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SALVADOR FREIXEDO

It will be recalled that on pages 16 and 17 of FSR 36/4 (Winter 1991) I gave an account of the life and work of the former Jesuit priest Salvador Freixedo, who in my opinion is the only researcher who has yet got anywhere near to "sussing out" the realities of this appalling "UFO business". I mentioned briefly the main events in his career and the many very important books (all in Spanish) that he has written, and I described how the ecclesiastical authorities in several Central American countries had systematically persecuted him, how the bishops in Puerto Rico had "suspended his ministry", and how finally he had been imprisoned in Venezuela.

One of his books, issued in Mexico in 1977 and entitled *La Religión Entre La Parapsicología Y Los OVNIs* (*Religion Between Parapsychology and the UFOs*) appeared again later in a new edition and under the new title of *Visionarios, Místicos, Y Contactos Extraterrestres* (*Visionaries, Mystics, and Extraterrestrial Contacts*). Like all the rest of his work, it remained untranslated for years. In the meantime, I had got in touch with the author and he had come to see me, and he made it clear that he wished to see his principal books put into English *by me and, if possible, by nobody else!*

I undertook to make a start on it, and I began translating one of the books that I regard as possibly the most important of all, namely *Defendámonos De Los Dioses!* (*Let Us Defend Ourselves Against The Gods!*) published in 1984 by Editorial Algar S.A. in Madrid. I had done no more than about one-third of it however when a series of things happened that "put paid" to any hope of my ever being able to achieve the job for Sal Freixedo. The first was that owing to the illness of Charles Bowen, I suddenly had to take over the editorship of FSR, and I knew nothing whatever about publishing or editing. The second was that I underwent an extraordinary paranormal experience which would lead in due course to the loss of the sight in one eye. I shall say no more about what this event was, or of who or what lay behind it, although I personally have no doubt as to what the *intention* was. But fortunately we are not entirely without help in this world, and things have turned out for me in such a way that my sight is now almost as good as it originally was. I emphasise that I intend to say no more about this, as I am convinced that we are dealing with very dangerous Forces for whom the existence of Salvador Freixedo and of his books cannot be what one might term "welcome".

As for the present situation of Freixedo, who now lives in Madrid, I am delighted to be able to report that his *Visionaries, Mystics and Contactees* has just been issued (1992) by IllumiNet Press in Georgia, U.S.A., in an excellent translation into English by the American scholar Scott Corrales. (For full details see inside of the front cover of this issue). Need I add that it is my fervent hope that much more of Salvador Freixedo's work will in due course also be rendered into English, and that I deeply regret that I have been unable to keep my promise to do the job myself. In particular, I want to see English-language versions of *Let Us Defend Ourselves Against The Gods!* and of another of his key-books, *Israel - Pueblo Contacto* (*Israel - A Contactee People*). When that day comes you can be sure that an awful lot of fur will begin to fly and the situation may become quite "interesting". ■

BOOK REVIEW

By Paul Whitehead, FSR Director & Consultant

FORBIDDEN SCIENCE: JOURNALS 1957-1969, by DR. JACQUES VALLÉE, 1992. Published by North Atlantic Books, 2800 Woolsey Street, Berkeley, California 94705. (ISBN number 1-55643-125-2-cloth. U.S. price, exclusive of postage and packaging, \$ 24.95).

(The book is sponsored by the Society For The Study of Native Arts and Sciences, a nonprofit educational corporation whose goals are to develop an educational and cross-cultural perspective linking various scientific, social and artistic fields; to nurture a holistic view of arts, sciences, humanities, and healing; and to publish and distribute literature on the relationships of mind, body and nature).

The mystic in Jacques Vallée speaks out in his latest book, *Forbidden Science*. For those of you who have long suspected there is more to this man than mere interest in UFOs, this autobiographical work is a feast to be devoured and enjoyed in modest chunks. Don't read all 453 pages (or, on my estimation, 185,000 words or more) too quickly; there is much here to arrest the attention, amuse, disturb, and finally, to provoke further thought and discussion.

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REVERSE ENGINEERING A UFO SIGHTING: WHAT CAN AND CAN'T BE LEARNED?

By Richard F. Haines, FSR Consultant (California) and Gregory Smith © 1991

Dr. Haines, PhD, writes:- "I have pleasure in submitting the enclosed article by myself and one of my colleagues at NASA, Greg Smith.

"We have taken a fairly recent and unreported pilot-sighting and subjected the details of the strange aerial object to the process of 'reverse engineering'. This paper describes the approach, along with the results which we find highly interesting. Others may also want to employ this approach in other cases, and it is this aspect (in addition to the sighting itself) which prompts our submission of it to *Flying Saucer Review*"

Abstract

This paper describes a UFO sighting made by William Lawrence, a pilot flying with a passenger (E.L.) about 7 miles E. of Jackson, California in the Sacramento Valley on April 19, 1989 at 8.30 am local time. The strangely shaped aerial object they saw was in sight for about six minutes. The sighting was subjected to a process known as "reverse engineering" and a number of tentative conclusions were drawn about the object. We conclude that this object was solid and three-dimensional. It was significantly heavier than air and, if the object were obeying known aerodynamic laws, it would have possessed a drag component of about 9 tons and required a propulsive powerplant with an output of at least 25,000 horsepower. Other aspects of the sighting, however, lead to the conjecture that it was not entirely constrained by known aerodynamic principles. In the final analysis, we are unable to distinguish between two rival hypotheses, namely that the object was either of terrestrial manufacture but employing unknown, advanced propulsion technology, or the object was of exotic origin and included a number of features that had the effect of making the object appear to be of terrestrial origin.

One of the main objectives of collecting UFO sighting data is to try to find out what the phenomena are. There are various ways to do this. One of the most prominent is to analyse the details of each individual sighting carefully and look for evidence that supports or refutes one's working hypothesis. Other approaches include statistical analyses of large numbers of cases looking for patterns of common elements, photographic image analysis, measurements and analysis of the environment in those cases in which the

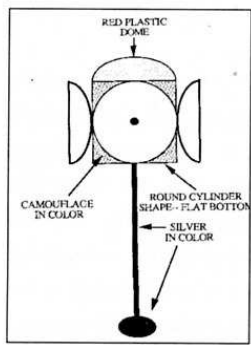
environment is altered because of the presence of the phenomenon, etc. In the case where one suspects an extra-terrestrial origin for the phenomenon in question one typically seeks evidence that the phenomenon or object could not have been manufactured on Earth.

In the present report we have applied principles of "reverse engineering" to reported details involving a very interesting aerial object that was sighted by two adult males in an aircraft and then we discuss some logical consequences of these calculations. Reverse engineering is the process by which characteristics of an object that are not directly visible can be deduced with a reasonable degree of confidence; the process involves (a) verifying all of the basic sighting details for accuracy, (b) establishing as many reasonable assumptions as possible, and (c) integrating those characteristics of an object or phenomenon that are visible with a knowledge of the applicable physical principles. For example, if one knows the number and size of tyres on a truck, the load bearing capacity of the soil it is travelling on, and the depth of the tread marks, one can deduce its weight. Knowing its weight and fuel tank capacity, one may be able to infer what kind of motor it uses. Knowing the viscosity of the soil and the "spread-out" pattern of the tyre tread marks, even the direction of travel and velocity of the truck can be estimated, and so on.

The "reverse engineering" approach is a powerful tool which other investigators should use when possible since it can illuminate otherwise hidden features of a physical object or system. Of course use of this approach relies on the presumption of applicability of well-established engineering and scientific facts; if the phenomenon is not bound by such laws this approach can be very misleading.

The UFO Sighting

On initial contact with one of the authors (RH), Mr. William Lawrence, a 58 year old private pilot with over 1000 hours flight time, reported that he was piloting his *Ercoupe (N3226H)* single engine light airplane with one passenger (Mr.E.L.)¹ on April 19, 1989 at 8.30 am Pacific Time when he had



an encounter with an unidentified flying object.²

Mr. Lawrence recalled the meteorological conditions as: no wind, no clouds, visibility unlimited, and an outside air temperature of 60 deg F. The two men had taken off from Westover Field located at Jackson, California for a local pleasure flight

(and to inspect land which Mr. E.L. had just purchased) and had climbed to an altitude of 3,800 feet, MSL, flying at an indicated airspeed of 96 mph (110 mph, true airspeed). When they were about 7 statute miles east of the airfield and were on a heading of 250 degrees (flying almost due west) their attention was attracted to an airborne object by sunlight glinting off a shiny surface. Immediately after the encounter, the pilot wrote, "My enclosed sketch is exactly what we saw (see sketch). It was moving in a circle around 500 feet below us. I would say the circle in which it was moving was around 10 miles in diameter. It was moving at a high rate of speed. When it passed by us the last time I estimate that we were within 800-1000 ft from it and as we passed over its path there was a slight buffet which was felt in the plane.³ My passenger and I couldn't believe what we were seeing and I felt very uneasy and vulnerable, so we left the area. I now wish I had stayed longer and seen where it went. It seemed to have no means of propulsion. It seemed to be travelling like an object in outer space."⁴

He remarked that he called the Sacramento Federal Aviation Administration office about this sighting soon after leaving the area and "...they laughed."

Upon landing, Mr. Lawrence and his passenger mentioned the encounter to the airport manager and several bystanders. None of them reported hearing or seeing anything unusual at the time of the encounter. At no time during his encounter did he notice any unusual electromagnetic effects on board the airplane.

The authors interviewed Mr. Lawrence by telephone numerous times subsequent to the initial report, and also re-enacted the aerial encounter on August 22, 1991, by using another light aircraft.⁵ The following composite information emerged from these conversations.

The object executed three complete orbits at an apparently constant velocity. The pilot flew in three small radius left turns inside the orbit of the UFO to keep it in sight in approximately the same part of his windshield as it circled him. Although Mr. Lawrence did not time the duration of the sighting directly, he did note the bank angle required to keep the object in constant view (approximately 14 deg.) by reference to the aircraft's turn and bank indicator. A true air speed of 110 mph

in an airplane with a bank angle of 14 deg. will produce a time interval of 124 seconds per orbit.

Mr. Lawrence supplied a sketch (not reproduced) made by the pilot, showing the relative sizes and locations of the flight paths of the airplane and the UFO. Mr. Lawrence is very familiar with the terrain near Westover Field and was able to reconstruct accurately the UFO flight path by re-flying it in his aircraft and noting easily visible ground-reference features, such as prominent hilltops, towns, highways, bodies of water, etc. He is certain that the UFO flight path diameter was no less than 5.8 miles, and may have been as large as 8 miles.

The object definitely maintained the same shape and aspect at all times, only becoming smaller or larger in appearance as it approached and receded from the airplane. Its long axis was not exactly vertical, but was always tipped forward at the top (i.e., in the direction of flight) by about 5 degrees. He estimated that, at the point of closest approach, the object had an angular size smaller than his thumbnail width at arm's length, but larger than his little finger width. This is equivalent to an angle of about 1.5 degrees arc. It became almost a point (in apparent size) at its greatest separation distance from them.

He also recalled that the cylindrical body of the object had dull, multicoloured surface markings resembling "camouflage..." (i.e., brown and at least two shades of dark green). The 4 curved dishes were dull gray in colour and each had a small rounded object nestled in its centre. (Mr. Lawrence is familiar with a "feed horn" which is found at the focus of many parabolic antennae.) He concluded by saying, "I felt after I had thought about it that it may be something our government is experimenting with due to its camouflage colour."

The red dome on the top of the object was not uniform in surface brightness, but appeared to be translucent and partially to reveal subsurface structure. Optically more dense rib-streaks began at the top of the dome and radiated down to the rim (like metal ribs of an umbrella). Mr. Lawrence repeatedly compared the dome's colour to an automobile tail light.

Suspended beneath the centre of the main cylindrical body was a small-diameter, 15-20 foot-long silver rod with an egg-shaped object on the end (see Fig. 1). He estimated that the "egg"⁶ would have been several feet across and that the cylinder was about six (6) feet high and six (6) feet in diameter. The bottom of the cylinder was flat.

When questioned, Mr. Lawrence was adamant that there were no propellers or rotors visible. Similarly, there was no evidence of jet exhaust or any optical distortion at the edges of the object such as heat waves, etc.

Analysis and Discussion

Mr. Lawrence has made no attempt to embroider his story in any manner or to make it appear more like a "typical" UFO sighting - the major points have remained unchanged for more than two years! Neither has he attempted to capitalise on or sensationalise his story. Rather, he continues to regard his experience with a healthy mixture of curiosity and puzzlement. Accordingly, we judge his credibility to be high.

On the basis of his references to the angular size of his thumbnail and little finger, the maximum angular subtense of the object was about 1.5 degrees of arc. Mr. Lawrence reports his distant visual acuity as 20-20; this level of acuity clearly indicates that he could correctly resolve at least one minute of visual angle. Thus, if the UFO was the size estimated by him, he would have been able to maintain visual contact with it at all times during its circular flight path, precisely as he indicated, and also to be capable of seeing the degree of detail he said he saw.

This conclusion was given further credence by the re-enactment of the encounter, in which the investigators flew the smaller inner circle in one aircraft and Mr. Lawrence, in his aircraft, flew the large external orbit originally flown by the UFO. Lighting and viewing angles were similar to those of the original encounter. The fuselage of Mr. Lawrence's aircraft (less than 6 ft thick) was visible and distinct to us at all times. Similarly, if the point of closest approach was as reported, he would have been able to see the details reported, such as colouring patterns, etc.

The possibility remains that Mr. Lawrence saw some type of highly realistic 3-dimensional optical image, rather than a solid object. Arguing against this explanation is the reported experience of turbulence in crossing the wake of the object, the reported initial glinting of sunlight from the object, the very clear atmosphere around it (which would make it very difficult to project such an optical image), and the fact that the object orbited completely around the observers.

