

JACK AND THE OTHERS

(Un poème naïf)



Jack and the Others are in every tight spot;
Jack and the Others are a hard, boisterous lot.

They were -together- in Hastings (at which side?),
in Agincourt (with the Britons), in Verdun, in Dunkirk
and before, in Trafalgar, in Suvla Bay
and at a hundred places more.

They are a hard, boisterous lot!

They have a honest, straightforward English face.
They met Jimmy with AK AK fireworks back in the Forties.

Sometimes Jack and the Others get medals,
Carloads of medals.

Sometimes Jack and the Others have wives,
'Girl friends, sisters.

Sometimes Jack and the Others get killed doing their job,
and then their wives become their widows.

In that particular case, the medals are called
"posthumous".

Jack and the Others do the dirty work
for Jones & Co.

(And now a secret: Jones & Co. is a cover-name.
It means in some cases a King, in other cases a State, etc.)

While Jack and the Others do their dirty work,
Jones & Co. sit smoking big cigars,
presiding over big meetings,
reshaping or starting big enterprises.

In the Joneses' world everything is BIG.

(Another secret: Jack is the Unknown Soldier).

Jack and the Others are in every tight spot;
Jack and the Others are a hard, boisterous lot!

But Jack and the Others are not only English
-strictly speaking-
They can be also Ivan and the Others,
Hans and the Others,
Juan and the Others,
Giovanni and the Others,
Hassan and the Others

(I do not know how it is in Chinese,
or in Japanese for that matter,
but you can put the right names),

One day, Jack and the Others all the world over
will get tired of doing the dirty work,
for third parties.

That day will be great
on in the History of Mankind.
Because that particular day,
for the first time in said History,
the word peace will mean PEACE.

(Without that silly PIGEON,
with a little branch in his beak).

But real P E A C E.

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*To Ignacio and Mari Luz,
with best wishes...*

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(This is the original)

All Energy Has To Be Soul Directed

So Peace will come again on Earth, but a Peace unlike aught known before.

Then will the WILL-TO-GOOD flower forth as Understanding,

And Understanding blossom as GOODWILL in Men.

MORNING AWAKENING

Never has man demanded Light that the Light has not been forthcoming.

INVOKE LIGHT

From the point of Light within the Mind of God
Let Light stream forth into the minds of men.
Let Light descend on Earth.

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Let the souls of men awaken to the Light,
And may they stand with massed intent.

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The Light that always has been will be seen.

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FIRST LAW AND PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW AGE

The Law of Right Human Relations

The Principle of Goodwill

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The moment that a point of balance is reached,
The moment that those who stand for separateness
and materialism and

Those who stand for freedom of the human soul,
For brotherhood and right human relations,
Are equal in force, in position, and in influence,
Then the doors to the Kingdom of Heaven will open,
And Christ with His disciples will come.

NOON RECOLLECTION

Never did the hearts and minds of men go out
towards God, but that Divinity itself came nearer to
men. The love that never ceases will be realized.

INVOKE LOVE

From the point of Love within the Heart of God
Let Love stream forth into the hearts of men.
May Christ return to Earth.

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In the center of all love I stand.
From that center I, the soul, will outward move.
From that center I, the one who serves, will work.
May the love of the divine Self be shed abroad
In my heart, through my group, and throughout the
world.

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SECOND LAW AND PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW AGE

The Law of Group Endeavor

The Principle of Unanimity

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Never has there been a cycle or world period when
there was not the giving out of the teaching and
spiritual help which human need demanded.

EVENING BLESSING

From the highest spiritual Being upon our planet,
Through the graded spiritual groups of enlightened
and perfected men

Who work upon the inner side of life,
On into the outer world of daily living where
thinking loving men and women serve,
The tide of the new life sweeps.

BLESSING FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

Light to all beings: North, South, East, West,
Above, Below
Light to all beings.

Love to all beings: North, South, East, West,
Above, Below
Love to all beings.

Goodwill to all beings: North, South, East, West,
Above, Below
Goodwill to all beings.

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INVOKE WILL-TO-GOOD

From the center where the Will of God is known
Let purpose guide the little wills of men —
The purpose which the Masters know and serve.

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THIRD LAW AND PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW AGE

The Law of Spiritual Approach
The Principle of Essential Divinity

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The Radiance deep concealed, will break forth into
Being.

How To Use The Will-To-Good Effectively

Why In these days, when the press and radio keep us constantly informed of world events, and television brings us graphically face to face with every crucial situation, we are all taking part to some degree in the affairs of the world.

