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O. T. O. NEWSLETTER

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

At Sunset, facing West:

Hail unto Thee who art Tum in Thy setting, even unto Thee who art
Tum in thy joy, who travellest over the Heavens in Thy bark
at the Down-going of the Sun.

Tahuti standeth in His splendour at the prow, and Ra-Hoor
abideth at the helm.

Hail unto Thee from the Abodes of Day!

-- from Liber Resh

(This is the third of the four daily Thelemite invocations. An article
on the Egyptian Origin and modern variation of these salutation rituals has
been included in this issue. We have presented the first two parts of Liber
Resh in the two previous issues of the Newsletter. The last part will be
published at the Spring Equinox.)

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A Hymn of Praise to
Ra Heru-Kuti
First One of the Dawn
when he riseth on the eastern horizon
of heaven.

Homage to thee, Ra Heru-Kuti, holy
god, creator of the things which exist:
Janen who givest life to the gods and to the
beings of primeval matter, maker of heaven,
which thou didst stablish firmly by thy two
hands and didst make for thyself a place
wherein to rise.

Beautiful art thou, O Ra Heru Kuti in thy
rising on the eastern horizon! Gods and men
lift up their hands in praise of thy beautiful face.

Beautiful art thou, O Ra Heru Kuti in thy
rising in the egg within the sky! All the
Hamemet beings praise thee after thy rising.

Beautiful art thou, O Ra Heru Kuti in thy
rising on the Tuat within Akert! The ape-gods
sing praises to thy beautiful face.

Homage to thee, watcher, living one, new being,
whose youth is renewed, first one of the dawn!
The gods in Amenti praise thee!

Homage to thee, rising, shining, crystal in
color, thou vanquishest the darkness.

Homage to thee, Mighty One, who art exalted
in thy name of Lord of the Mighty Ones
twice-valiant Power.

Homage to thee, Great One, Divine One, in thy
name of Lord of the Utchati who dost make
thy birth come to pass.

Homage to thee, who dost rise anew in thy name
of Giver of Thrones, Advancer to Dignities.

Homage to thee, the Company of the gods
praise thee, and men and gods greet thee
with crys of joy when thou settest
O Beautiful Face!

from: The Permhru of Nesitanebrashru


Last Priestess of Amen-Ra at Thebes

Priestess of Mut of Ashru


Priestess of Nekhebet of Eileithyiaspolis

Priestess of Osiris of Abydos

Priestess of Menu, Isis and Horus of Panopolis

circa. 970 B.E.V.

Published as: "The Greenfield Papyrus in the British Museum"
— E. A. Wallis Budge, 1912 E.V.

On
Liber 

by the Secretary of Thelema Lodge

"Liber Resh vel Helios Sub Figura CC"

The salutations to the four quarters of the Sun are an important part of Thelemic observance. Many pages could be written on the mystical significance and psychological effect of daily practice of Liber Resh, but this is a matter for the individual discovery of Thelemites. Here will be written only a few observations and a few hints.

This is the ritual of the Sun. Hence it is called Helios (Sun) and referred to the Hebrew Letter "Resh". In Tarot, Resh matches the Sun Trump. Resh is the Sun in Astrology. The number assigned to this ritual is the Gematria value of "Resh". The name of the Great Solar Deity in Egypt is RA -- in Hebrew, this word begins with "Resh". Many of the titles of Crowley's works mystify. Let this be an example of the way to understand the keys to the rituals through the correspondences in Liber 777.

Adoration of the Sun is ancient. It is practiced in many cultures. Even the plants and animals heed the course of the Sun. Our bodies must obey the Sun on its journey, for they are made from the energy of its rays. Our minds rise from the Midnight Hour. Thoughts quicken at Dawn. Thinking grows heavy at Mid-day. Dusk produces lassitude and a taste for mystery. Perform the adorations at the appointed times and receive knowledge of doing at these points.

There are great mysteries of Magick in this ritual. To obtain clues concerning them, study the ancient Hymn on pages 2 and 3 of this issue of the Newsletter. A close examination of Liber AL will shed light upon such as the "ape gods" and the deities of the present Aeon as they relate to Liber Resh.

It will be quickly seen that the salutations of Liber Resh are short in comparison to the ancient ones. Learn first the simple practice, then progress to the more complex with caution. Should another form of the Ritual tempt, test it. Remember always that the best rituals are those you make yourself. The most effective of these fly forth at the moment of impromptu performance. Add or alter in accord with your Will -- yet remember that familiarity with the work of others grants range and depth to understanding.

Many have composed their own Adorations. Here's a fine example by Sharon Walker, an Associate Member from the American South West:

Evening Adoration

Hail to Thee
Who art RA in thy setting
Thy Splendid cloak is shadowed
By ever changing hues
Of slate and scarlet blended brown
Soft and subtle is Thy Kiss
To the Earth as She turns Her Face from Thee:
Winsome Moon as She tosses your light
Like laurels on a lake...
Beauty is thy name that
All Men may speak
Though Thee girt it with a serpent:
Thy beauty surpasseth all for
It passes from the eyes of men
Thy strength is mightier for thy gentleness
Thy wrath more fierce for thy mercy
Each opposite thing reaches out
And grasps hands at infinity
So with Absolute nothing and absolute Power
So with Love and Will —
And lo, all is Truth
And lo, the Truth is One.

————— by Sharon Walker

"Democracy Dodders"

by Brother Al MacGregor
— ab op. Fr. H.A.

The Western Magical Tradition has bequeathed to the world a voluminous body of Illuminated teachings which contain esoteric reference to so-called elemental beings, that is, fragmented consciousness, or consciousness disengaged from Spirit. In terms of popular literature, for example, Carlos Castaneda offers some valuable insight into this phenomena. There exist 'forces,' as he calls them, seemingly human beings but having no soul, i.e. they are incarnated elementals, angels, circuits, whatever, but they cast no shadow in the psychic realm. They are incomplete. As Dion Fortune puts it in Psychic Self Defense, (Aquarian Press, London, 1970, p. 81), "We must not allow the human form to mislead us as to the existence of a human soul. A non-human is a pet animal, not a fellow creature. That frankly is the only possible ground upon which they can be approached."

Now it is not my intent to delve into the many complexities which anything even approaching a complete consideration of the nature of the elemental beings would require. Indeed the solution to these problems is best left to the individual aspirant as both a method and measure of his/her magical development. In any case, no matter how curious it may seem to the uninitiated, it is indeed a fact that some "people" are less real than others. Immediately, all true spiritually or magically oriented persons are confronted with a serious dilemma in regard to the fundamental principle of the political theory of democracy.

This problem of accounting for "people" who are not people will undoubtedly become one of the greater enigmas of the New Age. The Book of the Law is quite specific on the subject, and the reader is encouraged to look up the relevant portions. This particular problem and its relation to Thelema is by no means new, however, -- as the Caliph can attest. Incidentally it has sometimes been remarked that the "Rap with the Caliph" or "Tales My Caliph Told Me" has an extraordinary ring of reality. It should be understood that here is someone who has "been there," not just in regard to ideological empathy, but also in terms of actual experience and participation. For example, when Grady first became involved with old Agape Lodge (at the time the only active Lodge of O.T.O. in the U.S. with direct dispensation from Crowley) on Winona Blvd. in Hollywood in the late 30's, they were in the process of publishing a copy of The Book of the Law. A commendable exercise, and certainly important for the times. It was a small paperback, and it had a blue cover with gold lettering. It was a completely authentic edition of The Book of the Law in every respect, for those people, Wilfred Smith, Regina Kahl, Jane Wolfe, Lew Carroll, Jack Parsons, etc., were dedicated Thelemites. But, it did leave one thing out. Not out of The Book of the Law itself; they would never have dared tamper with that -- but out of Aleister Crowley's introduction to The Book of the Law. Before we become too harsh on them for having done so, we must remember the temper of the times. Those were the days of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, and of the Nazis running all over Europe and exterminating the better part of six million Jews. It was a time of paranoia, and one did have to think in terms of survival. So they left two words out of the Crowley Introduction (Refer to any of the correctly reproduced previous editions or to The Equinox of the Gods wherein the first sentence of the fifth chapter reads; "Democracy dodders."). Well, quite obviously they had some idea of surviving the

times without being crucified, and the line "Democracy dodders" was considered just too heavy an epitaph. Personally I commend their good sense.

The times have changed, however; and today it has become notorious that a substantial portion of the American people have lost their confidence in the ability of the modern democratic establishment to deal effectively with their basic governmental needs. The present disillusionment effecting the political environment would seem to indicate that democracy as we know it is experiencing a certain crisis, i.e., a state of transition. One must be aware that dissolution or death on one plane is but the initiator of an expansion of consciousness into another dimension of greater freedom from form and heightened awareness. Now, as to the precise nature and/or the particular outcome of the current forces tending toward a considerable change in the political sphere... Well, the situation is obviously so complex that I will not even venture to guess.

