

United States of America

Ufonaut surgeons at work

The following account came to us by way of the *Buenos Aires Herald* edition of February 14, 1976,—

"A Fargo, North Dakota woman claims she and two others were abducted by an alien creature last August and 'dissected like frogs,' the director of the Centre for UFO studies says.

"The woman's descriptions of the creature and the spacecraft were translated into sketches by a television weatherman, John Coleman of WLS-TV for a series on UFOs by the ABC affiliate.

"She claims to have been abducted," said J. Allen Hynek, a Northwestern University astronomy

professor, 'I said *claims*.'

"Mrs. Sandy Larson, 32, said she, her daughter Jackie, 15, and Jackie's boyfriend were taken aboard a UFO which landed near Fargo last August 26 and were given a complete medical examination, Hynek said.

"Hynek was present last month in Fargo when Mrs. Larson was hypnotized and questioned about the incident by Leo Sprinkle of the University of Wyoming.

"Mrs. Larson said they were driving on a highway, 40 miles west of Fargo, when they heard a loud noise and saw 'a series of eight to ten glowing, round objects lined up in the sky, descending toward earth.'

"Frightened, she stopped the car. After the objects disappeared, she drove to a nearby service station and

discovered it was an hour later than she thought.

"Under hypnosis Mrs. Larson said a creature 'with elastic bandages for a head, or elastic bandages around its head' subjected her and her daughter's boyfriend to 'a complete medical examination stripped naked and all parts of the body examined...even our heads were opened and all parts of our brains looked at...we were dissected like frogs.'

"Hynek said the daughter felt like she was 'left stranded in a field. She lost track of what had happened to the others.'

"The boyfriend was not hypnotized and declined to be identified." (UP)

Credit to: Miss Jane Thomas of Buenos Aires.

Readers' Reports

Encounter at Little Houghton

Dear Sir,—I recently read in FSR a reference to Oscar A Galindez's story, "A New Teleportation Near Cordoba",* and this reminded me of a story told to me by a friend Miss A. of an experience that her brother P.† had in the autumn of 1973. The As are an immigrant Italian family living in Bedford. P. is now 23 years of age and a law abiding citizen. He is honest and down-to-earth in his outlook on life and has a steady job in engineering, his main interest being cars. He does not read much or follow intellectual pursuits. He is extremely reluctant and embarrassed to discuss his experience with anyone. It took two or three hours of persuasion before he felt that he could talk without being ridiculed, and I don't think he would respond to being interviewed by strangers. I send you the following report for the record:—

One Saturday night in September, 1973, P. went to a dance at Northampton, which is 21 miles from Bedford along the A428. He returned alone at 2.00 a.m., noticing the time on the clock of a village church that he passed on his left. He does not remember the name of the village, but there is only one with a church in this position, Little Houghton, the first village on the road from Northampton to Bedford. Here he slowed down for what he first thought were the headlights of an approaching car. Suddenly he was blinded by a single, very bright white light straight in front of the windscreen. He remembered no more after that until 7.00 a.m. when he found himself walking along Bromham bridge which is about two miles out of Bedford.

His coat and shoes were wet through, as though he had walked through long grass. He also remembered feeling very refreshed and wide awake, as though he had had a long rest. He made his way to a friend's house and asked him to drive him slowly back along the Northampton road as he couldn't remember where he had left his car. He can't remember the exact field where the car was finally located, but he does remember that it was near a turn-off from the main road, sign-posted to the village of Olney. There are three or four of these side roads leading directly to Olney, situated along six or seven miles of the central part of the route. The car was found in the middle of a ploughed field. The gate was shut and no tracks from the car led from it. A farmer towed it out with his tractor later that morning. The car was found to be carefully locked up and the keys were in P.'s pocket. There were no marks or scratches on the car.

He didn't tell his parents what had happened but excused himself by saying he had stayed with his friend after a very late night at the dance. He remembered nothing afterwards of what happened during the five missing hours and told nobody the story until a year later. Meanwhile, he dismissed the occurrence from his mind. On the occasion of a wedding he drank too much and became moody and almost violent. His sister asked him what was wrong. He then divulged the story to her, making her promise not to tell anyone. He said that he had suddenly remembered it and its strangeness had registered on him. (He previously dismissed it as an automobile accident — he could think of no other ex-

planation.) Now he wondered what really might have happened, and if it would happen again. His sister said he seemed frightened, and a week or so later when I spoke to him he said that he felt very confused and disconcerted at the time.

Since then the matter has not been discussed again, and another year has passed since I took down the first report, so I must apologise for not sending it to you more promptly. Miss E.C. Hargreaves
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† Name and address was supplied but is withheld from publication by request — EDITOR.

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