

Survival evidence recognised 6 weeks after its recording

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RONALD HEARN'S remarkable ability to record pre-cognitive Survival evidence was successfully demonstrated again last week. The recipients — mostly last-minute attendants at the Spiritualist Association of Great Britain — testified to between 95 and 100 per cent accuracy.

The six "blind" messages were taped in his home on September 7 at 3 pm. A witness sealed and signed the tape. Hearn delivered it to secretary Tom Johanson. It was placed in a safe and opened at last week's meeting.

The results were astonishing. Analysing the report I was intrigued by several aspects. The medium had accurately indicated where recipients would sit in the hall.

Details given by Hearn (six weeks earlier) applied to conditions at that time and later developments. Yet most recipients were there apparently by accident — or was it design?

Apart from names and personal descriptions, immediately recognised, many "trivial" details proved Survival.

The first concerned a cucumber! Unfortunately this recipient was "lost" after the meeting, so I cannot quote her name and address. But she testified to Hearn's "wonderful evidence, 95 per cent accurate."

She was identified in the correct row and seat in the hall. After his "perfect description" of her "dead" father, the medium had said he laughingly held up a cucumber "Is this a

family joke?" Hearn had asked. "Did he ever try to grow them?"

The daughter said he was a keen gardener. He tried to grow cucumbers. The result was "the tiniest one imaginable." He never grew them again!

She recognised an Australian link. Her husband is a "Down-Under" citizen.

Mr and Mrs Cleveley of Kensington, SW London, were finally placed. No one was in the seat Hearn had described. The Cleveleys, a few rows in front, said they had "made for" the back row mentioned, but unexpectedly joined a friend further forward.

They had visited the SAGB on the offchance, and thought the notice of Hearn's meeting referred to a lecture.

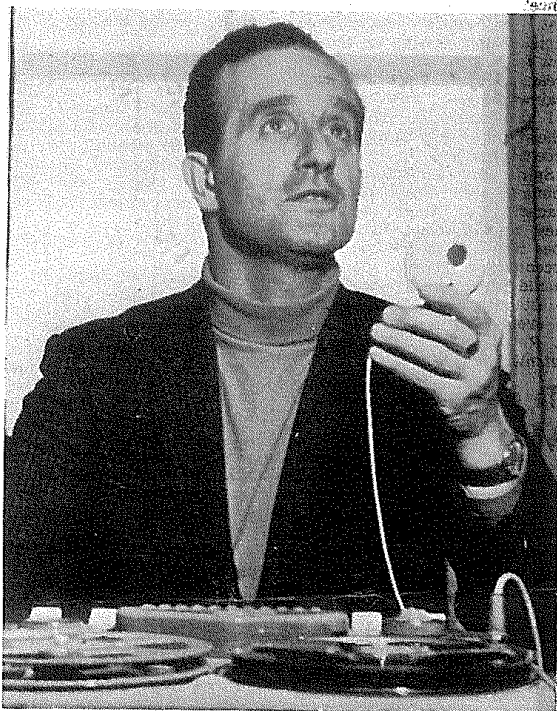
Many intimate spirit-relayed domestic details were immediately recognised by them. The medium's mention of draught exclusion concerned a family

joke. This was the father's habit of going round the house blocking up draught areas.

Hearn had asked if they knew of a recent Morris car accident

in which a man died of head injuries. At first they said they knew of two car fatalities. Later they confirmed a male

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Ronald Hearn shown recording spirit messages for sitters who were not present.

Ronald Hearn

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friend had died in a Morris with head injuries!

The next message was for a Mrs Carter, "or someone who knew her." In the right chair was Mr Carter, of Penn Close, Chorleywood, Herts. He recognised most of the taped message. Hearn asked if the rest applied to his wife, if he had one!

Mrs Carter, a sceptic, had refused to accompany her husband to the meeting. He asked for a copy of the tape to see if she recognised his unaccepted facts.

Reason for knitting

Hearn's taped comment caused laughter. "Do you have a lot of trouble with knitting?" she had asked. "You make a lot of things."

The medium admitted to me he felt embarrassed for the male recipient. Originally he thought he would be addressing a woman.

Carter explained: "A few years ago I bought my wife a knitting machine. She never used it. So I did all the family knitting!"

Hearn's fourth message concerned two women. Again this was a curious case of changed places. The medium asked for a woman in the front right-hand row nearest the wall.

This was Mrs Conway of Portland Place, W London, who recognised some details. But it was a 100 per cent accurate message for her friend, Mrs Jones, sitting next to her. They had changed places before the meeting began!

The name Nell, on her mother's side, was given, and reference to a recent cremation. Mrs Jones' mother is Nell, who died recently. This was her first spirit communication.