Although the immediate climate is uncertain, in the long run the Caliph is optimistic. Being an occultist of both the Eastern and Western traditions and a dedicated Thelemite (IX Degree O.T.O. for over 40 years standing) as well as a political theorist (Masters Degree, Political Theory, University of California, 1953 E.V.), he adheres to the tradition that the political revolutions of the late 18th century which culminated in the American revolution of 1776 E.V. were inspired and directed by the inner adepts of the Great White Brotherhood (often re-identified by Crowley as the Argentum Astrum or A.:A.:) as a magical expression on the objective plane of the more universal revolution soon to occur. (This would fully transpire onto the material realm in 1904 E.V. when Aleister Crowley received The Book of the Law, and is now generally known as the transition into the Aeon of Horus, or the Age of Aquarius.)

It must be remembered that the leading revolutionary figures of the time, Jefferson, Washington, Franklin and a host of others, were high Masons and held intimate association with the continental Rosicrucians as well as the German Illuminati movement. (Adam Weishaupt, founder of the Order of the Illuminati, in 1776 E.V., is included among the Gnostic Saints in Crowley's Gnostic Mass.) The primary talisman of the forces set in motion at that time is, of course, The Great Seal of the United States. This beautiful emblem, which can be found on the back of the dollar bill, includes such provocative magical symbols as the pyramid, the eagle or phoenix in triumphant posture and the eye in the triangle; this combined with the many esoteric relationships illustrated through the use of the numerous 13's should provide an obvious indication to even a casual student of occultism that these individuals were involved in a powerful and wide-ranging magical operation. It should also be obvious that the increasing unreality and dogmatic rigidity which is being imposed by the materialistic forces at large is completely out of contact with the magical current embodied in the Great Seal and consequently must only be a stage of transition. (For a more thorough exposition of the initiatic process of putrefaction, death, and transition please consult Atu 13 of the Thoth Tarot Deck.)

It must be recognized once and for all that, if the higher vibrations destined to regenerate this planet are to manifest and the truly illuminated brotherhood of Aquarian Age humanity is to appear, something less quantitative and more qualitative -- something less materialistic and more spiritual -- something less elemental and more real must replace the old-Aeon structures. We are greatly in need of a system that recognizes the existence of psychic phenomena, something that could of its very nature provide direction and expression between the hierarchies of consciousness in the Universe. How truly illumined we have become then, if we can finally realize along with the great philosophers of the past that man can not be governed nor will he ever be governed in this world until man realizes his very existence in this world to be a result of his inability to govern himself, i.e., the dissident inner forces of his own nature. How fortunate we are at this time of crisis in the outer affairs of men to have so widely disseminated among us the once unobtainable writings and teachings of those few who aspired to the governing

of their own inner selves and transcended the need to be governed. As it is written in The Book of the Law; Chapter I, verse 40:

"Who calls us Thelemites will do no wrong,
if he but look close into the word.
For there are therein Three Grades,
the Hermit, and the Lover, and the man of Earth.
Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Liber LXXVII



"the law of
the strong:
this is our law
and the joy
of the world."

AL. II, 21.

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

—AL. I. 40.

"thou hast no right but to do thy will. Do that, and no other shall say nay." —AL. I. 42-3.

"Every man and every woman is a star." —AL. I. 3.

There is no god but man.

1. Man has the right to live by his own law —
to live in the way that he wills to do:
to work as he will:
to play as he will:
to rest as he will.
to die when and how he will:
2. Man has the right to eat what he will:
to drink what he will:
to dwell where he will:
to move as he will on the face of the earth.
3. Man has the right to think what he will:
to speak what he will:
to write what he will:
to draw, paint, carve, etch, mould, build as he will:
to dress as he will.
4. Man has the right to love as he will: —
"take your fill and will of love as ye will
when, where, and with whom ye will." —AL. I. 51.
5. Man has the right to kill those who would thwart
these rights.

"the slaves shall serve." —AL. II. 58.

"Love is the law, love under will." —AL. I. 57.

The Motto of the Caliph:

Quite a few are a bit puzzled about the Magical Motto of the Caliph. Some wonder what it signifies, while others inquire about the origin of Hymenaeus Alpha, 777. This is the Motto of Grady Louis McMurtry, IXth Degree O.T.O. and Caliph of our Order. It was not obtained directly by Grady, but through a request made to Aleister Crowley. Crowley had asked Grady several questions and elevated him to to the IXth, but Grady had no motto. Thinking that a knowledge of gematria beyond his own would be requisite, Grady applied to Crowley for help... A.C. asked: "What is your Will?" Grady answered: "...to unite that which is above with that which is below."

Some time later, Brother Grady received from Crowley the letter that is reproduced on these pages. In it the motto was set out and briefly explained, amid notes on business and pleasure. We have reproduced the letter and its envelope as the most direct means

93, Jeremy St
S.W. 1



Nov 19
die 9^{is}

Care Frater

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.
Sorry you couldn't wangle yesterday.

The Christ-Child, The Sinner saved by Grease, the
Stick o' Liquorice, Terlin and the Bull, the
Black Widow Spider, the McClergyman, Mrs
Mother Harrumbidgee, the Tub of Molasses,
Professor Proboscis and others united to
lament the absence of Big Chief Wandering Wapiti.

Al! Vinited. Yes: sometimes I sat and think,
and sometimes I just sat. But no reason to your
motto.

Then — a flash!

Well, yes, I think it may do.

ΥΜΕΝΑΙΟC Α
(Hymenaeus Alpha (=Alpha))

to answer the many questions we have received. There are other 777's, no patent on that; but here's one picked by A.C. to do the work of the number. In the back of the LEVEL PRESS edition of Liber Aleph there is a comment about the "Childe 777" -- made by one who resigned from our Order several years ago. This Brother-abscondere has his own opinions, and his own 777 -- among these that the text of Liber AL may be

changed without regard to the original. We don't hold that opinion; L.H. is his own man, by his own word. H.A. should not be confused with this or any other person using 777 as his number. Hymenaeus Alpha, 777, is the motto of Grady McMurtry; please don't mistake similar labels on your book store shelves. O.T.O. stands by its Caliph, but we can't vouch for somebody else's "Childe." For that matter, we haven't come out in favor of any of the claims to being Crowley reincarnated or the One to Come After. O.T.O. is an Outer Order after all; recognition of the highest should come from the Inner -- and probably before publication of any claim.

CONTENT of the LETTER:

"93, Jermyn St.
S.W. 1

"Nov. 19 (1943 E.V.)
die ♀is (Friday)

"Care Frater

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

"Sorry you couldn't
wangle yesterday.
The Christ-Child, The
Sinner saved by
Grease, the Stick
o' Liquorice,
Ferdinand the Bull,
the Black Widow
Spider, the McClergy-
man, Mrs Mother
Murrumbidgee, the Tub
of Molasses, Professor
Proboscis and others
united to lament the
absence of Big Chief
Wandering Warrior.

"Ah! United.

Yes: Sometimes I sat
and thunk, and
sometimes I just sat.
But no nearer to your
motto.

