

FAMILY SAY: WE WERE

Five recall, under hypnosis, a missing hour in their lives

FIVE FAMILY members — including two children — have startled investigators with remarkable accounts of the evening aliens swooped to take them aboard a saucer-shaped spacecraft.

Creatures in a UFO that had pursued its victims' car along a lonely country road, eventually let the family go after erasing the adults' recollections of their amazing encounter.

They remembered stopping their car under the strange craft — and then inexplicably found themselves driving down the wrong road.

But they had lost an hour out of their lives. Eventually under hypnosis, two of them — John Mann and his sister, Frances Farrow — were able to recall an incredible meeting with human-like beings who:

- Examined them with devices attached to the family's legs which later left severe bruises.
- Showed them film of an alien planet the captors said had been destroyed by a nuclear explosion.
- Demonstrated a propulsion system the aliens claimed they were prepared to barter for a chance to live on earth.
- Gave the family a drug that was supposed to make them forget the experience until meeting the aliens again.

Hypnotherapist Geoffrey M. Cartney worked with the Mann family for three months, taking them back in time to relive what happened to them that weird night.

He declares: "I can say with certainty they have had a unique and identical experience. They did not make it up."

The astonishing adventure began just after darkness one summer night in 1978 outside the village of Stanford-in-the-Vale in Southern England.

Mann and Farrow were in

'The lady took me into the spaceship'

HYPNOTISM was ruled out for Gloria Mann — who was pregnant — and her daughters who were considered too young. But Natasha has her own recollection of what happened that night:

There was a lady on the spaceship who took me, Mummy, Tanya, Auntie Frances and Daddy into a room.

Then one of the men took Auntie Frances and Daddy somewhere and Mummy lay down on a bed.

The lady took me to a room and showed me pictures like a television. First of all she showed me monsters. They looked like men with long hair who lived in caves.

Then she showed me little green boys and girls who lived on another planet.

The lady said she had been on their planet



NATASHA with her drawing of the spacecraft.

and had seen them and some of them had guns. She told me her planet was too near the sun and burned up so they had to leave. I saw the planet that got burned on the pictures.

She wore silver clothes like the other ladies. She offered me a drink but I did not want it. Then we went down on the beam and went to the car and went home.

'Later, strange marks appeared on bodies'

the front of the car while his wife, Gloria, and their daughters, Natasha, 5, and Tanya, 3, were dozing in the back seat.

As the car mounted a small rise, Mann and his sister spotted a brilliant white light about a mile ahead.

The light remained as they drove the next mile, then a red light began to flash beside it and it seemed to be coming at them. Mann got

out to check for any aircraft noise.

Suddenly the moon was eclipsed by pitch blackness and he heard a noise "like a mixture of a swishing sound and the noise of a train's wheels against a track."

"Through the dusk I could make out a vast circular shape over a hundred feet up in the sky," he said.

"We could see the underside of a massive, saucer-shaped object, its undercarriage lit by a rim of brilliant colored lights."

Gloria Mann screamed: "Quick, John, get back in the car — it's going to land!"

Until hypnosis, that's the last thing the frightened group remembered until they suddenly found themselves on the strange road.

"It was pitch-black," Mann recalls. "I could no longer see over the hedges. I had a strange feeling that if I took my hands off the wheel, the car would drive itself."

They drove through a deserted village and Farrow

said: "I don't want to worry anybody, but look behind us."

Two hundred feet to their right, a ball of brilliant white light was pacing the car. It disappeared whenever the car approached houses or villages only to re-appear once they were back on the lonely road.

Twenty minutes before they got home it went away for good.

Mann phoned Britain's largest air force base at Brize Norton, only seven miles from where the incident happened, to report a mysterious low-flying object. As he did so, he checked his watch and was staggered to find it was an hour later than he had expected to arrive home.

"I put the phone down and saw Gloria staring at the clock and Frances examining her watch." They had discovered the same baffling time lapse.

The mystery grew as little Natasha kissed her aunt goodnight and sleepily

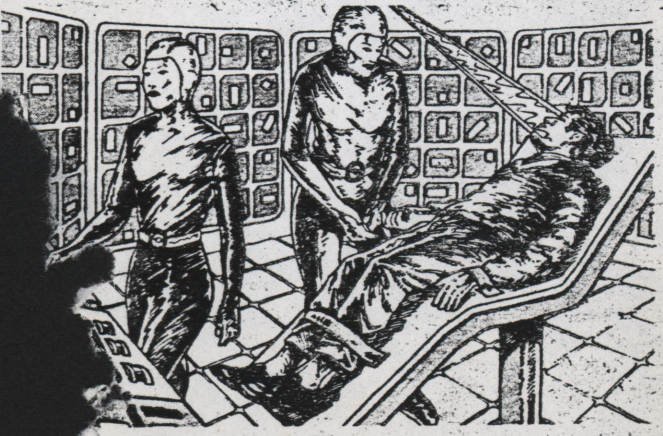
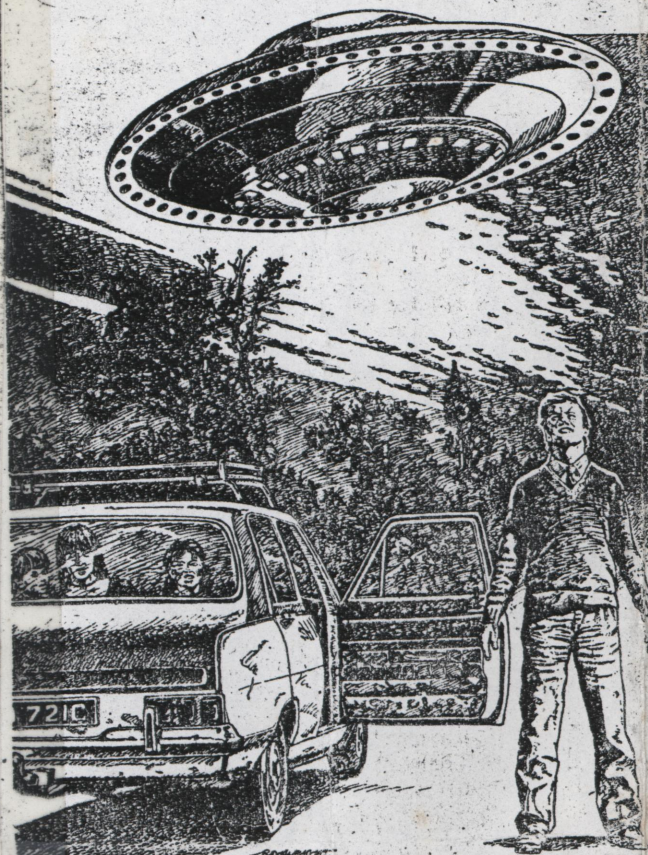


