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Dear Mr. Truzzi;

Recently Prof. David Stuppel of Eastern Michigan University mentioned your publication Explorations in a letter. He also enclosed a copy of your interesting essay on the occult revival.

Although I have published eight books and am now working on my ninth- originally contracted for by Saturday Review Press which has now merged with Dutton- only four dealt directly or indirectly with occult subjects: Jadoo, Julian Messner, 1957; Operation Trojan Horse, Putnam's, 1970; Strange Creatures from Time and Space, Fawcett, 1970; Our Haunted Planet, Fawcett, 1971. My articles, essays and stories have appeared in hundreds of national magazines. Currently I write- among other things- a monthly column on Fortean for Saga magazine.

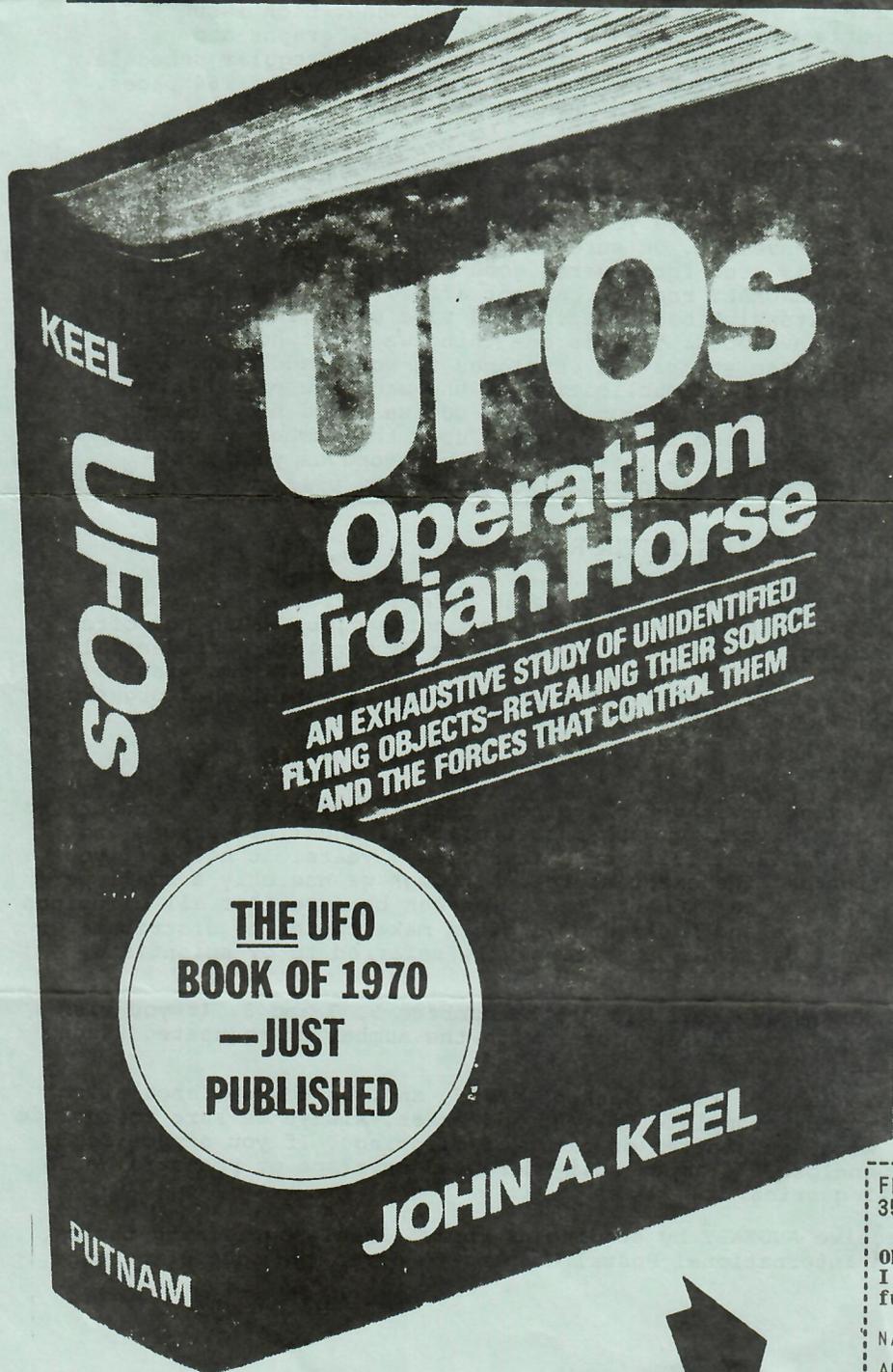
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August 22, 1973
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Dear Prof. Truzzi;

