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Beginning of Changes

When in the last *Bulletin* mention was made concerning the cycle of changes and adjustments, it was not premature. Frater and Soror Hall of Altadena, California have moved to Salt Lake City. Frater Hall will take charge of the laboratory while Frater A. S. is absent until next spring. Thereafter he will be the first assistant in the lab. He is a graduate of Cal-Tech and comes well equipped to assume further responsibilities with the P.R.S. Soror Hall will take charge of the office until next spring and then resume her work as office coordinator. Our Secretary-Treasurer Siegfried Karsten, who has passed his Doctor's examination, is now Professor at the University of Wyoming. In June of this year he will go to Europe to be married there. We all wish him and his future wife health, happiness and contentment. He will retain his office while on sabbatical leave and continue to function in his official capacity.

Further premeditated changes and adjustments are anticipated. They will be announced when the occasion warrants it.

That Book Again

We are receiving letters wherein subscribers impatiently wait for the book, "The 7 Rays of the Q. B. L." We too wish it was ready. It will still take a little while longer as we are overloaded with work and without the necessary help to do what still has to be done.

Missing Books

We are missing several books from our library shelves. They are important works of reference. Students, who unintentionally gathered them up with their own, when leaving for home, are asked to please return them—no questions will be asked. We urgently need them for our research work.

Please mail in your *Bulletin* subscription for 1967 and any you owe. We are in need of the subscription fee to continue with the printing of the *Bulletins*.

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Fortie Et Fideli Nihil Difficile

"To the brave and faithful nothing is difficult." Only the doubting weakling finds things impossible. To accomplish a goal takes determination and a special effort. He who is complacent and will not stir beyond his immediate necessity, will not accomplish what he, who makes a special effort, will attain. It is this extra attempt that lifted man above the lower animal and primitive man, that made a willful advancement possible. It takes foresight and an extra exertion to even infuse new thoughts and transform them into actualities. The retarding influence of an uncertain outcome is most negative. It strangles the conception before it can give birth. Then it will be a still birth; lifeless and devoid of all activities normally implanted in all species.

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Those who have not become aware of a purpose are not conditioned to arouse enthusiasm. They will see no reason to make a special effort and become brave enough to stand firm in the face of deterrent opposition. They will lack the essential confidence or faith in the laws involved. Where a purpose is established first enthusiasm becomes cognate and makes one brave in the face of adversity so that confidence, or faith, according to established laws will find fulfillment on a higher plane. There we will find the greatest knowledge and greater light so essential for our progress and evolution.

Fortie et fideli nihil difficile; yes, to the brave and faithful nothing is difficult.

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This elevation of purpose will accelerate the process. More attention will be bestowed on the desired result than when it was considered only in a casual way. The importance and eventual impact upon its fulfillment will become paramount. The results anticipated become of lesser

consequence in the excitement of seeing the idea actually taking form and shape. Thus a special effort will make it possible to accomplish in a shorter time interval, that which would otherwise have to go the way of a slow and often retarded result.

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Lotus Cultural Research Center

The Annual General Meeting of the "Lotus Cultural Research Centre" was held in the Sportsdrome Conference Room, Rotorua, New Zealand on the 4th and 5th of February, 1967.

Some very interesting and educational addresses were given by the following speakers.

Richard St. Barbe Baker, founder of "Men of the Trees" and "Sahara Reclamation Programme," gave a very good report of his most recent world tour, and of the World Forestry Congress held at Madrid in 1966, which he attended. There he was presented the Millenium Guild of New York's prize of \$1,000.00 for the book of the year which would most further humanitarian objectives. His book is entitled "Sahara Conquest."

Other speakers were Jeanette Lamason and Hon. H. R. Lapwood, member of Parliament. Brahma Chowdahry of India lectured on the Ajanta Cave Paintings of India with illustrations showing the dress and mode of life at the time of Gautama Buddha. G. MacQuarrie demonstrated the Science of Radiesthesia and J. Rangihau, a Maori, lectured on the Maori culture. The "Friends of the Trees," a junior chapter of Broadlands School had painted and drawn excellent pictures of trees which were on display at the meeting.

Besides sponsoring various other activities "Lotus" is well on the way toward contributing to mankind those essentials which will make it a better world in which to live. Typical of several forthcoming events this year is the Queen's Birthday Weekend activity. On this occasion Lotus plans to hold a Seminar on Education in New Zealand and to arrange an interesting and instructive program with young persons and those working in the fields of social work and teaching to discuss the existing problems and to seek ways of helping to remedy them. The meeting place will be in Rotorua.

