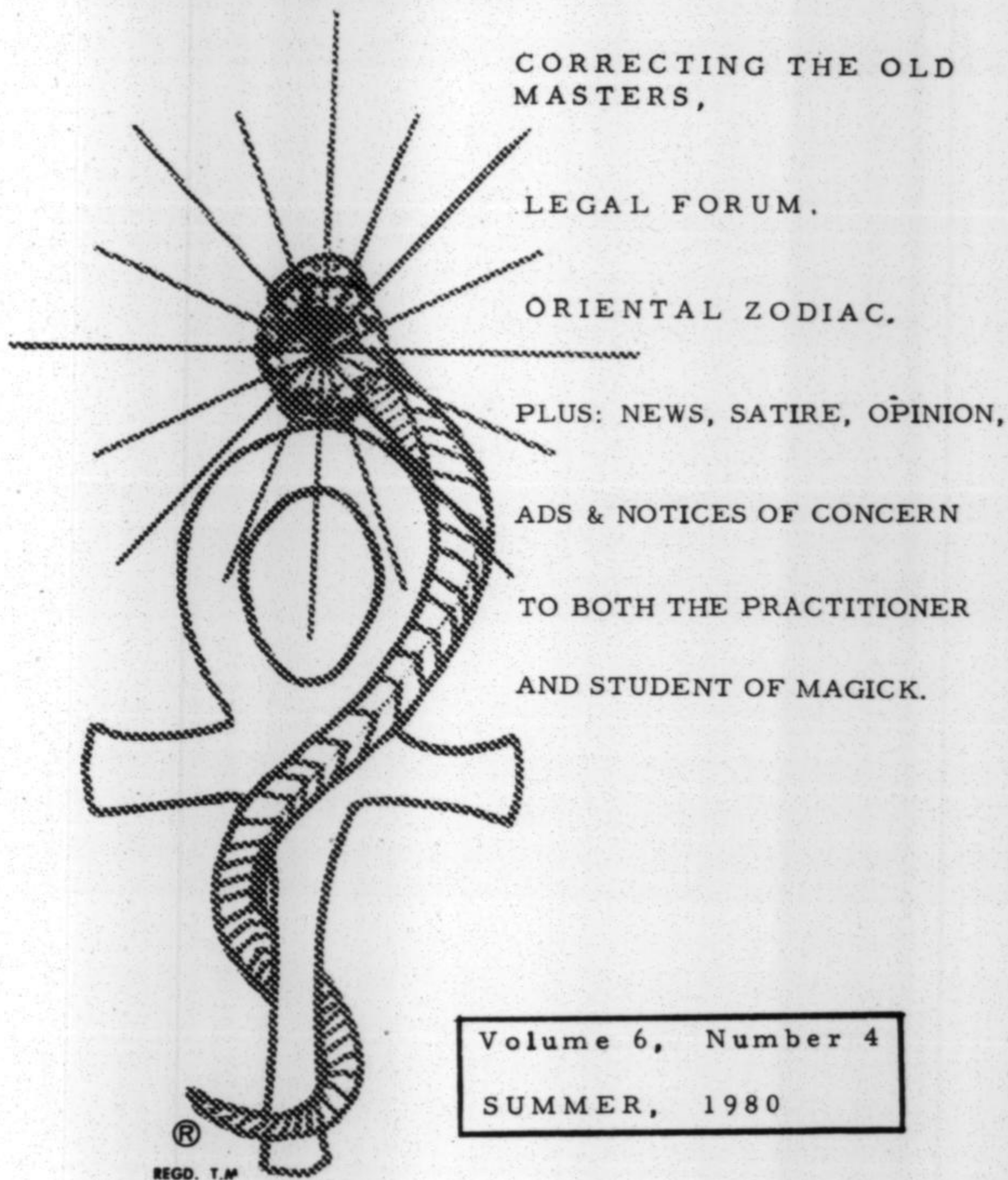


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The illustration given below (Figure 1) shows a plate from Barrett's "The Magus", in which are given several Magickal Alphabets, the first of which Barrett attributes to Honorius. The mechanism of which we speak is fully developed in the Illustration, as the given alphabet contains several errors, and these errors have been copied and accepted without question by Barrett as well as almost everyone since. If you will examine the alphabet you will note that it is missing "J", "U" and "W". You should also note the "extra" symbols following "Z".

