publishing steadily and on time every year at the Equinoxes of Spring and Fall for 12 years. We thank all of our loyal readers and hope that we can continue still.

However, since this is a shoestring operation and the editor is always in debt over it, some reprints are impossible at the present moment. It is not possible now to have a complete set of I.T.C. and it is not known if enough orders will come in to lower the debt and make it possible to do those very expensive reprints. Tomorrow we may be out of anything from 2 to 5 or more issues. If you need help with your studies this is an easy way to get it. If you live too far away from the O.T.O. or the C.O.T. or the A.A.A. this publication helps you anyway as far as possible.

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Each issue is \$4.00 and there are 10 issues in Vol. I, 12 issues in Vol. II and to date, 8 issues in Vol. III.



LIBER AL, Cap. I, V. 22.

"- - - Let there be no difference made among you between any one thing and any other thing; - - " If we are to make "no difference" then we must work on our complexes and remove the veils which obscure our true light, or Khabs, from ourselves.

One of the most predominant complexes shared by all mankind is to build up a wall of disapproval within the self against certain types of thought and action. This wall is called "the censor" by psychologists. The process is to repress and censor out what we have been taught is unacceptable to civilized and polite living. This process starts in childhood and continues throughout life and hardens the shell in which we live, or rather makes impermeable the veils behind which the true Khabs or inner Light hides.

Because we will not admit of these thoughts and actions in ourselves, we are then outraged when we see another person display the very same traits we have fought so hard to suppress. As a result of this we engage in projections, that is, we expect other persons to have our own standard of conduct. If we did not have certain traits, we could not see these in another. When others display our own suppressed and censored traits, we highly disapprove, we persecute, and we may become enraged and engage in battle if the persons with the same traits are near enough to each other to engage in a heated exchange of views or else in physical combat. If anything angers or disturbs you, what is it within yourself that you must track down, understand and resolve? This work does not mean repression and

editorship of what is within but is a work of recognition. To know and accept the problem of what bothers one, is to have won the battle at least halfway. After that, one must dissolve the complex by channeling the energy into more productive channels after a work of purification. This is the work mentioned by the Alchemists as "Visita Interiora Terrae, Rectificando Invenies Occultum Lapidem." Visit the interior parts of the earth: by rectification thou shalt find the hidden stone." The interior of the earth is the unconscious of each person with all its repressions, drives and hidden motives. When we visit this realm as we try to understand ourselves, we must bring to light these complexes and purify them through understanding and then change them into something more productive than mere hate and criticism of one's fellows.

This process of censorship and projections does truly trip up those who would be magicians and also hides the True Self, the Khabs, from any manifestation in life and from the magician himself. The would-be magician is a house divided against itself. He really cannot have much effect on his environment and "cause change to occur" according to his will unless he first works on himself. This is your work, oh those who would be true magicians and exponents of the Light of Thelema. Let us cease these bickerings and criticisms, witticisms and hatreds for it is yourself, your own unconscious workings, that cause these negative reactions. Your inner war must be resolved so that you can finally know the true Light of your own Khabs or Star! May you be successful in this, the Great Work.

From 418 Lodge of the O.T.O.



## THE KNIGHTS PAGE

from The Encampment of Aiwass

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Almost every Knight of Baphomet I have talked to would like owning a horse. After all, a horse is the major symbol of knighthood, and even in chess the knight is also called the horse. Therefore we shall discuss a very little bit about equine-husbandry...no, let's instead talk about riding horses because knights always have squires to groom, feed, and care for his/her horse.

The most important aspect of horseback riding is balance. While the rider can lean over in the saddle to either side, front, or rear, the horse suffers for this. Such behavior (beyond looking very tacky) causes the horse to stumble, trip, and, if the horse has any sense, buck! Granted, there are tolerant horses who will allow the rider to do most anything. But the usual case is that if the knight does something unexpected, the horse will usually react. And you can be assured that horses react stronger than humans.

And only by keeping balanced can we prevail against the enemy. Can you imagine a knight jousting without being balanced? Unless we maintain the balance in life, the slightest of things will knock us off our horse...and onto our arse! By the way, with the weight of medieval armor, to be "de-horsed" was tantamount to being defeated. The knight-of-the-dust was quite close to becoming dust himself. He needed help getting up onto his feet once he fell down.

