

# SOME IMPORTANT NEW BOOKS AND IMPORTANT NEW DEVELOPMENTS

There are two new books and also certain highly significant current developments which call for urgent and special mention.

Firstly, the two books. These, in their different fashions, strike us as possibly the most important works yet produced on our "maddening subject". They are: Dr. David H. Jacobs' *Secret Life: Firsthand Accounts Of*

*UFO Abductions*, and Dr. Jacques Vallée's *UFO Chronicles Of The Soviet Union: A Cosmic Samizdat*, both of which are advertised on the inside front cover of this issue of FSR.

Dr. Jacobs' book will in all likelihood come to be seen as a new and terrifying milestone in our research. I can only say that, like Dr. Jacobs himself, I fervently hope that his conclusions are unjustified. Unfortunately however, like him, I do not think that they *are!* In which case the book will go far to reinforce the pioneer work of his great colleague, Budd Hopkins. And nothing will ever be quite the same again.

Dr. Vallée's book is about his trip to Russia in January 1990 and his investigations and enquiries there, as a result of which he has now provided this excellent confirmation that seemingly every detail that I had reported on the landings and sightings at Voronezh and elsewhere in 1989 (see FSRs 34/3, 34/4, 35/1, 35/3) were correct. Such corroboration is remarkable — indeed unique — because, until the appearance of this latest Vallée book, not one single UFO investigation group, UFO investigation journal; individual UFO investigator; or indeed any other sort of journal or sort of individual; anywhere in the entire world, so far as I have been able to ascertain, has said or uttered so much as one single word on all those Russian reports that I translated and published about the extraordinary happenings in the vast Russian lands.

In his discussions in Moscow with Dr. Vladimir Azhazha, head of the Russian *Committee For The Study of Anomalous Phenomena*, and Russia's top UFO investigator, Dr. Vallée ascertained some cardinal facts which I summarize as follows:-

(1)It looks highly probable that the Russian investigators know considerably more about the entire "UFO Problem" than anybody anywhere in the USA or Europe does.

(2)They are certainly far more aware of such aspects of the Problem as the "parapsychological" and the "paraphysical".

(3)Dr. Azhazha stated emphatically that the UFOs are *polymorphous*. This means that they actually *change shape*. (Not that they *appear* to change shape when viewed from a different angle or position). He told Dr. Vallée: "*These objects are polymorphous. They can change shapes dynamically in flight*". (Page 35).

(4)The Russians employ *dowsing* to an extraordinary extent in their studies of UFO landing-sites. (As I explained on page 4 of FSR 34/4, the ordinary Russian term for dowsing is *biolokatsia*, i.e., "bio-location".) When the flood of Russian press reports about sightings and landings came in the summer and autumn of 1989, the foreign journalists everywhere were all falling about in their hilarious descriptions of the "stupid stories from Russia" and the talk of "bio-location". *But not one of them, anywhere, grasped what the term "bio-location" meant. And apparently not one of them had the gumption to get a dictionary and find out.*

(5)The faculty of "changing shape" inevitably puts one in mind of what most folk in the West consider as "woolly and unscientific theorizing about "other dimensions"; "hyper-space"; "inner-space"; and so on. Read, then, what Dr. Vallée writes on page 178:-

*"Azhazha and his colleagues had independently noticed that UFO phenomena were polymorphic. They recognized that this was one of the fundamental characteristics of the problem, and this understanding placed them at the forefront of international research. The possibility that UFOs might be an indication of the existence of higher physical dimensions, which is still regarded as a strange notion in the West, has long been present in the minds of Soviet scientists, as the ideas of Konstantin Tsiolkovsky indicate".*

So, here again, the Russians are far ahead of us all. And it does not look as though the best minds in Russian UFO research are thinking about anything so foolish as the possible arrival here of "Extraterrestrials" from "Outer Space".