Thank for yours of Aug. 13th. I am enclosing a copy of my newsletter and must apologize for its simplemindedness. I learned long ago that our UFO fans (ANOMALY's main audience) are incapable of dealing with abstract thought and are woefully unread. In 1968-69 I conducted a poll of 250 self-styled ufologists. Their median age was 31 but the most active (as in sfandom) were 15-21. The older ufologists tend to be housewives with marital problems, and male misfits who find identity as the local "UFO expert".

Please overlook the bad printing and innumerable typos in ANOMALY. I literally slap it together and often have to resort to indistinct Xerox copies of clippings which don't reproduce well.

The title of Michael K. Schutz's thesis is stimulating. My own study of the UFO groups over the years has convinced me that their major goal is the attainment of respectability...not for the subject but for themselves.

I enjoyed your essay on the occult from Popular Culture. In a rational, orderly world the individual discovery of occultism and the paranormal should lead to a broadening of the personal viewpoint and philosophy. Unfortunately, this rarely happens. Instead, the percipient or victim permits his subjective experience to narrow his view and lead him to the total, unquestioning acceptance of any one of dozens (hundreds?) of available frames of reference. The practitioner of witchcraft is really just indulging in inverted Catholicism. The modern flying saucer fan is just worshipping the ancient "Sky People" in a slightly modified form.

Here also is a copy of a fan magazine, Caveat Emptor, containing an essay of mine on ufology.

I'll be looking forward to EXPLORATIONS.

Best...

John A. Keel
-john a. keel

August 31, 1974
Box 29
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Dear Mr. Truzzi;

Thanx for Zetetic #1. Hope you will keep me on your mailing list.

As you may know, I have been an amateur magician since boyhood and was once quite active in the various magician's societies but my interest has diminished in recent years. I have known the Amazing Randi for twenty years or so, and most of the others who have been prominent in attacking Geller et alli. Don't ~~xxx~~ take these fellows too seriously. With few exceptions, magicians are megalomaniacs and avid publicity seekers. ~~W~~ While it is possible to duplicate most types of psychic phenomena with sleight-of-hand this is no proof that the psychics themselves are using trickery. Unfortunately, scientists and parapsychologists in particular are a remarkably gullible group. A couple of years ago at the big parapsychology conference held in Prague the Russians deliberately threw in a ringer... a stage mentalist using the standard blindfold act. The scientists at the conference swallowed his act as a real demonstration of psychic ability. Later, at a meeting in Washington, D.C. last year some of the scientists who had seen the act described it to me and I fell on the floor laughing. They were actually incensed. After all, they had seen it with their own eyes, etc. etc. They would not even listen to my learned explanation of the act so later I sent them a \$2.00 ~~whixh~~ book which explained it all. From their description, the Russian had obviously followed the book exactly...didn't even throw in any innovations of his own.

More recently, the two ladies who wrote the book about psychic phenomena behind the Iron Curtain (their names elude me at the moment) were on the Tomorrow Show with Tom Snyder. They brought along a wonderful "psychic" they had discovered in Calif. He called himself Astara or some such. He demonstrated his powers with a mundane card trick known to every teenaged magician. And followed up with some psychic photography...using a hidden UV lamp...another gimmick well-known to all of us in the flim-flam trade. Snyder and the ladies were appropriately impressed.

In short, Marcello, parapsychology has a long way to go. The literature is really filled with bullshit because the investigators were either inept or were relying on inadequate reports from sadly ill-equipped researchers.

