

speed, from south to north, at midday. He said: "They looked like pearls in the sea, and were right overhead, over the Control Tower. They were out of sight in a matter of seconds."

Another case described in the paper happened during the night of Tuesday, February 15, when Eduardo Russi, the Head of the Control Tower personnel, and Controller Jaime Olarte had separate sightings of a UFO which was over Bogotá for three hours.

Jaime Olarte was in the Control Tower and, using a powerful pair of binoculars, was carrying out a routine surveillance, through the window of the Control Room. "Suddenly I found myself absolutely glued to the glass of the window. An extremely bright object held me there, transfixed. I have no doubt whatever that it was a UFO. Its entire flight course was straight from west to east. I had no report of any airborne traffic at the time."

Eduardo Russi's sighting of the same object happened when he was on his way home to his house in the suburb of Normandia after paying a visit to friends. "I saw it as I was driving along the Eldorado motorway. When you work in aviation, you are always watching the sky." He said the UFO was in the direction of La Mesa. It was of a vivid brightness, and its size kept increasing and decreasing very rapidly.

Jaime Olarte was able to confirm this when they met next day, as he had had a clear view of the direction and fashion in which the object was travelling. This explains the apparent change in the size of the object which had been noted by the chief of the Control Tower.

Another Control Tower operator who has had many UFO sightings is Danilo Zambrano. He says that only last week he saw three in quick succession, and all in the same sector of the sky.

## COSMIC VOYEURS - 19th and 20th CENTURY STYLE

*John Brent Musgrave*

THE UFO experience is neither new nor unique.

Whether this experience is due to extraterrestrials, ultraterrestrials, the human psyche or what have you, it's been part of the human condition for some time. I've recently come across two episodes, one from the 19th century, and one which occurred not long ago, which appear at first glance to be variations on the same basic theme and which may give some clue to understanding one class of UFO sightings. Perhaps, as some believe, all occupants associated with UFOs are coming here from some equivalent of Zeta Reticulae. But it seems to me that what I refer to as the *cosmic voyeurs* are cases which seem least like physical visitors from nearby star systems, and most like ultraterrestrials, or at least involve an interplay of the human psyche. Typically, in this kind of experience a person awakes from sleep soon to discover a figure or form standing nearby either in the house or at the window. Quite frequently at about the same time a light or UFO is seen in the vicinity, either by the person being "observed" (or who is having something displayed), or by an independent witness.

Such an episode took place in a small farming community in central Alberta during the morning of August 8, 1961, and was collected by Bill Holt, Investigations Chairman for the Edmonton UFO Society. The principle witness was awakened from his sleep about 3.30 a.m. It was already approaching dawn, and he could clearly make out the two men who were standing near him, one at the foot, the other at the head of the bed. He struggled to get up but felt paralyzed and could only wonder at what was going on in front of him. Strangely, he felt

content and fearless as the two figures spoke to each other and then to him. The two men were small, 4 or 5 feet tall at the most, and were smartly dressed in a 2-piece suit of soft, dark-coloured cloth-like material with a belt around the middle. Each had a face helmet or glass bubble pushed back behind his head. The man at the head of the bed appeared older and had a receding hair line. Both were "beautifully proportioned." Neither walked, but floated through the air. Both figures spoke with the man for what seemed a minute, and intimated to him that they would come back and see him again. All at once, one of the visitors said to the other, "I think he's waking up on us, we'd better go." The two figures then just disappeared in front of the astonished man. As this happened a hissing, like air coming out of a pipe, could be heard.

As the two figures disappeared, the man no longer was frozen to the bed. He burst up, landed on the floor, got up and rushed out to the back of the house which faces south. He saw nothing out of the ordinary, and returned to find his wife awake. She too had been awakened by the two figures, and she too felt paralyzed as she could do nothing but look on at the cosmic visitors.

Unknown to both of them, a neighbour directly to the east was awake at the same time and looked out of his window and observed a bluish brilliant globe in front of their house. The globe appeared to be at least 25 feet in diameter, and slowly lifted off the ground and gradually accelerated to the north. Like the visitors, it just suddenly disappeared before it was even a quarter of a mile away.

