

positive-matter particles. (Undoubtedly, he wrote this before the latest findings of the "cell-like" structure.)

What emerges from all this is a picture of a dynamically-balanced Universe—a self-creating "something" with in-built equilibrium (again, a feature possessed by living matter)—more complex in its structure than previously imagined by many conventional scientists.

If indeed the Universe can be compared to living matter, or at least non-biological (as we understand the term) cell-like matter with some form of consciousness, perhaps we have the basis for the theory, long suspected by some advanced thinkers, that the Universe is permeated by a matrix of memories or controls or creative "being-ness" (or all of these and more).

Contributions from readers on this subject will be most welcome.

Postscript. Robert Forward is actually a consulting scientist specialising in exotic physical phenomena and advanced space propulsion. In January-February 1990, the *"Journal of Propulsion and Power"* published his article "Negative Matter Propulsion". Forward theorises that negative matter can be captured and used for high speed space travel; he argues that negative matter does not destroy positive matter, as anti-matter might, but that the two interact (by attraction and repulsion) in such a way that, if harnessed, they both travel along together at high speed.

MYSTERIOUS HOLES IN SWITZERLAND

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(Translation from German. G.C.)

We have received from FSR Consultant George Wingfield the German text of this article by Herr Walter A. Fuchs of Offenburg, Baden, Germany. It was published in 1990, seemingly, but does not bear the title of the journal in which it appeared, though from some hand-written words on one page it is clear that it was a publication concerned with parapsychology and astrology. — EDITOR

PARALLEL with the mysterious rings in the cornfields of England there are the holes of peculiar type and varying circumference which have appeared in four different parishes around Lake Geneva in Switzerland between 1972 and 1990.

List of the Holes in the Lake Geneva Region, with Sites and Dates:

1. ECHALLENS (VAUD). 1972

In June 1972 a farmer named Mertinat found, close beside his cowshed containing young calves, a circular hole 2 metres in diameter and 1.50 metres deep. Which means a volume of 4.7 cubic metres of soil.

2. OLLON. 1981

Near the holiday home of the airline pilot Claude Chapuis in the hamlet of Les Combes, which lies between Ollon and Villar, a circular hole 5 m. in diameter and 8 m. deep appeared during the night of December 5, 1981. *Volume: 157 cubic metres.*

3. BEGNINS (VAUD). 1982

Around about December 17, 1982, a hole with a diameter of 5.5 metres and a depth of 7.5 metres appeared on the tract of land known as La Peuyé, lying above Begnins and some 3 kms. to the north-west of Gland, owned by the farmer Roland Häfeli. *Volume: 178 cubic metres.* This hole was the subject of a report in the local press, and H.P. Schaffer made a photo-documentation on it.

4. CONFIGNON (GENEVA). 1990

During the night of February 3/4, 1990, in one of the outlying suburbs of Geneva, the largest hole found in Switzerland appeared. Its diameter was 10 metres and its depth 12 metres. *Volume: 942 cubic metres.*

The hole was exactly above a tunnel (lying 18 metres below) on the motorway ring-road around Geneva. H.P. Schaffer also made a photo-documentation on this case.

Just as has been happening in England, these holes have been coming into existence during the night, and nobody has been able to witness their arrival. But all these holes have had one factor in common — namely, they have displayed some unusual features.

Thus, they are *perfectly circular*, with a crater-edge of 90°, and in none of them has there been any trace whatever of the topsoil which would have had to remain on the floor of the hole had it been a

question of a normal case of soil-subsidence. This point has been mentioned by H.P. Schaffer and also by several local farmers whose sound powers of observation and good commonsense have enabled them to arrive at the justifiable conclusion that *the missing soil has vanished upwards.*

Following upon frantic attempts by the local newspapers to try, with the help of geologists, surveyors, and underground engineering experts, to offer some sort of rational explanation, H.P. Schaffer decided, working on the cases at Begnins and Confignon, to make a fresh attempt at an explanation.

Himself a UFO-investigator, Mr Schaffer got in touch with a friend of his, Engineer Hermann Ilg in Reutlingen, Germany, who possesses unusual mediumistic faculties, and asked Herr Ilg to ascertain, via his mediumistic channel, what the POWERS ABOVE had to say upon the matter.

