

of me telling my story. It was to be filmed at the Technical College on March 19, 1979.

My eyes were sore for about a week and I had to wear dark glasses. I have had to have some weeks away from work as I haven't felt well and the doctor advised me to have a rest. My jaws ached after staring with my mouth open with shock when I first saw the "beings."

I have never read books about UFOs. I only read the papers. I don't look at a lot of television, but like the *Crossroads* programmes and *Coronation Street*, and love stories.

Some people have made jokes about me, but people who know me believe me as they know I am truthful.

Some people have written to say that they think the visitors were elves or beings from the Fairy Kingdom, or even robots, but I don't know what to think. I know I shall never forget them if I live to be a hundred.

A few days later we tried the "tapes" that had been handled by the "beings." They were so distorted that

they were ruined. Before January the 4th they were quite normal.

#### Note

These are some of the people who will confirm that they went to the house and heard Mrs. Hingley's story:—

Oldbury Police.

West Bromwich Police.

UFO Studies Investigation Services. Phone: 021 427 6914.

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71, Wentworth Way,  
Harborne,  
Birmingham B32 2UX.

West Bromwich College of Technology,  
Woden Road South, West Bromwich, Birmingham.  
(Mr. R. Wilkinson, TV Production Course)

[The report has also been investigated by Martin Keatman on behalf of UFOIN — EDITOR]

## MAIL BAG

**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.**

### The "Black Monk" and other matters

Dear Mr. Bowen, — Allow me to express my deep gratitude to you for sending me your splendid journal. I enjoyed reading about recent UFO-cases happening in various parts of the world.

I should like to comment on the letter by A. B. Sidle published in FSR, 25/2 and concerning the observation of a flying humanoid by E. E. Loznaya (FSR, 24/4). Of course I have read the tale "Black Monk" by A. P. Chekhov but I do not believe the coincidence of the stories is very close. The "monk" had his face; the humanoid did not have one. It resembles some other similar observations (see, for example, FSR Special No. 4, p.53) which Mrs. Loznaya undoubtedly had not the possibility of getting acquainted with. Moreover after publishing this report in *Tekhnika-Molodyozhi*, 1976, No. 11, I have received several readers' letters containing similar information. I am planning to publish these reports in a future issue of "TM".

Incidentally I do not think there is (or was), in our country, a legend about the "black monk," for A. P. Chekhov had a dream about such a "monk" and later he used it for the tale.

Naturally the possibility of the fraud on the witness' part is not fully excluded — as in any report about humanoids, UFOs etc. However, when investigating this research field an investigator is

forced, to my mind, to share an important principle — "the principle of confidence." We may not trust or distrust the witnesses (for it is impossible to verify each report). Should we not assume that the report is a true one, and look where this assumption leads?

On the one hand, almost each separate UFO — or humanoid — sighting may be explained by an "unusual combination of usual causes." But the phenomenon as a whole? On the other hand, there is at present no hypothesis explaining the phenomenon more or less completely. Even the ET concept explains a separate sighting rather than the full complex of the sightings. From this point of view I note with interest the evolution of such an eminent ufologist as Dr. J. Vallée from *Anatomy of a Phenomenon* to *The Invisible College* (unfortunately I have not had the chance to read his two most recent books — *The Edge of Reality* and *Messengers of Deception*). The UFO-phenomenon may be "real" or "imaginative" but its influence on our civilisation is quite real.

When publishing the letter by Mrs. E. E. Loznaya in *Tekhnika-Molodyozhi* I had the intention only to demonstrate that there is in the UFO-phenomenon a sub-phenomenon: not flying objects in general, not flying saucers, but flying "men" or flying humanoids. The readers of FSR can also read about such observations in FSR, 19/2, p.29 and FSR

Case Histories, Suppl. 10, pp.14-16.

I am very glad of this opportunity to wish you personally, and your colleagues and readers a happy and successful 1980!

Sincerely yours,  
**Vladimir V. Rubstov,**  
Kharkov,  
USSR.  
20 December, 1979.

### The "Dapple Gray Lane" experience

(The following is an extract from a letter on unrelated matters).

Dear Mr. Bowen, — . . . Here is something that may prove of value, if nobody else has pointed it out yet. It concerns the story told by "John Hodges" as related in FSR Vol. 25, No. 3. I thought there was something familiar about the alleged truth about the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and indeed there is. The idea that air dropped bombs do not work and that those two cities were flattened by earthquake, the "atomic effects" (blinding flash and radio activity) being produced by the USAF, appears as the plot to a novel called *The Jesus Factor* (Mayflower paperback 1972). The latter, as far as I am aware, is complete fiction.

I do not intend to suggest that "John Hodges" fabricated his story; just that the required information exists elsewhere and that it may have been dredged up from an unconscious source by the

experience he underwent. However, if he did not read that book we have a very interesting situation, to say the least.

Yours sincerely,

**M. H. Martin,**

London SE9.

11 November, 1979

#### **That Michael Bentine let-down (one expects it from P. Moore)**

Dear Sir, — I'd like to say a few things about BBC T.V.'s *Sky at Night* programme. I didn't see this myself but several people in my department as work came up to me and said "Did you see the programme etc., it was such a farce." Even people who don't take a very serious interest in the UFO subject felt that the attitude of Michael Bentine and Patrick Moore was childish and deliberately misleading. Perhaps other FSR readers have become used to the way the government and the media nearly always take the line that "... 2% of UFO sightings cannot be explained" — as if they can calm people into complacency by means of statistics — because I myself have come to expect this now. It's a pity that the general public are led to believe that Patrick Moore is an expert and it's an even greater pity that Moore has succumbed to selling himself to the Blankety-Blank entertainment world.

Still, if my co-workers, who aren't even very interested in UFOs, can see through him, and it makes them wonder if there's a cover-up, then perhaps this silly sort of mickey-take is going to do the opposite of what it was intended to do.

Yours faithfully,

**Denise Langman,**

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New Moston,

Manchester,

M10 0WS.

12 December, 1979.

#### **Dr. Condon was not entirely wrong**

Dear Mr. Bowen, — We all know that the Condon Report has been harshly criticized by ufologists ever since its publication in January 1969.

Virtually unknown, however, is the fact the late Dr. Edward U. Condon grasped the *paraphysical* (or *metaphysical*) nature of the UFO phenomenon, which takes ufology out of the realm of science and places it in that of philosophy. Hence his famous conclusion that enraged ufologists: "Further extensive study of UFOs probably cannot be justified in the expectation that science will be advanced thereby."

In fact, the overwhelming majority of scientists still refuse to deal with the UFO problem. But I don't blame them for this

negative attitude. After all, they are right in not wasting their precious time in ufological research (sterile for them). For *ufology is not within the province of science but that of philosophy, especially of metaphysics and ontology*. The well-known English science writer Arthur C. Clarke has also suggested that the answers to the UFO enigma are in the realm of *paraphysics*.

It is therefore up to the new generation of philosophers — clear-headed, objective and *free from all religious dogmas and taboos* — to tackle the UFO mystery. As a matter of fact, religious faith constitutes a major obstacle to the comprehension of the paraphysical phenomena.

Yours sincerely,

**Julian H. Kaneko,**

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CH-1208 Geneva,

Switzerland.

4 January, 1980.

#### **That UFO "missile"**

Dear Sir, — I am writing about the article "UFO 'missile' Scare" in Vol. 25, No. 1. According to the author, the witness said that she was driving at 3 a.m. when she noticed a "star" following her car. After 2-3 minutes this object, changing shape constantly, passed over the car and hit the ground with a thud, bounced and vanished. After stopping the car the witness said she could see another shape (apparently this was a UFO that had emitted the "missile"). She also felt a mild tingling sensation while the "missile" was overhead.

I believe that this case holds several factors of psychic phenomena. I will list them here: 1, The "missile" changed shape many times; 2, It was apparently travelling in a straight line for up to three minutes without gravity pulling it down until that period was up. This means that either the "missile" was not solid, it was emitted with a tremendous force to keep it in the air that long, or it was self-propelled; 3, After hitting the ground the "missile" vanished, which no physical object could do; 4, No markings were left on the ground — thus the "missile" could not have been solid, because the tremendous force (either from the UFO or the "missile" itself) needed to propel it for three minutes would have surely made it hit the ground with enough force to create a depression.

My opinion on this case is that the "missile" (and UFO) might be psychic phenomena, and the case needs further thought on that line.

Yours sincerely,

**Kevin R. Berry,**

48 Hope Street,

Shirley, Christchurch,

New Zealand.

6 November, 1979.

#### **Soft soap?**

Dear Sir, — In the 1979-80 number of "Pears Cyclopaedia" (No. 88) — see pp. L45, J21 ('Flying Saucers') — there appear such remarks on UFOs as would surely bear out the worst estimates that have been made of those official media in general stances regarding this question.

I quote from that of the L45 column:—  
"... It is now believed that when not hallucinations, meteorological or cosmic-ray balloons, they are nothing more than atmospheric phenomena like mirages or mock suns caused by unusual atmospheric conditions. Described by Dr. Menzel, astrophysics professor at Harvard University, 'as real as rainbows are real, and no more dangerous.' It has been suggested that the study of some of the people who report the sighting of UFOs would be more rewarding than the investigation of what they saw! . . ."

I quote very briefly now from J21 column:

"... As long as empty churches testify to the (if perhaps but temporary) loss of contact between citizens and orthodox religions then one can expect such offbeat ideas as the cults surrounding flying saucers, and the science-fiction-like cult of scientology to expand, flourish . . ."

Sirs, I am yours, etc.,

**Capt. G. A. Miles (Ret.),**

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Liss Forest,

Hants GU33 7DD.

22 January, 1980

[*Fortunately we have never needed to consult "Pears Cyclopaedia" (Pears being specialists in all kinds of soap) as an authority on UFO reports, and our views on cultist activities around the fringe of the subject have been stated clearly enough — EDITOR*]

#### **Illusions, or hallucinations?**

Dear Sir,—Hilary Evans (Vol. 25, No. 4) with his wonted perceptiveness and clarity of exposition has put his finger on the right spot in stressing Vieroudy's "paradoxical duality." UFOs are indeed "autonomous entities"; but are they also "illusions"? Personally, I should prefer to talk of "hallucinations" in this context, for the following reason.

Illusions are false perceptions of physical stimuli. They are exceedingly common in this subject (A. Hendry, *The UFO Handbook*, Doubleday 1979), though apparently not so in *Psychical Research* (*Proc. of the S.P.R.*, Vol. X, Part XXVI, p.100). They apply to the IFOs rather than to UFOs properly so called. To illustrate my point, when I impatiently wait for a no.16 bus in the Kilburn High Road, that "illusionary" and evasive object turns out to be a 616. I am consequently in error, and there the matter rests as far as bus-spotting is concerned. (Illusions of "flying objects"

are, it is true, psychologically more revealing.) A hallucinatory no. 16 bus is a different kettle of fish with which I can claim no personal acquaintance: it could be either an apparition or a UFO, depending on the observer's predilection or other psychological factors.

**M. Cassirer**

(Formerly Chairman,  
Physical Phenomena  
Committee, S.P.R.)

### Critics who speak from a background of ignorance

Dear Sir,—Having only now succeeded in getting round to reading Mr. D. Durand's letter "A Matter of Paranoia" (FSR Vol. 24, No. 4) I must confess that, like your correspondent, I am becoming more than a little irritated with the type of critic who suggests that "some scientists and researchers concerned with ufology are paranoid in their attitudes," when not infrequently that self-same critic would be utterly unable to distinguish an L.S.D. hallucination and a case of *folie à deux* psychosis.

The fact that I am able to refer to them myself is simply because I am in the process of reading a quite excellent book on the subject entitled *UFO Phenomena and the Behavioral Scientist*, edited by Dr. Richard F. Haines, and published by the Scarecrow Press Inc., Metuchen, New Jersey, U.S.A.

The relevancy of the "paranoid" accusation lies, I feel, in Chapter 6, in an article by Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz, in which he contends that "... the media have attributed UFO events to hallucinations, illusions and delusions. **But these statements were not made by psychiatrists.**" (My emphasis — R.J.P.)

In other words, if you wish to criticise, be very sure that you know all about the subject you are endeavouring to criticise.

Yours sincerely,

**R. Jones Pugh, M.R.C.V.S.,**

Parkland Place,  
St. Brides View,

Roch,

Haverfordwest,

Pembrokeshire.

March 7, 1980.

### Another cat flap analogy

Dear Mr. Bowen — In your review of the book *UFOs: a British Viewpoint*, you ask "Do some people have the special attributes needed to see UFOs?" And in my opinion, the answer, probably, is *yes*.

Consider our pet cat. Only once in several years has he shown any interest in the television set. The other night, baboons were shown sitting on a rock, howling. The noise awoke the cat, who jumped off the settee and, with tail wagging, slowly approached the TV. To my surprise he ignored the TV completely, sprang through the legs of the stand, and attacked the bookcase behind the set.

If our cat could express his thoughts to other cats, the conversations would be interesting. Other cats may have identified the source of the howling, but how to explain this to our cat? To describe a box with bright lights and moving figures would be both beyond the power of cats both to describe or to understand. A human seeing a UFO in any location, on the ground or in the air, has difficulty in describing what he or she has seen. So, many of the peculiar effects and experiences that have been recorded may come from our inability to comprehend what we actually do see. People may see the same type of UFOs, but their individual brains may interpret the object in a way peculiar to that particular person. Our cat would say the howling came from the bookcase, other cats would quote whatever their home had behind the TV, whilst perhaps a few, very few, would quote the brightly coloured box.

On the same theme, what do the goldfish in our garden pond make of my hand when it appears over the pond to drop food into it. My hand is beyond their comprehension, let alone the rest of my body.

I look forward to FSR very much.

Yours truly,

**J. Clamp**

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February 21, 1980.

### The Scully controversy

Dear Mr. Bowen,—I have just received and read the latest FSR, Vol. 25, No. 4, and found the articles by Mr. Stringfield and Mr. Creighton very interesting.

In the book *Flying Saucers Farewell* George Adamski wrote the following:

"In *Behind The Flying Saucers* Frank Scully mentioned that in the first crashed spacecraft examined by our scientists some twelve to fifteen years ago, all measurements were found to be divisible by nine. Thus he gave the first clue to Cosmic mathematics used in construction of the spacecraft.

"Although one of the first books written on this subject of spacecraft, and bitterly denied by the opposition who feared the acceptance of such facts even in those days, this book stands as one that has never been disproved. Of the hundreds of books written regarding space visitors and their ships, this remains one of the comparatively few authentic treatments of the subject."

That was 20 years ago, now in 1980 we have Mr. Stringfield and Mr. Creighton suggesting that the Scully exposure may have been contrived, and that there might now be a mad rush to get Scully's book. Well it is a pity that we didn't take more notice of Frank Scully's book in the

first place and also what George Adamski had to say about it.

Over the years there has been a lot of talk about cover-ups and official secrecy etc.

We have had the USAF cover-ups, the Condon whitewash, official de-bunking by various governmental bodies. May I suggest that soon we will become aware of another cover-up, and it will be known as the great NASA cover-up!

I agree with Mr. Stringfield, it will be a great shock for human-kind on this planet when the truth finally is out — even to most UFO researchers!

Sincerely,

**C. Poole,**

94 Kelbrook Court,

Offerton,

Stockport,

Cheshire, SK2 5NT.

February 21, 1980.

### Retrieval difficulties

Dear Sir,—I find "Retrievals of the Third Kind" (FSR Vol. 25, No. 4) an interesting article, but here are a few points to ponder:

**Abstract 1:** Did the USA get permission from the Mexican government to retrieve the UFO? If, yes, can this be checked with the Mexicans? Was the UFO cut-up or dismantled for transportation? In either case it must have taken considerable time, whereas the article indicates otherwise.

**Abstract 2:** Again, was the 50ft. diameter UFO cut-up to put on to *one* lorry?

The points I am trying to make are: (a) why cut-up an alien craft if you want to fly it? (Would they be able to put it together again?) (b) If it is dismantled (a process that must take a very long time considering it has not been done before) where do they start, what dangers are there from the power plant etc? Every part would have to be labelled and catalogued (do "they" use real nuts and bolts?).

Finally, these craft have been in the hangers for a long time and yet the USA appears not to have any new metals or power systems after nearly 30 years. I would have thought that no expense would have been spared to get a UFO into the air, or space.

Yours sincerely,

**John Ledner,**

50 Seymour Road,

Ringwood,

Hants.

March 5, 1980.

### What the "Retrievals" could mean — if true

Dear Sirs, — The "Retrievals" articles in FSR Vol. 25 No. 4 by Messrs Creighton and Stringfield are very intriguing, and if the subject matter were to prove factual, the implications would

be more far-reaching, and enormous, than most ufologists have so far supposed.

If the authorities have, as suggested, retrieved not merely pieces of UFO hardware, but complete UFOs along with dead crewmen (and possibly survivors of a UFO crash-landing?), then the whole UFO cover-up takes on far more sinister and alarming proportions. It means that for about 30 years the U.S. and probably other governments have been in full possession of all the facts and concrete evidence necessary to identify UFOs, but it also means contact must certainly have been made with these aliens (the retrieved craft presumably had some kind of communications system, some of which must have worked or been repairable). It also means scientists have had three decades to study the design and mechanics of the retrieved UFOs, and so the government agencies concerned must have developed a UFO-type propulsion system of their own years ago.

This would mean the whole NASA and Soviet space programmes must be seen as a complete fraud — a joint Soviet-American charade to hoodwink the public, and the truth would come pretty close to the allegations made in the TV play "Alternative 3" which was put on as a straight documentary a few years ago, then denounced as a hoax: government agencies must have been secretly in contact with and visiting civilisations on other planets for about 20-odd years. This would mean many of the UFOs seen in recent years would be of Earth-origin, and there must be some hideous secret conspiracy too terrible to reveal to the world at large.

Now I find all this extremely hard to believe, but I do not see how one can avoid these implications if we accept the "Retrievals" as factual. In view of this, and of the flimsy nature of the evidence, I feel we must be very cautious and realise that such retrieval reports may well be grossly exaggerated if not complete fabrications. That the various governments have pieces of charred, twisted metal from crashed UFOs I have no doubt, but that they have complete craft with occupants I find very hard to swallow. If they had, hard evidence would surely have come out by now. The financial incentive for some individual in the Military or Intelligence services to secretly photograph a saucer or dead crewman and sell the picture and story to the press would be irresistible. Unless, that is, those in charge of the conspiracy of silence are so completely powerful and so utterly ruthless that no-one can defy them and survive.

Yours faithfully,  
**A. J. Papard,**  
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February 18, 1980.

### More on Retrievals, and a note on Dyfed

Dear Sir, — I was interested to read "Retrievals of the Third Kind," as I am reading a book called *Wheels within Wheels and Points Beyond* by Willard L. Wannall. It is a fascinating book and in Chapter 9, entitled "Flying Saucers and Military Life" the author describes how he met a civilian employee of the Army. He had formerly held a position with the American Air Force, and had been present at the site in New Mexico where several Flying Saucers had crashed due to a magnetic fault in that area, which served to rob the craft of their means of magnetic propulsion. This civilian stated that efforts to break the objects into smaller parts were unsuccessful and it was necessary to transport them intact to a certain installation nearly 2000 miles distant! The bodies were taken to a special laboratory engaged in medical research.

After reading *The Uninvited* by Clive Harold I wrote to Mr. Coombes as I know the area. He kindly phoned me and although he and his family have moved from the farm, they still see the UFOs but are not frightened any more! I also enjoyed Peter Paget's *The Welsh Triangle*.

May I say how much I enjoy reading FSR.

Yours sincerely,  
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Berks SL6 8QN.  
February 18, 1980.

### Mysterious sizes at arm's length

Dear Mr. Bowen,—In a recent issue of FSR, a contributor made the following statement: "Apparent size was that of a ten pence piece at arm's length . . ." I recall in an earlier issue, another British writer described the apparent size of an object by comparing it with the size of another denomination of British coin. I also remember an American writer referring to a UFO's apparent size by stating that it looked to be as big as a nickel, a five-cent piece.

Now, I know how big a nickel is (21.2mm), but I wouldn't know a ten pence piece if one jumped up and bit me. The chances are that most British readers can say the same thing about any given type of American coin.

It would be helpful if contributors would keep in mind that FSR is an international journal, and that terms and comparisons which make perfect sense to them may be meaningless to readers in other countries.

Sincerely,  
**J. M. Buehring,**  
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Houston, Tex. 77024.  
March 11, 1980.

[Contributors take note! For the benefit of American and other overseas readers I will record that the approximate sizes (no way can I get down to 21.2mm!) are as follows: 10 pence — 28mm; 5p — 23mm; 2p — 26mm; 1p — 20mm; while the near useless ½p is 17mm — ED.]

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## People' Republic of China

### Basin-like object over Hupei and other reports

A report from Hong Kong, repeated in *The Sunday Standard*, Bombay, of September 23, 1979, quoted the *Kwong Ming* daily of (presumably) September 21 as follows:—

"A Peking newspaper has belatedly reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects over China, China's domestic news agency reports.

"The report, quoting yesterday's issue of *Kwong Ming* daily, said the first sighting was reported by a high school student over Hupei Province in Central China one evening in 1977.

"The report, seen in Hong Kong today, said the student reported the sighting to anthropologist Yuen Zhanxin who was working in the province.

"Mr. Yuen, according to the report, told the daily that the student and other witnesses described the object as a basin-size round object, beaming with yellow and white lights and moving slowly in a circular route. He said the witnesses said the object remained in view for about one minute.

"The report said sightings of UFO had also been reported 'collectively' by troops in Hopei province in north China and inner Mongolia.

"It did not mention the dates but described the object over Hopei as a 'moon-like ball surrounded by fog-like gases.'

"The report said the object 'spurting jets of gases rose high in the sky for a few seconds. It rose higher spurting jets of gases again and disappeared after a few seconds.' — AP."

[*Encouraging evidence that UFOs are also being reported in China — and corroboration, in a small way, of what a contact once conveyed to us, that the country was "running alive with them"* — EDITOR]

Credit: **Jal N. D. Tata** of Colaba, Bombay, India.

## Spain

### Madrid object

The following item is taken from the London national newspaper *Daily Telegraph* of November 29, 1979:—

"Hundreds of people in Madrid yesterday watched an unidentified flying object hovering high for several hours. Two late night radio shows devoted

almost their entire programmes to the mystery object.

"The Spanish Air Force has begun an investigation into the phenomenon. Earlier this month an experienced airline captain made an emergency landing at Valencia after his Caravelle was followed by two UFOs."

(The story of the *Caravelle* appeared in the last issue of FSR.)

Credit: **John M. Lade** and others.

## Poland

### Three reports

The following brief reports are taken from an article entitled "Kronika UFO" which appeared in the Polish weekly *Fakty* 79 dated August 8, 1979. The article took the form of a summary of items which had appeared in the Polish press during the first six months of 1979, and we have extracted the items which relate to reports in Poland itself (the remaining cases itemised were from South American countries):—

"During the day, for a period of two minutes a red luminous trail which split up into two was observed in the area of Kwidzynia. With great speed one half of the trail flew upwards, whilst the other went sideways. There were three witnesses. (*Kurier Polski* dated January 6, 1979)."

"Between 7.30 a.m. and 8.00 a.m. a luminous object travelling from East to West appeared over Szczecin. The object suddenly changed direction southwards and disappeared. There was one witness. (*Kurier Szczecinski* dated January 28, 1979)."

"At about 7.15 p.m. a spherical object was observed between Dubieck and Sliwnica. It illuminated the surrounding area with a pulsating bright light. Another object was also observed flying from the direction of Bachórcza at a height of 25 metres, and it seemed to extinguish itself over the head of the witnesses. There were many witnesses of these events. (*Zycie Przemysla* dated February 18, 1979)."

[*Small items in all conscience, but indicative of the fact that reports are being made regularly in*

*Poland. We are hoping to obtain more, in greater detail* — EDITOR]

Credit: **H. Kubala** of Huddersfield who, with Mrs. Kubala kindly provided the translation.

## France

### Comment on the Cergy Pontoise CEIII

We hope to bring our readers further full details of the Cergy-Pontoise abduction story in the next issue of FSR (although we know that some French researchers are far from happy about the case — now that M. Fontaine has returned to the realms of ordinary mortals). The following comments appeared in the third editorial of the *Daily Telegraph* of November 29, 1979, —

"Every UFO fanatic knows that flying saucers come in waves. A fortnight ago a reputed hard-nut Capt. Tejada, was forced to land his Caravelle jet in a hurry after being 'buzzed' by a saucer. Subsequently there have been 'sightings' in Glasgow, Kuwait and Sweden, some by others also of unimpeachable seriousness of mind. Three days ago a Frenchman, M. Franck Fontaine, disappeared into thin air — or so two of his friends aver. The three of them were minding their own business at 4 a.m., as is a Frenchman's wont, when a bright light descended from the heavens. In the ensuing melee the unfortunate M. Fontaine was somehow spirited away by the saucer. He has not been heard of since.