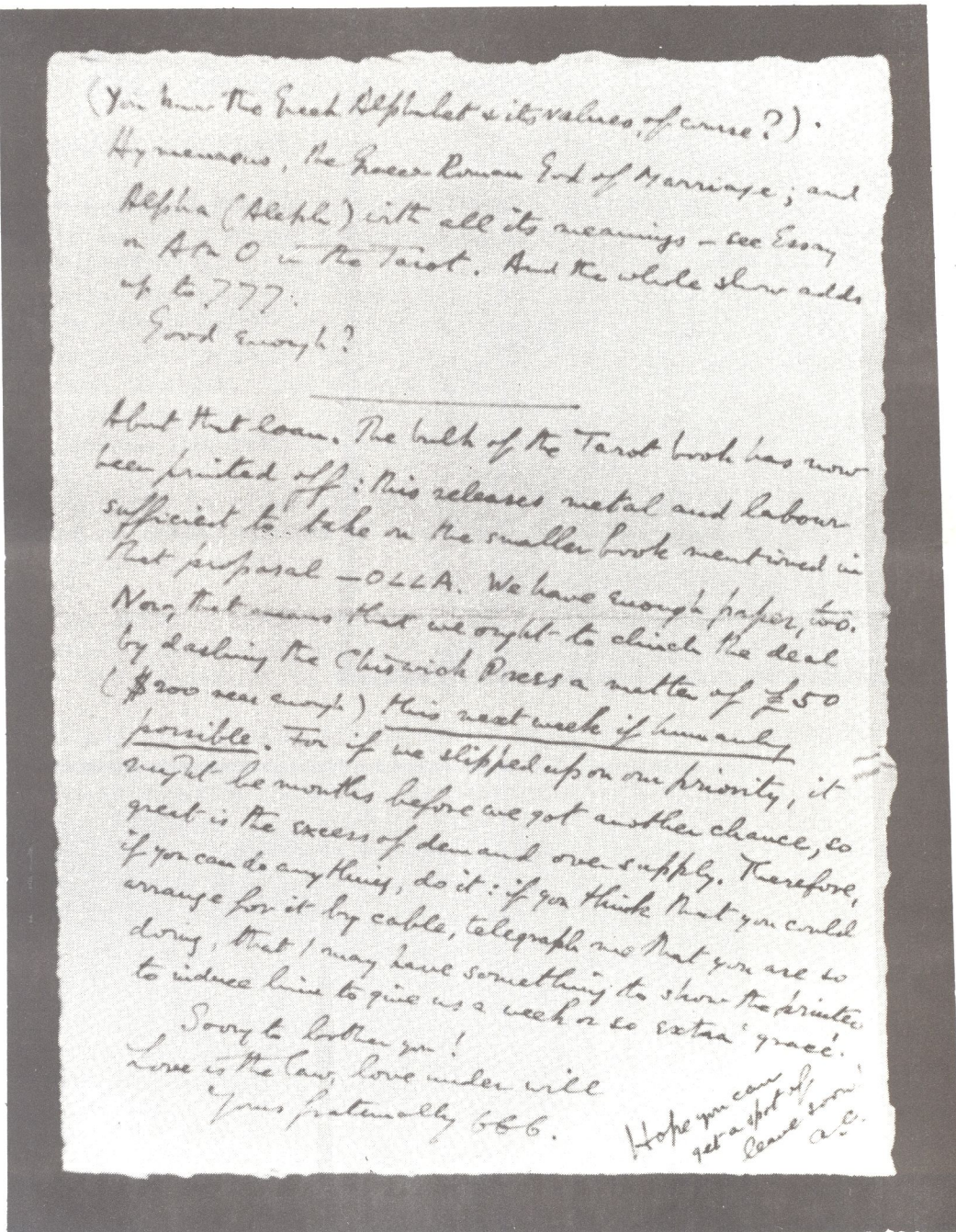
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"Well, yes, I
think it may do.

'ΥΜΕΝΑΙΟC Α

(Hymenaeus Alpha
(= Aleph)

(You know the Greek Alphabet & its values of course?) Hymenaeus, the Graeco -
Roman God of Marriage; and Alpha (Aleph) with all its meanings -- see Essay on
Atu O in the Tarot. And the whole show adds up to 777. Good Enough?



"About that loan. The bulk of the Tarot book has now been printed off: this releases metal and labour sufficient to take on the smaller book mentioned in that proposal

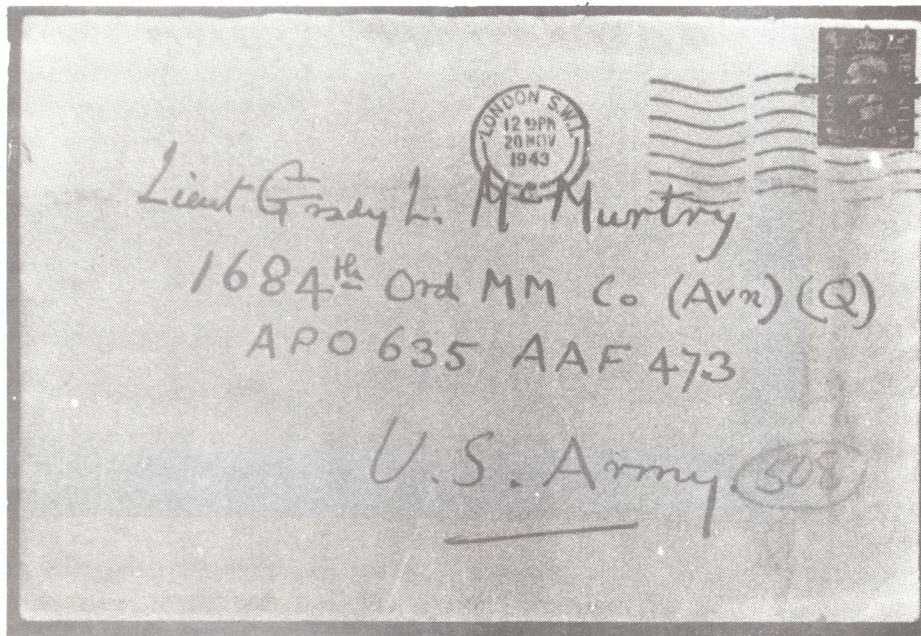
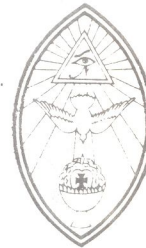
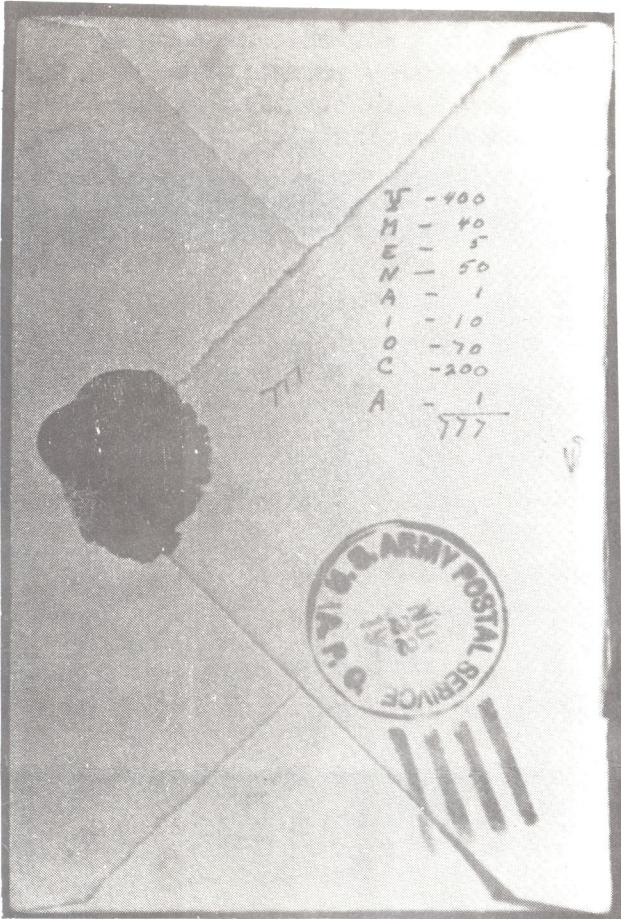
-- OLLA. We have enough paper, too. Now, that means that we ought to chinch the deal by dashing the Chiswich Press a matter of £ 50 (\$200 near enough) this next week if humanly possible. For if we slipped up on our priority, it might be months before we got another chance, so great is the excess of demand over supply. Therefore, if you can do anything, do it: if you think that you could arrange for it by cable, telegraph me that you are so doing, that I may have something to show the printer to induce him to give us a week or so extra 'grace'.

"Sorry to bother you!"

"Love is the law, love under will

"Yours fraternally 666.

"Hope you can get a spot of leave soon!
A.C.



Book Review:

The Law is for All.

By Aleister Crowley
edited & introduced
by Israel Regardie

(Llewellyn Publications, St. Paul, MN. 349 + i pp., \$7.95 ppr.)

That Crowley, no matter how one chooses to think of him, had "something" worthy of attention, seems to be the primary statement made by Regardie in his lengthy introduction to this edition of Liber AL and the extenuation. He sees, or so the work suggests, Crowley the Magician comprehensible as Crowley the man, using modern depth psychology as the key. And, one may not deny a certain interesting fascination in the parallels Regardie draws, even if one is forced to question the legitimacy of such thought. For should it become possible to communicate Truth by the psychoanalytic approach (or for that matter in any mode short of experiment) texts will replace the various schools of initiation, including the O.T.O.

Simply put, it is not possible to offer any but a strictly utilitarian explanation of the experience or consciousness of the Magician. "Also reason is a lie; for there is a factor infinite & unknown; & all their words are skew-wise."
-- Liber AL: II, 32.

Yet the introduction does serve a useful purpose, particularly in acquainting the non-Thelemite with the basic history of the text and offering suggestions of a "reasonable" explanation for its existence to the vulgar who, supposedly, need such things.