So we now give below the highly informative message which was received, giving precise details concerning the *modus operandi* of the extraterrestrial creators of the holes, and indicating logically the presence of the same handwriting or "signature" as is responsible for the circles in the cornfields of England.

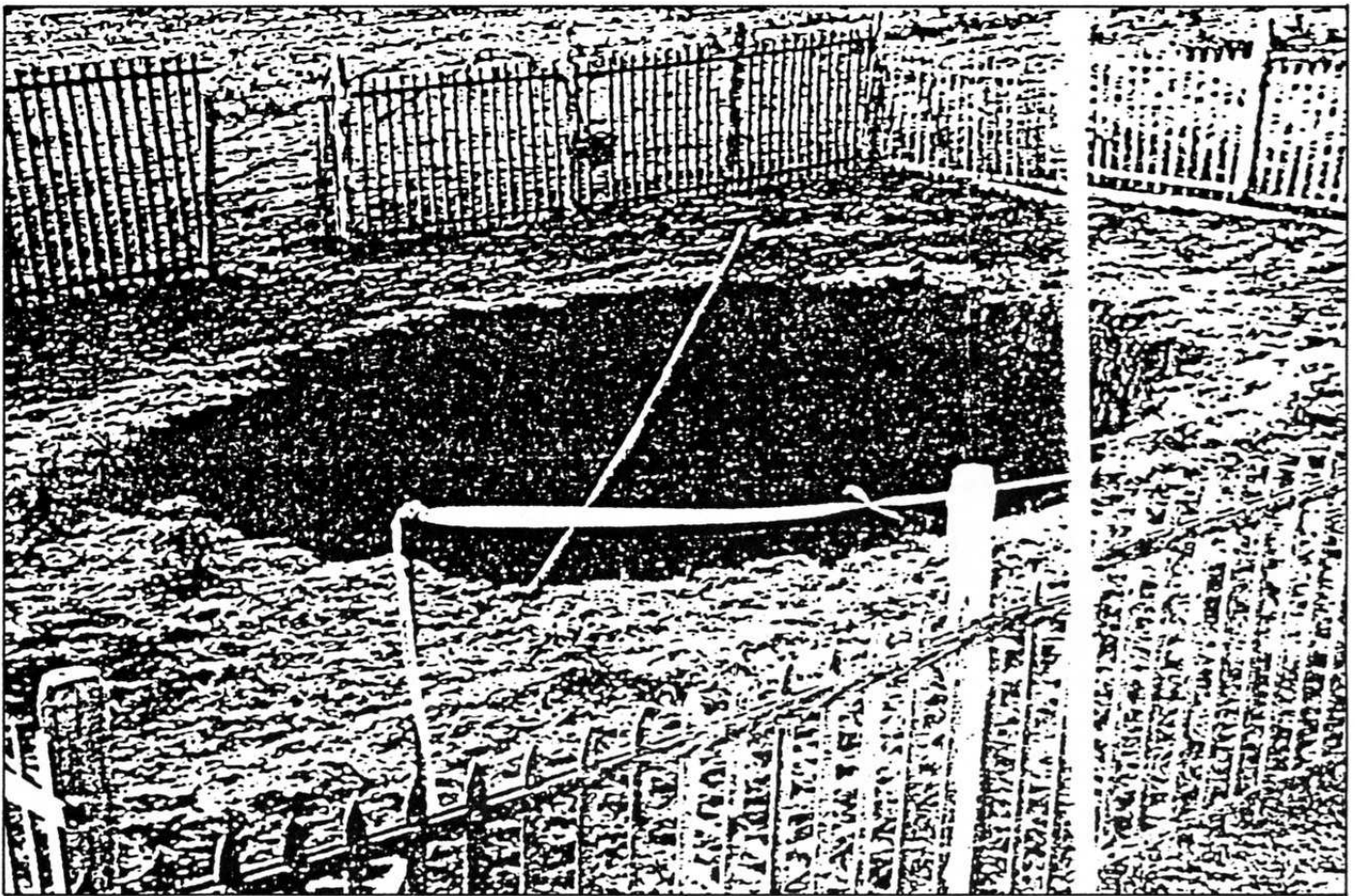
The Psychic Message Concerning the Hole at Begnins

Near Begnins, 3 kms. to the north-west of Gland, in Vaud, on a tract of agricultural land, a cylindrical hole 5.5 m. in diameter and 7.5 m. deep was found. The sides are edge — [About two lines of photostat lost or illegible. G.C.] for there is no visible trace of either vehicle-marks or of the excavated soil. The sudden appearance of the hole is inexplicable.