After considering all these factors, we believe the most parsimonious explanation is that the two men actually saw a real object and that Mr. Lawrence is reporting what he saw as accurately as he is able. The central questions raised by this sighting, therefore, are the origin and nature of the object. If it is assumed to be of terrestrial origin, then reverse engineering may be applicable.

Except for its dynamic behaviour, many factors point toward a terrestrial, probably military, origin. For example, the object has perfect lateral symmetry as viewed from the side and front, and perfect axial symmetry as viewed from the top and bottom. The "conventional" terrestrial design process often uses symmetry to simplify the analysis

and manufacturing process of complex systems. Similarly, the use of repeated identical assemblies (e.g., the 4 "parabolic" dishes) is a strategy often used in complex designs to capitalise on the efficiency of mass production. The parabolic dishes themselves obviously suggest the transmission and/or reception of radio frequency electromagnetic radiation. The apparent paint scheme can be seen on the flight line of almost any military airbase. All of these factors suggest a terrestrial origin.

Assuming it took the object 124 seconds to make 1 orbit of 5.8 miles diameter, the average velocity of the object was 529 mph. At the reported altitude, this represents a flight Mach number of 0.7. The centrifugal acceleration required to make the object stay on this circular course is 1.22 g. If the orbit diameter was 8 miles, the corresponding values would be 730 mph, 0.97 Mach, and 1.7 g.

Assuming the reported altitude, meteorological conditions, and calculated velocity range, the dynamic (air) pressure due to forward flight of the object would have been between about 4.4 and 8.3 pounds per square inch. The aerodynamic drag of the object would have been dominated by the forward facing dish, which has no streamlining at all as compared to the cylindrical body, the side facing dishes, and the other appendages. Assuming a diameter of 6 feet, and a drag coefficient of 1.0, the forward facing parabolic dish would have experienced a drag force between about 8.9 and 16.9 tons and would have required the expenditure of between 25 and 66 thousand horsepower to maintain forward flight.

There is no aspect of the report that allows a direct calculation of the weight of the object. On the other hand, neglecting appendages, the minimum enclosed volume of the main cylindrical body and the dome is about 226 cubic feet. If this shape were a perfect (helium-filled) balloon, it would have a buoyancy force of only about 14 lb. There is no known conventional powerplant capable of producing 25 thousand horsepower for more than 6 minutes weighing less than 14 lb. Since the aerial encounter lasted well over 6 minutes the object was certainly heavier than air. We can estimate an upper limit on the weight of the object if we make the ad hoc assumption that it was constructed using conventional, aerospace material and assembly practices. This is based on the fact that most aircraft and spacecraft have an equivalent specific gravity approximately that of water (i.e., 1.0). Using a specific gravity of 1.0 and its calculated volume gives an upper boundary for the estimate of the object's weight of about 7.0 tons.

On the other side of the issue, reverse engineering of this aerial object discloses a number of issues that call into question the assumption of terrestrial origin. The most obvious is that the

object was apparently not observing conventional aerodynamic principles in its flight. There are no obvious means of propulsion via momentum exchange with the atmosphere. There are no streamlined fairings to protect the appendages from excessive forces and aerodynamic heating.

Next, consider the four dishes with "feed horns" attached to the main body that, to first appearances, seem to be parabolic reflectors. We speculated that these might, in fact, be antennae for reception or transmission of microwave or some other form of energy for purposes of communication or propulsion (e.g., to somehow counteract the vehicle's drag). On closer examination, it is questionable whether the dishes are parabolic at all. If each dish had even approximately the proportions shown in the pilot's sketch, the reflection focal point would be significantly farther forward of its surface than the position occupied by the "feed horn" (or whatever the object is at the centre of each antenna). If some energy emitter or receiver was associated with the dishes at their focal points it should have been visible on both sides of the object.

Moreover, if this object was an advanced (and previously unknown) man-made military vehicle or device: (1) why was it tested in this locale? There are many tens of thousands of people living in this region of the Sierra foothills. (2) why was it painted a foliage colour when it would fly in the air? Military aircraft are camouflaged very differently than this with homogeneous greys used most frequently. And (3) how would it be launched and landed, considering the long vertical rod suspended beneath it?

And why would it possess a bright red dome on its top? Colour could be totally unrelated to its function, or a direct by-product of its functioning. It may be relevant to this question to recall the 5 degree forward tilt of the object. A simple and obvious conjecture is that the red dome somehow creates a force vector projecting along its axis of symmetry. Tipping the dome (and the rest of the object) forward would thus provide both lift and forward propulsion force. If this is true, however, not only is the nature and origin of the force vector unknown to conventional science and engineering, but it also points to the existence of other unknown physical effects, as well.

Since the object seemed to be in equilibrium at constant altitude and constant forward velocity, the aerodynamic drag force must have been equal to the propulsion force, and the lift must have been equal to the weight. If this force balance was maintained by a single force vector directed along the long axis of the object and tilted forward by 5 deg., then the drag force must have been only about 9% as much as the weight of the object. However, we have already estimated the drag force as being anywhere between 25% and 140% *greater* than the weight of the object. Either the aerodynamic drag

is greatly reduced by some invisible means or the body of the object is literally as heavy as solid lead.

Also, recall that it would have required a centrifugal force between about 1.2 to 1.7 times the pull of gravity to keep the object flying in a circle. Since our hypothesis is that the forward tilt of the object is used to overcome aerodynamic drag, clearly the easiest way to provide the lateral force would also be to tip the object inward (toward the centre of the circular flight path). This would require a tilt angle of more than 45 deg., and would have been easily visible. The fact that this inward tilt angle was *not* reported means that either the hypothesis about the tilt angle being related to a force vector is incorrect, or yet another physical effect is being used to overcome the centrifugal force. The simplest explanation might be a single force field that simultaneously reacts against gravitational mass while at the same time nullifying inertial mass. The authors know of no such capability at this time published in the open literature.

In the final analysis, we cannot reach a conclusion about the ultimate origin of the observed object; we simply present the case in the hope of stimulating the uncovering of similar reports and eliciting further possible explanations.

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Footnotes

- (1) Unfortunately Mr. E.L. died of a heart attack about six weeks after this event took place. There was no relation between the two events.
- (2) The pilot cross checked both his wrist watch and cockpit clock.
- (3) The duration of this buffeting was later estimated to be about three or four sec.
- (4) A commercial pilot flying an *L-1011* on July 4, 1978 used almost exactly the same words to describe his sighting (Haines, 1982a; 1982b).
- (5) During the aerial reconstruction of this event we discovered that the pilot possesses corrected 20:20 distance acuity which would support his statements regarding his ability to see an object of this approximate size over the distances he estimated. In addition, the windshield of his aircraft was carefully inspected and found to have no obvious distortions present at any location in the visual field.
- (6) The word *egg* may be significant since the present "egg's" longitudinal axis is normal to the suspension rod which connects it to the main body of the object. If, for instance, this egg was a high energy source that was radiating upward into the base of the object, possibly into a parabolic collector, its shape should be an oblate spheroid rather than an egg (as viewed from below).
- (7) This statement does not necessarily mean that the object suddenly materialised out of nothing. There are numerous laboratory studies that prove man's perception of actual (physical) events are not always seen accurately or at all (e.g., Haines, 1991.) ■

THE ROESTENBERG STORY (1954)

By Gordon Creighton

PART I.

AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM AUSTRALIA

From John Bainbridge,
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LEETON, 2705,
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Australia.
January 4, 1990.

Dear Mr. Creighton, — I have been reading again, in FSR 34/2 (June Quarter 1989) your Editorial on the need to search for the true “Cosmic Brothers”, followed by your re-run of the early Norwegian CE-III case at Mosjoen in August 1954. Yes — I can just recall that unusual contact case. At the time, I remember I took it all ‘with the traditional pinch of salt’. And I would agree with you that ‘benign contact’ experience does seem to be becoming a rarity!

However, what has really rung the memory bell for me was your reference (in your Comments on that case, on page 7 of FSR 34/2) to the affair at Ranton in England just two months later (October 21, 1954) when a Mrs. Jessie Roestenberg and her two sons were to observe, hovering just above the roof of their house, a disc-shaped “Adamski-type” craft containing two men who seemed to have much the same build and features as the men described both by the Norwegian ladies and by Adamski himself in his own experience of two years earlier (1952).

For I too have an extraordinary personal experience to relate to you — for whatever it may be worth in connection with ‘our enigmatic subject’ — and it is intimately connected with that very same case at Ranton!

Some years after that Norwegian report of August 1954 (the date would have been between February 1957 and September 1964. ED. FSR), when I was still living in England, I had been on a business trip down to London, and I was returning one evening, my business completed, by train to my home at Kendal in the Lake District.

We had only gone a short distance in the train — I cannot recall how far — when it seems that, owing to some hold-up or blockage on the line, we pulled in at a station and were told to vacate that particular train, and board another one at another platform quite some distance away.

The new train was a completely empty one, obviously brought into service to meet the contingency of the moment.

I entered an empty compartment of the train, and took one of the inside seats next to the corridor. Another man entered, and took the other end-seat on the same side as myself, and adjacent to the other window. Then, a little while later, a third man looked in from the corridor and, seemingly deciding that he liked the looks of the pair of us as fellow-travellers, he sat down opposite the second man, in the other corner. There were only the three of us in that compartment for the remainder of this narrative.

The three of us continued sitting in silence for a while, listening to the blare of the Tannoy system giving continued instructions to passengers about the train. A little while later, we three began a desultory conversation, about the weather, etc. With the ice thus broken so to speak, the third passenger — who subsequently turned out to be Arthur Roestenberg — looked over towards me, on the far end of the opposite bench, and addressed the following question directly to me alone:-

“Do you believe in Flying Saucers?”

Note well, dear Gordon Creighton, that the conversation up to that point had been an evenly balanced three-way chat on ordinary mundane matters of the moment.

And now this question was being directed straight at me!

And indeed, it so happened that I was already deeply engaged in the study of the UFO enigma! Somehow or other Roestenberg must have sensed this. Anyway, I at once launched into a conversation of some length with him, giving such information and such conclusions as I had, with, I think, the odd comment thrown in now and again by him.

Then, all of a sudden, he held up a large hand, as if requesting silence from me, and inclining his head and eyes upwards, as if straining to listen to something else, he stated:-

“He is to yourself as your own brother!”

In other words, it seems that he was repeating to me words which he was hearing clairaudiently from some unseen person who was also listening in on our conversation!

After a momentary pause, I then continued with my own narrative on the subject of flying saucers, without making any comment on Roestenberg’s interjection.

I might well have been very tempted to enquire re. the nature of that strange interruption in our conversation, had it not been for the behaviour of the third man present in the compartment. From the wild-eyed look on his face, as he heard my narrative — and then the interjection — it seemed as though he was about to ‘take a header’ straight out through the carriage window.

Soon after that, the conversation went two ways, with Roestenberg relating the famous sighting over his home in the Old Vicarage at Ranton. I will not now go into the details of this, except to say that it was exactly as I had already read it for myself in FSR. (On page 9 of FSR Vol. 3, No. 1, for Jan/Feb. 1957. ED. FSR).

Incidentally, almost the whole of the conversation thus far had taken place before the second train had yet left the station. Roestenberg subsequently quitted the train somewhere in the Stafford area (Ranton being close to there. ED). Before doing so, however, he told me about a book that had been published on the Ranton Vicarage incident. And, sure enough, when I enquired about such a book at the public library in Kendal, my home town, I was to find that book, and read it. (This was of course Gavin Gibbon's THE COMING OF THE SPACE SHIPS. ED.)

Well then — soon after my arrival in Australia, which was on September 21, 1964, there were some Mormon missionaries active here in Leeton where I now reside. I remember purchasing a copy of their "Bible" for the sum of five shillings. And, as I read it, I was greatly struck by various accounts in it of 'celestial phenomena' such as could have been taken straight out of FSR 'contactee' stories. Time and again I was to note a remarkable similarity.

And I recall in fact that I wrote to you at the time, drawing your attention to what I still consider the very remarkable resemblance between the 'visitation' stories as given in the Mormon Bible, with — of course — their spiritual connotations — and the almost 'carbon-copies' of the same sorts of events as published in FSR.

And now I come to the main point of this letter. I remember that, during the course of our train journey, Roestenberg stated that he was not affiliated to any particular religion, nor was he at that stage even interested in religious matters.

Later, however, when I had become acquainted with your then Midlands representative, the late Wilfred Daniels, Daniels was able to tell me that Roestenberg had given up his good position as a building surveyor, and was now a full-time high priest in the Mormon Church!

Now — the point that I want to bring out is that, without any doubt (in my mind anyway) extra-terrestrial beings were already in direct contact with Roestenberg at the very time of our conversation on the train! Here, then, we have a religious organization (and not by any means an evil one, mind you) under direct though unseen control by extraterrestrial or interdimensional beings, from outside of our ken, who can manipulate our way of life, hopefully for the good, but in a manner quite unsuspected by the rank and file of humanity.

And, of course, this begs the whole question as to what other organizations — political, religious, or 'other' — may be under the direct control of aliens without the general human public being

aware of it?!

Finally, I would mention that, during a recent spell in hospital, I had with me two books: The Cosmic Pulse of Life, by Trevor James Constable, and The Secret Science Behind Miracles, by Max Freedom Long. I had previously read Constable's book, some time before, but simply just 'could not take it in' at that time. During my twelve days stay in hospital I read Constable twice and Max Freedom Long once. Together, I reckon those two books gave me an expansion of consciousness. They certainly took my mind off the surgery I underwent about half-way through my hospital stay.

