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EDITORIAL: THE NIGHTMARE OF CLONING.

Note this! What a jolt and what a flurry our public has just experienced with all the chatter in the media about the cloning of a sheep by our scientists and about the horrific possibilities of it all! But- how much bigger the jolt and flurry will be if, and when, it should ever dawn upon human minds that, **so long as thirteen years ago, we at FSR were publishing reports, from various parts of the world, about humans who were claiming that they themselves had been cloned by aliens!**

If you doubt my statement, please see Senhora Irene Granchi's article, **CLONING BY ALIENS?: TO WHAT PURPOSE?**, in FSR 32/3 (April 1987). In it, Sra. Granchi, our veteran Brazilian consultant, described at length her investigation of, and her interview with, her fellow countryman, Dirant Mello Ferraz, who claimed to have had such an experience.

But already, previously to that, our earliest reported cloning claims had been those of another Brazilian, Antônio Alves Ferreira, in FSR 31/2 (1986), and of a Spaniard, Xavier Clarés, investigated by another veteran FSR consultant, the Spaniard, Antonio Ribera, and published by us in his articles on **THE JINN AND THE DOLMEN** in FSR 31/4 (1986) and 32/2 (1987).

More recently (in 1995 or 1996) I recall having seen, on one of the British TV channels, part of a video about a woman in Puerto Rico who gave a hair-raising account of having watched alien creatures **making a clone of her.** (Can any reader help me identify the TV channel/program, date, and any details about the woman?)

Much more might be said now, but it must be left for a forthcoming article. And the whole question may turn out to have an extraordinary link with the fact, now well established, that in many parts of the world the human sperm count is falling fast -so fast indeed that some scientists are now suggesting that our species may not have much longer than a century to go.

Remember that -as Raymond Fowler has recorded in his several books on Betty Andreasson -this lady was told a good many years ago by an alien: **"Your species will shortly be threatened with sterility"**.

All this can possibly have a link with cloning! G.C.■

THE FIFE INCIDENT (SEPTEMBER 1996)

By **MALCOLM ROBINSON OF S.P.I.**
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On the evening of 23rd September 1996, Mary Morrison (pseudonym), accompanied by her ten-year-old son, Peter and her friend, Jane, (pseudonyms), left their farmhouse to travel to a nearby town because they had run out of coffee. The time was around 8.05pm. On the way there, they observed a huge white stationary light in the sky. Initially they thought that this was either an aircraft or a helicopter, but after a few seconds the bright light split into two. They stopped the car, got out, and were further amazed to see bright spot-lights illuminating the ground before them. All three of them then observed a huge black triangular object with a

number of red lights attached to it. After a few moments, it gradually drifted away and was lost to view.

On their journey back from the shop, they observed the same or a similar object again, but on this occasion it appeared to rush towards their car. Peter was so scared that he began to cry. This seemed to be conveyed to the object, for as soon as he started crying, it quickly departed. Although they were all shaken by the sighting, Mary and Jane were also intrigued. Back home they told Jane's daughter Susan about what they had seen. She thought that her mother and friend were having a joke with her and refused to believe them; however, af-

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ter much persuasion, she decided to go out into the dark night with them to see if perhaps the thing was still there.

PHASE THREE

As the car was heading out to where they had had the initial UFO sighting, all of them in the car became aware of a tremendously bright white light on the ground beside a group of trees. Also observed by them at this point was an immense bright blue glow which was shining up from the ground and out through the trees. They likened it to a bright searchlight as it continued its spinning movements out through the trees.

In an effort to get closer, they decided to drive down a small winding road. Soon the blue spinning light was joined by other lights of red and green. Mary likened them to a laser light show and was actually moved to tears by them.

SMALL GREYS, LARGE CONTROLLER

At this point, events began to take a more dramatic turn, for whilst they were all captivated by these spinning lights, Mary suddenly became aware of figures silhouetted in the lights — small grey figures who were running around and appeared very busy picking up what looked like boxes or cubes, and also cylinders or canisters. Further back in the wood, she saw what looked like a dark triangular structure to and from which these small ‘beings’ were coming and going. But what really surprised Mary most was the sight of a very large ‘being’ who was of a different colour from the rest. This ‘being’ she said, was a sort of “tan brown”; he was standing a short distance away from the rest of these ‘beings’, as if he was in charge. Indeed, at one point, this large ‘being’ actually stretched down towards the ground and opened his right hand to ‘something’. Then he straightened up and moved back towards the trees.

In the sky around this amazing spectacle, were hundreds upon hundreds of small star-like ‘things’ which were just hanging low down in the air. Suddenly a bright beam of light shone down from the sky and illuminated the road in front of them. At this, they all jumped back into the car and quickly sped away from the scene.

PHASE FOUR

Arriving back at Jane’s house, they told the latter’s husband about what had happened. Unfortunately he had to go to work, but offered them the use of his binoculars should they wish to go out and look for these ‘things’ once again. Although all the witnesses were slightly shaken by these events, curiosity was getting the better of them, and they decided that they would indeed once more go out into the night to look for the ‘beings’ again.

Upon doing so, they once more observed many strange star-like ‘things’ hanging low down in the sky, and also an immensely bright white light near a transmitter which was flashing in a sequence of three. Further along the road, they pulled up and started to observe what

resembled a ‘squashed ball’ elongated from top to bottom. It was a hot fiery orange colour with big irregular indentations in it, “It looked really shimmery” said Mary.

Not long after this, all the witnesses once more beheld small ‘beings’ in the woods. However, this time, events took a more alarming turn, for as the witnesses were observing these ‘beings’ in the woods, Mary noticed a blue ‘mist’ starting to come from the woods and into their direction.... Contained within this blue ‘mist’ were several small grey ‘beings’ who were not walking, but being ‘propelled’ towards them in the mist. That was it! They had seen enough. This was too much!

Mary and Jane and the two children dived into the car and sped away. However just before they left this amazing scene, Jane observed, out of the rear car window, a tremendous burst of intense blue light which lit up the whole area just like daylight. Amazingly, they then observed some bales of straw, which had been sitting in the farmer’s field, somehow move towards their car, and just before they left, Susan (Jane’s daughter) shouted “There is one standing grinning at me!” Arriving back at Jane’s house they stayed up most of the night extremely shocked and amazed.

OUR INVESTIGATIONS

During the course of our SPI Investigation, we uncovered the fact that all the witnesses, (apart from young Peter) had strange bruises or discolourations on their bodies. Jane found two marks on her body; one was on her right buttock, the other one was underneath her right breast on her ribs. Susan (Jane’s daughter) discovered a mark on her right shoulder; it was about four inches long and appeared roughly around a week after their sighting.

FURTHER EVENTS

On Sunday, October 20, (a month after the incident), one of Mary’s friends, along with her son, came to visit. She left her son and young Peter playing happily in the bedroom. However, things were soon to change, for a short while later, as Peter looked out of his bedroom window, he was surprised to see a small ‘white being’ “with lots of jagged teeth” looking straight at him. This ‘being’ was free-floating, and was not standing on top of the kitchen roof. He was too small for that. After a few seconds, this ‘being’ just simply floated straight upwards with ease, and was gone in seconds. According to Peter, his friend also saw this strange ‘being’.

Later on that same night, Mary was on the phone to Garry Wood, a UFO researcher who had himself had a UFO experience. Just prior to the phone call, Mary had run a bath for her son. Mary was explaining to Garry about some recent strange events when all of a sudden she heard her boy screaming at the top of his voice, “Mummy, Mummy, come quick! please come quick!” Mary immediately threw down the phone in mid conversation and dashed up the stairs three at a time. She entered the bathroom and found her son in some distress.

After she had calmed him down, he explained that as he had entered the bathroom, he saw a small white 'being' standing next to the wash-hand basin and bath. This 'being' also had "a row of jagged teeth." He was small and thin and looked very pale. After Peter had screamed, this 'being' just simply vanished. Mary had to eventually sit outside the bathroom door while her son took his bath. Indeed he was still so frightened that she had to sleep beside him with the bedroom light left on throughout that night.

OUR ENQUIRY CONTINUES

These are but some of the facts that SPI uncovered during our interview with Mary Morrison. My own personal opinion is that she is telling the truth, and I am convinced of her sincerity. SPI followed the normal Investigative procedures in an effort to try to find out if there were a rational explanation to account for this sighting. We wrote to many U.K. Airports asking them if they had any air traffic in the sky on that particular night (letters on file). They either replied that they did not, or that this particular area in Fife was outside their jurisdiction.

The Police were also notified to see if any members of the public had phoned to their station with similar accounts, but apparently no one had. And we eventually received a reply from the Ministry of Defence in London (a Miss Gaynor South) Secretariat (Air Staff, Nick Pope's old seat!!) who informed us and I quote:

"I have looked into the incident and have found that two *Tornados* were operating from RAF Marham between 8.00pm and midnight in the Fife area on the 23rd of September 1996. They were undertaking night-time low-level flying training. I have also checked through our sighting report files, and can confirm that no sightings were reported to the MOD for 23rd September 1996 from the Fife area."

Ah, "two *Tornado jets*" — well that would explain it all, wouldn't it!! Obviously what the witnesses had seen that eventful night, was certainly not "two *Tornado jets*." SPI worked closely with two local Fife newspapers and, through them, we received a number of other reports from witnesses to unusual aerial activity in the skies above Fife, admittedly not all on that same night, but certainly of objects which, in the main, **were black and were triangular.**■

GREAT "UFO WAVE" IN NORTH-WEST SPAIN (1995)

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Special Report to FSR and to Evidencia OVNI (Puerto Rico). (Dated April 1996.) (Translation from Spanish. G.C.)
Nowadays our entire planet is experiencing intense "Ufo Waves". Starting here at home in *Spain*, which had not generally been, hitherto, a particularly important focus of ufology compared with certain other countries, our country has nonetheless ranked high of late in the specialized UFO journals of the world, due to the continuous sightings which have been occurring here since the end of 1995.

And the principal scene for these events has been our own home territory, this Celtic region of Spain known to us as *Galicia*.

It all started at 10.45 pm on November 27 of last year (1995), over the military base of Las Gandaras, in the Province of Lugo. **A triangular-shaped UFO with a large light in each of its corners was observed by the**



The Spanish Army Barracks at Las Gandaras. Large UFO hovered low overhead.

soldiers on sentry duty in the camp and was also filmed by the infra-red cameras of the internal security circuit. One thing which impressed everyone powerfully was that to the naked eye the strange lights of the craft were barely visible at all. Yet on the radar screens they showed up brightly and clearly. The conclusion was, of course, that the UFO was a powerful emitter in the infra-red.

Up until that date this north-western region of Spain had had almost no UFO sightings recorded, and it seems that consequently neither the ordinary ranks of the Army nor even their commanding officers themselves had received any special briefing as to how to act in the event of such a happening. (Such is not the way in which things are handled elsewhere, in places where there has been great UFO activity, and there the policy of "cover-up" is a sacred norm for all military personnel.)

Due to this lack of any accustomed procedure at the Camp for "covering up" such happenings, a Lieutenant Vila, astonished by the scene that his eyes were seeing, had telephone calls put through to *Galicia Television*, and to the local newspaper *El Progreso*, published in Lugo, asking them to come along equipped with cameras and video in order to film the movements of a UFO which, so the military men themselves said, was hanging there in the air and at an estimated height of 5,000 metres.

A reporter from the newspaper, named Vázquez, arrived, bringing only a camera. The sky was very overcast, visibility poor, and on and off a fine rain was falling. Nevertheless Vázquez took several photographs of the Camp's radar screen, and then returned to his newspaper to give out the news. And by 00.30 on the 28th November the "cover-up" technique (now being tried out for the first time) began yielding its fruit. **The Chief Editor of the newspaper received a mysterious telephone call giving him advice regarding the caption that should accompany the published photographs taken by Vázquez. It was to state that "the lights were from a certain building lying towards the south, or from a quarry there."**

A few days later we visited the Camp and called on Lt. Vila. We wanted to hear from his own lips the absurd statements that he had made to the press after the event. When he received us it was with visible annoyance over the repercussions that the whole business was producing. He admitted to us that he had been reprimanded by his superiors. And we can well believe it. Unfortunately the bad thing about it all is that, the next time when a UFO flies over any military area in Galicia, they will at once have recourse to Venus or to some or other of the 40,000 possible explanations, and we shan't see the calm, fresh approach that we saw in the case that we have just described.

The next happening, on January 24, 1996, and also here in Galicia, was the sighting of a reddish artefact shaped like a delta wing, which was observed from several different spots. And it seemed the thing had been re-occurring for some time past. Moreover countless people in Villalba, As Pontes, Codesido, Xermade, Sarria, and Tria Castela claim that they have been seeing "strange

lights" during recent weeks. "Something", they all say, "that is totally new to all of us!"