Arrangements are presently under way for us to be in New Zealand next year. We shall then report in detail on the activities down under. "Lotus" has our blessing and good wishes for the wonderful work it is doing.



Some still have not written to us concerning the charts. Please notify us of your inability to pay for them so we can book it accordingly. Our books must balance. For this we need your help. We will credit them to you then as a donation. Please notify us.

1968 Applications

Applications will now be accepted for the fall and winter classes scheduled for 1968. Classes will be available for first year (A), second year (B), second year (B2), Special Class. No third year class will be available during that time.

Enclosed with your *Bulletin* will be a registration form. Conditions for attendance will remain the same as for 1967.

In order to screen applicants and arrange the dates as much as possible to coincide with planned vacation schedules, it is imperative that applications be submitted as early as possible. Your signed application is not a guarantee of acceptance. This will be mailed to you later. Please state on your application if the dormitory fee is to be waived and financial subsidy is required. Also, state a preference of time from Sept. through Nov. so that applicants may be placed, if possible, according to vacation schedules.



Are You Missing Something?

During the term when classes convene, from the very beginners through the intermediaries up to the special classes, a kaleidoscopic pattern unfolds. When the novices, full of anticipation, mixed with a certain curiosity begin to assemble for their first class, wondering what is in store for them, they represent each a reserved individual not knowing what the roommate or the one seated next may turn out to be. Will he or she be already informed about many of the things to come or are they all newcomers and do they all have to start from the bottom up? What will it be and how will the association turn out, since all geographical locations are represented.

It does not take long for mutual interests to become evident. Before long all represent a closely knit group. As the instructions proceed it appears that it could not have been any other way. Already things are taken for granted.

Mutual interests are concentrated into one combined purpose: to obtain more light, to recognize more laws, to understand their workings, and above all to be able to apply them. As these advantages become cognate other trifles that formerly seemed so important fade into oblivion. A paramount purpose emerges. It is an experience that one has to live through to realize the full impact.

Invariably the question is: "Why did I not start all this sooner?"

Are you too missing out on some of this? If so you will have to find the way. You will have to bring it about. You alone! No one else can do it for you.

A Message From A Subscriber

The following was received with the request to publish it in the *Bulletin*.

March 6, 1967

All subscribers attending classes are aware of the inadequate laboratory space. The increasing research work now in progress makes it still more difficult to conduct classes. One solution to the problem is to enlarge the present facilities and take over the entire building now partially occupied by the P.R. Society. The establishment of an annual "Laboratory Rental Fund" will make this possible. Twelve units of \$250.00 each will provide all those attending the classes with more spacious and relaxing surroundings.

1 unit of \$250.00 is herewith pledged annually.*

11 more are needed to make this plan workable.

It may be done individually or by groups.

Please send your pledge and check to the Secretary.

*A check for \$250.00 was enclosed with this letter.

March 17, 1967

To the Editor of the Paracelsus Research Society Alchemical Laboratory Bulletin:

Having been present when the letter from a subscriber was received regarding the inadequate laboratory space and outlining a plan whereby this could be remedied by twelve units of \$250.00 each, we, the members of the special study group wish to submit this alternate plan which would allow those of us, who are unable to raise this fairly large amount of money, to participate in this worthy undertaking.

We suggest that each state, or in some cases two or more states together pledge to raise a unit of \$250.00 per year. This would give all, who wish to participate, an opportunity to be part of this inspiring improvement to help present and future alchemical students.

If you feel that you want to be a part of this project why not contact brother and sister subscribers you may know? Then if you feel that together you would like to pledge a unit, contact Soror Viola Engel, 9620 W. 57th St., Merriam, Kans. 66203, who has volunteered to be coordinator of this plan for all you subscribers writing in.

The following subscribers attending the special study group have agreed to assume responsibility for the following areas. Subscribers in these areas are requested to contact them.

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These unsolicited letters are typical of the various approaches that have reached us, suggesting what can be done to enlarge the present inadequate facilities. It would be a wonderful accomplishment should provisions be made to see it come to a fulfillment. This would provide two additional laboratories, an enlarged classroom with adequate desks, tables and other necessary equipment. All would be in one building and the added convenience would make it an ideal place for further study and research.

This would provide us with a separate lab for the herbal, mineral and animal categories.

A large amount of money has been spent recently for additional equipment that needs only the place to be put to use. This would also provide space for additional private meditative purposes so important for alchemical research.

Depending on the response, this proposal can be a reality next year when classes convene. We would like to add that this movement would have to be under the auspices of those who inaugurated it and becomes their contribution for their own comfort and better instruction facilities.

