## SPANNERS, MONKEY WRENCHES, AND THE UFOLOGIST

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It is important to note that this contribution, from one of our American readers who has worked for several years on the staff of an important American observatory, was actually written by him in 1979, and is one of the many items which, for one reason or another, have been held up in the 'pipeline' or lost sight of in recent years. The writer still wishes to see it published in FSR, and I agree with him that what he has to say is of much value.

Be it noted, I repeat, that his article dates from long before the publication of most of Leonard Stringfield's

findings, and from even longer before the publication of the book CLEAR INTENT. — EDITOR

In European countries they are called "spanners" while in the United States they are known as "monkey wrenches". Either of these slang terms applies directly to those individuals, or groups of individuals, who knowingly, or unknowingly, confuse the study of unidentified aerial and terrestrial phenomena.

Simple logic must be applied when trying to fathom out the reasons for this when so called authority speaks. More than thirty years of investigation have met with explanations like a recording gone bad. The constant denials and silly appraisals of situations which meet the exacting criteria for a bonafide report have produced a phenomenon as bizarre as the unknowns themselves.

#### Irrefutable evidence

The most unbiased thinking today cannot, with clear conscience, shelve impeccable evidence as supplied by top notch witnesses such as the R.A.F., the U.S.A.F., and the host of other military and scientific personnel directly involved with unusual experiences. I certainly do not exclude the private individual as witness to inexplicable phenomena although it would appear that "those in the know", who have witnessed, are foremost in the eyes of a very leary public. Since there are virtually hundreds of cases involving trained observers, we should be aware that the "spanners" and "monkey wrenches" will be hard at it to twist the data, alter it, or dismiss it completely . . . and without any qualms as to why.

Shame that it is, the majority of mankind accepts Authority without question. This is commonplace the world over. Scientifically orientated investigators have found this to be a spanner which has found itself automatically in the soup. What we have thought to be a battle of authoritative egos now takes second place to the real intent, and egotism still runs rampant throughout scientific circles. I am only too well aware of this personally, as I have worked on the staff of a well-known Astronomical Observatory for several years past. However, I must point out emphatically that those preparing statements for news-releases involving explanations of the unusual, are "appointed explainers", not so much the egotists of yesteryear.

There is absolutely no way that a well detailed case, involving trained eyewitnesses, can be "put to rest by spannering". The eyewitness knows it. The investigator knows it. The general mass of humanity does not. The problem facing us who are in the investigative network is one of utmost concern — namely enlightenment of the public who have fallen prey to quite enough falsehoods already in matters politic and who, if not made aware of a most serious situation, will find themselves unprepared for that which is going to shock many a lifestyle.

#### Close encounter cases

The well established CE-III and CE-IV cases are the ones which belie the nature of the "unusual" that has impregnated the societies of this planet, past and present, on a daily basis. This situation is certain to continue into the future, and become more profound as it does so.

Little, if anything, comes by way of interpretation merely from lights observed in the sky which perform beyond our present-day technology. Even low-flying or hovering oddities, complete with funnyappearing occupants, tell us nothing whatsoever of their purposes for being here on this planet.

What does tell us something is the jibberish being forced into the minds of the recipients by the UFO

occupants.

I wish at this point to interject how "spannering" of the simple CE-I and CE-II cases should surely take care also of any CE-III and CE-IV incidents that might arise. After all, if CE-Is and CE-IIs can be neatly nipped in the bud, who is really going to take the most important phases, CE-III and CE-IV, seriously?

It appears that spannering serves in fact a most important purpose: namely, to poke fun; to hasten a memory-lapse in those who might be interested; and to "move the dangerous subject" by means of a bit of authoritative insistence, "to a far corner of the room", as one might say.

By this same token, there is absolutely nobody who can convince me that the thousands of radar-trackings

of unusual aerial objects, as plotted by the International Satellite-Tracking Network, are tossed out simply because those trackings "do not comply with known orbital satellite paths".

(That would be akin to an unusually fast sports-car being tracked by highway radar at speeds in excess of 200 m.p.h. but then ignored and "passed over" simply because it doesn't conform to the top speeds of presently made vehicles! Silly as this analogy of mine may perhaps appear, I trust it illustrates the point that I am trying to put across.)

## The "messages"

A careful look at the data from well studied CE-III and CE-IV cases should tell most serious investigators something. The "key" lies in the messages given to the recipients by the occupants. Sure enough of course, the contact and abduction cases already do have many features in common: such as the floating of the witnesses; the physical examinations; the illumination from an invisible source; the control levers; time-loss; memory loss via probable hypnotic or other form of mind control; and the all-too-familiar messages of "being here to save mankind from itself", etc., etc., etc.,

"When the time is right you will know . . . "is another favourite statement. The problem here is that it will be too late, and no doubt is already too late, for knowing

anything . . .

Unwittingly, the international "Nations of Sheep" are helping with the preparations for "that time".

For Authority to turn its head the other way, as it is doing, in the face of all the data, especially such data as tell us something about the occupants' methods, is certainly even more bizarre than the UFO Phenomenon itself that we are attempting to observe!

The statement so often made: "Just look away, and, whatever it is, it will go away!", certainly isn't going to

be effective in these cases!

#### Apocalyptic?

If anything fulfils Biblical Prophecy, then these strange sights in the sky do. If they do not, let someone

show me something stranger.\*

If Authority knows that the implications of all this are essentially of a religious nature, then there is really nothing that can change this foretold sequence of events. Authority is totally and predictably helpless should such be the case, and is certainly in an unenviable position of having to offer ridiculous analogies and explanations for the benefit of the enquiring mass of mankind.