Thought According to our thinking and our attitudes we are automatically making either a positive and constructive or negative and destructive contribution. But we can do more than that. We can take part deliberately and creatively in all that is coming about.

How There is a simple form of service of the utmost value at the present time which those of all nations and beliefs can carry out. It is to give our subjective support to that assembly of the countries of the world — the United Nations — which is seeking not only to preserve the peaceful partnership of all races, but to establish a cooperation in all fields that will truly lead to a New

Where In the United Nations building in New York Dag Hammarskjöld built a Meditation Room — a room of stillness — in which all who work at the United Nations and who visit it can find a place of silence in which to attune their thinking to the Reality behind the outer form, no matter what name may be given to that Reality or Purpose.

When The way that we can contribute is to visit the Meditation Room *subjectively* — on the wings of our thinking and imagination — and there make a *daily act* of invocation.

Visualize In this room is a central block — some call it an altar — of iron ore, and upon it streams a shaft of light from an unseen source. This symbolizes the light that we can invoke upon the affairs of the world — a creative act that we can all take part in.

This shaft of light may well be visu-

those in the Council Chamber, all the seeking to guide the destiny of men — all who are in places of leadership throughout the world.

Group Energy A moment or two spent in this room subjectively visualizing, invoking, and working creatively with this light needs but a small expenditure of thought and energy, yet — done in company with our fellowship all over the world — can have an almost irresistible power for good. "Send me a thought," people say, innately recognizing that thought carries energy — can contribute strength. So can we send constructive help directly to the great Assembly of the United Nations.

Prayer The following prayer can be used as we stand in our "mind's eye" in this room of stillness or we can use the Great Invocation words of our own choosing. It is a heart and mind contribution that carries great weight, and no matter what wo-

I Am There

Do you need Me?
I am there.
You cannot see Me, yet I am the light you see by.
You cannot hear Me, yet I speak through your voice.
You cannot feel Me, yet I am the power that works in
your hands.
I cannot work though you do not understand My
ways.
I am at work, though you do not recognize My work.
I am not strange visitors, I am not mysteries.
Only a chaotic silliness, beyond self, can you know
Me, as I am, and then, too, as a feeling and a faith.
Yes, I am there. Yes, I hear. Yes, I answer.
When you need Me, I am there.
Even if you deny Me, I am there.
Even when you feel most alone, I am there.
Even in your fears, I am there.
Even in your pain, I am there.
I am there when you cry and when you do not cry.
I am in you, and you are in Me.
Only in your mind can you feel separate from Me.
For you and your mind are the mind of "your" and
"mine."
You, too, with your mind can you know Me and ex-
perience Me.
Empty your heart of empty fears.
When you get yourself out of the way, I am there.
You can of yourself do nothing but I can do all.
And I am it all.
Though you may not see the good, good is there, for
I am there.
I am there because I have to be, because I am.
Only as Me, does the world have meaning, only out
of Me does the world take form, only because of Me
does the world of heaven.
I am the law on which the universe of the star and
the growth of living cells are founded.
I am the love that is the love, building, I am essen-
tially, I am peace. I am wisdom. I am the love that you
can live by. I am the love that you can cling to. I am
your assurance. I am your peace. I am one with you.
I am.
Through you find to find Me, I do not find you.
Through your faith in Me is wisdom, My faith in you
never wavers, because I know you, because I love you.
Beloved, I am there.

— Jesus Christ Preaching

WILL-TO-GOOD

An intelligent, loving Will,

The will, in becoming good,
becomes also strong and wise,
and this union creates
the perfect Will-to-Good.

The world's good
awaits the expression
of our free will.

"The POWER
that makes all things new."

GOODWILL

A Love that wills.

Makes possible:
Cooperation
Solution of human problems
Right human relations
P E A C E

Let us recognize
The unconquerable nature
Of Goodness.

Goodwill is a contagious
Energy which can permeate
The world.

"The Active Principle
of Peace."



THE ENERGY OF PURIFICATION

Essentially the energy which
substitutes Good for the
force of evil.

We have the Will to Purify

The water of our earth
The air we breathe
The world of thought,
producing mental clarity,
intuitive illumination.

A CREATIVE MEDITATION

Pause a minute.
Visualize a purified world.

Think:
In the center of the
Will-to-Good I stand.
I implement that will by Love
And turn toward my field of
Service.

A NEW AGE OF JOY

The night of world pain
is yielding
to the clear light
of joy and strength.