This would also improve and speed up the research program presently underway, in which the federal government has shown an interest and is now waiting for our results to be submitted.

More about this will be forthcoming as soon as improved facilities here and help from individuals at home in their laboratories become a reality.

We appreciate the efforts that are made and hope and pray for their realization in behalf of all of you who have been here, are here, and contemplate coming in times ahead.

Any Volunteers?

Who will volunteer to take over the chairmanship for the following territories: Southern California, Missouri, Eastern Canada, Western Canada, Eastern States, Southern States, Central States, Intermountain Western Region, to raise a minimum pledge of two hundred and fifty dollars per year for the urgent expansion of the laboratories and classrooms?

Those in a position to make such a single personal effort may direct their check to the Secretary of the Paracelsus Research Society who will deposit it into a special fund for this purpose.

However, inquiries and all correspondence should be directed to the above address in Kansas, as the Society is not involved per se in this independently conceived venture, having its origin with individual subscribers and particular attendants of the various classes, both of recent and long standing.

Please note that all such contributions are Federal Tax exempt and may be deducted from your income tax.



A Challenge

Let's talk briefly about our work and laboratory activities. Those who have not been with us here at Salt Lake City and who only follow the meager reports and announcements in these Bulletins will have difficulty picturing what takes place. First of all your initial remark will most likely be, "I don't know anything or very little about chemistry!" Why do we say that? Because that is what we hear most often from the novices.

There is no need to be concerned. You do not need to know about chemistry to begin with. We are teaching alchemy. Is alchemy not ancient chemistry? No! It has a resemblance as far as some laboratory manipulations are concerned. That is as far as it goes. "But what about those books that tell us that it is antiquated chemistry?" you ask. Anybody can write and publish anything. Usually, those who do so, write from what others had to say about the subject. Very rarely does an author of such a book have any practical alchemical experience. If he had, he would not write in this manner, simply because he would know differently.

We will accept the challenge from anyone who wishes to prove us wrong. We are willing to demonstrate again, as we have in the past, to those who are sincere in their endeavor to find out the facts about alchemy. We do not charge for this service. It is free. We will go even further. We will demonstrate the validity of the dual aspect of alchemy. As to its probability, all you have to do is contact, without exception, anyone who has attended the forum as presented by the Paracelsus Research Society. These

are the living witnesses. They will know if any claims are made that are not kept or proven.

All this differs from the hypothetical and theoretical teachings that leave the results to be expected up to the student. If he fails in the work it is claimed that he is not yet ready. But where does he find the teachers or instructors who will prove by demonstration, not theory alone, the validity of their statements and claims? Then at least he can observe the evidence produced by those who are in possession thereof, even if he is not presently in a position to produce them himself. Try to find them! When confronted they take refuge behind the books and authors whom they interpret. As to the tangible results, that is another matter.

Alchemy is a science. It must be demonstrated in order to produce the facts. This goes for the astrocytic pulsations and any teachings concerning Cosmogony or Cosmology. Known laws must stand the test and produce the manifestation. Here also we challenge all to come and face us openly to witness and to observe. We do not claim to know all or to be part of an organization that possesses all knowledge. We reject any individual or group who is putting forth such claims, as they are contrary to all the knowledge and understanding of the laws extant. No animal-man, for such mankind is representing, a special kind in the animal world, can attain to such a state. His entire sphere of activity is limited, including his knowledge. We have personally heard representatives of various groups openly state that they have all that man needs and that no one need go elsewhere for further knowledge. This is inconsistent and we shall have no part of it. You may go anywhere, anytime, where you will, and still find more and greater knowledge.

What we do proclaim is that we are willing to give unto others what we know by way of evidence and let each one apply these same laws. Under identical conditions they must bring forth identical results. This is the scientific approach. This same truth must hold true in metaphysics. A proven law will work in the hands of anyone with the knowledge to apply it. It is no respecter of persons. When we talk about consequences we are discussing something different. First we must know the workings of a law before we can expect any results. Otherwise we are guessing and that is precisely what most of those are doing who venture forth into realms in which they know nothing or at least very little. When they associate with those who claim to know but cannot produce tangible evidence they have not gained much. This may create even a reluctance to proceed any further.

We make no promises whatsoever. We only teach and demonstrate the workings of the laws as they pertain to these specific teachings and related branches of learning. We stand firmly behind these laws.

Do you want to take up the challenge? Very well! We shall welcome you!

