THE "ALTERNATE REALITY" THEORY

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THE points set out below are not to be regarded as a matter of final understanding but rather as points of a working theory, suggested by certain trends in the available evidence.

1. The universe - framework wherein we reside is in fact only a portion of the totality of reality. True Reality in full perspective is made up of an unknown number of realities, each with their own scientific laws which may or may not coincide with the corresponding laws in other universe-frameworks.

2. These realities are quite separate in that they can exist in what appears to be the same point in space and/or time without overt influence of a visual, tactile or other

nature upon one another.

3. The separating factor between these realities may be partly of a physical nature, but also possibly of a partly psychological nature. This separating factor can be overcome and in fact is overcome, both in nature at certain coinciding points or reality warps, on a temporary or permanent basis, and through artificial means.

4. Artificial transition through this barrier may be effected through the utilisation of various forces of either mechanical and/or psychic

nature.

5. Such reality translations have in fact been effected on countless occasions between our own universe-framework and one or more other universe-frameworks.

6. While overt contact has not taken place within modern times, the inhabitants of one or more alternate realities have been in touch with human beings throughout the history of mankind.

7. Some of this contact has been for purposes generally friendly to mankind, while other contact has been for neutral or for directly

hostile purposes.

8. A purpose of the latter seems to be the domination of mankind through covert manipulation at times, and overt control at other times.

9. Contact is at present so integrally tied to mankind that it is ubiquitous. An unknown number of human beings are in a covert cooperative relationship with these

beings.

- 10. Of the forces malevolent to mankind, there is a subgroup which seems virtually purposeless in its action; a degenerate subgroup or a group from another alternate world than those described as being similar to humans. This subgroup seems to constitute the "little man" type as opposed to the more nearly humanoid.
- 11. One group of entities seems to be interested in combating the malevolent forces. These may in fact be wholly or partly a group of humans living in symbiotic relation with mankind as we know it. They may be the descendants of an ancient Earth civilisation, possibly destroyed by the outsiders.

12. Beings from other planets

BEYOND THE CONVENTIONAL HORIZON

That the conventional extraterrestrial hypothesis on the origin of UFOs does not seem to fill the bill has long been recognised by many of my friends and colleagues and by myself. For the best part of the last decade a handful of us have been looking beyond the conventional horizon and speculating on possibilities which, until the last two or three years, have always seemed too strange to publicise. While FLYING SAUCER RE-VIEW limited itself, up to 1966, mainly to the essays of Luis Schönherr on UFOs and the Fourth Dimension (four parts since 1963) we have taken note of the work of philosophers and others who have postulated the existence of other levels where life goes on unknown to the majority of human beings, and sensed perhaps by a few sensitives. Levels or undetected worlds within our Universe where, for example, molecular structure is perhaps so different that the entities and artifacts therein pass through our level without colliding with us and our artifacts. And we have wondered if they in their levels may be possessed of the means to pass through into our environment, and away again, at will.

It is obvious too that scientists are becoming aware-perhaps uneasily—that there may be these other levels, or parallel universes, where time, for example, runs in a different direction to our time. In my contribution Few and Far Between in THE HUMANOIDS, I drew attention to the fact that in 1966, in an article in the scientific journal Nature, an eminent physicist of London University had postulated the existence of a parallel world where time runs in the reverse direction to the time in our world—and he had a very good

reason for this idea.

An American correspondent of mine, Jerome Clark, had once referred to these hypothetical "levels" as alternate realities, and he was careful to add that he had not coined the name. The description appealed to me, and I was delighted, therefore, when I happened on Mr. Greenfield's article in his journal UFO Sighter (Vol. 7, No. 2)* in which he presented his alternate reality speculations.

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* UFO Sighter, 2875 Sequoyah Drive NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30327, U.S.A. as well as other realities may be involved in this struggle.

The theoretical possibilities of variation on these points are diverse. One variant of a historical revision could be as follows:

In legendary times a civilisation on Earth developed a high degree of technology, advancing into astronautics and beyond. This civilisation developed contacts throughout our universe and with alternate worlds.

Some of these contacts proved friendly, while others led to hostility. The Earth civilisation held its own for some time, but was eventually laid waste by its enemies and fell into ruin, plunging the Earth into a dark age. The remnants of this civilisation, however, aided by those outside forces of a friendly disposition, continued to hold some influence on the Earth and continued to exist as a diffuse group within the new civilisations that developed on Earth. These new civilisations were much inferior and constituted the civilisations of (in conventional history) ancient times. The remnant of the old civilisation now manifested itself in society in the form of "gods", "magicians" and "mystery cults".

In ancient times this remnant held enormous prestige. Its hope was to fend off mankind's enemies long enough for man to once again reach a high level of civilisation. The enemies of mankind were dedicated to enslavement and/or destruction. The Remnant's plan seems to have been working quite well with setbacks off and on until the first few centuries of the present era. At that time the antihumans made enormous gains and human civilisation fell into disarray. We recognise this era of antihuman success as the Dark Ages.

Around about 1400 A.D. the prohumans again began to get the upper hand. This situation continued down to around 1800 A.D. when, although human advancement continued, the prohuman hold again began to weaken. We stand at present at a point of high human development, but with increasing manifestation of the antihumans.

