

Meeting 124: 3-Apr-2024

— From 1233 - the end —

EU Session

Attendees: Robin, Paula, James, Michelle F, Eddie P, Sasa, Carole O, Gwynne M, Robert D, Aaron S

RB: [Presentation: The Heavenly Host]

GM: Special liquid – Armagnac?

RB: That is what he drank – Calvados and Armagnac.

GM: Connect Kundabuffer with upside down – Tarot – hangman upside down.

RB: The original introduction in The Tales – Kundabuffer causes men to see life Topsy-Turvey – head over foot, literally. In terms of us personally ... experience of The Work is that gradual realisation that I had to throw things away rather than acquire. Work on personality ... to become less of an obstacle to see reality. Seeing of reality as it is only in flashes.

GM: Gradually releasing insertion of Kundabuffer?

RB: Not direct impact of Kundabuffer – various accretions of habits.

GM: Consequences of the accretion?

RB: Habits are the consequences of the properties of Kundabuffer. Habits have consequences themselves – such as waste of energy. To start have very little energy for work. Imagine that we are working when not working at all and don't realise. At the same time things are going on – because of practices – to stop us wasting energy. As time passes realise situation is far worse than we first thought. In a terrible position.

GM: Back to chart you showed ... Satan part of the chart ... trying to connect Kundabuffer, personality – with that chart. Addressing in the document you are creating?

CO: Symbolism of those last few pages – seems odd.

Divine liquid – hands capable of understanding the meaning.

People having access to his writings ... seems like a journal entry.

RB: For a long time MWRM was not available to general public and only read in groups and to those who had copies of it. Some had copies because was a tradition that the typists would steal it and type copies and put it back. Maybe those copies were read out in special groups. No-one is sure that the third series that was published was the one that was intended ...

27 bottles reminds me of 27 types.

CO: And consumed 12 because 15 left. It is a question.

RB: 15 not a number that he tosses out with any frequency.

GM: Exactness we are missing.

PS: Lime, sand, finely chopped straw ...

RB: Lime is bone.

PS: Sand used a lot in The Tales.

GM: Connection with ancient ... mathematics – much the way they built the pyramids – geometrics that goes into all of this. Exact point?

RB: Agree. Problem is we are taught mathematics in an engineering way – good for someone intending to build something. Don't have many associations – for instance, a lecture where G talks about various figures of 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 & 9 and ends with enneagram. No feeling as to nature of numbers. Supposed to represent states of man from 1-7.

GM: Chart you showed in the beginning – numbers in that. Experience of numbers or layers, rather than separate. The way they work together that works.

RB: When we separate things out we stop their motion. Get basic understanding when not in motion.

CO: 3,6,9 – groups of 3s

RB: Theosophical addition ...

GM: Think every number has energy system to it. Theory of numerology. Can change the energy of a person by changing first or last name of the person.

RB: You have astrology. Interesting thing about astrology – you are nothing compared to the planet. Influence on man – can only happen through magnetic radiation – work insists planets communicate to us and through us to the Earth. We are neutralising force and it goes through us. Imprint on the life of the planet Earth – part of the body that doesn't go to feed the moon goes to feed the earth. Sandstone comes from nature.

GM: [Showed something from Egypt].

James: Lime, sand and straw can make a strong cement.

PS: Yes – used as plaster in houses.

RB: Finger of mummy from Egypt ...

RB: Number 15 mentioned several times – different context: 45 kopeks + 15 for postage. Navigating up river ... Amu Darya – 15 terrestrial days. ...12 centuries and even 15 centuries – periodical reciprocal destruction. Aniline dye – 15 centuries. Babylon – 1500 shades of gray. 15 or 18 centuries.

James: Don't need to put carrots in pit like that.

Mr G liked Calvados. Goes straight to emotional center for me.

GM: Behind fermentation process. When he cooks – fermentation – we create alcohol in our bodies – combination of fruit and wheat. Curing people – infusion and fermentation process. Healing side of him.

