been impossible to trace this Fátima-like, possibly mass psychic hallucinatory(?) event, to either confirm or deny what many supposedly witnessed and Katie's mother and others recalled. The family history had other unusual possible paranormal events which, in and of themselves, would not arouse undue curiosity if there was not ample videotape documentation of many of Katie's feats.

Discussion. Unfortunately, the need for brevity prevents a more systematic, detailed report and analysis. However, it would seem that the study of documented gifted sensitives can yield a wealth of high quality psi that is entirely analogous to many UFO experiences. By psychiatric study and experiments of these gifted persons, more might be learned about the modus operandi of the UFO experiences which, like psi, encompasses a wide variety of enigmatic phenomena.

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# CONTINUED ABDUCTIONS AT MIRASSOL, BRAZIL

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(Translation from Portuguese)

FSR 30/1, published in October 1984, contained Senhora Irene Granchi's account, Abduction At Mirassol, describing the case of the Brazilian Negro Antônio Carlos Ferreira.

According to a fresh report which appeared in the local Mirassol newspaper, Diário Da Região, of 12/18 June 1986, this man has now told Professor Ney Matiel Pires (who has been studying the case since 1979) that he has been picked up again by a UFO twice during the past twenty days, namely in the early morning of Sunday May 25, 1986, and again in the course of Saturday, June 7. This latter episode took place at the Ibraco Furniture Factory in Mirassol, when the alien beings even left marks on the door of the plant and inside the section where Antônio Carlos is employed.

Professor Ney Matiel Pires says he has not yet completed his report on these two latest episodes, and adds that in July of this year some investigators are due to arrive from the U.S.A. to look into this case, when it is planned to have a further session of hypnotic regression with Antônio Carlos in the hope of extracting details about the two events. (The subject claims to have no recollection of what happens to him during these "trips" with the aliens).

On the first of these two occasions, namely in the very early morning of Sunday, May 25, 1986, Antônio Carlos, who, as will be recalled, is employed as a night-watchman at the furniture factory, has told Professor Ney Matiel Pires that he even tried to draw his revolver, as he could no longer put up with the situ-

Antônio Carlos Ferreira.

ation in which he was being made subject to these visitations, but he says he was struck by a beam of light which paralysed him and knocked the revolver to a distance. After that, he remembers only being taken to a craft and then, subsequently, waking up again hours afterwards.

Professor Matiel tells us that Antônio Carlos was not found until 6.00pm on that same day, lying unconscious in a dense thicket near the factory.

The Professor is of the opinion that the man must genuinely have been taken by a UFO, since he himself found certain marks on the ground there which looked as though made by the legs of the craft, and also a larger mark, which could have been made by some sort of descending ramp.

On the basis of these marks, the Professor calculates that the craft must have been three metres wide, and extremely heavy, for the marks were very deep.

Professor Ney Matiel Pires says that the appearances of these alien beings come in cycles of approximately eighteen months, inasmuch as the last occasion was in March 1985.

He says however, that the latest case of all (Saturday, June 7 of this year) is unique, inasmuch as, for the very first time, it took place in broad daylight, between 10.30 and 11.00am.

On this last occasion, says the Professor, the faint marks left on the ground suggest that the craft had not actually touched down, but took up the watchman and returned him by means of a beam of light.

## Strange Marks Left by the Aliens

Antônio Carlos states that it was just before his scheduled lunch-time, at 10.30am, on June 7, that he became aware of the presence of the aliens, and that he at once telephoned to the headquarters of the Municipal Night-Watch Department, by whom he is employed, and asked for someone to come quickly. But when his colleagues arrived at the plant, all they found was his hat and his revolver thrown on the ground. And they also found very clear marks on the ground and on the door, as though of burning, as well as a strange circle on the outside of the building. The Police were called, and Professor Ney Matiel Pires also. However, it was only many hours later that Antônio Carlos was found by them, namely at 6.00pm, lying unconscious in the nearby thicket.



Antônio's alleged "extra-terrestial" child ("better looking than them").

## "Daughter already met"

These last two occasion were the eleventh and twelfth contacts of Antônio Carlos with the beings, and the dossier on him now runs to 63 pages, in addition to many drawings and photographs. Listed in it are the various theories that have been put forward to explain these curious experiences of the almost illiterate night-watchman. He has already described, when given regressive hypnosis previously, (see Sr. Granchi's account) how he had met "green beings" and "brown beings". And how he was forced to have sexual relations with an "extraterrestrial" woman, who had given birth to a daughter (whom he had sub-

sequently met!) On the occasions of the other abductions of him, he had met (possibly "on the Moon") fair-skinned beings, more like humans, and also darkskinned beings and "hairy" beings.

He also said, during the previous hypnotic regression, that his daughter is dark-skinned, intelligent and "better looking than *they* are," with reddish-coloured hair, and that she has no desire to meet her terrestrial relatives.

In most of the abductions, Antônio Carlos was lifted up into the craft by means of a beam of light, the colour of which is variable. His contact with the aliens is effected by means of telepathy, he himself speaking and hearing without ever opening his mouth.

## **FORTEANA**

## Gordon Creighton

In the days when such writers and pioneers as Charles Fort and M. K. Jessup were with us, great attention was paid to such extraordinary phenomena as the massive falls of dead birds or frogs or periwinkles or other seacreatures (particularly in the latter case, if they were totally unmixed with other species).

In Charles Fort's day, it is true, the time had not yet quite come for speculating about the existence of what we now call "UFOs". in Jessup's day, in the 1960s, such speculation was widespread, and even respected aviation correspondents of leading newspapers would write articles that nobody would dare to write today.

For today, all our wisest brains assure us that the UFO is pure myth.

Such being the case, is the fashionable complaint, "hypothermia", indeed the right explanation for the following story? Who knows?

## (1) FARM MYSTERY OF DEAD BIRDS

## Sunday Express, London, March 16, 1986

By Brendan Mulholland

Hill farmer Mr. Robert Jones was puzzled when he found a couple of dozen dead starlings in his yard.

He had seen many dead birds in his time but nothing quite like this.

Mr. Jones continued on his early-morning inspec-

tion of his property.

There had been heavy rain overnight, and he was concerned for the fabric of outbuildings and the state of drainage ditches.

Then 63-year-old Mr. Jones came across more dead starlings further down his yard. This time there were not just dozens. There were hundreds.

Yet the dead birds seemed plump enough, almost

well-fed considering the weeks of hard frost.

Mr. Jones, who has farmed at Llanfihangel, near Caernarfon, North Wales, all his working life, walked on towards a quarter-acre coppice where the birds had been roosting.

And there, strewn across the hillside and piled in ditches, were more dead starlings ... about 3,000.

What had killed thousands of apparently healthy birds? Mr. Jones was sure it was not the weather. The cold spell was over and anyway starlings were hardy birds.

Could they have been poisoned? He could think of no possible source.

### Theory

Said Mr. Jones: "I've never heard of anything like this happening. "I have a theory. They had been in the wood so long, I think it is just possible their droppings were activated by the sudden heavy rain.

"Perhaps that created a gas that poisoned them."

Mr. Peter Colston, an ornithologist with the Natural History Museum, was not inclined to go along with the droppings theory.

He admitted, though, that he had not come across

such a huge and sudden carnage.

A spokesman of the Welsh office of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said: "I think you can rule out the weather as the cause."

Local veterinarian Mr. Eifion Evans is, however,