As for the organization and arrangement of the text, it is the most comprehensive and practical I have seen in my experience. Regardie did an excellent job putting together the Great Beast's commentaries along with the text of the Law in an accessible and handy format, and his inclusion in the appendix of Liber XXVII along with the extended elucidation of ABRAHADABRA were especially welcome additions; not to mention the Gematrias, several relationships suggested therein of a nature I found novel.

I found no significant faults in the text other than several minor typos and incorrect values for the final forms of the letters given on the last page of the appendix. As well, one might wish that the holograph of the written text of Liber AL had been somewhat larger, but the instructions of AL: III, 73 appear to have been fulfilled in print for the first time.

All in all, as a beginning text on Thelema for the student, Regardie's book is unsurpassed by any other with which I am presently familiar, and I believe that even the experienced Thelemite can find the book an improvement when reference to the extenuation must be made.

— Soror Taowa, Assoc. O.T.O.
T.: CLXI Sol in 19⁰²
this LXXIII Year of Horus

The I Ching

by

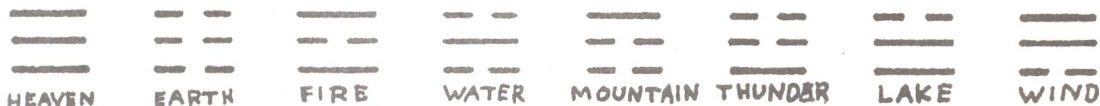
Christopher Gait

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law." -- Liber AL: I, 40

The I Ching (or Yi King) is a collection of poems, proverbs, omens, sermons and judgements assembled in piecemeal fashion. It is also a book accepted by many, myself included, as the most sublime of oriental classics.

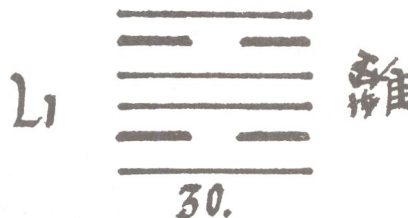
It is extremely old, and has been called the most ancient book in the world. This is not easily proven, since the text is assembled from so many sources. Much of the text was probably transmitted orally, with only the symbolic figures in written form.

These symbols represent the forces of nature as lines and, originally, dots which have come down to modern times looking like this:



According to tradition they were devised by the Emperor Fu Hsi five thousand years ago, as a map of universal forces

These same are doubled to make six-lined figures. The resulting sixty-four emblems are called hexagrams and are the basis of the Yi. Here, for instance is the Hexagram Li:



The accompanying text gives a judgement on the symbol as a whole, followed by statements on each of the lines.

The questioner inquires by the throwing of coins or sorting of yarrow stalks, and receives one or more hexagrams which he then finds in the text, reading the applicable parts. These matters, and others, will be dealt with thoroughly in an O.T.O. correspondence course on the subject, which is in the planning stage.

The answer received from the Oracle reflects both the nature of the question and the questioner. Thus if the question is frivolous or the questioner insincere, the answer will be ambiguous at best; at worst severe. Let me explain with an example; in my early days as a diviner I would ask a question, not understand the response, and ask again. The Yi almost always answered the repetition with the fourth hexagram, Meng. Here is the judgement of that hexagram:

"Meng, there will be progress and success. I do not seek the youthful and inexperienced, but he comes and seeks me. When he shows the sincerity that marks the first recourse to divination, I instruct him. If he apply a second and third time, that is troublesome, and I do not instruct the troublesome. There will be advantage in being firm and correct."

The first and last sentences are diviners terms telling how the 'Superior man' should act. But between them is a firm (and deserved) crack on the knuckles. Meng gives the most severe reprimand in the book. For the most part the attitude is friendly and realistic.

The advice of the Yi is the counsel of a living being. It is not "living" in the normal sense of the word. It has no body or permanent home that I know of, and yet it makes its influence felt through its students -- living through them,

so to speak. The always sensible and sometimes startling advice of the Yi turns the questioner's mind by degrees onto the path of wisdom. It freely advises on matters both sublime and mundane, sometimes giving answers which can only be described as funny. When any danger approaches it is quick to give warning to its student so that he can avoid the peril or prepare for the shock.

As we read in the third appendix of the Yi:

"The Yi moreover, makes plain the nature of anxieties and calamities, and the causes of them. Though its students have neither master nor guardian, it is as if their parents drew near to them." II, VIII, 55.

The Yi has been the life study of millions of Chinese scholars, from neolithic times to the present. Confucius spent his last years studying it and was quoted as saying: "If some years could be added to my life I would devote fifty of them to the study of the Yi and could then perhaps avoid falling into major errors."

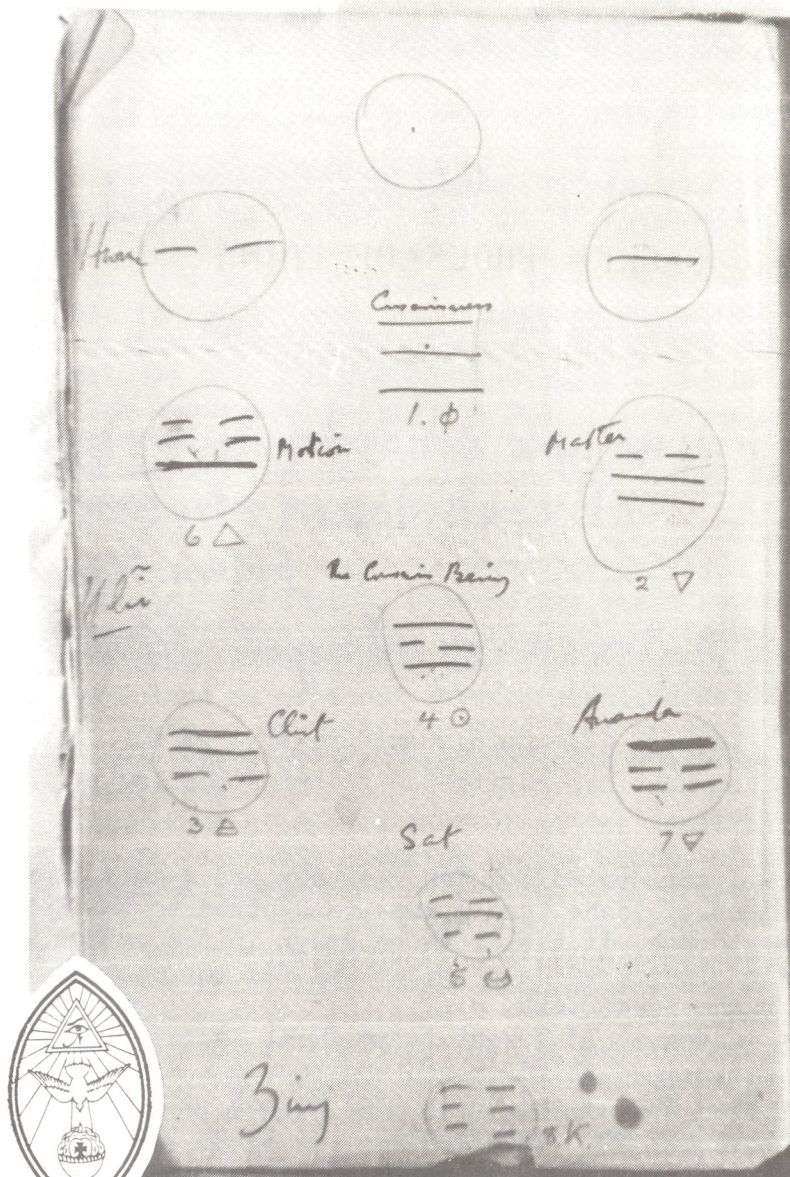
(This article continues on the next page.)

CROWLEY'S YI KING:

The illustration at the right is a photo of a note made by A. C. in his personal copy of the Legge Yi King translation. The page shown here relates the Tri-grams to the Qabalah & Tree of Life.

This volume contains many of Crowley's notes -- as well as quite a few quips on Legge's intelligence.

From the original in the O.T.O. Archives at Berkeley



CON
 PREFACE
 INTRODUCTION
 I. THE YI KING FROM THE COMMENCEMENT
 There was a Yi in the...
 II. THE SUBJECT-MATTER FIGURES AND THE E
 The Yi consists of essay the lineal figures. Who...
 III. THE APPENDICES
 Subjects of the chapter...
 dices. Their authorship on any of them. The...
 him. Bearing of this co Appendix. Fu-hsi's tri Kwei-shan. The second The third Appendix. F figures ever changing, a mena. Divination; and

Confucius spent most of his life studying the practical instructions of the Book of Rites and the delicate artistry of the Book of Odes. It was only at a very advanced age that he undertook the study of the esoteric I Ching. This pattern was not unusual. In China it is traditional that children and old men meet with the greatest success in the study of the Yi. This is not unconditionally true. Anyone who is willing to devote sincere attention to the study of the Yi will meet with success. Witness Aleister Crowley, Richard Wilhelm and C.G.Jung. All took up the book between childhood and old age and attained many profound insights through it.

