

we should not expect to see the high level of coincidences which are apparent.

The "Mystery Circles" in the Corn

The coincidences illustrate a commonality which may come from an external planned interaction. If that is indeed the case, we are in for some interesting times. If we are merely accidentally interacting with another reality, then we can expect a lot of odd phenomena to continue to occur. UFOs, CE4s (Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind — "abductions" included) and "Mystery circles in the fields" won't disappear.

Provided that bizarre weather and widespread hoaxes can be discounted (as they have been discounted by one prominent British astronomer), these circles, for example, may be evidence of an intrusion by circular fourth-dimensional objects; we would not see the objects, just the resulting circles on the ground.

Ouspensky once gave a description of how a fourth-dimensional hand would appear to us, if all five fingers were pressing down onto a three-dimensional surface.

Nothing of the hand and its fingers would be visible to us, except for one thing — we would see five circles on the surface.*

**Those who are interested in pursuing this sort of enquiry further should read a charming little book — now long forgotten, like so many good books — FLATLAND: A ROMANCE OF MANY DIMENSIONS, by Edwin A. Abbott, who I think must have been an Oxford man. (My own copy of it, published in 1932 by Basil Blackwood of Oxford, was of the fourth edition, and the original edition seems to have been well back into the 19th. century. The second edition was in 1884.)*

EDITOR

THE FLATTENED CIRCLES IN THE CROPS: REPORT ON THE PHENOMENON FOR THE YEAR 1987

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We had thought 1986 was a bumper year for circles and rings impressed into the fields, but 1987 had a few surprises for us. It was as though we were being told, "You ain't seen nothing yet".

The 'season' started earlier than we anticipated. During the first week in May we were presented with the first of many flattened circles.

Many more details of floor patterns and lays came to light, and along with these we had examples of the staggering capabilities of the unknown force we are dealing with.

Conventional science is not involved in this subject, which makes it all the more fascinating to investigate. The following list shows the relevant details.

The new and most outstanding occurrences were the 'H' formation and the superimposed 'O' formation.

The second visit of the flattening force on the 'O' site had re-laid some of the floor lay of the smaller circle of the two original circles.

Site 13 also seemed to have been visited for a second time. This was apparent because when the first

photos were taken from the top of the adjacent hill, there was a two-metre division of standing crop between the edges of the circles. Two days later, this division had disappeared, because the diameters of all the circles had been increased by approximately two metres. Further, the southern circle of this triplet appeared to have been subjected to a contra-rotation force that had partly swept the lay in the opposite rotation.

Several of the 1987 circles had been created by a very strong force that left the crop strewn radially. The ends of these radial swaths were swept up the walls of the circle causing fairly deep penetrations. The circles where this type of force occurred also had some individual crop stems, complete with root, thrown just outside the circle. They rested on top of the standing crop and were hanging upside down.

There were variations of floor patterns this year. Not only did we have the spiral veins or whorls swirled clockwise and counter clockwise but there were also 'S' shaped and 'L' shaped lays. In fact, the shapes of the floor-lays were so varied, it makes an explanation even more remote.

It seems the more detail we collect the greater the recession of the solution. This is probably true for many other mysteries.

This is a great subject for speculation, but speculation leads to fantasy and that spells disaster for credibility.

So what awaits us in 1988? Maybe a lot more surprises, and hopefully a chink of light at the end of the tunnel. Meanwhile, we will keep on visiting sites, photographing, videoing, measuring and noting details.

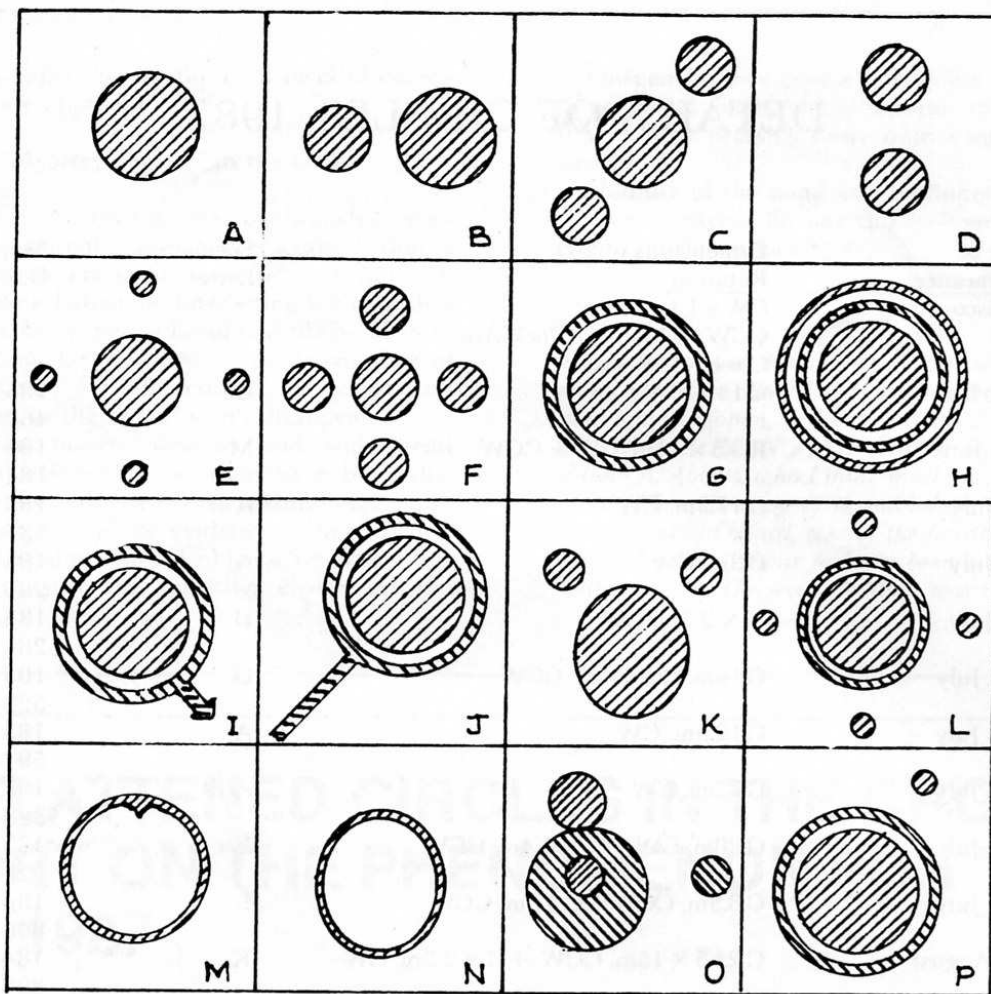
Watch out for the 1988 report. (A record so far — 94 rings or circles on 18 sites up to end of August 1988. EDITOR)