You might get in touch with the (groan) Ancient Astronauts Society in the Chicago area. They put out a newsletter. The editor is: Richard Crowe, 5613 S. Keeler Ave.; Chicago, Ill. 60629.

A rather delightful paperback, Some Trust in Chariots, edited by Barry Thiering and Edgar Castle recently appeared. Popular Library, #445-00586-095. My own satire, Attila The Hun was An Astronaut will appear next year, probably under another title. And Saturday Review Press will be releasing my new opus, The Year of the Garuda in May 1975.

There's a Ph.D. in Dallas that keeps writing me "have you stopped beating your wife?" letters. He is a big UFO buff immersed in conspiracy theories. I hope you'll put him on your mailing list and get him off my back. His name is: Dr. Robert Davis; 3012 Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas 75225.

Scientists and academicians who really want to make a valid contribution to the rapidly unfolding new Dark Age owe it to themselves and their discipline to get out into the field and actually find out what is going on, rather than wade through the tenth generation literature...most of which is written by believers and fanatics. There are vast unexplored areas waiting for honest, objective investigators. I have only scraped the surface in my own writings. But as I said in one of my masterpieces, we are all blindly examining the same elephant. We desperately need more generalists with an adequate background in magic, psychology, psychiatry, psychological warfare (a very important subject in this mess), medicine, and the overall sciences. In most cases (i.e., UFOs, religion, witchcraft) it is nigh impossible to separate the lore from the fact in the literature. Encounters with phenomena are almost entirely subjective and interpretations of those phenomena are even more subjective. The only way to properly analyse lore is to burn it, scatter the ashes in a teacup and read them like tea leaves.

Keep up the bad work.

Best...

John A. Keel
-john a. keel

P.S. Whatever happend to Dave Stuppel's book?

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July 27, 1976

Dear Marcello;

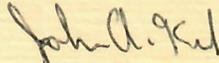
Gotcher Zetetic announcing the formation of (groan) yet another Committee. I hope you can keep me on your mailing list so I can keep my jaundiced eye on your nefarious activities. I'm not exactly sure, though, what it is you really hope to accomplish. However, the absence of real goals hasn't thwarted any of the other Committees extant.

I believe copies of PURSUIT were sent out to you and some of your colleagues a few months back. We hope to make the journal more interesting and more useful to the academic community...and get away from the Fan Club atmosphere of the past.

This Fall I may set up a Committee to investigate the Committees investigating everything else. Dr. Condon's suggestion for the establishment of a National Magic Agency (En-a-ma) has always seemed a good one. NMA should supervise all these Committees and feed tax dollars to them. But I suppose Milbourne Christopher would want to be head of it. Randi would refuse the lowly Vice Presidential chair. Doc Hynek would be turned down for a grant and would grumble about still another governmental conspiracy. Major Keyhoe would cry "Whitewash!" Phil Klass would write a book about it titled Bullshit. And Coral Lorenzen would claim she invented it first.

Unfortunately, your outline indicates that you are already media-oriented. It is my experience that the truly remarkable psychics and occultists in this country avoid publicity and live in an amazing Twilight Zone of their own almost undercover. The over-publicized members of this strange fraternity are usually the worst of the lot and attacking them is as easy as picking bugs off a tomato plant. To really investigate these things you must get into the field and search instead of waiting for the National Enquirer to bring them to your attention.

Good luck;


-john a. keel

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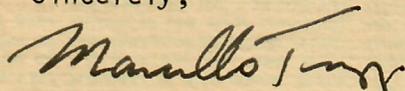
Mr. John Keel
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Dear Mr. Keel:

Could you please send us some information about your UNICORN REVIEW? I would also appreciate any information about your forthcoming book STRANGE MUTANTS (which I hope you will have your publisher send to us for review in ZETETIC SCHOLAR).

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Marcello Truzzi

Dear Marcello;

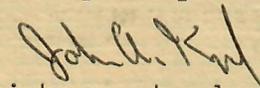
So you're still at it, huh? Awhile back I came across your old abthology SOCIOLOGY AND EVERYDAY LIFE ~~IN~~ in a secondhand shop. Paid a dollar for it. How can I get my money back?

