

Messengers of Deception, Or Who's Manipulating Whom?

by J. Allen Hynek

Jacques Vallée—one of the most respected names in “UFOlogy”, noted author, lecturer, and one of the most experienced and serious workers in the field—has taken an enormous leap into the unknown and gives us a possible interpretation of the UFO phenomenon that he is obviously quite serious about. It will, however, come as a shock to many who will cry that Vallée has lost his perspective. There will be a few who will hail it as a great pioneering work.

It is pioneering, however, and was brought about by the failure, in Vallée's opinion, of the time-worn theories of UFOs to explain the ever-mounting facts about UFOs. In a sense it is a product of frustration on Vallée's part . . . but let us hear him out before we condemn. My advice to the reader is first to read the epilogue by sociologist David Swift, which Vallée has wisely included. It will provide some measure of perspective which Vallée finds difficult to provide, perhaps because in his soul-searching delving into certain aspects of the UFO phenomenon—the Contactees—he has lost it by squinting too closely.

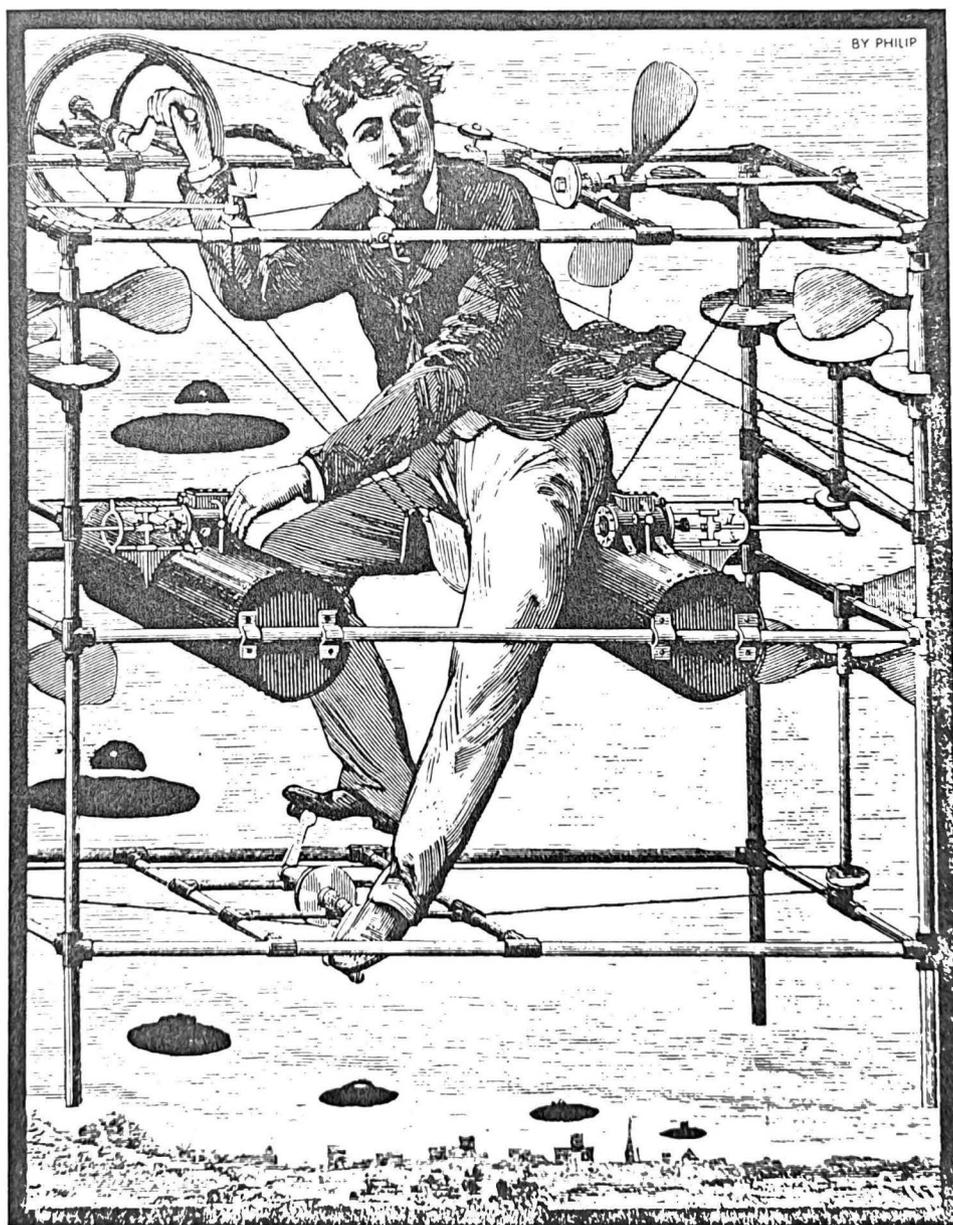
“The writing of this book has not been an easy task,” he tells us. “In fact, it was outright difficult and painful. Few of the facts I have had to state . . . were to my liking. They shocked earlier theories of mine, destroyed my accepted and familiar thoughts. They were not designed to win any new friends.”

The fact is, they will win some new friends, some in the “UFOs are all nonsense” camp, but alienate many of the old friends. As a long-time colleague of Vallée's, I will admit that his new work puts some strain on that association, and not merely because of some unfavorable allusions to the Center for UFO Studies and to myself. But our mutual work and interests, and my deep respect for Vallée as an honest scientist who firmly believes what he writes and

calls the shots as he sees them, will alleviate a great deal of the strain.