I predict that this present decade will be the most crucial for our present civilization. Some of the most dire predictions of Edgar Cayce and of Max Heindel are supposed to be coming to fruition during this time.

And — finally — that "NO AGENDA" meeting between Bush and Gorbachev, which they held just off the Italian coast! Does anyone seriously think that this planet's top two men are going to spend their time having a "NO AGENDA" meeting aboard their respective warships? NOT PERISHING LIKELY — as the saying goes!

Could it not rather be that a "SECRET AGENDA" on some possible global menace that could affect both nations would be a far more likely reason for this extraordinary meeting? Moreover, how would you explain that sudden, unpredicted, and violent 'local storm' that forced an adjournment of the discussions of these two men! Just what could that strange occurrence portend for the world?

And as a student of the Occult, you will be aware that nothing is supposed to happen by chance.

Yours sincerely,

John Bainbridge

COMMENT AND REPLY BY EDITOR

Yes, of course. Surely ordinary commonsense indicates that unseen alien intelligences have been in control of us, and of our world ever since we came into existence. It seems certain that our Governments already are well aware of this, and know that all our religious creeds and dogmas have been sown among us by the present controllers, who are probably not our original creators. Nor have these multifarious creeds been of any benefit to man, and I personally am sure that they were all designed to make certain that the strife and bloodletting here would be endless. THIS IS PRECISELY WHAT THE CONTROLLERS (WHO ARE NOT BENEVOLENT) WANT. LOOK AT CHRISTIANS VERSUS MUSLIMS IN LEBANON; PROTESTANTS AND CATHOLICS IN ULSTER; CATHOLICS AND ORTHODOX IN YUGOSLAVIA!

HOWRIGHT LUCRETIVS WAS! AS HE SAID: "TANTUM RELIGIO POTUIT SUADERE MALORUM". "HOW MUCH EVIL HAS BEEN WROUGHT BY RELIGION"

OF COURSE — AS EVERYONE OF US KNOWS DEEP IN HIS OR HER HEART THERE IS A TRUE MIGHTY POWER FOR GOOD THAT RULES THE UNIVERSE, AND EVERYONE OF US SHOULD SEEK TO REPAIR THAT LINK WITH IT WHICH WAS BROKEN SO LONG AGO.

BUT WE ARE NEVER GOING TO GET ANYWHERE SO LONG AS WE REMAIN UNDER THE THRALL OF THE MANY DEVILS WHO HOLD THE POWER HERE AT PRESENT, AND WHO

HAVE DELIBERATELY FOSTERED ALL THESE WARRING AND BICKERING "RELIGIONS" AMONG US.

"DIVIDE AND RULE!". THAT IS THEIR POLICY. G.C.

PART II.

FULL DETAILS OF THE AMAZING ROESTENBERG CASE (1954) BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

Many of our readers will recall the late Gavin Gibbon, one of our earliest UFO investigators, who, sadly, had a rather short life this time. Gavin lived in Shrewsbury, in the county of Shropshire (west-central region of England), and therefore only about 20 or 25 miles from Ranton, which lies slightly to the west of Stafford.

We do not know how much publicity the Ranton case received at the time either in the national newspapers (if any) or in the local press. Personally I have never seen any press-clippings on it, but I did discuss it on various occasions with Gavin Gibbon whom I knew well and saw often at our meetings in London, and he gave me a detailed account, based on his interviews with the Roestenberg family. His first book, *The Coming of the Space Ships*, was published by Neville Spearman in 1957 or 1958. (I have long had my own copy of the book, but as usual cannot find it at this moment, so crammed is my house with books).

However, in *The Humanoids*, edited by Charles Bowen and issued first in 1967 (by FSR) and then in various editions by Spearman or Futura over the years from 1969 to 1977, Bowen gave the following précis, which I would add, is in agreement with Gavin Gibbon's book, and also agrees with some of what Gavin told me personally. Bowen's résumé will be found on page 16 of *The Humanoids*, in his chapter on cases in Britain: UNITED KINGDOM — FEW AND FAR BETWEEN:-

RANTON. It was on October 21, 1954, at a time when the great European wave of that year was beginning to show signs of falling off, that Case No. 3 came to light. At Ranton, near Shrewsbury, Mrs. Jennie (sic) Roestenberg, English wife of a young Dutchman settled in the United Kingdom, claimed that at 4.45 p.m. on that day she and her two children had watched a disc-shaped object of aluminium colour as it hovered over their house. Through two transparent panels she claimed she could see two 'men' with white skins, long hair to their shoulders and foreheads so high that all their features seemed to be in the lower half of their faces. They were wearing transparent helmets and turquoise blue clothing like ski suits.

The object hovered at a tilted angle, while the two occupants surveyed the scene "sternly, not in an unkindly fashion, but almost sadly, compassionately".

If true, this story is something of a boost for Adamski's original claim.

SOURCES: FSR Vol. 3, No. 1 (Jan/Feb. 1957)
Gavin Gibbon. *The Coming of the Space Ships*
(Neville Spearman, London, 1957 or 1958).

NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR.

One highly interesting detail which Gavin Gibbon gave me and which, so far as I can now recall (without having his book in front of me) he did not mention in the book was this:-

"Although the metallic disc (identical in shape, size, and appearance, with Adamski's famous 'scout-ship' as shown in Adamski's own photographs) made no detectable noise apart from a "whoosh", its effect on the Roestenbergs' spaniel dog was electrifying, for the animal 'lit out' at full pelt, and was never seen by the Roestenbergs again".

One more case, then, in support of the frequently observed fact that some UFOs undoubtedly must produce ultrasonic effects that are devastatingly disturbing for certain sensitive breeds of dogs, more especially spaniels. (See in this connection, the Catalogue that I compiled and published in FSR many years ago, running through numerous issues, and listing over two hundred cases in which animals or birds have been known to react violently in the presence of UFOs. ED.)

PART III.

AND AN INTERESTING SEQUEL — A BBC TV PROGRAMME

By Gordon Creighton

I have no idea how many people read Gavin Gibbon's book, but it cannot have been a lot as the edition was probably small. Nevertheless, as it turned out, millions of people in Britain were destined to see and hear a television programme in which Jessie Roestenberg described her sighting in great detail, and with an assurance that many must have found deeply impressive. And the story of how this came about is well worth telling — as you will see!

Some time in 1976, as I recall, Mr. Hugh Burnett, a very well known maker of documentary films, at that time working in the BBC's TV Documentaries Department, approached Charles Bowen and myself about "super-programme of all time" on UFOs which the BBC proposed to make. This time, we were assured, things were definitely going to be "different". The programme would be strictly serious and objective and fair, and everyone would be permitted to have his say. (Up until then, I had never taken part in any BBC programme on UFOs — whether on radio or television — in which there had not been distortion, cutting, suppression, "slanted editing" and, in my opinion, outright skullduggery and dishonesty).

However, this time, we both felt that Mr. Hugh Burnett was an altogether different sort of fellow. We felt that we could trust him, and I emphasise that I do believe that it was his plan to be fair to us and to our subject. He had already made excellent documentaries, as I recall, on the Haunting of Borley Rectory and the Loch Ness Monster Mystery, and both films had struck me as remarkably straight and honest.

Bowen and I therefore consented to the proposal, and, in the course of the initial preparations for the programme the BBC even asked FSR to give them the names and addresses of a few really good and impressive UFO witnesses who might be invited to participate! Of course we complied, with alacrity, two of our suggestions being Mrs. Joyce Bowles of the Winchester By-Pass Encounter Story (date of event: November 14, 1976. See FSR Vol. 22, No. 5) and Mrs. Jessie Roestenberg.

As I recall it, the finished programme, titled "OUT OF THIS WORLD", was originally scheduled to be shown some time during the winter of 1976/77. When it failed

to appear, Charles Bowen, I remember, kept telephoning to the BBC, and they kept replying that they were not ready yet, and inevitably we finally began to become a bit suspicious, and in the end our suspicions were justified.

When at last the documentary was shown, on May 10, 1977 (BBC 1 Television), we found that it was a lot longer than we had originally been told it would be. Clearly somebody (either higher up in the BBC, or, more likely, in the Ministry of Defence, had dictated that certain "important additions" be made to the documentary. And so, when it finally appeared, Mrs. Bowles and Mrs. Roestenberg were there all right (and impressive indeed they both were — especially Jessie Roestenberg). And Charles Bowen and I were also there. But the film had been greatly extended by the insertion of a large amount of footage right at the outset, portraying various elements of the Lunatic Fringe performing religious incantations on the tops of hills and mountains, and the very opening scene — most memorable indeed, never, never to be forgotten, showed what appeared to be the two superb British comedians Peter Cook and Dudley Moore, roaming the flowery hillsides of Surrey armed with weird and wonderful home-made "UFO-detecting instruments".

Clearly the word that had gone forth from the Authorities was that the BBC should induce as many members of the public as possible to switch off early. (As, I am informed, a great many viewers did).

Nevertheless, the programme did get shown.

Thus did the BBC "prove" to the world that there is no such thing as censorship in Britain.

And, quite clearly, the BBC were well satisfied (as were those behind them) that the job of ridiculing and denigrating us had been jolly well done. For, to my knowledge, the documentary was shown three more times, and it is highly likely that there have also been one or two more showings since then of which I have not heard.

The three further showings which I did see were:-

(a) On BBC 1 Television again, December 28, 1977, 12.45 p.m.

(b) On BBC 2 Television, December 9, 1978, 4.50 p.m.

(c) On BBC 2 Television again, August 6, 1984, 2.00 p.m.

So, while it is true that some millions of British viewers have seen the lunatics on the hilltops and have enjoyed the antics of "Peter Cook" and "Dudley Moore", those millions have also seen Mrs. Joyce Bowles and Mrs. Jessie Roestenberg. And I'll wager that many have not forgotten them.

And, I still constantly ask myself this question: why did the BBC permit these two impressive UFO eyewitnesses to remain in the programme? I can only conclude that there may have been a little "sabotage" somewhere along the line. Maybe there was some brave soul somewhere inside the BBC who actually wanted the truth to be told, and who believed that FSR was telling it! ■

'FRINGE' IMAGE IS A DANGER TO SCIENCE!

By Gordon Creighton

Over recent years readers of FSR will have noticed a considerable number of articles or statements or situations which indicate the growing nervousness of our official scientific and academic "Establishment" at the prospect that the man-in-the-street might be beginning to suspect that he is being "conned" about a whole range of things, including of course UFOs.

Mr. Roger Highfield, Science Editor of the London *Daily Telegraph*, is one of those who most frequently voice these fears, and in that newspaper for January 31, 1992, we saw another interesting example of his concern.

The *Daily Telegraph* had organized "a meeting of scientists and the media", supported, as one would of course expect, by the journal *NATURE* and the Science Museum in London.

At this meeting, held on the evening of January 30, Sir Michael Atiyah, President of the Royal Society, was the principal guest-speaker.

The subject of his talk was the fact that the

funding of scientific projects depends on public support.

He said that press reporting of "fringe science", ranging from corn-circles to flying saucers, can undermine people's faith in science. As he told his audience, assembled in the Science Museum, "that support could be threatened where there was a conflict between the news-value of a good story and scientific objectivity."

He went on to say that bizarre subjects, such as flying saucers and corn-circles, or alternative medicine, often make a good story, and it is an essential role of journalism to give unorthodox views a fair hearing. But on occasion, totally cranky views are given such prominent treatment that the public can be mis-led into believing that they must at least contain a germ of truth".

"With corn-circles, this might be fun; with purported medical cures however the consequences could be tragic. But, in all these cases, orthodox scientists come over as stuffy and opposed to new

In fairness, therefore, I am obliged to say that I rate A COURSE IN MIRACLES as one of the most powerful “paranormal” documents of all time, and I would urge everyone at least to dip into it, even if they do not manage to read it completely. I feel positive that such a work cannot have come from anywhere but the highest SOURCES likely to be open to such a rather lowly creature as poor old *Homo Sap.* EDITOR

VINCE MIGLIORE'S ARTICLE

Why are people fascinated with flying saucers? Isn't it because of the impact that contact would have on our lives? The UFO occupants can be assumed to carry vast scientific and social knowledge, a galactic treasure of information that would be useful to mankind.

We can get a few precious insights into this information from interviews with people who have been abducted, but this is usually meagre and often contradictory. Then there are those sources that claim telepathic communication, or channelled messages. Unfortunately these are, more often than not, the work of charlatans and frauds.

The UFO movement seems to have split into two schools accordingly, the “hardware” group, and the “space brothers” group. The former tends to focus on such aspects as physical evidence, electromagnetic effects, and reliable witnesses. This is a relatively safe approach, but it's slow moving, and we haven't learned much over the last 40 years. On the other hand, the space brothers school, as I've warned, is prone to fakes and frauds.

So how do we make progress in understanding UFOs?

What I've attempted to do is examine a large number of so-called channelled works and see if there is any merit to them. Then I've tried to separate the wheat from the chaff. The approach I've used is admittedly subjective.

Here's what goes into the trash pile:

1. Any self-proclaimed guru that asks to be worshipped, followed, or paid large sums for his/her advice, and anyone who badmouths other gurus.
2. Any system of discipline that takes years of work, sacrifice or study in order to be “saved” or enlightened; anything with lots of special terminology; anything that reads like a grade D- paper from a psychology student.
3. Any theory or revelation that generates fear, hatred or anger.

Here's what I accept or read a second time:

1. Works that agree well with common sense, historical UFO cases or scientific findings of the hardware school of study (mentioned above).
2. Material that seems to be inspired, or that resonates with something inside me, that seems innately true and valuable.
3. Material that envisions a positive outcome, that

tends to heal, comfort, and bless.

From this, I've selected a few of what I feel are the best channelled books I can find. Each of these is examined in a sort of mini-review below. You're not asked to believe, but to judge for yourself.

