

BOOK REVIEW

We have received from our friend and colleague Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz a copy of a most interesting article by him — *Clinical Observations on Telekinesis*, originally printed in Vol.27 of the *American Society of Psychosomatic Dentistry and Medicine*, 1980, and now reprinted in booklet form (123 pages, available from the author at 202 Bellevue Avenue, Upper Montclair, New Jersey 07043).

Everyone who has made even the most cursory study of parapsychological and parapsychical problems knows that nothing in this whole field is more dramatic and impressive than telekinesis — the paranormal control and movement of objects at a distance. Clearly, if such things are possible, then the whole official scientific viewpoint about “reality” and about the nature of the world around us is wrong, and it is not surprising that the opposition attack the very thought of telekinesis with such vehemence! They know indeed that their whole position is imperilled.

It is not often that an eminent physician is prepared to publish his ideas on these controversial matters, and Dr. Schwarz's contribution is most valuable. In his summing-up he says:—

“Historically considered, Medicine has a stake in these murky areas of research. Hippocrates brushed away superstitious cobwebs from the ‘sacred’ disease epilepsy. Johann Weyer, sixteenth-century Dutch physician, and the true founder of modern psychiatry, introduced a commonsense medical approach in refuting the superstitious claims and pernicious effects surrounding so-called witches and devils; and Weyer applied up-to-date and entirely humane methods in unmasking the spurious miracles of a young girl who claimed she stayed alive and in good health for a long period of time without food. Freud once wrote that if he were at the beginning of his scientific career rather than at the end, he would have devoted his life to psychical research. Jung, throughout his career, enriched many of his volumes with a wide variety of psychic matters and, near the very end, his eyes still looking forward to the future, grappled with the *pièce de résistance* of the mind-matter interface problem: *flying saucers*.

The time is over-ripe for a new cadre of psychiatrists to tackle these enigmatic and frustrating, yet time-honoured psychic experiences — *telekinesis* in particular — that will not go away. They still happen, and they might hold promise for a new, revolutionary theory of the mind.” — G.C.

FLYING SAUCERS

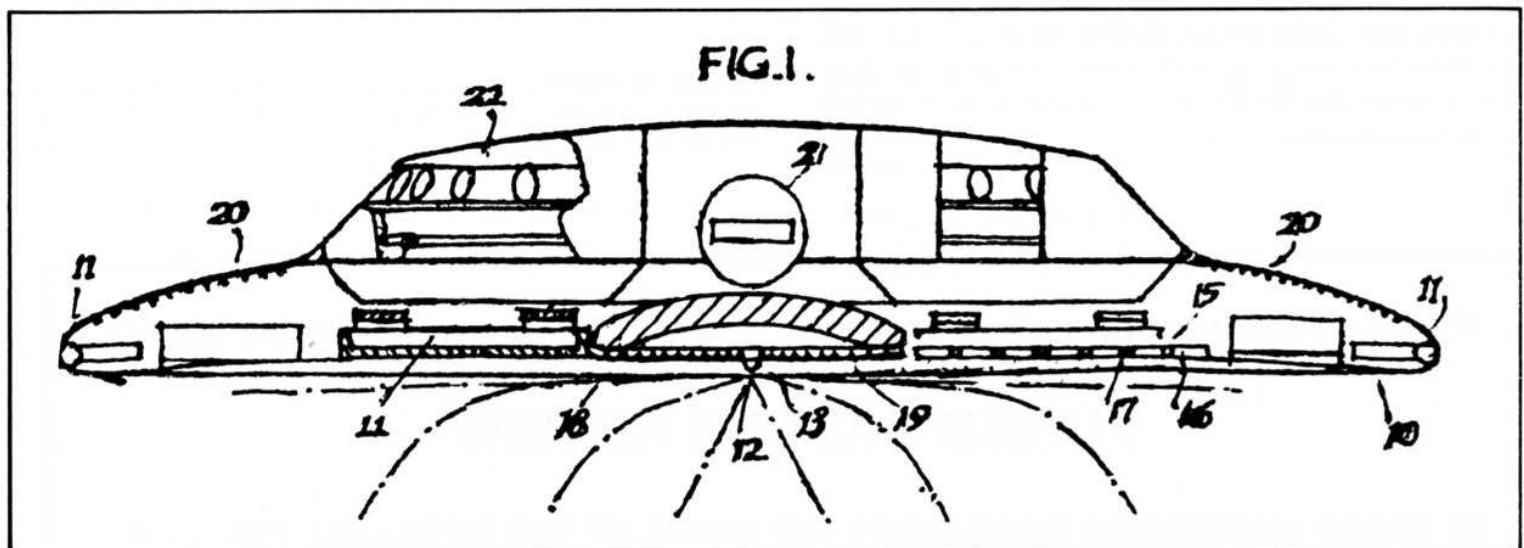
by courtesy of British Rail!

An item in the *Sunday Telegraph* for June 27, 1982, reveals the fearful truth that for some years past British Rail have secretly had on their drawing boards a 120 ft.-wide “flying saucer”, to be powered by a nuclear reactor and a series of laser beams. (Patent No. 1310990, now gathering dust in the Patent Office be-

cause, beset by all its other problems, British Rail “has had to abandon its bizarre project to build the world's first flying saucer” (sic)!

Personally, in view of their general record, the travelling public should perhaps be mighty glad to hear that British Rail have dropped the scheme?

Credit: Mr. Michael Lambert of Ilford, Essex, (who points out that, had this contraption ever got built, it would promptly have been used to explain away all the UFO sightings there have ever been!)



British Rail's Flying Saucer: a drawing in the Patent office