Toast to idiots – what used?

RB: Armagnac and a specific brand. Also pepper vodka – stick hot red peppers in neat vodka. And Calvados was used.

James: We sprinkle pepper on top of vodka ...

MF: Laressingle Armagnac is a highly quality Brandy – his preferred brand.

James: Apart from symbolism of carrots and Armagnac – very clear. By holy denying ... the

saying Robin put up ... we have habits and mechanicality and the only way to alleviate is by working and trying to remember ourselves.

GM: Denying process – part of the consequence of Kundabuffer?

RB: Certain amount of needing to be aware of fact that we are a physical body and one of the consequences of the physical body – and maybe other bodies too – have to have a formatory apparatus, mechanism. Couldn't survive in life at all without the mechanisms and only a certain portion we need to try to change. Only thing you need to change is attitude.

GM: Attitude – say I am in very receptive mode and there is an electromagnetic field ... other than assign meaning have to adapt energy to it. Current that is constantly coming to and through us – have to adopt attitude of receptivity or denying/blocking. Would love to examine the EM field he talks about in these readings. Dangerous if you don't develop ability to deal with electric storms.

RB: Affected by level and nature of atmosphere. Can know this. Healing techniques that use electricity. You don't respond – not aware of the impact of the EM force but your cells know and can fix themselves. If at physical level then must be at higher level of psyche. Imitation – problem – wars that occur are strongly supported by population at war. People who try to convince you is noble and just thing. Ability to resist persuasion. A few pages back – when he talks about America – from 19C onwards – advertising and pervasive use – lowered level of humanity and made everyone suggestible. Manipulate natural mechanisms. Everywhere now. Person capable of resisting influences capable of. No point in talking about politics, religion or science now.

GM: Connect to mass-hypnosis – p1234 – In the average man ...

RB: Same image he uses to describe American advertising - “a fly becomes an elephant and an elephant a fly.”

GM: Eclipse in Austin – not nearly as energising as Solar storms. All want to go to astrologer and find out what the eclipse means ... if you can handle the Solar storms every day – what is an eclipse?

RB: Separate effects really. Known phenomena amongst animals is inner biological clocks get screwed up. Birds stop singing and flying and return to nest, chickens go back to coop. Nocturnal animals come out ... From my perspective – there is a current of electromagnetic radiation passing to you and it is interrupted and restarts. Whether is trivial or significant ... difficult to know. Estimated that 1/6 of population of US will see this eclipse.

GM: Propaganda around this. Warning wifi outages ... because of number of people, not the eclipse. Upsets a rhythm in the body.

RD: Thought about the Calvados. In flower essences use alcohol to fix the energy. Started by the monks in Italy. Think it will take an imprint of a higher consciousness. Might be talking about being a preservative of higher energies of what the monks produced.

RB: As soon as they discovered that water has a memory – difficulty ...

GM: Frequency test you can do on water – depends on electric current. If you add alcohol, what it changes to. If G knew what frequencies in each food or liquid. How to match the frequency with the person you are healing.

MF: There are very subtle frequencies – high. Try to measure with the pendulum and have made a scale for it. Mandala also producing higher frequencies.

<http://www.wasserklangbilder.de/index.html?html/experimente.html>

Connection between numbers and theosophical construction. Use colours in horoscope – that is how it started. Have developed and now have mandalas. Use first to diagnose and when I find out what is missing – people should use – especially around the thymus gland. My experience is people sigh very deeply – the body sighing – overwhelming.

GM: Relaxes the vagus nerve – completely in healing mode. Can calm the vagus nerve by doing 2 short inhales and then sigh. Thymus very interesting. Connecting to the nervous system and has a memory all of its own. Right above heart and below the throat.

Have made 4K mandala cards. Found 2 words that have same – cauliflower and broccoli.

