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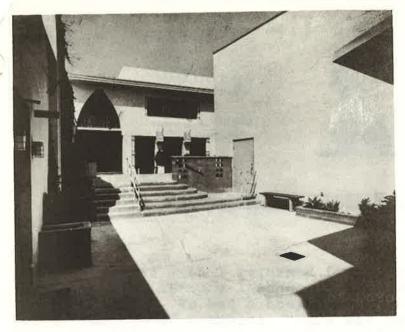
Dear Friend:

On October 19th I returned from Denver, Colorado, where I gave a series of five lecture lessons on the subject "Exploring Dimensions of Consciousness." We had a busy time, which included an address to the Denver Chamber of Commerce. This was later broadcast over radio station KOA. In addition, there were two radio interviews, one lasting an hour and a half -- more or less an endurance contest -- and an appearance on television. On the two Sunday mornings, I was invited to fill the pulpits of prominent local churches. One of these talks was broadcast on station KOA on October 29th.

While in Denver, also, we had an important contribution to the library of the Society in the form of a unique collection of books and journals dealing with Korean culture, archeology, art and religion. These were secured by the donor while stationed in Korea in an official capacity. Korea has been called the "hermit" nation, and its contributions to the progress and betterment of mankind have been overshadowed by its powerful neighbors, China and Japan. This gift, numbering over one hundred items, strengthens a section which is weak in nearly all reference libraries.

The annual P.R.S. Open House, hosted by the Friends Committee, made October 28th and 29th outstanding days at headquarters. Everyone enjoyed the diversified program of activities and events, and many thrifty Christmas buyers took advantage of the attractive gifts and cards offered for sale. One group of imported note cards were special favorites. Among these were Indian miniatures of the 16th to 18th century, beautifully colored — eight different cards in an attractive box; also, Persian illuminations from manuscripts of the 15th century — ten to a box, five different; Japanese paintings, colorful and gay, with flowers and Oriental figures, taken from masterpieces of the 17th and 18th centuries — ten in a box, two of each design. We can fill mail orders for these cards — \$1.10 a box, postpaid. These artistic note cards make letter—writing a pleasure, and a box is a lovely and useful small gift.

The accompanying photograph shows the patio and library of the Society to considerable advantage. Shrubbery is developing nicely, and visitors are most favorably impressed by the simple dignity of the architectural design. Through the generosity of the Birthday Club of the P.R.S. Friends Committee, our patio has been enhanced by the addition of six sturdy redwood benches with ornamental concrete supports. One bench is clearly visible just right of center in the picture, and the others



are scattered about conveniently. This outdoor seating provides an inviting place for philosophical discussions and those wishing to partake of the refreshments often provided after Sunday morning lectures by the Coffee Committee. The Birthday Club has also placed a fine bench at our corner bus stop. It is painted green, and displays, in dignified lettering, the name of our Society. We are most grateful to the workers and donors of the Birthday Club for these contributions to the pleasure and convenience of our friends and visitors.

As this is the last Contributors' Bulletin for 1961, we want to take this occasion to convey to all our friends Christmas greetings and the very best of good wishes for the New Year. As another busy year draws to a close, we are deeply mindful of the blessed opportunities to work together and grow together under the pressure of existing world conditions. In the sacred Christmas season, we experience the quietude of a religious mood, and our hearts are consecrated once again to the beautiful message of peace on earth and good will toward men.

We are especially grateful, also, for the kindness of our many friends who have helped so substantially in the carrying on of the work to which the P.R.S. is dedicated. We are united in our hopes and aspirations and in our sincere desire to advance the causes of universal brotherhood and universal enlightenment. Much has been accomplished because of your faithful cooperation, and our prayers of thanksgiving include you all.

May the brightness of the Christmas spirit and the Christmas season shine upon you and yours, not only during the coming year, but into the most distant future.

Always sincerely and respectfully yours,

Manly P. Halls

News Note: Mr. Hall's lecture of October 29th on THE HOROSCOPE OF RUSSIA will be made available as a special mimeographed publication, to be ready December 15th, or sooner if possible. \$1.15 a copy.