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The man and an elderly lady was visible in this class.

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They took the glass out and took it over to the Smithsonian, but they had no explanation

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for it either.

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So then?

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Then the Smithsonian never sent it back.

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I mean it still may be there with a photographic like that, but the paint was still in the

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place.

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As far as I know it was there.

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That was the last place it was recorded.

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I know.

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That's kept secret.

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You know that's the case of this famous rabbi Elijah, who had the curse as he put it, of

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memorizing every book that he read.

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And he could start anywhere in the book and pull forward or backward or bait him.

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And at the time of his death they estimated that he had committed to memory more than

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2,000 books.

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John.

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This is W-O-R Radio, your station in New York, and this is Long John with the party

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This day was the unprecedented crime of committing murder by hypnotism.

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This was in Denmark.

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Yes, Denmark.

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Do you know of any other countries in the world where a hypnotist was imprisoned for

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committing murder?

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I've never heard of one.

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I've never.

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That's why I use the story.

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It's attracted quite a bit of attention and there was a great deal of expert testimony

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in connection with it.

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In the course of this, in a court of law and after the process of law, they decided that

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the hypnotist was guilty rather than his subject.

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How did this...

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Did you have any...

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When you did this research, did you find out how Paul Paul had come under the spell of

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this...

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Well, I first picked this up from a wire service story.

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And then later through the Danish Embassy, I got copies of the court records on the thing.

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It's a very fascinating thing.

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It's a long, long-grown-out trial.

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Of course, there's a great deal of the expert testimony.

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Did you get any information at all as to how this man got into the hypnotism?

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I mean, how he was subjugated to this hypnotist.

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I mean, how he happened to...

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How did he happen to get involved with the hypnotist?

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Yes.

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Well, no, I don't know that I...

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I don't recall that I did.

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And as to his particular testimonies, to why he submitted, he was a kind of a weak-willed

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character to begin with, although he'd never been in any trouble, he'd never done much.

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I recall that he worked only irregularly and he was not a very forceful individual.

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And Nielsen, of course, didn't go to any length to tell why he did this, but the evidence showed that he had...

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They were friends, weren't they?

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I believe they were, yes.

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They were buddies and he submitted time after time to this hypnotic treatment.

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Frank, just for a small switch of pace here, there is one very delightful story in your book about a...

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A book of...

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A Loris-Janak.

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Why don't you tell us?

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There is a monument to the very purpose and, of course, there was no troubling documenting this one because...

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It's a matter of record, and it's been told actually quite a few times in various maritime journals.

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But this Loris-Janak was a huge, great purpose that appeared in the Straits of the Loris.

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That's near French Pass down near Australia.

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It was evened actually.

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It's a very dangerous stretch of water and many a sailing ship had gone down in there, striking the rocks and this stretch is current from these crosswinds.

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But this purpose appeared one day and played along the bowels of the ship and when the weather got real bad all of a sudden,

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the purpose stayed right in front of the bowels and kept leaping along.

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And since the pilot had nothing else to go by, he followed the purpose and came through the dangerous pass without any ill effects at all.

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He had a perfect pilot.

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And this purpose actually worked this life-saving business routine down there for about 40 years before he finally died, apparently of old age.

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But on one occasion, a drunken passenger shocked the purpose and they thought that Jack had been killed.

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They saw that it was wounded and he disappeared for quite a while, a couple of years I think, and then he reappeared and he lived literally hundreds of ships through this dangerous pass and never lost a passenger.

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But the ship that on which the drunken passenger shot him, he would never lead that ship through again and it eventually was wrecked in there with a heavy loss of life.

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I guess we call that section the purpose of revenge.

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But the grateful sailors and sailing companies erected a monument to him down there on the beach and it's still there at this day.

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It's about 12 feet high and it shows this purpose leaping along and on the base of it is the story of Dolores Jack.

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The purpose called right in front of the ship, when they got into the strong currents and narrow tunnels, he went right in front of the bowels of the ships.

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But at other times he played along beside them when they were in fairly open water and crossed back and forth under the ship but seemed to be playing around like a puppy with a bone.

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I watched them out in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

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They come along there and they're fantastic.