I wanted to make a very big mandala and it took 2 days. I put it on the wall and the glass of the bulb in that room exploded. A lot of energy in it and it was ‘I am connected with the original source’. I put it down in the cellar ...

RB: Future topics: Numbers, geometry/symbols, Electromagnetic.

GM: How G used esoteric Christianity. Symbols. Angels and other beings and how they are connected to the Work. Connection to hydrogens and alchemical sources.

RB: Traditional Christian Angel hierarchy. Feeling that each corresponds to gradation of reason – correspondence in the Tales. Gradation of Reason?

RD: Esoteric Christianity – always talking about washing hands – oily hands – Pontius Pilate washes his hands. Barabbas – name was Jesus Barabbas and means ‘son of Rabbi’. Thought he was a murderer – he was a notorious prisoner. Symbol?

RB: Whole series of nature of Christian symbolism.

RD: Gornahoor Harharkh – B’s essence friend. Raven marked the grave of Abel before Kane walked in the land of Nod.

RB: Can go into in depth ... in The Tales – descends into planet Earth – sphere of personality. When he goes to Saturn – ascending to higher part of intellectual center. On Mars higher part of emotional center. We have these states. State at the end of the Tales – beatification of B – ascends to higher state still – from Karnak – not from a planet. Orage said that Karnak means body of the Soul in Armenian. Framework in the Tales. Almost finished visiting personality in the first book and second book – 6th visit. Runs into Bokharian Dervish.

Karnak – temple in Egypt and also in France.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carnac>

<https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karnak-Tempel>

James: Visited Karnak temple in Egypt – amazing place. Pillars with hieroglyphs on – close together. Started hearing voices and began to remember myself very strongly. Left that temple in a completely different state ...

PS: I get feelings from stone.

James: Maurice Nicoll says stone is symbol for truth. Water, stone and wine. The new Man is a good book.

RB: How many have read the Philocalia? Ouspensky stated that there is a lot of Work symbolism in it.

A detailed description of identification is found in the writing of Se Philotheos in the Philokalia, given here in the condensed form:

1. Prosbole (Impact) Impressions are falling on the mind which is still free.

2. Sunduasmos (Uniting) The attention is caught by a particular set of impressions as a sticky fly-paper catches a fly. If we are watching our attention, we can see this early stage and free ourselves; otherwise the rest is inevitable.

3. Sunousia (Merging: the word means sexual union') The attention has wholly merged with the object; the person has lost their identity and they have become something else.

4. Pathos (Passion: suffering, or sin, or evil) Once the third stage has been established, a person returns again and again to the object of their identification; the process has become habitual and unconscious, it is now an addiction.

GM: Would be a good study – to connect with The Work. Document of study - even in psychology.

James: Spoken about in New Model of the Universe.

RB: Ouspensky backing off from New Model of the Universe later on ... some of it I thought correct.

RB: [Will put list of topics at end of notes]

Numbers and Symbols

Electromagnetism

Philokalia

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US Session

Attendees: Robin, Paula, Robert P, Ronald, Sandra, Bobbie P, James O'D, Jeff, John A, Stephen F

RB: [Presentation: The Heavenly Host]

JA: Was the Prieure a monastery?

RB: Château du Prieuré des Basses Loges: This was indeed a monastery, but not all of Chateau de Prieure were monasteries. This Carmelite monastery from the 17th century is located in Avon, close to Fontainebleau. Today, only one building from the complex remains in use, dating back to the 11th century.

SW: Feels like a sacred moment – coming to the end of the book together.

SF: Did this book succeed in destroying mercilessly ...? Been writing down the things that got

destroyed in me. Not a long list.

JA: Like to suggest he has implanted 12 bottles of Calvados in the reader and each one represents something.

RB: Maybe each one represents a disciple.

PS: But then what do the disciples represent.

RB: Was said they represent astrological types – 3 parts of 4 different substances: Earth, Water, Fire.