I. The Urantia Book

The Urantia Book (1) consists of over 2000 pages of detailed descriptions of entities, personalities, angels and companions that make up our world and the worlds of space. It is divided into four parts.

Part I, “*The Central and Superuniverses*”, describes the Universe, the Sons, Messengers, Angels and spirits that inhabit the Universe and relates over several chapters the definitions of God, His Son and the Spirits. It details the organisation of these various entities and the function they play in the hierarchical government of the Universe.

Part II, “*The Local Universe*”, depicts our local Galaxy and our solar system, relating how Earth (Urantia) fits into the overall scheme. Part III, “*The History of Urantia*” chronicles in minute detail the geological history of the Earth, the development of plant and animal life, and the evolution of man. The development of early man and civilizations is constantly viewed in the light of our spiritual evolution.

Part IV, “*The Life and Teachings of Jesus*”, devotes over 700 pages to the life of Christ, his spiritual development, and the relationship between his mission on Earth, the enlightenment of mankind and our role in the Universe.

I must admit a confused opinion on this book. Some chapters seem cluttered, like government gobbledegook on a cosmic scale. On the other hand, this work was channelled in the 1930s, and first published in 1955, yet it contains many detailed scientific descriptions of early man, genetic characteristics, land bridges and ice ages (to name a few) that were not discovered until the 1970s. Further, some of the passages on the life of Jesus are, in my opinion, definitely inspired, in the truest sense of the word.

UFO buffs might find plenty of specific material of interest. There are several descriptions, for example, of the taking of plasma samples for use by extraterrestrials. To quote:

“Fifty males and fifty females of the Andon and Fonta posterity, representing the survival of the best strains of that unique race, were chosen by the Life Carriers...Here the one hundred human subjects were given into the hands of the highly skilled volunteer commission from Avalon, who directed the material extraction of a portion of the life plasm of these Andon descendents. This living material was then transferred to the material bodies constructed for the use of the one hundred Jerusemite members of the Prince's staff.” Page 742.

This calls to mind the many abductees who

report scars, or the taking of tissue samples. There are also a number of reports of contacts with Space visitors and subsequent teachings to mankind.

More important than the details, I believe, is the overall message, that the human race is one small but vital part of a community of civilizations in Space, and that our evolution is closely monitored and influenced by a host of caring extraterrestrial and spiritual entities.

II. The Ra Material

Here is a treasure to satisfy the hungriest of seekers. In one book many of the UFO mysteries are explained. Alas, it may not be to everyone's satisfaction, but it offers an explanation that is both coherent and believable. It takes in everything from Bigfoot and the pyramids to Tesla, clones and Easter Island.

In brief, *The Ra Material* (2) claims that souls evolve through reincarnation, that a "Confederation of Planets in the Service of the Infinite Creator" has guided our development from the beginning, yet adhering to a rule against overt contact, since that would interfere with the free will of individuals. "We are attempting to extract the greatest possible harvest from this planet. This is our mission, for we are the Harvesters...We offer them no concrete proof, as they have a way of expressing it. We offer them Truth. This is an important function of our mission — to offer Truth without proof. In this way, the motivation will, in each and every case, come from within the individual." Page 35.

Now, many in our society, through a devotion to love and service, are ready for what is called "the harvest". A cycle is coming to an end, where those of a high enough vibratory rate will jump to the next level of awareness. This is called the 4th dimension, in which individuals become of one mind, and, communicating telepathically with each other, form a new group-consciousness, a societal complex. This explains the "hive behavior" that Whitley Strieber describes in *Communion*. (3).

Other civilizations in Space have already achieved this oneness of mind, and joining with other groups have formed the Confederation. The transition to group-consciousness requires a certain level of dedication to service towards others. The same type of group-power, however, can be also achieved through dedication of service to *self*. At least one civilization, the Orion Group, has achieved this "negative" orientation. The Orion Group, accordingly, has a purpose of creating an elite class and the enslavement of all others. They will at times break the quarantine and abduct certain individuals, making them feel like laboratory animals. The Travis Walton case (4) is an example of this.

The Confederation, using the Ra title, claims to be the same Ra referred to in Egyptian history. Contact was essentially through channelling. Sam-

ple quotations follow:

"QUESTIONER: What is the density of the Orion group?"

"RA: I am Ra...Their power is the same as ours. The Law of One blinks neither at the light nor the darkness, but is available for service to others and service to self." Page 100.

"QUESTIONER: What did they do to Charlie Hickson when they took him on board?"

"RA: I am Ra. They used his mind/body/spirit complex's life-experience, concentrating upon the experience of the complexes of what you call war." Page 103.

"We ourselves, when we chose a mission among your peoples, needed to study your peoples, for had we arrived in no other form than our own, we would have been perceived as light." Page 103.

"QUESTIONER: Can you tell me how Yahweh communicated to Earth's people?"

"RA: I am Ra. This is a somewhat complex question. The first communication was what you would call genetic. The second communication was the walking among your peoples to produce further genetic changes in consciousness. The third was a series of dialogues with chosen channels." Page 173.

"QUESTIONER: Do any of the UFOs reported at this time come from other planets, or do you have this knowledge?"

"RA: I am Ra...There are approximately fifty-three civilizations, comprising approximately five hundred planetary consciousness - complexes in this Confederation. This Confederation contains those from your own planet who have attained dimensions beyond your third. It contains planetary entities within your own solar system, and it contains planetary entities from other galaxies." Page 94.

III. Starseed Transmissions

The Starseed Transmissions, an Extraterrestrial Report (5), was written by a channel calling himself Rafael. In a later book, *Vision*, (6) he uses his real name, Ken Carey. Both books are valuable, positively oriented and uplifting spiritually.

Several themes are repeated here, that we are in the "final days" of our history, that there is a Galactic Intelligence guiding us, and that we are about to make a leap into group-consciousness, or oneness of mind.

"You feel defined and limited by flesh and bones. You are only beginning to comprehend your oneness with other forms of life." Page 3.

"With guidance, you will learn to release your definitions of who you think you are, open your self up to the experience of a much greater reality than you presently believe possible, and return to a level of consciousness where you will be able to communicate with us, not through cumbersome words and concepts, but directly, through communion with

all that is.” Page 6.

More interesting is the picture given of what life will be like during and after the transition. There are references to a period of polarization towards greed and fear, and isn't that now evident in the world, and with the greenhouse effect? Yet we are advised to “not pay attention to the world that is crumbling around you”, but focus instead on the building of the new. The first order of business will be the distribution of information, which has already begun in New Age centers. Islands of enlightenment will occur, then rise and expand to meet other islands. Afterwards, in a society capable of a singleness of purpose, we will be able to accomplish feats undreamed of before. Some quotations:

“The majority do not have room in their belief structures to accommodate so grand a being as an angel or an extraterrestrial, so they respond to our influence as if it were coming from themselves. They feel good, they feel clear, they feel the changes in the air. They wake up a little, throw off some of their defence mechanisms and bring a newer and fresher perspective into each situation.” Page 32.

“Awakening will manifest as the building of great floating cities of light, massive fleets of inter-galactic star ships, constructed from biologic components brought to life by the Creative Intentionality that will work through all humans of that age.” Page 37.

IV. A Course in Miracles

This epic work has been described as a cross between esoteric Buddhism and the Vedas of Hinduism. The three volume set purports to be the teaching of Jesus Christ for the 20th century. Although not directly referring to the UFO phenomena, the teachings dovetail nicely with some of the theories now being advanced to explain mysterious events, and coincide remarkably well with other channelled works. In essence, the *Course* (7) states that the physical world we see is not real. Our world is made up of mental projections that we have created to take the place of reality. We are in effect living in a dream. The goal then is not to change the dream, but to wake up to reality. This is accomplished through forgiveness, which restores our sense of oneness with all living things.

The *Course* consists of three volumes, the *Text*, the *Workbook for Students*, and the *Teachers' Manual*. The *Workbook* consists of 365 lessons, one for each day of the year. Some typical chapter headings: “32. I have invented the world I see”, “129. Beyond this world there is a world I want”, “325. All things I think I see reflect ideas”, and “333. Forgiveness ends the dream of conflict here.”

The *Course* was channelled secretly over seven years by two psychology professors at Columbia University, New York. Much of it was written in iambic pentameters. Some quotes:

“Miracles enable you to heal the sick and raise the

dead because you made sickness and death yourself, and can therefore abolish both. You are a miracle, capable of creating in the likeness of your Creator. Everything else is your own nightmare, and does not exist. Only the creations of light are real.” - *Text*, page 2.

“Healing is the gift of those who are prepared to learn there is no world, and can accept the lesson now. Their readiness will bring the lesson to them in some form which they can understand and recognize. Some see it suddenly on point of death, and rise to teach it. Others find it in experience that is not of this world, which shows them that the world does not exist because what they behold must be the truth, and yet it clearly contradicts the world.” *Workbook*, page 237.

V. Celestial Raise.

Celestial Raise (8) seems to have been put together by someone (Marcus) with the same ideals as mine. The book is actually a compilation of quotations from fifty six different channels. They claim to be angels, spirits, guides and extraterrestrials. Their message ranges from the fluffy to the factual. The quotations are well organized into top areas, with a focus on personal ethics, metaphysics, UFOs, and Earth changes. Although it leans more towards the spiritual, it has plenty of substance for the UFO researcher.

In the first few pages the sources of the channels are listed, with organizations and addresses for further information. Part of the value of the book is to be able to read the work from several sources, so you can assess the validity of each.

Some samples that I hope are representative: “Question: Could you tell us about your feelings on the space ships that we send up? Do you see them, and do you know if they (our astronauts) see you?”

“We see the ships that are sent up. We see the satellites that are circling. And in many instances we have had to alter, or shall we say modify, some of the flight patterns of some of the ones that have come forth from your Earth. There have been some of your astronauts that have seen our ships, that have seen evidences of our landings upon your Moon.” Page 147.

“Our Mother-Craft are so large that your three-dimensional minds would find them inconceivable. From this base or rather these bases, our smaller craft operate. We monitor your waters and oceans to see just how far your pollution has regressed them and the life that inhabits them.”

“We delve into your great mountains, and within your Earth's crust, but unlike you who are the natural habitants, we do not harm your Planet in any way.” Page 141.

“You see, the predicaments of most of your governments, throughout the world, necessitate their trying to cope with a crumbling system, a

situation of chaos and disintegration of the status quo; if they were to release the information they hold, it would add to the chaos and confusion - and to some extent the lawlessness, which already abound. For when men and women realize that they have been 'hoodwinked', as you would say, for so many years, ' that the truth has been withheld from them by men in power, that Earth people are relatively unevolved, that there are Celestial Charities, and Celestial Scripts - that the Churches have failed to give them the Truth as to the sublime Nature of Existence and the Creator's Eternal Love, Mercy and Justice - if the peoples of the Earth became aware of the deliberate suppressions and procrastinations of their leaders they would tear them apart in their frenzied rebellion." Page 142.

VI. New Teachings for an Awakening Humanity

New Teachings(9) was supposedly authored by The Christ, and was channelled by Virginia Essene. Much of the material is of the "repent/forgive/awaken" genre, but again, the essence of the teaching is that we are part of a cosmic family, that we have the privilege and responsibility for living with the Earth and with other entities, and that we are about to awaken to our role in the great cosmic plan.

Some quotes:

"Yes, I refer to that which you label the UFOs or 'flying saucers'".

"Mentally superior beings have always monitored your life behaviours - in a constant surveillance of what Earth people are doing - especially in the ever-growing insanity of your Space Race and invention of advanced weaponry. Since the atomic bomb they have been particularly positioned around the Earth to assure protection to Space and to the lifeforms in it, but they have watched for thousands of years. For their seed is here germinating." Page 139.

"Since Space is not empty but part of a far-flung web of life so vast you would have to fall to the ground before it in awe, numbed by its breathtaking power and blinding light, you must awaken to your role regarding its use. The concomitant responsibilities that go with membership in the unending family of creation has been told many times. It is sacred." Page 138.

New Teachings is one of many works claiming to come from classical Christian personalities channelled through devoted servants. Others I recommend, but won't go into detail on, are *Emmanuel's Book*(10), and *All That You Are*(11), to name just two (see references). And what are they saying? They say the same things as all the other channelled books - 1) We are at the borderline of a new age, 2) We are part of a cosmic family, somehow tied with superior beings and a Supreme Being, 3) Our lives and history have been guided by these beings.

Do you believe it? Or is it just more wishful thinking at a time when the world is desperate for a saviour? These other works are written in a New Age religious context which may be foreign to UFO enthusiasts.

This raises the final point I'd like to make. The "hardware" UFO researchers seem to be at a dead end. Some are content to speculate about propulsion systems and soil samples. The "Space Brother" school in the meantime is saying there's a separate reality out there, and we'd better wake up. The situation can be likened to a crowd hypnotized in a movie theatre. Some are following the screenplay. Others are opening the side doors and shouting that there's another world out there. Maybe it's worth a look.

Look for yourself. Read some of these channelled works, then you decide.■

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ideas.

"This undermines public confidence and trust in science, and counteracts much of the good reporting of more conventional science.

"Please remember and remind the public that for every crank who turns out to be right there are thousands who are utterly wrong".

It should not be thought that we do not feel for Sir Michael Atiyah and Mr. Highfield and the rest of their scientific fraternity. We do. We realize only too keenly the increasingly difficult position in which they are going to find themselves.

One of the most glaring examples of what we are discussing is to be seen in the field of "Psychical Research", or Parapsychology as it is now termed.

It is now a little over 110 years or so since the British Society for Psychical Research was established. Its founders were a brilliant generation of men, including many of the brightest minds among the academics of Cambridge University.