Notes From The Laboratory

The following was left on our desk from a student residing in Kansas, while attending classes. It is an interesting qabalistic interpretation of the Paths when applied to a personal goal.

“This Uniting and Faithful Intelligence¹ living in the heart of America will use the Collecting and Mediating Intelligences² to gather the gifts of beauty which will come from the heart of others using the Pure and Clear Intelligence³ for the benefit of humanity to truly make Malkuth the Resplendent Intelligence. Those going before us and following after us will have sufficient space and needed supplies and instruction for their advancement on the path so they will be properly equipped to aid in creating our Earth into a luminous star to fulfill its destiny. Malkuth will then become a Kether dispensing limitless light to all properly attuned recipients.”

1. Describing the individuals mezlachs as such.
2. Ways and Means.
3. As found in Yesod (foundation).



Freak Storm Hits Lab Building

A freak storm unleashed its fury during the night of March 29th in Salt Lake City. Its force was so strong that it lifted the entire roof off one building and ripped off the great marquee of a gas station putting it down half on the street and half on the station.

When we came to the lab building in the morning we found a window pushed into the classroom, the glass broken. In the lab it appeared that the wind wanted to play out its force. The window had been left partially open during the night, due to heat accumulation. As we entered we found about one third of the ceiling ripped out, the pieces lying on the floor. Just previously about one thousand dollars worth of equipment had been set up leaving little room to spare. However, none of it was broken. Two large glass bottles, their contents and glass stoppers in place, the contents unmolested, were found on the floor. All extractors, delicate vapor distillation equipment and the specially constructed glass apparatus were not even moved.

Students will realize how grateful we are for this protection. Let us jointly give thanks to a Higher Providence for sparing us additional expense and for permitting classes to proceed without interruption. Even the broken window in the classroom was restored for the class to begin on time.



From The British Museum

When during the year 1964 we were so fortunate as to locate the old alchemical manuscript in the British Museum in London, England, the staff at the Museum recommended the Archive Research to make a legible transcript of it. This took better than two years to complete. We are now happy to announce that we have received the transcript from the photostatic copy which we left with the translators. However, this is still in the old English spelling and grammar. It will now have to be transposed into contemporary English.

It proves to be a treasure mountain. In the manuscript, began during the year 1470, there is also a record of “The questions and demands of the Archbishop of Roanes with the answers by Guilliam de Cenes” which the latter concludes with the finale: “This art or most sacred science was accomplished, done and ended at Roane, a mile outside of Paris, on Friday, being the year of our Lord 1216, and was communicated to the Reverend Father, the Bishop of Reynes by the said Mr. William de Cenes.”

As can be seen this part of the manuscript is three-quarters of a millenium or seven hundred fifty years old.

It will take some time to translate the old English language into our present day vernacular. We, too, wish we could speed up the publication of this important work. Our handicap is insufficient time, help and the means to accomplish all that needs to be done. Realizing our position, we hope that the subscribers to the *Bulletin* will bear with us until such a time as will make speedier publication possible.

Any suggestions or help that can be offered towards this end will be welcomed and thoroughly considered.



Special Group Attendants

Special group attendants will please take notice that a standard 6 Normal solution of Sodium Hydroxide will be used throughout the specified Govmt. Project, i.e. 250 gram of NaOH (to be purified over alcohol) with H₂O dist. sufficient to make up 1000 ml.

Lab. sheet reports will have to have this formula and any projects presently under way will have to be changed to this standard formula if they deviate from it.



RADEMACHER



JOHANN GOTTFRIED RADEMACHER wrote on the 1st of April 1841 the preface to the first edition of his "Erfahrungsheillehre" or the teachings of therapeutic results obtained by practical application. This large work of two volumes was republished in 1846 and 1848. Then it disappeared. Only recently, in 1939, was an exact photostatic copy of the original work in the German language brought out.

Rademacher, a Doctor of Medicine, attempted to prove the teaching of Paracelsus among his colleagues. He met with opposition. No publisher wanted to print such a controversial subject. G. Reimer, in Berlin was the only one who dared. The result is history. This monumental work deserves to be translated into all modern languages. It is the vindication of Paracelsus and his alchemical concept of medicine by an accredited doctor of medicine. "The theory has to arise from praxis, not the praxis from the theory." As this applies to the conclusion to be derived from practical confrontation and not inversely one can see the rational approach at once.

Rademacher acknowledges publicly that he has been taught more and better through the writings of Paracelsus than by all his predecessors and contemporary teachers combined. This in itself took courage.

We need more of the type of Rademacher in our day where conformity has pre-eminence over courage.