"Abysses have been crossed
by joy and trust.
Not only courage, but joy
makes you invulnerable."

The peace which lies ahead
is the peace
of SERENITY and JOY —
a serenity based upon
spiritual understanding,
a joy untouched
by circumstance.

"The joy of the divine Self
is my strength."

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THE YOGA OF JOY

replaces
the glamor of pleasure
with the Joy of the Soul
and, eventually,
the Bliss of the Spirit.

"The Joy of the Soul
irradiates my life,
and lightens all the burdens
which those I meet may carry."

Light is joyous.

Joy is luminous.

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HAPPINESS — the goal
of the separate self —
produced by a satisfying
environment.

JOY — the quality of the
transpersonal Self —
the effect of group
consciousness.

BLISS — the strength
of the Spirit —
beyond speculation.

I actively become aware
of that inner center
of stillness and peace
where Joy and Bliss
have their home.

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A MINUTE FOR THE WORLD

"Out of that minute,
a new world can be born."

Give a minute of creative thought,
prayer, or invocation for the world *each*
day and we set in motion a *transforming*
energy.

WE:

create an atmosphere in which our
leaders can work.

aid the world to progress from dark-
ness to light.

help the young world turn around
and go forward into the future.

help to make the *whole world work*.

begin to build the Great World of
Man.

TOTAL MAN ON EARTH

Let men of Goodwill everywhere meet
in a spirit of cooperation for World Re-
newal.

May we do our part.

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TRANSFORMING ENERGY

"Energy, which but for prayer would
be bound, is by prayer set free and op-
erates in some part of the world of facts."

William James

Each individual effort is part of a
united appeal, whose power is incal-
culable.

By giving a minute each day for crea-
tive thought, prayer, or invocation for
humanity, YOU can set in motion a
transforming force.

When millions throughout the world
give a MINUTE A DAY, this motion
will be radiated world-wide.

With gathering momentum, your tiny
originating thought will be transformed
into a dynamic spiritual energy to heal,
release, and make all things new.

In the Preamble to the Unesco Con-
stitution are the words: "Since wars be-
gin in the minds of men, it is in the minds
of men that the defenses of peace must
be constructed."

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THE GREAT INVOCATION

Many participate in a group
world cooperation by tuning in at
o'clock each day and saying the
Invocation.

THE GREAT INVOCATION

From the point of Light within the Mind of
Let light stream forth into the minds of
Let Light descend on Earth.

From the point of Love within the Heart of
Let love stream forth into the hearts of
May Christ return to Earth.

From the center where the Will of God is
Let purpose guide the little wills of men
The purpose which the Masters know
serve.

From the center which we call the race of
Let the Plan of Love and Light work
And may it seal the door where evil dwells.

Let Light and Love and Power restore the
on Earth.

A great WORLD PRAYER used
by thousands — East and West —
sponsored by no group or sect.

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NEMESIS

by Thomas Barclay

*The world is represented to us by our physical senses,
Provable by man-made methods of confirmation lacking benevolences.
To be a "success", benevolence, in this contest,
Must be smothered or one can lose the quest.
Obtaining of material success develops the cynical,
For one has to war against others to reach the pinnacle.
Therefore, how can we live in peace and love and be prosperous
When our economics result in push and shove and being covetous?*

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*Bestowed on all by the Supreme God above
And inherent so, is the gift of natural love.
But mankind has smothered it in pursuit for material gain,
And buried the "Cure" preventive to every moment's pain!
Different political economic policies abound on earth
And, like religion's sectarianism, are but a penny-worth.
For all dictate and threat and war on the name!
Each the best, yet, lie, war and maim in counter-claim.*

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*How can you say, "We're doing alright,"
When living is war both day and night?
You have your first million and vacationing at a flashy resort,
But your mind is on that million; not a peaceful moment have you got.
For real happiness and peace has its source from within
Possessing that million can obliterate the friendly grin!
What's more, it won't save you from the Great Reaper,
He'll take you along with those who lived much cheaper.*

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*When you arrive in that Great Beyond – all day long
You'll just be another spirit amidst a mighty throng.
It won't be that million that will cause you grief,
But how you got it and your stubborn unbelief.
Your soul realizes, now stripped of the physical body,
That earthly gains and fleshy appetites sure are shoddy.
So, you undergo pains while ridding yourself of the same.
This is your hell, wrong doing and thinking—the burning flame!*

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*There is no wrathful God or a devil with a prod;
You're being readjusted by the laws of the Great God
Of course, there's your free will—to progress or remain still
And I can only advise—just accept God's love and obey His Will.*

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Can normal and paranormal activities of human mind be related in a logical (if speculative) hypothesis independent of magical thinking?