But if you study their findings, as published in their journals over the past century, you will see that they have not got very far. My own impression, as an SPR member, is that probably a great many of them do not really want to discover the facts. Every generation seems to be satisfied with getting more or less as far as a grudging recognition that "telepathy may possibly exist", but that is usually all.

It is many years since I became a member,

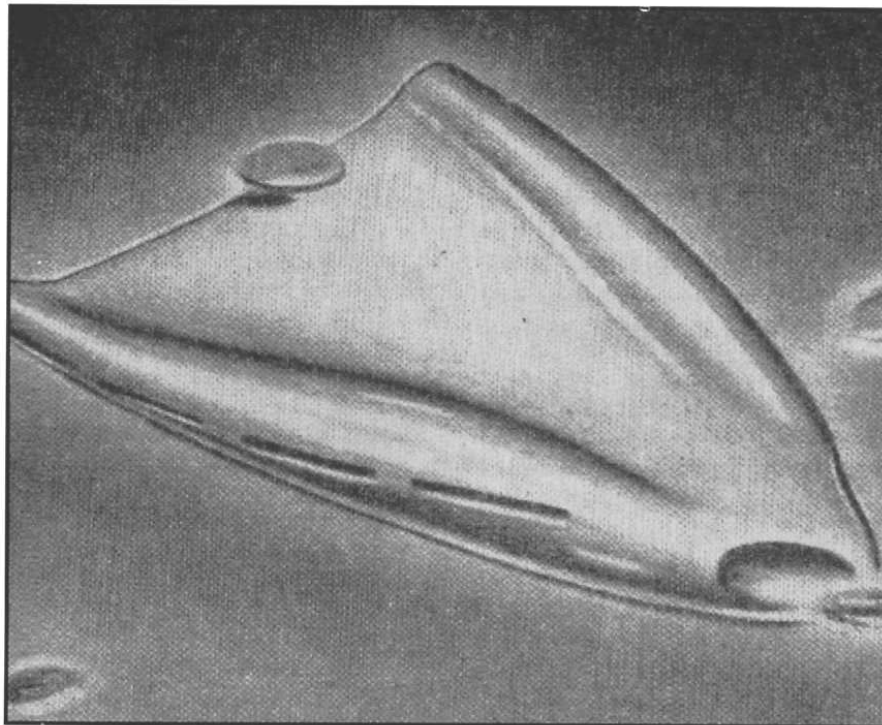


Fig 3 . The 'ocean-going' space ship with 'flying saucer' scout pinnacle 'entry-exit' apertures on the nose.

MYSTERY OVER LABRADOR (June 1954)

By Leonard Cramp ©

Because our very few remaining old readers (of nearly 40 years ago!) have by now probably forgotten all about it, and because, in all likelihood, not a single one of our more numerous newer and younger readers will have ever heard of it, I have today decided to reprint — from FSR's very first issue, No. 1 (Spring 1955) — part of Leonard Cramp's famous account of one of the most extraordinary UFO happenings of all time — the sighting of a massive alien craft (thought by at least one witness to have been "as big as the Queen Mary"!), together with smaller attendant vessels, over the North Atlantic near Labrador.

Through the years since then FSR has carried several further articles on this same case, and in due course I propose to look them out and re-issue them in full or at least in résumé.

So far as we know, Captain James Howard, the "skipper" of the B.O.A.C. Stratocruiser *Centaurus*, is still around, and he too has, over the years, given further details about the story when being interviewed by TV or radio programme writers, and has figured in the later FSR reports.

Finally, I can add that, through a mutual friend, I have by chance traced the lady who was serving as the airhostess that day aboard the *Centaurus*. Along with Captain Howard and First Officer Lee Boyd and the other nine crew members

and about a quarter of the 51 passengers, she was a witness to the entire sighting, and I have been given to understand that she will let me have her story.

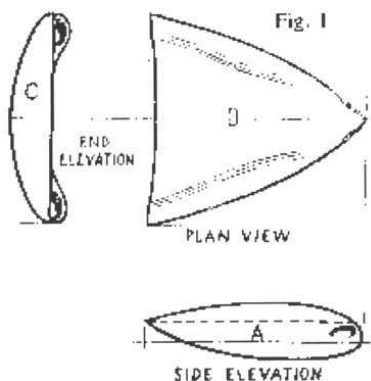
Unquestionably the "Labrador Affair" can now be seen as something of enormous importance in the history of "our subject", and several reasons for this can be quoted.

Firstly the date — June 29, 1954. Because the following day, June 30, was the date of the astonishing affair of the filming of two UFOs over Norway by scientists engaged in observing the eclipse of the Sun. (We recently gave a re-run of this story, on pages 11 to 14 of FSR 36/2, Summer 1991, but I warn you that we are not finished with it yet, because I still have some extraordinary new things to reveal about the Lifjell UFO film seen by our friend Mr. Denny Densham who, I am sorry to have to mention once more, has now left this world and is no longer with us.)

The second reason for the probably very great importance of the Labrador Sighting is the fact that it seems to have been part of the prelude to the fantastic and unequalled UFO Wave of 1954 over the whole of Western Europe, and in particular over France and Italy, regarding which Aimé Michel and Jacques Vallée and several of the leading Italian investigators have provided such lengthy and detailed reports. EDITOR.

High above Labrador, in a clear crystal sky just before sunset on June 29 last year (1954), a formation of strange objects closed in on the B.O.A.C., Stratocruiser 'Centaurus' and kept station with it for 18 minutes before disappearing over the horizon at the approach of an intercepting Sabre jet fighter sent up from Goose Bay airfield to investigate. Capt. James Howard, the pilot, his crew of eleven and a dozen of the fifty-one passengers he was flying to London saw the formation.

In his report Howard said the big object in some strange way seemed to have definite shape,



although it changed from an inverted pear shape to a flying arrow or delta and a telephone receiver as they watched. But, he added, this may have been because it altered its angle of flight. It was roughly in the centre

of the group, with the smaller ones extended fore and aft like a destroyer screen conveying a battleship.

"I counted six small ones," he said. "Sometimes there were three stretched out in front and three behind. Sometimes five stretched out in line ahead and only one behind." He added: "I had the impression that just before I got around to counting them there were more than six, which ties up with Lee Boyd's idea that they were flying in and out of the central object like aircraft entering and leaving a flight hangar." Lee Boyd was the 1st Officer aboard "Centaurus."

Convinced Saucer enthusiasts may find the reference to a change of shape difficult to explain, while some scientists will suggest that the phenomenon was a mirage and reject the Flying Saucer explanation. But careful study of Capt. Howard's statement, together with his valuable sketches, will indicate that he is probably right when he says the change in shape may have been due to the change

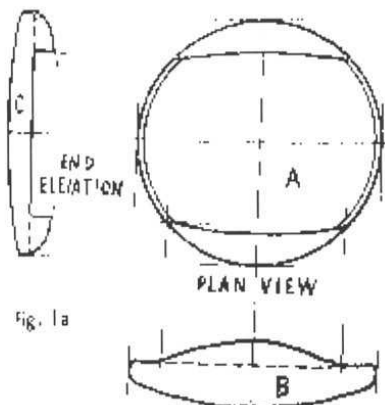


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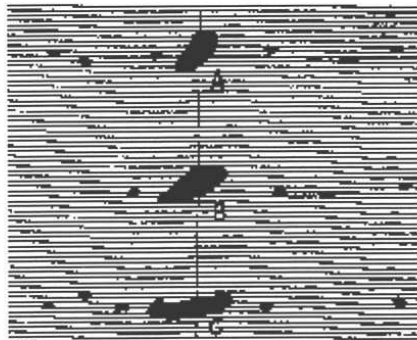


Fig 2a

slightly different aspects of the original sketches

of flight angle.

Using these as a guide, I have prepared two alternative suggestions which could conceivably coincide with the true shape of the object.

In Fig. 1 I have shown a three-view general arrangement of one particular shape suggested by Howard's sketches reproduced in Fig. 1. "A" represents the pear or side-view of the "mother ship"; "B" the delta plan view, and "C" the "telephone receiver" or end-view, which result in the three-dimensional impression shown in Fig.3.

Howard may not have been far from the truth when he said: "It looked about the size of an ocean liner." Such a shape would lend itself very well to sea-going conditions, should it require to be ocean-based on earth.

Fig. 1a shows the alternative; the three-dimensional impression in Fig. 3a being reached by the process used to build up the impression in Fig.3.

In the latter alternative the body of the ship is different in configuration — circular, in fact — and the apparent change could be explained by the vehicle tilting and rotating about a vertical axis. The pear shape in this case is the ellipse formed by

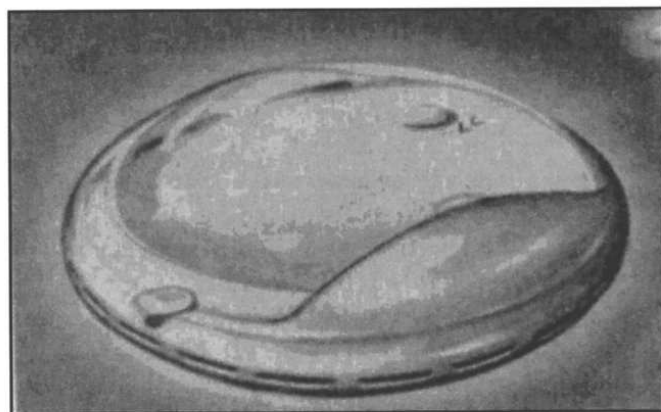


Fig 3a. The 'Flight Deck' with its transparent roof and hangers together with the launching and landing aperture, are evident here

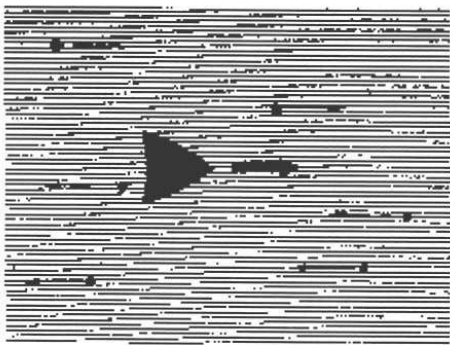


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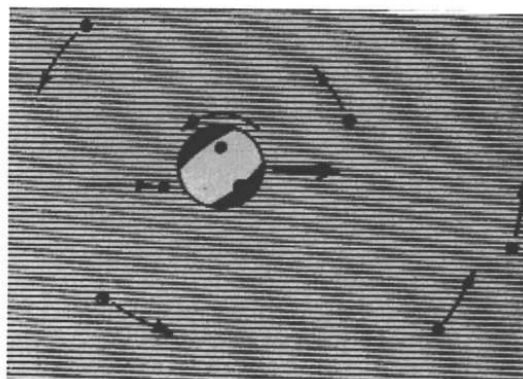


Fig4a

the ship when seen at an angle, but because of one bulge being on the high side of the ellipse and the whole in silhouette, the ellipse becomes a pear.

The delta may have been a similar illusion formed by a different angle, showing the conical bulge on the top side of the ellipse, together with a small scout ship leaving at the lower rear part. The telephone receiver shape is self-explanatory, the two sides being interconnected by some transparent "roof" as depicted in the perspective view in Fig. 3a.

Figs. 4 and 4a give a possible explanation to the behaviour of the scout ships. In Fig. 4 they are shown cruising to and from the parent vessel and in Fig. 4a circling around it, giving an observer the impression that they are, in fact moving back and forth. The latter is the more likely, since it conforms more closely to recorded Flying Saucer behaviour ■

SETI: A MANIPULATION?

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(Translation from French. G.C.)

(Please see, as a preliminary note about this piece by Dr. Guérin, my article *The Gigantic "Con"*, on page 4 of our last issue, FSR 37/4. Editor)

On October 15, 1992, it has just been announced, the programme for SETI (*The Search For Extraterrestrial Intelligence*), sponsored by NASA, has begun. The giant parabolic antennae of the world's big radioastronomical observatories are now aimed at the sky, "listening" for the Extraterrestrials. Highly perfected ultra-sensitive receivers have been set up, capable of simultaneously registering, on tens of thousands of channels, all the "noise" from the Cosmos, via the window of the decimetre wavelengths left transparent by our atmosphere. The signals of artificial origin, if there are any, will be automatically sorted out and reported to the operators in the control-rooms. In this way, step by step, over ten years, the entire sky will be examined in every direction. But certain observatories will apply themselves particu-

larly to "listening" to those stars that are of *solar type*, or *neighbour type*, around which the chance of finding planets resembling the Earth are greatest. (Two relatively near stars answering to these characteristics, TAU CETI and E. ERIDANI, had already been "listened to", with less effective receivers, since 1960, without it being possible to detect any intelligent signals).

We are told that it is by "listening" to the sky in this fashion — or perhaps rather by pointing up certain anomalies in the spectra of such or such a star — that it will be possible to obtain proof of a non-human intelligence active in the Cosmos, and not by following the advice of the "cranks and visionaries" who claim that proof of this intelligence *is already there right in front of our eyes*, in our sky, and on our soil. For the UFOs, as everybody knows, only exist — for our officials — in the eyes of those who *think* they see them, as has long been demonstrated by the enquiries conducted by the U.S. Air Force. And, incidentally, so they tell us, the other planetary systems — if there are any — are vastly too far distant for craft so small as the alleged

UFOs to possibly have come from them. The journey would, they say, take hundreds or even thousands of years, at speeds necessarily less than the speed of light, since that is unattainable and, *a fortiori*, cannot be exceeded, according to the Theory of Relativity which is today well established by all the experiments with which it has been possible to test it.