"Now our own inclination, taking into account the vastness of the universe, is somewhat in favour of the existence of some flying saucers. Sceptics may view this incident differently. One of them, our French television critic, points out that a programme on UFOs was televised the evening before M. Fontaine rose so dramatically into the stratosphere. It could be that he is — was, perhaps — an unduly impressionable man. The French, remember, are romantic as well as rational. Some are not prepared to let the matter rest. Reason must have its day. For our own part, we do not for a moment believe that we are having our legs pulled. We should be very surprised to learn that M. Fontaine is enjoying himself on the French Riviera. Much more likely, he is cruising on the limits of the known universe."

(5) S.T.

frequent until the end of July when a new wave suddenly burst upon us. This July-August wave is very similar to the April 1964 wave in two ways. Firstly, the great bulk of sightings occurred in the United States and secondly, the wave came suddenly, its peak being of short duration. These are very unusual periods, requiring much study before interpretations are made. Only one other wave, that of November 1957, is similar. There are several theories which might account for unexpected flaps. The November 1957 peak coincided with the launchings of Sputniks 1 & 11. It is reasonable to theorise that these two objects caused a sudden boost in sighting reports but the April 1964 and July-August 1965 peaks cannot be explained in this way. One possible interpretation of the last two peaks is that they were "phoney" flaps. By this I mean that many of the objects sighted could have been secret, experimental machines, manufactured right here on earth. Bear in mind that I am simply referring to possibilities - not what I necessarily believe. I mention them merely to show avenues of investigation which must not be overlooked. It is generally understood that scientists the world over have been experimenting on anti-gravity devices for some time now. If true, then they must test the devices somewhere on this planet. One quiet place would be at either polar regions. There was a very important sighting from the Antarctic in July, just before the big July-August wave. Is it possible that the "invasion" emanated from a base in Antarctica?

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FREE WILL

by

C.A. Honey.

It has been stated many times that man has "free will" given to him by his Creator. We all know this is basically true but we must not overlook other aspects of this important law. We have to realise that although man has free will he is also REQUIRED to observe certain laws. labeled by man as "Natural" or "Universal Laws."

In order for a man to progress and develop the necessary character required for his advancement to a higher planet in the cosmos, it is absolutely mandatory that he allow himself to become subject to certain regulations. Can he do this and still have the free will he is supposed to have? What it really amounts to is this: Man has free will to choose if he will observe natural laws, but if he freely chooses not to observe or obey them he will meet sure punishment.

Many people are already well aware that eventually mankind will be "forced" so-to-speak, to conform to laws that will be imposed upon this earth as a whole when the time arrives for the dawn of the new age known as "the millenium". This will be an age where all nations of the earth will be under a one world government whose guiding force will originate from extraterrestrial beings from other worlds.

According to prophecy this will come about by beings coming to earth from outer space, taking over all governments, and forcing an end to war and bloodshed.

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Swords will be beaten into plowshares and peace for the first time will dwell all over the earth. This will not be done, again according to prophecy, until mankind has been given full opportunity to mend his ways and achieve peace and understanding through his own desire to evolve and progress. As a final resort, if man doesn't learn to mend his ways and live as brothers should on this earth, he will be placed under certain restrictions for his own good. If not done he could destroy the entire planet and all upon it. If these limitations are imposed upon man will it violate the concept of free will?

The answer to this is, of course, that it will not violate the actual free will given to man but it may not correspond to the ideas of free will that have been commonly taught. A pattern of correct behaviour has been determined and man only has free will, to the extent that he is free to choose or discard the laws that have been set in motion. He has free choice to observe Universal Laws or he can ignore them. This doesn't mean he is not bound by them. If he chooses to ignore them he will meet sure punishment. It amounts to a free will choice of benefits or punishments. Punishment will occur each time a natural law is broken and will continue to occur until man learns by experience which things are correct and right to do and which are not.

The punishment incurred is not meted out by individuals but is brought about by the act of the violation. For example, you can choose moderation in all things or you can choose excess. If you choose excess in drink you will be punished by a hangover the next morning. Body efficiency will be destroyed to a certain extent. You met this punishment by your own doing. No one else imposed it upon you. Violate the law of gravity by jumping off a building and you are punished by death of the body caused by the fall. You still have free will to jump or not. That hasn't changed. Improper exercising of that free will can cause certain death in this case.

When the first people of this particular civilisation were brought to this earth for the express purpose of learning the correct way by experience, they were given unlimited free choice to do as they pleased. They were left to their own devices and were free to develop in any manner they chose. (See Inside the Space Ships, pages 180-189 and in the Bible see Rev. 12:9; the pages in ITSS explain very clearly exactly what Rev. 12:9 actually referred to. Other biblical verses if studied in complete context also tell the same thing, of angels being cast down out of heaven and forced to remain on the earth. See Jude 6 also)

Now, man with his inventions (or invasions) into the world of the atom, has given us many weapons capable of completely destroying civilisation from the face of the earth. He has made himself dangerous to the inhabitants of other worlds. I wouldn't be too surprised if we face another great choice in the very near future. Yield all weapons of war, live as brothers upon the face of the earth, follow Universal Laws and Principles, or face annihilation completely. Then if this happened, future history would record a fourth great civilisation that had vanished from the face of this earth. Three others before us completely disappeared.

Or, we could be invaded from other worlds and forced to conform as prophesied in the book of Revelation and explained or interpreted in Daniel 2: 28 and 2:44. Man will be allowed to go only so far and then he will be prevented from going further. Much depends upon choices made in the next five years.

(Taken from Mr. C.A. Honey's publication of March 1965).

from burnished gold.

Boehme was a remarkable figure who expounded upon our will being an original, primal force. He also knew about existence as a process of conflict between pairs of contrasted principles that are ultimately resolved into a new unity.

In the same issue, Zecharia Sitchin states in "The Great Pyramid Forgery" that 6,000 years ago, Sumer was the first known civilization of mankind in what is today Iraq. But Colonel James Churchward, in decades of research on location early in this century, found the high level culture of the Nacal-Naga people of the Indus Valley at its peak 35,000 years ago. The much later decline (5,000 years ago) of which was mistakenly assumed to be the zenith of this culture by Indologist Max Muller. Schliemann had made the same wrong assertion.

According to Churchward, who wrote four epic volumes researching the first location of mankind and the placement of Eden, it was not in Africa or the Middle East, but over 200,000 years ago on Mu in the southwest Pacific (or Lemuria with its epochs, or Oceania), with its 63 million people—*Douglas Fales, Westmount, Quebec, Canada*

*Editor's note: According to the Encyclopedia of Occultism and Parapsychology, third edition, Boehme was also spelled Bohme, Beem, Behm, Bhemon, and Behmont.*

### We Are Multidimensional Beings

I was most intrigued reading Rosemary Ellen Guiley's new column (June 1993 FATE). Her view that we are multidimensional beings is accurate indeed.

Defining the nature of this fact goes far beyond her statement that "our consciousness has access to non-ordinary realities that are just as real as the physical world we inhabit." We are these other realities.

Every person is literally an individual infinity in their own right. Not only is one's self many different things or beings, but endless combinations or variations of these are constantly expanding in what is unique and boundless creativity.

Multidimensionality is therefore defined as meaning that we are each simultaneously our own interpretation of everything else, and also that which has never yet been.—*Robert S. Smith, Vancouver, BC, Canada*

### How Ancient is Civilization?

In *Walk Your Way to Cosmic Consciousness*, (July 1993 FATE) by Esther VM Hame'l, a serious spelling error (pg. 91) occurs regarding German mystic, "Jacob Behmen," which should be "Jakob Boehme" (1575-1624).

In the article, the sunlight reflecting from metal induced a state of altered consciousness in Boehme. The incident involved a brass bowl which the mystic saw radiating a flood of reflected light as though

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and speech was entitled, "What We Have Learned From UFO Repetitions!"  
Sincerely,  
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U.S.A.  
August 24, 1985.

### "The Night of Brahma"

Dear Sir — In his article *From Atoms to Tachyons and Hyperspace and Back Again*, (Vol. 31 No. 1), Paul Whitehead says that philosophical and quasi-religious terminology are used by some physicists to express the ideas of quantum mechanics. I am not at all surprised, as the idea that the observer has an effect on the atoms of the object of her/his study however near or far they happen to be, has already been expounded by two of our present-day philosophical teachers.

Firstly, there is Krishnamurti, the nub of whose teachings is that observation is the key to the understanding of oneself and the world, and that when this is perfectly co-ordinated, the observer and the observed cease to be and all that remains is the act of observing.

This follows on neatly to Ernest Holmes who founded the Church of Religious Science and whose philosophy is called 'Science of Mind'. He teaches that there is one Universal Mind in which all individual minds dwell and what is known in one part of Mind, can therefore be known instantaneously in any other part, as it is all one mind. This is similar to Paul Whitehead's quantum wave which could be used for faster-than-light signals across the universe. However, Ernest Holmes takes us further by demonstrating that it is also the nature of Mind to reconstruct, in our familiar world of physical atoms, that which is thought into it. He gives detailed instructions in his book *Science of Mind* of the method which should be used to bring forth a desired objective, calling it a 'movement in Mind' or 'treatment'. I have personally tested his format and it works!

In the light of the findings of both physicists and philosophers, it is obvious that the whole of our universe down to the smallest iota is one organism in which all aspects respond to each other, and that includes seemingly individual beings like ourselves. Even Einstein's  $E=MC^2$  would be an impossibility without the observer, which returns us to Krishnamurti.

Consequently, our modern scientists could be saved a lot of time and effort if they would only co-operate with their old adversaries, and what better place to begin than at the very beginning with the birth of the universe as propounded by the Hindu Vedanta System,\* which is dreamed into existence during the Night of Brahma, only to disappear on his awakening.

'We are such stuff as dreams are made on, and our little life is rounded with a sleep.'

Yours faithfully,  
**Margaret Buckingham,**  
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November 27, 1985.

\* The majestic, cosmic view that is given us in Vedanta has not yet found an equal, and happily many of our modern scientists, from Robert Oppenheimer onwards, have begun to perceive this.

See, for example:

J. R. Oppenheimer: *Brighter than a Thousand Suns.*

J. R. Oppenheimer: *Science and the Common Understanding.*

Amaury de Riencourt: *The Eye of Shiva.*

Gary Zukaw: *The Dancing Wu Li Masters.*

Michael Talbot: *Mysticism and the New Physics.*

Fritjof Capra: *The Tao of Physics.*

Rupert Sheldrake: *A New Science of Life.*

David Bohm: *Wholeness and the Implicate Order.*

J.W.N. Sullivan: *The Limitations of Science.* — EDITOR

Closed Minds — East and West!

Dear Mr Creighton and FSR Staff —  
Thank you for your dedication and efforts. I appreciate it fully.

Considering the closed minds and blinkered eyes of my friends, it is a pleasure to read FSR and to know that there are others who search for the truth and wonder.

I have discovered the best way to get rid of people when one has had enough of talking about mundane subjects, is to start talking about UFOs, and suddenly they disappear — just like a UFO!

Yours sincerely,  
**Sheryl Arman,**  
33 Badgers Way,  
Benfleet, Essex SS7 1TP  
October 1985.

How heartily I agree with Miss Arman! I don't often talk to anybody about UFOs, but curiously enough I tried it out quite recently. We were at the grand reception in the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington, to celebrate Free China's National Day, the *Double Tenth*, anniversary of the Revolution of 1911 which ushered in the Republic (now in Taiwan and — don't forget it! — with the highest standard of living in South-East Asia!) At a certain point in the evening, conversation seemed to be flagging. We had covered all the hardy old perennial subjects, like the economic boom in the Pacific; the fantastic industrial development of South Korea and Taiwan, etc; the congenital inability of the British trade unionists to grasp what is yet to hit them in the future; and the burgeoning Soviet plans for total control of the Pacific and for a short, very sharp and bloody naval war in at least four oceans simultaneously. The group in which we were standing contained a Chinese professor of venerable aspect, two young Chinese businessmen and a Chinese banker, and a couple of Englishmen from firms trading with Taiwan. When I introduced the dread subject of the "flying plates" (*feidie*) the faces of the whole group assumed the aspect of startled rabbits confronted by an adder, and like lightning our little group broke up, some heading off in one direction and the rest in the other. In no time our end of the Buckingham Suite was cleared. You couldn't have done better had there been a fire. G.C.

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— especially the younger ones — for whom it would be completely new. Moreover, in the past twenty years the UFO Phenomenon has begun to display an increasing number of characteristics which point precisely in that direction — i.e., the Phenomenon has definitely got something to do with a defect in, or a manipulation of, the Space-Time structure, no matter whether one leans more to a physical or to a psychological hypothesis.

Sincerely yours,  
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December 1, 1982

An excellent idea. We will bear it in mind and try to reprint the article some time this year. Incidentally, with FSR now nearly thirty years old, many of our faithful early readers have died off (and this will soon be the lot of many more of us.) Those early issues contained a mass of highly important articles, particularly on some of the first tremendously important landing and contact cases, which were covered by us in very great detail, but which are totally unknown to the young readers of today, and unless we try to do something about re-publishing the best of them, they will continue to be unknown, and this will give much pleasure to our enemies and critics. — EDITOR

The "Concorde" film and unidentified object

Dear Sir, — In Vol. 28, No. 1, you published my letter concerning a further sequence of Concorde/UFO film.

When I posted the letter I was waiting for the 'offending' sequence to be excised — and indeed that it had ever appeared in the first place was a surprise, and does not say much for the efficiency of the censors — begging the question of course of whether they can keep anything secret.

And I was not disappointed. The film vanished from the TV screens before my letter was published in FSR.

Later, although the film did reappear, it had been doctored. This was not a long sequence of UFO film, and it took place against a background of open sky, hence it could be altered relatively easily. The UFO had now turned into a lens-flare! Anyone now watching this sequence and expecting to see a UFO could only be disap-

pointed, and would think that I had been deluded. And indeed, I would be dubious about it myself had not noticed the sequence many times previously, both at the time of its first showing, when the more obvious UFO footage was lost for ever (as they thought and hoped) — and also at the time prior to the World Cup in Spain. As it is, however, I just consider it a case of malpractice.

Yours sincerely,  
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January 27, 1983

**S.T.**

God: The Supreme Illusionist

Dear Sir, — Mr. Hilary Evans is quite right when he says that the UFO phenomenon dodges any attempt to pin it down within any existing closed belief system (FSR 28-2).

The Christian belief in the Final Battle of Armageddon between God and Satan is sheer nonsense from both scientific and metaphysical viewpoints. Nature being infinite, neutral and amoral (i.e., neither moral nor immoral), it is totally pointless to moralise on it. In fact, Good and Evil are human creations. Man created them because he needs them, and then he drew an arbitrary line of demarcation between what he considers Good and Evil in terms of his anthropocentric and anthropomorphic conception of Nature. **FSR, Vol. 28, N-1, March 8**

Contrary to what many seem to believe, moreover, God and Nature are not two separate entities but one and the same. Thus, God is not only infinite but also neutral and amoral. God is also the Supreme Illusionist. Life itself is only an illusion, but God makes us believe otherwise. UFOs, Marian apparitions, Jesus Christ, Muhammad, Buddha, and all other so-called paranormal/religious phenomena are just a few examples of Divine illusionism. God does this because man needs illusions and diversions to stay alive and evolve.

Why do Marian apparitions occur only in the Roman Catholic countries? The answer: this is God's way of poking fun at the Roman Catholic belief in the Virgin Mary. It is interesting to note that no Marian apparitions had ever occurred in pre-Columbian Americas and that the first such apparition on the American Continent took place in Mexico on December 9,

1531, i.e., only after the colonisation of Central and South America by Roman Catholic Spain and Portugal.

The Truth shall NEVER be found. As Einstein said, the more we learn, the less we understand. In other words, mystery thickens exponentially as our knowledge increases. The Truth is infinite and hence inaccessible to humans.

I am rather surprised at Mrs. Ann Druffel's naïveté in swallowing Leonard H. Stringfield's allegations about "crashed UFOs and their dead occupants secreted in the U.S. Government's storehouses". There is not a shred of supportive evidence. He either made up the whole story very cleverly or was fooled by God or perhaps by the U.S. authorities.

Yours sincerely,  
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December 6, 1982

The U.S. authorities will feel greatly honoured to find themselves bracketed in such high-class company! But how can Mr. Kaneko (though evidently he knows a lot) be quite so sure about what went on in the Americas before the arrival of Columbus? And how, for that matter, can he be so confident that both God and he are not also disastrous illusions, figments in the All-Encompassing Kaneko Limbo? — ED.

The "Space-Travel" Debate

Dear Sir, — Julian H. Kaneko claimed that aliens from another star system are prevented from reaching Earth by Einstein's 'theory of relativity' and the 'impossibility' of 'ever identifying our Sun among the 250 billion stars that compose the Milky Way galaxy'. (FSR Vol. 28 No. 2).

Einstein's *Special Theory of Relativity* cannot prevent aliens from reaching Earth — all it says is that they cannot travel faster than light. Since the nearest star (other than the Sun) is about four light-years away, and the stars of inhabited planets are probably hundreds if not thousands of light-years away, this would appear to inhibit communication. However, since the Theory also predicts that, at speeds near that of light, time aboard a space vehicle will pass more slowly, aliens could reach Earth in reasonably short travel times. (This travel time will be a

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NOTICE TO THE READERS: These figures come  
by Louis Levy

Everyone has read their horoscope in the daily paper. Some people believe what they've read — others regard it a joke. Joseph Mark Cohen, a professional Astrologer and Director of the Penttil Centre in Toronto, takes his subject seriously. *Atlantic Era* sent Pierre Côté, one of our reporters, to find out exactly what is "up" in astrology today.

**A.E.:** What is the public's general response to astrologers? Are they scared or receptive?

**J.M.C.:** Usually they are intrigued. Astrologers are few and far between. I think many people have a misconception as to what exactly astrology is. Many think it's fortune telling, similar to reading cards, palmistry, whatever. Astrology is an intuitive science and a very high one at that. Someone once said that astrology was the queen of science, something that should be studied after all other sciences have been studied.

**A.E.:** So, it is more of a science?

**J.M.C.:** Yes. And I really believe that in the Age of Aquarius we are now entering, this period between 1961 and 1981, astrology will be the symbolic language for the next 2160 years. It will serve as a framework that will be able to integrate behavioral, social sciences, and physical sciences. Also, it will serve as a language for psychology.

**A.E.:** Everyone talks about the Age of Aquarius. Can you tell me more about it?

**J.M.C.:** Well, we sort of come into the Age of Aquarius through the back door of Pisces. It's like the ascendent of our solar system through the procession of the equinoxes. It's presently moving from, say, 0 degrees Pisces to 29 degrees Aquarius.

**A.E.:** So, it's the whole solar system that's entering the Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** Yes.

**A.E.:** What is the Age of Aquarius? Did we enter that age before?

**J.M.C.:** About 26,000 years ago there was another Age of Aquarius.

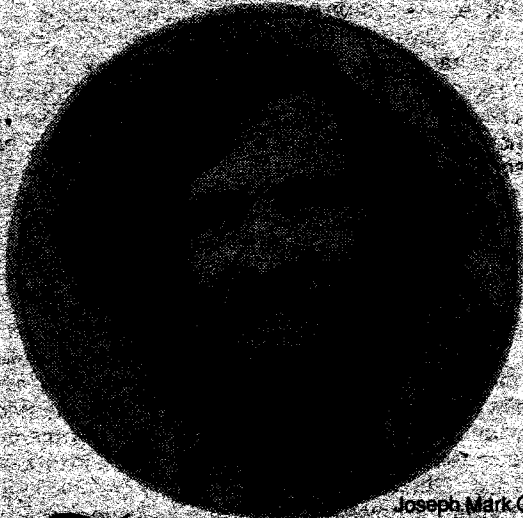
**A.E.:** So, what is in store for us in this Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** A lot of things. It's the age of intuitive science. There will be a lot of advances. Most likely right in this decade there will be a space shuttle, communications from outside our solar system, new technologies based on more sane use of our environment and the ionosphere. And probably some difficult birth pains over the

## Above and Beyond

# WHAT DOES THE AGE OF AQUARIUS MEAN?

## Planetary Suicide or Transformation?



Joseph Mark Cohen



next couple of decades. Humanity has got a bit of catching up to do. Since the time of Jesus and the Age of Pisces, we should have been working on the heart chakra of the planet — dealing with certain ideals of brotherhood, compassion, things that relate to Pisces. But because there's still a tremendous amount of attachment to various egotisms, particularly nationally, there are countries wanting to dominate, Russia wanting to control this China, that. Many people feel we'll be taken almost to the brink of planetary suicide before there'll be some kind of intervention that will re-unite humanity as one being again.

**A.E.:** That's very interesting.

**J.M.C.:** Well, it's not delightful.

**A.E.:** Yes, like you said, it's going to be a painful birth process.

**J.M.C.:** Well, the prophet Isaiah said that there were two possible ways of having a birth. One was for it to be very difficult, and the other is to be easy. So, it entirely depends on our facilities with the flow and which way we choose to operate.

**A.E.:** There's a tremendous lot of work to be done. I walk downtown in Toronto and there's no visual contact. It's amazing. People don't talk to each other.

**J.M.C.:** To the extent that people have fear, that'll be the extent of the resistance to entering a new age or entering a new era. That fear will be projected into history, so as more people grow in awareness and begin to expect the unusual and look forward to a spiritualization of material culture, and communication from different places, the easier it will be. Basically, I think spiritual evolution is very much like the splitting of an atom. You need a certain quantity of critical mass of evolved consciousness, for there to be an evolutionary leap in consciousness. So, it doesn't mean that the whole of humanity will enter the Age of Aquarius at one time. Basically you will have a certain percentage of beings on the planet who will channel and resonate with the higher vibrational space and they'll work as transformers of energy. Others will be drawn to their energy or wisdom or life or whatever.

**A.E.:** So, it's going to be like a funnel into the next dimension of the Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** And there have been saints, teachers, prophets, who have known that the Age of Aquarius was to come for a long time.

**A.E.:** I find it strange that so many have been told, yet so few have listened. How will people recognize who the energy is being channeled through?

**J.M.C.:** Well, with energy, when you feel it you're drawn to it. There are already different people who are channeling ways of seeing that will reformulate our world view in the Age of Aquarius. And those people resonate like



music and those that resonate with certain notes and certain frequencies will be drawn to those people who are emitting that frequency.

**A.E.:** So, it's something mystical?

**J.M.C.:** A teacher of mine once said that we're coming to a point where science and mysticism are converging as one.

**Next week: Joseph Mark Cohen talks about: What astrology means to the average man.**

# AND THE YOGI

S.T.

The human body is a cage. Within it is imprisoned the spirit or soul, which is like a bird in a cage. The bird is in love with the cage and is always singing songs of attachment for the earth. If, however, the covers, or bodies, are cast off from the soul, the bird begins to taste the Truth, and the cage is shattered into fragments. The bird then flies away to its home, which is in Sach Khand [the Realm of Truth].

When the veils are torn, millions of enrapturing joys which constitute the "peace that passeth understanding" are attained.

— Huzur Sawan Singh (1858-1948)<sup>1</sup>

By David Christopher Lane

**W**HATEVER the earth may temporarily offer us as human beings, one thing is certain: it is not our permanent home. Regardless of scientific and technological advances, the physical universe as we know it will sometime be unable to sustain life, either reaching a point of maximum entropy (a degradation of matter and energy to an ultimate state of inert uniformity) or collapsing in upon itself, taking in its course every living creature. Despite the misplaced hope of evolutionists, mankind has a limited future — perhaps only a few million years. We are, in fact, only visitors to a land that is destined to die.

Where, then, is our true home? According to genuine mystics from both East and West, man's real abode is neither physical nor mental but wholly spiritual. That is, we are denizens of an infinite realm of light and love who have lost sight of

our essential nature, mistaking a drop for an ocean, a shack for a kingdom, a stone for a jewel. As Ken Wilber eloquently writes:

"In the beginning, there is only Consciousness as such, timeless, spaceless, infinite and eternal. For no reason that can be stated in words, a subtle ripple is generated in this infinite ocean. This ripple could not in itself detract from infinity, for the infinite can embrace any and all entities. But this subtle ripple, awakening to itself, forgets the infinite sea of which it is just a gesture. The ripple therefore feels set apart from infinity, isolated, separate.<sup>2</sup>

As ripples in this infinite sea of awareness, we have grasped that which is impermanent: the body and the world. An authentic master is one who has fully realized his prior oneness with the ocean (God) and who perfectly manifests it in his outward life.