Figure 1.



Illustration from Barrett's "THE MAGUS" (1801)
From the collection of the Author.

As a result of our work with "The Lemegeton" and other ancient documents, it became apparent to us that the "extra" symbols were in fact two of the missing letters.

At some point in time prior to Barrett, some scribe mis-arranged the alphabet, and subsequently some other scribe distorted the "W" into a lower case Omega, whereupon some other scribe mis-copied the whole thing. That symbol that looks rather like a "W" is a "W" and is supposed to be in the correct place for "W". This we have done in the Second Illustration (Figure 2). The odd symbol we have taken to be "J" and included it in the Illustration. The reason that we picked "J" instead of "U" is that the "U" is frequently missing in old alphabets the "V" being used instead. This shows up in early printed books as well.

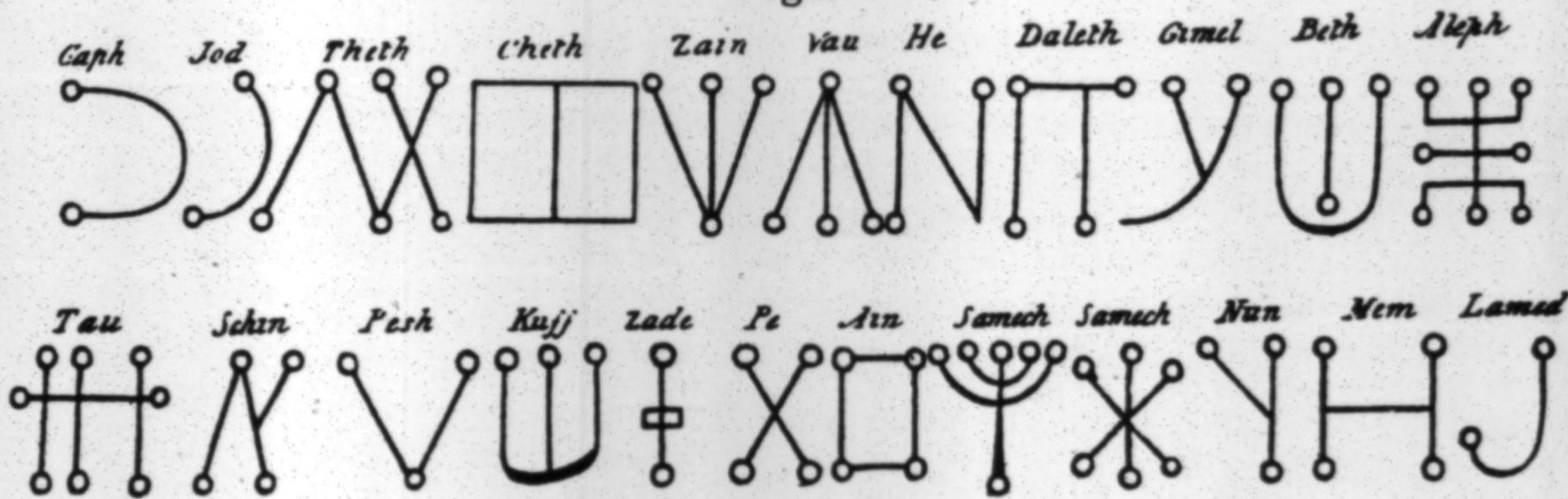
Figure 2.



Corrected "Theban Alphabet"

The third alphabet that Barrett gives us is also in error, mostly just mis-arranged, although there are two symbols given for Samech. As to which is correct, we have no idea. The correct arrangement is given in the third illustration (Figure 3).

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*** TOTALLY IRRESPONSIBLE JOURNALISM ***

The subject of discussion at Wolfe's dinner table, whether we had company or not, might be anything from politics to polio, so long as it wasn't current business. Business was out. That evening was no exception, strictly speaking, but it came close. Apparently at some time during the day Wolfe had found time to gallop through the encyclopedia article on cosmetics, and at dinner he saw fit, intermittently, to share it with me. He started, when we had finished the chestnut soup and were waiting for Fritz to bring the casserole, by quoting verbatim a bill which he said had been introduced into the English Parliament in 1770. It ran, he said:

"All women of whatever age, rank, profession, or degree, whether virgins, maids, or widows, that shall, from and after this Act, impose upon, seduce, and betray into matrimony, any of His Majesty's subjects, by the scents, paints, cosmetic washes, artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, hoops, high heeled shoes, bolstered hips, shall incur the penalty of the law in force against witchcraft and like misdemeanors and the marriage, upon conviction, shall stand null and void."

