



The UFO.

Jim Templeton photographed in a field in the English countryside back in 1963.

Finally, as one whose own locks are fully as long as any Venusian's, I have had a fair amount of experience in the "hippie" or "freak" subculture, which is the place one must be, I am firmly convinced, to begin to understand the fundamental, earth-shaking changes our planet is going through—and also the relationship of these changes to the enigmas of the Fortean Era.

For a long time contactees and their followers talked freely of the "New Age", while the rest of us, with the collected works of Ruppelt and Keyhoe clutched firmly to our breasts, merely sneered. Now there is considerable talk, even a popular song, about the coming of the Aquarian Age. One of the features of the New Age, as contactees predicted years ago, is the revival of interest in the occult: astrology, the Tarot, palmistry, telepathy, spiritualism, magic, witchcraft, the ouija board, etc. Also involved, of course, are such obvious features as changes in clothing and hair styles, complicated by the widespread use of powerful hallucinogenic drugs like LSD and mescaline.

All of it seems tailor-made for the unknown forces we are dealing with. On basic strategic grounds it is easier now for "them" to walk in our midst unnoticed (a long-haired blond male, for example, would now attract little if any attention in the streets of most good-sized Western cities, nor would "strange" behaviour patterns be any particular cause for alarm in a culture born of non-conformity). On another, higher level the consciousness of young people and, increasingly, older people as well is opening up to an incredible extent.

But curiously, Wendel and Nancy are rare among their kind in having a UFO experience, for while the hip young (from my own observation) have more "psychic" incidents occur to them than occur to most other people, UFO sightings are fairly rare among them. Why?

Perhaps it is because the whole idea of the UFO is basically a *technological* one and part of the ethic of the young is, to some considerable degree, a *rejection* of technology. Just as in the past the "ultraterrestrials" (to borrow John Keel's phrase) have appeared to us in forms most suited to the temperament of the times (everything from "angels" to "airships" to "spaceships"), now they are assuming new forms for new times.

Could it be (God forbid!) that in the years ahead, as the human race alters its perception of the universe, the UFO will be phased pretty much out of existence? I, for one, would not be much surprised. It may well be that in the future we shall be seeing the influx into our time-space continuum of phenomena even stranger, even weirder, even more mysterious than Unidentified Flying Objects.

MAN SHOOTS AT UFO . . .

UFO Blinds Man

Sensational claim from Brazil: report translated by Dr. P. M. H. Edwards.

News of a startling incident on August 30th came hotfoot in a collection of newspaper cuttings (*O Dia*, *Ultima Hora*, *O Globo* and *Diario de Noticias* of September 3, 1970) kindly sent to FSR by Dr. Walter Buhler. The headlines in *O Dia* were sensational:

WITH WEAPON IN HAND, HE WAS SHOUTING: "DON'T LOOK!" and: MYSTERIOUS FLASH BLINDED A WATCHMAN.

Gordon Creighton was saved an urgent task when, within a few days, there arrived a translation of the *O Dia* story from Dr. Edwards, Professor of linguistics at Victoria University, B.C. It runs:

"Almiro Martins, who became paralyzed on shooting at a strange object, was taken to a hospital of the Guanabara (state). The object was giving off jets of multicoloured lights. He had an uncommon sensation of heat, and heard a deafening sound. Authorities will investigate the case. Doctors say his blindness is from psychological causes. A motorist and another watchman were the first to help him.

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"Already 72 hours have elapsed, and the Security Watchman Almiro Martins de Freitas, 31, married, with 3 children, is still practically blind. His story is being duly investigated, not only by psychiatric doctors and ophthalmologists, but

also by the authorities. Almiro works for the Special Internal Security Patrol Service (SESVI); and all his tests, especially the psychiatric one, are normal.

"Last Sunday, about 21.30 o'clock, he was on duty at the Funil Dam, in Itatiânia, (Rio de Janeiro state). It had rained a lot, and Almiro was concluding an inspection of the area. Upon looking at a nearby mound, he discerned, at a certain altitude, a row of lights, orange, blue, and of other colours. His first reaction was to leave at once; but he changed his mind, and after hesitating, he decided to approach the thing.