The I Ching is a subject of such wide comprehension that a hundred articles could hardly do justice to any one aspect of it. It resolves all questions of metaphysics, Magick and philosophy as well as such vital matters as who's to take the dog for a walk. It is all things to all people.

Freedom is the way of Thelema
and the disciplined progress
of the Superior Man leads to total freedom

"Love is the law, love under will." -- Liber AL: I, 57.

ΕΦΨΛ



"Pan is not dead; he liveth, Pan!
Break down the bar!"

— from "One Star in Sight"

An Article by Angel Goodrich

Yes... the Law has reached the confines of Prison; and I shall tell you of my struggles and what has manifested to bring the Law of Thelema into the confines of a prison.

I have been incarcerated for the last six and a half years. My time started in the State Prison of Idaho, and I was transferred to the Federal Prison as a security risk -- though, if the Truth be known in the matter, the Prison Chaplain in Idaho considered me a threat and did not want me to talk with men about the Law or the Great Work.

When I was 10 years old I went to my first Sabbat and entered a Coven. At the age of 16, I attained third degree and became a High Priest of the Craft. I continued on to High Magick and Ceremonial Magick, attaining various degrees and positions within Orders and Fraternities. At these times I took vows and Oaths, but forsook them and went about my misguided way in a life of organized crime. In the end it landed me in prison for a crime that I had not committed. I look at this as Karma catching up with me for past deeds in which I trespassed upon the rights and lives of others.

When I entered prison in 1971 I was very bitter and did not give a damn about

anything or any person. I had no idea of the Law of Thelema or that I would be playing a part in establishing it.

In Idaho I first tried to establish a Coven to teach the Mysteries of Wicca to a few serious persons whom I knew were interested and ready for this Path. I proposed to the State Prison Chaplain that a room within the Chapel be set up for meetings and classes on Wicca. Naturally ... the man acted as if I had slapped him in the face and retorted that I was the "Son of the Devil" and the Beast of Revelation spoken of in the Bible. Like Crowley, this remark stuck in my mind and played a very important part in my life of accepting the Law in the years to follow.

Since I failed with the Chaplain, I approached the Warden and the Associate Warden -- they gave me the same sort of answer and rebuke. Next I got myself some law books and began to petition the courts for the right to worship under the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States. Though the Courts agreed that I did have a right to worship, they also stated that Wicca was not a Religion, even though in 1971 the Federal Government had granted the prisoners in the Federal Correctional Institution in El Reno to meet worship and practice the Craft under Federal Grant to cover costs for materials, etc.

The courts told me that my worship would have to be personal, and that I could not teach or instruct any other persons. If we did meet or congregate it would be called unlawful assembly and I would be legally charged with inciting a riot.

Needless to say, between 1972 and April of 1976 the State of Idaho charged me twice with inciting riots and once for stabbing another inmate. All of these charges were unfounded. These were mere tactics of harrassment to keep me in solitary confinement (known as the "hole") and out of "population" where they considered me a threat to their Christian doctrines.

During this time I was beaten three different times by guards and once was placed in the hospital for three weeks with injuries sustained at the hands of the guards. Upon my release from the hospital I filed a law suit against the prison and the guards, but the courts condoned them and all but gave them a medal and verbal commendation for their actions towards me.

During that time the books, papers and notes that I had were destroyed. I could not get any sort of redress from the courts on this even though in all instances I had ample evidence that the guards were at fault.

In May of 1976 I was transferred from the Idaho State Prison to McNeil Island, a Federal Prison at Steilacoom, Washington, because the State authorities reported me a threat to their security and the general running of the Prison in Idaho. In reality I presented a threat to their organized Christian religion.

Upon arriving at the Island my personal affects were confiscated and gone through with a "fine-tooth comb." Many of my materials were lost or destroyed. The rest I sent to some brothers and sisters of the Craft to use and preserve sacred for future times without profanation.

After being in the Institution here at the Island for about three months, I received a few books and began secretly speaking of the Craft, of the New Aeon and establishing the Law of Thelema within the confines of this prison. Finally the time came when I thought it best to approach the Catholic Father here in the Institution and hopefully speak to him about the Law, the Craft and organizing a study group. He is a Jesuit priest, and I hoped that he was not as the other ministers and priests who were so narrow-minded. I felt that he would be more receptive toward my desire to worship and practice the Law without harassment.

Upon meeting the priest, I told him of the Law and of the Ways of Wicca. He seemed very interested in it and asked a lot of questions. I left him with a promise to me that he was going to the Warden and the Regional Director of the Federal Prisons and present my request and desires to them.

I waited for about three months. Every time I saw the priest I asked him what if anything had come of his promise to see the Regional Director and the Warden of

the Island. Finally the priest told me that they were completely against the practice, study and worship of Wicca and the Law of Thelema in the Institution. He further stated that the Prison System did not recognize Witchcraft or the Law as a religion and that, if I persisted in pursuing such, the Regional Director said that he would bury me in Prison or in the graveyard outside the walls of this Institution.

Nonetheless, I have gone about this task; promoting the Law and speaking to men and hopefully showing them the way out of darkness and letting them see that "Every man and every woman is a star."; that there "is no man but God" and we are to do our own Will.

It finally came to pass that the "goon squad" snatched me up and they shot me to the mental ward of the prison hospital, where I was placed in what is commonly known as the "strip cell." This strip cell is a five-sided room which is approximately five and a half feet long and three and a half feet wide. It has a mattress on the floor and a 40 watt bulb in the ceiling. The door is solid steel, and there is no ventilation to speak of. I was kept in this cell for 17 days. After release from the strip cell, I was placed in isolation for another two months before being returned to the main population again. At this time I had a large sketch I had previously done of the Horned God, Kernunnos. The doctors bitched about this and told me that I was mentally ill. They said this is what put me in the mental ward, and that I had to disown my beliefs and all that I held sacred. I was seen by a lot of doctors. All of the shrinks wanted to know why I held the beliefs that I held. I explained, but they still couldn't understand. They said that I was living a fantasy and that I was mentally ill.

I finally was released from the mental ward and allowed back into the main population of the prison to continue the propagation of the Law and the Craft. My personal property was returned. My personal property had included several books, but when I recieved it this time all of the books were either missing or defaced. I asked about this, and again I ran up against obstacles and opposition.

I finally filed suit in the Federal court and gained some little bit of recognition for the Law and the Craft; but this decision was overturned by a higher court. Now I'm back to where I started years ago.

I can now get books sent into me. Material that has a book store or publisher's label has a better chance, as these are not checked so closely. The person who censors these is very liberal. I receive a record of all the material that I have coming to me.

In December of this year I see the Parole Board. The State Board of Corrections from Idaho will come to see me and discuss the process and possibility of a parole. They have set certain requirements that I have to meet; i.e. a favorable report from a psychiatrist, a job placement and a home placement. The Parole Board tells me that these are basic requirements. I realize this; but they are very particular about mine, as they are trying to keep me from getting out. They want to make me quit my beliefs and renounce them. This I will not do. When I took my Oath as a Witch many years ago, I was told:

"Ye must suffer to Learn; Are Ye willing to suffer to Learn?"

I answered in the affirmative, and I will always answer in the affirmative. I was 21 years old when I came into prison. In September I became 28. They still have not broken me, nor will they break me, nor ever make me change my ways, nor have me turn against my True People and profane the Craft, Law and/or our Religion!

In the future I hope to be able to meet the requirements and be paroled. I hope to see the Law and Ways of the Old Ones recognized as a Religion within the confines of institutions across the United States. At this writing, I believe that we are far from being safe. The Witch burnings are not over; they have just been in slumber. Organized Religions, the Church, etc. have brainwashed the masses of people and the collective consciousnesses into believing that the People of the Magical Arts and Law are devils, and are a threat to them.

It is time that we all give support to each other and project ourselves and thoughts to the betterment of mankind and the establishment of the Law.

93, *Inc. (A) = 11*

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Notes on Liber 777: Magical Images of the Decans. by Bill Heidrick

(Columns CL, CLI & CXLIX)

These tables list traditional images of the Decans (10° divisions of the Zodiac).

Column CXLIX gives the first Decan (0° to 10°) of each sign, starting with Aries and ending with Pisces. Column CL does the same for the second Decan (10° to 20°) of the same signs; while Column CLI gives the last Decan (20° to 30°) of each sign.