Huzur Sawan Singh (1858-1948), honorifically called the Great Master of Beas, was such a realized soul.

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From early childhood he was irresistibly drawn to seek out the eternal abode. Born in a Sikh family, Sawan was brought up with the sacred scriptures of his religion, *The Guru Granth Sahib* (a compilation of mystical poetry written by Sikh gurus and other Indian and Persian mystics) which spoke at length about the inner music and light that lead a soul back to God. Deeply religious, Sawan Singh associated with a number of holy men whom he questioned about the nature of man's spiritual quest. None of these mystics could satisfy his longing. Sawan was looking for a master of the highest degree. Ironically it was the *Satguru* (true spiritual teacher) who found him instead. Sawan Singh recalls:

I was fond of Satsang and Parmarth [spiritual topics] from my childhood. I often associated with sadhus and religious people.

Later I was transferred to Murrie Hills. One day as I was supervising my work, I saw an old Sikh going up a hill along with a middle-aged lady. Little did I think that he was to be my Master. He was no other than Baba Ji himself [Baba Jaimal Singh, one of the spiritual successors to Shiv Dayal Singh, the founder of Radhasoami] and the lady was Bibi Rukko. This I did not know at the time but found out later that Baba Ji said to Bibi Rukko, referring to me, "It is for his sake that we have come here." To which Bibi Rukko replied: "But he has not even greeted you." Baba Ji said to her, "What does the poor fellow

know yet? On the fourth day he will come to us. . . ."

On the fourth day I went to attend Satsang [the meeting of Baba Jaimal Singh]. . . . After several conferences with Baba Ji I was thoroughly convinced and received Initiation [into the secrets of *surat shabd yoga*] from him on the 15th day of October, 1894.<sup>3</sup>

The turning point in Sawan Singh's life came when he met his spiritual guru, Baba Jaimal Singh, and took initiation under him in the path of *surat shabd yoga* (union of the soul with the Divine inner sound). Such was Sawan's readiness that in just over nine years he became a fully acknowledged master within the Sant Mat and Radhasoami traditions. In fact, except for Maharaj Charan Singh, the present *Satguru* at Beas, Sawan Singh attracted the largest following of any *shabd yoga* master in history, directly initiating more than 125,000 people into the mystic practice.<sup>4</sup>

It is impossible to understand Huzur Sawan Singh's spiritual achievements without first seeing that they were due to his close and devoted relationship with his guru. Baba Ji looked after Sawan's worldly and spiritual welfare, stressing the need to transcend the physical frame altogether and attach one's consciousness to the inner light and sound which reverberates at the Third Eye. By following this stream of celestial currents, the soul gets release from the body/mind.



## The Eloquent Sounds of Silence

**E**VERY ONE OF US KNOWS THE SENSATION OF GOING UP, on retreat, to a high place and feeling ourselves so lifted up that we can hardly imagine the circumstances of our usual lives, or all the things that make us fret. In such a place, in such a state, we start to recite the standard litany: that silence is sunshine, where company is clouds; that silence is rapture, where company is doubt; that silence is golden, where company is brass.

But silence is not so easily won. And before we race off to go prospecting in those hills, we might usefully recall that fool's gold is much more common and that gold has to be panned for, dug out from other substances. "All profound things and emotions of things are preceded and attended by Silence," wrote Herman Melville, one of the loftiest and most eloquent of souls. Working himself up to an ever more thunderous cry of affirmation, he went on, "Silence is the general consecration of the universe. Silence is the invisible laying on of the Divine Pontiff's hands upon the world. Silence is the only Voice of our God." For Melville, though, silence finally meant darkness and hopelessness and self-annihilation. Devastated by the silence that greeted his heartfelt novels, he retired into a public silence from which he did not emerge for more than 30 years. Then, just before his death, he came forth with his final utterance—the luminous tale of Billy Budd—and showed that silence is only as worthy as what we can bring back from it.

We have to earn silence, then, to work for it: to make it not an absence but a presence; not emptiness but repletion. Silence is something more than just a pause; it is that enchanted place where space is cleared and time is stayed and the horizon itself expands. In silence, we often say, we can hear ourselves think; but what is truer to say is that in silence we can hear ourselves not think, and so sink below our selves into a place far deeper than mere thought allows. In silence, we might better say, we can hear someone else think.

Or simply breathe. For silence is responsiveness, and in silence we can listen to something behind the clamor of the world. "A man who loves God, necessarily loves silence," wrote Thomas Merton, who was, as a Trappist, a connoisseur, a caretaker of silences. It is no coincidence that places of worship are places of silence: if idleness is the devil's playground, silence may be the angels'. It is no surprise that *silence* is an anagram of *license*. And it is only right that Quakers all but worship silence, for it is the place where everyone finds his God, however he may express it. Silence is an ecumenical state, beyond the doctrines and divisions created by the mind. If everyone has a spiritual story to tell of his life, everyone has a spiritual silence to preserve.

So it is that we might almost say silence is the tribute we pay to holiness; we slip off words when we enter a sacred space, just as we slip off shoes. A "moment of silence" is the highest honor we can pay someone; it is the point at which the mind stops and something else takes over (words run out when feelings rush in). A "vow of silence" is for holy men the highest devotional act. We hold our breath, we hold our words; we suspend our chattering selves and let ourselves "fall silent," and fall into the highest place of all.

It often seems that the world is getting noisier these days: in Japan, which may be a model of our future, cars and buses have voices, doors and elevators speak. The answering machine talks to us, and for us, somewhere above the din of the TV; the Walkman preserves a public silence but ensures that we need never—in the bathtub, on a mountaintop, even at our desks—be without the clangor of the world. White noise becomes the aural equivalent of the clash of images, the nonstop blast of fragments that increasingly agitates our minds. As Ben Okri, the young Nigerian novelist, puts it, "When chaos is the god of an era, clamorous music is the deity's chief instrument."

There is, of course, a place for noise, as there is for daily lives. There is a place for roaring, for the shouting exultation of a baseball game, for hymns and spoken prayers, for orchestras and cries of pleasure. Silence, like all the best things, is best appreciated in its absence: if noise is the signature tune of the world, silence is the music of the other world, the closest thing we know to the harmony of the spheres. But the greatest charm of noise is when it ceases. In silence, suddenly, it seems as if all the windows of the world are thrown open and everything is as clear as on a morning after rain. Silence, ideally, hums. It charges the air. In Tibet, where the silence has a tragic cause, it is still quickened by the fluttering of prayer flags, the tolling of temple bells, the roar of wind across the plains, the memory of chant.

Silence, then, could be said to be the ultimate province of trust: it is the place where we trust ourselves to be alone; where we trust others to understand the things we do not say; where we trust a higher harmony to assert itself. We all know how treacherous are words, and how often we use them to paper over embarrassment, or emptiness, or fear of the larger spaces that silence brings. "Words, words, words" commit us to positions we do not really hold, the imperatives of chatter; words are what we use for lies, false promises and gossip. We babble with strangers; with intimates we can be silent. We "make conversation" when we are at a loss; we unmake it when we are alone, or with those so close to us that we can afford to be alone with them.

In love, we are speechless; in awe, we say, words fail us. ■

EDWARD HOPPER, AUTOMAT, 1927, DES MOINES ART CENTER COLLECTION

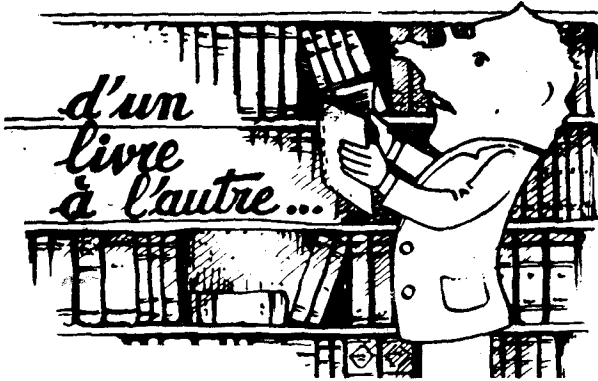
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Il n'échappera pas au lecteur combien il a pu être frustrant pour les auteurs de ne pas pouvoir approfondir l'étude de ce cas, dans lequel, de nombreuses informations concrètes et peu courantes sont rapportées: sensation de chaleur, saveur métallique, distorsion du son, film voilé, ... Avec un témoin plus coopératif, il se serait imposé de faire une enquête sur les lieux, d'utiliser la régression hypnotique pour tenter de préciser de nombreux points du récit,

de faire une étude complète de sa dentition au moment de l'expérience, d'étudier la pellicule voilée, etc...

Rien de cela n'a été ni ne sera possible, et le seul intérêt de ce récit "brut" réside en de possibles rapprochements avec d'autres cas de caractéristiques similaires. Il est à noter que dans la même zone et à la même époque, plusieurs cas d'abduction, encore à l'étude, ont été rapportés.



par Gilles SMIENA

J.J. WALTER — «PLANETES PENSANTES» (Planètes habitées, qu'en pense la science ?) Denoel — 1980 1er T — 215 p.

Bien que cet ouvrage, modestement appelé «essai» par son auteur, n'ait pas de rapport direct avec l'ufologie, il n'est pas inutile de faire une exception et de le signaler à l'attention des lecteurs de LDLN car il est en tous points remarquables. Tout au plus, disons le dès maintenant pour être très clair, peut-on regretter que l'auteur ne distingue pas assez nettement ce qui est du domaine de l'hypothèse non encore prouvée (quelque géniale et probable qu'elle puisse être) et ce qui est déjà du domaine de la certitude scientifique. Plus d'un amateur d'ufologie se fiant à son «intime conviction» risque en effet de tomber dans le piège (involontaire) et d'en tirer des conclusions pour le moins prématurées en faveur de l'hypothèse extra-terrestre, laquelle reste, il faut le redire, une simple hypothèse parmi d'autres possibles, même si celle-ci a depuis trente ans été privilégiée au profit d'autres qui sont encore peu, mal, ou pas du tout étudiées.

J.J. Walter s'interroge d'abord sur les différentes formes possibles de vie dans l'univers en généralisant ce que nous constatons sur terre, à savoir les «structures fondamentales» de la vie basées sur les associations chimiques qui semblent nécessaires au développement de tout être vivant (p. 23...) et cela dans le cadre des problèmes annexes de pesanteur et d'atmosphère. Puis il passe longuement en revue le développement progressif de la conscience à travers toute la lignée des êtres vivants. Ayant constaté ce qu'il appelle les «optimisations» de la vie, c'est à dire le fait que, à chaque niveau de l'évolution et particulièrement pour l'homme, «les systèmes que la vie a généralisés

sont, soit optimaux (les meilleurs), soit voisin de l'optimum» (p 72), il croit pouvoir en conclure que «l'homme comme tous les êtres vivants supérieurs a une vocation cosmique et non pas limitée à une seule planète» (p 84). Il étudie alors la formation des étoiles et des planètes, (p 89 et 92...) puis celle des «précurseurs biologiques (acides aminés, riboses, sucres et phosphates) qui sont (sur terre) indispensables à l'organisation des êtres vivants tels que nous les connaissons (p 104...), enfin le passage de la «prévie» à la vie à l'aube des temps géologiques avant d'étudier l'évolution de la vie elle-même depuis lors.

Il se croit autorisé à conclure qu'«il existe un nombre immense de planètes propres à la vie (p 108) et que, les lois qui régissent le cosmos étant universelles, le processus qui a permis l'éclosion de la vie sur terre s'est obligatoirement produit des milliards de fois dans l'univers». (c'est nous qui soulignons) «Si la vie se développe, écrit-il, c'est sur des bases semblables à la nôtre». (p 168). L'auteur alors affirme que les êtres du cosmos ne peuvent être que des vivants supérieurs, doués, comme l'homme d'une conscience réfléchie. «L'univers, dit-il, non seulement est habité (c'est encore nous qui soulignons), mais ce sont nos semblables ou nos cousins qui l'habitent». (p 109) Ainsi, l'argumentation de Walter commencée prudemment avec des «si» et des conditionnels se termine par des affirmations catégoriques que rien ne prouve à l'heure actuelle. Ce saut dans l'affirmation gratuite n'est pas acceptable. Quoique vraisemblable, tout cela relève encore de l'hypothèse !

Fort de ces assurances, il passe alors aux déductions concernant le futur. Celles-ci sont extrêmement audacieuses, mais passionnantes et d'une logique impeccable ; c'est la meilleure partie du livre, en particulier sa conception des «paliers» successifs de la vie (p 149...) et des «seuils d'émergence» (p 153...) Tout cela est très convaincant et débouche sur des perspectives qui laissent rêveur sans pour autant tomber dans la science fiction ou l'utopie, car les bases du raisonnement sont solides. Ainsi, selon ses idées : «la collectivité des hommes, ayant acquis le stade d'organisation requis, servirait de corps à un «esprit planétaire» (p 160) puis, à l'extrême limite, «les différents «esprits planétaires» se coordonneraient comme des atomes d'une cellule pour constituer une «organisation» cosmique à laquelle correspondrait une émergence de niveau supérieur à celui de l'ultra-pensée». (p 160)... De même que «la société des cellules culmine en l'homme (sans que les cellules aient conscience de l'esprit humain), la société des hommes culminerait en un esprit planétaire» (mais sans que l'esprit individuel

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shows man a degree of a unique nature that he has as of yet to emulate.

The animal kingdom enjoys a high degree of freedom, without forgetting its purpose and responsibility to the scheme of nature.

Look at the freedom of birds. While the caste system of rich and poor makes divisions of districts and communities, and while nations and different political conditions keep man separated from one another, the birds could care less and they come and go freely, respecting little the man-made boundaries that we live and die for. We say, "Well, birds have not enough intelligence and that is why they are free." Really???

Man violates the fundamental law of nature because he does what 'he' wants and not what his conscience tries to impress upon him. There is a movement especially among the younger generations in recent years toward what they call the free society. But they have far still to go to match the freedom that nature exhibits. For they fail to see that life has a purpose greater than merely living as we personally please. All of nature fills a place in the complete cycle that makes it function, man is no different. Most of us, however, seem to have failed to find our true relationship with the rest of creation. To illustrate further, let's return to the birds.

During the mating season, the birds join into pairs to raise their family so that the species may survive. After the nest has been built, jointly, and the eggs laid, the couple share alternately in hatching them while they feed one another. The eggs have to be kept at a certain temperature around the clock.

This is all done by natural instinct and no marriage license is needed to make them responsible as is often the case with us.

After the hatching, both parents work without tiring to feed their young often times without thinking for themselves. Can you imagine what would happen if the parents suddenly would decide to fly off to have some "fun" with other

partners elsewhere, leaving the helpless young uncared for in the nest? Well, we know they won't do that. They don't have to be reminded to be responsible by a state, a judge, or some religious organization. They seem to be much smarter than many men.

Now the birds have raised their young, taught by both parents how to fly and survive, the whole family is free again each one off to leave all bondage behind. On the other hand, many species remain together for life but still each one is free to express its own purpose.

I think this brings us to another interesting point concerning freedom. We are told that man, nature's highest intelligence, was given dominion over all living things, EXCEPT his fellow man. Doesn't this indicate that on a universal scene, no man has the right to possess another under any relationship?

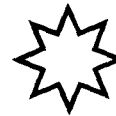
But many will ask, "Where does love come in?" Well, look again to nature. Does not Universal Love embrace all of creation equally? And does this not include a compassion, and understanding, and a mutual confidence in one another WITHOUT POSSESSIVENESS?

I am sure we have heard of those who can love each other dearly one day while on the next day can hate the same person. This is usually because one partner may have refused to dance according to the fiddle the other was playing at the moment. Love suddenly turns to hate? Strange, isn't it!

Perhaps we are missing a bit of that non-possessive, responsible feeling that those birds seem to have. Perhaps there is more to life than we know.

Perhaps if we follow nature, we too will be free as the wind blows and free as the grass grows.

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frequent until the end of July when a new wave suddenly burst upon us. This July-August wave is very similar to the April 1964 wave in two ways. Firstly, the great bulk of sightings occurred in the United States and secondly, the wave came suddenly, its peak being of short duration. These are very unusual periods, requiring much study before interpretations are made. Only one other wave, that of November 1957, is similar. There are several theories which might account for unexpected flaps. The November 1957 peak coincided with the launchings of Sputniks 1 & 11. It is reasonable to theorise that these two objects caused a sudden boost in sighting reports but the April 1964 and July-August 1965 peaks cannot be explained in this way. One possible interpretation of the last two peaks is that they were "phoney" flaps. By this I mean that many of the objects sighted could have been secret, experimental machines, manufactured right here on earth. Bear in mind that I am simply referring to possibilities - not what I necessarily believe. I mention them merely to show avenues of investigation which must not be overlooked. It is generally understood that scientists the world over have been experimenting on anti-gravity devices for some time now. If true, then they must test the devices somewhere on this planet. One quiet place would be at either polar regions. There was a very important sighting from the Antarctic in July, just before the big July-August wave. Is it possible that the "invasion" emanated from a base in Antarctica?

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FREE WILL

by

C.A. Honey.

It has been stated many times that man has "free will" given to him by his Creator. We all know this is basically true but we must not overlook other aspects of this important law. We have to realise that although man has free will he is also REQUIRED to observe certain laws. labeled by man as "Natural" or "Universal Laws."

In order for a man to progress and develop the necessary character required for his advancement to a higher planet in the cosmos, it is absolutely mandatory that he allow himself to become subject to certain regulations. Can he do this and still have the free will he is supposed to have? What it really amounts to is this: Man has free will to choose if he will observe natural laws, but if he freely chooses not to observe or obey them he will meet sure punishment.

Many people are already well aware that eventually mankind will be "forced" so-to-speak, to conform to laws that will be imposed upon this earth as a whole when the time arrives for the dawn of the new age known as "the millenium". This will be an age where all nations of the earth will be under a one world government whose guiding force will originate from extraterrestrial beings from other worlds.

According to prophecy this will come about by beings coming to earth from outer space, taking over all governments, and forcing an end to war and bloodshed.

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Swords will be beaten into plowshares and peace for the first time will dwell all over the earth. This will not be done, again according to prophecy, until mankind has been given full opportunity to mend his ways and achieve peace and understanding through his own desire to evolve and progress. As a final resort, if man doesn't learn to mend his ways and live as brothers should on this earth, he will be placed under certain restrictions for his own good. If not done he could destroy the entire planet and all upon it. If these limitations are imposed upon man will it violate the concept of free will?

The answer to this is, of course, that it will not violate the actual free will given to man but it may not correspond to the ideas of free will that have been commonly taught. A pattern of correct behaviour has been determined and man only has free will, to the extent that he is free to choose or discard the laws that have been set in motion. He has free choice to observe Universal Laws or he can ignore them. This doesn't mean he is not bound by them. If he chooses to ignore them he will meet sure punishment. It amounts to a free will choice of benefits or punishments. Punishment will occur each time a natural law is broken and will continue to occur until man learns by experience which things are correct and right to do and which are not.

The punishment incurred is not meted out by individuals but is brought about by the act of the violation. For example, you can choose moderation in all things or you can choose excess. If you choose excess in drink you will be punished by a hangover the next morning. Body efficiency will be destroyed to a certain extent. You met this punishment by your own doing. No one else imposed it upon you. Violate the law of gravity by jumping off a building and you are punished by death of the body caused by the fall. You still have free will to jump or not. That hasn't changed. Improper exercising of that free will can cause certain death in this case.

When the first people of this particular civilisation were brought to this earth for the express purpose of learning the correct way by experience, they were given unlimited free choice to do as they pleased. They were left to their own devices and were free to develop in any manner they chose. (See Inside the Space Ships, pages 180-189 and in the Bible see Rev. 12:9; the pages in ITSS explain very clearly exactly what Rev. 12:9 actually referred to. Other biblical verses if studied in complete context also tell the same thing, of angels being cast down out of heaven and forced to remain on the earth. See Jude 6 also)

Now, man with his inventions (or invasions) into the world of the atom, has given us many weapons capable of completely destroying civilisation from the face of the earth. He has made himself dangerous to the inhabitants of other worlds. I wouldn't be too surprised if we face another great choice in the very near future. Yield all weapons of war, live as brothers upon the face of the earth, follow Universal Laws and Principles, or face annihilation completely. Then if this happened, future history would record a fourth great civilisation that had vanished from the face of this earth. Three others before us completely disappeared.

Or, we could be invaded from other worlds and forced to conform as prophesied in the book of Revelation and explained or interpreted in Daniel 2: 28 and 2:44. Man will be allowed to go only so far and then he will be prevented from going further. Much depends upon choices made in the next five years.

(Taken from Mr. C.A. Honey's publication of March 1965).

from burnished gold.

Boehme was a remarkable figure who expounded upon our will being an original, primal force. He also knew about existence as a process of conflict between pairs of contrasted principles that are ultimately resolved into a new unity.

In the same issue, Zecharia Sitchin states in "The Great Pyramid Forgery" that 6,000 years ago, Sumer was the first known civilization of mankind in what is today Iraq. But Colonel James Churchward, in decades of research on location early in this century, found the high level culture of the Nacal-Naga people of the Indus Valley at its peak 35,000 years ago. The much later decline (5,000 years ago) of which was mistakenly assumed to be the zenith of this culture by Indologist Max Muller. Schliemann had made the same wrong assertion.

According to Churchward, who wrote four epic volumes researching the first location of mankind and the placement of Eden, it was not in Africa or the Middle East, but over 200,000 years ago on Mu in the southwest Pacific (or Lemuria with its epochs, or Oceania), with its 63 million people—*Douglas Fales, Westmount, Quebec, Canada*

*Editor's note: According to the Encyclopedia of Occultism and Parapsychology, third edition, Boehme was also spelled Bohme, Beem, Behm, Bhemon, and Behmont.*

### We Are Multidimensional Beings

I was most intrigued reading Rosemary Ellen Guiley's new column (June 1993 FATE). Her view that we are multidimensional beings is accurate indeed.

Defining the nature of this fact goes far beyond her statement that "our consciousness has access to non-ordinary realities that are just as real as the physical world we inhabit." We are these other realities.

Every person is literally an individual infinity in their own right. Not only is one's self many different things or beings, but endless combinations or variations of these are constantly expanding in what is unique and boundless creativity.

Multidimensionality is therefore defined as meaning that we are each simultaneously our own interpretation of everything else, and also that which has never yet been.—*Robert S. Smith, Vancouver, BC, Canada*

### How Ancient is Civilization?

In *Walk Your Way to Cosmic Consciousness*, (July 1993 FATE) by Esther VM Hame'l, a serious spelling error (pg. 91) occurs regarding German mystic, "Jacob Behmen," which should be "Jakob Boehme" (1575-1624).

In the article, the sunlight reflecting from metal induced a state of altered consciousness in Boehme. The incident involved a brass bowl which the mystic saw radiating a flood of reflected light as though

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and speech was entitled, "What We Have Learned From UFO Repetitions!"  
Sincerely,  
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### "The Night of Brahma"

Dear Sir — In his article *From Atoms to Tachyons and Hyperspace and Back Again*, (Vol. 31 No. 1), Paul Whitehead says that philosophical and quasi-religious terminology are used by some physicists to express the ideas of quantum mechanics. I am not at all surprised, as the idea that the observer has an effect on the atoms of the object of her/his study however near or far they happen to be, has already been expounded by two of our present-day philosophical teachers.

Firstly, there is Krishnamurti, the nub of whose teachings is that observation is the key to the understanding of oneself and the world, and that when this is perfectly co-ordinated, the observer and the observed cease to be and all that remains is the act of observing.

This follows on neatly to Ernest Holmes who founded the Church of Religious Science and whose philosophy is called 'Science of Mind'. He teaches that there is one Universal Mind in which all individual minds dwell and what is known in one part of Mind, can therefore be known instantaneously in any other part, as it is all one mind. This is similar to Paul Whitehead's quantum wave which could be used for faster-than-light signals across the universe. However, Ernest Holmes takes us further by demonstrating that it is also the nature of Mind to reconstruct, in our familiar world of physical atoms, that which is thought into it. He gives detailed instructions in his book *Science of Mind* of the method which should be used to bring forth a desired objective, calling it a 'movement in Mind' or 'treatment'. I have personally tested his format and it works!