THE PUBLICITY DRIVE

But let us now return to SETI. This month (October 1992), all the magazines, all the newspapers, and of course all the popular science journals, are devoting an article to it. So too are the radio stations. So far as I am concerned, I have for some days past been receiving letters and 'phone calls from enthusiasts telling me of their high hopes that the Project will succeed. Even Aimé Michel has just telephoned to me to ask how the matter will be made public in the event that a message is detected, and to enquire whether, being an astronomer myself, I have any contacts that will permit me to have advance notice about it? (The answer is: *no!*)

My reaction in the fact of all this powerful type of publicity is to feel a strong impression that we are being sold down the river. Because SETI has very little likelihood of being successful. And the very topmost promoters of the Project cannot be unaware of this, as you will see. They are using the media to propagate the hope that in launching such a programme backed by such powerful technical means, if there are existing technological civilizations within a radius of a few thousand light-years it will be possible to detect at least some of them.

SOME FACTS

I hope nobody will get me wrong. I *hope* that SETI will succeed. But I simply believe that its failure almost assuredly stands written in the facts, and I will now recall the reasons, which I have already set forth on previous occasions.

Radioelectrical "noise" of intelligent origin received from a planet harbouring a technological civilization *which does employ this method of transmission* can be classed under two types:-

1. Emissions aimed intentionally in our direction (or towards any other inhabited planet), for example by means of three big parabolic antennae like those used in our radiotelescopes, and
2. The diffused cacophony sent out in all directions of Space from the emitting planet and resulting in the sum total of the various long-wave emissions in the decimetre field put out by the planet's inhabitants.

This second type of emission does not carry very far. With a giant antenna like the one at Arecibo, we wouldn't be able to detect the radio cacophony of the Earth beyond a distance of five light-years, which is derisory, since there is only one star (actually a double-star system) that is nearer to

us than that — namely at four light-years. Clearly one might suppose that a civilization more advanced than ours would employ more numerous and more powerful emitters for its domestic use, but saturation is reached rapidly, while on the other hand we must not forget that the detection threshold varies inversely to the square of the distance from the emitting planet. The detection of radio activity from an inhabited planet at twenty light-years would appear to be the maximum, and then only on condition that the receiver was a battery of several tens of giant telescopes, such as does not yet exist here.

This is the reason why the SETI Project depends almost entirely on the detection of radio messages *intentionally* emitted towards the Earth in a narrow band of frequencies and reaching, in this case, to considerable distances, the energy being concentrated in a narrow beam. For example, it would suffice for the Arecibo antenna to emit with the power of only 3000 watts (the power of two domestic pressing irons!) to be detectable at a distance of 100 light-years by an antenna of similar diameter. At 10,000 light-years the energy required would be enormously greater, due to the dispersal of the beam, but would still remain comparable with the energy possibilities of an advanced civilization.

The question therefore is, not one of knowing whether the transmission of messages is possible over very great distances, but whether it is realistic to expect that we would receive any — i.e., that the "others" *send us any*.

And why send us any? Simply to tell us that they exist, and that they are waiting for an answer? What a lovely dream!

Supposing, for a start, that there is an extraterrestrial civilization that has arrived at precisely the same technological level that we have, or at a level scarcely more advanced than us, can one then imagine that they would consider it an intelligent or a profitable thing to do to send out into Space, towards the thousands of stars surrounding them — and without knowing more precisely towards where — a series of radioelectrical messages conducted over a very long period of time, in the hope that one of those messages will be picked up, and identified, and decyphered, by at least one similar civilization?

Bear in mind, meanwhile, the fact that, according to the distance involved, the message will require tens, or hundreds, or even thousands of years before it arrives at its destination, and just as much time also for the receipt of a reply to it, if there ever is one!

We ourselves, should the occasion arise, do not envisage sending out such a message *except in reply to a signal already received by us*.

A QUESTION NEVER RAISED

If, at present, an extraterrestrial civilization is significantly ahead of us scientifically, the ques-

tion — WHICH IS NEVER RAISED BY THE SUPPORTERS OF SUCH PROJECTS AS SETI — is this:-

IS IT REALISTIC TO BELIEVE THAT SUCH A CIVILIZATION WOULD HAVE DISCOVERED NOTHING BETTER FOR COMMUNICATION (AND MAYBE EVEN FOR TRANSPORTATION) THAN THE ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES, OF RADIO OR OTHER KIND, WHOSE SPEED OF PROPAGATION (300,000 KMS. PER SEC.) IS RIDICULOUSLY SLOW IF MEASURED ON THE SCALE OF THE STELLAR UNIVERSE?

It will be objected that it is impossible to go faster than light, and that is true, *but it applies to movements within the three dimensions of our Visible Universe.*

Well now — certain modern theoretical physicists already suspect the existence of other Universes “consubstantial” with this one, via which spatio-temporal “short-cuts” (or “worm-holes” as vividly described in the current jargon) could be used for the despatch of information, or for travelling, without any violation of the relativistic limitations!

“SHORT-CUTS” IN THE UNIVERSE

For those who know that the UFOs *are a reality here*, it is wellnigh a certainty that such “short-cuts” do exist. And for those who know *nothing* about UFOs, or pretend to know nothing about them, the exponential growth occurring currently in our own scientific knowledge ought to suffice to prove that — after a lapse of time impossible for us to quantify precisely at present, but which will assuredly be brief measured against the duration of geological epochs — the employment of electromagnetic radiations for the transmission of messages over vast distances in the Cosmos will have become totally obsolete here, and have been replaced by techniques based on an enlarged conception of Space-Time — the necessity for which concept is already appearing now in our own theoretical Physics.

Such being the case, it is as vain to seek to capture radio messages sent by the extraterrestrials as it would be for a primitive tribe to expect a message from the white man in the form of signals emitted by wisps of smoke in the Bush.

For, in view of the enormous disparity in the ages of the stars (and of any planets that they might have) and, in view of the certainly very small proportion of the planets that would have developed a scientific civilization, the probability is virtually non-existent that there might be, within a radius of several thousands of light-years around our Sun, *even one single civilization* that had reached precisely the same stage of development we have (and even in such a case as that, we have already seen, from what I have said above, that such a civilization would no doubt not think it worthwhile to send us radio messages). In fact, either our neighbours are still

in the Stone Age — or even earlier than that — or, alternatively, they are in possession of an advanced Physics and it would be of no use to them to send us messages by radio. *For they would already know about us without that. Namely by other means.*

WE ARE BEING HOODWINKED

The SETI Project consequently errs by reason of its *anthropocentricity*. And this brings us back once again to the UFO Problem, which to me appears to underlie this entire business.

I find it difficult to believe that all the arguments set out by me above, and which militate against the success of SETI, have not been clearly analyzed by the instigators of the SETI Project at the very topmost political and scientific levels.

And that would still be the case, even though many astronomers who ask themselves no questions regarding future progress in theoretical Physics must genuinely believe, in all good faith, in the success of the SETI operation.

It is moreover interesting to note that the astronomer most conspicuous as a supporter and as a collaborator in Project SETI is — if we are to believe his own public statements — perfectly well aware of the great disparity in the ages of planetary systems and of the enormous technological advance that must result from it among any scientific civilization existing in our galactic “neighbourhood”. But he won’t go further, and he does not draw the conclusions. Or — at any rate — he doesn’t reveal them to the media.

Why then offer our public this doubtless vain hope that SETI will enable us to establish contact with Extraterrestrials *for the first time* (sic!) since the beginnings of human history?

I venture to suggest — with of course all the necessary reservations — that the explanation for this may well be as follows:-

EVER SINCE 1947, IT HAS BEEN KNOWN HERE, AT THE VERY HIGHEST LEVEL IN THE GOVERNMENTS AND THE SECURITY SERVICES, THAT THE UFOS DO EXIST AND THAT THEY ARE NOT OF TERRESTRIAL ORIGIN. EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IS BEING DONE TO HIDE THIS FROM THE PUBLIC, EITHER BY ROUNDLY DENYING THE WHOLE THING OR — MORE CLEVERLY — BY MERELY SUGGESTING THAT THERE MIGHT BE A GREAT NUMBER OF POSSIBLE EXPLANATIONS FOR THE UFOS OTHER THAN THE ONE OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL VEHICLES.

THE DEGREE OF DISINFORMATION HAS IN FACT BEEN SUCH THAT A MAJORITY OF OUR SCIENTISTS, AND IN PARTICULAR OF OUR ASTRONOMERS, REALLY DO HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO “BELIEF” IN THE UFOS.

THIS IS NOT THE PLACE FOR US TO ENGAGE IN AN ANALYSIS OF THE REASONS FOR SUCH DISINFORMATION — REASONS

WHICH MAYBE DERIVE ABOVE ALL FROM FEAR AND FROM A SENSE OF HELPLESSNESS.

THE QUESTION WHICH I NOW ASK IS THIS: IN SETTING UP THE SETI PROJECT, AND IN GIVING IT SUCH GREAT PUBLICITY IN THE MEDIA, ARE NOT CERTAIN FOLK HOLDING VERY RESPONSIBLE POSITIONS HERE MAYBE HOPING TO BE ABLE TO PRETEND THAT THEY ARE DISAPPOINTED WHEN, AFTER A FEW YEARS, THE FAILURE OF THE SETI PROJECT HAS BECOME GLARINGLY OBVIOUS, AND ALSO HOPING TO BE ABLE TO "PROVE" TO

PUBLIC OPINION THAT EXTRATERRESTRIALS QUITE CERTAINLY CANNOT REACH THE EARTH BECAUSE IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THERE AREN'T ANY OF THEM ANYWHERE IN THE UNIVERSE ANYWAY?

"A PARANOIC INTERPRETATION", ONE MIGHT SAY, "AND ONE WHICH POSTULATES THE ELABORATION OF A TRULY DIABOLICAL CONSPIRACY".

AND WHAT IF SUCH AN INTERPRETATION WERE IN FACT A VERY REALISTIC ONE? ■

SOME RECENT UFO SIGHTINGS IN POLAND

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On November 5, 1990, three men from a Polish Army infantry unit at Opole, Arkadiusz Adamiec, Tadeusz Krzyzak, and Mariusz Skaznik, observed a strange phenomenon.

"It occurred at a few minutes after 7.00 p.m. We had just finished supper, and went outside. Then suddenly, looking up, we saw a group of probably as many as about 20 red shining balls travelling rapidly towards the centre of the town. Most of them had 'tails' which glowed brightly, just as red as the balls themselves.

Then, about 5-8 seconds later, a second group of the balls appeared, also with 'tails'. The number of balls in this second group was smaller.

At exactly the same time, on the other side of Opole, other eyewitnesses were also observing strange balls. One of these witnesses was Mr. Pawel Wozniak, a pilot, and this is what he later told me:-

"No — it was no question of 'rockets', or 'fireworks', or of 'jet planes'! I could detect no sound of engines whatsoever. I likewise rule out any possibility of meteors, because the trajectory was totally different from the trajectory of meteors. These things had pulsating flames..."

That same evening, on the road from Opole to Wroclaw (old German name Breslau. G.C.) a large number of cars were to be seen parked along the way. Their drivers had got out and were looking up at the sky. Among these drivers was Mr. Jan Czabanowski of Nysa. He said later:-

"It was a cluster of lights, very similar to stars, all of them red and pulsating. I counted a total of more than 40 of them".

A twelve-year-old girl, Miss Joasia Kruszewska, who lives at Glubczyce, near Opole, said that, after attending mass, she had come out of the church and seen "strange 'glow-worms' in the sky — like a swarm of shining red stars. Some of them looked like comets and had long 'tails'. They vanished just as rapidly as they had appeared".

Mr. Grzegorz L— (name withheld from publication) was standing at about 7.00 p.m. at a tram-stop in Czestochowa when he saw some bright shining points of light, of varying sizes, passing over rapidly from West to East. He said they were red and yellow in colour. The leading one was larger than the others. The sighting lasted about half-a-minute.

An almost identical report came in from a Mrs. Zofia P— (name withheld from publication) of Myszków. She too saw the formation of lights with a larger one leading. She said there were about ten of the lights, and they had trails. She said that most of them were moving slowly, while two were faster.

On the same day, at about 7.00 p.m., a sighting occurred at Chmielnik (district of Kielce) where a Mr. Kazimierz Slomka and his family saw a group of flashing lights travelling rapidly from West to East at an altitude estimated by him to be about 500 metres.

Mr. Zdzislaw Kilim of Kielce also reported a

sighting, and gave a precise time for it — 7.02 p.m. He said: “Three lights appeared on the horizon, moving in a triangular formation from West to East. There were two trails, sparky and colourful”. The phenomenon was visible for some 15 seconds, and then they were gone.

Finally, for this same general group of sightings of November 5, 1990, we have a mass of further reports and statements, all now being investigated and examined, so that no conclusions can be given yet.

B. FURTHER SERIES OF EVENTS REPORTED FOR JANUARY 18, 1991

1. Between 3.00 and 4.00 p.m. on January 18, 1991, Mrs. L— B— (name withheld from publication) was waiting at a bus-stop in the centre of Czestochowa. As she stepped on to the bus, she felt impelled to glance up to her right, and saw “a ball with a tie” (meaning not understood. By ‘tie’ does our reporter mean a ‘link’, or ‘loop’, or just a ‘tail’ or ‘trail’? G.C.) floating over the roof of a neighbouring building. It was travelling southwards and accelerating, and vanished quickly behind the houses.

Somehow Mrs. L— B— felt elated and happy about the sighting, and this state of pleasure lasted until the evening.

She was now at home, and between 9.00 and 9.30 p.m. she heard a sort of ‘rustling’ sound from outside a balcony window. She looked out through the window, and saw two individuals there. She felt no fear. She went to the kitchen, and put out some food and two plates and two glasses on the table, opened the window, invited the two strangers in, and then sat down on her bed. But the strangers remained motionless there. She thought they were about 1.75 to 1.8 m. in height, with bodies very similar to humans. One of them was wearing a one-piece suit, and the other wore a cloak and had something “shaped like a pancake” on his head. The clothing was of a whitish-grey-silvery colour. [Fig.1].