Then, on January 24, 1996, a mysterious powerful spherical light, constantly changing colour and performing strange movements, was seen by about two dozen people, one of them a policeman (Guardia Civil). That same evening, the UFO investigator Marcelino Requejo managed to film it, using an 8mm. This is how he described it:-

"We were near Santaballa, a place where there have been several sightings, when suddenly we saw it. It was a vivid white light travelling slowly though at times also with sudden and rapid accelerations. One thing that's certain is that it was no aeroplane or helicopter. We were able to film it for almost three minutes until it vanished among the clouds". The possibility of its having been a sonde balloon is ruled out. We spoke to the Rozas Airfield and the Meteorological Centre in La Coruña (Corunna) and they confirmed that no sonde balloon or atmospheric balloon had passed over the region.

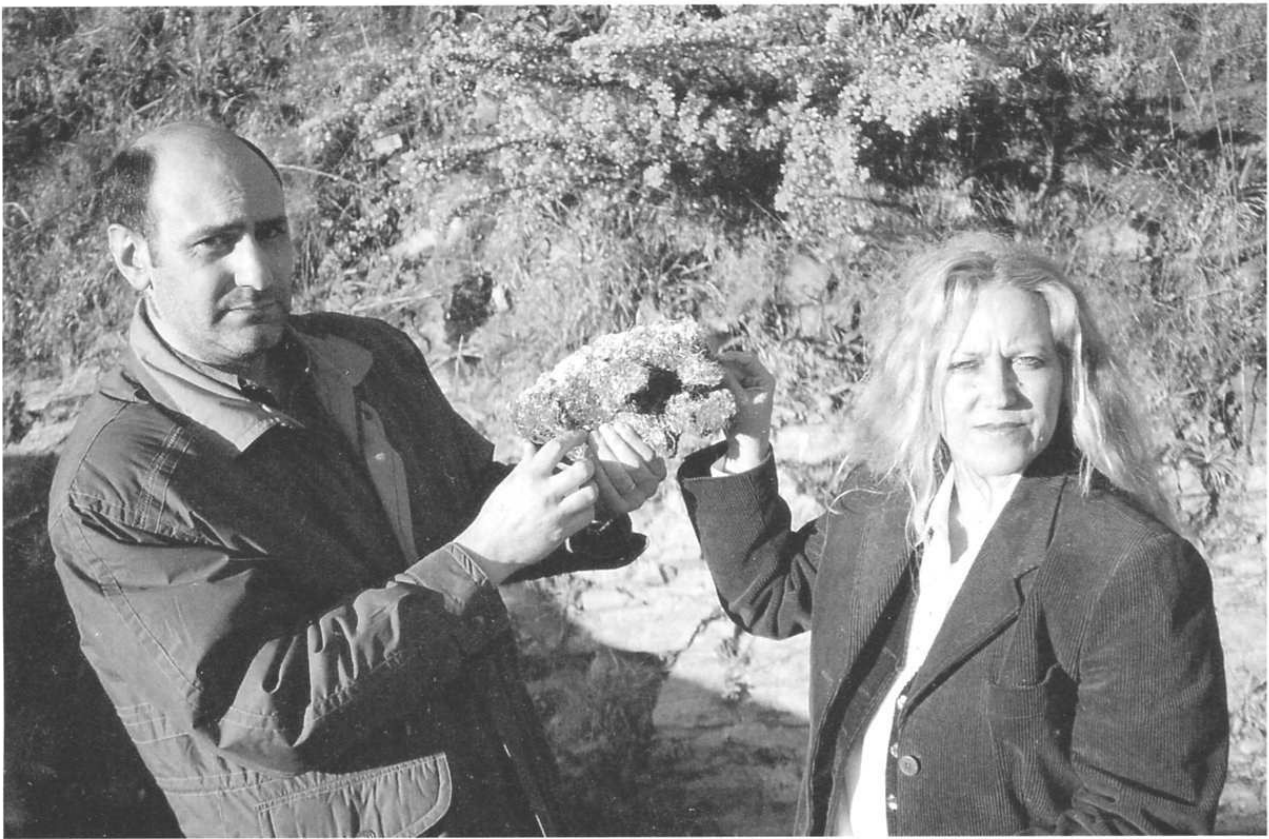
In another case, at 8.00pm on February 17, 1996, a resident of A Illa (a place in Entrimo municipality, in Orense Province) named José Bastos González saw a huge oval orange glow shining on the lower half of a high tension pylon on a neighbouring hill called Cabeza de Vella. And an hour later another resident saw "something like a fiery tree" on top of the same pylon.

Next day two other eyewitnesses, Sr. Faustino Pérez Estévez and Eugenio Alvarez Carqueira watched three strange globes moving about above the same peak. "They were like three orange balls that kept lighting up and then extinguishing. They were right in front of the pylon, and very near the ground. After a while they vanished and then came a single object, also orange, and shaped like two plates put together. This thing went up and down a few times and then vanished southwards, zigzagging towards the Sierra de Peneda range in Portugal."

A few days later, at the same place a large number of local people watched, for 15 minutes, and with total clarity, a huge orange ball above the same high tension pylon. It is curious that, at precisely the same time a powerful drop in the electric current was noted, resulting in the explosions of light-bulbs and explosions in five TV sets in houses in Entrimo.

Next day two eyewitnesses went to investigate and found strange footprints along a 300 metre strip of road between two pylons. But they seemed to be prints of no member of the terrestrial fauna! *They appeared to be prints of a foot or a hoof with three large toes with a membrane between them.*

Then, again, on February 26, 1996, at 2hrs 11mins in the early morning, a man named Andrés Morandeira of Guitiriz was driving home along a route he had followed hundreds of times. He says: "I came to a spot where road-work had been going on and suddenly I noticed that the front of the car was lifting up off the ground. I switched off the engine, to bring the car on to an even keel, and then I found that the whole car was up in the air, flying along above the road at a height of ten metres or so. As I was crossing above a bridge I switched the



Magdalena & Marcelino Examining One of the Large "Footprints".

engine on again. All was functioning normally and my headlights lit up the whole area round about.

Then I noticed that I was veering towards the left. I lowered my window. Below me I could see snow on the road and on the roofs of buildings. I looked upwards, but it was all dark. All you could hear was a faint hum, like a hair-dryer but louder. Again the car made a turn and I heard a loud blow on the shock-absorbers. By then I could no longer hear the hum, but I was not on the road, and not far along from where I had begun to rise. The time was now about 2.10am I think I must have been up in the air for 8 - 10 minutes as I had been moving very slowly. My watch had stopped working, and has never worked since."

It would be very interesting if we could get this man Andrés Morandera to agree to be hypnotized, and see what had happened to him in his car up in the air, and if we ever manage it we will report further.

We come now to unquestionably the most interesting and most spectacular case of the Galicia wave, the case of a simple rustic in the small village of Ferrerías, (Province of Lugo).

It was only a few minutes after midnight on March 7, 1996. José Manuel Castro Gonzalo, aged 38, glanced out of one of the windows of the house to have a look around before going to bed. But he beheld what seemed to be a small orange sphere hanging at a great height above the nearby Portonovo Peak. He decided to go down to investigate such a novel phenomenon, and also to tell his brother Cesáreo, but the latter was already in bed, so he carried on alone. Standing at the entrance to his property, he got out a small torch that he had in his pocket, and began to flash it to and fro towards the light (which was more multi-coloured now) shouting "*Come Down!*"

Come Down!"

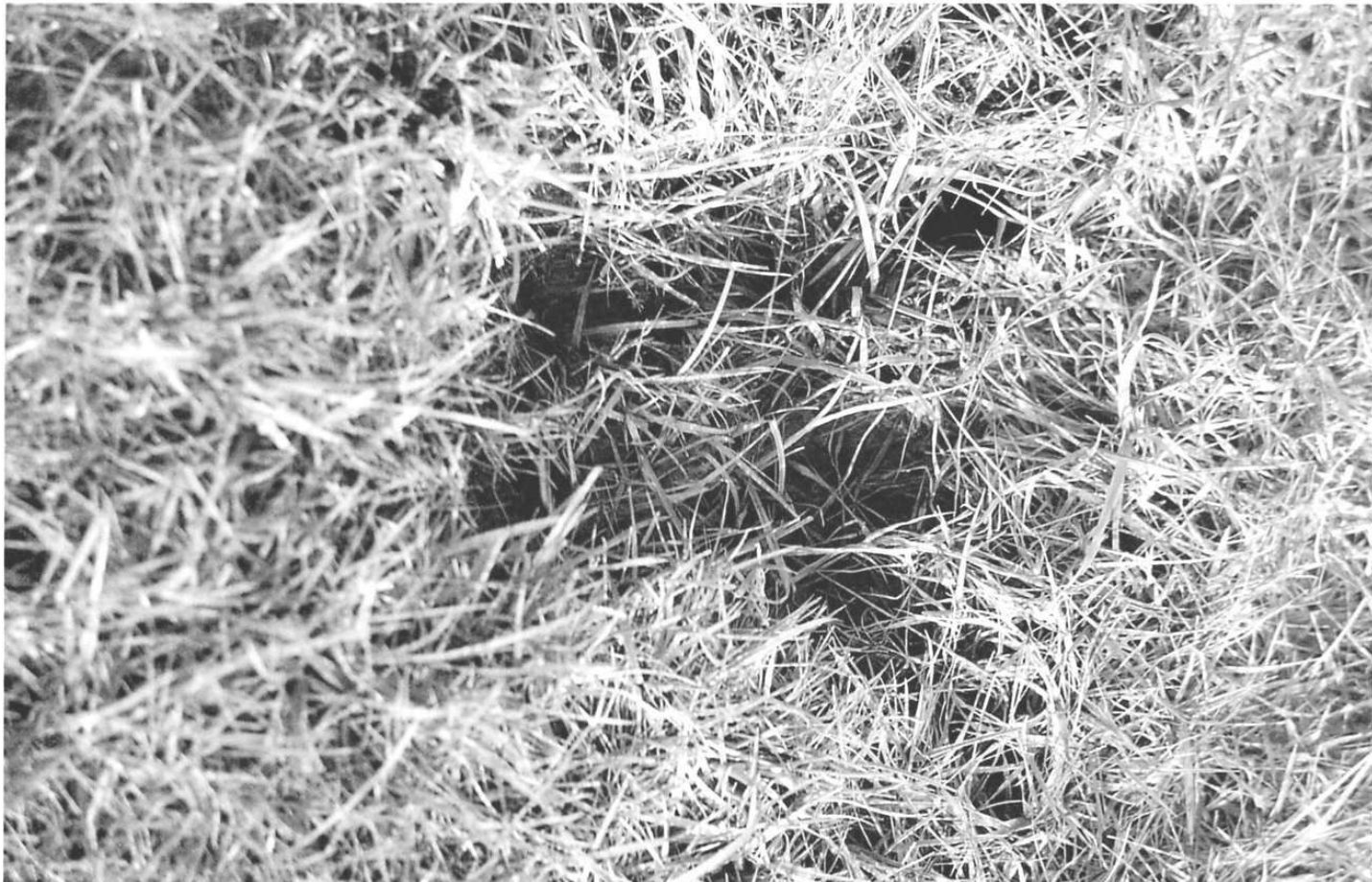
The globe appeared to be hearing his request and to his astonishment, began to move from left to right, in time with his own torch movements.

Suddenly the globe shot down and stopped a little above the trees and then began to move intently towards him in level flight, coming to a point only 57 metres from his house.

As the man described it, "**It was coming towards me, and blotted out the light of my torch. I began to run, and went into the house and from an upstairs window I saw it right there, just above those trees, and very low. It was huge, shining, like a house and there were some very tall men inside it... they were lying, face upward, one opposite the other, just as though lying in the drum of a washing machine. I think there were five of them but could only see two best as they were nearer the outside. I couldn't see the others inside because of the powerful light.... They were very tall... they would have been three metres - very tall... and I could see them already when the UFO started coming towards me.**"

The witness is adamant that the internal part of the globe was rotating very slowly and was emitting a very soft hum, like the hum of bees, and that the brightness of the craft lit up the whole countryside.

Some instants later, he continues, a sort of "**ramp of light**", "*like a rainbow*" as he describes it, formed underneath the craft, and down it, "**in slow motion**", came three very small beings which, once they had reached the ground, lined up in a row, hands on shoulders, "**just as though they were about to dance the Conga**". They started jumping like kangaroos, towards the other end of the farm. José Manuel,



The " Footprints " were deeply embedded.



" One whole field was full of imprints like this. "



Magdalena del Amo-Freixedo with Marcelino Requejo & UFO Eyewitness, José Manuel Castro Gonzalo.

unable to stand such an experience, was terrified and fled and took refuge in his bed, and did not quit it until dawn.

Next day an inspection of the area was carried out. And it is a curious and interesting fact that, at the spot where José Manuel had seen the creatures jumping about there were some strange footprints similar to those already found at Entrimo between the pylons. These enigmatic prints are of no species known to the local folk who incidentally are of course experts in identifying animal tracks, as all country dwellers are.

Apart from these footprints of the beings there are also other equally mysterious marks, distributed in an isosceles triangle, precisely at the spot where the eyewitness says he saw the glowing sphere.

In this particular case another important witness is Sara Jul, who says she saw José Manuel waving his torch to and fro and heard him shouting.

Likewise another woman, Mariá Fe Peya, barmaid in the local tavern, who, one hour before the event, went out to get a jug of wine from the stock-room and saw an enormous orange ball that lit up the whole Portonovo Peak. She took it indeed to be just one more of the forest fires that plague the region.

