

“Three oval craft, pulsing from deep red to blue, were hovering above the road.

“UFOs are particularly attracted to the Sunshine Coast (Australian East Coast).

“And they seem to have made mental contact with quite a lot of us up here”.

NOTES BY EDITOR,FSR

(1)As examples of plant-purloining, see Nos. 10, 13 and 59 of the close encounters with alien entities (65 in all) listed by me for South America, up to 1965, in my article *The Humanoids In Latin America*, in THE HUMANOIDS, edited by Charles Bowen (1969, with reprints in 1974 and 1977 by Futura Books, London — paperback edition). (A few copies of this classic, now long out of print, are still available from High Wycombe.)

See also the famous French case of the lavender-grower Monsieur Maurice Masse, large numbers of whose lavender plants were lifted by small alien critters from his farm at Valensole in June of 1965. (See *A Significant Report From France*, by Charles Bowen, in FSR 11/5 (Sept./Oct. 1965); *The Significant Report From France* (G.E.P.A. Report) and *The Valensole Affair*, by Aimé Michel (these last two items both in FSR 11/6 (Nov./Dec. 1965); *Comment on The Valensole Affair*, by Dr. Bernard Finch, in FSR 12/1 (Jan./Feb. 1966); *The Valensole Questionnaire*, by Luis Schönherr in FSR 12/2 (March/April

1966); *Replies To Questionnaire*, by Luis Schönherr, *Valensole-Further Details*, by Aimé Michel, and a French Magistrate's *Tentative Reply To Luis Schönherr's Questionnaire* — these last three items all in FSR 12/3 (May/June 1966); *A Visit To Valensole Two Years Later*, by Aimé Michel and Charles Bowen, in FSR 14/1 (Jan./Feb. 1968).

(2) On water-stealing from dams and tanks etc., see *Australia: On The UFO Trail, IV*, by Paul Norman, in FSR 35//1 (March 1990); *Australia: On The UFO Trail, V*, by Paul Norman in FSR 36/3 (Autumn 1991).

There were also, in earlier years (1960s or thereabouts), several spectacular reports of totally incomprehensible and sudden losses of vast quantities of water (overnight) from various lakes and reservoirs in the N.E. part of the U.S.A. In Argentina, Dionisio Llanca claimed that when tall aliens kidnapped him one night in 1973 on a lonely road, he saw a great pipe leading from their craft into a nearby lake (See my *Dionisio Llanca's Very Close Encounter*, in FSR 26/4 (Nov. 1980).

Finally, on the general question of water and water-stealing, the books of M.K. Jessup should be consulted, for he thought a lot about this, and had the theory that some of their huge craft that never land here are vast water-tankers into which our stolen water is ferried up, to be carried off to some other place where there is a great need for it, such as the Moon, or Mars. ■

BOOK REVIEW. LOST WAS THE KEY.

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LOST WAS THE KEY: by “Leah A. Haley”. 160 pages. Hard-back, published 1993 by Greenleaf Publications, P.O. Box 70563, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35407-0563, U.S.A. ISBN: 1-883729-00-9. U.S. Price \$22.50 p. and p. included, direct from Publishers. Foreword is written by John S. Carpenter (MSW/LCSW); jacket reviews by Debbie Jordan (alias “Kathie Davis”); Donald M. Ware (former Regional Director, MUFON); Lt.Col. Wendelle C. Stevens, USAF Ret’d.; and Dr. Richard F. Haines, PhD., Research Scientist, Ret’d.

LOST WAS THE KEY is the true story encompassing 18 months in the life of a middle-class woman from the American Deep South, a university graduate, whose reality, like that of other abductees, was shattered abruptly and frighteningly, and describes her struggle to cope with her encounters.

I heard about “Leah Haley” several years ago while at a sky-watch in Gulf Breeze, Florida. Because of her fears she didn’t seek out many people to talk to about her experiences. After finally getting to read her complete story, I have to ask, who among us would trust *anyone*

after going through what she has endured?

I was one of several people in “the group” in Gulf Breeze who initially thought, “Well, maybe this poor woman is worrying too much. Certainly the military isn’t going around abducting people, right?” Well, because of my own experiences since that time, and hearing about these types of experiences relayed by others, I can only say how wrong we all were.