The second case also involves a night visitor stand-

ing watch over people as they sleep. In reading over it I couldn't help wondering if the episode wouldn't have been perceived differently if it happened today, and yet be generated by the same source. Perhaps even the fact that in both episodes the clothing worn by the visitors was noted in detail is significant. This second case took place well before UFOs were on people's minds — or at least before things called UFOs were on their minds. There are many well documented records of airships across North America in 1896 and 1897. Not quite a decade earlier two young prospectors in California went through an experience reported in the Calgary (Alberta) *Tribune* of April 8, 1887 as follows:

### Mountain Mystery

"Parties returning from hunting trips to the mountains often tell strange tales of their experiences when miles away from human habitation, of conflicts with grizzly bears, mountain lions, etc., but by far the most weird story we have heard is told by two well-known young men of this place, who were on a prospecting tour, some time since, near Cobblestone Mountain, at the northern boundary of this country. The story they tell — and they are willing to take their oath on the truth of the statement — is as follows:

"One cold night they were simultaneously awakened about 2 o'clock by the noise of crackling brush that had been thrown on the fire. They arose to a sitting posture and saw the figure of an Indian woman standing by the fire. She was dressed in a robe of gayly coloured material that almost reached to her feet. A glistening necklace, evidently of gold and silver, enriched her neck and hanging pendant from this were a number of bear's claws. Her black hair reached below her waist. In her ears were large hoop earrings of gold.

"Upon seeing the form, one of the young men instinctively reached for his rifle by his side while the other started in amazement at seeing such a sight in the dead of night and thirty miles from any house. When the figure saw the motion made to

### Dapple Gray Lane (continued from page 21)

witness to the same case will either resist hypnosis altogether or prove to be a very poor trance subject. Is this a significant factor in the UFO phenomenon? Whatever the phenomenon may be, is it purposely revealing itself only so far, and no further?

In conclusion, this case seems to be a rational, real experience of two reasonable witnesses. We cannot at this time find fault with Hodges' decision to remain anonymous. He remains available for selected researchers to continue investigation into the case. His

### Landing near Burgos (continued from page 24)

carried on with their journey without paying too much heed to it, as their first thought was that it was simply the beginning of the dawn. However, talking it over they soon came to the conclusion that it could not be the dawn, since it was still far too early for that, and moreover the glow lay towards the West and not the East.

Reverting to the burnt "hollows" in the field, we

reach the rifle she motioned for them not to fire and moved down the trail, beckoning to them. Before disappearing from view she again beckoned to them, but they were too dumbfounded to follow.

"The next morning they followed the trail and after much difficulty traced the foot-prints to the base of a high cliff about a mile from their camp. The rest of the story is told to this effect. 'When I awoke' said one of the young men, 'I was horrified. I couldn't move to save my life. I was frozen with astonishment. The next morning we discussed the matter, and determined to investigate. So the next night we took our blankets and went to the base of the cliff. At about midnight, the same hour the figure appeared to us, we saw a bright phosphorescent light on the brow of the cliff, and I am sure we heard a voice calling Meeneeah! Meeneeah! several times. I never have believed in ghosts, but I would like to know what this was. If it was a woman how did she come there at that time thirty miles from civilization?'

"An old Indian tradition is to the effect that many, many years ago an Indian maiden — Meeneeah, the only daughter of a chief, was lost in this region and starved to death near the place called Squa Flat. It is said that different camping parties have seen the phosphorescent light spoken of in the vicinity where these young men were camped ... *Ventura (Cal.) Free Press.*"

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Episodes such as these two from the 19th and 20th centuries may not be unique. Quite likely most who experience them either explain them away as dreams or don't remember them consciously. In many cases it's only when an independent witness observed a light or UFO at the same time in the same location, that it enters the mind that there may be something substantial to the experience. These cosmic voyeurs may ultimately be from outer space or inner space. But, as the young man said almost a century ago, "This is the strangest experience I ever passed through."

main desire is to make sense of the experience, as it might aid the UFO field in general.

### Notes

- 4 Edited from a ninety-minute recording; complete transcript in MUFON and Druffel files.
- 5 Dr. McCall had stated that, strictly speaking, the entity sketched by Hodges did not look much like a human brain.

would add that these were distributed without any kind of order; They were two larger ones, 60 x 31 cm. and 1m x 31 cm. respectively. The rest were fairly regular, measuring from 21 x 21 cm to 17 x 30 cm.

Having put these further details on record, it only remains to us to await the verdict of the laboratory on the samples sent to them.



# MAIL BAG

## Concerning Winchester landing case

Dear Mr. Bowen,—I see from your current issue that you hope to have more details by next issue of F.S.R.

I can add the following: My god-mother who lives about 3 miles north of Winchester, saw, the same day, at about the same time "near the Sun" (so, to the NW of Winchester, I suppose) fairly low down, a bright "rectangular" (i.e. not round, but not sharp cornered) shape or object of light. It appeared at the bottom of a cloud, and was not a "sundog" she is sure, despite the fact that it had somewhat rainbow-coloured light in it. She felt it might be a reflection of something on the ground, or something actually in the cloud. Next day she hears of the landing on the TV news, phones the BBC. She is herself interviewed briefly the following day as one of the many people who saw "something" about that time.