This, then, is just a sample of what is

going on here in north-western Spain (Galicia). In this unprecedented wave in which we have had over 100 cases reported, with dozens of photographs and filmings and reports of abductions, bedroom invasions etc.

Our own main investigations have been concentrated on these latter aspects - abductions and bedroom invasions - and in due course we shall report upon it all. ■

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM LARGE BATCHES OF SPANISH-AMERICAN PRESS-CLIPPINGS RECEIVED FROM JANE GUMA (JANE THOMAS) IN NOVEMBER 1994, AND JUNE 1995.

(Brief précis translations from Spanish. G.C.)

A WEIRD AFFAIR.

A family of European immigrants living as housekeepers for a building on the Calle Pico right in the middle of Buenos Aires had an extraordinary story to tell. Their 11-year-old grandson, Rubén Walter Rusin, a highly intelligent boy (top of his class at school and totally normal and bright) was just about to go downstairs with his aunt and his grandmother, on a brief shopping trip, when suddenly the boy, a few feet in front of them, was enveloped in a dark cloud, right there in the corridor, before the two women, and vanished. And was missing for 2 1/2 hours. The building and surroundings were searched thoroughly and the whole district alerted. Nobody had seen the boy.

Two-and-a-half hours later the aunt, Ana de Vraska, and the grandmother, Susanna Las, found the boy lying in the corridor precisely where he had vanished. He was lying beside a refrigerator. His flesh was unnaturally warm, and on each cheek of his face (the child is fair, of northern, blond type) there was a strange pale red circle.

All that the boy could say was that he had felt himself unable to move, lying on something soft and warm, like a mattress, and that there had been someone there with him invisible, but touching him and saying "Talk! - Talk! (apparently Spanish spoken with an incorrect foreign accent - "Hablá! Hablá!") He also said he felt some sort of earpiece being inserted in his ear, and heard the voice of the grandmother calling him.

From Argentine newspaper *La Crónica* (Buenos Aires, February 2, 1969). (Old report) [Credits: Roberto Banchs, (Buenos Aires); Jane Guma (USA)].

WHAT FERNANDO ARQUIBOLA GARCIA SAW WAS NO "MILITARY BUILDING" - BUT A UFO.....

By SIGURD VON WURMB (Engineer, Argentina).

Suddenly, about 100 or so metres distant, about 60 metres long, and about 20 m. high, he perceives a mysterious building. He is prospecting for minerals, but the Registry of Mines had never told him there was any Government building or military installation hereabouts! It had windows all around it, and yet it was standing on a sort of "tripod" !

When García had got to 75 metres from it, a "periscope" shot out of the top of it. And, a moment later, from one end of the 'building', " there comes an individual about 1m 90 in height and wearing a 'white asbestos suit' from head to toe and a glass visor in the helmet." A few moments later I heard an invitation in my own language, Spanish, to remain standing where I was, and to state who I was." He complied, giving his name, saying he had received permission to prospect there, and asked what the building was? In reply he received, as he puts it, "the sensation of a mocking smile", and was told that it "was no terrestrial military installation". And, although he was still 75m from it, the voice sounded as loud as though coming from a distance of no more than a metre from him. (The voice was of course, internal, "mental".) He asked if he could go ahead and begin prospecting beyond the building, but was again warned not to move from where he was. And the alien then gave García a little demonstration of power by pointing a sort of flashlight at a rock about 30 miles distant. "A bright white light flashed as the force hit the rock and the rock appeared to melt." García was not only terrified but felt paralyzed too.

A few moments later, he asked what sort of gun that was, and the reply came that it was "pure energy". The alien then asked him why he thought their machine must be "a military installation", and García replied: "Because its dull olive colour made it look like a research lab. or something of the sort." Again García got the telepathic impression of a 'smile', and he was informed that it was "a space-ship from another world; that they were having technical trouble that would shortly be fixed, and that this was the cause of the intermittent 'hum' that he had been hearing".

García was still trying to make out whether he could see on the craft any clues as to its propulsion system but could not, so he asked why this was so, and got the reply that the 'complex' which drove it was of course *inside*. There was absolutely no sign of any wings or anything of the sort.

García had of course heard about 'flying saucers' seen in the USA, and concluded that this must be one. It must, he felt, weigh many tons. Then the 'internal voice' came again: "*We have been flying over your planet for more than 2,000 years*".

García then asked where they came from. The only reply was that they "came from our Galaxy, and belonged to a planetary system with two Suns, one larger

than the other". The entity also gave García some coordinates so that he might find it on a star chart of our Galaxy. García also asked what was the name of the planet or planets from which they came, but the reply was unintelligible to him.

And García still stood there, and still went on pouring out questions, and the replies "exceeded any limits of our imagination, and we have no space in the newspaper to describe them".

Then, suddenly, the voice told García to go back to the bend in the ravine and throw himself on the ground and cover his ears. He says: "I did so, and a few seconds after lying down there I felt a kind of high-pitched pulsating hum that grew in tone. I noticed a heavy pressure on my head. It must have lasted for 30 seconds. Suddenly the pressure disappeared, and I looked up. Up there in the sky, at about 300 metres or so, was the "building". It remained there still for a few seconds. Its shape was lenticular, and it looked metallic. "As I said - of an olive green colour. But beneath it it had an emerald green light. Above it, the brightness was of a blood-red colour. The sky was still clear and limpid. Then after a few seconds, it headed towards the NW, and vanished".

From Paraguayan newspaper *Hoy* (Asunción), December 19, 1978.

[Credits: Roberto Banchs (Buenos Aires); via Richard Heiden (USA). Translation by Jane Guma (USA)].

LITTLE DWARFS IN A FLYING SAUCER.

One evening recently Señor Timoteo Ponce was driving homewards as usual across a desert tract near Tucumán when, a few miles from Loreto, something "that looked like an armour-plated vehicle" with flashing red, yellow and purple lights, descended from the sky and settled down on the highway at Kilometre 88 (stretch leading to Laprida, Choya, and Frias). And out of it came a lot of little dwarfs no more than 60 cms in height.

Ponce, a 70-year-old man and a veteran in Andean and desert travel, was seized with panic, and tried to flee, but in vain, because his legs simply would not work. He is unable to say how much time had passed before he recovered enough, just in time to see the dwarfs going up again into their craft, which was now emitting vast flashes of light. He then watched it take off and vanish into the skies. He was interviewed by *La Gaceta's* correspondent in Loreto. The latter's verdict: "No doubt about it. Ponce did see it!"

From Argentine newspapers *La Gaceta* (Tucumán, N.W. Andean Region), December 19, 1990, and *Semanario*, (Buenos Aires) of January 1, 1991. [Credits: Roberto Banchs (Buenos Aires), Jane Guma (USA)].

AIRCRAFT COMPUTER AFFECTED BY A UFO.

Such is the title of an article by Mexican journalist Luis Ramírez Reyes who writes regularly in the Mexican press about UFOs.

On February 5th, 1994, his story was about an experienced Mexican airline pilot who recently had an interesting experience, between 3.00 and 4.00 am, on January 1, 1994, when piloting a DC-10 from Tijuana to Guadalajara. His plane was equipped not only with the standard conventional radar, such as all commercial planes entering U.S. skies must have, but it also had **something new, which was installed in 1993. This new device is "TCAS" (conventionally pronounced as "TICAS"). He said it is a square device with a circle in the middle with yellow, red, and green segments.** Any aircraft approaching the plane from approximately a distance of 8,000 feet is recorded thereon, and if it comes to the red section the computer issues a verbal warning to the pilot so as to help avoid a collision, orders a change of course, and proposes, through the green section, alternative courses.

On the occasion in question, said this pilot, with a completely clear sky, the computerized minicomplex warned of "something" close by, at a distance of 100 ft. While he was reading it, and deciding on a change of course, the TICAS now suddenly warned that the "something" was right above them, still at the same distance of 30 metres or so. Then the instrument "started to vibrate like crazy trying to locate the intruder so as to be able to guide us". Such was the account given by a very experienced pilot. At no moment did he ever see the UFO, nor has he ever yet seen one visually, but he *has* seen them often enough on radar. And now, he says, he has also seen a UFO registered on this new device!

From Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City) of February 5, 1994. [Credits: C.A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA), and translation by Jane Guma (USA). (Précis by G.C.)]

DEAD ALIEN FOUND.

Luis Ramírez Reyes reports that in November 1987 a dead alien creature was found on the Mexican island of Cozumel (off the east coast, N.W. tip of Yucatan). Sr. Luis Moreno Luna and his wife, residents of Cuernavaca, claimed they had been on their honeymoon holiday on Cozumel in November 1987, and learned from local people there that, not long previously, "a greenish dwarf, about 30 cms high, had been knocked down by a vehicle and killed", and that the critter had been sent to the local museum, but no report about it was ever published. But the local folk also told them creatures of this sort were frequently killed there in traffic accidents! Luis Ramírez Reyes made some local enquiries via friends in Yucatan. The latter did confirm that such things had indeed happened, but no proof had ever been forthcoming, although plenty of 'lights in the sky' have been seen over and around Cozumel.

The view of the local folk there seems to be that these "little green extraterrestrials live in the lush tropical vegetation, and very often get killed when trying to cross a road". The critters are said to be "elves" ("*duendes*" in Spanish) or "gnomes" ("*gnomos*"), and a police patrolman was alleged to have crashed into a tree one day when trying to avoid hitting one!

[At first sight, such reports would seem just to be part of the world-wide belief-system regarding "*Nature Spirits*", etc. Nevertheless, in view of our reports from Puerto Rico of such little green critters being often seen there — including first-hand accounts of the corpse of one killed a few years ago, I think we would be wise to suspend all judgements for the time being! G.C.]

From Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City) of April 13, 1994. [Credits: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA) Translation by Jane Guma. Précis by G.C.]

VICTIM OF A UFO?

In a further article, Luis Ramírez Reyes reports that, during a radio phone-in discussion on UFOs, a man calling himself Isidro Araujo had claimed that, after a close UFO sighting by himself and four other young men from Villa de Reyes (a town in the Mexican region of San Luis Potosí) one of their group had developed a "killing headache" and shortly afterwards was found dead on a railway line, but with no apparent wounds on his body.

When the group later re-visited the scene of their UFO encounter "they saw that the tops of all the trees there were "burned". [Unconfirmed story. G.C.]

From Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City) of March 14, 1994.

[Credit: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA). Translation by Jane Guma. Précis by G.C.]

UFO CONTACT AT CUATITLÁN IZCALLI.

Luis Ramírez Reyes reports that recently a young man had come to him to recount the distressing details of what had befallen him and a companion years before, when both were aged 16. He had been working in an automobile factory in his home town, Cuautitlán. At 6.30 one morning he and a mate had been playing pelota when, surprised by a vivid light, they turned round and saw a craft about 5 metres wide hanging near by, a few inches off the ground. And, near by, were two small entities. These little men were about 1m.20 in height, with oblique eyes, a penetrating gaze, and in grey clothes with a sort of emblem on the breast. The heads were totally bald, but "not small —" i.e. of what would be a normal size on a larger being.

They heard a voice addressing them, in perfect Spanish, though no lip movement was detectable on the entities, and the voice sounded rather "like coming from some apparatus."

Among the things that he was told was that these beings were from another world and were here "*to prepare people of a new cosmic race*", and planned to be very much in contact with us. "Decía que venía de otro mundo para preparar gente de una nueva raza cósmica ... Planeaba estar muy en contacto con nosotros."

The voice also foretold certain events that the

young man said had indeed come about. One item referred to a future "heart problem" for President Ronald Reagan. [I don't recall that he ever had one? G.C.]

The young man, who never gave his name to Luis Ramírez Reyes, said he thought the encounter might have lasted about 20 minutes. Both of them had then seen the entities move towards their craft... and vanish as into thin air.

At his place of work next day the informant had an attack of convulsions. Being questioned by doctors, he finally was obliged to reveal his UFO experience, whereupon he was pronounced "a bit wacky", and "on drugs", whereas, as he told Sr. Reyes, the truth was that at that age — 16 — he neither smoked nor drank yet.

Subsequently he was given neurological and psychometric tests, but nothing abnormal was ever found in him. Nevertheless, it was insisted that he quit working and go for psychiatric analysis, as a result of which they finally let it be thought that he was a mental case. (Maybe, as Sr. Reyes suggests, this was done deliberately in the hope that he would finally accept that his experience had been an hallucination. AND THAT EVERYBODY ELSE WOULD ALSO THINK THAT).

Likewise his young friend had found himself mocked and rejected on all sides — by his family and also by people at his school.

However, it seems that by the time he came to see Sr. Reyes, both the informant and his friend were alright, and were leading normal lives.

From the Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City), March 30, 1994. [Credits: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA), and Jane Guma (USA). Translation by G.C.]

AN E.T. VISITS THE DOCTOR !

Luis Ramírez Reyes sounds decidedly naive when he tells us that, when visiting the city of Guadalajara recently, he learned about this case that allegedly happened to a prominent local doctor twenty years ago (and most of us will think a fine piece of hokum!)

