

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 unprovable?

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;

Mercury—Smallish coppery-red pulsating objects with yellow lights;

The Moon—Dark purple and grey objects of unusual shapes, such as Cones, Tops, Rods, Cubes, etc. Usually negative in character and can cause illusions, mental aberrations, apprehension, and general discomfort;

The Earth—Objects whose descriptions are very similar to Ball-Lightning, having primitive intelligence and impish habits.

(Note:—Considerably more research into this subject is demanded and, as "practice" is involved, this field of enquiry is not without its dangers).

c. **Contact Stories**—A short statement here on a subject which I consider should be dealt with separately at considerable length.

Many "contact" events may well be the result of auto-induced or imposed hallucination, some may be actual physical events within our own space-time, but some, I am sure, are meta-physical experiences of another "level" of consciousness.

Many accounts by contactees are permeated by a definite dream-like quality which, in addition to anomalies of "time-lapse" or "time-gain", are comparable to para-psychological events experienced by practising Occultists.

One example, typical of such an experience, and remarkable for its similarity to contactee "trip in saucer" stories, is that told by the Comte de St. Germain in his rare work "*La Très Sainte Trinosophie*" (MS.N.2400 in the French Library at Troyes) published towards the end of the XVIIIth Century, from which the following is an extract: "Scarcely had I risen to the surface of the earth, when my unseen guide led me still more swiftly. The velocity with which we sped through space can be compared with nought but itself. In an instant I had lost sight of the plains below. I noticed with astonishment that I had emerged from the bowels of the Earth far from the country about Naples. A desert and some triangular masses were the only objects I could see. . . . The Earth seemed to me only a vague cloud. I had been lifted to a tremendous height. . . . For quite a long time I rolled through space; already the Earth spread out before my confused vision. . . . I could estimate how many minutes would pass until I would be crushed on the rocks. . . . Finally he raises me with him to an immeasurable distance. I saw globes revolve around me and earths gravitate at my feet. Suddenly the genius who bore me touched my eyes and I swooned. . . ."

6. CONCLUSION

The Astronomer Sir James Jeans says, in his book "*Physics and Philosophy*": "Our studies can never put us into contact with reality, we can never understand what events are, until man becomes endowed with more senses than he at present possesses".

The psychiatrist C. G. Jung, who was particularly concerned with the importance of the esoteric aspect of UFO phenomena, says, in his book "*Flying*

Saucers, A Modern Myth of Things Seen In The Sky": "These rumours, or the possible physical existence of such objects (UFO), seem to be so significant that I feel myself compelled . . . to sound a note of warning. . . . It is not presumption that drives me, but my conscience as a psychiatrist that bids me fulfil my duty and prepare those few who will hear me for coming events which are in accord with the end of an era. As we know from ancient Egyptian history, there are symptoms of psychic changes that always appear at the end of one Platonic month and at the beginning of another. They are, it seems, changes in the constellation of psychic dominants, of the archetypes, or 'gods' as they used to be called, which bring about, or accompany, long-lasting transformations of the collective psyche. . . . I am, to be quite frank, concerned for all those who are caught unprepared by the events in question and disconcerted by their incomprehensible nature".

Never before in recorded history have the planet Earth and its population had to bear such colossal impacts of sonic emission, both audible and inaudible, such fierce global mass-emotional stresses, such violent atmospheric and terrestrial artificially produced tensions, as it has borne over the last century. Although, by and large, moral, spiritual, and emotional values appear to be in a state of decadence, technological evolution has been gigantic and bewildering enough to create the compost wherein other facets of human evolutionary growth may germinate.

What are, or will be, the effects of these pressures on the mass human psyche? Will they initiate a break-through of human perception and awareness? A new turn in the spiral of human mental and psychic evolution? The opening up of vistas, of horizons hitherto regarded as fantasy by the Establishments?

Only *time* will tell; but there is evidence to suggest that it is time we broke free from the fetters of the "Rational" and the "Traditional"—and pondered on these things.

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Important Note: The author regrets that replies to correspondence concerning the above matters cannot be undertaken.

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SOME POSSIBLY RELEVANT INFORMATION

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RECENTLY the author has been doing some studying on the side, in accordance with published suggestions from John A. Keel, C. Maxwell Cade, and others, that psychological and neuro-physiological functions of human beings may be affected by outside sources. Evidence is apparently existent suggesting that such sources may be found in connection with the aerial anomaly phenomenon.

The Manipulation of Human Behaviour (New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1961) is concerned, as the title implies, with the various means known as of 1960 of directing human behaviour, specifically in an interrogation situation, or in a situation involving "mind reform" or "brain-washing". It is a series of articles by experts in various areas of psychology, edited by Albert D. Biderman and Herbert Zimmer, dealing with such matters as the effects of physiological imbalance on brain function, sensory deprivation, hypnosis, narcoanalysis, etc.

Several bits of "possibly relevant information" appear. I shall mention and comment on several of these. It may be wise to remember that great strides have been and are being made in these fields since 1960, and it may be that some of the phenomena under consideration are no longer accepted or are now considered under new lights.

The quotation which I feel has the most general relevance, deals with the basic nature of mind manipulation: "Raymond Bauer has noted the resemb-

lance of the concept of 'brain-washing' to demonology: the idea of the 'brain-washed' does not differ from that of the 'possessed'. 'The battle for the mind', sometimes fought against 'the hidden persuaders', has many elements of the occult." This may be taken as a commentary on modern practices—or even as a commentary on ancient practices. It bears thought.