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They come out and they sort of make a circular flash through the air and they dip in and dip out again in the circular directions.

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There's also amazing stories about purposes recorded during World War II about flyers shot down in the Pacific.

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In one of the cases where the school of purposes found a pilot shot down in the Pacific and when he saw them swimming towards them he became hysterical because he thought they were sharks.

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The fins were sticking out of the water and these purposes ganged up on him and started to nudge him towards swimming along, offering him in front of them.

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Before long they tossed him up on the beach of an island that he had not known was there or anything else.

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They literally saved his life.

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I think that was recorded twice that it happened.

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The marine land of the Pacific, that's south of LA, these are probably just tricks that have been taught these purposes but it's an amazing thing to watch.

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They have a fellow who gets out on the plank over the tank.

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Have you seen these things?

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And he pretends to be taking a picture with his little box camera and falls in.

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And when he starts floundering this big porpoise comes and grabs him by the collar and just takes him flying across that tank and right up to the ladder and then throws his hand up after him.

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Amazing thing about the training of these purposes for any kind of question to somebody.

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It's not done, I don't think, beginning with a spateology ruin.

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It's a porpoise. It is done with an adult porpoise.

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In other words normally an animal can teach these tricks.

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You will do it at the earliest possible stage and have that much more ability to do it.

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But here these are full grown so called adult porpoises that they can teach these tricks too.

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That's a very interesting aspect.

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Actually there's a very strange story.

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This marine marine in Florida they had a shock.

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A baby shock was born and the mother died.

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So someone got the idea of turning the baby shock over to a porpoise.

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And the porpoise took the shock, the baby shock, but the thing that they hadn't calculated on is that something went wrong with the baby shock.

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The porpoise is a member of the whale family so it's really a mammal.

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But the shock is a fish and it breeds through fins.

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And the porpoise kept on, when the baby shock got sick, it kept on taking the shock and throwing it up in the air because it was suffocating.

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And finally killed the fish.

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I saw a porpoise killer shark, a Boca Chica right just outside of King West one day.

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This shark was about ten feet long and he was up in this water which is only about six feet deep.

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And all of a sudden we saw these porpoises coming in.

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Two of them hit that shark and knocked him all the way out of the water.

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And every time he hit the water another one was swacking.

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And they were just ramming into the shark.

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That's sort of their curious combination.

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The shark is such a brave little creature.

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Yeah, and boy they battered him around.

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In five minutes he couldn't even swim.

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And finally he just sank to the bottom and that was it.

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But it took him about, I'd say all together, seven or eight minutes to kill him.

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There were about a dozen porpoises involved and they were really battering him around.

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And the first time when two of them hit him all together at the same time he came right out of the water.

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He was up three, four feet.

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You know, one of the, just returning in your book, I think what I appreciate most about it was the way you managed to crowd in

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all these very interesting stories and your ability to condense each story,

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which normally I think would be very difficult, but you're dealing in the unusual,

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that's what they say, standard things.

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But be careful, don't say that.

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I am careful.

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You're dealing here, then.

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You're dealing in the unusual, I mean in relation to the stories of their nature that I imagine in writing them,

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that's quite a problem that's a lot to leave out because everything is important,

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especially that of the unusual.

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So your ability to condense it to three pages of book style, each story, and yet to me,

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not leave out general things that should be tolerated.

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Let me explain something here.

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This, that was a problem.

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Because in many of these, I had a great deal of material that dealt with this particular story.

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Yeah, in some of the chapters he almost switched that you would have gone.

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And in order to give a lot of variety to the book, and without that it would have been meaningless,

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in order to get variety into it and still keep it interesting without deleting any of the essentials

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and without going overboard on some of the stories that he's running them out beyond the necessary,

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I had to write and rewrite, which for me is rather unusual, but my problem was simplified to some extent

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because originally I wrote things for a radio series called Stranger Than Science,

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which is now running in five or six countries.

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We just made a deal with Australia last week to run these things.

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And I know they're running in Trinidad and Bermuda and Canada and the United States,

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and Australia and several places.

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And so I had, in order to get these into radio form, I had to cut them down,

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cut them pretty short and make them as compact as possible, if Detroit would say.

