

Every Family to Be Able to Talk To Spirits, He Says

Delegates to Convention of General Assembly of Spiritualists Discuss Future Life and Embodied Spirits.

By MARGERY REK. International News Service. New York, July 16.—On one of the hottest days of the year, in a red-and-gold ballroom, 100 men and women gathered together to discuss the future life, the disembodied spirits and the possibility of communication with them.

The twenty-fifth convention of the general assembly of Spiritualists is in session at the Waldorf. These earnest people sit attentively while their leader speaks of the past of their religion, of the social and business ostracism once attendant upon it and of the freedom from persecution which prevails today.

Predicts Family Mediums. Soon, he avers, nearly everyone will believe in communication with the dead, and in every family someone will serve as medium for the group.

This pronouncement causes no surprise to the members of the convention, although it is rather startling news for outsiders. But the president of the gathering, J. F. Steckenreiter, goes on to tell of the heavy price believers once paid for their faith, since any Spiritualist was considered at one time a legitimate object to persecute. He emphasizes the difference between the fortune teller and the medium, a distinction not always conceded.

Various pastors of Spiritualist churches tell of the headway made during the year both financially and socially. Young people's societies are formed, mortgages on churches paid off, clubs chartered and guilds maintained.

It is surprising to learn, when they arise to speak, that various women in organdies and silks are ministers of this particular gospel. Several colored women, good speakers, tell of success among their people and in their church group.

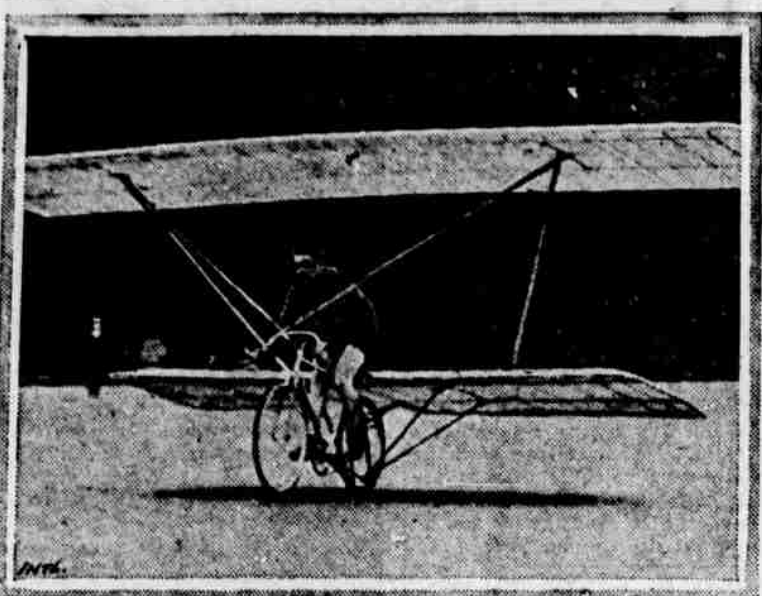
One of them, Mrs. Hetty Johnson—a New York minister—relates stories of her "child-guide Chatter-box, who aids and advises her. To one who does not enter this belief it all is said to seem trivial.

Noted Adherents of Faith. But at once names like those of the late W. T. Sheard, the late William James and the living Conan Doyle come to mind of spiritualist.

General acceptance of spiritualism is delayed, the president of the meeting says. Yet few believe now that it is actual claptrap or a device of Satan. Neither do intelligent ministers of other creeds denounce it from their pulpits, he declares.

Later on Mrs. Mable Marie Butler, of Birmingham, told me that there was a great difference between spiritualism and spiritism.

Cycleplane Successful



Gabriel Poulain, French champion cyclist, about to leave the ground on his "aviette" or cycleplane at a recent official test at the Longchamps race-course near Paris.

Noted Spenders' Feats Pale As British Woman Throws Gold to Winds

Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson, Who Stunned Paris by Squandering \$5,000,000 in Two Weeks, Plans to Dumbfound Manhattan—Coal Oil Johnny, Jacques Lebaudy and Charles G. Gates Other Celebrated Wasters.

By MARGERY REK. New York, July 16.—"Is it the spender or the miser who makes the world go round?" Thus demands Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson of a bewildered world. Truly the English spendthrift has made heads, at least, go around in that dear Paris, where she spent \$5,000,000 in two weeks.

The lady is surely careless with coin. Not content with the hats she bought along the Rue de la Paix, "Madame Monte Carlo," as the stunned citizens of Paris dub her, found a bargain in useless crowns, this special one being that of the ill-fated czarina, the price \$3,300,000.