Mrs Jones said she was persuaded by Mrs Conway, against her wishes, because she still grieved for her mother, to attend this meeting.

Elimination does it

For another Mrs Jones, Mary, of Much Hadham, Herts., it was a significant date — her mother's birthday.

This time Hearn did not "place" the recipient. He had asked for someone whose mother had recently died. Three hands were raised. Two were eliminated on dates. The message, with a wealth of detail, was finally accepted as accurate by Mary Jones.

When the chairman invited questions, one woman asked when audience members had decided to attend. Did it coincide with the September 7 recording, the meeting announcement, or a last-minute decision?

Most recipients, it was found, arrived unexpectedly, or had decided to attend that week.

It takes courage for a medium to sit in front of a tape-recorder, without even an object to psychometrize, and, weeks in advance, relay his psychic impressions for unknown persons and name the exact seats they will occupy.

Despite Hearn's confidence in his guides, he admitted he has acute "first-night" nerves when he sits on the platform facing an audience, listening to his pre-recorded voice.

His trust is rewarded by the results, which "astonish" him more than anyone.

SURVEYOR PRAISES TAPED SEANCES FOR 'OUTSTANDING ACCURACY'

A BUILDING surveyor and seasoned Spiritualist tells of two "amazing" tape-recorded proxy sittings with medium Ronald Hearn. The many unusual, accurate details communicated make the Survival evidence outstanding.

The absent sitters were William Grain and his wife Eileen of Newton Poppleford, Sidmouth, Devon. Grain sends 30 sheets of paper in telling the full story.

The final section of this mini-manuscript details messages given during the first sitting in 1973. His comments appear in the next column. Finally there appear "understood later" observations.

Grain, who received the second tape earlier this year, reports Hearn's "outstanding accuracy. There was hardly anything which was not either immediately understood or, in the first tape, came to pass."

Says Grain, a Spiritualist for 45 years: "I have a critical approach to any problem, with strict attention to the last detail. I do not rush into material or psychic ventures unless the pattern makes sense.

"I feel that Hearn has an almost maximum score of hits. He knew nothing at all about our circumstances."

Grain, former president of Rickmansworth Christian Fel-

lowship Spiritualist Church, Herts, includes a copy of a "thank you" letter he sent to Hearn about "the amazing accuracy of your messages." He tells the medium:

"I was deeply overcome as first my grandfather and then my mother prompted you into saying those things which so accurately described the position, with those little bits of evidence which make it all absolutely acceptable."

Hearn gave details about one communicator, a "strong personality," whom he described.

Comments Grain, "A correct description in every way of my maternal grandfather."

His name was rightly given as William. Also mentioned was his brother George.

The medium said of the father that he "had a very pronounced walk with long strides and feet turned out. He was difficult at times." Correct again, says Grain.

Communicators, to prove their spirit presence, described the Grains' home. They commented — and they were accurate — on windows, the kitchen sink and garden.

Returning to Grain's father, Hearn added two unusual and evidential points. He "saw" the father doing something to his teeth and "an oddness about one

of his left-hand fingers.

"Correct," says Grain again. "My father was always picking his teeth, a rather annoying habit. He lost the tip of one finger in a machinery accident."

Hearn, "taken" on another tour of the Grains' home, singled out a faulty back door and ceiling.

Grain confirms these statements. "The door and lock had to be adjusted. There was a minor bulge in one ceiling." Two years later "a different ceiling fell down without warning."

Next came details about Grain's "dead" mother. Hearn rightly said she had "a pleasant personality, but had a lot to put up with and suffered quite an illness before passing."

The medium saw her "touching her nose as though there is something wrong or unusual about it."

"All correct," says Grain. "Her nose was rather larger than is usual. It was inherited from her father — and passed on to me."

Hearn asked his absent sitters, "Have you discovered the ghost in the house yet?" Grain supplies the answer. Eileen's father, who lives with them, has seen a woman's spirit form in the home.

The sitting included other relations' spirit returns. Aunt Annie and Uncle John (husband

and wife) wanted to be remembered. So did Eileen's grandmother.

Hearn accurately described her as "a bustling here, there and everywhere person." Then came her husband.

The medium said he had "a warm sense of humour, sparkling eyes and a good head of hair." Says Grain, "All correct." Two aunts, Alice and Mary, along with Uncle Charlie, also returned to Eileen.

For Grain the sitting brought reunion with a friend from his Rickmansworth church days. Mrs Matthews, said Hearn, was present.

"She was the 'dead' widow of our original president," says Grain. "Both were very active in it for many years." He succeeded Matthews as president.

In notes on this sitting Grain says it "represents an extremely high proportion of accurate items. In asking for the tape, nothing was made known to

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