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And so that helped me to a large extent to keep them being overly wordy on these things

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and to at the same time get some variety into them.

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We just received somebody just brought into the studio.

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A five foot show?

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A very long telegram, and it says on the top of it, don't read.

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So I guess we might as well read it. Maybe it's something metaphysical.

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Maybe we'll get a chance to read it later if somebody can interpret it.

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You know, Robin, on the top of your head.

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So I'll put it aside that we won't comment on it because the person has requested that it should not be.

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I thought you were hanging wallpaper on it.

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There's no record?

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Yes, well, I certainly want to study that in a little while.

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And I'd like to talk now about Carnegie Delacatec and Replicant, which is...

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That's the number of those cases, I'll read it.

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They're on record, let's say in the last 150 or 200 years there have been a really great number of those things.

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And I mentioned several of them in the book here where all of a sudden, for no apparent reason,

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in rather generally and localized instances, it would become just as dark as at midnight.

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And I think I have one of the cases in there in Minnesota where this happened.

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And also a case up in New England where it got so dark in the middle of the day that this legislative body that was meeting had to light candles

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in order to get around in the room.

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And they thought I wanted to adjourn and go home because they thought it was the end of the world.

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And they thought it was in charge of the meeting set if it is the end of the world.

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We'd better stay here and finish this business while we... before it's all over.

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And there was no explanation for any of these that I was able to find.

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Well, there isn't one of the usual explanations that is given a... something like forest fire.

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Well, there was one case, I think it was long enough, 52 or 53, where there was the so-called blue days.

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And this was described, for instance, in the... as a great forest fire in western Canada.

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But the... giving the joke of that was that if this was caused on our east coast by the forest fire in western Canada,

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it was on a day when the wind was blowing in two directions at the same time.

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Because the charge show very clearly that the smoke from the forest fire in western Canada was going westward over the mountains and over the Pacific.

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And it was comparatively localized.

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And the thing that was not explained was how this same condition allegedly brought about the blue and green days over Denmark and Scandinavia,

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about six or seven days after it happened in this country.

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There seems to be a connection between these events then.

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Well, I don't know about that. I just know that I found several of them.

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And although they were attributed to the same condition, in that case I just mentioned this most recent one, in the early 50s,

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I couldn't see how they could... in view of the circumstances that are known to exist.

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And I don't see how they could attribute the same thing, these blue and green days in these other countries to the condition in western Canada.

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Have you gotten any reports on red days in the sky with the olive red and the light with the red?

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Well, of course, after the explosion of Krakatoa back in the preceding century, there were some days like that.

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And although it's not generally known, there were some days like that immediately preceding the explosion of Krakatoa.

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How is that accounted for?

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Well, of course, the ones that followed it were explained as the dust, and may well have been dust from the explosion.

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But what caused the ones before that? I don't know, nor did I ever find any explanation.

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Frank, did you ever go to Duke University and visit the parapsychology laboratory?

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No, I was never there.

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Have you ever talked with Ryan?

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Only by phone once.

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Just by phone, yes.

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Do you have any opinions about his work?

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Well, I think that he's certainly a brave soul to venture out into that field, which is a cruise among the dam, certainly, because he is dealing with subjects which are highly controversial,

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and which in many cases are regarded as simply non-existent or fraudulent.

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And yet he's had the courage and had the support of the university and has done, I think, some remarkable research in these various fields that he's dealt with.

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Ben, I wanted to ask about something on the flyleaf of your book, or Ben's other titles.

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And I was wondering how you lost 10 million sponsors.

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Well, as far as I know, I'm the only fellow who ever did lose 10 million sponsors, and I lost them all in one night.

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Then at the time, this was in August of 1954, I had been sponsored on the mutual network by the AFML, as a matter of fact.

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I was the first news commentator ever to have a labor sponsor on a national basis.

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And only one.

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No, there have been others since then.

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And I was the first one to be on a national basis with a labor organization as a sponsor.

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I had some disagreements with a few of the hierarchy there at the AFML.

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By and large, I had a long time with those sponsors as I have with many others during my 36 years in this business.

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And that covered actually only four years of my career.