Therefore, one should keep his feet in the stirrups, hands on the reins, eyes on the road, and mind on the task at hand. Also, the knight should sit directly over the center of gravity of the horse and do his utmost to maintain this position. The knight, in short, must be balanced on the horse, maintaining the carriage of a knight!

Balance is a very important aspect of equestrian arts, checkbook-keeping, and magic. (Oh, you really thought this would be about riding horses, huh?) How many of us know an "Occultoholic"? Or a "Psychoholic", or perhaps a "Metaphysicoholic" (the most serious condition of the three)? These are the ones who have failed to see the ecstasy in doing your will, the true joy which enables you to withstand any obstacle, the sheer power of life. Instead, they can recite chapter and verse of an unimaginable number of tomes on diverse subjects. Yet they live the lives of dogs without direction, purpose, or achievements. They profess great knowledge and attainment with ALL (or NOTHING, depending upon the current term for "whatever it is that we are drawn towards").

Or perhaps you have heard of the "Playoholic" who never does anything more serious than deciding which way to roll the joint (deasil or widdershins). These fools (and their woes) are caught up in the trap of playing with their incarnation as a child plays with its fecal matter.

And it is wonderful to know that, we in the Order, are not any kind of "oholic", but seek both the work and the play, we drink from both cups, usually at the same time. We know the path to the K & C of the HGA, and we are on that path, eating, drinking, loving, playing, and reading, practicing, studying, thinking... We are neither too pure or too base. We are neither too loving or too withdrawn. And we strive to maintain this balance lest we fall.

This is how we keep ourselves in the saddle as our steed charges into battle, as we fight for freedom in accordance with the Book of the Law.

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Here are a few hints:

The flowchart flows from the top down through time from 1895 E.V. to the present.

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To maintain historical continuity EVERY GROUP/PERSON has its own specific block position. EXCEPT there are 6 groups, 2 groups opposite each other on 3 different areas, whos position is interchangeable to the group next to it. EXAMPLE: When you locate the positions of the LOVECRAFTIAN COVEN & CULT OF CHRONOZON you will find that these groups boxed next to each other are interchangeable, & would not disrupt the rest of the flowchart if place incorrectly.

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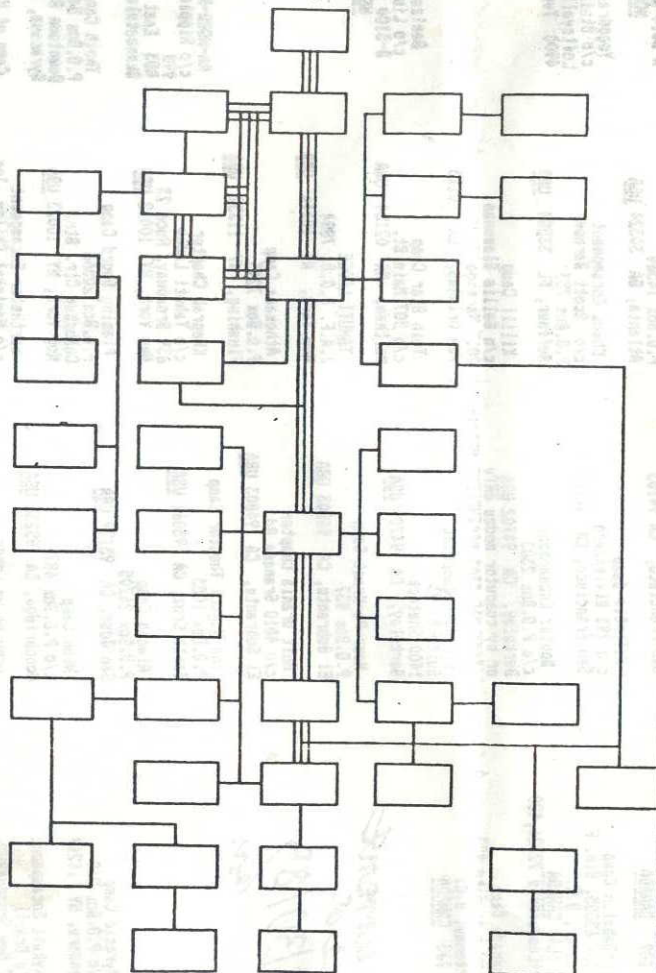
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