

world. As a consequence, the method to be used in the study of the probable paranormal aspects of magic should not be experimental, because the experimental method is based on assumptions opposite those supporting magic phenomena. The best method for this kind of research could be that of the human sciences, which also can be applied to the study of paranormality, which should be considered as a cultural phenomenon. - DA

01922. Di Simone, Giorgio. In memory of Jacopo Comin. *Luce e Ombra*, 1984 (Jul/Sep), 84(3), 231-232.

Giorgio di Simone, who was a very good friend of Jacopo Comin, recalls in this short but touching note the death of Comin, his interest in parapsychology, and his deep conviction of the reality of survival. - DA

01923. Ravaldini, Silvio. Jacopo Comin, a champion of the spirit. *Luce e Ombra*, 1984 (Jul/Sep), 84(3), 233-257. 75 refs

This article is dedicated to the memory of Jacopo Comin, the Italian scholar who died in 1973. He was a great and enthusiastic supporter of the spiritistic hypothesis and of the reality of survival. His work, consisting of articles, book reviews, and lectures, have been many: the author cites the writings about direct voice, the history of parapsychology, and the important review of the book of Susy Smith, *The Enigma of Out-of-Body Travel*. Comin was a very good propagator of a difficult subject and did not like the description of phenomena by means of numbers and statistics. He considered facts as occasions to practice speculative thought, with prudence and objectivity, without easy enthusiasms, and always looking for truth. The article ends with the description of a seance held by the Centro Italiano di Parapsicologia di Naples. A bibliography of Comin's work is appended. - DA

01924. Sbacchi, Vincenzo di. An analysis of Cicerone's work, "De Divinatione," in the light of current psychological research. *Luce e Ombra*, 1984 (Jul/Sep), 84(3), 258-264. 12 refs

The author analyzes the work, *De Divinatione*, by M.T. Cicerone, which shows the method used by the Roman orator in misevaluation of divination, and emphasizes his critical ability to judge mysterious events. Some of these are reported in the article and evaluated according to the methods of modern psychical research. - DA/R.A.W.

01925. Garzia, Pierangelo. Servadio in his 80th year. *Luce e Ombra*, 1984 (Jul/Sep), 84(3), 265-267.

On August 14th Emilio Servadio became 80 years old. He was born in Genova, but he went to Rome, where he still lives, in 1946. From 1938 to 1945 he lived in India, where he worked as a psychoanalyst. His interest in the problem of human personality, from the psychological and parapsychological points of view, was very precocious. When he was 13 years old, he read *The Great Initiated* (1899) by Edward Schure, which impressed him very much. Referring to psi phenomena, Schure says in the introduction of his book: "Modern science has made very little steps in this field." For the young Servadio, this was an exalting challenge, and still today he is working on it. - DA

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01926. Mengoli, Ettore, Occhipinti, Luigi, and Inardi, Massimo. Considerations concerning the 25th anniversary of A.I.S.M. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 97-103, 111.

The President observes that Prof. W.H.C. Tenhaeff has accepted the honorary presidency of A.I.S.M. (Associazione Italiana Scientifica di Metapsichica), whose foreign connections are increasing. Some research is programmed for 1971. Mr. Occhipinti cites names and events. The President of the sister association, Centro Studi Parapsicologici di Bologna, has sent cordial greetings. - DA

01927. Nestler, V. In memory of Mrs. E.J. Garrett. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 104-111. 1 illus; 15 refs

The author illustrates three aspects of the late Mrs. Garrett: the medium, the researcher, and the founder of the Parapsychology Foundation, and underlines her ample contribution to the development of psi studies everywhere. - DA

01928. Di Simone, Giorgio. Sitting with Gustavo Adolfo Rol. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 112-118. 43 refs

The author draws some conclusions based on a single sitting with Rol: (1) The axis of the phenomena is identified as a force similar to that of one of those discarnate intelligences who take part in spiritualism; (2) an ideal harmonic structure has been achieved by Rol through years of trials and experiments. - DA

01929. Comin, Jacopo. Notes about reports and debate on G.A. Rol. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 119-122, 118.

The author declares that he considers mediumship as a charisma that compares well with divine grace. In his opinion this state has been fully reached in Rol's personality, especially when he performs experiments of high importance by rearranging decks of cards. - DA

01930. Assennato, Pericle. Physiology and parapsychological phenomena. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 123-125.

The author, after noting that the difference between parapsychological phenomena and normal phenomena is only a question of quantity, observes that present knowledge of human physiology is not yet in a position to give sufficient explanations of paranormal phenomena, but only more or less plausible hypotheses. Only by remarkable progress in physiology and neurophysiology can these fields make an important contribution to the study of the parapsychological phenomena. - DA

01931. Riccardi, Nicola. Mediumistic movement of tents. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 126-134. 6 refs

The author hypothesizes that in her dissociated state of trance Eusapia Palladino could make her unconscious mind produce, among other deeds, strong movements of tents. The medium's intentions and desires penetrated her mind with extraordinary strength, creating many impersonal entities molded in her own unconscious substance. Invisible, they executed the motions of the tents. - DA/R.A.W.

01932. Kuchynka, Karel. Yugoslav clairvoyant Mrs. C. Dolezal. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 135-142.

The author presents many extracts from the diary of a nonprofessional psychic, Mrs. C. Dolezal, for the years 1932 to 1937. There are accounts of spontaneous visions in the waking state, precognitive visions in the dreaming state, induced visions, telepathy, PK, and hauntings. - DA

01933. Zorab, George. Sittings with D.D. Home at Amsterdam. *Metapsichica Rivista Italiana di Parapsicologia*, 1970 (Jul/Dec), 25(3/4), 143-148.

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