Toward a Unified

PARASCIENCE

By Helen K. Andrews

IS THERE an underlying principle relating all activities of the human mind — sentience, intelligence, the unconscious, memory — with more subtle paranormal phenomena — extrasensory perception, clairvoyance, precognition? Surely we may speculate that a universal matrix exists in which all these processes, and others yet unknown, are various expressions of some multifaceted truth.

Recently advances in science and engineering indicate that few if any barriers to expansion of knowledge exist. With this conviction I offer an hypothetical explanation of all paranormal phenomena based on three assumptions:

(1) An assemblage of interconnecting electromagnetic fields of sufficient complexity establishes a spatiotemporal identity

*The vulnerability of this speculation lies in the fact that there is no electrical evidence to indicate that these systems exist. Nevertheless, it is an interesting, thoughtful hypothesis for a purely physical concept. — The Editors.

(STI), independent of the originating mechanism.

(2) Channels of communication exist whereby the newly-created independent entity is affected by the parent organism and vice versa.

(3) Termination of the generating field structure does not necessarily terminate the generated entity.

This concept provides that the electromagnetic fields in the brain would establish a separate entity, the STI, which thereafter is independent of the destiny of the organic brain. Thus we may postulate that the STI constitutes an individual's inner self, variously called the id, the unconscious or the soul. It is generally accepted that the conscious and unconscious minds communicate through memory, sensory transference and dreams. However, at death the STI may continue to exist as the "soul" — thus we have life after death. Whether this new existence would be in-

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individual or a fusion with all other STI's is a speculation on a speculation but ghost stories which have come down through the ages argue in favor of the individual—in some cases, anyway.

In the course of human evolution the size and complexity of our forbears' brains increased until at last Neanderthal man evolved. The STI would account for the apparent infusion of a concept of the hereafter in the Neanderthal culture to which their burial techniques bear mute witness. In any event, we can envision the creation of "soul" in man without intervention by a supernatural power.

Applied to the study of ESP, the STI concept resolves the disparity in observations and present theories. Reincarnation, for example, might be explained as the domination of a previously generated STI over an insufficiently developed one in the growing fetus. Contact with the dead and telepathy could be merely consequences of the methods of communication among the STI's. If STI's operate within different limitations of time and space from those which limit human beings, clairvoyance and precognition would result. A great variety of psychic phenomena could be attributed to the properties of the STI and

its environment.

Many questions arise at this point. If the STI concept is valid what are the inevitable consequences? Do children have STI? Or are there qualifications of experience which constitute a threshold the brain's electromagnetic fields must cross before the

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His knowledge of science and physics has been brought to bear in the formulation of the hypothesis presented here.

STI is born? Does the STI selectively edit incoming information or does it accept all inputs mechanically? What information does it accept—and why? Does the manner of death affect the destiny of the STI? Does a correlation exist between IQ and individual survival of death? Does the personality impressed on the STI mature further after its generating entity is gone? All of these questions seem insurmount-

able now but perhaps scientific research eventually will find the answers.

If any of these speculations are to be considered seriously a physical basis for the existence of the STI must be granted. The three initial assumptions may be rendered more palatable if certain physical principles are accepted:

The circuit designer does not necessarily understand the function of the overall system of which his design is a minute component. Yet a systems engineer may be able to comprehend the complexity of a process containing thousands of such circuits. Thus, the whole is usually greater than the linear summation of its component parts.

A relatively few neutrons may produce an eternal nuclear reaction by the proper excitation of certain nuclei: A process may continue without the presence of the causative agents.

The study of random processes and of the reliability of system components indicates that actions or destinies of specified units can be predicted within statistical limits, provided the samples studied are sufficiently large and sufficiently random: Sufficiently complex systems acquire behavioral patterns not present in simpler systems, solely because of their complexity.

For persons with enough imagination it is not difficult to envision why complexity alone might create an independent spatio-temporal identity.

Where would it exist in our physical world?

I suggest the STI is impressed into a magnetic field. Whether such a field is local, global, solar, galactic or universal is a matter for further speculation and investigation. In fact, the proof of the STI theory depends on experimentation—experiments with life and with death.

Are there detectable magnetic fields around living persons which cease at death? Are there inexplicable internal magnetic fields within each human body?