THE UNICORN REVIEW & DIGEST (T.U.R.D.) is a gag...a gimmick to build up my mailing list. STRANGE MUTANTS is a reprint of my 1970 book STRANGE CREATURES FROM TIME AND SPACE. Beckley changed the title when he reprinted it. It is hardly worthy of review in ZS...or anywhere else.

Very sorry to hear about Dave.

Hope all is well with you and that you're still giving CSIOP hell.

Best...



-john a. keel

HAS OUR NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY UNLEASHED... THE BEAST OF REVELATIONS



STRANGE MUTANTS

Since 1945, more than 2,000 atomic bombs have been exploded in the earth's atmosphere and in outer space. One result was that by the late 1950's the milk of cows living in the Midwest was so radioactive it was unfit for human consumption. Another result, in the mid-1960's, was a worldwide wave of power failures caused by EMP (Electro-Magnetic Pulse) of the Chinese atomic tests.

During this same period, there was also a bizarre increase in sightings of "strange creatures" all over this planet. Ten-foot tall hairy monsters stomped around an atomic energy plant in Michigan. Dinosaur-like creatures were reported in Italy, France, Texas, Idaho and many other places. Weird winged creatures appeared in several states, and there was even an epidemic of kangaroos from New England to the Mexican border...even though no wild kangaroos are known to exist in North America.

Where were all these odd critters coming from? And where did they go? According to globe trotting journalist John A. Keel, there is compelling evidence that some of them were short-lived mutants created by genetic accidents caused by the radioactivity from all those

atom bombs. Pitiful, misshapen creatures poisoned by man's stupidity even before they were born and doomed to lead, short, disoriented lives blundering around our forests.

It is a fact that many weird anomalies of "supernormal" nature have been reported both during daylight hours and in the dead of night. Hairy monsters that reek of sulphur, slithering serpents, flying cats, huge dogs with glowing eyes, are only a few of the other bizarre "things" that have been observed.

The following are just a sample of the many cases which the author has uncovered and which are printed for the first time in his startling book **STRANGE MUTANTS**:

■ "MOTHMAN" CHASES AUTO AT 90 MPH

A creature with glowing red eyes and a wing span of over twelve feet was a common sight a few years ago in the sky above several towns in

rural West Virginia. In one very well documented case, an automobile was chased at 90 miles per hour by this winged being who had police unable to keep up with the many sightings that were being made.

■ SCENT DOGS REFUSE TO FOLLOW "APE MAN"

Near the Anclote River in Florida, a "giant hairy thing" was seen standing in the trees giving off a "rancid putrid odor like stale urine." Scent dogs called in to give chase refused to budge and would only whine when coaxed to follow the foul smelling "ape man."

■ THE "GRINNING MAN" OF ELIZABETH, N.J.

Near the Elizabeth, N.J. entrance to the New Jersey Turnpike, several youths encountered "the biggest man we ever saw." He was nearly seven feet tall, dark complexioned, with little round eyes set far apart. At first he had his back to them, but when they approached, he pivoted around and looked right at the boys, and then he grinned.

■ "SLIME MAN" ACOSTS TEENAGE GIRLS

Two frightened teenage girls from Fontana, Calif. told police that a "bush beast," standing over seven feet tall popped up behind their car shaking his arms in a threatening manner. The girls maintain that the creature had brown hair and was covered in "moss and slime."

■ THE "BOOGER" ESCAPES SHOTGUN POSSE

Residents around Clanton, Alabama tell of seeing a tall, hairy creature near Walnut Creek. The creature has been seen so many times the locals have given it a nickname. On several occasions a shotgun toting posse has given chase, but has never been able to corner the "Booger," as the thing is called.

■ GIANT "CAT" TERRORIZES SENATOR

A quiet suburban town in Connecticut was besieged by a plague of giant "cats" who roamed the streets terrorizing residents. A bus driver narrowly escaped injury when he almost hit one of the large felines and a state senator watched in horror as a huge animal stalked his home.