In the light of the findings of both physicists and philosophers, it is obvious that the whole of our universe down to the smallest iota is one organism in which all aspects respond to each other, and that includes seemingly individual beings like ourselves. Even Einstein's  $E=MC^2$  would be an impossibility without the observer, which returns us to Krishnamurti.

Consequently, our modern scientists could be saved a lot of time and effort if they would only co-operate with their old adversaries, and what better place to begin than at the very beginning with the birth of the universe as propounded by the Hindu Vedanta System,\* which is dreamed into existence during the Night of Brahma, only to disappear on his awakening.

'We are such stuff as dreams are made on, and our little life is rounded with a sleep.'

Yours faithfully,  
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November 27, 1985.

\* The majestic, cosmic view that is given us in Vedanta has not yet found an equal, and happily many of our modern scientists, from Robert Oppenheimer onwards, have begun to perceive this.

See, for example:

J. R. Oppenheimer: *Brighter than a Thousand Suns.*

J. R. Oppenheimer: *Science and the Common Understanding.*

Amaury de Riencourt: *The Eye of Shiva.*

Gary Zukaw: *The Dancing Wu Li Masters.*

Michael Talbot: *Mysticism and the New Physics.*

Fritjof Capra: *The Tao of Physics.*

Rupert Sheldrake: *A New Science of Life.*

David Bohm: *Wholeness and the Implicate Order.*

J.W.N. Sullivan: *The Limitations of Science.* — EDITOR

Closed Minds — East and West!

Dear Mr Creighton and FSR Staff —  
Thank you for your dedication and efforts. I appreciate it fully.

Considering the closed minds and blinkered eyes of my friends, it is a pleasure to read FSR and to know that there are others who search for the truth and wonder.

I have discovered the best way to get rid of people when one has had enough of talking about mundane subjects, is to start talking about UFOs, and suddenly they disappear — just like a UFO!

Yours sincerely,  
**Sheryl Arman,**  
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How heartily I agree with Miss Arman! I don't often talk to anybody about UFOs, but curiously enough I tried it out quite recently. We were at the grand reception in the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington, to celebrate Free China's National Day, the *Double Tenth*, anniversary of the Revolution of 1911 which ushered in the Republic (now in Taiwan and — don't forget it! — with the highest standard of living in South-East Asia!) At a certain point in the evening, conversation seemed to be flagging. We had covered all the hardy old perennial subjects, like the economic boom in the Pacific; the fantastic industrial development of South Korea and Taiwan, etc; the congenital inability of the British trade unionists to grasp what is yet to hit them in the future; and the burgeoning Soviet plans for total control of the Pacific and for a short, very sharp and bloody naval war in at least four oceans simultaneously. The group in which we were standing contained a Chinese professor of venerable aspect, two young Chinese businessmen and a Chinese banker, and a couple of Englishmen from firms trading with Taiwan. When I introduced the dread subject of the "flying plates" (*feidie*) the faces of the whole group assumed the aspect of startled rabbits confronted by an adder, and like lightning our little group broke up, some heading off in one direction and the rest in the other. In no time our end of the Buckingham Suite was cleared. You couldn't have done better had there been a fire. G.C.

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— especially the younger ones — for whom it would be completely new. Moreover, in the past twenty years the UFO Phenomenon has begun to display an increasing number of characteristics which point precisely in that direction — i.e., the Phenomenon has definitely got something to do with a defect in, or a manipulation of, the Space-Time structure, no matter whether one leans more to a physical or to a psychological hypothesis.

Sincerely yours,  
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*An excellent idea. We will bear it in mind and try to reprint the article some time this year. Incidentally, with FSR now nearly thirty years old, many of our faithful early readers have died off (and this will soon be the lot of many more of us.) Those early issues contained a mass of highly important articles, particularly on some of the first tremendously important landing and contact cases, which were covered by us in very great detail, but which are totally unknown to the young readers of today, and unless we try to do something about re-publishing the best of them, they will continue to be unknown, and this will give much pleasure to our enemies and critics. — EDITOR*

**The "Concorde" film and unidentified object**

Dear Sir, — In Vol. 28, No. 1, you published my letter concerning a further sequence of Concorde/UFO film.

When I posted the letter I was waiting for the 'offending' sequence to be excised — and indeed that it had ever appeared in the first place was a surprise, and does not say much for the efficiency of the censors — begging the question of course of whether they can keep anything secret.

And I was not disappointed. The film vanished from the TV screens before my letter was published in FSR.

Later, although the film did reappear, it had been doctored. This was not a long sequence of UFO film, and it took place against a background of open sky, hence it could be altered relatively easily. The UFO had now turned into a lens-flare! Anyone now watching this sequence and expecting to see a UFO could only be disap-

pointed, and would think that I had been deluded. And indeed, I would be dubious about it myself had not noticed the sequence many times previously, both at the time of its first showing, when the more obvious UFO footage was lost for ever (as they thought and hoped) — and also at the time prior to the World Cup in Spain. As it is, however, I just consider it a case of malpractice.

Yours sincerely,  
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January 27, 1983

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**God: The Supreme Illusionist**

Dear Sir, — Mr. Hilary Evans is quite right when he says that the UFO phenomenon dodges any attempt to pin it down within any existing closed belief system (FSR 28-2).

The Christian belief in the Final Battle of Armageddon between God and Satan is sheer nonsense from both scientific and metaphysical viewpoints. Nature being infinite, neutral and amoral (i.e., neither moral nor immoral), it is totally pointless to moralise on it. In fact, Good and Evil are human creations. Man created them because he needs them, and then he drew an arbitrary line of demarcation between what he considers Good and Evil in terms of his anthropocentric and anthropomorphic conception of Nature. **FSR, Vol. 28, N-1, March 83**

Contrary to what many seem to believe, moreover, God and Nature are not two separate entities but one and the same. Thus, God is not only infinite but also neutral and amoral. God is also the Supreme Illusionist. Life itself is only an illusion, but God makes us believe otherwise. UFOs, Marian apparitions, Jesus Christ, Muhammad, Buddha, and all other so-called paranormal/religious phenomena are just a few examples of Divine illusionism. God does this because man needs illusions and diversions to stay alive and evolve.

Why do Marian apparitions occur only in the Roman Catholic countries? The answer: this is God's way of poking fun at the Roman Catholic belief in the Virgin Mary. It is interesting to note that no Marian apparitions had ever occurred in pre-Columbian Americas and that the first such apparition on the American Continent took place in Mexico on December 9,

1531, i.e., only after the colonisation of Central and South America by Roman Catholic Spain and Portugal.

The Truth shall NEVER be found. As Einstein said, the more we learn, the less we understand. In other words, mystery thickens exponentially as our knowledge increases. The Truth is infinite and hence inaccessible to humans.

I am rather surprised at Mrs. Ann Druffel's naïveté in swallowing Leonard H. Stringfield's allegations about "crashed UFOs and their dead occupants secreted in the U.S. Government's storehouses". There is not a shred of supportive evidence. He either made up the whole story very cleverly or was fooled by God or perhaps by the U.S. authorities.

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*The U.S. authorities will feel greatly honoured to find themselves bracketed in such high-class company! But how can Mr. Kaneko (though evidently he knows a lot) be quite so sure about what went on in the Americas before the arrival of Columbus? And how, for that matter, can he be so confident that both God and he are not also disastrous illusions, figments in the All-Encompassing Kaneko Limbo? — ED.*

**The "Space-Travel" Debate**

Dear Sir, — Julian H. Kaneko claimed that aliens from another star system are prevented from reaching Earth by Einstein's 'theory of relativity' and the 'impossibility' of 'ever identifying our Sun among the 250 billion stars that compose the Milky Way galaxy'. (FSR Vol. 28 No. 2).

Einstein's *Special Theory of Relativity* cannot prevent aliens from reaching Earth — all it says is that they cannot travel faster than light. Since the nearest star (other than the Sun) is about four light-years away, and the stars of inhabited planets are probably hundreds if not thousands of light-years away, this would appear to inhibit communication. However, since the Theory also predicts that, at speeds near that of light, time aboard a space vehicle will pass more slowly, aliens could reach Earth in reasonably short travel times. (This travel time will be a

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NOTICE TO THE READERS: These figures come by Louis Levy

Everyone has read their horoscope in the daily paper. Some people believe what they've read — others regard it a joke. Joseph Mark Cohen, a professional Astrologer and Director of the Penttil Centre in Toronto, takes his subject seriously. *Atlantic Era* sent Pierre Côté, one of our reporters, to find out exactly what is "up" in astrology today.

**A.E.:** What is the public's general response to astrologers? Are they scared or receptive?

**J.M.C.:** Usually they are intrigued. Astrologers are few and far between. I think many people have a misconception as to what exactly astrology is. Many think it's fortune telling, similar to reading cards, palmistry, whatever. Astrology is an intuitive science and a very high one at that. Someone once said that astrology was the queen of science, something that should be studied after all other sciences have been studied.

**A.E.:** So, it is more of a science?

**J.M.C.:** Yes. And I really believe that in the Age of Aquarius we are now entering, this period between 1961 and 1981, astrology will be the symbolic language for the next 2160 years. It will serve as a framework that will be able to integrate behavioral, social sciences, and physical sciences. Also, it will serve as a language for psychology.

**A.E.:** Everyone talks about the Age of Aquarius. Can you tell me more about it?

**J.M.C.:** Well, we sort of come into the Age of Aquarius through the back door of Pisces. It's like the ascendent of our solar system through the procession of the equinoxes. It's presently moving from, say, 0 degrees Pisces to 29 degrees Aquarius.

**A.E.:** So, it's the whole solar system that's entering the Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** Yes.

**A.E.:** What is the Age of Aquarius? Did we enter that age before?

**J.M.C.:** About 26,000 years ago there was another Age of Aquarius.

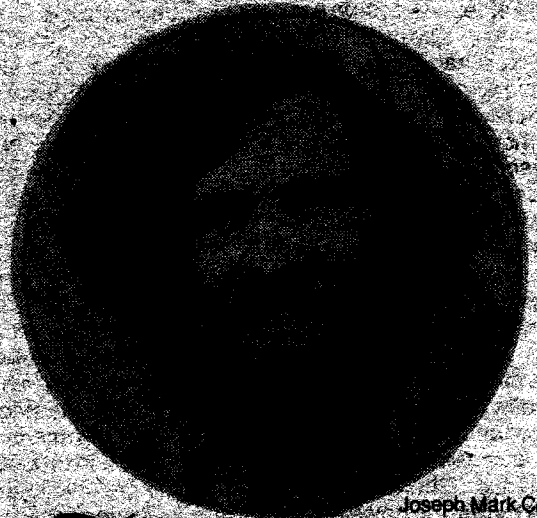
**A.E.:** So, what is in store for us in this Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** A lot of things. It's the age of intuitive science. There will be a lot of advances. Most likely right in this decade there will be a space shuttle, communications from outside our solar system, new technologies based on more sane use of our environment and the ionosphere. And probably some difficult birth pains over the

## Above and Beyond

# WHAT DOES THE AGE OF AQUARIUS MEAN?

## Planetary Suicide or Transformation?



Joseph Mark Cohen



next couple of decades. Humanity has got a bit of catching up to do. Since the time of Jesus and the Age of Pisces, we should have been working on the heart chakra of the planet — dealing with certain ideals of brotherhood, compassion, things that relate to Pisces. But because there's still a tremendous amount of attachment to various egotisms, particularly nationally, there are countries wanting to dominate, Russia wanting to control this China, that. Many people feel we'll be taken almost to the brink of planetary suicide before there'll be some kind of intervention that will re-unite humanity as one being again.

**A.E.:** That's very interesting.

**J.M.C.:** Well, it's not delightful.

**A.E.:** Yes, like you said, it's going to be a painful birth process.

**J.M.C.:** Well, the prophet Isaiah said that there were two possible ways of having a birth. One was for it to be very difficult, and the other is to be easy. So, it entirely depends on our facilities with the flow and which way we choose to operate.

**A.E.:** There's a tremendous lot of work to be done. I walk downtown in Toronto and there's no visual contact. It's amazing. People don't talk to each other.

**J.M.C.:** To the extent that people have fear, that'll be the extent of the resistance to entering a new age or entering a new eon. That fear will be projected into history, so as more people grow in awareness and begin to expect the unusual and look forward to a spiritualization of material culture, and communication from different places, the easier it will be. Basically, I think spiritual evolution is very much like the splitting of an atom. You need a certain quantity of critical mass of evolved consciousness, for there to be an evolutionary leap in consciousness. So, it doesn't mean that the whole of humanity will enter the Age of Aquarius at one time. Basically you will have a certain percentage of beings on the planet who will channel and resonate with the higher vibrational space and they'll work as transformers of energy. Others will be drawn to their energy or wisdom or life or whatever.

**A.E.:** So, it's going to be like a funnel into the next dimension of the Age of Aquarius?

**J.M.C.:** And there have been saints, teachers, prophets, who have known that the Age of Aquarius was to come for a long time.

**A.E.:** I find it strange that so many have been told, yet so few have listened. How will people recognize who the energy is being channeled through?

**J.M.C.:** Well, with energy, when you feel it you're drawn to it. There are already different people who are channeling ways of seeing that will reformulate our world view in the Age of Aquarius. And those people resonate like



music and those that resonate with certain notes and certain frequencies will be drawn to those people who are emitting that frequency.

**A.E.:** So, it's something mystical?

**J.M.C.:** A teacher of mine once said that we're coming to a point where science and mysticism are converging as one.

**Next week: Joseph Mark Cohen talks about: What astrology means to the average man.**



# AND THE YOGI

S.T.

The human body is a cage. Within it is imprisoned the spirit or soul, which is like a bird in a cage. The bird is in love with the cage and is always singing songs of attachment for the earth. If, however, the covers, or bodies, are cast off from the soul, the bird begins to taste the Truth, and the cage is shattered into fragments. The bird then flies away to its home, which is in Sach Khand [the Realm of Truth].

When the veils are torn, millions of enrapturing joys which constitute the "peace that passeth understanding" are attained.

— Huzur Sawan Singh (1858-1948)<sup>1</sup>

By David Christopher Lane

**W**HATEVER the earth may temporarily offer us as human beings, one thing is certain: it is not our permanent home. Regardless of scientific and technological advances, the physical universe as we know it will sometime be unable to sustain life, either reaching a point of maximum entropy (a degradation of matter and energy to an ultimate state of inert uniformity) or collapsing in upon itself, taking in its course every living creature. Despite the misplaced hope of evolutionists, mankind has a limited future — perhaps only a few million years. We are, in fact, only visitors to a land that is destined to die.

Where, then, is our true home? According to genuine mystics from both East and West, man's real abode is neither physical nor mental but wholly spiritual. That is, we are denizens of an infinite realm of light and love who have lost sight of

our essential nature, mistaking a drop for an ocean, a shack for a kingdom, a stone for a jewel. As Ken Wilber eloquently writes:

"In the beginning, there is only Consciousness as such, timeless, spaceless, infinite and eternal. For no reason that can be stated in words, a subtle ripple is generated in this infinite ocean. This ripple could not in itself detract from infinity, for the infinite can embrace any and all entities. But this subtle ripple, awakening to itself, forgets the infinite sea of which it is just a gesture. The ripple therefore feels set apart from infinity, isolated, separate.<sup>2</sup>

As ripples in this infinite sea of awareness, we have grasped that which is impermanent: the body and the world. An authentic master is one who has fully realized his prior oneness with the ocean (God) and who perfectly manifests it in his outward life.

Huzur Sawan Singh (1858-1948), honorifically called the Great Master of Beas, was such a realized soul.

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From early childhood he was irresistibly drawn to seek out the eternal abode. Born in a Sikh family, Sawan was brought up with the sacred scriptures of his religion, *The Guru Granth Sahib* (a compilation of mystical poetry written by Sikh gurus and other Indian and Persian mystics) which spoke at length about the inner music and light that lead a soul back to God. Deeply religious, Sawan Singh associated with a number of holy men whom he questioned about the nature of man's spiritual quest. None of these mystics could satisfy his longing. Sawan was looking for a master of the highest degree. Ironically it was the *Satguru* (true spiritual teacher) who found him instead. Sawan Singh recalls:

I was fond of Satsang and Parmarth [spiritual topics] from my childhood. I often associated with sadhus and religious people.

Later I was transferred to Murrie Hills. One day as I was supervising my work, I saw an old Sikh going up a hill along with a middle-aged lady. Little did I think that he was to be my Master. He was no other than Baba Ji himself [Baba Jaimal Singh, one of the spiritual successors to Shiv Dayal Singh, the founder of Radhasoami] and the lady was Bibi Rukko. This I did not know at the time but found out later that Baba Ji said to Bibi Rukko, referring to me, "It is for his sake that we have come here." To which Bibi Rukko replied: "But he has not even greeted you." Baba Ji said to her, "What does the poor fellow

know yet? On the fourth day he will come to us. . . ."

On the fourth day I went to attend Satsang [the meeting of Baba Jaimal Singh]. . . . After several conferences with Baba Ji I was thoroughly convinced and received Initiation [into the secrets of *surat shabd yoga*] from him on the 15th day of October, 1894.<sup>3</sup>

The turning point in Sawan Singh's life came when he met his spiritual guru, Baba Jaimal Singh, and took initiation under him in the path of *surat shabd yoga* (union of the soul with the Divine inner sound). Such was Sawan's readiness that in just over nine years he became a fully acknowledged master within the Sant Mat and Radhasoami traditions. In fact, except for Maharaj Charan Singh, the present *Satguru* at Beas, Sawan Singh attracted the largest following of any *shabd yoga* master in history, directly initiating more than 125,000 people into the mystic practice.<sup>4</sup>

It is impossible to understand Huzur Sawan Singh's spiritual achievements without first seeing that they were due to his close and devoted relationship with his guru. Baba Ji looked after Sawan's worldly and spiritual welfare, stressing the need to transcend the physical frame altogether and attach one's consciousness to the inner light and sound which reverberates at the Third Eye. By following this stream of celestial currents, the soul gets release from the body/mind.



## The Eloquent Sounds of Silence

**E**VERY ONE OF US KNOWS THE SENSATION OF GOING UP, on retreat, to a high place and feeling ourselves so lifted up that we can hardly imagine the circumstances of our usual lives, or all the things that make us fret. In such a place, in such a state, we start to recite the standard litany: that silence is sunshine, where company is clouds; that silence is rapture, where company is doubt; that silence is golden, where company is brass.

But silence is not so easily won. And before we race off to go prospecting in those hills, we might usefully recall that fool's gold is much more common and that gold has to be panned for, dug out from other substances. "All profound things and emotions of things are preceded and attended by Silence," wrote Herman Melville, one of the loftiest and most eloquent of souls. Working himself up to an ever more thunderous cry of affirmation, he went on, "Silence is the general consecration of the universe. Silence is the invisible laying on of the Divine Pontiff's hands upon the world. Silence is the only Voice of our God." For Melville, though, silence finally meant darkness and hopelessness and self-annihilation. Devastated by the silence that greeted his heartfelt novels, he retired into a public silence from which he did not emerge for more than 30 years. Then, just before his death, he came forth with his final utterance—the luminous tale of Billy Budd—and showed that silence is only as worthy as what we can bring back from it.

We have to earn silence, then, to work for it: to make it not an absence but a presence; not emptiness but repletion. Silence is something more than just a pause; it is that enchanted place where space is cleared and time is stayed and the horizon itself expands. In silence, we often say, we can hear ourselves think; but what is truer to say is that in silence we can hear ourselves not think, and so sink below our selves into a place far deeper than mere thought allows. In silence, we might better say, we can hear someone else think.

Or simply breathe. For silence is responsiveness, and in silence we can listen to something behind the clamor of the world. "A man who loves God, necessarily loves silence," wrote Thomas Merton, who was, as a Trappist, a connoisseur, a caretaker of silences. It is no coincidence that places of worship are places of silence: if idleness is the devil's playground, silence may be the angels'. It is no surprise that *silence* is an anagram of *license*. And it is only right that Quakers all but worship silence, for it is the place where everyone finds his God, however he may express it. Silence is an ecumenical state, beyond the doctrines and divisions created by the mind. If everyone has a spiritual story to tell of his life, everyone has a spiritual silence to preserve.

So it is that we might almost say silence is the tribute we pay to holiness; we slip off words when we enter a sacred space, just as we slip off shoes. A "moment of silence" is the highest honor we can pay someone; it is the point at which the mind stops and something else takes over (words run out when feelings rush in). A "vow of silence" is for holy men the highest devotional act. We hold our breath, we hold our words; we suspend our chattering selves and let ourselves "fall silent," and fall into the highest place of all.

It often seems that the world is getting noisier these days: in Japan, which may be a model of our future, cars and buses have voices, doors and elevators speak. The answering machine talks to us, and for us, somewhere above the din of the TV; the Walkman preserves a public silence but ensures that we need never—in the bathtub, on a mountaintop, even at our desks—be without the clangor of the world. White noise becomes the aural equivalent of the clash of images, the nonstop blast of fragments that increasingly agitates our minds. As Ben Okri, the young Nigerian novelist, puts it, "When chaos is the god of an era, clamorous music is the deity's chief instrument."

There is, of course, a place for noise, as there is for daily lives. There is a place for roaring, for the shouting exultation of a baseball game, for hymns and spoken prayers, for orchestras and cries of pleasure. Silence, like all the best things, is best appreciated in its absence: if noise is the signature tune of the world, silence is the music of the other world, the closest thing we know to the harmony of the spheres. But the greatest charm of noise is when it ceases. In silence, suddenly, it seems as if all the windows of the world are thrown open and everything is as clear as on a morning after rain. Silence, ideally, hums. It charges the air. In Tibet, where the silence has a tragic cause, it is still quickened by the fluttering of prayer flags, the tolling of temple bells, the roar of wind across the plains, the memory of chant.

Silence, then, could be said to be the ultimate province of trust: it is the place where we trust ourselves to be alone; where we trust others to understand the things we do not say; where we trust a higher harmony to assert itself. We all know how treacherous are words, and how often we use them to paper over embarrassment, or emptiness, or fear of the larger spaces that silence brings. "Words, words, words" commit us to positions we do not really hold, the imperatives of chatter; words are what we use for lies, false promises and gossip. We babble with strangers; with intimates we can be silent. We "make conversation" when we are at a loss; we unmake it when we are alone, or with those so close to us that we can afford to be alone with them.

In love, we are speechless; in awe, we say, words fail us. ■

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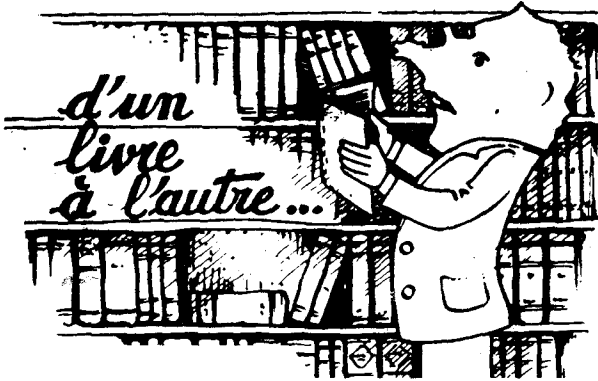
Conclusion

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Il n'échappera pas au lecteur combien il a pu être frustrant pour les auteurs de ne pas pouvoir approfondir l'étude de ce cas, dans lequel, de nombreuses informations concrètes et peu courantes sont rapportées: sensation de chaleur, saveur métallique, distorsion du son, film voilé, ... Avec un témoin plus coopératif, il se serait imposé de faire une enquête sur les lieux, d'utiliser la régression hypnotique pour tenter de préciser de nombreux points du récit,

de faire une étude complète de sa dentition au moment de l'expérience, d'étudier la pellicule voilée, etc...

Rien de cela n'a été ni ne sera possible, et le seul intérêt de ce récit "brut" réside en de possibles rapprochements avec d'autres cas de caractéristiques similaires. Il est à noter que dans la même zone et à la même époque, plusieurs cas d'abduction, encore à l'étude, ont été rapportés.



par Gilles SMIENA

J.J. WALTER — «PLANETES PENSANTES» (Planètes habitées, qu'en pense la science ?) Denoel — 1980 1er T — 215 p.

Bien que cet ouvrage, modestement appelé «essai» par son auteur, n'ait pas de rapport direct avec l'ufologie, il n'est pas inutile de faire une exception et de le signaler à l'attention des lecteurs de LDLN car il est en tous points remarquables. Tout au plus, disons le dès maintenant pour être très clair, peut-on regretter que l'auteur ne distingue pas assez nettement ce qui est du domaine de l'hypothèse non encore prouvée (quelque géniale et probable qu'elle puisse être) et ce qui est déjà du domaine de la certitude scientifique. Plus d'un amateur d'ufologie se fiant à son «intime conviction» risque en effet de tomber dans le piège (involontaire) et d'en tirer des conclusions pour le moins prématurées en faveur de l'hypothèse extra-terrestre, laquelle reste, il faut le redire, une simple hypothèse parmi d'autres possibles, même si celle-ci a depuis trente ans été privilégiée au profit d'autres qui sont encore peu, mal, ou pas du tout étudiées.