Allegedly Dr. Leopold Díaz Martínez, a renowned local medical man, received a visit in his surgery by a being who claimed to have come "from interstellar Space".

It was midday, on October 28, 1976, and the doctor was just about to finish and go home, when the visitor arrived and requested immediate attention. He seemed to be a middle-aged man, with exceedingly white skin, and he was totally bald. The doctor thought his height might have been about 1.5m. His eyes, of a greyish-blue shade, were "very penetrating."

He asked the doctor to give him a general medical examination. He said he was 85 years old, and then added: "I am not from here, and don't ask me from where, because I can't tell you. My name is Llop Zarniet. There are still more planets in this solar system that you Earthlings have not discovered yet. There are beings like myself scattered around all over the Earth and trying to make contact with enlightened folk among you who

known without causing terror or trepidation in any of your species. We want to help with the general development of conditions in this world of yours and so avoid those misfortunes that might land you in chaos”.

This statement was “so revealing and disturbing” that Dr. Díaz contacted the United Nations and one of the U.N.’s committees sent people to investigate it. (The E.T.’s request for a medical check-up by the doctor had simply been a ruse in order to make contact.)

[NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR. Along with this material I have received from Jane Guma a detailed account from Richard Heiden who made a careful study of this story, and listed its absurdities. It may be a hoary old chestnut that is circulating in the world, just like the lovely tale-*never* pinned down and proved — about the “phantom hitchhiker”? Richard Heiden’s quotations of this case come from all around the world, and it seems that Dr. Díaz even got a trip to Japan out of it all, in 1978 or 1979!. How gullible can you get? G.C.]

From the Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City) of March 2, 1994. Credits: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico City), via Richard Heiden (USA) and Jane Guma (USA). Précis translation from Spanish. G.C.

ALIENS PELTED WITH STONES.

One night early in March, in the closing years of the 1980s, at Cholo, a small Andean village of the Potosí region in southern Bolivia, the local inhabitants observed a huge hat-shaped UFO pass overhead. A day later tremendous beings from another world appeared in Cholo. Juan de Dios Condori returned home from work and found his wife and children terrified by two beings in front of his door. These were not only not remotely human looking, but at least 2° metres high, with silvery clothing emitting blinding flashes. He ordered them off the premises, but heedless of him, they came on towards him. He shouted for help, and about a dozen neighbours came at once and formed a ring around the aliens and started pelting them with rocks and stones. While this did not seem to hurt the aliens at all, after a few minutes or so they both suddenly leaped up into the air and sailed away, their vivid clothing still visible from afar, until they vanished.

That night (as on the two preceding nights) a huge hat-shaped UFO again visited the village of Cholo, and when it departed at fantastic speed it made an indescribable *hum*. This sighting was confirmed by people all over the village and the Bolivian Police from Potosí who had come there to investigate these reports testified too that the facts were as claimed.

The sighting of this enormous UFO was also confirmed by a woman official, the university graduate Señorita Rosaria Carreño Mullch of the Public Security Dept., who said that she and everyone else had seen the huge UFO, travelling at an unbelievable speed. Likewise Major Guillermo Fernández Terán of the Potosí Police confirmed that he and the other officials had seen it. The mayor (alcalde) of Cholo, David Villa González, confirmed that UFO sightings were widespread

throughout the Andean regions of Bolivia.

From the Mexican newspaper *Novedades* (Mexico City), April 2, 1994. [Credits: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA) and Jane Guma (USA). Translation from Spanish. G.C.] Report by Luis Ramírez Reyes.

ALLEGED “CANCER CURES” BY ALIENS IN MEXICO.

Luis Ramírez Reyes reports that in November 1983 he and two named friends (both of them occupying very important posts in Mexico in the publishing and radio/TV media) made a trip to an “enigmatic and mysterious region” in north-central Mexico where the borders of the States of Chihuahua, Coahuila, and Durango meet. It is known as the “*Zone of Silence*”. And there they met and conversed with a man, a simple Mexican citizen named Santiago García Jr., born in Gómez Palacio, State of Durango, who claimed to have once encountered “two short aliens, a man and a woman, with skin like porcelain, who said their names were Orton and Wianna. They had frequently visited him in his house to chat with him. **And all they had ever asked from him was water!**

They had claimed, he said, to be from the planet UMMO (much written about already by the Spanish investigator Antonio Ribera and the French investigator Dr. Jean-Pierre Petit).

He said these two beings had taught him many things, *including how to heal*. One day they gave him the necessary knowledge with which he was able to heal two peasants from the region, — a region filled with magnetic rocks.

Sr. Luis Ramírez Reyes and his friends hired a car and drove out with Santiago García into the “Zone of Silence”. And García went on to describe to them the plants from which the aliens had told him to concoct a brew in order to give it to the two sick people. The latter had had to remain for one day in the “Zone of Silence” after taking the curative brew, and were duly cured of their cancers.

(Santiago García then told his visitors a strange thing - **he claimed to have taken fright, and therefore did no more healing.**)

He explained: “I asked the aliens rather to show me how I might help our people of Mexico in other general ways - for which task “a big change would be needed — a hope — and love, and compassion”. (To which no answer appears to have been given! G.C.)

Sr. Luis Ramírez Reyes concludes this story by adding that, during their trip to the region, he and his two friends did carry on a general investigation among the local populace living in their huts and shanties. **And he says these people did say that, from time to time, they had encountered certain beings two metres tall, clad entirely in white tunics, who asked them for water and then departed, leaving behind an agreeable aroma”.**

From Mexican newspaper, *Novedades Mexico City*), April 4, 1994. [Credits: Carlos A. Guzmán Rojas (Mexico), via Richard Heiden (USA) and Jane Guma (USA).]

TALL BEINGS ALLEGEDLY EXTRACTED BLOOD.

A young man named Bernardino Cabrera, aged 34, and generally respected for his honesty, was out of doors on an errand when a powerful reddish light descended on him from above. The time was 0.40am on July 20, 1994. It was a craft, and from it came two "gigantic" beings who took him aboard and laid him on a sort of "stretcher" and drew blood from him.

There was no spoken communication between them, but he says he understood what the beings were saying to him even though they did not move their lips and no sound was heard from them.

They told him that if he wanted to reveal the affair to the public, he could do so. "Some folk would believe him, some would not".

Cabrera was then set down on the main square of

Caleufú, in front of the Police Station. He went at once to the local hospital and was there seen by Dr. Juan Alberto Breppe, the doctor on duty. The doctor gave him a thorough examination after hearing his story, and found nothing wrong or abnormal. Interviewed a few days later by reporters from the media, the doctor stated that he had also found no signs whatever that Cabrera was drunk.

Reporters from the newspaper (*La Arena*) interviewed the Assistant Chief of Police Felipe Exner about the case. Exner confirmed the details of Cabrera's story, as given above, and commented:

"Cabrera is a young fellow, 34 years old — a humble worker, who does not possess much education, but he is not a bum."

From Argentine newspaper *La Arena* (Caleufú, la Pampa Province) August 20, 1994. [Credits: Roberto Banchs (Buenos Aires) via Richard Heiden (USA) and Jane Guma (USA). Full translation from Spanish by Jane Guma. Précis translation by G.C.]■

MYSTERIOUS "POWER-PLANTS" (?) DISCOVERED IN FAR NORTH-EASTERN SIBERIA

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(Translation from German. G.C.)

INTRODUCTION BY EDITOR OF UFO-NACHRICHTEN.

Today we present to our readers, in an exclusive and important report, details of some mysterious installations that have been discovered in Yakutia (far north-eastern Siberia). This is not a question of any sort of historical discoveries, but of objects directly connected with mankind and with our very near future. We also publish here for the first time some sketches of the installations, made by hunters. But in the course of the coming year we expect to be able to issue photos of the mysterious things. An expedition to the region is being planned, and a staff member of *UFO-Nachrichten's* editorial board will take part in it.

In the present article, Valeriy Uvarov has used material from various sources, including the Russian newspapers *Trud* and *Anomaliya* and the Moscow association, *Ecology of the Unknown*.

In the far Northeast of Yakutia, in the vicinity of Verkhniy Vilyuisk (63°40N, 121°20E. G.C.) there is an area, highly difficult to reach, which bears the traces of cataclysms of some kind - uprooted trees and shattered rocks lying around in a radius of hundreds of kilometres. From the earliest times this region has been known as

"*The Valley of the Dead*".

The native Yakut tribes themselves avoid this remote region. Legends that have spread from mouth to mouth among the people state that there is also a place there "*where a flattened arch sticks up out of the ground*". Beneath this arch are a number of metallic chambers in which, even when there is severe frost, it is as warm as in summertime.

In the days of old, the local hunters included adventurous spirits who had spent a night in those chambers. Subsequently they became gravely ill. And those of them who had spent *several* successive nights in there very soon died.

Another object described as being there has a regularly curved red rim. This rim is so sharp that one might trim one's fingernails with it. It sticks up so high out of the perma-frost soil that you can ride straight into it on your reindeer (see sketch).

FURTHER DISCOVERIES OF MYSTERIOUS INSTALLATIONS

Already in the 19th century, the well-known explorer of Vilyuisk, R. Maak, reported as follows: "*On the bank of the river Algyj Timirnit which, translated, means approximately 'A big cauldron has come down', there is indeed actually a gigantic copper cauldron or kettle (Kessel in German). Its exact dimensions are not known, as only the rim of it is visible above the ground-*

level. *There are, incidentally, said to be several trees growing on the rim of it.*"

Russian scientists from the town of Mirny, A. Gutenyov and J. Mikhailovskiy, reported about an elderly nomad who had visited the "Valley of the Dead", and who spoke of a "metallic cave in which there lie very thin, black, one-eyed men in metallic clothing".

And here are a few lines from a letter written by a man from Vladivostok, Mikhail Korezkiy, who had also visited the "Valley of the Dead".

"I was in that area three times. The first time, when I was ten years old, was in 1933. My father was at that time looking for work.

"Then, later, I was there again in 1939. And then, finally, in 1949 I was there with a group of young fellows. The so-called "Valley of the Dead" extends along the right bank of the river Vilyui, over a string of valleys and strips of pasture land.

"On all three occasions when I was there, we had a Yakut native accompanying us. We hadn't gone into the area out of a thirst for travel or for adventure, but out of necessity. Because it was possible to wash for gold there without the fear of being robbed or even murdered at the end of the mining season. (Simply because there was nobody else there!)

"As regards the "mystery objects" my guess is that there are quite a lot of them there. I myself saw seven of the "cauldrons" or "kettles" in those days. All were very enigmatic and mysterious. The average radius of them was about 6 to 9 metres. They are made of a metal that is unknown to me. I have heard it said that they were of copper, but I am not certain about that. You cannot break the stuff, and you cannot work it in a forge. If it had been copper my hammer would have left marks on it. But *that* "copper" was covered with a coating of some unknown stuff resembling *emery*. No oxidization coating was detectable, and you could neither scratch it nor cut it.

"We couldn't detect any deep-going shafts or chambers. But I noticed that the plant-growth around the 'cauldrons' was anomalous - that is to say, very luxuriant and twice the height of a man. Our entire party (6 people) spent a night in one of the 'cauldrons'. We felt nothing unpleasant, we were quiet and comfortable in there, and nobody became seriously ill afterwards."

"There was only one of the men - he had all his hair fall out three months later. And I myself got three small wounds, as big as match-heads, on the left side of my head (I slept on that side). I had medication on the three wounds, but today however they still are not healed.

"All our attempts to break off at least very small pieces of one of those remarkable 'cauldrons' were unsuccessful. The only thing I was able to bring away was a *stone*. But no ordinary stone. It was one half of a complete ball some 6cms in diameter. It was black, and it bore no visible traces of having been 'worked'. It was very smooth, as though polished. I had found it in one of the 'cauldrons'. I took this 'Yakutian souvenir' with us to the village of Samarka (Far Eastern Siberia) where my parents were living in 1933. It remained there untouched until my grandmother decided that she wanted

to build a house. It was necessary to put in panes of glass for the windows but there was not a single glass-cutter in the village. So I just chanced to hit on the idea of employing that stone hemisphere and tried to use its edge to cut the glass, and it worked marvellously. And so, after that, all our relatives and friends used it to cut their glass. Then in 1937, I handed the stone over to my grandfather. In the following autumn he was arrested and sent to the slave-labour camp at Magadan, where he died a year later. And so, alas, the stone was lost..."

In that letter, Mikhail Koretzkiy particularly emphasised that in 1933 the Yakutian guide who accompanied him five and ten years previously had also discovered some of the 'cauldrons' there. They were described as round, and sticking up high out of the ground. *And they looked as though new. Later, when he saw them again, they had cracks in them.*

ENTRANCES WITH CRACKLING STEEL LIDS.

Koretzkiy emphasises that the 'cauldrons' seen twice by him had in the intervening years sunk appreciably into the ground. Yakut tribal legends contain recollections of explosions, fiery tornadoes, and balls flying up into the air. And all these phenomena are in some way or other connected with the mysterious metallic constructions in the "Valley of Death".