Of the millions who die yearly, surely some can be humanely observed in the process with X-rays, infrared cameras, magnetometers, emespectrographs and the other instruments which have taught us so much about the properties of Venus and Mars. Such an experiment with death could yield new theories on life.

My purpose in presenting this hypothesis is to provide a motivation for speculation. The normal and paranormal activities of the human mind can be related in a logical (if speculative) hypothesis independent of magical think-

ble prever las consecuencias de cada uno de sus actos.

Tal vez el profesor no resistiría a la tentación de conocer a sus antepasados. Y si al ir a visitar a uno de ellos provocase su muerte o lo indujese a no poner hijos al mundo, ¿qué le ocurriría?

Si no existiera su bisabuelo, mucho menos existiría su abuelo ni el padre ni el mismo Depoule. Por lo tanto ¿toda esta gente instantáneamente sería borrada de la realidad? ¿Qué ocurriría con sus pariente, sus propiedades, sus obras? Si el abuelo Depoule hubiera dado una mano para la construcción de la torre Eiffel, ¿desaparecería el pedazo fabricado por él, se derrumbaría de golpe la construcción? Al no haber vivido, lógicamente no habría podido crear nada. ¿Y si papá Depoule hubiera inventado algo insignificante, digamos las correas de los relojes pulsera o las hebillas de los portatelas?

Y deberíamos temer daños mayores si el profesor Depoule fuese un fanático admirador de Napoleón. Al no soportar el derrumbe de su ídolo, obraría de manera tal que la batalla de Waterloo se

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Universos paralelos

La tercera hipótesis es la más fantástica y también la más fascinante. Es la que dice que por más cambios que un viajero del tiempo pueda provocar en el pa-

sado, estos no repercutirán nunca en nuestro presente, porque ocurrirán en otra dimensión, prácticamente en otro mundo.

Delante de nosotros se abren a cada momento infinitos caminos: aunque elijamos y recorramos uno solo no por esto dejan de existir los otros. Este es el nudo de la tercera hipótesis, para la cual el escritor Murray Leinster propone el siguiente ejemplo:

"Imaginemos que, ante un cruce, indeciso sobre la dirección a tomar, tiro al aire la clásica moneda. Cualquiera sea la elección de hecho, en el sendero que recorreré chocaré con determinadas características topográficas, vivire determinadas situaciones. Ni unas ni otras serán idénticas a las que marcan el segundo camino, el que descarté. Y de la misma manera que dos caminos diferentes

**Existe un número
infinito
de universos**

me conducirían a dos ciudades diferentes, dos senderos diferentes abiertos sobre el futuro me podrán conducir a dos futuros diferentes uno del otro. Mientras el primero podrá ofrecerme una situación que me lleve al éxito, a la riqueza, el otro me podrá arrojar de manera trivial bajo las ruedas de un autobús condenándome a muerte".

"En esencia, los futuros con los que podemos enfrentarnos son más de uno. Elegimos uno pero el que no es elegido existe de verdad, como los senderos no recorridos son realidad".

Volvamos a Napoleón. Lo que para él era futuro y para nosotros pasado: como existe un número indefinido de futuros posibles, existe un número indefinido de pasados posibles. Y la que nosotros vivimos es la secuencia temporal (es decir la cadena de acontecimientos en el tiempo) en la que Bonaparte fue vencido en Waterloo y murió en el exilio de Santa Elena. Pero en otra él sale victorioso, en una tercera cae en

la batalla, en una cuarta lo guillotinan en 1799, en una quinta muere de pulmonía a los diez años, en una sexta nunca nace, y así hasta el infinito, con una secuencia para cada posible variación.

Resumiendo: existe un número indefinido de Tierras en un número indefinido de dimensiones.

El profesor Depoule, pues, en realidad nunca habría realizado un viaje a nuestro pasado, sino a una dimensión X, donde justamente Napoleón vence en Waterloo.

"Existen tantos universos", dice Wells, "como las páginas de un enorme volumen. Y en ese volumen nosotros ocupamos una sola página". Y el escritor norteamericano Frederic Brown agrega: *"Tenemos pues un número infinito de universos y todos los universos concebibles existen.*

Hay, por ejemplo, un universo en el que en este momento se desarrolla esta misma escena, con la única excepción de que tú llevas zapatos marrones en vez de negros. Hay un número infinito de permutaciones de los caracteres variables, por lo cual en un caso tendrás un arañazo en un dedo y en otro uñas rojas; en otro vivirás las aventuras de los héroes de tus novelas preferidas, o bien aún deberás nacer". Debemos pues, llegar a la conclusión de que los viajes en el tiempo, si fuera posible, se reducirían a incursiones en otra dimensión, donde nuestro presente podría ser pasado o futuro, una dimensión que para nosotros es inconcebible, pero que tal vez se podría revelar con fenómenos impresionantes e inexplicables.