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DETAILS OF CIRCLES, 1987

Site No.	Date of appearance or discovery	Dimensions Rotation CW = Clockwise CCW = Counter-Clockwise C = circle R = ring	Formation Letter	Map No. O.S. Co-ords
1	7th May	C.14m.CW	A	185 460-368
2	13th June	R.9.5 × 11m. CW & CCW	M	184 184-468
3	3rd July	C.17.5m. CW	A	185 537-274
4	3rd July	C.3m. CW	A	184 285-469
5	3rd July	C. × 2 3m. CW	D	184 283-475
6	10th July	C.16m. CW + R. CCW	G	185 528-283
7	15th July	C.12.5m. CW	A	185 597-223
8	20th July	C.3.5m. CW	A(P)	185 528-283
9	25th July	C.20m. CW + C. × 4 4m. CCW	E	185 527-282
10	29th July	C.8.5m. CCW + C.4.5m. CCW	B	184 900-521
11	3rd August	C.21.5 × 15m. CCW + C × 2 5m. CW	K	184 898-517
12	4th August	C.8m. CCW	A	184 898-513
13	4th August	C.20m. CW + C.12m. CW + C. 12m. CCW	C	184 900-520
14	8th August	C.13m. CCW + C. × 4 (3 CW.1 CCW)	F	184 900-521
15	8th August	C.16.5m. CCW + R.CW + R.CCW	H	184 908-522
16	8th August	C.15m. CCW	A	184 895-515
17	8th August	C.8.2m. CCW	A	184 907-444
18	10th August	C.15.5m. CW	A	185 591-359
19	15th August	R.6.5 × 7.5m. CW	N	184 895-514
20	15th August	C.19m. CW + R.CCW	G	184 520-285
21	15th August	C.15.2m. CCW + C.7.5m. CCW	O	184 900-521
22	20th August	C.8m. CCW	A	184 984-533
23	20th August	C.13.5m. CCW + C. × 4 7.5m. CW	F	184 983-534
24	21st August	C.16m. CW + C. × 4 7m. CW	F	184 901-521
25	23rd August	C.18m. CW + R CCW + C.3m. CW	G	184 068-407
26	23rd August	C. × 2 8m. (1CW 1CCW)	D	184 068-408
27	23rd August	C.3m. CW	A	184 069-407
28	29th August	C.22m. CW	A	185 527-281
29	6th September	C.12.3m. CCW + C. × 4 8m.	E	
30	6th September	C.8.0m. CCW	A	
31	6th September	C.17m. CW + C. × 2 7.2m. (1 CW 1 CCW)	C	



Circle configurations to date (up to end of 1987).

“BE PREPARED TO MEET THY ALIENS!” (2)

IN FSR 30/1, under this supremely fatuous heading, we discussed a London press report of July 21, 1897 which alleged that the Vatican was engaged in training “Space missionaries” to convert the alien heathen “Out There”.

We now learn from William L. Moore (*F.W. & FOCUS*, February 1988) that one of his associates, John Andrews of San Diego, and Dan Pitre, editor of a San Diego Catholic magazine, *The Southern Cross*, have made a thorough investigation of the story, in the course of which they contacted the Catholic Media Office in New York.

And their findings? . . . They find that there is apparently no Father Pierre Thorel (or Sorel, as it appeared in some versions); there is no “Chair” on Space Mission work at the Alphonsian Academy in Rome; and there is no programme in hand for the training of “missionaries in Space”. They conclude therefore that the whole story is bogus, the sole verifiable fact being

that there is indeed an Austrian named Professor Resch who comes to the Vatican University twice every year “and gives a talk on the paranormal”.

It is hard to believe that, since the very beginning of the world, there can have ever been an age more richly endowed with liars than our own. The huge accumulation, which we now have at FSR, of choice stories (mostly but not entirely from the American tabloids) about UFOs crashing on mountain-tops in Asia and bespattering the environment with alien corpses; living “Space babies” salvaged from the wreckage; lively “shoot-outs” between UFO-nauts and Russian troops; and entire villages literally “scooped up” off the face of the earth in Canada, China, and elsewhere and removed by UFOs, really does make some quite fascinating reading, and we are considering whether we might not find some way of brightening up drab the lives of FSR readers by publishing at least a selection of it. — G.C.

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“What a pity that Gordon Creighton is such a keen supporter of the ‘extraterrestrial theory.’”
— Comment heard at a BUFORA meeting in London in 1987.