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Science

The Emerging Vision of Science - Ervin Laszlo - State of the World Forum, San Francisco 5-9 November 1997 (13 pp). Position paper prepared for the Network Round tables, which summarizes recent developments in physics, biology and consciousness studies.

Consciousness (Ki) and New Science - Shiuji Inomata Ph.D, President JPI (15 pp). Presents the authors view of the significance of consciousness in the new scientific world-view, which he sees as animistic and non-relativistic as opposed to mechanistic and relativistic. He takes consciousness as the starting point for his new view, making a triangle with a mass of energy.

Four Dimensional Time - 'Modelling in Eternity: The Paradox of Time - Otto van Nieuwenhuijze (9 pp). Presents a 4D model of time as a way of overcoming the limitations of processes of understanding extending beyond our habitual time-frame. Argues that the limitations in models must be explicitly understood, that time is not invariant, but a relativistic process of interactions and that 4D time awareness is necessary to understand many 'unscientific phenomena'.

Practical Application for the Negative Time Hypothesis - Alexander V. Frolov (3 pp). Reports on the work of Dr A.A. Nassikas and Tom Bearden to suggest the basis for new technologies in energy production.

Medicine/Health

Contributions to Syntergic Theory: An Intuitive Diagnosis Study - Enrique U. Ortiz Davila, BSc., MD, (MA) (53 pp). Reports the development and results of a simple quantitative and qualitative experiment on intuitive diagnosis, where intuitive diagnosticians are tested for accuracy with respect to the conditions of dead and live corn-seeds. The few variables involved make this a good subject for basic research. In relation to controls, intuitive diagnosticians achieved a highly significant level of accuracy.

Report on Vaccination Conference: The Facts and the Propaganda - Arranged by What Doctors Don't Tell You (WDDTY), London, 14 May 1997 - Doris Jones (12 pp). A detailed report of the proceedings at this conference. Suggests that three basic questions should be asked of each and every vaccine. 1. How necessary is it and how prevalent and dangerous is the disease? 2. How effective is the vaccine? 3. How safe is the vaccine and what are its known side effects?

The Dangers of Fluoride - Report on the Press Conference, House of Commons, 18 June 1997 (4 pp). A good summary of the proceedings.

Reiki: Esoteric Therapy or Quantum Interaction? - Luca Barberis, Cattedra di Cardiochirurgia, Univeristà di Genova - Presented at: 3rd European Colloquim on Ethnopharmacology, 1st International Conference on Anthropology and History of Health and Disease 29 May - 2 June 1996 (8 pp). Discusses the evidence that 'energy healing techniques' can influence a variety of biological systems, and even inanimate matter, arguing that biological organisms are quantum detection devices. Well referenced.

Philosophy/Religion

Science, Epistemological Pluralism and the Search for an Inclusive Cosmology: A Working Draft - David Fideler - Alexandria: A Journal of Cosmology, Philosophy, Myth and Culture - ILS Conference on Science and Culture, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky, April 2-4 1998 (32 pp). A wide ranging discussion on the origins of reductionism, the boundaries of science and the development of 'monolithic imagination'. Develops the idea of comparative cosmology or epistemological pluralism quoting Kenneth Boulding to the effect that 'the image not only makes the society, society continually remakes the image. The final part uses Goethe and Skolimowski to develop a participatory epistemology and an integrated worldview.

The Natural Breath: Towards Further Dialogue between Western Somatic and Eastern Mystical Approaches to the Body Awareness of Breathing - Dr. Neil Douglas-Klotz - A paper presented at the American Academy of Religion 23 November 1997 in the Mysticism Group's Panel on 'Embodied Mysticism' (9 pp). Proposes a functional dialogue between various models of breathing practice by approaching breathing experiments in an integrated fashion, which involves proprioceptive awareness, emotional feeling and conscious movement with awareness of surroundings.

A New Typology of Religion Based on Needs and Values - Journal of Beliefs and Values, Vol. 18, No. 2, 1997 - Elizabeth Puttick (13 pp). Proposes a new typology of religious experience, placing needs and values at the forefront of human psychology. Argues that these needs and values are key factors in determining why people join a new religious movement and which movement they chose.

Realization, Enlightenment and The Life of Rapture (4 pp) and Meditation, Nous and Creativity - A.E.I. Falconar (5 pp). Two papers exploring the nature of realization and the damage done to creativity by views of reality conveyed in school education. The second paper indicates some features of non-verbal thinking.