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But it came to the point where we had to have a parting of the ways since we couldn't have a meeting of minds.

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And I tried to resign and got fired.

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I have the footprints to prove it.

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What was the dedication in your book?

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In this particular book, Stranger and Sight.

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Candy, a devoted friend.

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It's not like candy, it might be a strip teaser, doesn't it?

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Yeah, I was wondering.

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No, candy in this case, man, it happens to be my little Boston terrier, a real cute little scamp.

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And she was on a lot of television shows with me when I was out in the Midwest doing nightly television news commentaries.

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Candy got to coming in and climbing up on my lap.

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And so in order to, one night in order to make it a little easier for me, I put her up on the desk and told her to lie down.

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So she did.

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And she would lie there and watch the camera lens.

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I almost motionless all during the show.

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But when I set my sign off, good night to the news and good luck, she knew what that meant.

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And she bounced up like she had a spring at her.

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And she got to be real popular, in fact, more than I.

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And it got to the point where I was really, I think, just a guest on her program.

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And she's a very well-behaved little scamp and really reels the roost at our house.

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So I thought at least I could do some dedicated to book tour.

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There were a lot of friends and a lot of readers for that little pitch there, believe me, because we have a lot of dog lovers.

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I know we've had discussions about the, I'm thinking of Peggy and Chris Cheryl.

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They give me the...

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The what? The what? The Gamefist?

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No, I mean, Peggy and Chris Cheryl's pitch about the intersection.

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Oh, right.

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And at least any time there's a discussion about the intersection, we have all of the animal lovers.

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And believe me, they'll be happy to know that.

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I did a big fight on that.

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Well, I was on actually on that AFML program along in the 50s there.

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And I got into it through Estelle Taylor, remember?

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And she was, of course, then living in Hollywood.

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She's died since then.

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But she knew how I felt about that when this fight came along, why she got my interest.

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I went out there and spent some time and I did quite a campaign on it.

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But Estelle was a wonderful fighter for the underprivileged pro-chess.

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And so I had a lot of fun and a lot of fine support from Miss Taylor and others in the field.

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And you represented the AFML on that news program.

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Your news comments, were those written by you and uncensored by AFML?

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Well, they were written by me for about three years of the four years and uncensored.

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But in about the last, I'd say perhaps the last ten months of my tenure or my term of service there,

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they put a fellow along with me who was called an editor.

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But actually he was a center and he was put on there to see that I carried out his orders.

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And they certainly didn't coincide with my idea of news coverage.

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And I fought him off for a while, but I finally got tired of that because actually he had the support of a couple of fellows who were in a strategic position there.

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And I couldn't possibly win in the long run.

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So there's no use fighting indefinitely about what you can win.

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But by and large, my relationship with the AFML during the four years or so that I was with him was very good.

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I mean, with the exception of the last few months and why they took that attack, I'll never know, but I'm not particularly...

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Well, you were not AFML.

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That's a sure thing.

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Well, no.

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So what were they going to send you?

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Well, they wanted to be sure that I quoted some AFML bigwig about every other night.

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And for instance, one of them had made a trip to Germany at the AFML's expense.

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Well, he went over there actually to visit his grandparents.

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And when he came back in order to justify...

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In fact, I was surprised.

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I didn't know he had any grandparents.

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I thought they wanted them to raffle.

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But when he came back, he wanted...

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In order to justify his having spent all his money, he wanted me to carry a three-minute tape of the conditions, the economic conditions in West Germany

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as he had found them during his three-day stay there.

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So I cut the tape in two and used part of it.

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But this was typical of the problem by hand.

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Well, Frank, in all fairness to the AFML,

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it is also typical so often of commercially...

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That is a sponsored news program sponsored by commercial organizations.

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Does it not?

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Well, I have never had that experience, Al.

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I can't recall a single instance where I've been sponsored by a commercial organization

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where they tried to get me to carry some big story, plugging the sponsor as an individual.

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Yes, it is.

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And that's what this would amount to.

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This is sort of an annoying thing.

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You like to think that only the opponents do this.

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I was thinking of Congressional Junkins when he brought up that trip to Germany.

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It was very amusing to find out that the AF is available there also.