J.J. Walter s'interroge d'abord sur les différentes formes possibles de vie dans l'univers en généralisant ce que nous constatons sur terre, à savoir les «structures fondamentales» de la vie basées sur les associations chimiques qui semblent nécessaires au développement de tout être vivant (p. 23...) et cela dans le cadre des problèmes annexes de pesanteur et d'atmosphère. Puis il passe longuement en revue le développement progressif de la conscience à travers toute la lignée des êtres vivants. Ayant constaté ce qu'il appelle les «optimisations» de la vie, c'est à dire le fait que, à chaque niveau de l'évolution et particulièrement pour l'homme, «les systèmes que la vie a généralisés

sont, soit optimaux (les meilleurs), soit voisin de l'optimum» (p 72), il croit pouvoir en conclure que «l'homme comme tous les êtres vivants supérieurs a une vocation cosmique et non pas limitée à une seule planète» (p 84). Il étudie alors la formation des étoiles et des planètes, (p 89 et 92...) puis celle des «précurseurs biologiques (acides aminés, riboses, sucres et phosphates) qui sont (sur terre) indispensables à l'organisation des êtres vivants tels que nous les connaissons (p 104...), enfin le passage de la «prévie» à la vie à l'aube des temps géologiques avant d'étudier l'évolution de la vie elle-même depuis lors.

Il se croit autorisé à conclure qu'«il existe un nombre immense de planètes propres à la vie (p 108) et que, les lois qui régissent le cosmos étant universelles, le processus qui a permis l'éclosion de la vie sur terre s'est obligatoirement produit des milliards de fois dans l'univers». (c'est nous qui soulignons) «Si la vie se développe, écrit-il, c'est sur des bases semblables à la nôtre». (p 168). L'auteur alors affirme que les êtres du cosmos ne peuvent être que des vivants supérieurs, doués, comme l'homme d'une conscience réfléchie. «L'univers, dit-il, non seulement est habité (c'est encore nous qui soulignons), mais ce sont nos semblables ou nos cousins qui l'habitent». (p 109) Ainsi, l'argumentation de Walter commencée prudemment avec des «si» et des conditionnels se termine par des affirmations catégoriques que rien ne prouve à l'heure actuelle. Ce saut dans l'affirmation gratuite n'est pas acceptable. Quoique vraisemblable, tout cela relève encore de l'hypothèse !

Fort de ces assurances, il passe alors aux déductions concernant le futur. Celles-ci sont extrêmement audacieuses, mais passionnantes et d'une logique impeccable ; c'est la meilleure partie du livre, en particulier sa conception des «paliers» successifs de la vie (p 149...) et des «seuils d'émergence» (p 153...) Tout cela est très convaincant et débouche sur des perspectives qui laissent rêveur sans pour autant tomber dans la science fiction ou l'utopie, car les bases du raisonnement sont solides. Ainsi, selon ses idées : «la collectivité des hommes, ayant acquis le stade d'organisation requis, servirait de corps à un «esprit planétaire» (p 160) puis, à l'extrême limite, «les différents «esprits planétaires» se coordonneraient comme des atomes d'une cellule pour constituer une «organisation» cosmique à laquelle correspondrait une émergence de niveau supérieur à celui de l'ultra-pensée». (p 160)... De même que «la société des cellules culmine en l'homme (sans que les cellules aient conscience de l'esprit humain), la société des hommes culminerait en un esprit planétaire» (mais sans que l'esprit individuel

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shows man a degree of a unique nature that he has as of yet to emulate.

The animal kingdom enjoys a high degree of freedom, without forgetting its purpose and responsibility to the scheme of nature.

Look at the freedom of birds. While the caste system of rich and poor makes divisions of districts and communities, and while nations and different political conditions keep man separated from one another, the birds could care less and they come and go freely, respecting little the man-made boundaries that we live and die for. We say, "Well, birds have not enough intelligence and that is why they are free." Really???

Man violates the fundamental law of nature because he does what 'he' wants and not what his conscience tries to impress upon him. There is a movement especially among the younger generations in recent years toward what they call the free society. But they have far still to go to match the freedom that nature exhibits. For they fail to see that life has a purpose greater than merely living as we personally please. All of nature fills a place in the complete cycle that makes it function, man is no different. Most of us, however, seem to have failed to find our true relationship with the rest of creation. To illustrate further, let's return to the birds.

During the mating season, the birds join into pairs to raise their family so that the species may survive. After the nest has been built, jointly, and the eggs laid, the couple share alternately in hatching them while they feed one another. The eggs have to be kept at a certain temperature around the clock.

This is all done by natural instinct and no marriage license is needed to make them responsible as is often the case with us.

After the hatching, both parents work without tiring to feed their young often times without thinking for themselves. Can you imagine what would happen if the parents suddenly would decide to fly off to have some "fun" with other

partners elsewhere, leaving the helpless young uncared for in the nest? Well, we know they won't do that. They don't have to be reminded to be responsible by a state, a judge, or some religious organization. They seem to be much smarter than many men.

Now the birds have raised their young, taught by both parents how to fly and survive, the whole family is free again each one off to leave all bondage behind. On the other hand, many species remain together for life but still each one is free to express its own purpose.

I think this brings us to another interesting point concerning freedom. We are told that man, nature's highest intelligence, was given dominion over all living things, EXCEPT his fellow man. Doesn't this indicate that on a universal scene, no man has the right to possess another under any relationship?

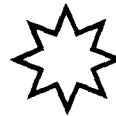
But many will ask, "Where does love come in?" Well, look again to nature. Does not Universal Love embrace all of creation equally? And does this not include a compassion, and understanding, and a mutual confidence in one another WITHOUT POSSESSIVENESS?

I am sure we have heard of those who can love each other dearly one day while on the next day can hate the same person. This is usually because one partner may have refused to dance according to the fiddle the other was playing at the moment. Love suddenly turns to hate? Strange, isn't it!

Perhaps we are missing a bit of that non-possessive, responsible feeling that those birds seem to have. Perhaps there is more to life than we know.

Perhaps if we follow nature, we too will be free as the wind blows and free as the grass grows.

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# MAIL BAG

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.

## A "Dapple Gray" factor

Dear Mr. Bowen, — May I refer to Mr. M. H. Martin's letter which was published in *Flying Saucer Review*, Volume 25, No. 6. It's just as well your reader wrote his astute observation concerning *The Jesus Factor*. At the time of John Hodges' second regression, as he woke from the session, he mentioned to me that he had read *The Jesus Factor* some time before and was puzzled as to the similarity of the "atom bomb" information brought out in his second session with the book. What puzzled him even more was that he was confident in his own mind that the grey entities had imparted the information to him. The fact that it correlated with *The Jesus Factor* did not make it invalid to him.

Your reader may well be right. John Hodges may have well unconsciously used this information (which was in his unconscious mind at that point) as part of his hypnotic "recall." Situations akin to this occur commonly in hypnosis. The process is termed "confabulation." This term does not mean that the subject consciously lies or embellishes; rather, it means that the subject unconsciously reaches into the recesses of his own mind to fill in gaps in his hypnotically-relived story.

It is my fault that I did not point out in the article that *The Jesus Factor* material was remembered by John Hodges immediately following his regression session. The case was so very complicated and lengthy (aren't they all!) that I simply slipped up and forgot.

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March 8, 1980.

## Dyfed dates

Dear Sir, — In his letter in FSR Vol. 25, No. 4, Mr. Gerald L. Wilkinson quite rightly draws our attention to the discrepancies in certain of the dates in relation to the ufological events which occurred at Ripperston Farm, as given by myself and author (*The Uninvited*) Clive Harold.

The date I have given in relation to the Stack Rocks incident (FSR Vol. 23, No. 6 — page 7) is correct, as are the names of the members of the Coombes family who were present and witnessed the whole thing.

It will be appreciated, of course, that by the very nature of things, a certain amount of time must inevitably occur between the actual incident itself, and the news of the event reaching me, but since I live in the area, and indeed, only a matter of some five or six miles from the focal point of the whole of the 1977 "flap" — Ripperston Farm — I was invariably there, armed with tape recorder and the requisite writing material, within minutes.

Whilst, therefore, I was able to acquire the report when the details were still fresh in the minds of the witnesses, I can only assume that Mr. Harold was less fortunate, since inevitably dates and events can become more than a little confused when one has to refer back over a period of weeks, or even months, without having noted them down. On more than one occasion I found that the exact verification of specific dates became a process of elimination when interviewing witnesses at this particular period, and this was by no means confined to Billy and Pauline Coombes.

However, since more often than not I was able to be at the "scene of the crime" within a relatively short time, the details given in my overall investigations are completely accurate.

Yours sincerely,  
**R. Jones Pugh**  
St. Brides View,  
Roch,  
Haverfordwest,  
Pembrokeshire.  
March 7, 1980.

## On the Paraphysical Intelligence, and Parallel Universes

Dear Mr. Bowen, — Two articles in FSR 25/3 have particularly attracted my attention: "The UFO/Bigfoot Connection" by Janet & Colin Bord, and "Signpost to a Parallel Universe" by Hilary Evans.

The first article can just as well be entitled "The UFO/Bigfoot/Virgin Mary/Men-in-Black Connection" because these four phenomena, and many others, are merely different manifestations of one and the same immaterial entity: the *Paraphysical Intelligence* emanating from the Immaterial Universe of which our material universe is just a minor facet. So it does not matter whether they are seen together or separately.

The *Paraphysical Intelligence* is neither

God nor the Devil. It is strictly neutral, Good and Evil being purely human concepts and non-existent in Nature. Man invented them because he needs them, and then he drew an arbitrary line of demarcation between what he calls Good and Evil in terms of his anthropocentric and anthropomorphic conception of Nature. No wonder that among ourselves there has never been any agreement on the definition of Good and Evil. According to the Bible, God created man in His own image. In reality, *it is man who created God in his own image* and endowed Him with all sorts of human attributes. Why should God be masculine, for instance? Why should God need sex?

As for the second article, I cannot subscribe to Mr. Evans' theory that the UFOs may come from a parallel universe. Parallel universes are neither superior nor inferior but *equal* to our universe. For example, the anti-universe composed of antimatter is simply the exact opposite of our material universe composed of matter, but it is neither superior nor inferior to ours. By its very nature, the UFO phenomenon must originate from a superior universe such as the Immaterial Universe suggested above.

Sincerely yours,  
**Julian H. Kaneko**  
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Switzerland.  
November 12, 1979

## A few words on instant debunkers

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I must agree with Dr. Hynek's comments regarding Sir Bernard Lovell (FSR Vol. 25, No. 2 — World round-up), as I well remember a statement made by Sir Bernard to the effect that "UFOs do not exist." This revelation was communicated to the listening millions on BBC radio way back, I think, 1973 (the exact date is in my files in the U.K.). It was not explained how this conclusion was arrived at, and I would be the first to allow anyone his or her own opinion. However, in a subject as complex as the one with which we are concerned, a great deal of investigation and report-studying is essential before that opinion is worth the paper it is written on. Doubtless Sir Bernard's work in his own sphere of radio astronomy is, to say the least, excellent, but I do wish that he, and

others I could mention, would not volunteer opinions on subjects of which they are in ignorance.

Regarding the enclosed extract from the *Sunday Express*, of which no doubt you will be reporting in due course,\* it seems to me yet another example of ludicrous behaviour on the part of "Them". By

this I mean that, instead of becoming involved with an unsuspecting forestry worker, "They" could, by making an application 6 months in advance (in triplicate), and on payment of a small fee, have scratched the thighs of the great P. Moore himself.

As always, my best wishes to yourself and your team.

As-salaam' alaykum,  
**D. J. Hampton,**  
Riyadh  
Saudi Arabia  
February 22, 1980.

[\* *The Livingston case, dealt with in this and the last two issues of FSR — EDITOR*]

## World round-up

*of news and comment  
about recent sightings*

### England

#### Could this turn out to be another 'abduction' claim?

From the *Sunday Express* of March 1, 1980, we learn how,—

"When van driver Ian Berry turned up at his home at four o'clock in the afternoon looking 'shattered' his wife Julie asked where he had been.

"The trouble was, her 27-year-old husband didn't know.

"And now police are trying to piece together Ian's lost hours after his furniture van was discovered piled up against a tree near Petworth, Sussex at five o'clock that morning.

"But that is not the only thing strange about the case, Ian, from Farnborough, Hants, is still wondering how he managed to get home — 30 miles from the scene of the crash.

Mrs. Berry, 25, said: 'All he has been able to tell me is he remembers seeing bright lights and later hearing dogs barking. But otherwise his mind is a complete blank.'

"At Petworth a police spokesman said they received a 999 call from a man who heard the crash. He added: 'The van had ploughed headlong into a tree. It's a wonder anyone got out of it alive.'

"A dog-handler was called out but the driver could not be found and all the hospitals in Surrey, Sussex and Hampshire were alerted to find him.

"Mr. Berry had been taking a load of furniture from Aldershot to Littlehampton.

"According to Mrs. Berry her husband telephoned her at about three o'clock in the afternoon. At that point he was at Farnham, Surrey, about six miles from his home.'

"An hour later he walked in 'looking shattered.'

"Mrs. Berry said: 'I put him straight to bed. His hands were cut and he's got quite a bump on his head, but otherwise he seems all right.' "

Credit: **D. H. Taylor** of London W14

### France

#### An alleged CE IV

The following item under the signature of **Ian Murray** and datelined Paris, November 27 [1979], appeared in the columns of *The Times* of November 28, 1979,—

"The most wanted man in France today is M. Frank Fontaine, aged 19, married, father of a six-month-old baby, and respected resident of Saint-Ouen l'Aumône to the west of Paris.

"His photograph and description have been circulated to every police station in the country and an intensive search for him is being carried out round the area where he was last seen.

"As far as the police are concerned M. Fontaine has done nothing wrong, he is simply missing. Normally they would not be conducting so thorough a search for someone of sound mind who disappeared only a short while ago. But the mystery surrounding M. Fontaine's disappearance is such that the police are extremely anxious to solve it quickly.

"He was reported missing at 4.30 yesterday morning by two of his friends, M. Jean-Pierre Prevot and M. Saloman N'diaye, both of them, according to police, sober young men with a good background.

"The story they told police, however, sounded somewhat less than sober and seemed to come from a very shady background indeed. It was a story that both men nevertheless stuck to when questioned separately or together and one on which they were in agreement in every detail.

"At 4 o'clock that morning, they said, they were loading M. Prevot's shooting brake outside his apartment in Cergy-Pontoise (Val-d'Oise) with clothes to take to the market at Gisors where M. N'diaye has a stall. Suddenly they all noticed a bright light in the sky, falling quickly towards the ground.

"Thinking it might be an aircraft crashing M. Prevot and M. N'diaye say

they ran inside to find a camera, while M. Fontaine said he would follow the light in the car.

"Moments later, when the two came out again, they say they saw the car about 200yds away. It was surrounded by a halo of light accompanied by three or four brighter lights.

"As they watched, they say, they saw the bright lights merge and then trail upwards and disappear. Cautiously they approached the car and found its door open, lights on and engine running. M. Fontaine had disappeared.

"Police have interrogated both the witnesses of this close encounter for hours since then and can only say that they are perfectly reasonable people who clearly had never regarded stories of flying saucers as anything but science fiction.

"The car has been checked in vain with a radiation counter. Radar bases have confirmed seeing nothing abnormal on their screens. The area round the car has been searched with a fine-tooth comb.

"Police, however, are keeping their feet firmly on the ground over the matter.

"He could have gone off for a perfectly simple reason, either by foot or by hitch-hiking. Actually there is no other explanation possible', they say.

"We are looking for someone who has disappeared mysteriously, that is all. As far as the little green men are concerned, we will deal with them later.' "

Credit: **Terence Collins**

[Well, that is the story, for what it is worth, but some readers have enquired why we have not hastened to publish a full investigation. The truth of the matter is that even before we had time to prepare for publication our *World Round-up* news comment in FSR Vol. 25, No. 6, we learned that M. Frank Fontaine had returned from captivity and that there was talk of a book. We also detected a note of unease about the case from some French researchers — EDITOR].

## "Abducted" man returns

Here is the text of an item which appeared, under the signature of Marceau Petit, in *France-Soir* on December 3, 1979 (translation from the French by Gordon Creighton),—

"He is back. He has 'descended' once more on to the Earth. Franck Fontaine, aged 19, the man who vanished at Cergy-Pontoise, was found again, on Monday morning, in the house of his friend Jean-Pierre Prévost, 25, living on the Boulevard de la Justice-Mauve in the northern sector of the new township of Cergy.

"He returned as mysteriously as he went.

"Says Jean-Pierre Prévost: 'At 4.30 this morning, there was a ring on the door-bell of my house. I opened the door, and Franck was standing there before me, in the doorway. Without speaking a word, I made him come in.'

"In his interview with the Gendarmes, Franck Fontaine has been quite unable to explain what happened to him. He says: 'I am totally disorientated as regards the past week. I was no longer here on Earth. When I awoke this morning, I found myself at the same spot where I had seen the UFO a week ago. But I had no

knowledge of where I had been.'

"Young Franck did not appear to be tired at all. His face showed no growth of beard. Quite to the contrary — **he looked thoroughly fresh and at ease. Perhaps a bit too much so for a lad who has just returned from a long journey.** He was still wearing the same clothes that he had on when he disappeared. His 'absence' is said to have lasted precisely one week, to the very hour. It was at 4.30 a.m. on November 26 that he vanished, and it was at 4.30 a.m. this Monday morning that he returned to Cergy-Pontoise. And on both occasions the authorities learned about it more than three hours later.

"So, altogether a thoroughly strange affair, which the Gendarmes are now going to attempt to clarify, for it looks very much like a hoax. But, for the moment, as even the investigating authorities admit, all the witnesses 'seem to be acting in good faith.'

"Jean-Pierre Prévost, and Salomon N'Diaye, Franck's two companions, have been interrogated several times and have never diverged from their initial declarations.

"They say: 'We had scarcely got out on to the road, to load up the car — we were going to the market at Gisors —

when we saw, all three of us, a long streak of opaque white light, with a *frayed* sort of effect at both ends and with whiter lights, like headlights, passing through it. These lights were coming down out of the sky at an oblique angle, over the power plant. We watched for three or four minutes, trying to make out what it could be. Then Franck shouted 'I'm going to have a look, I want to know what it is.'

"Jean-Pierre and Salomon went back into the house to look for a camera. When they returned to the spot, they found their car parked athwart the road and 200 metres further along.

"They said: '**It seemed to be bathed in a halo resembling a thick mist, and in the middle of the mist there were three or four small spheres moving about. Franck had disappeared.**'

"That was just a week ago. To the very day. Now that he's back, is Franck going to be able to explain his mysterious trip?

"Specialists from GEPAN, the study group specialising in paranormal phenomena, are expected to arrive at the Cergy-Pontoise Gendarmerie HQ."

Credit: Jonathan M. Caplan

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# FIGHTER PILOT'S SIGHTING OVER EGYPT

*David Apps*

**Our contributor investigated this report for UFOIN on his introduction to the network. It was originally supplied to *Flying Saucer Review* by the *Daily Express* UFO Bureau. Data: September 11 1962 32° 30' N, 27° 30' E. (EGYPT) 16.00 European Time MED.**

**T**HE witness of this sighting was Capt. K. R., at present a captain in British Airways, but at the time an officer of the Royal Air Force. For obvious reasons, therefore, he has requested anonymity, although his name and address are on file at FSR.

His task that day was to lead a squadron of *Javelin* delta-wing fighters. These were travelling in four flights of four, with a fifteen minute interval between each flight. They were travelling from El Adem (Tobruk) in Libya, to Nicosia in Cyprus, on a training exercise. Speed was approximately Mach 0.8 (600 mph) and altitude 40,000 feet. The course was bearing 070 degrees.

Capt. K.R. had suffered a partial power loss. It was nothing serious, but for safety he had to descend to 32,000 feet. At this height he could watch the three other aircraft under his supervision as they travelled line abreast overhead leaving clear vapour trails. The sky was blue and cloudless.

Suddenly he caught sight of a bright white light which

was behind the three *Javelins* and travelling parallel with them. It was, however, moving much faster. He was able to see it in sharp focus against the vapour trails, and note that it was just a white light, the apparent size of a match head, which showed no sign of wings or other protruberances. It was, in fact, just like an aircraft at great height reflecting the sunlight. However, the speed (at least Mach 2, or greater) indicated to the Captain that if it were an aircraft then it was some extremely fast new vehicle under test.

Capt. K.R. moved his head from side to side to rule out the possibility that he was only observing a reflection from an aircraft canopy. This movement proved to his satisfaction that he was watching a real object in the sky, and above the *Javelins*. He then noted that his navigator was watching the object as well.

The object continued on a parallel course until it had got in front of the *Javelins*. It then made an instantaneous stop, coupled with a similar instantaneous turn across 150



to say a few words on this interesting subject. I am not sure if Mr. Priest is aware that a consequence of Einstein's Special Theory of Relativity is the Time Dilation Effect. As a spaceship and its crew approached the speed of light all physical processes and time aboard the ship would slow down, whereas outside the ship, e.g., the Earth, all physical processes and time would continue at their usual rate. The crew would not be aware of this retardation as their metabolism is also effected.

This means that space travellers moving at high relativistic velocity would find on return to Earth that hundreds or thousands of years, or more, had passed. But to them it would seem only days, weeks. Thus, this would be time travel into the future. I have read of a theory (not the mathematics of it) which says that if it was possible to transform matter completely into energy, so that a space-time ship could attain 72% speed of light, it would be theoretically possible to travel into the past or future. Cases where UFOs materialise and dematerialise, or disappear like a T.V. picture, may be exhibiting a form of relativistic phenomenon. They could come from any region of Earth's past or future, and be of alien or human origin.

By being observed, or by actual physical intervention, "they will change past or future events due to the cause and effect relationship. This whole business becomes very complex as I am sure all readers will appreciate. Yours sincerely,  
**Sidney G. Brighton**  
36 St. Hughs Green, Gorleston-on-Sea,  
Gt. Yarmouth, Norfolk.  
August 5, 1977.

#### An infinitely all-embracing view?

Dear Editor: Here are my reflections on the UFO phenomenon:

Space is infinitely multidimensional, time is infinitely multidirectional, and the flow rate of time is infinitely variable. The UFO and paranormal phenomena are linked to the infinitely complex structure of the multispatio-temporal universe.

Yours sincerely,  
**Julian H. Kaneko,**  
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CH-1206 Geneva, Switzerland.  
September 29, 1977.

#### The Villa Santina Case

Dear Sir,—I am aged 51 and have long been fascinated by the still unsolved mystery of the flying saucers, the reality of which I accept as more than merely possible. As my thirteen-year-old daughter is also interested, I

recently bought for her here in London (where I have lived for the past eleven years) a copy of *The Humanoids*, in which, to my great astonishment, I read the account (p. 187) of the experience of Professor R.L. Johannis at Villa Santina, Italy. I must emphasise that I know nothing about him and have read none of his science fiction books which you mention.

The fact is that I was myself born in Udine. Re-reading the story more carefully, I was even more amazed to see that the date was August 1947!

In that month I was living at Caporiacco, in the municipality of Colloredo di Montalbano. I don't recall the precise date, but it was certainly in August, and certainly before August 15. I feel pretty sure it was August 12. With my mother and a friend I had been to the cinema at Fagnagna to see Vivien Leigh in the film of Shaw's *Caesar and Cleopatra*. Cars were a luxury in those days, and we had to walk to and from Fagnagna (about 4½ kilometres each way).

We were returning home at about 11.00 p.m. It was a beautiful, warm night, and the sky was full of stars. Suddenly, from behind us there came a vivid yellowish-orange light and what seemed a ball of fire shot over our heads at a terrific speed and carried on north towards the mountains ahead of us, on a dead straight, horizontal course, and lighting up the whole area around. For a brief moment you could have read a newspaper as well as in broad daylight. No sound whatever accompanied the sight. For a few moments we stood there without moving, without saying a word, and quite scared.

Over the years my mother and I had often spoken of the experience and speculated as to what it might have been. Lately, we had even discussed the possibility that it might have been a flying saucer. But of course in those days, in 1947, who had even heard of jet or supersonic planes, not to mention saucers!