Your government
regrets to inform you
that your
subversive activities have been
reported and are being investigated.
At a time
when we are struggling to hold
the line on inflation,
your continued spending on
such luxury items as food
and shelter
cannot be tolerated.

Big Lather Is Made over Soap Company's Symbol

Minneapolis—Rumors are giving Procter & Gamble Co. a devil of a time these days.

It all started when a Minnesota nursing home printed a story in its newspaper stating that P&G is controlled by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church.

P&G's trademark—a crescent moon with 13 stars—was cited as "proof" that Moon followers own the company and are scooping up its profits.

The rumor spread. There was even talk of a mass boycott of P&G products.

Finally, P&G had to print an announcement in the Minneapolis Tribune, stating that Moon's Uni-

fication Church does not own any P&G stock.

But then people began calling the Minneapolis Tribune to say the P&G trademark is a symbol of Satan. They claim that the same symbol is on the door of a Satanist church in Minneapolis.

Mary Parson of the P&G's public relations staff said that "of course" the symbol has nothing to do with Satan. She said the company once tried to dump the 98-year-old symbol because they thought it was silly. But when merchants refused shipments without it, thinking they weren't real P&G products, the symbol was quickly restored.

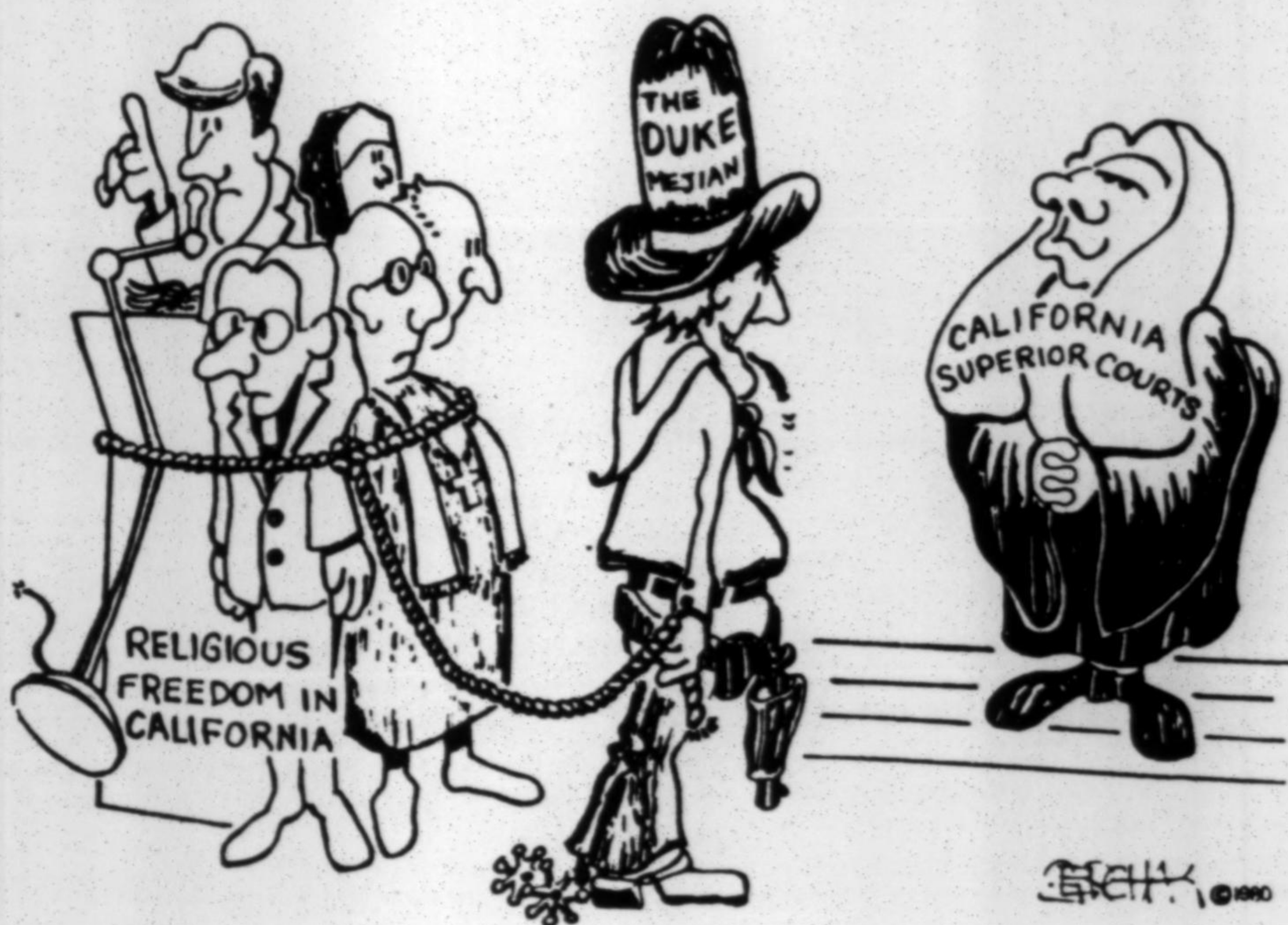
During the past year I have had my religious freedom, constitutional rights, and all my beliefs in this great nation trampled and smashed to the ground. And to add insult, the assault continues to this very day.