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Well, I don't condone it, of course.

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It's in fact a form of either source.

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But again, in all fairness, it has done both ways.

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Many a president of a corporation or a law restaurant or an office of that matter

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takes a little jump into Europe or elsewhere on a really personal situation

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where he is surveying the market.

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So he is studying rural conditions, et cetera.

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No question about it.

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I decided he was impoverished.

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Well, I didn't object to this fellow spending the AFL's money.

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That was none of my business.

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In fact, I worked for the mutual network then as I do today.

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But I was sponsored by the AFL.

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And that was an arrangement between the mutual and the AFL.

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And it was none of my business how the AFL executives spent their money.

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But it was my business when I was put in the position of carrying a propaganda piece

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for one AFL executive under the guise of noon to help him cover up a five-a-juggling

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to his grandmother's knee and other joints.

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And I just didn't prefer to do that.

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He was a big push out of action for a while.

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Well, only briefly, actually.

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I was not, when the dust settled after that, when I went to work out at the American University

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there in Washington making some films for television.

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Incidentally, the first one we made had Willie Lay and Jonathan Leonard, the science editor

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of Time Magazine.

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And they were, and on the other side of me was Major Donald Keyville and William Natch,

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the veteran pilot for Pan American Airlines.

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And the subject of our 30-minute heated discussion was what are the flying saucers?

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The fur was flying as well as the saucers.

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There is something now for you to think about a moment.

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I've known you now, I guess, for about two, two and a half years.

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Two years and twenty, doesn't it?

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The life of the world.

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But in talking with you many times, you have suggested to me, and I know that you meant

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well, you thought that you were giving me constructive criticism and suggestions.

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You suggested that it would be nice if we dealt once in a while with theatrical people

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and sort of get away from the offbeat subjects of flying saucers.

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And yet here's a man that you have a tremendous amount of admiration and respect for, Frank

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Edwards, and you see that this is, I would say, a major portion of his discussion,

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which is certainly an important part of the thing that he discusses.

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And there's interest, a definite tremendous interest on the pilot listeners.

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I don't doubt it.

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And when a man of Frank Edwards' caliber, and I am not being pleasant to him because

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he is present this evening, I said it before I ever mentioned, then I am willing to listen

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and to discuss, I agree with that, Joe, and where I have openly fore and again with

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sincerity and trying to be constructive and saying that I know everything, I just felt

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this, that offbeat in itself can be interesting, no question.

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But its validity sometimes, when it comes from a person who has just offbeat themselves

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without any background whatsoever, might be misleading and might at times also be boring.

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But if a man of Frank Edwards' background, and he finds interest, but then here's a credible source,

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here's a reputable source that is interesting to come to him.

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That was my only point.

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The source of the information, rather than the information itself, was what I thought was important.

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What about the, would you put, made you Donald Key or that same pressure?

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Well, of course you're putting me in a spark between any individuals, but since you're

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asking me to do it and I am working call for, wish me courageously, no, I cannot put them

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in this dead-wit category whatsoever.

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I didn't mean as a news commentator, I mean as an authority on causes.

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Well, as an authority on sources, I, that's a difficult question.

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As an authority that I'd like to listen to.

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Well, let me say this.

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I personally feel that Keyhole is far better informed on the subject of UFOs than I am,

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because he has access, because of his military background and connections, he has access

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to a lot of friends in the service who will talk to him off the record and discuss things

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with him which I could never get.

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Very, excuse me.

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Possibly, that's maybe so in the Keyhole's case, I don't know.

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But the fact of his majority is certainly not if so fact though to be accepted that he

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has sources of information, because I might have looted, I had an office of ship in the

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reserve of the Army of the United States, a long while ago.

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If you want to win that war, go ahead.

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That is, that is.

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And I might have looted.

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I know there was something about you I didn't quite like, I got along very well with the

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men.

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Very well indeed.

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Let me tell you how it was in San Juan Hills, I must say.

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You're right.

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You, Johnny, had a really good life.

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But why was there a British decide?

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No, seriously.

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So the fact that Major Keyhole, he don't know, has a majority, doesn't mean he has military

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friends and sources of information from.

