Dr. Stone Influences- Western Teachers and Organizations

**Helena Blavatsky**
(1831-1891) A co-founder of the Theosophical Society, 1875.

**Manly P. Hall**
(1901-1990) Prolific author of books about esoteric topics

**Rudolf Steiner**
(1861-1925): Prolific author who established a German-speaking Theosophical Society, and created the Anthroposophical Society in 1913 when a split developed with Besant, especially over Krishnamurti.

Stone was the librarian for the Theosophical Society for about 30 years.

Stone joined and participated in meetings with these groups:

- **Sufism**
- **Rosicrucianism**
- **Freemasonry**

Madame Blavatsky with co-founder, journalist Henry Steel Olcott. Leadbetter and Judge were the other co-founders.
Dr. Stone Influences- Indian Yogis

Dr. Stone had a lifelong interest in the mystic traditions of the East; he is reputed to have said, “If a yogi ever comes to Chicago, I’ll be in the front row.” He attended the meetings of groups following all these teachers.

Vivekananda (1863-1902): First Indian yogi to visit USA, 1893; made a well-received presentation at “Parliament of the World’s Religions” in Chicago (where Stone later lived), and became a celebrity for an audience with little previous exposure to Vedanta. Only 39 when he died.

Swami Rama Tirtha (1873-1906): Second Indian yogi to visit USA, 1902. Only 33 when he died.

Krishnamurti (1895-1986): Groomed by Theosophists Besant and Leadbetter to be herald of their new order, a role he later renounced. Came to America in 1922.

Paramhansa Yogananda (1893-1952): Third Indian yogi to visit USA, in 1920. Author of Autobiography of a Yogi. His lineage may link with Sawan Singh’s, in an earlier generation.


Benoytosh Bhattacharyya (1897-1964) no photo has been found  
Author of Science of Tridosha and many other early English-language books such as "Buddhist Esotericism" (at left). Tridosha has survived, heavily annotated in Stone’s handwriting, from his library.
Dewanchand Varma, MD (ca. 1866-1950)
He brought India’s traditional understanding of energy anatomy to Europe as “Pranotherapy,” including emphasis on the importance of soft tissue as an energy conduction system. Pranotherapy later became a basis for today’s European Neuromuscular Therapy (NMT). Charts from his book are reproduced in Stone’s Polarity Therapy Vol. I Book 2, charts 14-16.

Other teachers mentioned in Dr. Stone’s biographies, for whom there are no known photos:
Anna Stone: Senior Nurse at Washburn’s Sanatorium in Elgin, IL, and maybe one of Stone’s medical school teachers. 20 years older than Stone, they were married for 10 years; she died of a heart attack in 1935, age 65.
Elsie Louise Norris & Thomas Norris, Dept. of Psychology, Univ. of Chicago.
Benjamin Paul Potter, DC, DO.

Edwin Babbitt, MD, (1828-1905)
Clairvoyant American medical doctor; described energy flow patterns as detected through direct perception

“The Psycho-Magnetic Curves” from Babbitt’s Principles of Light & Color (1878)

A. T. Still
(1828-1917)
Founder of Osteopathy

D. D. Palmer
(1823-1913)
Founder of Chiropractic

Both Still and Palmer were firm believers in the age-old western tradition of “Vitalism,” which holds that an invisible energy flow in the body sustains health.

M. B DeJarnette, DC
(1899-1992)
Chiropractor and founder of S.O.T. (Sacral-Occipital Technique)

Robert Fulford, DO
(1907-1998)
Osteopathic colleague & advocate of treatment for babies