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1. STIGMATA will be a quarterly publication in 1980, beginning with the next issue, No. 8 (Spring 1980).

2. Price increase: STIGMATA No. 8 will be priced at \$1.00 each, as announced, but the next three 1980 issues will cost \$1.50 each.

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3. HELICOPTER REPORT: We regret the delay in the publication of this report, which we announced several months ago. The report is still in preparation and will appear in the first half of 1980. It will consist primarily of a catalog of unidentified helicopter accounts in the vicinity of mutilation events. A decision had to be made whether to complete preparation of the helicopter report right away or to proceed with the publication of STIGMATA No. 8, and we have opted for the latter. The final word on the publication of this mystery helicopter report will appear in No. 8 - honest. Apparently these choppers are yet to be "grounded": Two cattle mutilations occurred in Western Nebraska this year and an unmarked helicopter was seen in the area of both sites.

4. LETTERS FROM READERS are of great interest to us. We hope to publish several in the next and subsequent editions, but we would like to see more of your comments and opinions. If you write to us be sure to specify whether your letter or parts thereof is for publication and whether you want us to withhold your name and address.

OCCURRENCES, RUMOURS AND THINGS-IN-THE-WORKS: Many readers are aware that, since the publication of STIGMATA No. 7, most of the interest in the mutilation phenomenon has been emanating from, and directed toward, the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan, where at least 30 livestock mutilations have been reported. With few exceptions, the classic mutilations have been a phenomenon of the 1970's and of the continental United States. Now, with the decade on the wane, an interesting new perspective has been added with the advent of the Alberta (and Sask.) mute wave. We will inevitably be intrigued by whatever developments await us in the Eighties. ----- Things have been relatively quiet in the U.S. as the outbreak developed in Canada. There was a considerable mute onslaught in Arkansas this year (see STIGMATA No. 7) but they have apparently ceased in that state for the moment. Otherwise, there have been scattered reports in late 1979 from Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado and, most recently, in Iowa and Illinois. We'll update these in STIGMATA No. 8. ----- Did mutilations occur in the 1880's, in 1910 and in 1911?? We have very few details at present but we hope to learn more and report on them in the near future. ----- --- Among items that are rumored to be in the works, however tentatively: an anthology of commentary on the mutilation phenomenon; a bibliography of published materials; a fund for research and investigation; an in-depth documentary by a Colorado TV station, a program which may or may not be circulated to other TV stations around the country. ----- We wish we had a dollar (no, make that an ounce of gold) for every writer we've heard of within the past few years who promised (or threatened) to turn out a serious book on mutilations. ----- Project Stigma ripped off by OMNI?? Details later.

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