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■ TWENTY FOOT "PENGUIN" LEAVES TRACKS

Fisherman discovered on the beaches near Clearwater, Florida, markings left behind by a creature reported to be over twenty feet tall. The "mutant" was seen to waddle around in the marshes and one woman said it resembled a gigantically proportioned "penguin."

■ HALF MAN—HALF HORSE

Police could not prove a Centerville, Illinois man was lying when he claimed that a creature that looked "half-man, half horse," had approached him on a lonely road. Fifty additional reports were received in a period of one week.

In the pages of **STRANGE MUTANTS** you will also meet some peculiar animals that cannot be easily explained, as well as stories of creatures which spring from the blackness of man's own soul; frightening tales of terror experienced by the witness who accidentally crossed that threshold that separates our reality from some alien Twilight Zone. This book tells all about the many creatures from time and space, and from our distorted scientific experimentation...the **STRANGE MUTANTS** of the Twentieth Century who will obviously be the forerunners of the even stranger mutants that will appear in the decades to come.

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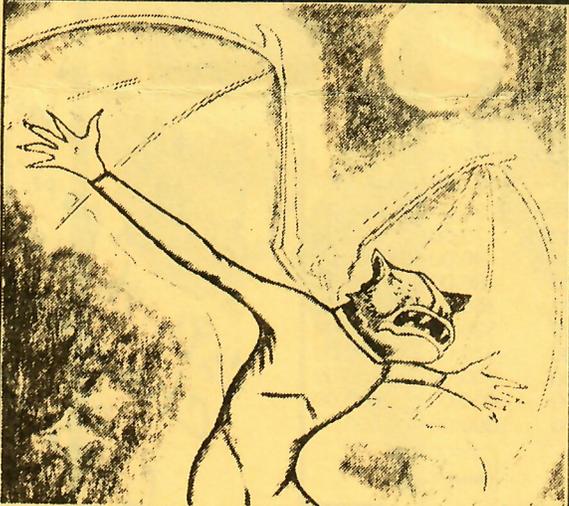
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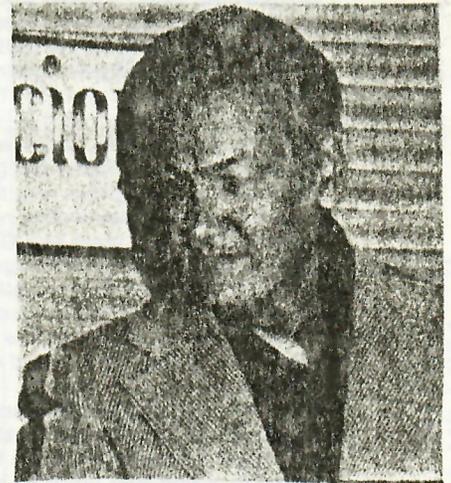
John A. Keel

Author of "Jadoo," demonstrating in the window of the Midtown Aquarium, 41 West 43rd St., New York City. "Jadoo," published by Julian Messner, Inc., outlines Mr. Keel's search through the Orient for the secrets of Eastern magic and details the methods of Indian and Egyptian snake charmers. The snake around his neck is a small Sand Boa which he imported from India, together with three fanged cobras and a "two-headed" snake.

1967



1977



When he is not engaging in unspeakable acts or serving as an adviser to presidents, John Keel can be found prowling ancient Egyptian tombs and chasing hairy monsters. He has published a dozen books on everything from flower arranging to flying saucers, and number 13 is tentatively titled "How to Build an Atom Bomb in Your Basement." Look for it in the decaying vegetable section in your supermarket, right next to the *National Enquirer*.



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JOHN KEEL

He's exposed fakirs in India and charmed cobras in Times Square.
He's chased UFOs, Bigfoot and the dreaded "men in black"—and
lived to tell the tales!