Among other trinkets she "picked up" in France were the Shrewsbury pearls, price half a million. Then gowns, loose diamonds to sew on dresses, republishing of autos and of private suites ran into millions.

And this strange woman defends herself with the plea that she cannot spend her income, which reaches thirty millions.

Some Other Noted Spenders. Though apparently champion of the spending ring, Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson is not the first person to enjoy wasting money. There have been a host of others, from the miser who bought the hotel, fired the bored clerk and opened the doors to the public, to let who would enter, eat, drink or dwell there. This cost \$1,000,000 that one day.

Alas, in four years Coal Oil Johnny became bankrupt. He had to go back to the labor which had formerly netted him but \$2 a day. When he died, at 77 in Omaha last New Year's day, he had been earning \$50 a month.

But doesn't Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson make Coal Oil Johnny look a tightwad? And yet there are other women whom we think wild wasters until we have heard of the golden blaze that has come out of England.

Society Women Of U. S. Add to Gayety of Paris

Play a Most Important Part in Social Life—Mrs. John Drexel Gives Smart Dinner.

By HELEN HOFFMAN. Paris, July 16.—American society women, and their number is legion here, play a most important part in the gay social life of the French capital.

The smartest dinner parties are given by leaders of Newport, New York, Philadelphia and Boston society, to say nothing of women who are well known in the fashionable circles of the west and south. The very successful balls which have been recently given for French charities, and which have fairly dazzled Parisian society—not an easy thing to do—have been managed by American women.

Atlantis Cafe in Vienna Is Rendezvous of Sports Traders, Thieves and Revolutionists

By DOROTHY THOMPSON. Vienna, July 16.—Do you want to sell a handful of jewels or a wagonload of grain—and no questions asked? There is a market in Vienna where it can be done.

If you are a Philistine you have probably wandered in and out of the place half a dozen times during a short sojourn in the city without realizing that you were in the most famous "schieber" exchange in all central Europe and the near east. Atlantis cafe bears no visible sign to distinguish it from any other coffee house along the Ringstrasse.

Passports Minus Red Tape. Serbs, Rumanians, Czech-Slovakians negotiate chiefly in foodstuffs. From them comes the wheat that makes the little white rolls which you eat with such pleasure in the famous restaurants, while the rest of Vienna lives on bitter black bread.

But more underground than the traffic in food is the traffic in passports. The "schieber" in another corner over objects of art; and Austria's pictures, ceramics and gobelins change hands around glasses of coffee. The Italians are the noisiest and, so a habitue of the cafe assured me, spend more money than all the rest put together.

There is a little spectacled woman in a red hat with the manners and bustle of an American stenographer who has been reading the success stories in the American magazines and means to rise. Mark her well. She is the liaison officer between visitors to the cafe and all the Italian profiteers. She walks jauntily from table to table, finding here a man who wants to sell leather goods and there another who wants to buy.

Afghanistan Princess Sees First Vaudeville

Possessor of World's Second Largest Diamond Sees San Francisco Night Life—En Route to England

By ELLIS H. MARTIN. San Francisco, July 16.—Even though fragments of the lines and none of the slang of the American vaudeville are understood, this popular form of American amusement has its appeal to royalty of far off Afghanistan.



Princess Fatima and Prince Hashim and lines and be able to make these necessities a reality.

To determine this fact, the writer played host at a theater party to the Princess Fatima, sultana of Afghanistan, and her three sons, Sardars Hashim, Azim and Akbar, when they visited this city recently en route to London, where the young princes are to be educated.

It was apparent from the first that the princess and the princes have an unusually keen sense of humor. Though she speaks no English, the princess caught the point of many of the jokes and laughed heartily when they were idiomized in her native language—Assyrian—by her eldest son, Hashim.

Marvelous Nerve. A black-faced comedian who made merry of the hardships of an ocean voyage, pleased the visitors immensely. The last act on the bill, however, drew from all members of the royal party expressions of wonderment and astonishment.

It was a motorcycle act in which a lady performer rode a motorcycle within a steel globe, a man standing in the center and dodging the hurrying machine as it sped around the steel ball.

"Marvelous nerve," said Prince Hashim, who inquired particularly as to the material from which the globe was constructed. He is a student of engineering and this part appealed to him.

It was the only act on the bill which drew the applause of the princess and princes.