There is No Separation between The Creator and The Creation - Dr Teri O'Brien (2 pp). Suggest that Unconditional Love is the powerhouse of the Universe and that the Creator permits its products to co-create the Creator's future as an expression of this love. Begins from a statement by Sai Baba that 'there is no good, there is no evil: just the light side and the dark side of God'.

Kundalini: Is It Real? - Mary Scott (10 pp). Text of the winning entry for the 1989 Robert Ashby prize discusses the origins of Kundalini Yoga in tantric Hinduism before moving on to its manifestations in nature and human experience. Suggests that the tantric model of the Universe could be useful both in integrating parapsychology into science and in allowing

scientific and religious ideas to be utilized together in explaining human experience over its full range.

Psychology

Panpsychism, The Conscious Brain and Exo-Biology Awareness - Emmanuel Ransford (23 pp). A thorough exposition of the authors' panpsychic approach based on the psychomatter hypothesis. Tackles issues such as the binding problem, the nature of conscious recall, parallel versus serial processing and the 'upshot problem', whereby the content of consciousness appears to result from neural computations rather than the computations themselves.

Modern Physics and Symbols of the Self - Herbert van Erkelens (8 pp). This paper explores the symbolism of the Self as it appears in relativity theory and quantum physics. As appears from a fascinating dream by Wolfgang Pauli, the unconscious criticizes physicists for having 'objectified' these symbols. Individuation starts when one realizes what the symbols of the Self mean inwardly to the soul.

Communications - Electrical Transmission and Transfer of Information - Peter Welsford (4 pp). Proposes that thoughts are electrical impulses surrounded by and electromagnetic field of energy which permits movement through it at superluminal speeds. Suggests that the force propelling and ejecting thoughts is based on a tensor equation, for which the mathematical equation is given.

Coincidence or Synchronicity? - Peter Welsford (2 pp). Paper from the December consciousness group meeting which sets out the parameters of synchronicity and the elements required for a good hypothesis about it.

Psychology of the Observer - Amrit S. Sorli (8 pp) and The Science of The Subject - Amrit S. Sorli (7 pp). These papers discuss the nature of the subject and the observer, proposing that consciousness is the unified field of the Universe. The process beginning with external observation moves onto inner understanding and finally realization as well as detachment from ones thoughts and feelings. This enables people to understand the nature of our basic mental filters that create a scientific understanding of reality.

Dimensions and Polarities - Waltraud Wagner (5 pp). Paper from the 1997 AGM discussing the meaning of 'dimension' and 'polarity'. Suggests that patterns within patterns give rise to higher dimensions that may appear contradictory in the light of lower dimensions as in wave/particle mind/matter and chance/ necessity. It turns out that such contradictions are in fact polarities that disappear at higher levels of understanding.

General

The Creative Voice - Maxwell Steer (10 pp). A fascinating discussion of artistic inspiration and expression which digs below the surface to suggest that people who strive to be heard drown their own voice and that only those who have no need to speak have something lasting to say. The author also suggests that balance is impossible until both sound and silence pursue equal importance. Themes include the life and death of Ronnie Scott, the Vedanta, art and psychosis, language and thought-forms.

Dowsing: a technique for finding and measuring some field effects that are initiated by our sub-conscious minds?- Dudley H. Wheeler (3 pp). Begins from the work of Vincent Reddish

and develops a theory of dowsing as well as various experiments that can be done and reported back to the author. Results can be posted on the Website - see also dowsing list server and article by Anne Miller in this issue.

The Earth Dwellers Guide to Sustainability - (5 pp). Consciousness and Sustainability - Steve Charter (19 pp). Two papers engagingly writing about the nature of sustainability and development, tracing the ecological crisis to consciousness and values. Sets the debate within the context of the evolution of consciousness drawing on the work of Fritjof Capra, Arthur Koestler and a little-known researcher Tony Wright, who argues that something has gone seriously wrong with the evolution of the human nervous system.

Embracing the New Story - Desmond Berghofer (8 pp). A lyrical reflection on the new scientific story about the universe and human consciousness which situates us at a critical turning point in which we are invited to embrace the concept of limitless cosmic intelligence. Suggests that we can now understand ourselves and the universe as expressions of 'divine thinking'. It is incumbent on each of us to make our best contribution to the unfolding story.

Of Change The Meaning - Mario Molinari (55 pp). A collection of poems and stories organized in ten episodes that express the author's concern about the state of the world and our impact on it. Questionnaires after each episode make the process an interactive one and help foster a climate of change and invite the reader to reflect on the implications of their own patterns of thinking and consumption.