(Spanners and monkey wrenches enter stage right!) If my analogy is incorrect, and the UFOs, with all their attendant silliness and offspring enigmas; spirits, automatic writing, poltergeists, et. al., are all a product from some other planet, as so many UFO buffs fondly dream, or from another Time-Reality or Dimension, or even from the bowels of a Black Hole, then their actions do not argue in favour of much logic or intelligence.

If they are indeed a species engaged in exploration, and care about us as we care about a colony of ants (as we have been told for years, ad nauseam), then logically they should not be concerning themselves with relating their culture to us via trips to their planet or planets, and filling up the witnesses with false information that is never borne out. An intelligent society of aliens would surely have better things than that to do, if they were truly scientifically orientated.

Of course there are those who will always say: "How are we to know what "They" think or how "They"

operate?"

Since most of us, myself included, feel that there is some purpose for our being here, or simply for things occurring as they do, we must consider the possible motivation behind all the strangeness associated with the Phenomenon.

#### Catastrophic effects

Almost all UFO encounters have had ill effects on the witness. I personally know of several cases where the witness experienced a disruption of family life, such as divorce, mental breakdown, and even suicide, either involving the witness directly or members or friends involved with the investigation. It stands as obvious therefore that the direct involvement with the UFO Phenomenon, or its counterparts, has serious effects, and cannot, by any way of reasoning, be termed beneficial.

The early secrecy among the world's Governments was due to the race to acquire a UFO to see what made it go. This was foremost in the minds of the Military, and of a top-priority nature. By the midsixties, the dream was realized, and several nations seem to have had a workable prototype, the ultimate weapon. These, mixed up now with the authentic, or 'original' UFO models, do nothing more than confuse further an already confused issue. For it can now be said, and truthfully, that UFOs originate on the Earth as well as from somewhere else.

Putting all these situations together thus far, the picture becomes not merely even more baffling, but thoroughly grotesque. If this isn't enough, add the humanoid occupants taken from several crash-sites with their disabled craft. (This has occurred at several locations throughout the world, and is well documented, but is not for official release yet. It will be common knowledge in the near future.)

#### "Like peas in a pod"

The shocking find as regards the occupants was the absence of a navel and of reproductive organs. The chief feature of their physical make-up was one of DUPLICA-

TION, which puts one in mind therefore of creation from the same mould, i.e., A TYPE OF CLONING.

Perhaps the questions as to WHERE? WHY? WHAT?, are still unanswered even in the highest scientific and military echelons of this planet, although the hard evidence is in hand. I am sure that our military and scientific people do have the answers, and have had them for several decades. The foremost question, then, is: WHY ARE WE NOT BEING ADVISED OF THESE FINDINGS? There is a general agreement that the *Interplanetary Hypothesis* is one that could now be accepted by the masses without panic, this in fact being made easier now than in foregoing years, due to the many advances in Space Technology, all the new Sci-Fi and occult-type movies, and all the general talk about our not being alone in this vast Universe.

## A 64-billion dollar question

So why are we still being deprived of the answers as to what all this UFO- and related business is about?

IS IT A "SOMETHING" THAT WOULD MAKE PANIC MILD BY COMPARISON?

Again, my personal conviction is a derivative from

looking at the situation from afar and seeking the very answers that scream from the touching of a tender spot. We have them. We know what makes them go. Do we really know their origin and purpose? Officialdom knows, or at least it has a very good idea. Based on what was mentioned earlier about something we are powerless to deal with, or alter that already set in motion by the major Power, or more likely the lesser, is it any wonder why those who are in the know must continue using their spanners until they can use them no more?

IT MAY ALREADY BE TOO LATE, AND IF WE KNEW THE TRUTH PERHAPS WE WOULD USE SOME SPANNERS OF OUR OWN ON THE MASSES OF NARROW-MINDED HUMANITY.

#### Comment

The Gospel According to St Luke, Ch. 21, v. 28, reads: "ἀρχομένων δὲ τούτων χίνεσθαι

κεφαλάς υμών."

("And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up you heads . . .") — EDITOR

# AN IMPORTANT REVELATION REGARDING 'PULSED LIGHT-TRACKS'

As most of our readers will be aware, our former Editor, Charles Bowen, carried the onerous burden (besides performing a full-time job) of publishing FLYING SAUCER REVIEW from November 1964 until November 1982 — a matter of no less than eighteen years.

When he suffered a series of strokes — due one can be sure to the great load he had carried for so long — there was no opportunity for him to discuss with me or with anyone else anything about the minor details of how a journal is even edited and pasted-up and put together, nor was he able to discuss any of the material that he had in hand or was working on, and I had no knowledge whatsoever about any of these things.

All that happened was that a large box came to me from his home, containing contributed articles, half-prepared material, notes, etc.

Among all this material there was an article in French by Charles' long-time and faithful Romanian friend Florin Gheorgiță of Įasi in Romania.

In due course I translated and summarized this ar-

ticle, and published it, under the title of A Note on 'Pulsed Light-Tracks', in FSR Volume 29, No. 6.

We now learn from Colin and Janet Bord that this piece is a fraudulent concoction, and it seems that not only Georghită but I too have had a hand in the hoax.

So far we have heard from no other readers about this fraud, except from Mr J. H. G. Allsop of Rayleigh, Essex, who also objects most strongly and says: "such articles of misinformation have no place in a publication whose controversial subject demands that its credibility be above reproach".

Doubtless other readers would also like to avail themselves of the opportunity to expatiate on this hoax, and we look forward to printing the best of their comments.

As Charles Bowen has just come out of hospital again after a further series of strokes, and is now unable to read very much, we have refrained from disturbing him further by informing him of the grossly insulting charge now levelled at his old friend Florin Georghiță.

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