It took the cafes and gay night life of San Francisco to remove for the first time the veil—which customs of her country decree she must wear—from the face of Princess Fatima, sultana of Kabul, Afghanistan. Words—mere words—the princess said, would never express her regrets for not having visited San Francisco before she died. Not only does Princess Fatima like American meals and service, but she likes to dance to jazz music.

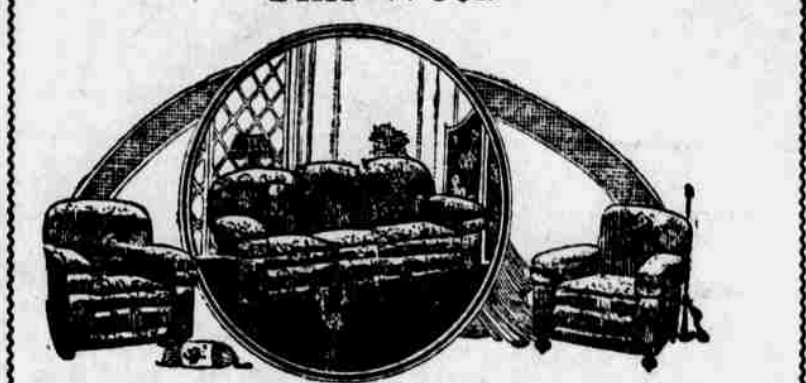
America Unknown. A startling fact revealed by Prince Hashim was that in Afghanistan America or the United States is practically unheard of and the few who do know of it refer to it as "the new world."

Man Says Me Wed Wife No. 2 While Hootched. St. Louis, Mo., July 16.—Young married men should take their wives with them when they go away from home, according to J. B. Adams, arrested here for alleged abandonment of his wife and child at Syracuse, N. Y. He faces a bigamy charge here. He married his second wife, Adams told police, while on a "spree" and didn't know it until he became sober.

"Bank," declares Mrs. Gertrude Kelly Adams, wife No. 2. "He knew what he was doing, all right."

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3-Piece Overstuffed Suite for \$198.50

Full length Davenport, loose cushions, full Marshall spring construction, full spring arms and back, covered with a high grade tapestry. Large luxurious rocker and chair to match.

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Table listing prices for library tables: \$42.50 Quartered Oak, hand polished library table... \$21.25; \$65.00 Queen Anne Mahogany Library Table... \$32.50; \$75.00 William and Mary Mahogany Davenport Table... \$37.50; \$75.00 Queen Anne Mahogany Davenport Table... \$37.50; \$11.00 Solid Oak Center Table... \$5.50

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Large and serviceable Fumed Oak Rocker, former value \$11.00... \$4.50; Full Quartered Golden Oak Rocker, former value \$15.00... \$7.50; Quartered Oak, wax finish Rocker, genuine leather auto seat, former value \$32.00... \$16.25; Genuine Mahogany Windsor Rocker, former value \$37.50... \$22.00

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Three-piece Cane and Mahogany suite, full length davenport, spring filled loose cushions, extra pillows and bolster, covered in rich, high grade velour. Large deep chair and rocker to match... \$187.50

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Table listing prices for gate-leg tables: \$52.50 Walnut 36x36 Gate-Leg Table... \$32.00; \$59.50 Mahogany 34x44 Gate-Leg Table... \$36.00; \$48.50 Mahogany 42x48 Table... \$28.00; \$57.50 Mahogany Top with Ivory Base 42x48 Gate-Leg Table... \$34.00; \$50.00 Mahogany 32x42 Gate-Leg Table... \$27.00; \$80.00 Mahogany 45x54 Gate-Leg Table... \$45.00; \$40.00 Mahogany 22x31 Gate-Leg Table... \$24.00

Telephone Stands

Table listing prices for telephone stands: \$35.00 Mahogany Phone Stand... \$4.00; \$11.00 Walnut Phone Stand... \$5.50; \$12.50 Fumed Oak Phone Stand... \$6.00; \$16.00 Mahogany Phone Stand... \$8.00

3-Piece Living Room Suite \$35.00

Quartered Oak frame, seat and back upholstered in genuine leather. Settee, rocker and chair; former price \$85.00

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Davenport has mahogany frame, covered in good grade tapestry, with full spring construction. Large chair and rocker to match.

3-Piece Living Room Suite for \$97.00 in Jacobean Oak

This suite is made of solid quartered oak, with cane panels in back, full spring construction, upholstered in high grade tapestry.

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Extra fine quality of voile curtain in cream and eceru; 2 1/4 yards long with hemstitched hem, per pair, \$1.69

Good quality in cream marquisette curtains, 2 1/4 yards long, hemstitched hem, per pair, \$1.95

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