The images listed by Crowley in 777 are often abbreviated, and generally come from the Picatrix and/or the images found on the gems of King Alfonso of Spain. Many other, more detailed images are assigned to the Decans in ancient manuscripts.

Here's an example for the Second Decan of Capricorn (10° to 20° Capricorn. Late Dec. to about Jan. 11th): 777, Col. CL, Key No. 26.

"A man with an ape running before him."

Here are summaries of images for 2nd Decan Capricorn, as tabulated in Dekane und Dekansternbilder from 12 manuscripts of considerable age (mostly Medieval or older):

Probab. Oldest: A man with an animal's head (Bull or pig-headed).
He sometimes has a jug and sword. His body is vase-shaped and may appear shining black in color.

Most Common: A woman with unusual (lotus-like) eyes. She wears a black, flame-like robe & has jewelry of gilded iron in her ears. Sometimes she is shown pouring water into a sieve. A weasel & lizard may also be present.

2nd most common: A man with an ape standing before him.

Least common types: A. A man with Pallium, leopard robe & robe of fire.
B. Two women (Several variations)
1. with a man & a bird.
2. with a vine.
3. alone.

These images are suitable for astral working and for designs for talesmans (to be consecrated during the passage of the sun through the particular Decan). They are mostly Indian, Egyptian and Chaldean in origin. Later versions tend to remove animal and violent elements. Later versions also may include extraneous elements accumulated over the centuries by artistic license. *Note that the versions given by Crowley may be selected modifications resulting from astral working.

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** The nearest thing to the "Necronomicon" anyone is likely to find in print.

The English Qabalah

by J. E. Cornelius

(In September of this year, the Order received a letter from Brother Cornelius. The following is taken from that letter. Brother Cornelius was an Associate Member at the time of the writing of this letter, but he has since received Initiation into the Minerval Degree of O.T.O. The Grand Lodge has received permission to publish this valuable material by a serious student of Thelema. -- BH).

The mathematical system I use for the English language is basically of Hebrew origin. Yet it's not Hebrew. This is the system which has best represented the English Language in my knowledge:

1 A	9 T	80 P	
2 B	10 I,J,Y	*90 Tz or Tz = T9 + Z7	*These three letter combinations may be taken either as special values, or they may be broken down. Either way works.
3 G	20 K	100 Q	
4 D	30 L	200 R	
5 H,E	40 M	*300 Sh or Sh = S60 + H5	
6 F,V,W,X,U	50 N	*400 Th or Th = T9 + H5	
7 Z	60 S		
8 C	70 O		

The values that match the Hebrew Final letters may also be transferred to similar letters in English, when they appear on the end of words.

A very important factor about Qabalah is that its foundation is simplicity and its usage is infinity. Many adepts who attain to a higher degree forget this and try to find the English Qabalistic System relating to their own mental capacity and attainment. There have been many mathematical "codes" created in the past to express people's thoughts upon the universe and to hide these ideas from the profane. Yet there have been few Qabalistic systems in the course of history which fulfill the obligations required of ultimate truth. Hebrew and Greek are examples of such systems. If an English system is to be found, it must be judged not on its attributes alone, but rather on its working ability to express in the "English" Language the exact, or similar forms of the universal truths, which in

the past were expressed in the Hebrew and Greek Qabalistic systems.

Each Qabalistic system is Aeonic. The Hebrew Qabalah expressed the thoughts of the age of Aries, and predominately Jewish thoughts toward "their" God. The Greek Qabalah expressed mostly the Christian current, but Hebrew systems were also used in the Piscean Age.

The English system must mathematically express the Aquarian current and its gods, as the other systems did in their Ages of dominion. The English Qabalah must also use the truths found in both Hebrew and Greek, as well as disclose new ones. To dispute the attributes given here to the English letters, without proper study, would be a great mistake. Under indepth study one will find these number vlaues for the English letters to express perfectly many of the truths spoken by Crowley and expressed in The Book of the Law.

When this number system was first discovered, I wondered about the extent to which it expresses the Aeonic current of Horus through English. After many years of study I've compiled a number dictionary of hundreds of thousands of words, phrases and sentences in the English language. This has enabled me to study the system carefully. A word here and a word there expressed seemingly little in meaning by its English number value. An overall look at all the numbers in relation to each other brought forth unbelievable results:

To begin, I will show the number value of the word "MAN", and thus explore his relationship to the universe and the gods in the Aeon of Horus.

MAN numerically is: M40 + A1 + Nfinal700 = 741

Man is a combination of the four elements of Nature as one.

Air	Aleph	1
Water	Mem	40
Fire	Shin	300
Earth	Taw	400

Total: 741 = MAN

Man is the elements in harmony as one. If the element of the human physical body, Earth = 400, is taken away to reveal the inner essence of MAN, we have $741 - 400 = 341$. 341 is numerically the value of the God Horus (H5, O70, R200, U6, S60; Total = 341). Thus within every "man" is the God of the Sun waiting to be born and show its glory.

The Book of the Law states in Chapter I,3: "Every man and every woman is a star." Hidden within this verse is the name of Horus, the essence of the star which all are destined to become if they follow the Law. "... is a star."

"is" = 70, "a" = 1, "star" = 270; $70 + 1 + 270 = 341 = \text{HORUS}$

Within every man and every woman is the Sun God, Horus, waiting to be born to claim his rightful destiny. We cannot discard our human body of Taw = 400 to find him. It is only through flesh that he may incarnate and find his glory.

FLESH = F6 + L30 + E5 + Sh300 = 341

To incarnate mighty Horus, man must admit that he is a Beast with the soul of Nuit inside him, waiting to be born. The first step in finding a guardian Angel is the admittance that the Angel is there:

The Beast is 666 NUIT = N50 + U6 + I10 + T9 = 75

$666 + 75 = 741$, the number of MAN

In Alchemy and in the Grail Legends of Parzival, the inner essence of Man was considered as the symbol of the sacred stone LAPSIT EXILLIS = 341. The words GRAIL LEGEND = 341. EMERALD TABLET = 341, the Tablet of Hermes whose Mercurian metal THE CINNABAR is spoken of in Alchemical works.

Note also that AL (meaning "god") has the value 31. If this is multiplied by 11 (the one beyond ten) we also obtain the value of HORUS: $31 \times 11 = 341$.

Even more important is the actual Law of AL itself. The Three chapters in The Book of the Law each correspond to a god. For the chapter one is of the goddess Nuit, while chapter two is of Hadit. The reward of the two is ABRAHADA BRA, 418, or the third chapter. Thus the end of the chapter of Hadit gives a clue to

the reward spoken of in the beginning of the next:

AL II:79 "...end of the hiding of Hadit..."

$$59 + 76 + 19 + 82 + 76 + 29 = 341$$

Thus the end of the hiding of Hadit will produce the birth of the star of Horus in every man and woman, and give to each the reward of ABRAHADABRA, 418. This will come through individual identification with "Hadit". Each must come out of hiding, admit that he, "MAN" is actually the Beast with the soul of Nuit, or HORUS, 341, born within.

Mathematically 418 is 38 times 11 (the one beyond ten), and the numbers 1 through 38, when each is added together with the others, have a total number value of 741, MAN. (Editor's note: in modern mathematic notation, $\sum_{n=1}^{38} n = 741$).

Note that if man is the Beast with the "Soul of Nuit" there are other implications. The actual soul of Nuit is Horus, 341, and basically not Nuit, 75.

Yet: HORUS = 341
BEAST = 77

Total 418 "Behold the reward for they who seek"

ABRAHADABRA, 418, is the reward spoken when Nuit and Hadit unite to produce the Sun/Son -- in the magical sense, the joining of the Beast and the Whore of Babalon: BEAST (77) AND (55) WHORE (286) = 418.

Thus the union will produce the birth of the Sun God "Mighty Horus" = 418 within every man and woman, providing he has excepted the role of the Beast to allow the birth of the "Manchild of a Sun" = 341.

Man's destiny is to understand his role in the Aquarian Age. This is just an example of literally thousands of mathematical equations which have been produced over the years by this English system. I hope others who study this system will be equally amazed with the truth that it holds in its equations.

The Hebrew Qabalah itself is based upon the relationship of the twenty-two paths upon the Tree of Life to the twenty-two letters in the Hebrew Alphabet. The English system demonstrated here is also based on this. Thus the English system is almost identical in many respects to the Hebrew number code. Qabalah speaks of truth, and man relates truth through his language. The Ancients really didn't change the foundation, and neither should we. We should build upon a system which has been proven to work over the ages, and not try to change or create a totally new system for the English Language.