QUESTION: "Is there an extraterrestrial reason for this?"

REPLY (Received via mental telepathy): "The hole here referred to has indeed an extraterrestrial cause. For some time past your Brethren from the Stars have been continuously engaged in investigating the conditions of life on this Planet, with a view to determining to what extent a life-threatening pollution of the air, the water, and the soil, has started.

At the same time, measurements of the strength of the Earth's magnetic field are constantly being taken,



CONFIGNON, near Geneva. The largest of the Swiss mystery holes, 10 m. in diameter and 12 m. deep.

in order to determine to what extent an impairment of the stability of the Planet's rotation is to be feared.

Such an impairment can arise as a result of the unwise release of radioactivity. Meanwhile, the ever-increasing pollution of Mankind's immediate Biosphere has attained a degree which gives reason for grave concern. One of Nature's alarm-signals is the so-called "death of the forests", which is an indirect consequence of the increasing concentration of life-threatening waste-gases in the atmosphere. Since the soil, as the source of nourishment for vegetation, is also being affected more and more, you will increasingly have to struggle against diseases whose causative organisms are brought to you via the nose and the mouth. You can protect yourselves against this only by strengthening your bodily resistance and by eating, insofar as is possible, only biologically grown foods. Protect yourselves also by a positive mental attitude, for all negativity of thought weakens the functioning of the body.

In these circumstances, it is not surprising that your Brethren from the Stars, who for thousands of years past have been concerned for a healthy higher development of this backward Humanity, should also be interested in the state of your basic nutrition.

For this reason, your Brethren from the Stars are taking large quantities of research material from the Earth's soil, in various places on the Planet, in order to test it, as the case might be, for either health-promotional or for disease-promotional components.

The method in which these tests are being carried out is as follows:—

A fairly small transport craft, specially converted for this purpose, comes down over the designated site (without however touching the surface of the ground) and with an [about one line of text lost on photostat. G.C.] energy beam it cuts the desired cylindrical area out of the soil. The vibratory frequency of etheric energy is attained through condensation and potentiation of the ether. As a result, an energy beam of the

very highest potency is produced, which is able to disintegrate matter and convert it back into free energy.

This force can be controlled and directed down to any desired depth and at any angle, and the resulting cylinder-shaped probe-core is then easily taken up by means of the anti-gravitational force into the craft hovering above.

The anti-gravity force is also employed to hold the core of topsoil together so cohesively that not a morsel of it falls to the ground.

Regard this operation then as a token of assistance, even though it be of an unusual nature, for from it your Brethren among the Stars will be able to draw the necessary conclusions that will enable them to take the requisite measures after the evacuation in the Space-Craft which are ready to receive you".

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(See also undermentioned articles by H. Ilg:—)

"Is an Extraterrestrial Humanity concerned on our behalf?"

"Thinking Along Cosmic Lines".

PHOTOGRAPHS by H. SCHAFFER.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF THE SWISS HOLES

Area	Year	Date	Diameter	Depth	Volume
Echallens	1972	June	2m.	1.5m.	4.7m. ³
Ollon	1981	5/12	5m.	8m.	157m. ³
Begnins	1982	17/12	5.5m.	7.5m.	178m. ³
Confignon	1990	4/2	10m.	12m.	942m. ³

The holes arose overnight. No witnesses. The holes are perfectly round circles. The angle of the edge of the crater is 90°.

"THE NIGHT AN ALIEN CAME TO MY HOUSE": THE FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCES OF TWO SOUTH AUSTRALIAN FARMERS

FSR reader John Clamp of Nottingham has recently sent us (and we thank him!) the clipping of an extensive press report which his daughter, resident in Australia, found in a copy of the weekend paper SUNDAY MAIL, published in Adelaide, South Australia. (The precise date of the paper is not yet established, but it was for one of the Sundays in June 1988.)