A very unwanted and unusual twist to the abduction phenomenon is being reported by abductees. Some of us have recently become brave enough, (or stupid enough) to report what is happening to us: that the military and other government “personnel” are involved in our “alien” abduction experiences. We do not apologize for what we are remembering. We are simply reporting it, along with all the information about the Greys, the Blondes, the Reptilians, the Praying Mantis types, and an array of other types of beings who are apparently here, whether we like it or not.

Lost Was The Key captivated me so much, that I read it in a day. It is a very “readable” book, written by a well educated, and lucid woman. I can certainly relate to Leah’s feelings that she felt she had to get her story out

to the public, and *now*, not two years from now. When you read Leah's story you know you are getting the "whole truth and nothing but the truth." Leah's story did not have to be filtered through a researcher's ideology and scheme, and then be edited, cut, and rearranged in order to "sell".

Leah uses information from her regressive hypnosis sessions with Licensed Clinical Social Worker, John S. Carpenter, to take you through the disturbing ordeals she endured. Mixed in with these are her dream memories, and spontaneous memories about experiences that occurred to her both as a child and an adult. You will

find that this book covers both the "alien" abduction material and what it was like for an abductee to remember "military" abductions as well.

This reviewer only found one instance where the author described an incident that had been perceived by her as military harassment, when in fact it may have been an attempt by one of her students to receive a better grade. However, this is one of those instances best left up to the interpretation of the reader. *You decide* if the military or the government is involved with "alien abductions", or at the very least, if they abducted Leah Haley, by reading *Lost Was The Key*. ■

ANOTHER "CIRCLE" REPORT FROM AUSTRALIA

By Colin Norris, Director of Australian International UFO Research

The following report reached FSR in January 1993 from Mr. Colin Norris, the veteran Australian investigator, who states: "I've looked into thousands of UFO phenomena and I can spot a fake a mile off. This is no hoax. There has been an extraterrestrial craft here, for sure. In the eight weeks leading up to this, I have had a spate of UFO reports from around those same parts, the Adelaide Hills. The Air Force rang me because they were getting so many reports of lights moving around or stationary over the Hills." EDITOR

Adelaide Hills grazier Andrew Davidson is frankly baffled.

What spooked one of his horses to go into a wild, galloping, whinnying panic for a couple of nights recently?

What caused a big, egg-shaped "circle" to appear mysteriously on a remote paddock at about the same time?

Andrew says, shaking his head, "It's almost as if you had brought a huge branding-iron down, whoosh, and then pulled it up again. Like putting a brand on the hide of a cow — but the strange thing is that the grass isn't burned. It's more like it has had the life sucked out of it, and has been left lying down in flat patterns."

Andrew, who owns a large sheep-farm 35 kms. to the east of Adelaide, points out the odd patterns — one clockwise, the other anti-clockwise. The dead grass patch is 56 cms. wide, forming an egg-shape, 22 metres by 13 metres.

"There were no wheel marks — no trucks or tractors or rollers had been there. My mate can back me on that", says Andrew.

(There were definitely no signs of tracks when we went to the site eleven days later).

Andrew's friend John Purvis was the first to find the egg-shaped marking as he walked cross the paddock

early on November 16, 1992, to get wood for his fire.

He said: "The untouched surroundings really puzzled me. I raced home, got my video camera, and recorded it. It was weird too about our horse. He was in the same paddock as the circle, and a few nights before I found it he had been galloping and whinnying and carrying on like a mad thing."

Andrew Davidson got a local agronomist, from the Department of Agriculture at Mount Barker, to examine the markings, and the agronomist was totally perplexed. He said to Davidson: "Look — there's no natural cause — there's no biological or agricultural explanation — no fungus, no root-rot, or weed killers, or anything like that!"

Another person who inspected the site was Graeme Budgen, a scientist with a consulting engineering company, who did soil-tests and radiation-tests at the site, and secured some strange readings. He said: "The salt content in the circle was 40% higher than in the rest of the paddock (which as Norris emphasised, is a well-known feature of "UFO circles") and the radiation was also up. And the moisture content at the site was especially weird. It's much higher on the circle than away from it, and yet the soil on the circle feels and looks dry and crumbly, and the rest of the paddock is soaking wet. There's something very strange here, and I cannot conclude what has happened. *My opinion is that it is no hoax. A hoaxer couldn't duplicate an elaborate thing like this*". *

* **COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR.** We agree that this cannot have been a hoax, for there were reports that Doug 'n Dave had been seen on Bondi Beach that same winter (1992/93). ■