The attributes which have been given to the letters and numbers upon the Tree of Life have been proven to work when one studies Qabalah. The difference here is that when the "letters" are formed into "English" words, the English language is tapped for knowledge. The English language is said to relate more precisely to the forces in the Aeon of Horus than do other languages. When English is mathematically broken down, it holds many of the mysteries that man must seek in the Aeon...

For, as it states in The Book of the Law, Chapter II; 55:

"Thou shalt obtain the order & value of the English Alphabet; thou shalt find new symbols to attribute them unto."

This does not state that man must seek and create a totally new Qabalistic system to correspond to the English language.

The phrase "...thou shalt find new symbols to attribute them unto." has a clue to understanding. For "...them..." is the letters of the English Alphabet, not individual letters or whole words. Once the English number value is discovered, man must set about the task of discovering new symbols, or hidden meanings to the English language. By this means, new meanings are attributed to simple words which the profane can read and not understand. "We," as the early Hebrew Qabalists did in their days, can write books on our beliefs and explain our truth to all who seek -- at the same time we will be able to conceal in each work the inner

essence of divine truth which the profane would not understand. In this manner we will be able to keep alive our mystery in the centuries to come. The profane shall not destroy what they cannot see.

Book Review:

Book of Perfection

By "777" — Not H.A.

93 Publications. Cost \$8.88.

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

Under normal conditions writing a book review is a rather simple process. The reviewer simply condenses the content of the book in a few short paragraphs, then gives his opinion on the coherency, style and general value of the work in question. Reviewing The Book of Perfection, however, becomes a bit more complex than eulogizing the #1 novel on the New York Times bestseller list.

The major problem lies in the allegation that this book was not written by a rational human being whose ideas are subject to rational criticism. No indeed! This book claims to be the Class A dictation of none other than Aiwaz, the same discarnate prater-human intelligence that brought us The Book of the Law. This is no thesis on the practical applications of the 93 Current from an individual star-viewpoint. This is a document claiming to lay down the Law to all beings manifesting that current.

It is not my intention to cast derision on the being who channelled this book. I'm quite convinced that this "777" did indeed contact some intelligence that was most eager to give his message to mankind. I'm also quite convinced that the documents I've seen by 5 other "777's" have information vitally important for the establishment of the kingdom of the Crowned and Conquering Child.

If I may be so presumptuous, I wish to address the being who is said to have composed this manuscript. Though I realize that I may be guilty of hubris, I remember "your" own words "... If he be a king, thou canst not hurt him. Therefore strike hard & low, and to hell with them, master!" -- Liber AL, II; 59-60.

Dear "Aiwaz":

Let me first say that while your writing style is much better in this book than in the ones you dictated to T. Casey Brennan (remember The Book of The Damned?), you still haven't gotten the old flair back. Your poetry just isn't up to your usual standards. To be quite frank these lines sound like weak imitations of something Aleister Crowley would write during one of his less fluent moments.

I really admired the manner in which you proved to my mind that Liber AL was indeed written by a being having knowledge unknown to any human mind. Your current book (or so it seems to me) could well lie within the ability of a human mind to construct. The prophecies concerning the 80's could easily be uttered by a mere human projecting the current political situation ahead 5 years. In fact most of the prophecies I heard during the late sixties & early seventies, uttered by radical student theoreticians. Are you asking me to accept this book on faith? Did I misunderstand your intentions when you communicated "I bring you certainty not faith"? I really admired the way you handled the question of Christianity in Liber AL. In three or four lines you destroyed the decaying edifice, then moved on to more important factors. In this new book you rant and rave over this religion that I thought was already dead!? Also you state that the 80's is to be the time the Christians call Armageddon -- I thought the world was destroyed by fire in 1904!

One of the things that really puzzled me was your suggestions on dealing with

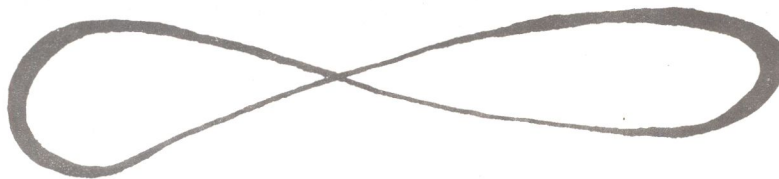
the "Christian Problem"! If I get the drift of your thought, you are suggesting that we physically annihilate them, and everyone else who disagrees with us. I don't feel genocide is the answer or practical method, a final solution. The lesson of history seems to indicate that negative energy vampires feed and grow strong on persecution. Nailing them to a cross simply won't stop them.

Now I may be completely wrong; the shit may hit the fan exactly as you say. The next few years will tell. Until then I'm afraid your prophecy "My California Order will at first be sceptical" seems pretty accurate, at least from this star-viewpoint. As far as "eventually coming around," time will tell.

To the readers of this review: I do recommend that you purchase this book if your budget isn't limited. It does proport to be THE voice on the 93 current, and should be individually apprised in that light. If your funds are limited, however, the \$8.98 this this paperback costs could be more profitably spent.

Love is the law, love under will.

by *Frater Tokasa* 93



News:

West Coast:

Initiations have continued through the Autumn and into Winter. During this period Minerval Initiations were held at the following times and places:

September, Berkeley	--	8 Minervals
October, Berkeley	--	2 Minervals
October, San Anselmo	--	2 Minervals
November, San Francisco	--	5 Minervals
December, San Francisco	--	5 Minervals

- * The next Bay Area Initiation will be held about Jan. 21, 1978e.v.
- * An Initiation is set for the L.A. Area about Jan. 7, 1978e.v.
- * Bay Area Initiations will continue monthly.

The total number of Minervals initiated on the West Coast since April now stands at 47. The order is growing rapidly indeed. To this number must be added the East Coast initiates, 21 Minervals, 2 Firsts and 1 Third Degree.

Application for initiation in the San Francisco Bay Area should be made to the address given at the front of this Newsletter. Notice a month or more ahead will enable the Grand Lodge to select a date for the convenience of distant travelers. Very limited free accomodation is available for short visits.

Crowleymass:

-- a resounding success! The Chartering of Thelema Lodge, the Grand Lodge

of Ordo Templi Orientis under the Caliphate, took place just as the Sun passed the peak of eclipse. The signing of the Charter was coordinated with this unique event on Crowley's Oct. 12th Birthday. Crowley's seal ring was pressed into the wax at the correct time to link to the rise of the spirit of Frater Phoenix.

Various rituals were performed both on the West Coast and in Syracuse, New York to further receive the Current. Sister Patricia presented an Astrological chart and concise interpretation for the event. V.H. Fr. H.A. performed an I Ching divination by Crowley's method and with his sticks. The Hexagram Kwai resulted, #43. At the same time, without the knowledge of the Order in Berkeley, Br. Chris Gait also performed an I Ching divination on the East Coast. The Hexagram Fu, #24 resulted, changing to Khwan, # 2. It is the opinion of the Editor that the Kwai Hexagram represents the reading for the Grand Lodge in itself, while the Fu and Khwan Hexagrams represent the outer effect of the Founding of the Lodge.

After the formal proceedings, in Sister Linda's words: "We had one Hellova Party!"

A company is being formed on the West Coast for the specific purpose of presenting Dramatic Rituals, including the Gnostic Mass. Similar activities have taken place in New York City and elsewhere.

Profess Houses on the West Coast remain as noted in the 2nd issue of this Newsletter. Maintenance of the three Houses is difficult, but two are firm and the third is continuing to act as a center for Initiation in San Francisco.

East Coast:

Syracuse, New York: Thanks to the efforts of Brother Michael Ripple, the visit of the Caliph in November met with great success. The 21 Minervals, 2 Firsts and 1 Third Degree Initiations took place as planned. The ranks of the Order were expanded to include Minervals who traveled from as far away as Michigan, Florida, Pennsylvania and the closer states of Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey and, of course, New York. Many new centers of the Order will owe their start to the efforts of our Initiates and past Associates in Syracuse and New York City. Other Chapters are being set up as a direct result. These will be noted below.

An East Coast O.T.O. Newsletter is being put together by the Allan Bennett Chapter in Syracuse. For information concerning this publication, and for further information on possible 1978e.v. Initiation in Syracuse, please contact Br. Michael, P.O. Box 6018, Teall Ave. Station, Syracuse, NY 13217.

New York City: Fr. Geram Bellum, III^o, is teaching and performing the Gnostic Mass. He has received a charter for Mobius Chapter of the Order, and is planning to set up an Initiation in the coming year. Contact Mobius Chapter at Box 357, Bowling Green, New York, NY 10004.