It is beyond the scope of this paper to deal with the details of evidence that could lead one to the above hypothetical reconstruction of history. However, the area to look in would be that of an expanded scope of human history, incorporating a non-mythic assessment of phenomena previously considered mythical, or considered from a

supernatural rather than a rational scientific standpoint, e.g. the serious consideration of "little men" myths of history as objective fact—albeit somewhat distorted—rather than superstition, or subjective psychological phenomena, in light of modern research, including possible association in modern times with the UFO phenomenon.

Such historical reconstructions may not give us a true picture of history, but they do present a more realistic set of alternatives than those offered by more conventional concepts of human development.

There is another point, too, that might be of help and, perhaps, it is the most startling point of all. In this listing it is:

13. That outside space, outside of time, there exists a malevolent force interested in manipulating human history to its own ends.

Or, by way of theoretical reconstruction, some time in the future mankind is destined to triumph, in spite of the fact that something—outside of time in the usual sense—has for aeons been attempting to manipulate things to form a different conclusion, while something else has been trying to counteract this manipulation. If this is true then we deal with something much more profound than "little green men from Mars".

CANADA'S UFO POLTERGEIST

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* [However, young Mallory was apparently present during most of these events, beginning on July 2. His father's stern action in locking up the tapes may suggest a family situation somewhat similar to that

found in the Seaford, Long Island, poltergeist case of several years ago. This aspect had not been adequately examined. This does not mean to imply that the Mallory boy wilfully and consciously produced the manifesta-

tions, but rather that his presence contributed to them. When his father forebade him to become further involved with the Coulthard family's problems, the manifestations ceased abruptly—EDITOR.]

Mrs. Graystone investigated this case for CAPRO (Canadian Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation) and some details were published in the *CAPRO Bulletin*, P.O. Box 1316, Winnipeg 1, Manitoba, Canada.

THE KEY WEST INCIDENT

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Our contributor, who lives at Big Coppitt Key, Key West, Florida, has requested that we withhold the witnesses' names. In spite of this we feel this unusual case could be an important one in the annals of the subject of UFOs. The names and addresses of the witnesses are on file with Flying Saucer Review.

THIS incident first came to light in the pages of the Key West Citizen, but I am afraid I do not have the date of the issue in which the story appeared. I went along to see the witnesses, and sent a report to Ramona Clark, editor of the Caper News, a small UFO newsletter, and the report duly appeared in the April 1969

I have re-jigged the story as published in Caper News so that events now appear in chronological order. The

account is as follows:

At about 11.15 p.m. on the night of Wednesday, January 1, 1969, the two witnesses, George, 18, and Jane, 16 (their names have been changed), were sitting in the front seat of George's station wagon, parked near his home in the rear area behind a Food Fair Supermarket. They were suddenly startled by a hollow, deep penetrating sound from topside, as though it came through a vast long tunnel. It was the type of sound connected with horror movies, they both said. This caused them both to look up and at the same time there came down a rain of what was apparently a concentrated hail, slow moving and small needlelike pieces, which hit the compact area of the windshield and front portion of the roof of the car. Then the awesome part of their experience began.

They both experienced a sense of sudden warmth and a sensation of complete weightlessness as they felt an uncontrollable force tug at their solar plexus and travel upwards through their chests and into their heads to the top of their craniums. They could not move. Tinglingwarm electric shudders and waves coursed throughout their whole bodies and an enormous sense of complete blankness came over them, as their eyes were guided upwards without any apparent volition of their own and riveted upon a brilliant silver-hued object way "out in space". They had by then lost all sense of volition. They each recalled that as they looked upwards they had the distinct feeling of penetrating millions of miles into the outer distance and the source of the silver light made it possible to look right through what appeared to be a dense cloud. They felt as though they were looking through a force field which made it possible for them to penetrate space with their power of vision. Their feelings were eerie, uncanny, but in no way harmful. They could not, or rather they had no desire to fight this force field and actually could not judge how long they were

riveted by its powerful force.

They recalled a tapering funnel like a stream of light issuing from the silver object to encompass the area of the car. During the suspended state they once more heard the hollow, deep tunnel-like, cryptic sound, and instantly the force field, ray and beam with its powerful effect upon them dissipated. They at once clasped hands, and felt a "deep freeze" chill like dry ice and the inability to let go, just as intensely cold objects will glue to the skin, and resist all efforts towards removal without tearing the skin. When this condition vanished they bolted out of the car. They looked all around and neither of them saw or heard anything.

In recalling the experience, George said that upon first noticing the deep hollow sound, he had attempted

to start the car and it refused to turn over.

An inspection of the stationwagon showed small pittings on the windshield and front portion of the roof

caused by the "hail".

Both George and Jane's hands showed the effects of their attempts to clasp and unclasp them. On George's right thumb tip and Jane's left thumb there were cuts which had bled.

In an interview with Jane's aunt sometime later, she said that the day after all this happened Jane was in an "out of this world state". It took some time to snap her out of the pale, concentrated trance-like state. It was as though the sensation of it had left her hypnotised.

Lieutenant Terry Jones of the Sheriff's department called to see if the objects George and Jane had recalled during questioning had been mentioned to me. Jane remembered four "greyish" objects on the roof of a