Some of them were great round "metallic houses" standing on many side-struts. They had possessed neither windows nor doors, but merely a spacious stairway on the dome (see illustration). Some of these constructions have now almost totally sunk into the perma-frost ground, so that on the surface all that is now visible is the curvature, like a vault. *Various eyewitnesses — unknown to each other — who have seen these "thundering metallic houses" - are in total agreement as to their descriptions.*

Other objects that have been seen there looked like great metallic hemispheres scattered about all over the place. Nobody knows how these "thundering steel lids" were closed.

The Yakutian legends say that mysterious glowing balls came out of an aperture "spewing fire and smoke." From the same source there came also the "fiery tornadoes", which, from the descriptions, sound very much like modern atomic explosions.

Before each explosion or each series of explosions, say the legends, a fiery ball flew at top speed out of the iron opening and went up into the sky, like a thin column of flame — without doing any damage. An interesting question would be this — *was it always from the same "opening", or were there several of them?*

Then, say the legends, at the top of the pillar of fire there came a big "fireball". Then there would be four thunderclaps every time, until the "fireball" vanished, leaving behind it a long trail of smoke.

After that, away in the distance, you would hear a whole cannonade of explosions.

It is an actual fact that, in February, 1984, in the region of the River Tschon, several fishermen saw two enormous flying globes coming sailing over the hills from the north. Gathering speed, the globes then shot right up vertically, and vanished into the clouds. Probably such

sights were well known and seen in the days of old, and had been fused into the legends.

Also in 1984 (on February 26) a fireball was seen at a height of about 100 kms. in the sky over both Western and Eastern Siberia, and following precisely the same trajectory as the Tunguska object in 1908. Without touching the Earth, the fireball of February 1984 exploded over the area of the river Tschulym.

[*Note by Editor of FSR.* Is there any need to emphasise that this vast desolate, and well-nigh uninhabited region does contain the very area where the mysterious Tunguska explosion of 1908 occurred! The entire region is of immense interest to Russian scientists because, in respect of both flora and fauna and also of its very *geology*, it includes features and species of apparently enormous antiquity, and it may be that *geologically it is one of the oldest areas of the Earth's surface now above water and, indeed, may never have been submerged at all.* Some years ago, in one of his books on the Loch Ness Monsters and other unknown marine and lake creatures, my friend the British researcher Tim Dinsdale published my translations of articles from *PRIRODA* (the Russian scientific equivalent of Britain's *NATURE*) about recent close sightings of several unknown lake monsters, including one that is *identical* with our "Nessie."

These reports came from a lake on the Omonoyakan Plateau, right in the middle of this vast frozen region which is probably now the least known and least explored part of the Earth. Incidentally our Planet's coldest spot, its "cold Pole", is not at either the North or the South Pole, but is right here, in the Arctic Circle, at a place called Verkhoyansk. G.C.]

And when we peer back into the legends of Yakutia, we obtain knowledge of similar explosions and similar happenings. They agree to an astounding degree with what was reported both by the eyewitnesses of the Tunguska Explosion and of the flying object over the Tschulym River on February 26, 1984. "It shot with a noise like thunder straight up into the sky, with a blue fiery trail behind it followed by by roaring white fire and

red sparks. And the clouds were all lit up with reflected fire."

Incidentally, be it noted that the *direction* was also given, namely "over the rim of the yellow western sky" — that is to say, in exactly the same direction as was followed by the Tunguska flying body (1908) and the Tschulym River flying body (1984)

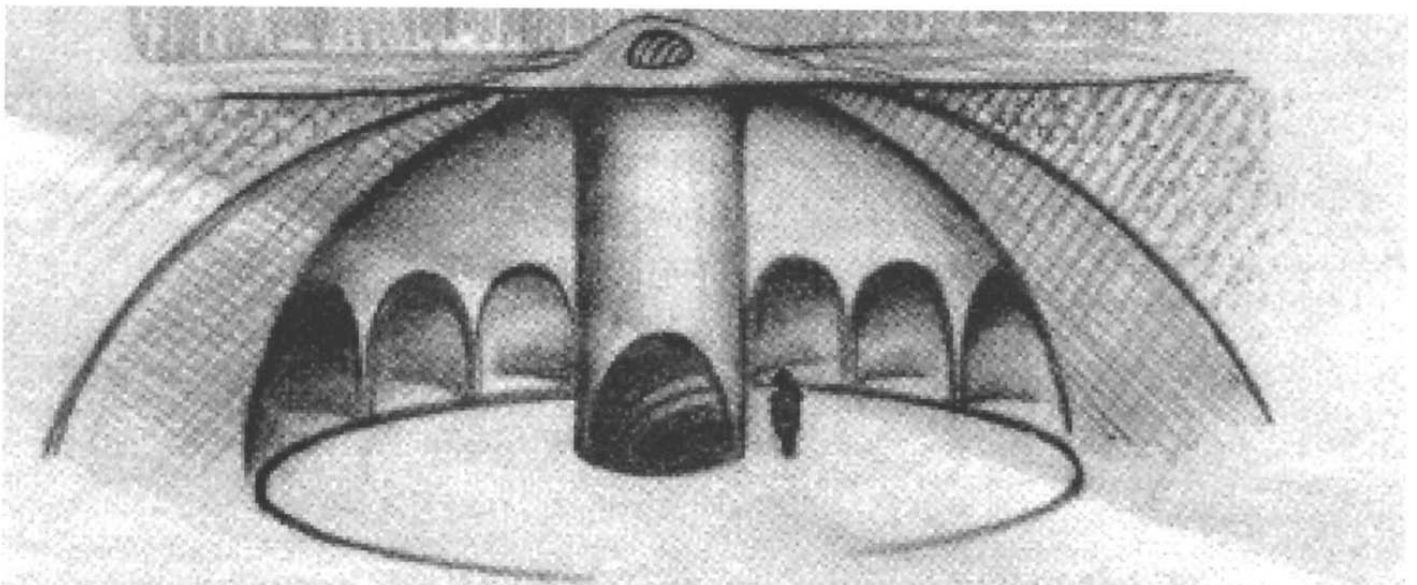
But how then could it have come about that it was precisely in this very same region that legends with such content could have sprung up? What is this "opening with a roaring steel cover out of which fiery balls came flying"? *In story and legend this region is known as the Valley of the Dead because the explosions destroyed everything round about over a radius of hundreds of kilometres.*

When a study of the *place-names* in the Verkhniy Vilyuisk area was being carried out, the original sounds and consequently the basic meanings of the place-names in the native languages were reconstructed, and it was found that the most important of the place-names coincided totally with the contents of the legends. This consequently means that the events described in the legends relate precisely to the Verkhniy Vilyuisk region. The marks and signs left in the region also point to that.

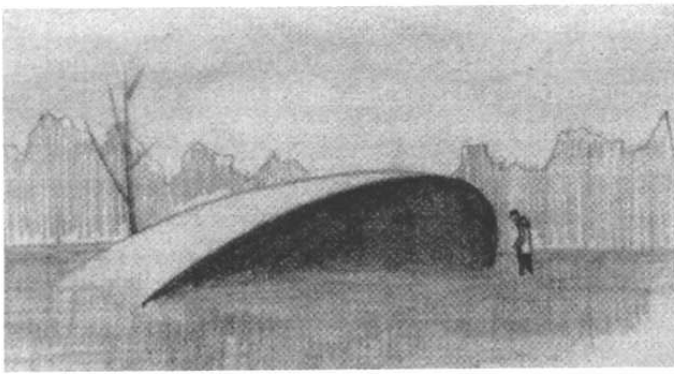
So what, then, are the remarkable "cauldrons" hidden in the soil of Yakutia? Are they parts of "flying saucers", as many Ufologists maintain? Or are they relic traces of another, age-old, civilization?

Gutenjov and J Mikhailovskiy assume that these constructions in the Vilyuisk region were a kind of age-old anti-asteroid defence, built either by Extraterrestrials or by some vanished ancient terrestrial civilization. These experts are of the opinion that these defence constructions are not working properly and are now, with their uncontrolled energy output, a danger to the indigenous population.

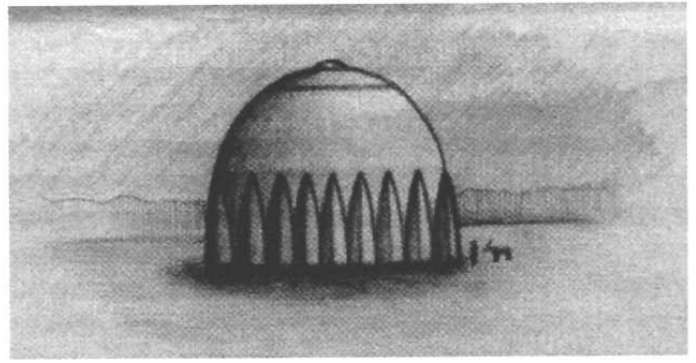
[**NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR** In a subsequent article I will give the views and opinions of some of the Russian researchers regarding this perfectly extraordinary story!. G.C.]■



"With metallic rooms where it was always warm, even in the deepest frost...but hunters became ill."



"The rim of one was so high that you could ride inside on your reindeer."



"Hemispheres of unknown metal, sticking up out of the ground."

REPORTED DISCOVERY OF ALIEN (?) CORPSE IN PUERTO RICO. (PART I)

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Jorge Martín today probably the most active and best known of all the UFO investigators in Spanish-speaking South and Central America, has very kindly given us blanket permission to translate and publish this and any others of his numerous reports, and we take the opportunity here to express our deepest thanks. Editor FSR.



Eighteen months ago, during a lecture that I was giving at the Universidad Metropolitana (University at Cupey, Puerto Rico) a young fellow handed me four photographs which, I admit, impressed me. They showed what seemed to be a strange corpse, obviously of a creature that had been dead for some time.

Intrigued, I asked him about the source of the photos, for they put me somewhat in mind of the "little Greys". The eye-sockets were similar, though sunken. There was almost no nose and the mouth had no lips or visible teeth. The hands had only four fingers, with membranes between them, and ending in pointed nails.

He said he had been given the photos by someone whom I knew, and he let me have copies of them, and thereupon I started my investigation.

I contacted the person who had given him the photos and that person told me an incredible story.

He said the photos were of an alleged alien being whom a member of his family had killed. This relative of his was a cattle-breeder in the north of the Island, who, around 1980-81, had lost a lot of cattle in a very strange way, seemingly mutilated in an indescribable fashion. (There have in fact been **many** such mysterious mutilations of cattle and other animals every year since 1975). He and two friends decided to keep watch, armed with 30/30 rifles, and one night they saw four very strange small creatures appear out of a ravine on the farm and go into a cowshed and bring out a small calf, **floating it in the air. The calf was rigid and was levitating between and slightly above the heads of the four creatures, which swayed and wobbled as they walked.**

The farmer fired several shots and hit one of them, which fell to the ground emitting extraordinary squeals. Simultaneously the calf also fell and the other three creatures started trying to help the wounded one as it lay



Personally, I have to say that the corpse in the photos did resemble one of the so-called "little Greys". I didn't believe him, however. And now I will state why.

PREVIOUS CONTACT WITH THE CASE

The fact is that, previous to my conversation with this young man, I had already the recollection of having seen a similar photo though different in detail. The corpse had been inside a long transparent glass container. It had been in the summer of 1980, during a conversation that I had with my friends "Pablo" and "Jason" - (not real names) both of them from Salinas - about some UFO cases that had recurred in that district around that time. They then showed me an interesting black and white photo, **with the same corpse**, but inside the container.

They said it was the body of an extraterrestrial that had been killed by a youth on a mountain behind the Campamento Santiago Base, in Salinas, in 1980. Salinas is in the far S.E. of the Island).

According to this version, the youth, when walking on a high hill, had encountered several little men ("hombrecitos") who had tried to seize him, and he had picked up a stick and struck one of them, smashing his skull. The other little creatures fled and the youth picked up the corpse and made off too. At home he had then put it into a container with alcohol and subsequently taken it to a friend, who for better conservation put it into a container with formol.

"Pablo" and "Jason" had given me the photo, and we had then gone to see a man who, so they assured me, **actually had the corpse in his keeping**.

We went to a suburb in the Las 80s sector of Salinas. The gentleman in question, Sr. Calixto Pérez, a chemistry professor, corroborated the story, but denied that the corpse was in his possession. My friends however, assured me that it **was** indeed in his possession, but that he was scared of the authorities.

There was no way, it seemed, in which I could get to see the body of the "E.T.", and so I began to have my doubts. It might, I felt, be the body of a little Tité monkey, or a human foetus, and so I put the matter out of my mind until recently, when I saw the new photos, which were **coloured**.

I spent a year studying the matter, and recently a businessman from Cayey told me about a friend of his, living in Salinas, a Sr. Rafael Baerga, who years ago had shown him a series of photos of an alleged extraterrestrial that had died in that town. Surprised, I got out my own photos and he said they were the same, but that there were many more of them!

Two months later, armed with the name Baerga and his telephone number, I finally contacted him myself by phone and he said **yes - he had 22 photographs of the dead little E.T. from Salinas**. So we arranged to meet at his house for a chat about it, and a few days later we did so. Baerga and his wife, a very pleasant couple, were waiting for my wife Marleen and myself and answered all our various questions.