Mr Bronte Lloyd, a 52-year-old cattle farmer at Spalding, north of Adelaide, was reported to be about to submit to sessions of hypnosis in the hope of unravelling the mystery of what had happened to him during two strange encounters, in June of that year, with "alien beings from an unidentified flying object", and how he had received the mysterious dark brown scars on his face which now will not go away. He says he does not worry about the many sceptics and critics who are so eager to debunk his "close encounters", and far more concerned about re-living and hopefully understanding the weird events that he experienced during those two nights.

Mr Lloyd's remote farm lies off a dirt-track 20 kms. north of Spalding. He was in bed, in his bedroom, when the first happening took place. As the laconic, easy-going farmer attempts to describe it, "I was lying in bed. It was as though Time and Space were suddenly suspended: I was suddenly aware of pitch blackness, total blackness, and freezing cold. I couldn't move, and thought I was having a heart attack. Then I felt myself floating upwards, and felt something being pushed against either side of my cheeks. I battled against whatever it was that was pinning me down, and tried to reach for the light-switch, and to brush away the pressure against my cheeks. I knew 'something' was close by me, and that it was moving backwards and forwards just out of my reach".

Seated in his lounge with the journalist, the plain man who has lived all his days on the land battled to find words, and to come to grips with the "time out" in his life. He explained that he could cope with such things as drought and floods, but could not fathom that first night's experience which had left him, next morning, staring aghast into the bathroom mirror *at the pin-pricks on either cheek*.

However, what was to happen three weeks later was far more alarming — the night that had him terrified. For Mr Lloyd believes that, whatever it had been, now came back.

It was approaching night-fall, and he and his son were ploughing — when a bright red light appeared in the sky and then skimmed down to hover by some trees.

Says Mr Lloyd: "I am familiar with aircraft lights. This was nothing like that. It hovered, and then flew away".

Bronte Lloyd and his son went their separate ways, and it was soon after Mr Lloyd had gone back into his house that the "Visitor" came calling.

"The first thing was that the dogs went berserk. I had never seen them acting that way. They jumped into the air, and then covered. I looked out, and there was something there, near the trees."

"Family was afraid to come home"

Fifty metres from Bronte Lloyd's back-door is a grove of 12 trees. Beneath them was a shining craft, 4 metres in diameter.

As the dogs continued to howl, Bronte Lloyd crept closer. He was now aware that he was looking at a 'flying saucer'. "It was round, a shining aluminium colour, with struts on the ground."

He fled back into the house and scrambled for a torch. He found one, but it was flat. He tried to find batteries for it . . .

His family, meanwhile, was at a nearby property. "I called them" he explained (presumably by telephone). "But they were scared to come home. I slumped into a lounge chair."

The next thing that the terrified farmer was aware of was . . . *footsteps*. "I won't forget them", he said. "They were short, close together, and sounded like someone walking in or on plastic. I sat in the chair staring at the door, and wouldn't open it. I was scared stiff."

Mr Lloyd was aware that by now the being or entity had entered the house because one of the room lights now flicked on. Pulling open the door, he saw a "blur" in the passage-way, and then, from his front door, he saw his dogs surrounding and barking at something near the trees.

"The next thing I remember is lying in bed. My family were around me, and I had been in a deep sleep."

A report was made to the Police, and the area around the Lloyd family home was searched. The Police report said that a "landing spot" had been found under the trees. Rain had fallen during the night of the visitation, and there was no mistake about the fact that a large object had disturbed the ground beneath the clump of eucalyptus trees.

Bronte Lloyd "locked away the experience". Within his head there still remains the secret of his encounter with what he claims was an alien force that may have used him as a guinea-pig. On each side of his face there is now a large brown patch. They are beneath the skin, and when one of them shrinks the other may spread.

So, how will the events of the Lloyd homestead be revealed? Bronte Lloyd says: "We have discussed hypnosis. It seems to be the answer. I have never been under hypnosis before. What will come out is anyone's guess. I feel the only mistake I made the night the thing landed was in not calling the Police. You realize after these things that you should or could have reacted differently. But fright* confuses you. There is more to this whole thing. I want to find out what really happened. I *must!*"**

Another case reported

The same issue of the Adelaide *Sunday Mail* reports a second case that happened in the same region, at a place called Clare, about an hour's drive from Bronte Lloyd's property.