

been closely examined by one of the inhabitants.

"On this point I closely questioned the doctor.

" 'There are several accepted levels of hypnosis,' he explained. 'These are generally termed light, medium and deep. In the first, the subject's unconscious can probably project false beliefs and his own ideas.

" 'But in the last — and Peter was in a very deep trance — nothing can be hidden and the truth will always be revealed.'

"The doctor explained that this had been proven all over the world as well as in his own experience.

" 'The lay public often term the result of hypnosis as a 'miracle' cure. Once deep-seated causes are revealed, immediate cures can follow for such conditions as asthma or allergies. Bad habits — such as smoking or drinking — may be quickly cleared up.

" 'I carried out this hypnotic session with Peter.

Nothing in my experience indicates any conclusion other than that he experienced the things he talks about.'

" 'Frances, on the other hand, had no deeper experiences than those she remembered consciously. Between Fort Victoria and Beit Bridge she was, in fact, unconscious.

" 'The strange landscape the car passed through on its journey was a simulated one. The car was not travelling on the road at all. It was 'somewhere else.'

"Before we throw this baby away with the bathwater, as many will be promptly inclined to do, it would be nice to have an alternative plausible explanation of the deep hypnosis sessions, vouched for by a qualified doctor. One might also ask why a very pleasant young couple like this would concoct such a yarn if it were not true, especially since they insist on remaining anonymous."

## THE FRIGHTENED CREATURE ON COUNTY ROAD W

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ONE night early in December 1974 William Bosak, a 69-year-old dairy farmer from rural Frederic, Wisconsin, was driving slowly home through patches of fog that dotted County Road W. The time was 10.30 p.m. and he was about six miles east of town when suddenly his headlights reflected off something in the westbound lane — something which Bosak would call "the strangest-looking thing I ever saw."

It was a disc-shaped UFO, the bottom half obscured by the fog, resting on the road. But he scarcely noticed that and later, when I interviewed him, he could not describe it in any significant detail. For what held his attention during the 10 seconds or so he watched it was the UFO's "curved front of glass," inside which stood a figure with its arms raised above its head.

The figure, illuminated by a bright light of no discernible source inside the tube-like front, seemed "just as scared as I was," the farmer recalled a month and a half later. Its eyes, which otherwise were normal in appearance, were protruding, betraying surprise or fright. Its bottom half, like that of the UFO which housed it, was hidden by the fog.

The being was generally human in shape. Its body however, was covered everywhere with a dark-tan fur except on the face and chin, which were bare. The hair or fur ran along the top and side of the head. It appeared to be combed or swept back. The head itself was somewhat "rectangular."

Bosak wondered if the fur were not part of a suit rather than the creature's skin but he saw no evidence of seams or buttons. Mulling the question over after the sighting, he concluded that the fur was part of the body.

The oddest feature of all was the ears, which

stretched out approximately three inches. They looked like nothing so much as calf's ears, Bosak thought. "The mouth and nose seemed quite flat," he told me, "but I couldn't remember real well. It was so foggy and I was pretty shook up.

"The first thing I thought of was, 'what in the world is that?' I was going to stop but I decided not to. They're so much more advanced than we are and I figured if I got out of the car I might end up dead on the side of the road. The next day people would just think I had died of a heart attack."

The thing's calf-like ears also made Bosak think of the mysterious cattle mutilations which have afflicted a number of states in the middle parts of America since the fall of 1973. Rumour, though not solid evidence, ties these to UFOs. Many of the animals, which have died under extremely perplexing circumstances, have had their ears removed. I am not, of course, implying any connection — but Bosak's was certainly a curious association.

The farmer abruptly accelerated past the object and its occupant. As he passed them, his car lights suddenly went dim and he heard a "soft whooshing sound." In the foggy darkness he lost sight of the UFO.

Terrified, he sped home. Once inside the house he looked through a window for a further view but could see nothing because of the fog. Half an hour later he saw another car pass the spot.

"I was so goldarned scared I was afraid to go out at night for a few days," Bosak said. "I'm over the shock now, but I was pretty shook up for a couple of weeks." When he returned to the spot several days later, he found nothing out of the ordinary.



The "frightened" creature" as it appeared to the witness. This drawing is based on the one which appeared in the *Pioneer Press* and which Bosak described as "basically accurate".

Bosak kept the story to himself and his wife for a month and a half before deciding to tell it to Dewey Berscheid, Wisconsin editor of the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*. The resulting article was published in the January 19, 1975, issue of that paper. The farmer explained, "I've decided to talk now so that anybody else who sees something like what I saw will maybe know what to do and maybe even try to communicate with it." He offered to take a lie detector test to prove his sincerity.

Accompanying the newspaper story is a sketch of the creature drawn by a *Pioneer Press* illustrator. Bosak described it as basically accurate when I talked with him on January 28th.

"I sure wish I would see it again," he remarked to me. "Now I wouldn't hesitate to stop." He added that since publication of the story other people in the area had approached him to confide their own recent UFO sightings. These turned out to be of the lights-in-the-sky variety. Apparently only Bosak had seen an object on the ground.

Talking with the witness, I was impressed with his friendliness and obvious sincerity. He clearly was puzzled by his experience and seemed almost relieved when I assured him that many other people have had encounters with UFOs and UFO beings. Prior to his

own sighting Bosak said he had laughed at "flying saucer" stories.

If anyone has seen anything precisely similar to the thing on County Road W, I am unaware of it. Nonetheless the creature does bear an at least first-cousin resemblance to the subhominid types which are appearing in increasing numbers in UFO cases.\* The differences are in the Frederic ufonaut's slighter build, its human-like eyes (as opposed to the glowing red eyes so frequently reported), its smooth face and its peculiar ears.

\* See Jerome Clark and Loren Coleman, "Anthropoids, Monsters and UFOs," *Flying Saucer Review*, Vol.19, No.1, January/February 1973; Berthold Eric Schwarz, "Berserk: A UFO-Creature Encounter," *FSR*, Vol.20, No.1; Jerome Clark, "Anthropoid and UFO in Indiana," *FSR*, Vol.20, No.3; also, Stan Gordon, "UFOs, in Relation to Creature Sightings in Pennsylvania," *MUFON 1974 UFO Symposium Proceedings* (Mutual UFO Network, 40 Christopher Court, Quincy, Illinois 62301, U.S.A.).

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