Illustration illustrates John Mann's claim that he was zapped to a chair and struck by a beam of light.

EXAMINED ON ALIEN SPACESHIP



ARTIST'S recreation of how spacecraft hovered over the car before the aliens took their victims aboard.

murmured: "You had better keep your windows up Auntie Frances in case you get sucked up."

Afterward, the Manns suffered dizziness and nausea — then strange marks started to appear on their bodies.

First, John Mann got a rash on his chest, then his wife found a similar rash on her leg; Farrow developed problems with her head and neck, plus an oval bruise on her right leg just below the knee.

Days later, Gloria Mann noticed a dark blue mark below her knee and rushed in to her husband, who was still in bed, and pulled back the sheets to find he had developed a similar mark.

Then Mann had a strange dream. "I saw myself stop the car in front of a beam of yellowish light coming from the sky," he says.

"We all got out of the car and walked into the light beam and floated up into some sort of aircraft.

"We walked along a corridor until we reached three identical doors. I entered one, Gloria and the children another, and Frances a third.

"I was aware of something attaching itself to my right leg below the knee. After about

five minutes the leg clamp retracted.

"I returned to the corridor and the others came out of their rooms. We walked silently back to where we had entered, floated back down the shaft of light and drove off."

Farrow had a similar dream and, although so many

'We flew over a desolate landscape'

THIS IS John Mann's story, reconstructed after hypnosis:

I did not get lost on a road that doesn't exist. What really happened is that the spaceship hovered in front of the car about 100 feet off the ground.

Eight or 10 shadowy figures walked silently to the car and returned with the others. We walked towards a brilliant column of light. As we entered the light beam we seemed to float upwards.

I remember being in a large circular room.

There were three men wearing close-fitting metallic silver suits with balaclava-type helmets.

One of them said in perfect English: "Welcome to our ship. No harm will come to you.

"We wish to examine you." He asked me to step



MANN with sister Frances (left), wife Gloria and daughters Tanya and Natasha beside road where they say a UFO captured them.

things were still unexplained, the family began to realize they had been in contact with a UFO.

Then Natasha came home with some schoolwork, including a drawing she had done the day after their mysterious journey.

It showed a saucer-shaped spacecraft ringed with colored lights hovering over the car. A yellow light beamed down onto the road — just as in her father's dream. For Mann, the evidence was overwhelming.

He contacted the British UFO Investigators Network who suggested the family might be helped by hypnosis ...and that's when the full dramatic story emerged.

'The aliens told me they would like to live on earth'

FRANCES FARROW now remembers quite vividly what happened to her during her "lost hour."

6 When John was taken for his medical, I was separated from Gloria and the children and taken into another room.

I was escorted by a man with a plain white disc on his silver uniform to a room where there were about 15 to 20 people.

The man told me he was Uxiaulia, an explorer pilot from the planet Janos.

He told how Sarton, the planet nearest their sun, came too close to Janos and started

to disintegrate and shower them with meteorites.

He said a nuclear power station was hit by a meteor and set off a chain reaction which devastated the rest of Janos.

He told me explorer spacecrafts from the master base ship — temporary home of Janos survivors — had been sent to find a new home for their people.

From what they had seen of earth, they would like to live

here. Then I was taken to a room where the others were waiting.

Both John and Frances remember a woman offering them colorless fizzy drinks.

Natasha and Tanya refused their drinks and the woman said: "It doesn't matter, they are too young to remember. Besides, no one would believe them."

John asked if the drinks were alcoholic and was told: "No, it is to help you forget.

"You must forget because you will be exploited. In time you will remember. You will meet us again and you will know us."

through a door and leave the others.

Two women came into the room. One told me to sit in a sort of dentist's chair and strapped my wrists to the chair arms.

An intense beam of light shone onto my face. Then one of the women pulled something black down from the ceiling. I was left completely dazed. I could hear a woman's voice saying, "Wake up, John, wake up."

The man returned and told me he was called Anouxia and said:

"Do not be alarmed. Something is coming and we must move a short distance."

The floor seemed to tip to the left. Anouxia said:

"You are very fortunate to have been in the engine rooms when the ship was moving."

When I asked what power-

ed the ship, he said it was a process they were prepared to bargain with for the possibility of living peacefully on earth.

He then told me he wanted to show me a film of his home. I felt the film was taken from an aircraft and I was actually on board.

We flew over a desolate landscape of rocks and I could see a craft about the size of a bus emerging as the rocks parted.

The film ended and I joined the others in another room. Anouxia indicated we should step out through the open hatchway.

As soon as our feet touched the ground the shaft of light moved away and a man who had accompanied us walked slowly backwards into the light saying, "You will remember nothing."