From the upper Nile, to the lower Ganges and the Roof of the World in Tibet, to remote country villages in West Virginia and Kentucky, John A. Keel has traveled extensively in his unending search for the strange, the mysterious, the unexplainable. He has been in over 40 countries and has lived in Paris, Baghdad, Cairo, Calcutta, Barcelona, Hollywood, New Orleans and a thousand exotic places in between. For many years, he wrote a syndicated newspaper column which appeared in major dailies throughout the world and his countless magazine articles have appeared in nearly every leading periodical. His monthly column "Modern Mysteries" appeared in SAGA magazine for ten years. He was editor and publisher of ANOMALY, a newsletter devoted to scientific mysteries, and served on the Board of Directors of the Society for the Investigation of the Unexplained (S.I.T.U.), founded by Ivan T. Sanderson. He was also the editor of the Society's journal, Pursuit.

In the 1950's, Mr. Keel worked for the Department of the Army as Chief of Continuity and Production for the American Forces Network (AFN) in Frankfurt, Germany...the world's largest radio network. In 1952, he wrote and produced a radio program, Things in the Sky, about unidentified flying objects which was heard by millions throughout Europe and very favorably received. He also wrote and produced broadcasts from the original castle of Frankenstein in Germany, and from the Great Pyramid of Giza in Egypt.

An accomplished lexicographer, he has been science editor of Funk & Wagnalls' encyclopedias and geography editor of the Funk & Wagnalls College Dictionary. It was Mr. Keel who inserted the first definition of the "abominable snowman" and "flying saucers" into the dictionary and thus into formal acceptance by the scholarly community.

Born March 25, 1930, his autobiography, Jadoo (Hindi word for "magic"), was published in 1957 when he was 27 years old. He has published eleven other books since and two more, Strange Mutants and Carnival of the Mind will appear in 1984.

Mr. Keel has also been active in television, serving as head writer on programs starring Merv Griffin, Robert Q. Lewis, Gene Rayburn and others. He was employed by Goodson & Todman Productions for a number of years and also was head writer for station WPIX in New York. Author of several screenplays, he wrote 200 slapstick comedies for Trans-Lux and has worked on numerous television situation comedies. His humorous novel, The Fickle Finger of Fate, published in 1966, sold 800,000 copies.

In the early 1970's, Mr. Keel became a special consultant to the Federal Government, carrying out assignments for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the Bureau of Radiology and the Air Force office of Technical Research. He still does consulting work occasionally.

A regular on many radio and television talk shows, Mr. Keel has appeared with Johnny Carson, Jack Paar, Hugh Downs, David Letterman, Long John Nebel, Barry Farber and many others. He has also lectured widely and has received two honorary Ph.D.s for his work in herpetology and archaeology. He is well-known in many different fields. For example, he once wrote a column for U.S. Camera magazine and is regarded as a leading expert in 8mm Sound filmmaking. As a psychologist and parapsychologist, he has an international reputation. His books have been translated and published in over twenty foreign countries. Among magicians, he is known as the inventor of many ingenious magic tricks and an outstanding commentator on the psychology of magic. In religious circles, he has been labeled "the world's greatest theologian" and his books are widely quoted by religious writers and evangelists. In Europe, he has been the subject of much controversy and many books have been written about him, such as the very popular book The Dark Gods by the British authors Anthony Roberts and Geoff Gilbertson.

John A. Keel is a private pilot and divides his time between Woodstock, N.Y., New York City and Los Angeles.

Keel, John A. (b. 1930). Pen name of Alva John Kiehle. A professional writer since age sixteen, John Keel was head writer on numerous radio and television programs, Science editor for Funk & Wagnall's encyclopedia, a syndicated newspaper columnist, and author of twelve books and countless published short pieces for major publications in the U.S. and abroad. His books include: *UFOs: Operation Trojan Horse* (1970); *Strange Creatures from Time and Space* (1970); *Our Haunted Planet* (1971); *The Mothman Prophecies* (1975); and *The Eighth Tower* (1976).

POSITION STATEMENT: I abandoned the extraterrestrial hypothesis (ETH) in 1967 when my own field investigations disclosed an astonishing overlap between psychic phenomena and UFOs. My findings were extremely unpopular at the time, but in the years since, most of the major European investigators, and many of the American scientists involved in the subject, have verified and accepted my conclusions.