Is it possible that what we saw has any connection with Professor Johannis' experience, which took place in that same part of Italy on the morning of August 14?

As I am not sure whether the address of the Italian UFO Study Group in Turin (*Centro Studi Clip-eological*) is still the same, for *The Humanoids* was published in 1969. I am sending this letter to Mr. Gordon Creighton for onward transmission if possible.

Yours sincerely,  
**Mrs. Mirella Emery,**  
18a Market Square, Waltham Abbey,  
Essex, England.

made the foregoing precis translation from the Italian): *As we are not even sure whether Signor Gianni Settimo's Centro Studi Clipeologici in Turin still exists, and as it is many years since we last saw an issue of their journal Clypeus, I telephoned Mrs. Emery and suggested that this be treated as a letter to FSR, and she gave her approval. We hope however that, if any of our Italian readers have knowledge of Signor Gianni Settimo's whereabouts, and if he is still interested in UFOs, they will bring Mrs. Emery's report to his attention. (As regards Professor Johannis, I seem to remember having read some years ago that he had died and so was no longer in our world.)]*

#### "Moon machinery" etc.

Sir,—There are many good reasons for suspecting that there was more than a grain of truth in all the rumours, not merely that many astronauts had seen UFOs in their journeys in Space around the Earth or near the Moon, but that indeed some of them actually saw *machines or devices* of some kind on the Moon's surface. Nevertheless, it is decidedly unfortunate that this subject was aired in such a fashion recently.

All this particular hullabaloo about the Moon seems to be based upon the spectacular revelations allegedly imparted to the world in the book *There is Somebody Else on the Moon*, by George H. Leonard. (Published by David McKay Co. Inc., New York, 1976, and W.H. Allen, London, 1977.)

Mr. Leonard has crammed his book with more than thirty good close-up photos of the Moon's surface, said to have been supplied to him by no less a body than NASA. (Nor can one doubt for one moment that they are from NASA.)

The crunch comes, however, when Mr. Leonard assures us that these pictures clearly show all manner of constructions, machines, manufactured objects, and so on. My own eyesight is far from poor, and the photos reveal nothing of the sort to me, not even with the aid of a powerful magnifying lens.

(*Who is so foolish as to imagine anyway, for one moment, that, had the photographs shown anything of the sort, NASA would have made them available to Mr. Leonard or to any other member of the public?*)

I can quite see that this is a perfectly good way of making a few quick bucks, but it will certainly do nothing to advance our cause.

And, incidentally, the visual and aural media in this country are not exactly renowned for their scrupulously fair conduct when it comes to

[NOTE by Gordon Creighton (who

# MAIL BAG

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.

## The name of the game

Dear Mr. Bowen,—I have read Philip Creighton's article (FSR 24/1) with the greatest interest but only a modicum of understanding. I am no scientist. But with every issue of FSR it seems to me that the plot thickens. Mr. B.J. Hall "jibs at the concept of control of the human race" (p.32), whereas Philip Creighton and Andrew Collins make it abundantly clear, if only unwittingly, that this is what the game is all about.

Thus Andrew Collins: UFO entities "reproduce through humans" (p.10) and "they gave the child Kevin a lot of things to do when he grows up" (p.15); and Philip Creighton: "minds can manipulate objective reality," etc. (p.19).

History is one long story of the control of the many by the few. If the few are divinely inspired, well and good. If not ...! For a great many years (my letter in FSR 2/4 1956 refers) I have warned against just this sort of control by demonic powers. The pace is now hotting up and I hope that my book *UFO's and the Christian* will do something to stop the rot.

Meanwhile, congratulations on maintaining such a high standard of objectivity and integrity through thick and thin.

Yours sincerely,

(Rev.) Eric Inglesby

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July 14, 1978.

## Multidimensional intelligences?

Dear Mr. Bowen,—As you know, two major hypotheses are currently at loggerheads with each other concerning the UFO phenomenon: the extraterrestrial hypothesis and the human parapsychological hypothesis. Neither of them is convincing.

I therefore would like to propose a third hypothesis which seems to me more acceptable:

Behind the UFO phenomenon hides an *Extradimensional Intelligence* (located in the 5th or 6th dimension). It knows everything about us, who live in a quadridimensional world. It is not malevolent, but it makes fun of us by manipulating us as it pleases.

We are probably not the only ones to be so manipulated. All extraterrestrials in our Milky Way galaxy as well as in the other galaxies, whatever the degree of their cerebral development, must also be controlled by this Extra-

dimensional Intelligence. We cannot, however, rule out the possibility that the most advanced among the extraterrestrials or extragalactics graduated to a higher plane of existence and were thus incorporated into the Extradimensional Intelligence long ago. It is possible that we, too, shall end up by being assimilated in the far-off future, say, 2 billion years from now.

The UFO phenomenon is therefore neither of extraterrestrial origin nor of a human parapsychological nature. The UFOs (like the Loch Ness Monster, the Bermuda Triangle and other inexplicable phenomena) are manifestations of the Extradimensional Intelligence whose true nature and intentions will not be revealed to us for at least a billion years.

This Extradimensional Intelligence, however, is controlled in its turn by an Ultradimensional Superintelligence located in an even higher spatiotemporal dimension and so on and so on...to the infinite. In other words, there is an infinite hierarchy of spatiotemporal dimensions and corresponding intelligences. Let's not forget that the Universe is infinitely multidimensional.

Sincerely yours,

Julian H. Kaneko

9, Crêts de Champel,  
CH-1206 Geneva, Switzerland.

July 27, 1978

The following letter, which was datelined Florence, October 28, 1977, has been handed to me by Mr. Creighton for publication as a "Letter to the Editor." It is published here without comment as we cannot possibly know who is right.

— EDITOR

## The Carlo Rossi Case

Dear Mr. Creighton,—With regard to Dr. Marianti's letter (FSR, Vol. 23, No. 1, p. 31) I should like to say something about the case of Carlo Rossi at San Pietro a Vico. I am speaking on behalf of the authors of the book *UFO in Italia* and myself.

From the letter in question and from your comment on same, one has the impression that the version of the Rossi case in the book *UFO in Italia* is wrong (even with regard to the date). On this subject I would like it to be known as follows:

1) The version of the Rossi case given in the book *UFO in Italia* was drawn from the newspaper *La Nazione* of September 29, 1952, where an interview with the eye-witness was published after he had reported his sighting to the *Procura della Repubblica* of Lucca.

2) The sketch which had been published by the same newspaper agrees exactly with what the witness had told the journalist. Therefore it is not correct to say that "the drawing used in the local newspaper was only a journalist's imaginative contribution."

3) The "new version" of the "new sketch" began to spread only in 1975, when the eye-witness, who died long before, was not able to confirm or to deny any longer. Note that none of Carlo Rossi's relatives mentioned the "new facts" at all in the course of the inquiry made by the Gruppo di Ricerca of Prata in January 1973. On the contrary, the son of Carlo Rossi, Sergio, confirmed that all things occurred exactly according to the version given in *La Nazione* of September 29, 1952.

4) The divulger of the "new facts" is Maurizio Rossi, grandson of the witness, who at the time of the sighting was not yet born; his source is Sergio Rossi, his father, who at a certain moment declared that he remembered the "correct version" of the sighting of Carlo Rossi (his father), and it is he who drew the alleged "correct sketch" of the UFO. Unfortunately he is not able to show either the alleged original writing of Carlo Rossi or his alleged original sketch. Note that this unexpected recollection of Sergio Rossi occurred in 1975, two years after that he himself had asserted that the version of *La Nazione* had been completely right.

5) After having got knowledge of the alleged "new facts", the authors of *UFO in Italia* and I took care of publishing them in the *Giornale dei Misteri* (No.66, page 17). Nevertheless, as documents in Carlo Rossi's own handwriting have not been shown, we think that the present assertions of Maurizio and Sergio Rossi have to be accepted with caution. In fact we admit they may have been led (maybe unconsciously) to "rationalize" the old account of their relative, who obviously used words and images according to his intellectual and cultural level. It is our conviction (also shared by the most authoritative ufologists

in the world) that it is advisable to distrust "re-elaborations" carried out after many years, when the eye-witness is dead, above all, when these "re-elaborations" are not based on uncontested evidence. On account of this, the authors of *UFO in Italia* and I think that the old version of this case of San Pietro a Vico (published in the newspaper *La Nazione* and based on the words of the witness himself) is still the one that sticks the most to the facts.

Thanking you in advance for your attention,

With my very best regards,  
Yours sincerely,  
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50131 Firenze, Italy

#### Alleged official studies

Dear Sir,—With reference to Sir Victor Goddard's letter published in FSR Vol.24, No.1, and in view of the fact that it was I who wrote to him concerning the two alleged official studies, I feel that a reply is necessary.

Sir Victor is in an unrivalled position to make his six statements, and because of that I generally accept what was stated. However, I take exception to the fact that he seems to think that I represent yet another

case of a serious investigator chasing a wild and baseless rumour.

May I ask Sir Victor how one is to assess the validity of a rumour, without first investigating the formulation of the rumour, and making attempts to gain as much information as possible (whether it be positive or negative) relevant to the rumour's subject matter, on which a final decision (which may not even be *that* final) can be taken as to whether it is an unfounded rumour or fact (probably based on circumstantial evidence)?

It was because of my attempt to gain information on the two alleged official studies that I wrote to Sir Victor.

Whilst on the subject of the alleged official studies into UFOs, there are two rumours currently circulating that may be of interest to FSR readers.

Apparently, during a daily newspaper's front page coverage of UFOs a few months ago, a reporter had interviewed a Ministry of Defence spokesman who let slip that there was a secret government UFO study centre based in Acton, West London. This was not printed in the newspaper but was mentioned to the data research co-ordinator of the UFO organisation of which I am a member, who in turn told me. The only clue I

can find which may be relevant to this matter, is that in Kelly's Post Office London Street Directory of 1977, under Bromyard Avenue, Acton, W.3, is a list of various government departments among which is one quite simply entitled — Air Ministry. Maybe the P.O. have not realised that this department ceased to use this name years ago.

The second rumour concerns a government department in Cheltenham — The Department of Aerial Studies, (ND HQ) — which (if it exists) supposedly has close links with the CIA, NORAD, BBC Intelligence Units and the Metropolitan Police, amongst others. In one particular — and esoteric — UFO periodical there was published recently a supposed copy of one of the Department's classified memoranda listing UFO contactees for the year ending the 22 February 1978. Fact or fiction — who *can* tell?

It is all too easy to dismiss such things because there is no proof in support of their truthfulness, but then again, what proof exists to confirm that they *are* wild and baseless rumours?

Yours faithfully,  
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July 14, 1978.

## PERSONAL COLUMN

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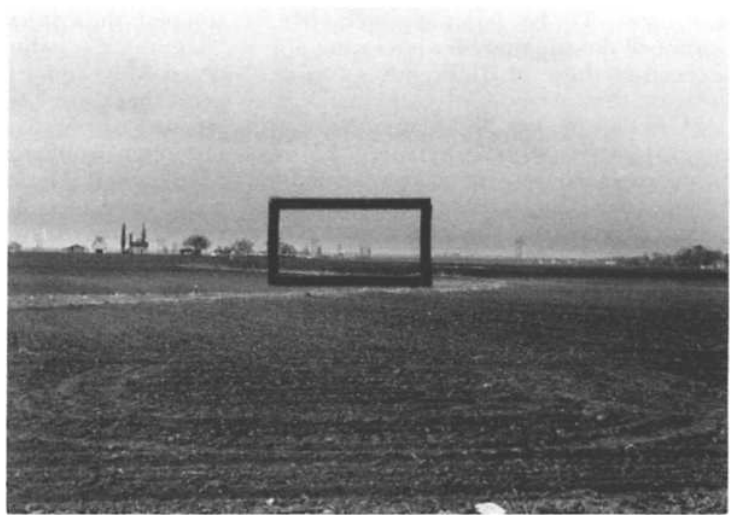
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In the course of her briefing, conducted some three months after the incident, Pattie drew a sketch of the object (included here) which depicts it coming down. A few days later, she amended that — after thinking it over — the flying triangle was actually “a bit flatter” than portrayed in her drawing.

Parts of Pattie’s account coincide with other testimony taken regarding cases in the minor sighting spree which shaded north central Illinois in ’79. Besides her encounter, three separate incidents out of the ten on record involved triangular or conical-looking, soundless aerial craft.

In addition, the locale of her sighting is noteworthy. During the last half of July — and before the episode on the 28th — three presently-unexplained events were observed in the night sky above the same plot of farm land there: “a flare in the sky”, “a bright flash” and “something strange going on overhead”, according to eye-witness reports of varying detail. They all occurred between 9.30 and 10. p.m. And Pattie Ong observed one of the events — the bright flash — with two companions the evening before she drove to her unexpected rendezvous with the low-flying triangle.



The triangular form descended into the area of the bean field — marked by the black rectangle — outside Wenona. The camera was located on the road where Pattie Ong was driving, and is pointing North. On the night of the incident four-foot-tall bean plants covered the field.

## MAIL BAG

**No sliding doors,  
but many obfuscators!**

Dear Sir, — My wife and I visited Broad Haven (FSR Vol. 23, Nos. 1 & 6) this August, arriving during the regatta at Little Haven. The larger keel boats were rounding Stack Rock and we learned that many local fisherman landed on it. Mr. Gerald Bird, who hires out boats from his small yard and who might be willing to take you there, has scrambled all over the small island and seen no sliding doors, through which a flying saucer was observed, from two separate points, to disappear. Furthermore, although there are rock faces, the only spot visible from Haven Fort Hotel in the east and near Ripperston Farm in the south is a grassy slope. The sighting was an illusion.

Nevertheless, the school and other sightings are accepted locally as real and Mr. Randall Jones Pugh (co-author of *The Dyfed Enigma*) told me that sightings continue, although mostly of lights in the sky. Of two ladies in the Haverfordwest tourist office, one had seen these and the other, Ms. Tegmen Hill living in a bungalow at Broad Haven, became convinced of the presence of something out of the ordinary when, about the time of the school sightings, her elkhound growled one night and all its hair including the fur undercoat stood on end,

making it look like a brush, for the first and only time in its life.

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While Dr. Hynek’s categories are valuable statistically, the recent attempt to extend them may indicate that a new classification is required to deal with the variety of the phenomena as simply as possible. For the time being, specific use of the following terms for the categories could be useful.

**Extraterrestrial.** Objects of appearance or behaviour suggesting ability to travel outside earth’s atmosphere or be housed in space.

**Flying saucer.** Any UFO of definite shape, not only disk-shaped.

**UFO.** This general term should be applied specifically to lights in the sky of unconventional appearance or behaviour and to objects of indeterminate shape.

**Illusion.** A judgement hard to prove. Magic is no longer magical when its operation is explained; nevertheless it is illusion. Teleportation, or time-travel if it is possible, would not be illusion, however supernatural it seems. The holograph, a new scientific wonder, is not an illusion but would come into this category because it shows only an image and not the substance. A hoax is best described as illusion.

**Supernatural.** A residual term for

apparently pointless, purposeless phenomena e.g. poltergeist activity.

**Obfuscator.** Anyone who offers a ridiculous explanation of a particular experience. Obfuscators may be wearing blinkers (“space travel is bilge”) or wish to appear as reliable establishment figures, or speak in an official capacity, holding no brief for the truth.

This proposed classification is in the reverse order to Dr. Hynek’s and places first what is of most interest to humanity. We have more freedom than ever before in history, but not yet the freedom of the universe. This is the promise of the UFO and constitutes its main attraction.

Yours faithfully,  
**John M. Lade,**  
FSR Publications Ltd.,  
West Malling,  
Kent.  
October 6, 1980.

**From the Chairman of BUFORA**

Dear Mr. Bowen, — In view of the letter you received from Stuart Campbell and your editorial comment on it, I have to clarify BUFORA’s policy regarding investigations and our attitude to other investigators.

BUFORA Council cannot support the view that any other investigator’s work on the same case is “unwarranted interference” and regret that this phrase

was used. To be fair, however, Mr. Campbell did say that his views were not necessarily those of BUFORA — as in this case they are not!

BUFORA makes NO claims for any special priorities, privileges or exclusivities over any other researcher or Group, willingly recognising that any person or body has every right to freely examine and comment upon any event anywhere.

Finally may I appeal to all activists in the UFO field to work in harmony and forget past differences. There is so much work to do, so many avenues of approach, that we only weaken and dilute our efforts by sterile controversy amongst ourselves. BUFORA's policy is to work with everyone who will help in reaching our published aims.

Yours sincerely,

**L. W. Bayer,**  
Chairman — BUFORA.  
Research Headquarters:  
Newchapel Observatory,  
Newchapel,  
Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs.  
October 20, 1980

### The question of copyright

Dear Sir, — With reference to our investigation of the Livingston case from November 9, 1979.

The report, from which the three-part article was taken, is copyrighted to discourage misuse by the unscrupulous. For the record, any case copyrighted as such is freely available to be discussed and criticised. In no way did we intend to stop this and we are sorry if it may have seemed that that was our intention.

We have made a mistake in Part III of the article. The sighting from Dedridge, witnessed by Mrs. Stewart, occurred on the morning of November 10, 1979, and not October as was stated.

Finally, we would like to wish Stuart Campbell all the best with his investigation of the case.

Yours truly,

**Martin Keatman,**  
**Andy Collins.**  
31 Stuart Close North,  
Walton, Stone,  
Staffs ST15 0JU.  
October 15, 1980.

### The UMMO situation

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I have read your last Editorial, "Hoax, or Conspiracy?", published in the last issue of the FSR [Vol. 26, No. 2], and I must congratulate your objectivity in approaching the baffling and irritating UMMO affair.

Since the day I wrote — and you published — my five article series on this subject, new developments have arisen. To begin with, the flow of UMMO letters and scientific reports has never

stopped: the last letters received from the "Ummites" (whoever they are), are dated May and June of this same year, and they are *highly interesting*. They stopped corresponding with me in 1971, but other people have been contacted (in Madrid and Alicante), so that the thing goes on. Several scientists of high standing (in Spain and abroad, among them your Overseas Consultant, Aimé Michel himself) have shown a great interest and respect for the affair; I have myself published a book, *El Misterio de Ummo* (The UMMO Mystery) which has sold very well in Spain and Latin America, being for several weeks one of the first in the ranking. I sent one copy of it to our mutual friend Gordon Creighton; he can inform you about its contents, if you wish.

Incidentally, the "confident title *Un Caso Perfecto*" — as you describe in your Editorial — was imposed upon us by our publisher; we had in mind another one, more conservative and careful.

Yours sincerely,

**Antonio Ribera,**  
Calle Barcelona 42,  
San Feliu de Codinas,  
(Barcelona),  
Spain.

September 23, 1980

### Correction please

Dear Sir, — Relevant to my letter "The importance of the Contactee" in the last but one issue of FSR, may I just point out that the definition of The Credibility Factor (T.C.F.) is the "CREDESCENCE" given to incredible tales told by seemingly creditable witnesses, and not, as reported, the *evidence*. . .

Doubtless my near illegible handwriting made this error almost inevitable.

However, I too would like to add my good wishes for the continued success of FSR, since after 25 years it has now set a standard of such good scientific and *honest* reportage that will be difficult to improve upon.

Let the Patrick Moores and the Michael Bentines of this world enjoy their little nod, wink, nudge nudge assessments of the ufological scene generally, whilst more enlightened individuals "press on regardless" in their efforts to search for the *raison d'être* of these strange craft appearing in our objective world.

Yours sincerely,

**R. Jones Pugh, M.R.C.V.S.,**  
St. Brides View,  
Roch,  
Haverfordwest,  
Pembrokeshire,  
W. Wales.

August 20, 1980.

### Penny dropping at last?

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I thought that FSR readers might be interested to learn that Ufology in the Soviet Union enjoys a higher scientific status than here in the West. I was surprised to learn via the British Interplanetary Society journal *Spaceflight* Vol. 22, Nos. 9-10, page 320, that a study of our subject is included in the Soviet scientific communities general concept of SETI (Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence) which up until now had been monopolised by the realm of Radio Astronomy both in Russia, America, and indeed, in all major countries possessing the hardware to undertake such a task. For almost twenty years communication by radio has been considered to be the uniquely rational way by which galactic races would communicate with each other. Radio Astronomers have searched in the most likely places, and have even searched in some unlikely places, but always the result has remained the same — nothing!

The subject of SETI now seems to be entering a transitional phase. Some SETI researchers are being rigorously scientific and they are basing their philosophy upon what is observed, which in this case, is absolutely nothing. They have assumed that we are unique! Others have become more adventurous and are considering alternatives to what has been attempted in the past and it is at this point that I would like to quote from the article which appears in *Spaceflight*.

The item is entitled "Soviet SETI Studies" and is by Boris Belitsky.

"...Kardashev regards electrically charged black holes as opening up entirely new dimensions of space and time for travel. And Gindilis is engaged in a study of anomalous atmospheric phenomena. All this may cause a lifted eyebrow here or there in more traditionally-minded scientific quarters, but is indicative of the new and highly promising 'no holds barred' approach to some of the most baffling scientific problems of our times. . ."

And about time, too!

Best wishes,

**Bill Dillon,**  
43 Hollybush Road,  
Vauxhall Park Estate,  
Luton, Beds.  
August 17, 1980.

### NZ saga continues

Dear Sir, — There is no doubt that the New Zealand "Kaikoura UFOs" December 1978, have enjoyed a tremendous amount of international comment. I see in this latest FSR, further Kaikoura UFO report material and now with the Scientific debate on this saga about to get underway at the Smithsonian Institution in USA, we have not by any means heard the last of the affair. Captain Bill

Startup, Captain of the Argosy Freighter aircraft in the centre of this now classic case, has just announced publication of the book *Kaikoura UFOs*, which has been in preparation for 18 months or so. Published by Hodder & Stoughton.

Congratulations on celebrating 25 years of publication, I can still recall receiving in the mail a complimentary copy of your very first issue.

Yours faithfully,

**Harold H. Fulton,**  
Director for NZ,  
Mutual UFO Network,  
PO Box 878,  
Palmerston North,  
New Zealand.  
August 21, 1980.

### No. 1 the best Cover?

Dear Mr. Bowen, — Congratulations to F.S.R. on reaching its Silver Jubilee!

I have been a subscriber since Volume 1 and have found every issue of the magazine very interesting.

I still think that the original cover was the best — it gave suggestions of speed, distance, depth, space, with a "flying saucer" to boot!

Despite all your difficulties I wish you all the best for the future and look forward to many more issues.

Yours sincerely,

**L. H. Navier,**  
19 Ormonde Avenue,  
Hull,  
East Yorkshire HU6 7LX.  
July 12, 1980.

### A fruitless search?

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I have read with interest Mr. Randall Jones Pugh's letter (FSR 26/2).

I must take issue with his statement that a number of the American astronauts returning to Earth saw UFOs accompanying them. Actually, these "UFOs" were later perfectly identified as a variety of known terrestrial objects (cf. the respected French science magazine "La Recherche" No.102, pages 753-759).

As for the immensity of space, this is nothing new or special: it was already known and taken for granted long before the space age. If some of the U.S. astronauts were so awed by their space experience as to succumb to "religious" feelings, this was just a matter of *very personal and subjective* reaction born of their previous religious brainwashing. It *in no way* proves the scientific validity of the religious dogmas.

In fact, the religious dogmas are epitomized by the infamous Inquisition that terrorized Europe for more than 650 years. Its most famous victims: Giordano Bruno and Galileo Galilei. The religious

dogmas also blocked scientific progress in Europe for 1,500 years!

Whoever believes that the UFO enigma will one day be elucidated indulges in a naive illusion. For scientific advances can only be made within the framework of the 4-dimensional material universe of which we are eternal captives. It will be for ever impossible for us to go beyond this boundary and apprehend the parapsychical phenomena that are diverse manifestations of a plane of existence higher than ours. Nature probably comprises an infinite hierarchy of planes of existence. The parapsychical phenomena will therefore remain forever scientifically unprovable. *But the phenomena themselves are not important. What is important is the true nature of the intelligence lurking behind them, and this we shall NEVER know, for this knowledge will be deliberately withheld from us.*

Sincerely yours,

**Julian H. Kaneko,**  
18, rue Le Corbusier,  
CH-1208 Geneva, Switzerland.  
August 20, 1980.

### Pity the poor passengers!

Dear Sir, — I've only recently been able to read Volume 25, Numbers 5 & 6 of the *Flying Saucer Review* (received in June) so probably others have already asked you this question about the excellent article relating to the November 11, 1979 episode in Spain;

Page 15 of No. 5, 4th indent, in the left-hand column reads—

"I don't think so, because dinner was being served at that time".