Also, the lady in the other half of her house, personally knows the couple who were stopped on the road by the UFO and says there could be no doubt about their truthfulness or genuineness of the sighting as reported by them. They were badly shocked by it.

I hope these notes may help to confirm your fuller reports.

Yours sincerely,  
John Hitchens,  
The Old School, Byworth,  
Petworth, Sussex.  
January 17, 1977.

## Governmental questionnaire forms?

Dear Mr. Bowen,—I was interested in the item on the back cover of FSR Vol.22, No.5 — "Interesting report from the Isle of Wight". It was stated in the article that "special forms" from a certain centre in London were issued to the police.

Some time ago (approximately 6 months) I heard, on the BBC radio 1 *News Beat* programme, that a special centre for UFO reports had been set up in Whitehall. The department is called S.4.F. (F.S.4. would sound more appropriate!)

May I suggest it is this department that is supplying sighting report forms to the Home Office.

I wonder if other FSR readers have similar views on this point?

Yours sincerely,  
C. E. Edwards  
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March 21, 1977.

Correspondence is invited from our readers, but they are asked to keep their letters short. Unless letters give the sender's full name and address (not necessarily for publication) they cannot be considered. The Editor would like to remind correspondents that it is not always possible to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

## Psychic photography again?

Sir,—After viewing, last night with the best-known UFO investigator in the western world, a series of astounding films of pulsating UFOs — punctuated here and there with inexplicable flashes of intricate light-patterns that the photographer *did not see* and which are definitely not due to camera-motion — the thought occurred to me that the present-day world-wide increase in psychism could, possibly, be due to the fact that, since the relatively recent discoveries of radio and television, we have been increasingly under a bombardment of radio and TV waves, that might be responsible for activating some people's psychic areas. It would be interesting to ascertain later on, whether qualified researchers can develop this idea — a thought which, less than ten years ago, I would have dismissed as ludicrous.

P. M. H. Edwards, Ph.D.  
Victoria, B.C., Canada.  
March 25, 1977.

## Brazilian initials

Dear Sir,—In FSR Volume 22, No.4 (1976) you queried the meanings of initials of certain organizations in Brazil. I have just returned from Brazil and am therefore in a position to advise you.

ASPEG — Assuntos dos Servidores Públicos do Estado da Guanabara. (I think this is a form of trade union roughly equivalent to NALGO here, but probably of an 'official' nature);

DOPS — I'm afraid my Brazilian friends would laugh loudly at your inspired guess! This is the Social and Political Department of the Federal Police (Ordem Política e Social);

INPS — Instituto Nacional de Previdência Social, as you say, the state medical service.

Trusting this has been of assistance to you.

I remain,  
Yours faithfully,  
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February 23, 1977.

## "Machines photographed on the far side of the Moon?"

Dear Mr. Bowen,—At 8.20 a.m. this morning, as I drove into the car park at work, I heard an interview on B.B.C. between a Mr. Rex Dutta, who apparently run a newsheet or mag-

in America, I think, called "U.F.O." — although I must say, he did not sound like an American!

However, the gist of this interview was that Mr. Dutta is claiming that N.A.S.A. (the U.S. space agency) has photographs of the other side of the Moon and on the photos can be seen "machines" working in craters and on the surface!

He stated that he had himself seen copies, and that former President Ford was aware of them at the time and that he hoped President Carter would be authorising release of these photos in due course.

Mr. Dutta was most adamant about the existence of these revealing photos, and said that at the time the astronauts orbited the Moon, the message was sent to NASA "Father Christmas is real", and which he now says was obviously a code to confirm this find!

Furthermore, he went on to say that some time ago, an American Air Force base was closed down for 48 hours during which time, on a pre-arranged plan, a UFO landed there, presumably for a meeting!

When closely questioned by the interviewer, Mr. Dutta stuck to his statement about the photographs showing the machines, and the interviewer was plainly astounded.

I do not know if you are in possession of this information — no doubt someone else has reported to you, but I must say, it seems a serious charge to make against NASA — Mr. Dutta was really convinced — so surely someone must either deny this or dare we wonder — confirm! (or remain silent — which would imply that perhaps Dutta is on the right track?)

Anyway can I assume that you at FSR may be able to find out something about this? I would certainly say it was a serious allegation to make against NASA or the U.S. government.

Yours sincerely,  
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February 23, 1977.

## Moon "machinery" and a hole goes missing

Dear Mr. Bowen,—Thank you for your excellent coverage of the Winchester CE; a rather remarkable episode.

I write now to ask if you can please let us have more details of the item, shown last night on *Nationwide* (BBC 1), of Rex Dutta talking about