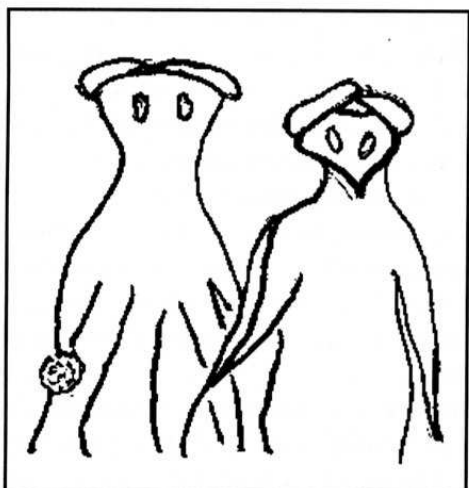


Fig. 1 Aliens seen in CZESTOCHOWA 1991.01.18

This sighting lasted for about seven minutes. No physical traces were found.

2. On the same day, at 10.17 p.m., in Skarzysko, Mr. Wojciech Dygas saw a bright reddish-yellow object passing at tremendous speed through the sky. Suddenly it emitted a smaller object, which went off in a different direction.

3. Between 10.45 and 11.00 p.m., witnesses in Kraków (Cracow) saw “a ball with a tie”. It landed in the village of Batowice, outside Kraków, and a round, burnt trace-mark was subsequently found at the spot. The diameter of this trace-mark was between two and three metres.

4. At 10.50 p.m. at Katowice, witnesses saw “a red ball with a tie and a white aura around it”. The thing was of the apparent size of half the diameter of the full Moon, and was travelling towards the South.

5. While driving in their car at 10.49 - 10.50 p.m., at Murownia (Ojcowa district) Mr and Mrs K— (name withheld from publication) saw a very powerful bright ball of light in the sky. They pulled up and got out to watch it. Suddenly it emitted a jet of light vapour and started to descend. Then, as it got nearer, they realized that it looked like a *cigar*, some 30 metres long. On the top of the front of it there was a mast with a red light. A stream of the hot vapour shot out from the rear end of the object [Fig. 2.]

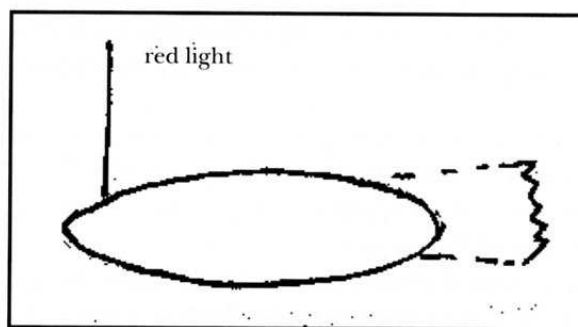


Fig. 2 object seen in MUROWNIA 1991.01.18.

Further reports about events on this same date, January 18, 1991 are still coming in to us. (Polish Translator’s Note: Two previous very similar dates in Poland were August 20, 1979, and December 2, 1983).

[A TABLE OF UFO ACTIVITY IN POLAND (1989-1991)

This splendid Report from Mr. Bronislaw Rzepecki also contains a detailed List, giving some 44 “UFO episodes” in Poland between March 1989 and April 1991, showing the place, time of day, number of eyewitnesses, and category of sighting. Such a detailed catalogue would have assuredly been of great interest to many folk in the early or mid-1950s, no doubt, but today, alas, we are a lot further along the road in our knowledge of what the Aliens are up to here, and I suggest that such

cataloguing is now a total waste of time (and of about as much value as the childish British habit of spotting train-numbers or aircraft-numbers).

Regrettably our very limited number of pages in FSR are too valuable for us to be able to publish lists of this sort unless of course they present some very unusual feature. EDITOR FSR.]

FINAL REPORT BY BRONISLAW RZEPECKI

The last Polish report that we have to give is of July 23, 1990. At 11.00 p.m. on that day, in Rybnik, Mr. Stanislaw Kufka stepped out of his house and found that his dog had broken the chain by which he was tied up. Looking upwards to his right, Mr. Kufka beheld a beam of powerful white light in the sky, and a small red light moving beneath it. This beam of white light was moving around erratically, as though searching for something on the ground. No sound was to be heard. The beam of white light was about 200 m. or 300 m. from him. (He says that had it been a helicopter he would clearly have heard the roar of its engine).

He shone his torch towards the beam of light and flashed signals to it — first a ring, and then a cross.

As though answering him, the beam of light lit up the highway in front of him. He took fright, and retreated, and got behind an electricity pole. Then the beam of white light moved away and was extinguished, leaving only the small red light visible.

The small red light moved swiftly towards him again. And now it was very low, and finally right above him, at a height which he estimates to have been about 20 metres.

Then the white beam of light came on again, and struck part of the witness's leg.* Terrified, he ran to a near-by house, but found that there was nobody awake there. He returned to the same place on the road. The UFO was still hovering there, but now he could see a ladder, on the left hand side of the red light, and on the ladder there was a being. Owing to the glare of the adjacent street-lights, he was unable to see any details of the being.

When the being had entered the UFO, the ladder was drawn up and the red light was extinguished.

As regards the shape of the UFO, the eyewitness said he was unable to get a good view of it, but that he thought it was *cigar-shaped or elliptical*.

His leg was painful for the whole of the next day, but there was no mark on it.

* NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR.

For an identical sort of case, which befell a French Air Force pilot and his lady friend in September 1956, see "*The UFO As Big As A House*" in the French best-seller "*La Nouvelle Vague Des Soucoupes Volantes*" by Jean-Claude Bourret (1974), translated

by me as *The Crack In The Universe* and published by Neville Spearman.■

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continued from Page 1 **BOOK REVIEW**

Vallée could have embarked on a career as a writer early in his life. As a young man in Paris he wrote books, to major acclaim, as some people take holidays — with apparent ease and enjoyment, and in very short time spans.

From his time as a student in trouble-torn Paris in the 1950s, to his work in astronomy and computing on both sides of the Atlantic until 1969, he kept a diary of events as he experienced them and as they unfolded around him. On his pages he brings alive such characters as Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Aimé Michel, Pierre Guérin, Dr. James McDonald, Coral and Jim Lorenzen, Donald Keyhoe, Frank Edwards, and others who worked in UFO research in the USA and France.

It is also a devastating indictment of the closed mental attitudes of professional politicians, academics and industrialists. *Forbidden Science* is not only about science and UFOs; it includes criticism of social orders in different countries, of petty-minded career technocrats in government (and in the world of academia and astronomy), and of spineless management in companies that Vallée had the misfortune to come into contact with.

It was apparent early on (circa 1957) that Vallée's inquisitive mind, his ability to think on several levels simultaneously, and his distrust of those who turn a blind eye in order to protect their own little worlds, ensured that he would not vegetate as a "yes man" in any organisation

And so it came to pass. Vallée looks back on his life (and his loves — yes, there is considerable romance in the man!) with a sharp mind which is tempered by an affinity for nature and for the spirit in man. Had he not chosen a career in computing and science, he could in my opinion have become a poet or playwright, or both, and a philosopher of some stature. This much is apparent from his writing style, and from his evident perceptive abilities and fluid way of thinking.

But, I hear you ask, what has he to say about UFOs, and evidence for them, and of cover-ups? Well, he came to know Flying Saucer Review in the 1960s; he has studied thousands of cases; he thinks conventional astronomers can be as daft as a demented comedian; he writes of much subterfuge by government agencies and others who should have known better. Take this piece for example, on page 133 of *Forbidden Science*, from his diary entry of 13 April, 1965.

"Luciano has sent me information about an Italian near-landing that took place on August 20 1963 at 9.32 pm, and which he investigated with a secret service team under a special clearance from

the Italian government. The witness was the trusted chauffeur of the Italian President, driving his official car. The site was the hunting reserve of the President, not far from Rome. A disk-shaped object resembling an upside-down saucer with a turret on top hovered at low altitude above the car. The case created quite a stir among the Intelligence services, understandably. The report was communicated to the U.S. authorities in Washington, who never followed up with the Italians but gave assurances they had passed it on to Hynek for evaluation. Yet Hynek has never seen the report, never heard of it! *I have used this case to point out to him again that he didn't see all the reports, that there must be another study somewhere, using "Blue Book" as a mere front.*" (Vallée's own emphasis).*

A little later, he writes:- "Hynek has now read my whole correspondence with Luciano, which goes back to December 1964. He emerged from this reading visibly shaken..."

Despite the numerous reports of apparent physical craft visiting our planet, presumably from another planet, Vallée came to the conclusion that there was more to the subject than that. In his section on "Magonia", he expounds his theory that "they" are visitors from elsewhere, another plane of existence, perhaps, or not even that.

He writes, on page 404, from 30 August 1969:-

"If folklore expert Hartmann is right when he says that 'human imagination obeys fixed laws,' then it ought to be possible to speed up or slow down the development of science in a given culture, not by the play of budgets but by spiritual means, or by exposing the target culture to novel images. Is that one of the grand mythical roles served by UFO phenomena?"

Yet, to Vallée, UFOs do have a physical aspect. In his epilogue, towards the end of the book, he writes:-

"Today it seems likely to me that the executive branch of the U.S. Government and other major governments do know of the existence, physical reality and awesome implications of the UFO problem." He goes on to say much more.

He also attacks many of the UFO researchers, their paranoias and general behaviour. It is because of them, he reveals, that he has listened to his friends, and will take their advice. He intends to "take my research behind the scenes again... I cannot justify remaining associated with the field of Ufology as it presents itself to the public today. Furthermore I suspect that the phenomenon displays a very different structure once you leave behind the parochial disputes that disfigure the debate... The truly important scientific questions are elsewhere."

I hope that Vallée will keep the public informed of his work and its results. In England, a few

of us have similarly withdrawn from the UFO and corn circle debate because of the lies and deception and strange behaviour of some of the characters in the play, some of whom possess the intellectual capacity of a cooked cabbage. Sadly, we feel, there are few honest people, and people with integrity, we can trust.

Throughout the book there are constant references to FSR and its last three Editors, Waveney Girvan, Charles Bowen, and Gordon Creighton, and Vallée has been in the closest contact and collaboration with us over nearly the whole of the period of existence of our journal — almost forty years. Indeed it was Gordon Creighton who made the English translation of Vallée's first book, *Phénomènes Insolites de l'Espace*.

In his Journal entry for April 14, 1964, Vallée writes (p. 98):-

"Another letter has arrived from Waveney Girvan, the Editor of the *Flying Saucer Review*. He proposed one of his colleagues, a man named Gordon Creighton, as a translator for "*Phénomènes Insolites*". Creighton is an accomplished linguist, retired from the Foreign Service, a great traveller, a former British Consul in Brazil and an expert on China".

And, on page 436, at the end of his concluding chapter, Vallée has also this to say about various people, including FSR:-

"Fortunately many of those who had a decisive influence on my research in its formative years continue to favour me with their advice and friendship. Aimé Michel and Fred Beckman have remained valuable friends. I still meet with Pierre Guérin whenever I travel to Paris. We sit in a café near the Sorbonne and we argue bitterly about everything from the Big Bang to Government cover-ups. After a distinguished career in Planetary Astronomy, Guérin recently retired from the Institut d'Astrophysique, but he has lost none of his argumentative passion. Gordon Creighton, another towering figure with a lovably cantankerous character, has replaced Charles Bowen as editor of the *Flying Saucer Review*, surely one of the most colourful and informative magazines ever published. We correspond regularly, and our meetings are always challenging and fruitful".

* Comment by Editor

Dr. Hynek knew perfectly well that *he was not seeing everything*, and that therefore a second "*Blue Book*" process must be under way elsewhere.

In fact when I met him on the occasion of his first visit to Britain, he told me specifically that the U.S. authorities had consistently tried to prevent him from seeing all those UFO reports that came in from foreign countries and that it was only when he began to read my translations, in FSR, of sightings from all over the world, that he became truly aware of the *global* nature of the UFO Phenomenon. G.C.

STRANGE REPORT FROM A WOMAN OFFICER IN THE U.S. ARMY IN GERMANY

Dear Editor, — My name is ***, currently serving in the United States Army. I am also a subscriber to FSR and a new member of MUFON. I am responding to the article *A Weird Story From Germany in 1987*, published by you on page iii of FSR 36/3 (Autumn 1991).

The story was about a car that “vanished” off the Baden-Baden/Frankfurt Autobahn in Germany. I cannot help but wonder if that was Autobahn-5? (A-5 runs from Frankfurt, past Baden-Baden, and beyond). The reason for my interest is that I myself experienced an incident with a UFO while traveling on Autobahn-5 in the vicinity of Karlsruhe (which is en route to Baden-Baden). After my own experience, I would not be at all surprised if a vehicle did indeed “vanish” off the Autobahn!

I enclose my report on the incident, which as you will see shows that there has been more UFO activity in that same area.

If you publish my article, please do not mention my name, rank, or branch of service, for obvious reasons. Use of the term “Military Officer” is O.K. for publication.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation. I look forward to reading further issues of FSR.

Signed *** (Full name and address on file),
Military Officer,
December 1991.

THE REPORT

On July 6, 1989, at approximately 11.45 p.m., my driver and I were returning from a military social function in Kaiserslautern to Karlsruhe, in Germany. I had rolled down the window of the vehicle to stay awake, as this was our first time driving that route at night and we did not want to miss the exit. We were travelling along the A-5 in an MI009 CUCV Blazer.