Basically, a large part of the UFO lore is subjective and many alleged UFO events are actually the products of a complex hallucinatory process, particularly in the contactee and CE III-type reports. The same process stim-

ulated religious beliefs, fairy lore, and occult systems of belief in other centuries.

A very small percentage of sightings (perhaps less than 2 percent) and events indicate that other strange, but natural, phenomena are often included, or absorbed, into the UFO data.

While we cannot satisfactorily explain all UFO events in terms of present-day knowledge and technology, I feel that the ultimate solution will involve a complicated system of new physics related to theories of the space-time continuum. It is possible, even highly probable, that a subtle cosmological system of control has been in effect since the dawn of mankind and that UFOs are a part of that system.

The objects and apparitions do not necessarily originate on another planet and may not even exist as permanent constructions of matter. It is more likely that we see what we want to see and interpret such visions according to our contemporary beliefs. The problem can be reduced to a series of difficult philosophical questions and might best be explored by behavioral scientists and mathematicians.

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**Virginia hikers
spot a unicorn**

By **MARALYN MATLICK**
THE white, four-legged
creature that two hikers
found in the Virginia
woods wasn't exactly a
horse of different color,
but it was close enough.

In a clearing on a
ridge in the north end of
Shenandoah National
Park, in all its glory
stood — a unicorn.

"No one believes us,"
23-year-old Steve Evans
said.

"If we hadn't had the
pictures, we wouldn't
have told anybody," add
his hiking buddy, Keith
Hallam, 33.

"I've totally sus-
pended judgement. I
don't believe in uni-
corns, though."

A unicorn is a mythi-
cal beast usually seen
only on ancient tapes-
tries — a symbol of
purity, love and peace.

The Shenandoah ver-
sion, which appears in
five color photos, is
shabby, with a yellow

mane and white body.
Hallan described it as
"an ugly-looking mess,
pretty mangy."

Forest rangers are
skeptical, but searched
just the same.

"The general consen-
sus is that it's a hoax," a
park ranger said. "We
figure that somebody
dressed up some type of
animal."

Gene Kidwell, the
head Unicorns Unani-
mous, a Los Angeles-
based club, said the ani-
mal is virtually un-
catchable.

But "they can be lured
out of the forest by a
virgin," Kidwell said.

Glen Bowersock, a
classics scholar at Insti-
tute for Advanced Study
in Princeton, N.J., of-
fered another explana-
tion.

Noting that the uni-
corn is strictly medie-
val, Bowersock said "it
probably strayed off a
tapestry somewhere."



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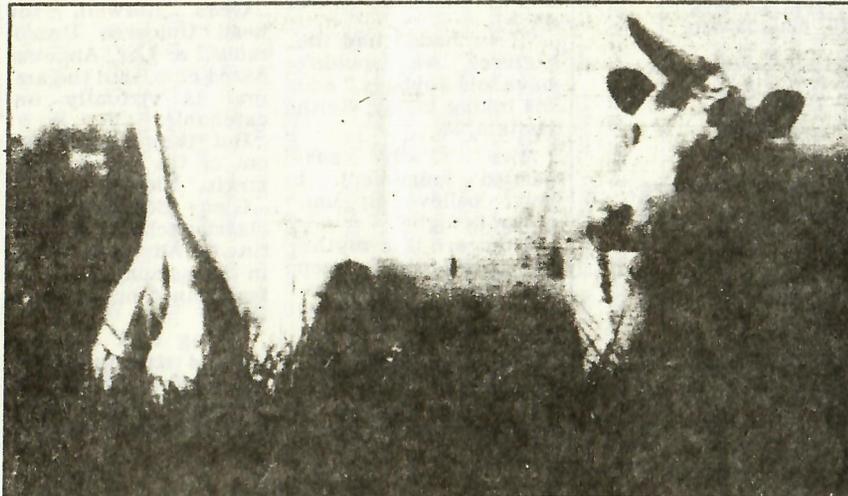
The Real Unicorn

The unicorn, usually thought to be a mythical beast dwelling only in man's mind, once actually existed. It was created by biologist Dr. W. Franklin Dove at the University of Maine in 1933.