SW: Need to look back into MWRM where he discusses in more detail. Talked about allegorical, metaphorical and spiritual meaning of all those terms. I thought he just liked to drink ...

JA: Sufism. Idea of beehive. Monastery sucks in information about the universe for a time when able to be consumed.

Ronald: Always took Calvados – meaning of C influence – wisdom that was buried under lime, sand, hay ...

JA: In Meetings digging stuff out of the ground with a companion.

Calvados mentioned more than once.

Jeff: Made from apples ... tree of knowledge.

JA: Finishes writing this around 1927?

RB: Difficult to know ... 1930 Orage was publishing ... Beginning of MWRM flows on exactly from this ending here.

“Exactly a month has elapsed ...

GR: $3 \times 9 = 27$. Enneagram has 9 and have to go round 3 times to get everything.

SW: Thought I heard enneagram requires 3 octaves.

RB: 3 octaves for a cosmos.

Ronald: First time I had a sense that the slaves and master section asking for leadership – cultural or in the Work – to be readily accepted by others as exemplars. I think Plato had philosopher kings – quality will single them out and others will follow. Manifestation of people in correct stream could have an influence on others ...

SW: A lot of people talk a lot about streams and don't understand them. Not sure which one I want to be in.

PS: Don't want to go down and turn into steam.

SW: Get confused about the good and bad place. Not everybody can be in smooth flowing stream and on the way to the Work and build kesdjan body. Mention here that back in olden days only one stream. Divided up when coming of age.

PS: All in same stream until maturity.

GR: Fourth way is in life. Might be in right stream but use all the people around to learn from.

RB: Distinction between one river and two river – change occurs when development of man moves from Fulasnitamnian to Itoklanoz – in time of Atlantis. Tikliamish does depict coming of age of man. If you run the parallel of various activities of Beelzebub and human being –

Tikliamish is age of responsibility. Itoklanoz principle is taken over. Dividing of the ways and those going down into the Earth are destroyed completely and characterised as turning into steam – steam can be used, but nothing of them left.

SF: Math that Gary pointed out – if there are 27 bottles of Calvados – 9×3 . 9 points on enneagram and each point requires conjunction of 2 forces, so if he has consumed 12 bottles – 4 points – left at Fa. 5 more points each of which requires 3 bottles, is 15 bottles. Left us at a gap at the end of this book. Left with nothing but questions and a gap that I don't know how to cross.

RB: I like that. Position of man number 4 at Fa. At Sol position of man number 5. Giving you information you require in 2nd series ... first series has to have done its job ... cast aside all ... in life, but not of it.

PS: I like that a lot.

Ronald: In 3 octaves only 5 points – 2 of the Do's are shared. Affirming force ... how play out?

JA: Yezidi circle in Meetings. Read the last line – left with a lot of questions. Way I see it he is re-entering trance induced with the Tales and doing with vignettes in Meetings. That story – plain as day – beginning of trance and end – Perspectives: Enneagramatic Nature of Tales. Won't find mathematical challenges in that chapter – just that you can find enneagrams all through G's writing.

RB: Not a shock. G master of law of 7, 3 and could apply it. If he was going to put a structure on the book would see an enneagram. Long paragraphs with digressions – almost certainly can apply the enneagram.

Perspectives on Beelzebub's Tales, Keith Bussell.

JA: G set a trap with the 9 Chapters of Meetings – unwary will assume has to do with 9 of enneagram.

SW: Why a trap?

JA: Enneagram of type and more characters than 9.

RB: Final chapter was originally 2nd. Prince Nijeradze was never published. Over-simplistic to assign things in that way.

SW: If you look at ending of B's Tales – last 2 paras seems anticlimactic. P36 good ending. My next writings are going to be for these people, and these people ...