He stated that the incident of the killing of the "little man" was true and that he had learnt about it,

contorting, endeavouring to get up, but unable to do so.

He and his friends fired again and the three other creatures fled, leaving the wounded one. It was still trying to get up, so he put another shot into it, in the neck. Then they came up closer to look at it. It was still writhing about in pain, so one of them struck it a hefty blow on the head with a stick, knocking a hole in its skull and finally killing it. One of them wrapped it up in some clothing and took it to the farm. And the farmer had held the corpse ever since, for ten years at first in formol and then later on ice, looking at it only occasionally, out of fear that the American authorities on the Island might get to hear about it, *"because they would have taken action against me for having covered up evidence like that"*.

On one of the few occasions that the farmer had had it unfrozen, he had let his young relative take several colour photographs of it.

Obviously, as will be well understood, if this story is true, it would be something of the very greatest importance for the study of UFOs in Puerto Rico and indeed in the entire world.

I asked him several times to try and get me an interview with the farmer, but I always received evasive answers to the effect that his relative "was too scared".

I explained to the young man (Alfredo Zayes, for this is his name) that I had heard another quite different story about the origin of the corpse, but he insisted that his version about his relative was the true one, and once again he refused, with various excuses.

somewhere around 1981 or so, via a lady, Señora Ada Zayas, who had mentioned it. She claimed that **her own husband, a Police officer in Salinas, had in his keeping the corpse of a little dead extraterrestrial in a jar**, which he had confiscated from a youth in order to investigate the matter himself.

Baerga, intrigued, asked her whether she could bring the container with the being in it and let him see it, and she agreed. In due course she arrived, with the container and, in it, the body of a strange little creature which, when alive, could have measured no more than 12 inches in height. Its cranium was very large, but crushed in by a blow which apparently had caused its death, and its other details were as already described above.

I asked Señora Zayas if I could be permitted to take some photos and she got the corpse out of the container and set it on a desk, where, along with other people, I took more than 22 colour photos of it from various angles and in different positions.

Baerga explained to me that the story, as he had heard it both via Señora Zayas and via the youth (nickname "*Chino*" - "Chinese") who had killed the entity and who would turn up later, was that "*Chino*" was up in the mountains behind the Santiago Military Base at Salinas. These are part of the mountains that contain the so-called Tetas de Cayey ("*Hills of Cayey*"). He was looking for Indian archaeological material there, **when he suddenly caught sight of several diminutive creatures about 12 - 14 inches high who tried to grab hold of him by his legs. He picked up a stick and hit one of them on the head and killed it. The rest ran away "extremely fast" and vanished.**

"*Chino*" picked up the little corpse and took it home and put it in a jar with alcohol, but as alcohol does not prevent decomposition he was worried, so he took the corpse to the chemist whom I have already mentioned above, and the chemist put it into a container with formol.

According to Baerga, he and all the other people present were in total agreement that what they were looking at was **no human foetus and also no monkey**. It was totally different, but **humanoid** in shape, with head, nose, arms, legs, etc. but clearly **not human**, and he said its skin was of a strange colour, and very tough.

Information about the matter was passed on to the former **Channel XI TV** programme, and arrangements made for their reporters to come and do a story on it, **but before they could do so, the Police officer Osvaldo Santiago - Sra. Zayas' husband - arrived and demanded the jar containing the body, saying that it was already under investigation.**

After that, Sr. Calixto Pérez arrived at Baerga's office and angrily asked that **he** be given the body, as he was going to write a book about its discovery and had come to an agreement about this with the young man.

He also asked Baerga to give him the photos that he (Baerga) had taken. After consultation on the matter with a judge, Baerga agreed, and, although he wasn't obliged to do so, he also gave him some copies of them, keeping of course also other copies for himself.

Baerga's photos, being in colour and clearer, made it possible for me to see that certainly the body in the jar was no ordinary foetus - and nor was it anything else that was known.

The being's head is too big for the body (by our standards) and the arms too long in proportion, terminating in hands with only four fingers joined together by membranes (webbed) and pointed nails. The eye-sockets were very large and almond-shaped and the bony structure of the face, though in some respects similar, was different from the human face.

There were no definite ears, merely the auditory holes with a little bit of skin attached to the cranium behind the holes.

When we managed to trace and contact Señora Zayas, she told us that her husband, the Salinas Police Officer Osvaldo Santiago, had died two years after that, murdered by criminals in Salinas. She went on to explain:-

"My husband appeared one day with the jar containing the "little man", and said that a boy had telephoned the Police about some problem to do with something that he had in his house in the "80s Sector". My husband went there to investigate, and the boy told him that he (the boy) had encountered "those things" in the mountains behind the Santiago Camp, and had killed one of them, while the rest had escaped. He explained that he had brought "this thing" back to his home but that during the night he and his sister had heard strange noises outside, as though somebody was trying to get into the house, and that they were both convinced that somebody, or "something", had been looking for the "little man". Scared, he and his sister had then telephoned to the Police and my husband went there and found the thing very strange, so he took the jar off the boy and brought it back to Police Headquarters for investigation."

Señora Zayas emphasised that so far as both she and her husband were concerned (and her husband had much experience of cases involving foetuses and abortions) **that thing was no foetus**. To her it looked like an adult man but only 12 inches high.

Subsequently, the chemist went to Police Headquarters and demanded that Santiago give him the jar with the creature, claiming that it was his property. And Santiago gave it to him.

Some days later Santiago told his wife not to talk about the matter any more, as orders had come from "higher up" in the Police Force to "leave the case alone", as it "was being dealt with at an even higher level - apparently at the military level" - and that "they (the military) would handle the affair from then on."

GOING BACK TO THE BEGINNING

In view of all this, I made a fresh attempt to link up with Calixto Pérez, whom I and "Pablo" and "Jason" had visited in 1980. Thanks to a confidential friend in Salinas, I found him, and he confirmed to me the story of the youth who had met the beings in the mountains. he said: "It was in that region that

they call "La Explanada" - near the Tetas de Cayey (Hills), near some caves up there." And he said something more:-

"I had the jar with the little man in it here in my house for some time, and I can tell you it was definitely no foetus. I had had a bellyful of seeing foetuses of babies, at various stages of development, at the University of Puerto Rico, and that wasn't anything like a baby, no Sir!" (As I have mentioned, Calixto Pérez has academic qualifications).

He went on: "Its skin had a rough aspect, about the same colouring as ours, but with a faint light greenish tinge..... and I stress that this wasn't due to the formaline. That's how its skin was, that was its shade. It had only four fingers, and its arms were very long - that's not human. In my opinion it was something extraterrestrial.

"Its cranium, its head, was too big for the body, which was small and skinny, and its eyes were too big. As regards the nose, well, it didn't have an actual nose, but the nasal orifices, and I can definitely say this wasn't because it had entered the decomposition stage and the nose had come away from the body, but simply because it *hadn't got a nose* - that's how it was".

Calixto kept the mysterious corpse in his house for some time, with the idea of writing a book about the affair and about other strange incidents that had happened in the region, but when it got known that it was he who had the creature's body, he began to receive threats from some of his neighbours. And on one occasion, a very tall and thin, and olive-complexioned and somewhat mulatto-type of individual arrived in a black Chevrolet car and said: "They tell me you are involved with flying objects? Watch your step about that." ("Tenga cuidado con esto.")

Calixto continued: "From the tone in which he said that to me I interpreted it that my life was in danger. He wanted to go on talking to me, but I just kept quiet and gave no reply and he got into his car and left.

"Sometime later, the jar and corpse and the photographs vanished from the place where I had hidden them. Maybe someone known to me and to whom I had confided the story came in one day and removed the evidence or maybe it was the authorities...."

Owing to the threats and the strange turn the affair had taken, Pérez was scared and, mindful of the dangers for his own security, he decided not to write the book and to forget the whole thing.

COMMENTARIES

The witnesses whom I have interviewed claim that the creature, preserved in its bottle, vanished mysteriously - something that does indeed occur frequently in cases of this sort, but we have confidential information that an individual in the northern part of the Island has got the creature, hidden away. According to our source, this individual is aware of the importance of the corpse, but is fascinated by it, and refuses to hand it over, for scientific analysis, fearing that it will never be returned, and also fearing

lest certain Governmental agencies that are concealing all these sort of matters might take action against him.

Nevertheless, we are attempting, via intermediaries, to persuade the person to let us take samples of the skin and the bony structure of the specimen, so as to have them analysed by a professional laboratory and thus clear up, once and for all time, any doubt regarding the origin of this mysterious corpse.

What put paid to my own initial doubts, namely that the remains might be of a foetus, was this fact: every one of the eyewitnesses - most of them very sound, serious folk, professionals in their own fields, and possessed of academic qualifications - is sure, having made a close inspection of the shape, that it is not the foetus of a baby.

Furthermore, the Police Officer Osvaldo Santiago had received training in the Puerto Rico Police in connection with cases of childbirth and everything related to it, and he did emphasise at the time to his wife, Sra Ada Zayas, that not in the remotest way did it resemble a foetus. The semi-greenish colour of its skin was described by all of them as being something natural and not due to the effect of the formol in which it had been kept.

Some years ago, Sr. Baerga showed the photos of the corpse to a recognized veterinary expert from the Puerto Rico Capital (San Juan) and the latter said that it was neither a human foetus nor an animal. And he was unable to identify it as anything known. Similarly, Sr. Baergas' son, who was at that time a medical student, showed the photos to several medical professors of the Medical Sciences Centre in Rio Piedras, who were likewise unable to say what the photos were of.

We, for our part, have also shown the photos to different specialists, including paediatric doctors specializing in childbirth, and zoologists, and others, asking them to give an opinion about the corpse, and in our next issue of this journal we shall give their conclusions.

Anyway, one thing is certain: something did happen on that occasion up there on the heights in Salinas.

And there are also still other eyewitnesses, who have not wanted to be mentioned publicly, and who corroborate what we have reported here about the source of the corpse.

Let us not forget that the Police Officer Santiago told his wife that "higher levels" of the Puerto Rico Police had ordered that the case be "left alone" because seemingly "it was being handled by Federal and Military personnel of the United States"..... and this of course brings us to certain other considerations concerning this significant case.

The area where "Chino" encountered the little critters is known for the great number of UFO sightings reported by the inhabitants of the region. This zone, and the Campamento Santiago, which is the Base in Salinas, for the Puertorican National

Guard and for the U.S. Army Reserve, has for many years been the focus for countless incidents involving UFOs, of all types, from sightings all the way to encounters with strange beings.

Officers and soldiers based there permanently or during training have told us about these incidents. Included among them is the near-landing of an enormous boomerang-shaped UFO, very brightly lit up, which remained at a low altitude right above a tamarind tree in the military training area, before the astounded eyes of many soldiers, and there were also flying saucers on the runways of the base's airfield. On other occasions one of the mountains has appeared to open and from it luminous UFOs have been seen to emerge and vanish into the skies.

Also big flying-saucer type UFOs have been seen, (by personnel of the Albergue Olímpico Hostel located near by) arriving in the region of the Base in the early morning hours. Police have also seen them - and staff of the Salinas Toll Gate Service, and members of the public travelling on the Las Américas express. Many conductors have seen huge triangular objects and craft of flying-saucer type above their cars and above the mountains. (These mountains include the rocky promontories known as Las Tetas de Cayey.)

There are also the accounts given by vehicle drivers of encounters with beings similar to what is described in this article, but bigger (three to four feet.) Among them, the case of the salesman Edwin Almenas Gutiérrez, in 1977, in which the being appeared in a shining ball of light and said something to Gutiérrez in a language unknown to him and pointing insistently towards the mountains where, later on, the little critters appeared, one of whom was killed by the young fellow "Chino" referred to above.

Another eyewitness, a Sr. Juan Gonzáles, from Caguas, had, while driving his car, a fleeting encounter there with a similar being. It was late at night, and he

saw what he thought was a *Volkswagen* car with brilliant lights, beside the road, and what seemed to be a small child beside the vehicle. But when he came up to the *Volkswagen* he found that it was in reality a small oval-shaped object with an open section emitting a yellowish light.... and the "small child" was in reality a little man with a big head and sheathed in a white one-piece garment. Seeing what it was, González drove on without stopping.

(And another example of what is happening in the region around the Campamento Santiago Base is to be seen in the article on page 42 of this issue of *Evidencia OVNI* about the UFO observed in the restricted zone of the Santiago Base, in 1993, by the late Terrall W. Eckener, the editor of the U.S. journal *The Ufologist*.)

For the past two years the mountainous region near Las Tetas de Cayey (where there are alleged to be the caves into which the little critters went) has been controlled by military personnel, and the only explanation for this that has been given, is that the sector was going to be used as a "training area". People living in the neighbourhood have said that they have seen military personnel entering the cave at the feet of the Tetas de Cayey. A coincidence?

At the very least we must ask ourselves the question: do the authorities know of the presence of these creatures there, and have they a hand in the business? We are continuing to investigate this angle.

[In our next issue: statements by doctors, biologists and zoologists about the features of the dead creature in the jar.

And-another question: Extraterrestrial or an Elemental?]