Those who have studied or who have come in contact with UFO percipients, have remarked to me how so many of them exhibit unusual mental aberrations and a lack of concern with everyday affairs. John A. Keel has written in his publication *Anomaly* of parallels in the medical symptoms of alcoholics as compared with UFO percipients. Some of the details seem to jibe with those involved in the "brain syndrome", which is defined as an impairment of those aspects of mental activity which are usually tested to assess a patient's mental status. The more advanced symptoms of this condition include deterioration in dress, behaviour, speech, and orientation; apathy or depression; illusions, delusions, hallucinations, projective or paranoid thinking; perseveration, or the pointless repetition of a fragment of thought, speech or behaviour; confabulation, or the creation of fictitious memories to cover up defects in memory; suggestiveness; faulty judgement; and eventually increased drowsiness.

Brain syndrome may be caused by many seemingly minor bodily malfunctions, as well as sleep

loss, fatigue, and isolation. It is evident that many contactees exhibit at least some of the symptoms of the brain syndrome. It must be considered possible, therefore, that one of the results (or *methods*) of communication with UFO entities involves the induction of the brain syndrome. Whether this is by accident or by design is beyond the scope of this article.

Several interesting hints appear in the articles on sensory deprivation. For instance, it has been argued by some that the UFO entities, and perhaps their vehicles as well, have the ability to become invisible. It has been suggested that it may be a matter of *perception* on our part rather than *deception* on theirs, or perhaps a little of both. The following may perhaps have something to contribute: "A similar finding is reported by Dichburn, cited by Bruner, who showed that if a visual pattern is stabilized on the retina so that it is not even displaced by the natural tremor of the eye, it disappears from view within about six seconds" [italics mine]. The implications of this phenomenon are clear, although means of producing this effect spontaneously, outside laboratory conditions, are not immediately obvious.

Hallucinations are also dealt with under sensory deprivation, since this appears to be a very good means of producing them. The hallucinations quoted in the book demonstrate considerable variation from subject to subject, and may involve flashing lights and geometric shapes. The images sometimes involve several senses other than visual perception. Those described are sometimes so real that "it was later difficult to convince them that such shapes had not been included as part of the experimental procedure." However, subjects in another experiment did not believe the hallucinations to be real, basing their opinion on the extreme vividness of the experiences. Perhaps we could have here an explanation for the many different shapes of aerial anomalies. This is not to say that the entire phenomenon is a case of "mass hysteria". It may simply be that a variety of basic shapes are "projected" into the percipient's mind and his own subconscious is then guided into manufacturing various markings, antenna, etc. There is evidence that this or some similar procedure may be employed.

The possible usefulness of mechanical aid for the induction of hypnosis is the next significant point brought up in this reference work. It leads to the following comment: "However, it is also possible, as some of the proponents of these techniques suggest, that a neurophysiological basis exists for the facilitation of hypnosis. In this context it is relevant that road hypnosis and the break-off phenomenon [a dreamlike feeling of isolation] encountered by pilots, occurs in individuals subjected to peculiar types of repetitive, rhythmic stimulation despite a high motivation to retain alertness. An intriguing question on which no evidence exists is the relationship of hypnotizability and susceptibility to road hypnosis or the break-off phenomenon."

Intriguing, indeed! Note the number of percipient

cases occurring at *night* along *highways* in *remote* areas. And has anyone checked the possibility that some pilots who encounter brilliantly glowing objects high in the skies may later have become percipients or "contactees?" We must note, however, that the author of this particular article on hypnosis, Martin T. Orne, questions whether there is an actual relationship between drowsiness and hypnosis itself. It may be that the drowsiness and dream-like condition is merely interpreted by the subject as hypnotic in effect, thus leading to self-induction of the true hypnotic state. But then, we may ask, where might telepathy or subliminal suggestion enter into this, under the conditions of the UFO experience?

Study on these points is sadly lacking, primarily because few physicians and psychologists and neurophysiologists have conducted impartial studies of the percipient phenomenon. Perhaps one area would involve the examination of percipient testimony for the appearance of "trance logic". "Trance logic" is characterised by a mixture of hallucinations and perceptions from the real world. Thus, a hypnotist may induce the hallucination of someone sitting in a chair for his subject, who will then blandly declare that he not only sees the hallucinatory individual—but the chair as well! Orne calls "trance logic" a positive indication of true hypnosis, but warns that some subjects do not manifest it and that it can be simulated by subjects who are aware of it. With reference to our field, I seem to recall one or two cases from South America, if my recollection is correct, that may have included manifestations of "trance logic" in the conscious testimony. It might be wise for those with case histories of UFO percipients to look back and weed out those cases illustrating this weird form of awareness.

It seems possible, merely on the basis of this one highly significant (yet possibly dated) work, that those who advocate study of psychological states may have hit upon something important. A consequence of this possibility is that those who acquire and evaluate percipient reports must learn some of the basics of psychology and the symptoms and causes of mental illness. Qualified assistance should be obtained if one does not have the skills, preferably as soon as it is evident that such aspects are inherent in the particular case under study. These cases are easily botched by incompetent investigation or those who deliberately ignore the possibilities.

Evidence exists that the "hidden persuaders" could be very much so.

MYSTERY AEROPLANES OF THE 1930s

Author John A. Keel regrets that Part 3 is not yet completed; it will appear as soon as possible in a future issue of FSR.

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