Connecticut, New Haven Area: A Chapter of the Order is being formed in the Pagan Community. Inquiry should be sent to the Berkeley address of the Grand Lodge at this time. The chief actor in this labor has contributed an article which appears in this issue. More information in issue # 4.

Florida, Miami Area: A Chapter has formed and will be chartered by the time this Newsletter reaches our members. Initiations are projected for the near future. Address inquiry to Berkeley for now.

Other Chapters and/or areas of activity:

Salt Lake City, Utah and Huston, Texas are beginning to form as centers for further growth of the Order. Initiates in those locations have reported enough interest to justify hope for formation of Chapters and organization of Initiations. Address inquiry to the Grand Lodge in Berkeley.

Los Angeles Area; Costa Mesa, California: Initiations are set for early January. These can be held again later in the year if interest continues to mount. Local classes and activities are in the planning stages. Inquire through Berkeley.

Santa Barbara, California: Sadly, the Equinox Bookcentre is no more. Our Initiates retain their study-group charter. Inquire through Berkeley.

Many other areas of the country are potential locations for Chapters and Lodges. Our Initiates are widely spread. When enough local interest is found in these places to justify announcement, the O.T.O. Newsletter will carry further announcements.

Outside the U.S.A.:

There are many individual Associates in different parts of the World, but as yet few Initiates in communication with the Caliphate. Ten countries are involved in O.T.O. Associate and Initiate activity. Local formation of study groups and Associate Chapters is encouraged.

Ambassador in Europe: Brother Steve Englehart is wintering in Spain. He will be back about his rounds in the early part of 1978e.v. Persons who wish contact with Steve should write immediately.

Switzerland: Frater Paragramus is active within his dominion. The Caliphate recognizes his standing as Rex Summus Sanctissimus in Switzerland, but little communication presently exists. Our Ambassador made an informal visit, as an ordinary member of the Order under the Caliph. He was very kindly received, but formal diplomatic links are not expected in the near future.

One very important point must be made. For some time a story has been noised about concerning alleged changes made by Fr. Paragramus in his German Edition of Liber AL. It has been said that the name of the "Virgin Mary" has been introduced in the place of "Nuit". We have a copy of the book in question. These allegations are FALSE! The German Liber AL is a faithful translation.

The South American O.T.O. of sometime past still survives in active dependant organizations. Friendly letters have been exchanged. The work of R. S. S. Krumm Heller continues to bear fruit.

England: Grant's Order continues its useful publishing work. Although this Order is definitely not the same as Aleister Crowley's, Grant has a valid point in the manner of his operation. We recognize his efforts on the behalf of Thelema. Grant's O.T.O. bears a similar relationship to the Caliphate that the Stella Matutina bore to the original Golden Dawn. The parallel is not exact, but the similarities outweigh the differences. We are a continuation of Aleister Crowley's O.T.O. Grant's Order is a major variation made by an Initiate who refused to submit to Fr. Saturnus as O.H.O. The Grant O.T.O. is also active in the U.S.A. We will forward correspondence -- providing that it is addressed in care of Hymenaeus Alpha. The few letters which we have received bearing Grant's name have also confounded him with the Caliph and the Order in California. When a letter is sent to us in that manner, we must assume that the Caliph is the intended recipient, and that Mr. Grant's name appears only out of ignorance on the part of the sender. Any correspondence that is obviously intended for Mr. Grant or his Order will be forwarded.

The Franco-Haitian O.T.O. still exists, and is active in the U.S. This body is pre-Crowley, but Thelemic. We have received cordial communication from a member, and hope to learn more in the future.

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This body still exists. There are several forms, based on various manners of working and having different types of credentials. Here is a basic over-view:

- I. Purely Astral types -- no credentials. Reconstructions based on reading Crowley's works. The leader of this type of body is a teacher, usually self educated in the occult.
- II. Partly Astral types -- started as type # I. but received some form of credential from a person or persons who represented themselves as being A.:A.:. Some are possibly genuine, but we don't have a formal position on recognizing them as yet.
- III. Fragments of old A.:A.:. This form of the organization has some claim to recognition. Actual members of A.:A.:, in continuity with Crowley's organization, are involved. Some of these have openly advertized themselves. Confusion exists over the rules of A.:A.: operation. This has resulted in some difficulties for these bodies. Crowley changed the rules several times, and the historical point of departure from the parent organization has produced a wide variety in the manner of conduct of these bodies.
- IV. The Secret A.:A.: Yes, it exists; but that's all anyone below the IVth Degree is likely to learn from us.

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Incorporation:

We didn't get it together this quarter. The delays were caused by an effort to broaden the involvement with the members and by an effort to do the job right. If this is viewed from the standpoint of the formula IAO, we are making it through the latter part of the Apophis phase. Osiris is close ahead!

Book Sales: **THE BOOK OF THE LAW**

The Order has succeeded in publishing a minimum expense edition of Liber AL, The Book of the Law. This edition contains only the printed text, Crowley's introduction and a brief statement concerning O.T.O. The cost, with the help of many Minervals, came to 25¢ for materials. Half the issue of 1000 + will be given out free at Minerval Initiations. The remainder will be sold to recover expenses. Price to Initiates (extra copies) is 50¢. Price to booksellers (wholesale) is 60 ¢ each. All others may purchase a copy for \$1.00 in USA currency. An additional amount should be added to cover the cost of mailing. (Weight of one copy in mailer is just over 2 ounces).

This edition is photo-offset on white "Krystalite" textured paper. The cover is blue, "Leather Embossed" heavy cover stock, hand silk-screened with the title and seal of the A.:A.: in metallic gold on red orange. The binding is two staples -- which accounts for the price. Size: just over 4 inches by 5½ inches.

Book Suppliers:

The O.T.O. Order is fine, but our book order department is still limited to what we publish ourselves. Those who wish to obtain the works of Crowley may do so from the following:

Thelema Publications, P.O. Box 1093, Kings Beach, CA 95719 U.S.A.

Samuel Weiser, Inc., 734 Broadway, New York, NY 10003 U.S.A.

Llewellyn Publications, P.O. Box 3383, St. Paul, Minn. 55165 U.S.A.

For local outlets, the most direct way is to check the yellow pages of your local phone directory -- or the directory of the nearest large city.

The Order will in time be able to supply directly, but we have decided to provide addresses for those who have difficulty obtaining Crowley's works. In some instances we know of local outlets.

Thelemite Publications:

Quite a number of small newsletters and other periodicals exist. Many of these contain valuable information. It is the policy of the Order to inform our subscribers and members about these manifestations of the Aeon:

The Newaeon Newsletter, The Temple of Thelema, 5910 Alder Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 U.S.A. 6 issues per year. \$6.66 per year USA 1st class \$7.77 per year if overseas. ***Independent***

MEZIA, Ms. J. R. Ayers, Box 3004, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, NY 14205 U.S.A. 2 issues per year. Inquire for subscription. ***Grant O.T.O.***

SOTHIS, 346, London Rd., St. Albans, Herts. ENGLAND. Issued at intervals. Inquire for subscription or placement on mailing list. ***Grant O.T.O. tends to predominate, but others are represented***

AGAPE, Agapé Magazine (CGI), 7 Turner's Tower, Faulkland, Nr. Bath, AVON, BA3 5UP ENGLAND. Inquire. ***Independent***

The Cincinnati Journal of Ceremonial Magick, Conquering Child Publishing Co., P.O. Box 1343, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201 U.S.A. ***Independent***

Check other issues of the O.T.O. Newsletter for additional periodicals. We welcome exchanges of publications and unpaid advertizing notice. Let's get the Thelemic current out to Thelemites!

Mention of the Caliphate:

Cosmic Trigger: Final Secret of the Illuminati, by Robert Anton Wilson, 269 pp., And/Or Press, Box 2246, Berkeley, CA 94702 U.S.A., \$4.95. ***Accounts of conversations with Fr. H. A. + much else of New Aeon interest. By the co-author of the Illuminatus trilogy***

Berkeley Barb, Issue 643, Dec. 9 - 15, 1977; P.O. Box 1247, Berkeley, CA 94701 U.S.A. ***A full page article on the O.T.O. and the Caliph***

Associate and Initiate Reminder:

Note that our Brothers and Sisters are members of a Thelemic Order. We don't tell each other what to do. If you need or desire instruction, ask for it. This is the manner in which the teaching work of the Order is conducted.

As Editor of the Newsletter and Secretary of the Grand Lodge, I frequently get a bit behind in my share of the correspondence -- if you don't get an answer in six weeks, send another letter, please. All mail is answered eventually, but my working space has an unfortunate tendency to hide things for long periods. - BH

Minervals: Have you asked about the Minerval studies? Not prompting is part of the instruction, but the Grand Lodge is relaxing this a bit. See the next page.