You are well aware of the attack the attorney general of the State of California has viciously unleashed on the Worldwide Church of God. Even to this day, there have been no arrests, no convictions, no iota of evidence to support the state's claim as to wrongdoing on the part of high church officials. But the state refuses to let go. Why? Because they've gone too far, they are in too deep, and cannot back down. They must save face, so to speak.

You have published one or two good pieces on what the State of California is doing in destroying religious freedom. I'm enclosing an editorial cartoon I've drawn. I had to do something to show government that we still do have rights.

RICHARD GERCHAK

"BEEN OUT DOIN' SOME VARMINT HUNTIN' FER YA, JUDGE....."



Quote marks

"If you want to be happy for an hour, get drunk. If you want to be happy for a weekend, get married. If you want to be happy for a whole week, kill your pig and eat it. But if you want to be happy all your life, become a gardener."

— David Burpee, seed king and hanggold admirer, explaining his love of gardening. Burpee is dead at age 87.

Wrathful Americans Defy IRS

New York—A growing number of Americans are refusing to file income tax forms or to pay Uncle Sam another penny.

Most of us spend several months a year working for the federal government, but they've told the government, "I quit."

It's not known how many tax resisters will choose not to hand over a chunk of their salaries to the federal government this year. But their numbers seem to be increasing—or at least they have become more unabashed.

Non-filers say they are among strong and growing ranks.

The Internal Revenue Service says it doesn't take seriously the notion of any burgeoning movement to reject the federal government's right to tax its citizens. An IRS spokesman conceded only that in the last few years "small but vocal groups have made quite a bit of noise" around the country.

Non-filers take a variety of tactics to argue they have remained on legal footing. Most cite provisions of the U.S. Constitution, claiming tax forms or federal taxation violates the law of the land.

Perhaps the most popular course among tax resisters is to plead the Fifth Amendment. Some say that since information on tax forms is handed over to the U.S. Justice Department upon request, filing a 1040 form could provide self-incriminating evidence.

Charles Reilly, who lectures nationwide, tells gatherings to write "object—self-incrimination" on each line of their 1040s. He has done exactly that for a decade.

The government brought charges of willful refusal to file. But last June he was acquitted in U.S. District Court in Phoenix.

Other tax resisters have become ordained mail-order ministers, claiming the tax-exempt status of a religious denomination.

In Tustin, Calif., an organization called TEA says it will show anyone how to become a tax-exempt minister of a mail-order church for \$1,250. ★

About 230 residents in four New York towns in the Catskill Mountains took the advice and became mail-order "ministers" in the Universal Life Church. They did it to take themselves off property-tax rolls in 1977 and 1978, to protest the area's large number of tax-exempt organizations.

Trampled Rights

But the New York Legislature enacted a law in 1978 permitting the exemptions only if the landowner could prove he was holding the property in trust for a religious group. All save one of those 230 put their land back on the tax rolls the following year.

The IRS, saying it has had the repeated support of courts across the country, firmly labels all these tax-resisting methods as worthless. Authorities claim the arguments are either the result of convoluted legal interpretations or just a thin veneer for cheaters.