Popular in ancient Greece and the Middle Ages, the mythical unicorn had the body of a horse or antelope, one spiral horn and magical powers. Dr. Dove's unicorn looked less graceful and had no strange powers, but it met the main criterion—one horn.

The biologist believed that centuries ago humans surgically created unicorns from rams to produce herd leaders. Using the methods of a plastic surgeon, Dove transplanted the horn buds of a day-old Ayrshire bull calf from the sides of its head to the center of the forehead. The experiment was a success. The horn was a great weapon, and the animal quickly became a leader of its herd.

—*Idea submitted by Catherine Burns, Winslow, Maine.*



Dr. Richard Gerris, University of Maine

Dr. Dove's "unicorn" in Maine, 1935: Its horn made it leader of the herd

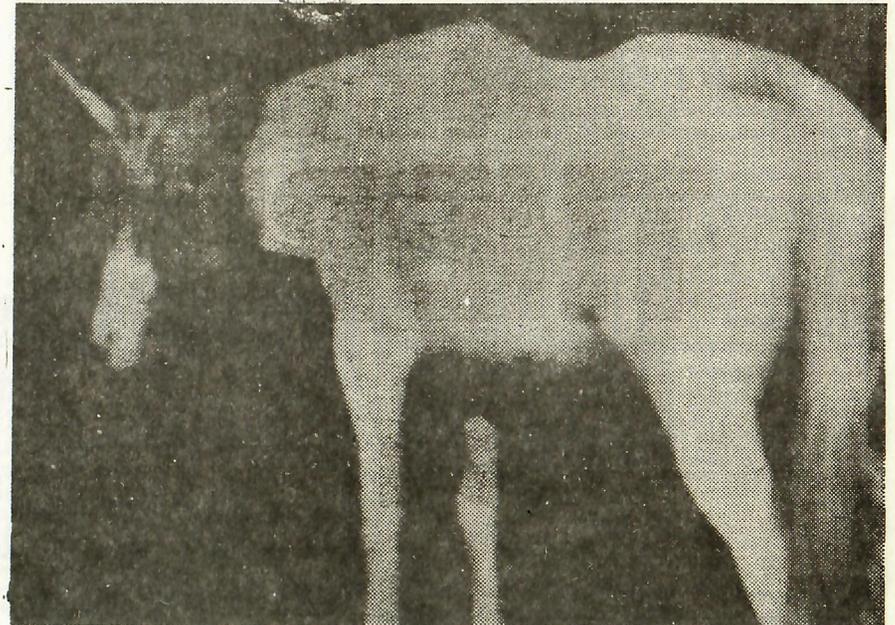
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THE UNICORN REVIEW



Hikers took this photo of a unicorn in Shenandoah National Park. The beast — probably a hoax — was white with a yellow mane.

THE GREAT UNICORN CONSPIRACY:

The U.S. Government is withholding the truth about unicorns from the American public. Officials of the National Zoo and the Smithsonian have been lying to the press for years in their campaign to hide the fact that unicorns really exist. Others, such as the alleged magician Jim Randy, are participating in the conspiracy. Fight Back! Don't let them stamp out unicorns. Send a generous donation to SAVE THE UNICORNS today.

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Dear Mr. Keel:

I just read of your publication in Mike Gunderloy's Factsheet Five. Please send me an issue (for which I enclose an SSAE).

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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Aha...so you read FACTSHEET FIVE!

I have dabbled in mail order off and on for over forty years. BIG APPLE NEWS is published on rare occasions...mostly because I get so many freebies, even free printing. It costs me nothing to print and mail it. (Other mail order types distribute it.)

How are things going Academia-wise? Heard you were putting some books together for TIME-LIFE. My new book, HUMBUG!, will be out next year...I hope.

Am tryin g to start a NYC Fortean Society. If you have any subscribers in the NYC area they might be interested. But I don't need any CSIOP members (i.e., smartass Jewish communists). Got enough troubles already.

Hang in there.

-john a. keel

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