NOTE BY EDITOR. FSR

Unfortunately I have not seen the following issue of *Evidencia OVNI*, which is No. 4, so I cannot yet provide these further comments.■

PRINCIPAL FEATURES.

- 1) Macrocephalous cranium.
- 2) Large almond-shaped cavities for very big eyes.
- 3) Large and prominent cheek bones (unlike structure of human face).
- 4) Arms very long in comparison with those of humans.
- 5) No lips. And no teeth visible.
- 6) Height only twelve inches.
- 7) Skin shiny and rough, and of a strange creamy tint with tinges of green.
- 8) Hands have only four fingers -small and terminating in sharp claw-like tips.
- 9) No nose; merely nasal orifices.



AN EARLY BRITISH NAVAL SIGHTING

By GORDON CREIGHTON

At the time when FSR was being launched, in the spring of 1955, I was working — after a diplomatic career on four continents — in an Intelligence post somewhere in the governmental and administrative heart of London known as Whitehall. The name of the organisation where I was employed and the nature of my duties there are not matters that need to be chronicled here, and it will perhaps suffice if I say that, being in central London, I was well placed to make social contacts with people of various services, including officers of the CIA and of the American Air Force Intelligence.

Having once seen something extraordinary in the sky (in the far west of China, no less than fourteen years before FSR began) my mind was already much taken up with the problems of the “flying saucers.” And, among these officers and officials whom I was meeting outside of as well as inside office hours I found that there were some who were evidently pretty knowledgeable and who took more than just a superficial or passing interest in the “saucers” and were even very willing to discuss them seriously, although I noticed that, naturally enough, they seemed far more keen on ‘pumping’ other folk than on releasing much information on the subject themselves. In other words, they were already “cagey”. (I emphasise again that these officials were invariably encountered on purely social occasions, for my own work was in no way connected with them, secret though it was, and none of them were ever met in the course of my duties.)

It must of course be borne in mind that those were still very early days in the UFO business. The meetings of the famous “Robertson Panel” of scientists in the USA only took place in 1953. Things were fluid still, “the lid was by no means fully screwed down yet”, and lots of stories and reports were getting into the newspapers which would assuredly never get into them now, and people in uniform were correspondingly more relaxed still and not yet quite as much on their guard as they would be in later years.

In the summer of 1958, on a social occasion, while taking my vacation in a country not far from Britain, I met another American officer — a captain in the U.S. Air Force Intelligence, with whom I had a very interesting chat for an hour or so on UFOs. He told me that he had had a personal encounter with a “foo fighter” when about to land his plane on an airfield near Tokyo in 1946, very shortly after the defeat of Japan. He told me that, at a certain moment, the “foo fighter” exploded right in front of his aircraft. He said the whole area beneath and round about was combed exhaustively by American troops and Japanese police, but not a scrap of the enigmatic intruder was ever found. In the famous Brazilian case at Ubatuba, (1) in September 1957, on the other hand, it will be recalled that the “foo fighter” fell right on the shoreline, between sea and land, and a good proportion of it

was recovered and, as we were subsequently informed by APRO, was being analysed in a Brazilian laboratory. (Further reports were promised, but I never saw any, and this did not surprise me!) We gathered however that the main constituent of the object was the easily combustible element *magnesium*.

I then told the American Air Force Intelligence officer about the strange sight that I (along with two other Europeans) had seen in the sky over a city in the remote interior of China at about noon one day in the summer of 1941, (2) and he listened with evident interest and asked many questions, but refused to speculate. I was left with the impression that he already “knew a lot”.

ADMIRAL LORD LOUIS MOUNTBATTEN.

One of the earliest “big names” that we heard mentioned in connection with the “flying saucers” was that of Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten. He too — so it was said — “knew a lot about flying saucers”, because the British Navy possessed photographs of them in flight over the sea, and also sometimes at rest on the surface of the water.

My own (unpublicised) association with FSR had started with the very establishment of the journal in 1955. I had filled in a subscription form and sent off my cheque, and in due course, as a subscriber, I began to receive from their first secretary Brinsley le Poer Trench (later Lord Clancarty) my FSRs, from No. 1 onwards. My first contributed item appeared in issue No.2 (Vol.1 No.2) but it was to be a good many years before my name was given in the journal — not, in fact, until I had ceased to be a civil servant.

As for Lord Mountbatten’s great personal interest in our subject — we knew with certainty that this was true, for he had asked to receive FSR, and a copy of every issue was accordingly sent to him right from the beginning. (Nor was he the only person in those very highest levels among our national leaders who had expressed such an interest, and who consequently also received every issue of FSR right from the commencement.)

A STRANGE STORY.

A distant relative of mine (now dead) had served in the Royal Navy in World War II. Not long ago, just before his death, he told me a strange story which I think should now be placed on record, as it agrees so closely with some of those tales and rumours that were heard in Whitehall during the 1950s. He said, simply, that he knew a colleague, another British naval officer, who had worked in the early post-war years in the main building of the Admiralty — which, as I should perhaps explain for the benefit of foreign and overseas readers — was in those days the administrative headquarters for the Royal

Navy and is in Whitehall. This officer told my relative that, on a certain occasion, in the Admiralty, he happened to visit the room of a very senior officer in the Royal Navy, and there, right on the great man's desk, he saw what he ought not to have seen — files on the subject of UFOs, and photographs of strange disc-shaped objects on the surface of the sea.

THE ALLEGED LANDING ON THE MOUNTBATTEN ESTATE.

After the murder of Lord Mountbatten by the IRA terrorists in 1979, FSR published an article by Desmond Leslie, (3) giving the details of an extraordinary affair regarding which we had already heard vague rumours over a good many years past. A UFO, or UFOs, it seems, had landed briefly in the grounds of the Mountbatten estate, at Broadlands, in Hampshire, Southern England, one snowy day during the 1950s, and an occupant of the craft had spoken to an Army NCO, Sergeant Briggs, a member of the Admiral's outdoor staff. According to Desmond Leslie, when Lord Mountbatten heard of the encounter, he at once sent for Sergeant Briggs and got him to make a full statement, of which seven copies were prepared. Briggs signed all seven copies, and was permitted to keep one, while Lord Mountbatten placed the other six copies in a drawer of his desk.

CONFIRMATION BY CHARLES GIBBS-SMITH.

When the Directors of FSR held their next board meeting, they were able to hear direct confirmation of this affair. For our colleague and fellow director Charles Gibbs-Smith reported that he had traced Sergeant Briggs and discussed the matter with him, and had seen his signed copy of the Report which Lord Mountbatten had drawn up. Several of us urged Charles Gibbs-Smith to put this important piece of corroborative evidence down in writing at once, so that it might go on record in our journal, and it is a matter for very great regret that our much-loved colleague, already a sick man, was apparently unable to attend to this before he died. This brief note must serve therefore for the record.

EVIDENCE OF THE ROYAL NAVY'S INTEREST IN UFOs.

Traditionally the Royal Navy has been known as the "Silent Service." Although we have all heard so much evidence to indicate the great interest taken by all Air Forces, and for many years past, in anything of a 'ufological' nature, only rarely have we heard of *Navies* taking an interest in such matters. Although a cursory glance through the history of our subject will show that at various times there have been reports of investigations by the naval authorities in the USA, Canada, Brazil, Argentina, and Chile, to name just a few, never, it seems, has there been mention of the British Navy.

THE ARTICLE IN URANUS

Recently, when leafing through the pages of *Uranus* (the early mimeographed UFO magazine, long since defunct, which was edited in the mid-1950s first by Eric Biddle and later by David Wightman) I came across the

interesting little story which I reproduce below. As will be noted, it is said to have come from a German press source but most unfortunately, though the name of the German newspaper is given, there is no reference to the date of either the paper or the alleged report. However, many readers may feel inclined to think, as I do, that the story *sounds genuine*. We must bear in mind that those were still the very early years of the UFO Phenomenon. The official clamps of secrecy only began to be effective around 1956-57, and in the seven years that had elapsed since Kenneth Arnold's famous sighting in July 1947 many extraordinary reports had got out that certainly would not stand the slightest chance of doing so today.

I have no idea what the circulation of *Uranus* was, but it was certainly very small. It was a simple little mimeographed magazine on very poor paper, and it is likely that few copies will have survived. If we do not give this report wider circulation by reprinting it now, it will probably be lost and forgotten altogether. If we print it now, there is always the possibility that one of our German readers may be able to trace the original item in the *Speyerer Tagespost*, and if we take it from there we may be able to find out more about the story and learn from where they got it.

Who knows? The possibility is not excluded that this story in a German newspaper concerns the very same UFO sighting and the same photographs about which the British naval officer from the Admiralty spoke to a member of my family a quarter of a century ago.

A BRITISH NAVAL SIGHTING COMES TO LIGHT.

(This report first appeared in the *Speyerer Tagespost*.)

Three British submarines returned to Plymouth after manoeuvres held off the Bristol Channel. The Commander, Captain Chelwan. (5) reported to his Admiral that he had seen "Flying Saucers" floating on the sea approximately eleven nautical miles south of Lundy Island. He was able to take two photographs showing the objects.

The research organisation on UFOs, formed about a year ago in London and attached to the Admiralty, confiscated the film at the Admiral's request, and decided that the photos would be studied, evaluated, and released for publication (6) at a later date. In the meantime Captain Chelwan was ordered to treat his encounter with the UFOs as a military secret and to instruct his officers and men accordingly.

Before the order was imposed, however, a newspaper man obtained a five-minute interview with Captain Chelwan, and here is the Captain's story:-

"We surfaced near Lundy Island, and, on opening the hatch, my Engineer and I noticed, about a mile to the S.W., two silvery discs floating on the sea. As the sun was shining on the ripples, I thought at first that it was a light reflection, but presently we both heard a buzzing sound. We quickly grabbed our binoculars and examined the objects. They were shaped like a disc slightly elevated in the middle, and had no windows, portholes, or other apertures. **The elevated middle portion was stationary,**

but the flat outside portion, surrounding the middle part like a collar, rotated slowly on the water.

“We thought the objects measured approximately 100 ft. across, the middle portion appearing to be not bigger than one tenth of the whole disc. The outer portion surrounding the centre piece appeared not to be attached to it, as there was a gap between them measuring about two feet.

“I must say we were very much surprised at the sight of those objects, and officers and men crowded (7) the deck staring as if they were hypnotised. As the whole “show” took only 80 seconds, it was impossible to form a sober judgement. Their origin seems to be a puzzle; technically they seemed far above anything we knew. We all thought immediately that they were Flying Saucers. I intended to give an order to go at them full ahead and, if possible, get alongside them, but the buzzing sound became higher and more urgent, until the pitch was so high that it could not be heard any longer. The two discs mounted horizontally, turned sideways at about 300 ft, and disappeared in twenty seconds at a speed which I estimate to be at about 2,000 mph. At the same time a reddish glow surrounded the objects. (8) The Admiralty declared that the sighting was to be treated seriously and the evaluation of it would take some time.”

NOTES AND REFERENCES

1. See FSR, Vol. 6, No.4 (July/August 1960), page 21.
2. A brief account of this sighting has been given by Robert Chapman, Science Correspondent of the London *Sunday Express*, in his book *Unidentified Flying Objects* (pub. Arthur Barker, London, 1969) and later as a Mayflower paperback under the title *UFO: Flying Saucers over Britain?* (also 1969).
3. See Desmond Leslie: *Did Flying Saucers Land at*

Broadlands?: Alleged Encounters on the Estate of Earl Mountbatten of Burma. In FSR Vol 26, No. 5 (January 1981).

4 See *URANUS*, Vol.3 No.3 (December 1956). Editor David Wightman. A mimeographed twenty-page bulletin issued six times yearly by Markham House Press Ltd., 31 King’s Road, London SE3.

5. This name *Chelwan* should be an important clue. I asked the department of the Ministry of Defence who deal with these matters whether they could assist me by tracing an officer of this name, and I received an extraordinarily prompt reply that they had no record of any officer of such a name having served in the Royal Navy. It is very much to be hoped that one of our readers who has more leisure than we at FRS do (our number is very small), and who has access to old issues of the *Navy List*, might be able to effect a more convincing search for us, and tell us whether they have any success.

6.....”released for publication....”OH YEAH We seem to have heard of such assurances on plenty of other occasions!

7. Remember that this UFO report dates from the early or mid-1950s, that is to say, from a time when very little had yet been published about the details of UFO appearance or UFO behaviour. Read this alleged naval officer’s account carefully, and note how numerous are the features that today strike us as familiar, because we have seen them in so many other reports. If it be claimed that someone in Britain or Germany faked this story, then one can only say that he must have already been remarkably well informed on various aspects that can have been known only to a very few folk indeed at so early a date.

8. How often since then have we seen mention of this change of colour towards red as UFOs accelerate! G.C.■

YOUTH OCCULT INVOLVEMENT CAUSE FOR ALARM IN FRANCE

By Diana Geddes (National Catholic Register’s Correspondent in Paris)

From the National Catholic Register (August 25, 1996)

During the night of June 8, the body of 77 year-old Yvonne Foin was dragged from its tomb in Toulon’s Catholic cemetery in the south of France, ripped out of the coffin where it had lain peacefully for 20 years, and had an inverted cross — the sign of the devil — driven through its chest.