The fight against taxes has its casualties. Some rebels are forced to espouse their cause from behind prison bars and others are awaiting criminal prosecution.

One man who is awaiting a new criminal trial on tax charges has canvassed the nation to bring attention to his claims that anyone can avoid federal taxes.

Irwin Schiff, author, lecturer and talk-show guest, hasn't paid taxes since 1973 and will tell anyone who will listen why.

Schiff was convicted in U.S. District Court in Bridgeport, Conn., in February 1979 for failure to file tax returns. But that decision was overturned by the U.S. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals in New York, which ordered a new trial.

On his tax forms, Schiff notified the government he was taking the Fifth Amendment, surrendering only his name and address. He was convicted of not filing any return at all. The appeals court threw the trial out, but labeled Schiff's 1040s "inadequate."

Schiff says he learned a lot from his first trial; and can't wait to try out his new knowledge in another court.

He says he has a combination of arguments that can't be beaten on legal grounds. He'll tell you that the Fifth Amendment is a logical plea, claiming that anyone who signs a tax return is stuck in the position of possibly becoming a witness against himself in any criminal action.

IRS spokesman Larry Batdorf says the contention is the most common among tax resisters but "nothing could be further from the truth."

The case at the heart of both sides of the Fifth Amendment battle is a U.S. Supreme Court decision that upheld the conviction of a bootlegger named Manly Sullivan in 1927.

Sullivan had not filed a tax return, claiming filing would give prosecutors ammunition to take him to court on charges of violating the National Prohibition Act.

Batdorf says that in the decision, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote: "It would be an extreme if not an extravagant application of the Fifth Amendment to say that it authorized a man to refuse to state the amount of his income because it had been made in crime."

Schiff takes the extracted quote one sentence further. Holmes wrote in the next line, "But if the defendant desired to test that or any other point he should have tested it in the return so that it could be passed upon."

Schiff maintains the issue was never decided by the case and Sullivan's only mistake was his failure to send in any form at all.

The 16th Amendment allegedly is another constitutional bastion for tax resisters who think their rights have been trampled.

Rough Going

The Constitution's First Article says "direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this Union, according to their respective numbers." But that statement was seemingly laid aside by an amendment saying "Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the States, and without regard to any census."

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Wrathful Americans Defy IRS

New York—A growing number of Americans are refusing to file income tax forms or to pay Uncle Sam another penny.

Most of us spend several months a year working for the federal government, but they've told the government, "I quit."

It's not known how many tax resisters will choose not to hand over a chunk of their salaries to the federal government this year. But their numbers seem to be increasing—or at least they have become more unabashed.

Non-filers say they are among strong and growing ranks.

The Internal Revenue Service says it doesn't take seriously the notion of any burgeoning movement to reject the federal government's right to tax its citizens. An IRS spokesman conceded only that in the last few years "small but vocal groups have made quite a bit of noise" around the country.

Non-filers take a variety of tacts to argue they have remained on legal footing. Most cite provisions of the U.S. Constitution, claiming tax forms or federal taxation violates the law of the land.

Perhaps the most popular course among tax resisters is to plead the Fifth Amendment. Some say that since information on tax forms is handed over to the U.S. Justice Department upon request, filing a 1040 form could provide self-incriminating evidence.

Charles Reilly, who lectures nationwide, tells gatherings to write "object—self-incrimination" on each line of their 1040s. He has done exactly that for a decade.

The government brought charges of willful refusal to file. But last June he was acquitted in U.S. District Court in Phoenix.

Other tax resisters have become ordained mail-order ministers, claiming the tax-exempt status of a religious denomination.

In Tustin, Calif., an organization called TEA says it will show anyone how to become a tax-exempt minister of a mail-order church for \$1,250. ★

About 230 residents in four New York towns in the Catskill Mountains took the advice and became mail-order "ministers" in the Universal Life Church. They did it to take themselves off property-tax rolls in 1977 and 1978, to protest the area's large number of tax-exempt organizations.

Trampled Rights

But the New York Legislature enacted a law in 1978 permitting the exemptions only if the landowner could prove he was holding the property in trust for a religious group. All save one of those 230 put their land back on the tax rolls the following year.

The IRS, saying it has had the repeated support of courts across the country, firmly labels all these tax-resisting methods as worthless. Authorities claim the arguments are either the result of convoluted legal interpretations or just a thin veneer for cheaters.