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As a newsman, your ability to obtain news, although some people may be reluctant to give it to

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you, I think it will be far greater than any of the thousands of ex-military officers roaming

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around now and all sorts of positions that have nothing to do with those words.

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Let me explain this to you.

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I don't know how much you know about Keyhole, but he was a major in the Marine Corps in World

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He also was a balloonist and balloon instructor prior to World War I.

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He taught flying during World War I and afterward.

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He was a aide to Colonel Lindbergh when Lindbergh made his triumphal tour of the United States.

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And he has been a, I'd say, a renowned aviation rider for a good many years because of this

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very fine background as a flyer.

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When he was a balloonist, did he use hot air balloons?

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Well, you may be interested in knowing that he preferred gas.

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I have a lot of respect for Major Keyhole and I think that he is doing, and I know that

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there are many people that are critical of him.

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Certainly he is not making a lot of loot in this.

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If I continue this, Major Keyhole has lost a lot of money.

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He has taken and is still taking a terrific financial beating because of his courage in

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staying on this particular something because he thinks it's something...

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When this was originally organized, it looked like there are going to be a lot of big people

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involved in this.

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They were going to put money into it and Major Donald Keyhole would make a, would get a tidy

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income from it, which he's entitled to for the work and the knowledge that, the work

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he puts in and the knowledge that he has of the subject.

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But something happened, what happened, I do not know, I've heard a lot of rumors, nevertheless

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there was a certain deterioration in the organization and Keyhole was the only one that stuck with

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it and kept the thing together.

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And whether you buy Donald Keyhole's ideas or not, this is a man that is sincere and

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a man that is doing what I consider to be an excellent job.

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And anytime that Keyhole wants to step out of there, he can make a classical buck during

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the country lecturing.

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He does not have to pull a lever.

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Now he is the director of this organization, John, was by the unanimous vote of the board,

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had assisted of some eminent scientists, some generals, those are like Wittemeyer and some

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Admirals like Forney and men who had known Keyhole and known of his work and of his background

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and they voted unanimously for him to head the organization.

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And I think the guy, as you find out, who deserves a great deal of credit and certainly he deserves

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something better than he's had financially because this has cost him personally a very

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great amount of money.

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But I don't understand what he's doing.

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I mean, you're all commending him and applauding him and telling him what he's doing.

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Well, he's applauded broadly and he's starting to give you an understanding.

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Yeah, but you know, no one, no one...

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What's the serious question of mine?

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No one brought him by the scruff of the neck and said, give up your lucrative business

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associations and appointments and the rest of it.

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May I just interrupt you?

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Basically that's what was done at the time.

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A group of men decided to form NYCAP and they forced him against the...

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Oh no, no, no, that's not being facetious about it.

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They approached him and they told him that they wanted him to head the organization and

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with great reluctance he decided to accept their offer.

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What was he doing as an expert in this?

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He was writing books.

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He wrote the... he collaborated with Charles Lindbergh on one book.

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He wrote a number of articles for the top magazines, Saturday Evening Post, True Magazine,

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Argosy Magazine and the now defunct literary digest.

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And he's a very competent writer in his particular field.

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He was lecturing and all and he decided to get behind this thing because he believes,

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and I think he still does, that he believes that we need an organization in Washington

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to try to bring to the public the facts about, I won't call them flying saucers, about UFOs.

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Now it is his opinion that the government is concealing some of the information that they have.

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This is not necessarily my opinion, but if a man is so sincere in his belief, then I

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think he deserves our respect and admiration.

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So sincerity always.

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Oh, that's not the question.

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Do you believe that the government is withholding information on whatever knowledge they have

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of unidentified objects that you do?

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Do they have some answers to the question?

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Well, that they have a great deal more information than they will put out.

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Now, Nykap has a letter from Nathan Twining.

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We had written to him, and I think this was over the signature of Admiral Hillencutter,

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asking him if any attempt had been made to contact these things or to communicate with them.

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And if so, what the results were.

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And he needs to reply, much to our surprise.

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General Twining said that attempts had been made, but the results had been negative because

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of what we assumed to be physical reasons.

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We asked him to amplify that physical reason, and we did not get a reply to that.