SF: What this does in terms of setting up for second series, when thinking about how did this destroy my beliefs – moment of panic when I realised have been studying 50 yrs – have gained knowledge ... degree of which transformed so far. In his meetings book – count to 15 and back several times ... I take a walk every morning and mostly what I do is a very pleasant walk and asked myself why not counting when going on my walk. What is my mind doing? Daydreaming. What is real work about? Have to read MWRM – that is where is going to tell me what I need to do now. Whole new orientation – never thought to distil into practical work principles that I can do. Relied on so many derivative sources of people who were with him ... how going to turn this into hows?

RB: Error to try to view one's change brought about in the Work by measuring time or by surveying what you think you have achieved. Movements – doesn't enter your intellect of what you have learned. Reading The Tales – what is it doing to you? You don't know whether your 50 years is accelerated growth. I was given information at the beginning of the Work. One of

them: time is a factor. The way we are going to measure time in normal approach, as if is to do with the world we experience in normal life – is not connected. Other things that were said worth remembering – strong positive evokes a strong negative. If you get big and strong – what you will have to struggle with will be big and strong. I think the idea you are proposing for yourself is good. Progress in the Work isn't a meaningful statement. Progress would be crystallisation. Any idea at all how far away you are from crystallising? Evidence that it couldn't happen?

A number of things in The Tales that should horrify us. P15 – the way you think is wrong and you need to be able to think. Most people make their morning coffee automatically. One of the things that would change everybody's existence would be to meet incoming situations with the active force of the intellect instead of passive force of formatory apparatus – only when it makes sense. Situation when able to adopt that posture ... Active force necessary in order for self-remembering to happen. Have to receive the impressions and see the denying forces they invoke and then you have a battle on your hands.

SW: Real life battle. P1235/6. Becoming masters vs slaves. Idea of denying force and active force. Walking in park today with my dog - someone on his bicycle coming towards me. Every time he goes past he says 'get a leash' and I say 'no' ... today: 'stop and talk' – 'no'. Active and passive and impression and I know as it says here towards bottom of p1236 - acquires in himself that something which of itself constrains all those about him to bow before him and with reverence carry out his orders.

Impression – I'm observing it – trying to see in terms of the Work and don't have a resolution.

RB: Conscious dog owners don't need a leash. My dog is under total control. Also – don't start explaining.

RB: Have you encountered the idea of not minding?

SW: Was working on that – big time.

SW: Raconteur ... perspicacity?

BP: Person who tells anecdotes ... person with ready insights/shrewdness.

RB: Have you noticed that jokes come round again. New generation that haven't heard them ... tell their parents and their parents yawn.

SW: Why the Germans?

JOD: Orthodox Christians on about Germans – Hegel – not same before that.

RB: His German/Greek thing. Whole philosophy we were given at school from Aristotle ... Germans.

We have attitudes but do not know the impact of the attitudes because they are invisible. You were told a certain thing was good or bad and have adopted. Automatises your behaviour. No idea where you got a lot of these things from – invisible and remove the ones that are useless.

BP: I was about 4 and someone said to me what are you smiling about and I wasn't smiling – thought this was a smile and didn't know that it wasn't.

JOD: Philosophy of history ... history is a sequence of facts and only last 100 years thought of that way. Not always thought of in that way. Causality wasn't considered. Hegel introduced ... don't know much about Hegel.

RB: Causality is one of those things we have to change our attitude about.

Every race – a lot of mixtures of people, so not clear – has racial mythology about why we are the best. That mythology will have been created by somebody – why Americans are better ... British, French, Germans – what Hitler managed to do was inspire German pride in Germany which had collapsed after 1st WW. Painting entirely fictional picture ... The French haven't got over Napoleon ...

SW: A fly becomes an elephant and an elephant becomes a fly.

RB: Makes the point that this all happened because of American advertising. Led to deterioration of the mind of man. Had to sell all that canned fruit, meat. Advertising was the way to make money and never lost its momentum.

PS: Introduction of technology. People don't know how to think.