The fight against taxes has its casualties. Some rebels are forced to espouse their cause from behind prison bars and others are awaiting criminal prosecution.

One man who is awaiting a new criminal trial on tax charges has canvassed the nation to bring attention to his claims that anyone can avoid federal taxes.

Irwin Schiff, author, lecturer and talk-show guest, hasn't paid taxes since 1973 and will tell anyone who will listen why.

Schiff was convicted in U.S. District Court in Bridgeport, Conn., in February 1979 for failure to file tax returns. But that decision was overturned by the U.S. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals in New York, which ordered a new trial.

On his tax forms, Schiff notified the government he was taking the Fifth Amendment, surrendering only his name and address. He was convicted of not filing any return at all. The appeals court threw the trial out, but labeled Schiff's 1040s "inadequate."

Schiff says he learned a lot from his first trial, and can't wait to try out his new knowledge in another court.

He says he has a combination of arguments that can't be beaten on legal grounds. He'll tell you that the Fifth Amendment is a logical plea, claiming that anyone who signs a tax return is stuck in the position of possibly becoming a witness against himself in any criminal action.

IRS spokesman Larry Batdorf says the contention is the most common among tax resisters but "nothing could be further from the truth."

The case at the heart of both sides of the Fifth Amendment battle is a U.S. Supreme Court decision that upheld the conviction of a bootlegger named Manly Sullivan in 1927.

Sullivan had not filed a tax return, claiming filing would give prosecutors ammunition to take him to court on charges of violating the National Prohibition Act.

Batdorf says that in the decision, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote: "It would be an extreme if not an extravagant application of the Fifth Amendment to say that it authorized a man to refuse to state the amount of his income because it had been made in crime."

Schiff takes the extracted quote one sentence further. Holmes wrote in the next line, "But if the defendant desired to test that or any other point he should have tested it in the return so that it could be passed upon."

Schiff maintains the issue was never decided by the case and Sullivan's only mistake was his failure to send in any form at all.

The 16th Amendment allegedly is another constitutional bastion for tax resisters who think their rights have been trampled.

Rough Going

The Constitution's First Article says "direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this Union, according to their respective numbers." But that statement was seemingly laid aside by an amendment saying "Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the States, and without regard to any census."

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Excellent satire, penetrating reviews and knowledgable articles all under the wand of Fra. J.T.S., Editor of OYEZ, a long time friend and former Lodge Brother.