“We wanted to have some fun by ‘doing’ a corpse” one of the four youths, all reportedly from “good” Toulon families, explained to the police without any trace of remorse.

The four youths, who believe themselves to be demons, begotten by Satan, profess a vicious hatred for all “Christians, Jews and Moslems, who are just cattle to be slaughtered.”

This summer, half a dozen cases of inverted

crosses and satanic symbols daubed on tombs have been reported around France. Some 200,000 French youths are believed to engage regularly in ghoulish “role-playing” games, centered on death and Satan.

FRENCH INTEREST IN THE OCCULT.

The decline in organised religion (fewer than one in 10 of the French attend Mass regularly); the break-up of the family; the collapse of secular ideologies like communism; and science’s inability to explain the “true meaning of life,” have helped spawn an explosion of interest in the occult and the para-normal, becoming a source of increasing alarm in France.

An estimated 10 million French people consult clairvoyants and mediums every year. Half the population

claims to believe in faith-healing, telepathy and astrology — as many as believe in God. More than a third believe dreams can predict the future and a quarter are convinced their fate is written on the palms of their hands.

Of greater concern to authorities is the spread of exotic, not to say bizarre, cults and quasi-religious groups, many of them imported from the United States. A French parliamentary report, published earlier this year, identifies 172 sects in France, with an active membership of 100,000 and a further 100,000 sympathisers — 60 percent more than 15 years ago. Some put the membership figure nearer to 600,000.

After reviewing recent episodes of cult-inspired violence around the world, including the mass murder-suicides in the United States (Waco, Texas), Switzerland, Canada and France, the report urged the French Government to put a stop to “what many believe to be a veritable flood tide developing within its core.” Of particular concern, as the new millennium approaches, are doomsday groups such as the Order of the Solar Temple, 16 of whose members were found burned to death last December in France after a simulated mass suicide. French investigators now believe most of the victims were shot dead long before being burned.

This was admittedly an extreme case. But the French media are increasingly full of stories of distraught families of children or other relatives “kidnapped” by sects, accompanied by allegations of brain-washing, extortion, and sexual abuse by sect leaders. (Gilbert Bourdin, 73, self-appointed “Cosmopolitan Messiah” of the Mandarom sect in the south of France, is currently facing charges of raping four former “disciples”, all minors at the time).

Both the Church and the Government have been accused of turning a blind eye to the sects in the name of France’s sacrosanct principle of freedom of thought, association, and worship.

Faced with growing public concern, the Government has agreed to set up a “national observatory,” chaired by the Prime Minister himself, to collect information on the activities of such groups.

THE CHURCH’S RESPONSE

While welcoming such a watchdog body, the Catholic Church in France is concerned that it not develop into a witch-hunt against new, acceptable religious movements. It has urged the Government to include on the committee representatives of “all the great spiritual families, religious and philosophical.”

Monsignor Jean Vernet, head of the French bishops’ committee on sects and new beliefs and a professor of theology at the University of Toulouse, said that it is important to understand why, despite all the official warnings, legal prosecutions, and media campaigns, the number of new groups and sect members continues to grow. People join not simply because they are “manipulated,” but because “in their eyes, one cannot live with just the material means of living: one also needs a reason for living.”

It is very difficult to define satisfactorily the term “religion” or, even more so, “sect” said Monsignor Vernet, who has written some 30 books on the subject. “We are always tempted to label as deviant that which does not fit into the framework of our own orthodoxy.”

He believes that quasi-religious movements should not be approached in a spirit of condemnation or evangelization, but rather of pastoral care, though without turning a blind eye to potential abuses.

Monsignor Vernet criticizes the parliamentary report for failing to help members of suspect groups to continue their search for spirituality in healthier surroundings. **“What’s the use of taking someone out of a sect, like a fish out of murky water, if it’s only to have him suffocate on the bank?” he asked.**

At the priest’s recommendation, the French bishops have set up a national pastoral service for dialogue with members of the new religious movements and, where necessary, to act as a mediator between members and their often estranged families. This, Monsignor Vernet believes, is a more promising way to deal with France’s “sects problem” than attempts at repression. ■

THE EXTRAORDINARY AFFAIR OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY’S OWN TEXT-BOOK ON UFOS IN THE 1960s

By Gordon Creighton

As long ago as 1971 (FSR Vol. 17, No. 4, pp. 27/28) we gave a brief account of the amazing business of the U.S. Air Force’s own Course with which they were secretly instructing their cadet-officers in the U.S. Air Force Academy at Denver, Colorado, about the accursed subject of UFOs!

Some years ago I secured the complete text of the Course (which, in the meantime, needless to say, had reportedly been withdrawn and discarded from use as soon as the knowledge of its existence had leaked

out!).

The Course had been compiled during the 1960s by one of the Academy’s own Instructors, Major Donald G. Carpenter, and it was tacked on as the final chapter to a general instruction course entitled **INTRODUCTORY SPACE SCIENCE (32 Chapters)** supplied for the Academy’s Department of Physics Course, **PHYSICS 370**. And the Chapter on UFOs ended with the following interesting words:-

"This leaves us with the unpleasant possibility of alien visitors to our planet, or at least alien-controlled UFOs. "However, the data are not well correlated, and what questionable data there are suggest the existence of at least three and maybe four different groups of aliens (possibly at different stages of development). This too is difficult to accept. It implies the existence of intelligent life on a majority of the planets in our solar system, or a surprisingly strong interest in Earth by members of other solar systems".

We learned that the official "explanation" for the existence of such a strange and embarrassing Air Force text-book was that the final chapter of it had been entirely "unofficial", and simply the fruit of the private idiosyncrasies of its author, Major Donald Carpenter! This pleasant little suggestion is surely unlikely to have gained much acceptance in the world at large.

The text as I give it below is taken from *UFO Research Newsletter Vol. 1, No. 1*, of April 1971, edited by Gordon I.R. Lore, Jr., and circulated by the UFO Research Associates, of Washington, D.C.

We have thus had it on file for over twenty-five years, awaiting an opportunity for us to reprint it when the pressure on FSR's limited and valuable space might "let up" slightly. Apart from our original reference to this subject in FSR 17/4 (1971) we also touched upon it briefly again on page 19 of FSR 32/2 (1987). -EDITOR

I. Introductory Comments By UFO Research Associates (Editor Gordon I.R. Lore)

There is no evidence that UFOs are extraterrestrial. So the U.S. Air Force has been telling us for nearly a quarter of a century. Yet, the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, has, for several years, been teaching its budding young officers just the opposite — that UFOs are *probably* extraterrestrial probes.

Major Donald G. Carpenter, Academy instructor, wrote Chapter XXXIII of the Academy's Department of Physics textbook *Introductory Space Science*, Volume II, entitled "Unidentified Flying Objects". Its contents leave no doubt as to its belief in the validity of many UFO reports and cadets are still being taught its contents more than two years *after* the negative conclusions of the Air Force-sponsored University of Colorado UFO Project report and more than a year following the demise of Project Blue Book, the official Air Force organ that had investigated UFO reports for more than two decades.

"The most stimulating theory for us," its author proclaims, "is that UFOs are material objects which are either 'manned' or remote-controlled by beings who are alien to this planet. There is some evidence supporting this viewpoint."

Modern reports cited as evidence include some of the most startling cases on record.

August 21, 1955. Kelly, Kentucky. About 8

p.m. Witnesses heard dogs barking and saw a bright UFO land. Then they saw a three and one-half foot tall creature with a round head, long arms, webbed hands and claws, approach. Grabbing shotguns, the observers expended about 50 rounds of ammunition at this and other creatures. One was knocked down, but got up and ran away.

July 24, 1957. Kuril Islands (Far East). Russian anti-aircraft batteries fired on luminous, fast-moving UFOs, but no hits were reported.

November 4, 1957. Fort Itaipu, Brazil. A large object emitting a "humming sound" shot a heat ray at two sentries. One collapsed, the other roused the rest of the troops, who were in a state of panic. "Both sentries were found badly burned... one unconscious and the other incoherent, suffering from deep shock."

September 19, 1961. Near Portsmouth, N.H. Betty and Barney Hill saw a huge UFO, then had a two-hour mental blackout. More than two years later, while undergoing hypnoanalysis, both related a remarkable, science fiction-like experience of being abducted on board a spacecraft and minutely examined by its occupants.

April 24, 1964. Socorro, N.M. Police Officer Lonnie Zamora saw a UFO resting on four stilt-like legs in a gully. Beside the craft was a white, small "figure". The UFO took off, leaving a burned out area and four holes in the ground. An intensive Air Force investigation caused the case to be listed as "unidentified" in Air Force files.

"UFOs are a global phenomenon which may have persisted for many thousands of years..." Major Carpenter wrote. "UFO sightings... appear to extend back 47,000 years through time... one has the feeling that this phenomenon deserves... valid scientific investigation..."

More recently, however, through the great kindness of Mr. Lucius Farish of the famed UFO NEWS-CLIPPING SERVICE, No 2 Carey Valley Drive, Plumerville, Arkansas 72127, USA (and we take this opportunity to thank him for it) we have managed to secure a photostat of the whole of Chapter XXXIII, entitled "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS", which consists of pages 455-468, inclusive, of the book *INTRODUCTORY SPACE SCIENCE (VOLUME 2)*.

That the American Air Force Authorities could still have been teaching its contents to their Cadets (future Air Force Officers!) *more than two years after* the negative conclusions of the Air-Force-sponsored University of Colorado UFO Project Report (*The Condon Report*) and *more than a year following* the demise of *Project Blue Book* (the official Air Force organ that had allegedly been investigating UFO reports for more than two decades) still strikes us as so utterly *fascinating*, and so indicative of total "*absentmindedness*" on the part of the U.S. Air Force, that we feel sure all our readers would like to have the opportunity to savour its entire text:-

Edited by Maj. Donald G. Carpenter with chapters by: Maj. Donald G. Carpenter, Maj. William J. Goodwin, Lt.-Col. Edward R. Therkelsen, Lt.-Col. John M. Kirk, Capt. John E. Wrobel, Jr., Maj. Lowell A. King, Dr. Paul D. Lowman, Capt. Warren L. Simmons. This is not published material.

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CHAPTER XXXIII. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

What is an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO)? Well, according to United States Air Force Regulation 80-17 (dated 1966), a UFO is "Any aerial phenomenon or object which is unknown or appears to be out of the ordinary to the observer." This is a very broad definition which applies equally well to one individual seeing his first noctilucent cloud at twilight as it does to another individual seeing his first helicopter. However, at present most people consider the term UFO to mean an object which behaves in a strange or erratic manner while moving through Earth's atmosphere. That strange phenomenon has evoked strong emotions and great curiosity among a large segment of our world's population. The average person is interested because he loves a mystery, the professional military man is involved because of the possible threat to national security, and some scientists are interested because of the basic curiosity that led them into becoming researchers.

The literature on UFOs is so vast, and the stories so many and varied, that we can only present a sketchy outline of the subject in this chapter. That outline includes description classifications, operational domains (temporal and spatial), some theories as to the nature of the UFO phenomenon, human reactions, attempts to attack the problem scientifically, and some tentative conclusions. If you wish to read further in this area, the references provide an excellent starting point.

33.1 DESCRIPTIONS

One of the greatest problems you encounter when attempting to catalog UFO sightings, is selection of a system for cataloging. No effective system has yet been devised, although a number of different systems have been proposed. The net result is that almost all UFO data are either treated in the form of individual cases, or in the forms of inadequate classification systems. However, these systems do tend to have some common factors, and a collection of these factors is as follows:

- a. Size
- b. Shape (disc, ellipse, football, etc.)
- c. Luminosity
- d. Color
- e. Number of UFOs

Behaviour

- a. Location (altitude, direction, etc.)
- b. Patterns of paths (straight line, climbing, zig-zagging, etc.)
- c. Flight characteristics (wobbling, fluttering, etc.)
- d. Periodicity of sightings
- e. Time duration
- f. Curiosity or inquisitiveness
- g. Avoidance
- h. Hostility

Associated Effects

- a. Electro-magnetic (compass, radio, ignition systems, etc.)
- b. Radiation (burns, induced radioactivity, etc.)
- c. Ground disturbance (dust stirred-up, leaves moved, standing wave peaks on surface of water, etc.)
- d. Sound (none, hissing, humming, roaring, thunderclaps, etc.)
- e. Vibration (weak, strong, slow, fast)
- f. Smell (ozone or other odor)
- g. Flame (how much, where, when, color)
- h. Smoke or cloud (amount, color, persistence)
- i. Debris (type, amount, color, persistence)
- j. Inhibition of voluntary motion by observers
- k. Sighting of "creatures" or "beings"

After Effects

- a. Burned areas or animals
- b. Depressed or flattened areas
- c. Dead or missing animals
- d. Mentally disturbed people
- e. Missing items

We make no attempt here to present available data in terms of the foregoing descriptors.

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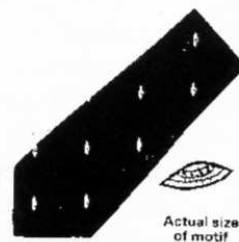
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