Page 13 of the above, last line of the right-hand column reads—

"Well now, a few minutes before 11 p.m. . . ."

So sometime after the sighting at 11 p.m. the passengers were being served dinner, and while I've had only 3 trips around the world via ships and planes, that seems a very late hour for a dinner on a plane — as well as otherwise.

Then on page 32, in the 3rd indent is included— ". . . pilot. . . why he plunged the aircraft 14,000 feet. . ."

If dinner was in progress, let alone if the passengers were not warned about seat belts beforehand, my imagination about foodstuffs and passengers being abruptly commingled leaves a situation which must have justified comment.

Then again on page 15, right-hand column, the first indent includes— ". . . the passengers were not informed of what had happened, but were simply suddenly accommodated in one of the hotels. . . comments. . . pretty angry. . ."

The timing and sequence of the above together with the absence of any passenger observations does not seem to be believable. 109 dinners cannot be served all at once, and a 14,000 foot dive cannot be experienced by 109 passengers without more than mere angry comments about being put into a hotel.

I believe I have read elsewhere that comment already has been made regarding the item on page 32, indent 6 reading— ". . . plunge 12,000 feet in 30 seconds — something no plane I know can do. . ."

12,000 feet divided by 5,280 feet is 2.27 miles per 30 seconds, times 2 = 4.54 miles per minute × 60 is 272.4mph, or no great cruising speed let alone a diving speed.

No doubt I've missed points, but I suggest that this episode in Spain might need further comments about timing, etc.

Thanks for your attention from a subscriber to your excellent magazine for several years.

Yours sincerely,  
**H. E. Haglund,**  
32 Woodlane Road,  
Ithaca,  
NY 14856,  
U.S.A.  
July 16, 1980.

*[I have read elsewhere that the passengers were already in an ugly frame of mind after a long delay at Majorca (hence the late dinner?), and were near to rebellion when they made the unscheduled stop at Valencia. Among other things, the airworthiness of the 'plane was questioned. Perhaps they did have a rough ride — EDITOR]*

### Disappointing movie

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I have been enjoying the articles entitled *Retrievals of the Third Kind* and am fascinated by the thought that the U.S. Government is covering up the truth about U.F.O.'s. It puzzles me as to why the government is so afraid to admit the existence of U.F.O.'s.

Recently a film entitled *Hangar 18* has come out here in the United States. From the previews and trailers of it one gets the impression that it is a documentary style film about the same subject as *Retrievals of the Third Kind* (i.e. Government covering up the fact that they found crashed U.F.O.'s and then examine them in a secret Hangar). Instead it was science-fiction film which reminded one of *Star Wars* as far as special-effects go.

It was related in that the basic story was about a government cover-up of a crashed U.F.O., but much of the film seemed to be doing more harm than good to the cause of making people less sceptical about U.F.O.'s. I suppose some of the film was based upon fact, but

anyone who goes to see this film expecting a documentary will be entertained but disappointed.

Sincerely yours,  
**Michael R. Johnson,**  
1226 Citracado Pkwy,  
Escondido,  
California 92025.  
August 12, 1980.

#### Psychic link?

Dear Sir, — I have been an avid reader of *Flying Saucer Review* for many years now, and am greatly interested in the UFO phenomenon. Being Vice President of a Bath Spiritualist Church I meet many people who not only share my interest, but who have actually witnessed sightings around this area.

Being interested in paranormal phenomena, we feel that psychics have a natural affinity to link up with intelligences who control these crafts.

Mediums, being sensitives, act as receiving stations to certain wavelengths on a much higher frequency than a normal person could attain.

Yours sincerely,  
**(Mrs.) A. M. Tylee,**  
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August 16, 1980.

#### Another psychic link?

Dear Sir, — I have just read a book on UFOs and it re-called an experience my niece and I had in 1968. I expect you have heard of similar cases, but it may still be of some interest to you.

Around August of that year we were living on an island in the north of Western Australia. This particular day we listened to a lecture on the radio about so-called UFOs given by an English Professor. He finished by stating one could contact these beings by thought. We thought it highly hilarious as we were very sceptical of such things, and had never read any books on the subject.

That evening we went for a stroll on a deserted beach and lay back on the sands to enjoy the beautiful evening and admire the starry sky. My niece brought up the subject of the lecture, and

suggested we experiment by sending out a thought message to see if it had any effect. As I was quite sure it wouldn't, I agreed. After some discussion we decided to concentrate on a sentence which ran something like "...if there are any UFOs in the area contact us, please." Eventually restraining our mirth, we relaxed and beamed out this thought. Suddenly something disturbed us, as I remember we sat up simultaneously and gave a concerted gasp of fright. Suspended low in the sky above our heads hovered a beautiful shining silver disc. It seemed to pulsate, and different colours emanated from it. It's difficult to estimate the size, although it seemed very large in comparison with the stars, perhaps the size of a dinner plate.

We observed it for perhaps half an hour, unable to make out any details as we could only see the base. By now, our composure returning, we were longing to have a closer view. So we deliberated on sending another message asking if it would descend a little nearer that we might study it more closely. Before we had time to formulate the words we would use, and as though it were listening to our conversation, it suddenly descended towards us at a terrific speed at which, I am sorry to say we took to our heels and ran for home. When we glanced back it had vanished.

Up until then I had had a few psychic happenings which I had dismissed from my mind as unexplainable, but my experience from then on opened my eyes to the wonders that surround us. I feel that although this experience seemed objective at the time, it was really subjective and perhaps for the purpose of lifting us from the Materialism into which we have sunk.

Another little incident which may be connected occurred two years later when we were travelling through Germany. We had just descended a steep hill and stopped the car while I looked at the map to ascertain our route. There was no traffic all, and it was a very quiet place. While studying the map we realized we were floating back up the hill seemingly on a cushion of air. About half way up the hill the car stopped and my niece put it into gear and we set off again.

Yours sincerely,  
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June 26, 1980.

#### Adamski, the Moon, and flesh and blood contacts

Dear Mr. Bowen, — Regarding your Editorial "Was This The Message". I would like to say something about your comments on George Adamski.

To state that he said that the Moon "was a place of lush vegetation and water" and leave it at that, conveys the wrong impression of what was actually reported in *Inside The Space Ships*. Without going into what was written in the book, I would like to say that I have made a certain amount of investigation into information available on the Moon and the American exploration of that world and found that there is much which corroborates what was stated in *Inside The Space Ships*. I'll be glad to share this information with anyone who is interested.

Also, and this needs to be put quite clearly. No matter what Mr. Daniels and others — including Desmond Leslie — have said or believe, George Adamski's contacts with our space visitors were not in any way trance or hypnotic experiences. He stated clearly, many many times, that the space visitors he met were ordinary flesh and blood human beings like ourselves who come in space ships from the other planets in our solar system and systems beyond. To those who cannot accept this he is a liar. Distorting what he said has no value and only introduces mysteries where there need be none.

I agree there was a message. I would like to quote George Adamski: "Nothing that the space travellers have told us is new. Their wisdom has been with us for centuries. In the past we have chosen to ignore it, giving excuses of one kind or another. They are but reminding us in simple, understandable language, again showing us the way of a life of peace and happiness. . ." and "As I have said many times in my lectures, it is not the sighting of space craft that should concern us, for one sighting is no different than another, but the knowledge that they bring us for the betterment of our lives. For without this we cannot hope for a better world."

Is there still time to heed the message? I am going to hold that thought.  
Yours sincerely,  
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Stockport,  
Cheshire SK2 5NT.  
July 16, 1980.

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## England

### Mystery circles near Warminster

In the Bath *Evening Chronicle* of August 15, 1980, we read that,—

“Mysterious circles discovered in cornfields near Westbury White Horse have led to claims The Warminster Thing is back.

“The Thing first appeared above Warminster on Christmas Day, 1964. Hundreds of subsequent ‘sightings’ turned the town into a centre for UFO enthusiasts.

“The latest mystery centres around three depressions, each 18 yards across, found within a quarter of a mile of each other in cornfields below the White Horse.

“Two are still visible but the the third has disappeared since the grain was harvested.

“The depressions have mystified farmers and tourists. ‘If it’s not a helicopter that has caused them then it is very mysterious,’ said one farmer. ‘It certainly isn’t wind or rain damage because the marks are too regular for that.’

“Another farmer has asked the Army if they can throw any light on the mystery but so far he has received no reply.

“An Army spokesman told the *Chronicle* he would investigate but added, ‘I can see no reason for a helicopter landing in a field of corn.’

“The marks are all perfect circles with well defined boundaries and there are no tracks leading from them. Inside the circles the grain is flattened in a tight clockwise direction.

“A spokesman for the British UFO Society said an immediate investigation would be launched.

“He added that similar marks had been found in the Westbury and Warminster area during the height of the Warminster Thing sightings in the 1960s but none had been discovered since then.

“‘At the moment we are not ruling out a landing by a UFO but we must first investigate properly.’

“He appealed to anyone who had witnessed anything strange in the area in the past month to contact the society.”

Credit: **John D. Patton** of Bath, and **A. White** of Westbury.

### More mystery animals?

Shades of the “puma” hunts in West Surrey and Hampshire in the early 1960s were resurrected by an item in the *Surrey-Hants Star* (Aldershot) of July 17, 1980,—

“The Aldershot Police big game squad — complete with panda car — was on full alert as the *Star* went to press this week following a late night ‘sighting’ of a cheetah on the Farnborough Road.

“The cheetah — fastest animal on earth — was ‘spotted’ by a Queen’s Hotel employee as he drove along the A325 on his way to work at 3.10a.m. on Tuesday.

“He called Aldershot police to tell them of his find, insisting to the naturally sceptical desk sergeant that he was stone cold sober.

“The story took a new turn just after 4a.m., when there was another cheetah report — also from the Queen’s Hotel.

“Mr. Bedwell, the hotel’s porter, called to say that he could hear a ‘large cat’ prowling around the back of the hotel.

“The big game coppers were quickly on the scene, but despite a search the elusive cat had vanished.”

Credit.: **Miss Y. Cooper** of Camberley, Surrey.

## Canada

### Mystery object over Bear River: Dog scared

The Halifax, Nova Scotia, *Chronicle-Herald* of July 10, 1980, carried the following account relating to an incident on July 5, 1980, near Bear River, Digby County—

“Marlene LeJune is not really concerned that the ‘Empire’ is striking back in theatres across North America, but she does not want aliens to use her yard as a landing base again.

“Mrs. LeJune says she saw an object hovering over trees near her home at 2 a.m. Saturday, and it was an experience she won’t soon forget.

“She said after returning from a 4 p.m. to midnight shift at the Digby Hospital, she had read for a couple of hours and begun to get ready for bed when she heard voices in the backyard.

“As her husband and oldest son were away, she looked down at the dog and told him that he would have to go out to investigate for her.

“But the dog, she said, was less than thrilled about the idea. Normally it would bolt out of the door at any hour, barking at anything. This time it hid under her bed.

“Seeing nothing at the door, Mrs. LeJune decided to check through the house. She said she saw nothing when she first checked the back door and yard with an outside light on.

“But, she said, when she switched the light off and glanced out again, she saw, hovering above the tree tops about 500 feet away, a round bright blue-white, moon-shaped object with white lights flashing around it.

“She said she first thought she was imagining things and walked away from the window, but, when she looked again moments later, it was still there.

“She said the object made virtually no noise and was about the size of a house.

“Again she walked away from the window, and again she returned to see the object still there. She said she looked at it for nearly five minutes before going to bed to continue reading.

“‘I never thought to call anyone,’ she said, adding she would have gone out except she feared for the safety of her two other children.

“Later that night, she said, she heard engines but passed it off as teen-agers driving cars nearby.

“She said one other thing seemed strange — it became very bright behind the house while she was in bed.

“She said she thought that was because the clouds cleared, allowing the full moon to shine.

“But the next morning her friends told her there was no moon and later a friend found a ring of discoloured grass about 20 feet in diameter in the field where Mrs. LeJune saw the object.

“Mrs. LeJune said the grass was brown and slightly depressed but not burned. She said there were no footsteps or any evidence of heavy impressions in the ground.

“She said she is convinced she saw something, but exactly what, and from where, she could not speculate.

“But, she said, several other persons in the area reported that their animals acted very strangely the morning before she saw the object.

“RCMP are investigating the incident.”

Credit: **Mrs. N. J. Roop** of Aylesford, Nova Scotia.

## Malaysia

### Did UFO attack oil plant?

The *Courier Mail* of Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, published the following account under the headline “Laser beam from UFO caused fire” in its edition of June 14, 1980. The story was based on an AAP report originating at Kuala Lumpur, and it is presumed the Sunday referred to was June 8, 1980,—



"A flying saucer launched a near-miss laser beam attack on an oil installation terminal at Port Klang on Malaysia's west coast last Sunday, according to three people.

"They told police they saw the UFO blast a house with a laser beam and start a fire which destroyed two houses and a shop only 6m away from the Felda and Caltex oil terminal, the *New Straits Times* newspaper reported.

"The 'attack' took place three days after the big fire and explosions which ripped Port Klang last week.

"The three people asked not to be identified. They said they saw a bright luminous ball-like object about 10 m. above the oil installation.

"The bluish-red object, about 60 cm in diameter, was spinning, they said."

Credit: **R. W. Boundy** of Brisbane

## Finland

### Preliminary details of an abduction case

We append the details of Report 2/80 of Suomen Ufotutkijat ry (UFO Research of Finland),—

"Our chairman, Mr. Ilkka Serra attended the 1980 MUFON Symposium on June 7 in Houston, Texas, representing all the Scandinavian UFO research organizations and lecturing on Scandinavian UFO research. And in the Spring we found out about an old sighting concerning 14 to 15 objects, and a new abduction case.

"As far as the length of the observation time, the number and luminosity of the objects are concerned, the most significant UFO case in Finland took place at the Pahkakoski hydroelectric power plant in northern Finland on March 19, 1979, between midnight and 5.45 a.m. There were at least two witnesses. First at around midnight a red ball of light was seen landing behind a nearby forest. A similar object was seen in the same direction at 1.35 a.m. and at 1.45 a.m. Then at 2.55 a.m. two objects were seen simultaneously and immediately after that a total of 14 or 15 objects were seen hovering over a marshland behind the forest. They were disc-shaped and appeared to have a diameter of 30 metres each. One of the objects directed a bright beam of light downwards. No sound was heard. The hovering continued until 5.45 a.m. when the objects disappeared.

"Aino Ivanoff, age 52, experienced a two-hour abduction on April 2, 1980. Most of the details were revealed under hypnosis. She was driving on a country road near Pudasjärvi in northern Finland, after midnight, and crossed a bridge at 1.15 a.m. Immediately after the bridge she entered a strange fog and the car lights were suddenly directed

upwards. She hit the brakes and stopped the car. She saw an aluminium-coloured domed object with oval-shaped portholes. She was somehow taken inside and examined on a metallic table by three men dressed in black. The table was the only piece of furniture in the room. The fog was still there when she returned to the outside world and most of the way back home she had to drive in the fog. She noticed that there had been a time lapse of two hours. After the incident she was extremely tired for a week and found five small dots on her right shoulder. She was given a message supporting peace and opposing war. She was also told that men in black are unable to get [beget? — ED] children."

It is understood that research work is continuing on this second case.

## West Germany

### Young woman chased by UFO

According to a report in the South German (Munich) newspaper *Münchner Merkur* for Monday, April 14, 1980, a young woman from the former German Province of Alsace (now the French eastern *départements* of Bas-Rhin and Haut-Rhin) has had a frightening experience with a UFO. We regret the absence of such elementary details as place and time,—

"Patricia Dziomba, aged 27, dashed up to the doorway of a house and rang the bell, stammering: 'I'm being chased by a flying saucer!'

"The lady's story, as told to the press, is that she was driving along in her car when suddenly a brilliantly lit object came shooting down at a tremendous speed out of the sky and came straight at her. 'I was terribly frightened and at once turned round and began driving back in the direction from which I had come. Shortly after that, I found the glowing sphere suddenly right in front of me. Then, at a bend in the road, I had another shock. My car stopped and the engine went dead. I tried vainly several times to start it again.' Then, seeing a house about 200 metres distant, she got out of the car and ran to it. 'As I stood there, right outside the door, I saw that the UFO was still there, flying round the house.'

"The owner of the house, Michel Ludwizak, who opened the door to her, states: 'After the lady had described her experience to me, I went out in front of the house and indeed I saw the ball of light myself. It was by then far off, but clearly visible.'

"Ludwizak and Patricia Dziomba at once went to the Police. In the course of the subsequent investigations it transpired that the occupants of the control-tower of the Mulhouse-Basel airport had also seen something strange

the same night — an 'object' they said, 'which could not possibly have been an aircraft.' All further investigations regarding the 'spooky object' have proved fruitless. Subsequently two further witnesses claimed to have seen the flying saucer."

Credit and thanks to: **Mrs. Mary Boyd** of Florence, who also made the translation from German.

## Scotland

### Huge UFO over Newarthill

From the *Motherwell Times* of October 2, 1980, we learn that on Thursday, September 25, 1980,—

"A Newarthill family are convinced they saw a UFO in the sky early last Thursday morning.

"Mr. William Quigley, his wife Nora, and daughter Janice, claim they saw a huge unidentified flying object around 4.30 a.m.

"Mr. Quigley, who stays at 8 Torridon Avenue, told us on Friday: 'It was a sort of round shape with huge green and red lights. It was too huge to be an aircraft and there was no noise of engines as it passed over our house.'

"There is no stretch of the imagination here as my wife and daughter both watched it as I viewed it through binoculars. There were stars in the sky but it certainly wasn't a shooting star. The huge lights alone convinced me there was something alien up there and the remarkable thing is that it happened on our doorstep.'

"A police spokesman said there were no other reports of a UFO in the area."

Credit to "A Motherwell reader"

## England

### Police in UFO chase near Wetherby

The following story was carried by the *Yorkshire Post* in its issue for September 15, 1980, about an incident reported on Saturday, September 13,—

"Police in West and North Yorkshire have been chasing a mysterious UFO.

"The object — a bright diamond-shaped light — was first seen by police officers near Wetherby early on Saturday.

"It was travelling silently northwards about 2,000ft. above the ground. Officers in a police car followed it until it changed direction over Wetherby.

"A West Yorkshire police spokesman said: 'Altogether, five officers saw this object and described it as brighter and larger than any star.'

"PC Roy Allen and PC Richard Gordon had been alerted in York that the

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object was heading towards their patrol car.

“PC Allen said yesterday: ‘We were on the York bypass when suddenly we saw it. The light stopped moving and hovered in the sky for some time. Eventually it moved off in the direction of Hull.’

“Police made checks at local RAF stations and at RAF Fylingdales, but did not receive a satisfactory explanation.

“A senior officer at York said: ‘There is nothing more we can do. It has been logged as an unidentified flying object.’

“Humberside police said a UFO sighting was reported by teenagers shortly before 10 p.m. on Saturday.

“A spokesman said that they had reported an oval-shaped, pinky-red object.

“The Army is carrying out a Home Defence exercise in the North, but a spokesman at York said he knew of nothing that could account for the sighting.”

Credit: **O. Atherton** of Harrogate

### England

#### UFO that hovered near Bradford

The following short account from the *Bradford Telegram & Argus* of July 7, 1980, was sent in by a reader who says it was near her home but, “. . . as I wear bifocals and have to look where I am going, I missed the fun as usual.” The sighting took place on July 5, 1980,—

“A woman was amazed when she saw

what appeared to be a flying saucer hovering above Lister’s Mill, Manningham, Bradford, at 8.45 on Saturday evening.

“‘I’ve never believed in this before,’ said Mrs. Christina Harris, of Baildon, ‘but I really did see it. It was round, in metallic silver and black, and it moved off smoothly towards Bradford city centre.

“‘I saw an Asian child watching it, too. When it moved I followed it, although I wanted to shout out to people in the street to look up.

“‘I eventually lost sight of it. I thought at first it was a kite, but it moved too smoothly and was the wrong shape.’”

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up as a cosmic guru. Somewhere beneath all this there is an interesting case history for the psychiatrist and psychic investigator. Although the writing is too disorganised to appeal to a wide readership, this book may however be of interest to the specialist student of abduction literature.

Books dealing specifically with UFO occupants are surprisingly rare. We can only recall *The Humanoids* and a couple of books by the Lorenzens. Now French researcher **Eric Zurcher** has written **Les Apparitions D'Humanoïdes** (published by Editions Alain Lefevre, price not known; write to the publisher at 29, rue Pastorelli, 06000 Nice, France). It is subtitled "202 encounters of the third kind" (all in France), and Zurcher has meticulously divided and sub-divided his data so as to extract the maximum comparable information from it. We learn that there are eight main groups of entities (illustrated), that 79 of the encounters took place in the extraordinary year of 1954, that 25% of witnesses were children or students, and much other information relating to the entities themselves, their craft, the witnesses, the locations of the sightings, and so on. Comparisons are made with the creatures of folklore, with visions of the Virgin Mary, and with paranormal phenomena, and conclusions are drawn with reference to hypotheses such as the ETH (in French 'HET'). No stone seems to have been left unturned, and we can only wish that an English

translation of this useful book was available for those many potential readers who will be discouraged by the thought of having to dust off their French dictionaries.

Full references are given, we are glad to see, but two notable omissions are an index, and full details of the 202 encounter cases. These are listed briefly in one line apiece, giving date, time, place, name of witness, and the author's main source of information. Ideally the details of each encounter should have been summarised as well, but we realise this could have added, at say four a page, 50 pages to an already full book of 328 pages. Nevertheless, this is a valuable book, and Zurcher's idea could usefully be taken up by researchers in other countries.

To read only UFO books is to have a blinkered outlook, especially in the 1980s when many researchers are realising that aspects of "paranormal" research contain clues to the nature of UFOs. Anyone wishing to widen their knowledge could do no better than start by obtaining the Society for Psychical Research's Study Guide No.4, **Books on the Paranormal: An Introductory Guide** which has been compiled by **Nicholas Clark-Lowes**, the S.P.R.'s Librarian (price £1/U.S. \$2.50 including postage, from The Secretary, S.P.R., 1 Adam & Eve

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## MAIL BAG

**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.**

### C.U.N. address correction

Dear Sir, — With reference to FSR Vol. 25, No. 4, Page 6, may I state that the precise address of Italian Centro Ufologico Nazionale (C.U.N.) and of its official journal *Notizario UFO* for overseas contacts (Foreign Relations Secretariat) is as follows: C.U.N., Via Magenta 49, 10128 Torino, Italy.

Several publications did indeed refer to a Rome P.O. Box, which is not our address, but our publisher's one instead. As for the old "Via Vignola 3, 20136 Milano" address (referred to in the same issue of FSR, Page 3), it is no longer operative, although mail will be forwarded to us from there.

Thanking you for this clarification, let me wish the best UFO magazine in the world another 25 years of life.

With compliments,  
**Edoardo Russo**,  
Foreign Liaison Officer,  
Centro Ufologico Nazionale,  
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10128 Torino,  
Italy.  
June 11, 1980.

### A complaint from BUFORA investigator

Dear Sir, — The highly imaginative and rambling account of the CE2 (Taylor Case) at Livingston by Messrs. Keatman and Collins includes an incidental comment that I was contacted by the press and that I stated that the phenomenon encountered was possibly ball lightning. The implication is that I did nothing else.

In fact I have conducted a most thorough investigation of this case, and was at the scene of the incident the day after it occurred, before any snow fell. Thus, unlike Keatman and Collins, I saw the ground markings before they were permanently obliterated. A preliminary, but full and accurate account of the case can be seen in *Journal of Transient Aerial Phenomena* (Vol. 1/2; Mar 1980), but a full report will be available later as a BUFORA Case History. But my task was not made any easier by the unwarranted interference of so-called investigators from south of the border.

The attribution to me of a ball lightning explanation is apparently derived from a report in *The Sunday*

*Express*, which is not accurate and oversimplifies. Keatman and Collins have never checked this report with me, nor have they ever asked for my views on the matter. My personal views are not necessarily those of BUFORA.

Yours faithfully,  
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### Copyright to curb discussion?

Sir, — In light of what Jenny Randles has written concerning the aims of UFOIN (FSR.25.4.1979, pp28-29), I find it extraordinary that a UFOIN-sponsored report "Physical Assault by Unidentified Objects at Livingston," by Messrs. Keatman and Collins, which appears in FSR.25.6.1980, pp2-7, should be followed by a copyright claim on behalf of the investigators which also seeks to prevent public discussion of the material in the report.