(6)Finally, there was the remarkable discovery that the Russians, allegedly so bemired in their Marxism and their materialism, had arrived at a far more serious appreciation than most of us have of the possible importance of RELIGION in connection with the UFO Problem:-

*"Another important factor they acknowledged was the impact that the phenomenon, in its historical form, had*

# ALIENS AMONG US — A UFO CONSPIRACY HYPOTHESIS IN A RELIGIOUS MODE

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*"Flights of angels came and we called them hordes of demons." — Whitley Strieber, Majestic*

[The name of John W. White, M.A.T., is probably not yet well known to most readers of FSR, but he is very well known indeed in his own country as a notable author, literary agent, and editor and educator in the fields of consciousness research, parascience, and higher human development. He has held interesting positions such as Director of Education for the Institute of Noetic Sciences (which is a research organisation founded by the *Apollo 14* astronaut Edgar Mitchell for the purpose of studying human potential for personal and planetary transformation) and he has also been the President of *Alpha Logic*, a school for self-directed growth in body, mind, and spirit.

He is the author of many books, notable among them being *The Meeting of Science & Spirit; Pole Shift; A Practical Guide To Death and Dying; and Everything You Want To Know About TM*. He has also edited a number of anthologies, including: *The Highest State of Consciousness; What Is Meditation?; Frontiers of Consciousness; Relax; Psychic Exploration; Other Worlds/Other Universes; Future Science; Kundalini; Evolution & Enlightenment; Psychic Warfare — Fact or Fiction?; and What Is Enlightenment?* (Of these works two of the very best are *Pole Shift*, in which he discusses in masterly fashion all the evidence regarding another shift — now probably imminent, as Edgar Cayce has warned us — of the Earth's Magnetic Poles, and *Psychic Warfare — Fact Or Fiction*, in which he discussed the recent experiments of the KGB and of the Western Intelligence Services in the realms of Parapsychology).

Many of his books have appeared in British editions, as well as in all the European languages and in Japanese.

He has also written scores of articles and reviews for most of the leading publications of the USA and Canada, and he lectures widely. He is a graduate of Yale University, and served for four years as an officer in the U.S. Navy, specialising primarily in anti-submarine warfare and nuclear weaponry.

In my opinion nobody could be found anywhere who is better qualified than John White to tackle this extraordinarily important, and indeed absolutely *vital* (and hitherto almost entirely

neglected) aspect of the UFO Problem — namely — *is it from a "Higher Source", or is it, as many are now beginning to perceive, totally evil and demonic?*

This immensely important article has already appeared in the MUFON UFO JOURNAL for February 1992, and I have secured Mr. White's special consent for it to be reproduced now in FSR. EDITOR]

**T**he Rev. Barry Downing's commentary on the UFO experience ("The Rock of Ages Principle", *MUFON UFO Journal* May 1990) is important because it further directs the attention of the ufological research community to the religious implications of UFOs. His 1968 book, *The Bible and Flying Saucers*, is a seminal work in the field. There he argues that some biblical passages are best understood in the light of UFO research including accounts of angels or God's messengers.

*However, while Downing's perspective is a highly plausible explanation for some ancient events, I do not find it acceptable as an explanation of contemporary abductions. I am especially concerned that he tries to convince us that "disguise and deception" should be regarded as benevolent. He says we may have to decide whether UFOs are good or evil, and he opts for the "good" position, arguing that UFO reports, including abductions, are best understood in the light of the biblical doctrine of angels.*

*I find Downing's position flawed because the Bible recognises "fallen" angels who retained their superhuman capacities but turned from their allegiance to God. Since then, their paranormal abilities have been used for evil rather than good. Thus, the choice Downing would have us make with regard to UFO entities is not a simple either-or. Both good and evil are possibilities, depending on the sort of angels with which one is dealing.*

*Downing is well aware of the "fallen angel" perspective on UFOs; his contribution to the 1980 Encyclopaedia of UFOs entitled "Demonic Theory of UFOs" is an excellent survey of the topic. Despite that, in "The Rock of Ages Principle" he arrives at what I regard as an unsupportable conclusion. My response to it focuses on the phenomenon of alien abductions and examines that in the light of biblical doctrine. I disagree with Downing's interpretation for several reasons other than*