Los muchachos verdes

Como en las historietas de Brick Bradford y de Mandrake, podrían ser, por ejemplo, viajeros del tiempo los dos niños que en una tarde de agosto de 1887 salieron de una caverna en las cercanías de un pueblito español. *"Hablaban un extraño lenguaje incomprendible",* escribe John Macklin en la revista norteamericana *Grit*, *"sus ropas estaban hechas de una sustancia nunca vista. ¡Y su*

cartas abiertas

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ORIGEN DEL CONCEPTO DE "DIOS"

Respecto al estamento social en donde se origina el concepto religioso de "dios" (MD. n° 58, pág. 82), el Sr. Aldaz al adjudicarlo a los agricultores, se olvida de la palabra griega NOMOS (en latín "nemus" = *bosque*, después, *bosque sagrado*, *bosque de Diana*, etc.). Garcilaso de la Vega la usa para denominar a uno de sus personajes (Eglogas): Nemoroso.

Es una palabra del mundo de la ganadería, tanto que da origen a (derivada) "nómada" (en castellano, parecidamente, "transhumante").

El primer significado de NOMOS/NEMOS (con alternancia vocálica) es: BOSQUE. De esa significación se pasa a otras dos: 1. "lugar del Protector de los bosques", 2. "arbolado con pasto".

La idea de Protector, evidentemente, es un concepto divino (dios, genio, etc.) que lleva consigo un mundo de significaciones derivadas, entre ellas la de la *politización*. Porque la significación (1), se derivan las de: "creencia religiosa", "rito", "creer", "respetar", "norma", "uso", "costumbre", "LEY", "legal", "justo", "injusto", "gobierno", etc.

Del n° (2), se derivan: "pasto", "pradera", "apacentar", "comer", "división de territorio", "reparto", "distribución", "vivir con", "vivir juntos", "habitar en la misma región", "patrimonio", "esposo", "esposa", "asociado", "compañero", etc.

Como puede comprobar el Sr. Aldaz, para los griegos más primitivos (cuando todavía no habían entrado en Grecia (V. cualquier Historia de Grecia), la vida pastoril/nómada fue su modo de vivir, y el fundamento de la creación de su sociedad y de sus creencias religiosas. No me referiré al concepto de POLIS (ciudad), tan extremadamente desarrollado por este pueblo, ni de su PANTEON, tan numeroso. Por otra parte hay otro pueblo pastor/ganadero que también descuella por el desenvolvimiento que hizo del concepto de DIOS, y eso desde la época remotísima de sus antecedentes históricos: el pueblo HEBREO.

Además, el agricultor, desde muy temprano, en las épocas prehistóricas, tuvo que defender su "huerto" con cerca, valla o estacada (la raíz GAN/GAR fue usada para todas estas significaciones, incluida la del "huerto", que, como se ve, aún la usamos, seguramente de los animales, al principio, pero pasando después, a la idea de "castro" o "castillo" con motivo de la rapiña de los "nómadas" (recuérdese la caída de los sumirios, agricultores, por la invasión de los pueblos ganaderos de las estepas de la península arábiga).

Por lo tanto, la necesidad de la POLIS agrícola no era original, sino motivada. No es correcto contraponer Agricultura y Ganadería en los primitivos tiempos prehistóricos. Porque el hombre primitivo era a la vez agricultor y ganadero. Es decir, tenía su "huerto" y su "hato" (vaca,

oveja, cabra, etc.). Algo como lo que alcancé a ver en Aragón en principios de siglo, y aún se puede ver en un "caserío" vasco. Cualquiera puede comprobar la exactitud de este cuadro de la vida prehistórica examinando que la raíz antedicha GAN/GAR (bajo las dos formas se halla, la primera en las lenguas semíticas, y la segunda en las indoeuropeas; con lo cual se adivina la antigüedad a la que se remonta), abarca significados: huerto, jardín, encerrar, defender, forraje, herbazal, cercado, cerca, lozano, ciudad, caserío, corral, etc., etc. De ella, el castellano, además de "huerto", también tiene "cortijo", "corte", etc.

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