RB: Begins with fourth estate. Thinking began elsewhere but Americans doing it. Journalists would establish the truth – fourth estate – would run in fear of the press. In MWRM story in America about the journalist falsely representing Chicago slaughterhouses ... fourth estate is corrupt from the get go. Financial competition for people with opposing opinions to buy the most exposure into the associations of the common man. Coca Cola sales began to collapse and was the most advertised thing – cool adverts for drug that gives you diabetes. Pushed into rear guard action by someone who poured a can into a frying pan and boiled it up and everyone could see it became treacle.

BP: Advertising for prescription medication. An insult to everyone.

PS: We don't have that here – can't advertise prescription medication direct to people.

SF: Because this is an allegory – when speaking of external world – speaking of internal world. Tikliamishian civilisation – a time when species flowed along as one. Is the coming of age. Streams divide inside – meaning of masters and slaves later on. Talking about master within ourselves. We have to see that there are things that should be the master and things that should be slave – obey him because he is speaking the truth. Seems should have something to do with having real 'I'. Also talks about they will obey him because they ... “devout acts towards those around him—that is to say, acts manifested by him according to the dictates of his pure Reason alone ...”

RB: Introduced the meeting with a description of all the different angels and I think they correspond to different gradations of reason. 9 gradations of Angels ...

Jeff: Topsy-turvy – following dictates of the slaves instead of the master.

SW: Proceeding from this and acting according to the wise saying of ancient times affirming that “in order to be in reality a just and good altruist it is inevitably required first of all to be an out and out egoist,”

Egoism/egotism? Straightforward as it looks?

RB: Have a phantom ego – think we have one I. That can be described as ego – belongs to formatory apparatus. Sense of I when we work on ourselves. “I am” – get a sense of 'I' – in order to be an altruist have to be an egoist first. Capable of making sacrifices. Put life or part of force into life of others. Corresponds with idea of loving thy neighbour.

SW: External considering too. Put someone ahead of oneself.

RB: Somebody in a very difficult situation – clearly descending. People living on the street also mentally subnormal. Would be good to go up and help one of them, but maybe you don't have the skill to do that. Becoming an altruist difficult. First you have to want to. In the Work want

to help others in the Work and probably could do that.

SW: Question of measurable altruism – more worthwhile or less and part of trogoautoegocratic process.

RB: Measurability is to do with lower centers.

SW: If you see it is having an affect keep doing it and if not cut it off.

RB: We shouldn't proceed without a reasonable degree of certainty. If we have seen the interacting of three forces in a way that helps another person out, don't need to measure the results. The Centurion and Christ – say it will be done and it will be done. Because of an understanding an individual had of a process around Christ – may have been the law of three.

Like the fact that a number of billionaires became philanthropists. Think Jonathan Swift said that when men turn to virtue in their old age only make a gift to God of the devil's leavings.

SW: So many millionaires don't share anything with anyone.

Hasnamuss?

RB: Add that to the list of topics. Question of whether have at some point committed a dreadful sin and that puts in situation of hasnamuss. G describes in such a way ... can't point finger at Hitler or Stalin and say 'he was one'.

Topics:

SW: Dogs, two rivers.

RB: Fulasnitamnian and Itoklanoz.

BP: Degrees of reason.

PS: Various descents.

RB: Keith B – enneagram with 6 descents on it – WiP. Have to see them in terms of work on oneself and evolution of individual.

GR: Want to appreciate what has happened – joined at 42 and appreciate G mentioning 'it is not too late'.

RB: Dividing line between those who will be destroyed forever and those who won't. If attracted to the Work indicates will have a body kesdjan that will recur in an attempt to perfect themselves.

Death topic for next Oskiano: Going to do through bardos and look at Tibetan Book of the Dead.

Topics for future meetings:

- Numbers and Symbols
- Electromagnetism
- Philocalia
- Hasnamuss
- Dogs
- Two Rivers / Fulasnitamnian and Itoklanoz

- Degrees of Reason
- Descents in The Tales