As a member of UFOIN myself I do not recall the organisation vesting copy-

right of investigations undertaken on its behalf in themselves, and while I can understand the need to prevent commercial exploitation of a report by bodies outside ufology which may wish to profit from the work of ufologists, I find it difficult to see any sense or reason in an attempt, which cannot work, to prevent serious discussion of an interesting case.

If ufology is to be taken seriously the last thing it should be attempting is to curb discussion; indeed in scientific circles the interchange of conflicting ideas is of vital importance. In the case of the Livingston event another investigator, Stuart Campbell, who is referred to in the Keatman-Collins paper, has also published a report in which there is data which conflicts with that presented by the UFOIN report, eg. Keatman and Collins state the large object to have been "resting silently on the ground," while Campbell states that it "was hovering" (*Journal TAP*.1.2.1980, pp43-46). Which report is correct? Only an interchange of views can establish this, but Messrs. Keatman and Collins, unlike Mr. Campbell, want to prevent discussion by a blanket copyright claim.

In point of fact while Keatman and Collins may be able to claim copyright on their own report they cannot prevent discussion, nor do they have an exclusive claim to the facts of the case. Copyright legislation, in so far as I understand it, permits reasonable discussion for purposes of review or criticism. However, this fact should not be taken as mitigating what is all too clearly an attempt to prevent the case being discussed, an act which does little credit to its authors and reflects badly upon UFOIN.

Yours faithfully,  
**Robert Morrell, B.Sc., Ph.D., F.L.S.**  
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June 10, 1980.

### Support for Stringfield

Dear Sir, — I feel I must comment on the opinion of correspondent A. J. Papard (FSR 'Mail Bag' Vol. 25, No. 6). He seems to be of the impression that if the US military had had a UFO intact for about 30 years then they would have been able to copy it. However he does not seem to appreciate what technical progress really means.

If, for example, a present day American jet fighter was to fall into the hands of, for example, the Russians, the latter would be able to learn and copy from it.

However if the same aeroplane were "time travelled" back even 50 years, the military experts would be able to identify some parts but would learn very little from it. The mechanical engineer would be fascinated by the engines, but how would he copy a titanium part when he

has no knowledge of the material. The control of the engines and many other functions would be performed by boxes containing integrated circuits each of which would contain the equivalent of about 100,000 of his triode valves in a space of about a square millimetre.

This is obviously only one example! What would have Leonardo da Vinci have done with this aeroplane? He would probably have realised that the seat was to sit in!

If the US and other countries have UFOs in "captivity" they would certainly be meaningless to them, which is the one reason why they would be so scared. My congratulations to Mr. Stringfield on an excellent series of articles.

With regard to the Livingston incident has anyone compared the hoof prints left by the two spheres with the "Devil's hoof prints" which occurred in Cornwall at about the turn of the century (I have no sources to look up exact dates)?

With many thanks for FSR I am,  
Yours sincerely,  
**D. I. Norman,**  
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Switzerland.  
June 9, 1980.

### Interstellar "nuts and bolts" spacecraft impossible

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I don't believe a word of "Retrievals of The Third Kind" (FSR Vol. 25, Nos. 4, 5 & 6) by Leonard H. Stringfield. The reason for my scepticism is quite simple:

If UFOs were so imperfect as to crash on to our soil, they would logically be incapable of covering vast interstellar distances for which even the speed of light is far too slow. Interstellar travel is out of the question for any mechanical "nuts-and-bolts" spacecraft (cf. Einstein's theories of Relativity).

I don't think the U.S. authorities are withholding any UFO data from the world public. They just don't know the answer to the UFO enigma any more than we do, except that it is of parapsychical nature.

Yours sincerely,  
**Julian H. Kaneko,**  
18, rue Le Corbusier,  
CH-1208 Geneva, Switzerland.  
June 3, 1980.

### On the nature of the "Parapsychical Intelligence"

Dear Sir, — The more letters I read in FSR of the calibre of that emanating from Mr. Julian H. Kaneko (Vol. 26, No. 1, Spring 1980), the more I become convinced of the validity of the Karmic claims in respect of birth, death and rebirth.

I would contest most strongly, therefore his assertion that the "Parapsychical Intelligence" to which he refers in his letter, is neutral, or indeed that it is neither God nor Devil. There is no such thing as Cosmic neutrality, material or immaterial, physical or spiritual, since the Cosmos itself, in all its implications, is wholly dependent on the ever-present activity of opposing forces. As such, therefore, there can be no such thing as the doctrine of agnosticism, since the sum total of the process we call life is the realisation that good and evil are most certainly *not* "purely human concepts," but that they exist in Nature and are wholly relevant to the way one lives.

And with regard to the last paragraph of his letter, I would wholly support Hilary Evans' theory that parallel universes, or perhaps we should call them dimensions, do indeed exist. Indeed I have in my possession a tape recording I made when interviewing a local farmer who is clairvoyant, and who has on many occasions encountered Nature spirits during his solitary walks around the lonely hills of Pembrokeshire.

These denizens of our planet's "other dimension" are as natural in the overall scheme of things as are God and the Devil. However, I could perhaps agree with Mr. Kaneko's assertion that "parallel universes are neither superior nor inferior, but equal to our universe." The one disconcerting element in this degree of universal 'sameness' is the fact that some of the inhabitants of our analogous dimension seem to be much more advanced technologically, intellectually and even physically than Homo Sap. himself! The remainder are, theologically and secularly, cast much in the same mould as Man is.

Yours truly,  
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West Wales.  
July 9, 1980.

### Laser projection of UFO images

Dear Mr. Bowen, — I found J. G. Adams article "Projection of Humanoid Images" (FSR Vol. 25, no. 6) interesting throughout, and a quite acceptable explanation to account for the cases selected.

An additional point of value and something which, I might add, would be part and parcel of the "Holograph" theory, is the possibility that holographic images are used to produce the diversity of shapes and types of UFOs reported.

If images of aliens or entities could be projected into open space, is it not feasible that some of the "objects" themselves are also projected images?

Also, movie-like projections produced

by UFO entities have been reported by percipients involved in "abductions" in recent years, two that come to mind are the "Dapple Gray Lane" and "Aveley" incidents (FSR Vols. 23 Nos. 1 & 2; Vol. 23, no. 6 and Vol. 24, no. 1 respectively).

Yours sincerely,  
**R. Boundy,**  
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June 12, 1980.

#### Italian entity's "double"?

Dear Sir, — May I refer to the sketch of the entity allegedly seen by Sig. Zanfretta, which appears on page 7 of FSR Vol. 26, No. 1 (Spring 1980).

This entity is quite similar, if not exactly the same as, a creature used in an old horror film.

If my memory serves me correctly the film was called *The Creature from the Black Lagoon*, and it was made, I think, about 1955. Perhaps some FSR reader who is into horror movies could look this matter up.

Yours faithfully,  
**A. Ryan,**  
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London SW8.  
July 7, 1980.

#### A projected image?

Dear Sir, — In the last issue received of FSR (Vol. 25, No. 6) the article by J. G. Adams on "Projection of Humanoid Images" brings to mind an incident observed by myself at sunset on November 4, 1954. I recorded detailed notes of the sighting.

The link with Mr. Adams' theory is as follows:

What I saw was something that resembled the rear nozzle of a jet motor

belching flames. It was immense and silent. The most intriguing thing was that the "flame," which I estimated at about 50 yards in length, appeared "fixed" in the sky, like a drawing, although it was travelling. It was not like a flame from a blow torch flickering at its edges. Instead, it was clear cut in detail.

The observation I made was also reported in our papers by two boys who said they had seen a football type object [*rugby football?* — ED] at approximately the same time. The object was reported to have windows or port holes. It was in the same direction as the object I saw. Furthermore, some Air Force men at Taieri airfield also reported a sighting in a continuing line with the boys' and my sighting. But as I stated, I only saw the strange "flame" issuing from the huge jet nozzle.

Yours faithfully,  
**F. J. Burton,**  
Dunedin,  
New Zealand.

# INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS ON THE RIZZI CASE

*Gordon Creighton*

**S**IGNOR WALTER RIZZI, the author of the following article, is, as readers see, of Austrian-Italian parentage, and lives in that part of the Austrian Tyrol which was incorporated into Italy after World War I. His mother-tongue is evidently Italian, and, as he admits, his German is not quite 100% accurate, and there are a few passages — fortunately not important ones — where I have had to do a little guessing about his precise meaning.

The Rizzi story came to me in December 1979 from FSR readers Hans Hermann Markert and Frau Daphne Markert, of Mannheim, Germany. (Daphne Markert is British-born, being the daughter of the well-known UFO investigator and FSR reader Mr. Ian Norrie, an engineer and Cambridge graduate, who lives and works in Mexico City and whom some of us had the pleasure of meeting when he was visiting London a couple of years ago).

It seems that Herr and Frau Markert first learnt of the Rizzi story when they heard Rizzi lecture about it in Germany in October 1979. They had the opportunity to speak to Rizzi after his talk, and from his general manner and behaviour, and his vivid way of narrating his experiences, they were left with the very strong feeling that the man was genuine. They are still in constant touch with him and are still investigating the case.

They then sent the whole of the material on to me, plus sundry other items, such as maps of the landing area and a number of Rizzi's colour slides of the landing site and vicinity.

Herr Markert explained that in passing this material to me it was his hope that FSR might be able to extend the

investigation still further and give their critical evaluation of the Rizzi case. Such a course, regrettably, is not within our power. The scene of this close encounter — if it happened — lies far from Britain, and is said to have occurred twelve years ago. It is obvious that, however many investigators we had and however much money we had to spend, we should probably never be any the wiser. This UFO report, as indeed do all close encounter claims, **stands or falls by the inner feeling we get as to the integrity and probity of the alleged percipient.**

I have been "sitting on" the Rizzi case for the past six months, ruminating on it and wondering what, if anything, we ought to do about it. My personal feeling is that the story could very well be true. If so, then the report is of great importance, for the Rizzi story contains a "message" for mankind. This message is unpalatable, to say the least. But it is a message that happens to be borne out by an increasing volume of corroboratory evidence coming from the most diverse quarters, and from individuals who by no means all "believe" in UFOs or know anything about the UFO Phenomenon.

I came finally to the decision that I ought to take the trouble to translate the report in full and submit it to the Editor of FSR for possible publication. For *Flying Saucer Review* is not, nor has it ever claimed to be, anything other than a **forum** wherein UFO accounts and UFO-related claims might be ventilated and discussed. If I were to go on "sitting on it," our readers might in all probability never hear of Signor Rizzi. If the case is published,

encounter with some decidedly lascivious and also decidedly repellent female creatures from a UFO. Is this Russian story about the young man in Mexico just an echo or a re-hash of A.V.B's case, or the Colombian cow-herds, or Truman Bethurum's or is it genuinely something new? Can any of our Mexican readers and colleagues please help us to throw some more light upon the affair?

17. Over the years Brazil has had more than its fair share of fantastic UFO stories, and FSR has carried a very good selection of them. But what is this? Is it a new case, or is it too a garbling of something else? There are several cases on record (USA, Chile, Canada at least, to my recollection) where entities are said to have asked for water and FSR has just published another one from South Africa (FSR Vol. 24, No. 2). So can any Brazilian reader or investigator please help us with further information about this alleged case of the giant who strode into a Brazilian restaurant with his jugs at the ready?

18. Can any Brazilian or American colleague or reader please confirm whether they know anything about this story concerning Armstrong and the strange mine in Brazil?

19. This story about the Rocky Mountains lit up at night by vast batteries of searchlights is a real humdinger, and sounds just about the balmiest we have heard yet, except for the idea launched by the late and most respected researcher Major Donald Keyhoe who thought he might be able to lure UFOs into landing here by means of mock-up plywood "UFOs" scattered around! (As if anybody could be so zany as to imagine the UFOs need any encouragement — when they are flying about and landing here day and night — or as if anyone could imagine the UFOs can't find their way in to land here without the help of *landing lights* from us!) Apart from the sheer absurdity of such ideas, they are at least valuable, inasmuch as they reveal how completely self-centred and conceited we Earthlings are! We are, quite genuinely, totally incapable of grasping the elementary idea that there might be other folk around who are a deal smarter than we are!

20. These Russian initial letters, ЗВМ, stand for some American organization, but for the life of me I cannot come up with any idea as to what they stand for. Is it another Russian term for NASA? This initial-mania received a big fillip from Communist Russia, but has now reached global epidemic proportions.

## COMMENT

From the version now circulating in France and the United States of America it appears to us — though we can not be quite sure about this — that the French and the Americans are taking it that the whole of the article was a TASS report which went out in *Izvestiya* and *Socialist Industry*. We feel, however, that TASS only reported on the Petrozavodsk incident of September 20, 1977, and not on the Azhazha lecture, which was probably given some time in 1978.

EDITOR

# MAIL BAG

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.

## Dr. Morrell's cow rejected

Dear Sir.— I find Robert Morrell's statement in his "Observations on the Humanoid Encounter at Rainford" (Vol. 24, No. 3) that "...what we have is nothing more than a rather blown-up instance of mistaken identity," a little strange.

The description of the humanoid by the witnesses (Vol. 23, No. 6) is quite clear and consistent, and Dr. Morrell's conclusion that what was seen was a cow that had strayed on to the road seems quite preposterous.

He seems to imply that the witnesses were somewhat intoxicated, although the original account of this case states that the police who actually spoke to the witnesses, were able to confirm that the men were *not in any way intoxicated*.

As an alternative Dr. Morrell suggests that the story could have been invented, to divert attention from their intoxicated condition, after they had to stop for help owing to an asthmatic attack suffered by one of their party. I would suggest that such a tale

would more than likely suggest to a good many people that those relating it were indeed intoxicated.

The "cow" explanation has been used by the Nottingham UFO Investigation Society fairly recently. Although I do not have press cuttings of the matter I recall that some months ago a witness living near Crich, Derbyshire, reported seeing a strange light which appeared to land in a field. Subsequent investigation by the Society (according to the *Derby Evening Telegraph*) led them to the conclusion that it could well have been a cow in a field. The witness was not impressed.

In conclusion I feel that Dr. Morrell is being far too critical of the original report of the Rainford Humanoid, which I felt was quite clear and concise.

Yours faithfully,  
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February 8, 1979.

## A view of the UFO Phenomenon

Dear Mr. Bowen,— Four significant facts stand out in the UFO phenomenon: 1) around-the-clock appearances of UFOs somewhere in the world, 2) bewildering variety of UFO shapes, 3) undeniable existence of a link between the UFOs and the so-called paranormal phenomena and consequently 4) presence of one and the same intelligence behind the UFO and paranormal phenomena.

The adherents of the extraterrestrial hypothesis (ETH) persist in seeing in the UFOs nothing but extraterrestrial spaceships and speculate uselessly on their "propulsion system" disregarding the incredible diversity of UFO shapes. The ETH enthusiasts forget that they are merely anthropomorphically extrapolating our present mechanistic and materialistic science and technology.

In my view, interstellar travel, for which even the speed of light is far too slow, would only be feasible in an *immaterial* way, e.g., in the form of mind travel.

There is no doubt that the extra-terrestrials exist, but those among them who are sufficiently advanced to have mastered the technique of interstellar travel would not resort to such primitive materialistic hardware as space vehicles. They would travel *immaterially*. For so highly advanced beings, we earthlings would not be interesting enough to justify their persistent and never-ending visits, all the less because our solar system would not be the sole object of their galactic explorations.

UFOs are, however, sighted around the clock somewhere in the world. One is therefore forced to the conclusion that the intelligence lurking behind the UFO phenomenon is not extraterrestrial but *paraphysical*, i.e., located on a plane of existence higher than that of the extraterrestrials. In this respect, let's not forget that we share with the extraterrestrials the same quadridimensional plane of existence. *The UFOs and the extraterrestrials are therefore two entirely different entities, and there is no relationship between the two.*

The *Paraphysical Intelligence* takes all conceivable and inconceivable forms. By appearing in the form of flying saucers and humanoids, it fools us into thinking that we have extra-terrestrial visitors. Forgetting the age-old saying that appearances are deceptive, the ETH enthusiasts have walked straight into the trap. This *Paraphysical Intelligence*, which is neither benevolent nor malevolent, makes fun of us by transmogrifying itself into the Virgin Mary, the Loch Ness Monster, the Big Foot or the Men In Black, and by causing all sorts of so-called paranormal phenomena: the Bermuda Triangle, haunted houses, poltergeist, possession, vampirism, spontaneous combustion, miracle healing, mediumisticity, etc. What we call "Good" and "Evil" are skilfully mixed in these diverse manifestations of the *Paraphysical Intelligence*. Or, to put it more bluntly, Good and Evil are purely human concepts and do not exist in Nature.

Sincerely yours,  
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February 6, 1979.

#### Common Venus Error

Dear Mr. Bowen,— At the present moment we are witnessing one of the biggest UFO flaps for some time. A good start for a new year and for the UFO investigator. Also the start of a big headache for all Governments of this planet, this will mean more de-

bunking, more cover-up and more lies.

As a member of a small UFO group I feel it my duty to point out a remark made by Mr. Norman Oliver on a sighting reported in our local newspaper the *Express and Star* which occurred on Sunday 31.12.78. A UFO was seen and reported by several people all over the Midlands. After ruling out an aircraft in trouble the police suggested the object was a meteor, which I thought was fair comment, but for Mr. Oliver to suggest it was Venus is ludicrous. The object was seen between 7.00 p.m. to 7.15 p.m., and Venus rose at 4.30 a.m., and could still be seen after dawn.

I suggest Mr. Oliver should check his facts before making such a statement to the press. UFO investigators must be as thorough as a policeman and, if this is Mr. Oliver's statement, and not a misquote by the Press, then no wonder UFOs get ridiculed when contradictory statements like this appear.

One of the members of our group put a theory to me which I might add bears some thought: the recent UFO flap only seemed to occur or even hot-up after the USSR and USA landed probes on Venus in December.

Yours sincerely,  
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West Midlands.  
January 24, 1979.

*Mr. Harris forwarded a photostat of the newspaper item which appeared in the Express and Star on 3 January 1979. The observers all spoke of the fiery object seen between approximately 7.00 and 7.15 p.m., and it seems very much as though they saw a re-entry burn-up of the satellite launcher which was also observed in Scotland and the North of England on the evening of 31 December 1978. Yet Mr. Oliver is quoted as saying: "people have probably seen the planet Venus. It is particularly visible over Britain at present from 4.30 a.m. to 6 a.m." I have an uneasy feeling that it could have been the newspaper people who got their a.m.'s and p.m.'s muddled when they spoke to Mr. Oliver. It was thus that, knowing the object was observed over most of the country, he settled for Venus.*  
—EDITOR

#### New Light on the MIBs

Dear Sir, — There are two schools of thought about the Men in Black. Some researchers — Gray Barker for example

— believe, rightly I think, that they represent some ultra-secret state security outfit. A currently more fashionable view is that they are extra-terrestrials, or "ultraterrestrials" (or their creatures), *playing* at being government agents.

Interesting light is shed on this question in Edward J. Epstein's recent book *Legend: The secret world of Lee Harvey Oswald*, for it seems that the MIB's put in an appearance shortly after Oswald's defection to Russia in 1959.

Epstein writes (Arrow edition, p. 101):

"Delgado vividly remembers a group of civilians in dark suits arriving in November with stenographers and literally taking over their headquarters company to question Marines about Oswald. One by one they were ushered into their captain's office."

The MIB's seemed chiefly interested in establishing the extent of Oswald's knowledge of classified radar information. One odd feature of the investigation was that "none of the Marines was told...who the investigators were." Epstein rapidly established that the men were not from the FBI, which did not open its investigation until the following year, but after that, he ran into a brick wall. In a lengthy note he writes (p. 314):

"In the course of my research, the Marine Corps, which was otherwise extremely co-operative, searched its files but found no trace of the investigation. The Office of Naval Intelligence and the Naval Investigative Services replied to my Freedom of Information request by stating that the report of the investigation was not in their files. The CIA has also denied to me that it conducted such an investigation. Finally, the Air Force Office of Special Investigations... also denied partaking in any such investigation.

The mystery deepens when one considers that Epstein's book was written with the active co-operation of former high-ranking CIA officers. If men like Richard Helms and James Angleton were unable to hazard a guess as to their identity, the MIB's must have been a very esoteric bunch indeed.

I make no further comment, but simply present this information for what it is worth.

Yours faithfully,  
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February 1, 1979.

# UFO OVER A GREEK TAVERNA

*Jenny Randles*

Data ratings: July 22 1978 Chalandri, Nr. Athens, Greece MED Level C

**RAYMOND DAWSON** is employed by the British Embassy in Athens, and is well settled in that country, having lived there for many years. His wife Kiriakoula is Greek, and he has a married daughter, Mrs. Catherine Dawson-Alexakas. Her husband is a doctor.

Mr. Dawson has had a passing interest in UFOs for some years, but never expected to see one. After his encounter his interest intensified, and he came to subscribe to FSR. He wrote to tell us of his sighting, and I took the matter up because of the potential interest of the case. I exchanged several letters with him and he was very helpful in answering all my questions. Furthermore he kindly persuaded his wife and daughter — who were also witnesses — to provide statements and drawings.

The summers in Greece can be very hot, and it is the custom to forsake the inferno of the city and drive out to a country taverna for an evening meal. This often takes place late in the evening, as many Greeks stay out in the country at their "Summer Villas" until the morning.

On Saturday, July 22, 1978, it *was* very hot. The temperature was still in the eighties in the evening, and so Mr. Dawson, his wife and their daughter decided to go for a meal at a taverna situated on pleasant wooded slopes a few miles from the city. It is in a district known as Chalandri, with attractive mountain and green landscaped surroundings. They had their meal in the open, and by 11.15 p.m. had finished and were waiting, without hurry, for the bill so that they could settle the account and drive home.

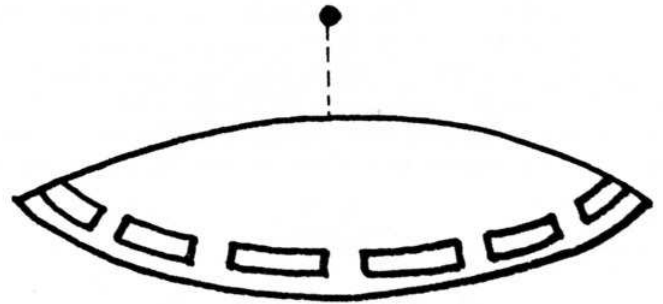
Catherine (who is 27, and who is also employed at the embassy as a passport and visa officer) was the first to notice something unusual.

As she says: "It was a clear evening, and we were just finishing our dinner when I heard a humming noise above me. I turned to see what it was, because I was most curious to see what manner of craft would be flying so low over mountains, and especially when there is no airport in that area. What I saw was a very big, dark, round-shaped object that was almost touching the TV antennae on the buildings. There were lots of square windows around it, and a red light on top."

For a few seconds Catherine was shocked, but then she recovered and called to her parents. They both looked up and saw it. At first all they could pick out were flashing lights, which floated to and fro from left to right after which they began circling. They too could tell that it was close and very low.

Mr. Dawson was unsure what to make of it. He turned round to see both his wife and daughter staring at the object, but before they could really

decide what it was it had vanished. Catherine called out: "It was a UFO," and Mrs. Dawson suggested that they should pay the bill quickly and go after it in the car. This they did. Nobody else in the taverna appeared to have noticed the object.



**Catherine's first sighting over the Taverna**

The Dawsons drove around the corner, and within a couple of minutes of their first sighting saw the UFO again. They approached the traffic lights and stopped. Catherine remarked that it was odd that there was no other traffic about. Everything was still and quiet. They had been to the area many times before and even at that time in the evening it was normally very busy.

When Catherine pointed it out again, Mr. Dawson stopped the car. However, he left the engine running because he wanted to see if the presence of the UFO would affect it (it did not — the engine ran normally). They all got out of the car and climbed a wall at the side of the road for a better view. At this point there are slight discrepancies in their statements as to what was now seen. Catherine and her mother more or less agree to the following sequence.

When first seen on the second viewing the object was like a round disc with a red light on top and a row of windows along the side. These seemed to rotate. The UFO was basically hovering, but rocking from side to side — as if floating on a breeze and there was no sound at all at this stage. Then suddenly the object changed to a cross shape, made up of myriad multicoloured lights — lavender, yellow, pink, white, amber — all soft colours. Then it changed again to a dark cigar shape with "catherine wheels" of light around what appeared to be the front end. There were about five rings of lights spinning quickly around, and again the soft colours of differing hues. Apparently it looked quiet breathtaking.

It was at this point that the first signs of other life were noticed. A small boy crossed the road. They called out to him, but he did not respond. Then the object was gone, circling away beyond nearby