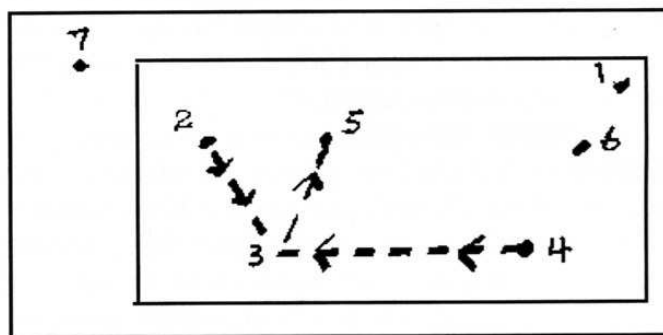
It was a long time since I had looked at a nice, clear, starry sky. Within approximately five seconds, I noticed a ‘star’ that was obviously much brighter than the others. In a 10-minute time-frame, that ‘star’ was to move seven times, and then disappear.

The object moved horizontally, vertically, and then nearer and further. When it moved

nearer to us, it revealed itself as a disc-shaped object with two domes, surrounded by a light-bluish glow.

The object also seemed to respond to my thoughts.

My first sketch shows the open passenger



Point 4 - Point 5: object moved straight across, appeared to stop, then moved straight up

window of the car and the various positions to which the object moved.

A sequence of the events follows:-

Point 1. Observed the object as the brightest point in the sky. I thought to myself: “What a beautiful star that is”, and began admiring it. Then it moved from Point 1 to Point 2. Since it moved at “airplane” speed, I then concluded that it was an airplane. However, I thought it unusual that it did not have the red or the green flashers which you normally see blinking on a plane at that height. Therefore I continued watching the object.

Point 2. The “airplane” stopped. At that time I wondered how a plane could travel at a normal airplane speed and then stop suddenly and appear stationary. It remained at Point 2 for about 30 seconds.

Point 3. The object slowly reversed direction, moved downwards, and then once more appeared stationary for about 30 seconds. I thought the apparent movement might be due to the movement of our vehicle, but we were not making any turns. Then I began to wonder whether it might be due to the fatigue I had lately been feeling.

Point 4. The object reversed direction much further — more than halfway back to its original starting-point. That’s when I knew for sure that its movement was not due to any fatigue factor in me. It stopped, and again it remained stationary, for about

one minute. This time I mentioned to my driver that there was a "real bright star" out there that had moved three times, and I described to him the movements which I had just observed. I also mentioned to him that this was not the first time, because on three previous occasions I had watched "the brightest star in the sky" disappear.

My driver said that the same thing had happened to him, and also to friends of his. But he said it had been a bit frustrating for him, because, when he would point out the star to his friends, it would disappear! Or, likewise when his friends pointed out such a star to him, it too would vanish!

On this occasion our object was not in my driver's line of sight, because all had been taking place on the passenger's side and he was of course keeping his eyes on the road ahead.

After my driver had told me this about his having seen "disappearing stars" too, I waved my arm out of the window in jest and said: "*Hello, Aliens!*"

Point 5. Immediately after my little joke, the object started moving again in its original direction more rapidly than before. Then I thought (rather startled): "Gee — maybe there really *IS* somebody in there. I hope I didn't make anyone angry!"

Then the object stopped, moved straight up, moved *closer*, and appeared stationary for about 30 seconds. When it moved *closer*, there was additional mass emanating from the sides, slightly tilted, revealing a larger dome on top and a smaller one on the bottom. A light-blue color surrounded the object (similar color as in the Gulf Breeze pictures. In fact I bought the Gulf Breeze book particularly on account of this color similarity).

The object did not appear at this stage to be very large.... I could cover it with the tip of my little finger with arm extended.

I wondered whether my own eyesight was getting a little blurry, because my night-vision is not as good as that of most people. However, the object definitely was now closer, had extra mass on the sides, revealing two domes, and was surrounded by a light-bluish glow.

I also thought about my little joke that I had made when I said "*Hello Aliens!*" just as it was at



Point 4. The object now looked something like this, and just about this size.

The lines emanating from it indicate the bluish glow.

Point 6. The object moved close to its original starting-point. It was now at the same, closer, distance as at Point 5. I could not observe the "tilt" while it was moving, but only when it appeared stationary. The tilt was observable because the blue light surrounding most of the object revealed more mass on the sides (and therefore two domes) at an angle like "/".

I decided *not* to tell my driver about its closer

appearance. All he knew at the time was that the object had moved and stopped several times. (I did tell him everything several months later).

Point 7. The object moved from Point 6 to Point 7, that is to say, to the far upper right corner of the windshield. It halted for about 10 seconds, and then disappeared just before we made a right turn in Karlsruhe.

To sum up: this object had moved to seven locations in approximately 10 minutes, in different directions, and covering different distances. It had moved vertically as well as horizontally, had moved closer, and had appeared to be stationary on seven occasions when our vehicle had been making no turns.

The object appeared to respond to some of my thoughts.

At the recent social function that I had attended in Kaiserslautern I had not been drinking alcohol, and I was in a fully conscious state.

NOTE BY EDITOR

This lady has given me additional information, regarding other and somewhat similar experiences, which are not to be revealed at present, but which she may decide to report later

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and I admit that for a long time I believed that their failure to make progress in Parapsychological research was probably due to some sort of apathy or mental laziness. However, in these past forty-five years since the UFO Problem exploded into our consciousness, it has began to become clear, to just a few researchers here and there, that the reason why humans do not seem to get anywhere in these matters is quite definitely due to the fact that the average human mind is kept very efficiently in a sort of strait-jacket by the Alien Powers themselves.

If these Alien Powers are what we are now beginning to suspect they are, and if their dwelling-place is where we are beginning to suspect it is, namely **RIGHT HERE**, as the Americans say, — on this Planet — then it is perfectly easy to guess why the Aliens should wish mankind to know just as little as possible about all other levels of being, and why they should have developed such techniques of mental control over us.

If you observe carefully, you will note how well the strait-jacket has been applied over the centuries, for example, in connection with Religion, and Churches, and scientific knowledge (especially Medicine!).

Clearly, if mankind got too smart, they could become a nuisance. The subject is not a pleasant one to dwell upon, and obviously the mere discussion of it is dangerous.■

A Rallying Call

Dear Editor — For the record, we who profess to be researchers and disseminators of UFO information have now reached our lowest point in 40 years. In the eyes of the general public, already carefully programmed well below their level of awareness, all advances and all progress in this rich field have — for all intents and purposes — been effectively destroyed.

Just think about it — every legitimate case to date has now been reduced to the rubbish heap *through the efforts of a few!* Many now have been duped into scrapping the Roswell Case, MJ-12, Gulf Breeze, Bob Lazar, Edward Meier or, more recently, Budd Hopkins' "Case of the Century", just to mention a few of the many dozens of bona-fide, diligently researched cases and events. All of this of course plays directly into the hands of the "SHADOW GOVERNMENT" that has been duly responsible — without any accountability, of course — for the protection of the "tender psyche" of a public that remains totally in the dark!

The "Control Mechanism" spoken of by Vallée and others seems to have ensnared the very individuals who really should have known better! Yet the results will always be the same. The overwhelming evidence of an unholy alliance between the U.S. military-industrial complex and the "Greys" should now be crystal clear to all those who really care. Further obliteration of the Truth will only serve the interests of these "Dark Forces", and re-

searchers who continue to cast aspersions onto legitimate information can only perpetuate an already intolerable situation. *It is incumbent on all thinking investigators to elevate our own awareness rather than foment emotionally-rooted controversy in a field already fraught with dire implications for mankind.*

Yours sincerely,

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NETWORK),
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Downsview, Ontario M3H 6A7,
Canada.
September 11, 1992.

Appreciations

Dear Mr. Creighton, — I have pleasure in renewing my subscription for FSR and enclose a cheque for £ 15.

I have greatly enjoyed my first contacts with your magazine, finding it informative, stimulating and courageous. Best wishes for the future.

Yours faithfully,
Lawrence Manion,
26 Chadvil Road,
Gatley, Cheadle,
Cheshire, SK8 1NX.
October 21, 1992.

Dear Mr. Creighton, — Thank you so very much for an outstanding and intrepid publication which I await always with the utmost excitement.

FSR is the only periodical to exhibit both the daring to print the truth and the wisdom to draw conclusions from the surfeit of evidence around us.

FSR never fails to demonstrate a maturity of judgement and fearlessness to speak the truth — "warts and all"!

We all look to you for the only continuing forum for presenting evidence sans the customary pre-meditated and insulting disclaimers.

Most respectfully,
Barbara Marion Sinclair,
68 Spencer Road,
Basking Ridge,
New Jersey 07920,
U.S.A.
February 3, 1992.

The Battle Against Powers of Darkness

(Translation from German - G.C.)

Dear Sir, — Dan Lloyd's article, *The Battle Against Spiritual Powers of Hindrance*, in FSR Vol. 37, No. 3, is outstanding and of permanent value.

I have sent a photostat of it to the Board of Directors of the Goetheanum in Dornach, Switzerland.

Yours sincerely,
Dr. Heinz Graziadei,
Hans-Thoma Strasse 35,
D. 6900 Heidelberg,
Germany.
(January 1993)

Magnetic Compass and Detector Reports

Dear Sir,— I am writing to you because of your substantial knowledge of the UFO phenomenon. I will pay you \$50.- each, up to \$1000.-, for photocopies of published UFO sighting reports not on the enclosed list which mention that a magnetic compass or a magnetic detector was affected. These reports may be in any language and from any newsletter as long as they are referenced.

Referrals to other persons who may have such reports will also be welcome. Your assistance in this matter will be very gratefully received.

Yours sincerely,
Eric Herr, P.O. Box 15044, San Diego, CA 92175, U.S.A.
May 12, 1992.

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78/04/17	Atlantic	78/06/11	Iran	78/08/18	U.S.
78/11/09	Italy	78/12/30	N.Zealand	79/01/14	Brazil
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“CHANNELLED” LITERATURE: WHAT THE PSYCHICS ARE SAYING ABOUT UFOS

By Vince T. Migliore

INTRODUCTION By Editor, FSR

Mr. Vince Migliore, a writer and researcher on UFO matters who lives in Santa Rosa, California, contacted me early in 1992 and reminded me that some time ago I was bemoaning the current dearth of evidence for “Goodies” among our alleged Visitors, and he enclosed this article which he has compiled and which summarises much of the seemingly “better” channelled material that he has been able to pinpoint.

He has written for The MUFON UFO JOURNAL and for UFO MAGAZINE, as well as for various trade publications.

While I am, as most FSR readers probably know, inclined in principle to take a very sceptical view of this kind of completely unverifiable material (particularly of all this recent popular American channelling allegedly from “Space beings” or concerning what we call “UFOs”) I do agree with Mr. Migliore that, if we are to claim that we are fair and even-handed, then it is probably high time that we at least take a serious look at the stuff, so I am very happy to publish his article.

After that, as Mr. Migliore says, it will be for everyone to judge for himself or herself as to its merits. I would particularly draw the attention of our readers to the remarkable fact that the whole body of this “inspirational” material dealt with in this article stems from the U.S.A. alone, and that, moreover, the same is still the case if one goes right back to the beginnings of the 19th century, for those three other astounding “channelled” documents, THE BOOK OF MORMON, OAH SPE and URANTIA, also had their origins in America. (Remember, too, that what we now call “Spiritualism” also had its beginnings in the America of the middle of the last century, and we still do not know the truth as to what lies behind “Spiritualism”, or what is its connection (seemingly more and more apparent) with our so-called “UFO Phenomenon”. Whatever the reasons may be for this state of affairs, there are thoughtful people who feel that all these strange “inspirational books” are of great importance in the study of the evolution of thought in the U.S.A. and of everything that we today sum up under such blanket terms as “New Age”, “New Age Thought”, “New Thought”, etc.

Moreover it would be foolish to overlook the fact that most of the great religious texts and documents of mankind, in Hebrew, Arabic, Sanskrit, Greek, and other ancient languages, were also “channelled”. (*Maybe this is how everything of any spiritual importance, including much of the Hebrew Old Testament, has come to mankind? We know that the Qur’an is traditionally said to have been dictated to Muhammad in a cave - i.e., it was received clairaudiently. Received clairaudiently too, and in our own days, were the enormous COURSE IN MIRACLES (dealt with in the present article) and Pak Subuh’s SUSHILA BUDDHI DHARMA, taken down in his native tongue, High Javanese, by the Indonesian Sufi Master.*

There is a very great need for somebody to make a prolonged study of all these curious huge books, none of which, I emphasise, are claimed to be the product of the ordinary rational human intellect.

Of the eleven sources listed and used by Vince Migliore, I am already familiar with only four — namely Nos. 1, 3, 4 and 7. No. 4, THE URANTIA BOOK, an absolutely massive work, I personally find totally unreadable, boring and indigestible, though I am fully ready to accept that it really is “genuine” in the sense that it was “received paranormally”. But I cannot for the life of me imagine that the TRUTH about the Cosmos and about Man requires to be wrapped up in quite such a tiresome and interminable mass of guff!

On the other hand I was also already fully acquainted with No. 7, A COURSE IN MIRACLES (another vast compilation) and with much of the associated writings produced by this active and articulate group of people. I heard their Dr. Gerald Jampolski speak at a large public meeting in London (at St. James’ Church, Piccadilly), and I feel obliged to say that I think A COURSE IN MIRACLES truly is a highly valuable document for contemporary mankind, constituting as it does a powerful addition to the main-stream of the Christian Tradition. Unquestionably the work arrived in a markedly unconventional fashion (clairaudience) through a very educated, very intellectual, very critical Jewish (!) lady psychiatrist at Columbia University. (I intentionally emphasise this point that she was Jewish, for, as I have mentioned, the book bolsters the main thrust of Christian thought. *There is no conflict.*)