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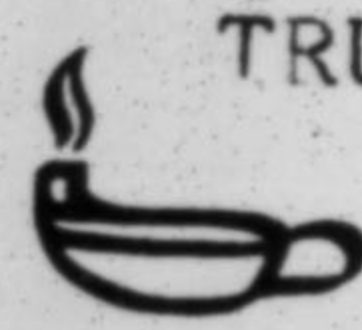
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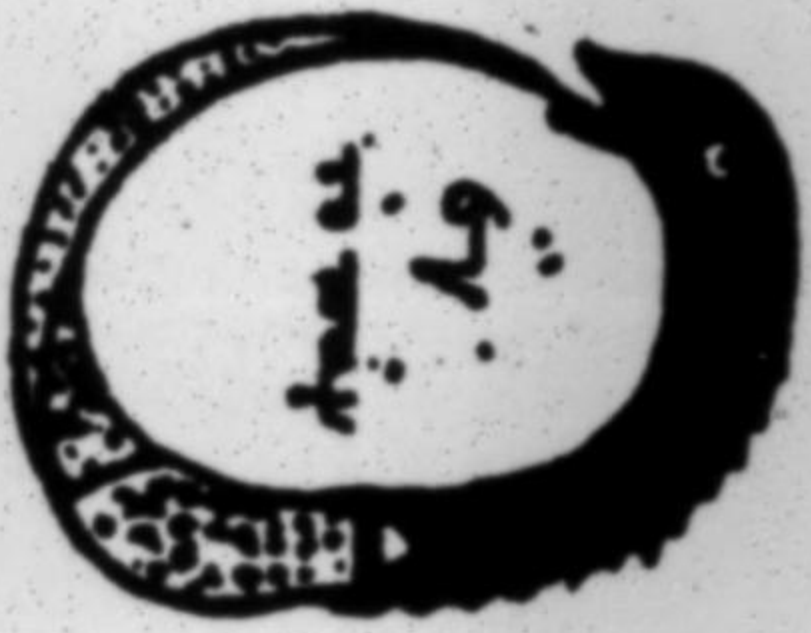
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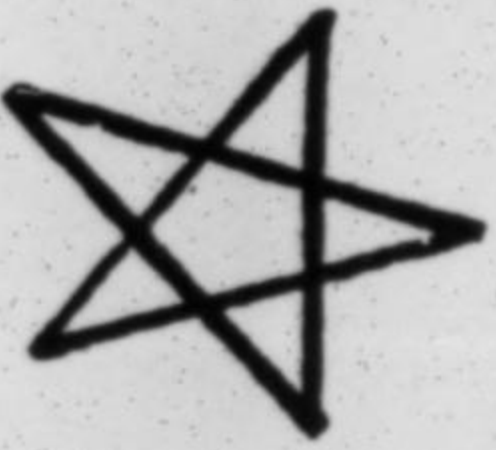
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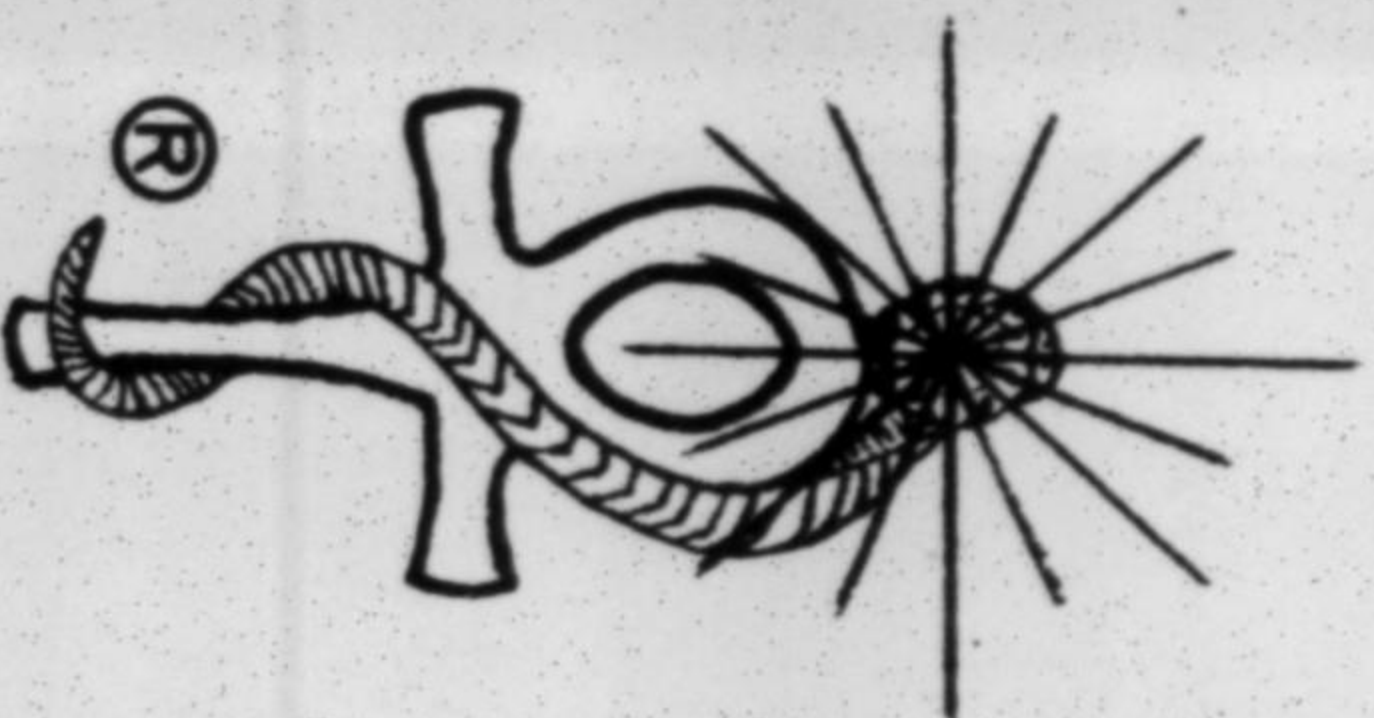
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