"He reached a spot about 15 metres from the place where the

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UFOs AND THE OCCULT—2

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THE first part of this article examined the possibility of a new line of approach to the UFO problem from the occult standpoint. In the first three sections I dealt with the need for careful instruction, in view of the dangers that could confront inexperienced dabblers; the action which should be taken by researchers in supernormal involvement cases; the similarities between UFO and psychic phenomena. A number of other important matters need to be considered.

4 FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS—Physical, Atmospheric and Sonic Tensions

a. **Earthquakes and Tremors**—It is now recognised that UFOs appear to have a close relationship to earthquakes and earth tremors. They have frequently been observed in the vicinity of such disturbances. Their apparent interest in geological "fault lines" was thought, at one time, to be associated with their possible magnetic "drive". According to traditional Occult teaching, earth faults set up stresses and distortions in the Earth's etheric envelope which create "weak spots" (or "Gateways", as they are termed) through which other orders of matter from other levels are enabled to leak into, or invade, our space-time-continuum.

b. **Atomic and Thermo-Nuclear Explosions** — Similarly, it is said that great atmospheric tensions and sound waves are capable of producing such "weak spots". Atomic and Thermo-nuclear devices are certainly capable of fulfilling these conditions and, for this reason, might be considered as possible contributory factors in explaining the proliferation of UFO phenomena since the War.

c. **Ball Lightning**—Meteorologists classify these as "natural phenomena" of an electrical nature. What little is known about them is mostly gained from observations of their behaviour but, apart from that, what they think them actually to be is still purely theoretical. Their genesis occurs usually in conditions where high atmospheric pressures, electrical tensions and loud explosions are to be found, namely thunderstorms. They can be hot or cold, disappear and re-form, be of a variety of colours, give off trails of sparks, knock people out, kill people, pursue cars, make right-angle turns, attain high speeds, in fact perform most of the manoeuvres attributed to UFOs. They also show a strange sort of intelligence and produce effects similar to poltergeist phenomena (see section 3, para. "r", in part 1 of this article).

5. ALLIED SUBJECTS FOR RESEARCH

a. **Radiaesthesia**—Very little research, that I am

aware of, has been attempted in this field of analysis, and what has been done is by no means acceptable or conclusive. A brave attempt was made by the Metaphysical Research Group, of Hastings, some years ago, and published under the title: "*Biometric Analysis of the 'Flying Saucer' Photographs*"; the subject matter under investigation being the Adamski and Stephen Darbishire photographs. After pursuing numerous personal experiments which produced, I admit, some very strange results, it became obvious to me that lack of suitable "control" samples when dealing with possible extra-terrestrial phenomena could seriously limit investigation. Investigatory techniques in themselves prove to be very tricky to evolve. In any case it would require a number of individual practitioners, working on a coordinated project, to produce an answer of statistical probability on any given aspect of the enquiry—in other words, should we employ an unproved to prove what is as yet unproveable?

b. **QBLH**—One source which promises to provide the most astonishing information on UFOs is Transcendental Qabalism. This is a vast and highly complex system of Cosmology, both physical and spiritual, which, together with its practical techniques, requires a lifetime of study and devotion. As research into this source, from a Ufological point of view, is in its initial stages, I would have the reader fully to understand that the following descriptions of extraterrestrial Beings or Vehicles from other Planets (or their "parallel-universe" equivalents) as they would appear to Terrestrial Man, are a reasonably free interpretation and adaptation to modern technological standards, from information provided by Qabalistic records:—

Extra-Galactic—Seldom encountered upon this Earth—appear as a formless radiance of brilliant light;

Galactic—Very large pearly-iridescent wheels or discs emitting a white radiant glow and bearing red, blue and yellow flashing lights;

Saturn—Very large dark brown constructions (possibly of "Mother-Ship" or "Box-Car" type); also smaller grey metallic objects (possibly "Scout-Ship" type) emitting a pink glow and red flashing light;

Jupiter—Brilliant white orbs of light emitting intense purple or deep violet glow from within or without, with blue and yellow flashing lights;

Mars—Fast bright scarlet-red objects emitting fiery and smoky exhaust trails;

The Sun—Salmon-pink glowing orbs with golden-amber radiance;

Venus—Golden or yellow-green objects with green and white flashing lights;