In one sense his book is an autobiography and might well bear the sub-

title, “The Evolution of a Ufologist.” His dissatisfaction with the two widely held theories about UFOs (that they are all nonsense or visitors from distant regions of space) led him to explore other theories,



notably that they are part of a plot to condition mankind to new ways in politics, religion, and life-styles through seeming nonsense and deception. In this he has been led by a certain, perhaps mythical, "Major Murphy," although Vallée tells us that his rank was much higher than that when he was a top intelligence officer during World War II. Murphy was an espionage agent par excellence and has succeeded in indoctrinating and initiating Vallée into the dark byways of espionage, deception, and manipulation, and other aspects of military intelligence. He largely convinced Vallée that UFOs are being used by a mysterious set of Manipulators, behind the scenes, and not even known except at the very highest levels of our intelligence system. Murphy might be termed a merchant of UFO paranoia and has led Vallée to various exercises and has led Vallée to various exercises and has led Vallée to various exercises in "looking under the bed" for deep laid conspiracies and to see plots and counterplots around every corner. Vallée has been sold on the idea of UFO manipulators but fails to see that Murphy has successfully manipulated him! He is certain, for instance, that the Center for UFO Studies is laced with intelligence agents and spies ("It is no secret that CUFOS (Dr. J. Allen Hynek's Center for UFO Studies) has several former agents among its associates"!).

I certainly must be naive; I don't recognize any; neither is my phone tapped (to the best of my knowledge) and I have never been accosted by "Men in Black" or by "vacuum cleaners" or by "little aunts"—intelligence agents in sheep's clothing—nor have I ever been threatened or warned to "stay away" from dangerous territory. If I am unaware of all this dark web around me then I am the best little Manipulatee in all of UFOlogy! Naturally, Vallée will say that I am too naive to recognize the web of intrigue that has been spun around me, or perhaps I am too far down the totem pole to be subjected to the attention bestowed upon the Contactees and UFO cultists.

Vallée pays little attention to the UFO phenomenon itself, but rather to the *belief* in it and how this belief may bring about a tidal wave of Irrationalism which may engulf all mankind. The book is really a study of the Irrational in humanity, and a large part is given over to UFO related cults whose role in society Vallée greatly overemphasizes (or am I being naive again?). These are fascinating chapters in themselves; Vallée has done first-hand work in describing

these cults, even temporarily joining some of them to get behind the scenes. He describes them well and the book can be solidly recommended for this aspect alone.

UFOs, he tells us, are a deliberate deception to lead to the rise of irrational cults which can—as they have in past history—topple the rational structure of humanity, leading to another Dark Ages. He further feels that the world faces spiritual bankruptcy because of its failure to deal with the irrational and he calls for 'new disciplines and approaches to the study of the irrational,' forgetting that we already have such disciplines; they are called psychology and history.

What exactly does Vallée hold today; how does he now view the UFO phenomenon itself? He is quite explicit on this point: "I propose that the UFO we see is a device which creates a distortion of the witness's reality; that it does so for a purpose, which is to project images or fabricated scenes designed to change our belief systems; and that the technology we observe is only the incidental support for a world-wide enterprise of 'subliminal seduction'." He is not specific as to how the distortion is accomplished but suggests that it might be through the action of radiation, particularly microwaves, but offers no proof of this nor, for that matter, that UFOs do indeed produce microwaves.

And again, "I still feel that the UFO phenomenon represents a manifestation of a reality that transcends our current understanding of physics. It is not the phenomenon itself, but a belief that it has created, which is manipulated by human groups with their own objective . . . I continue to regard this phenomenon as a manifestation of a reality that is larger and more complex than a simple

visit by interplanetary travelers . . . I believe there is a system around us that transcends time as it transcends space."

And further: "Let me summarize my conclusions thus far. UFOs are real. They are an application of psychotronic technology; that is, they are physical devices used to affect human consciousness. They may not be from outer space (indeed Vallée devotes an entire chapter to arguing against the extra-terrestrial hypothesis); they may, in fact, be terrestrial-based manipulating devices. Their purpose may be to achieve social change on this planet. Their methods are those of deception: systematic manipulation of witnesses and contactees; covert use of various sects and cults; control of channels through which alleged 'space messages' can make an impact on the public.

In support of his present thesis he leans heavily on "Major Murphy's" tutelage and his own observations of way-out cults whose present influence on the public mind, I feel, he greatly exaggerates. In developing his presentation, he unfortunately employs a method too reminiscent of that of Erich von Däniken. It is the "what if" and "suppose that" and "could it be that" technique which blithely omits the possibility that it "could be" something quite different.

In doing so he runs into contradictions. On the one hand he accepts the tangible, physical reality of UFOs as objects in real space . . . actual craft that can be photographed, observed on radar, can leave major physical traces on animate and inanimate matter; in short that they behave like physical devices but in ways unknown to our technology, a "manifestation of a reality that transcends our current understanding of physics." But on the other hand, he dismisses "visitors from outer space." Whence and where this reality? Is it from another parallel reality (an idea I admit

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I have often been intrigued by). If so, then that reality must be able to produce extremely tangible physical effects in our familiar world of three dimensions.

I find it rather strange that Vallée, with his profound knowledge of the occult, has not jumped more than half-way across the philosophical puddle, clear across to invoking the many beings and intelligences that occultists and many Eastern religions take for granted; entities that populate planes of existence that coexist with our physical plane and interpenetrate it. He almost takes the jump, but then shies away and tentatively ascribes the entire UFO phenomenon to human beings. Strictly speaking, he ascribes the *manipulation of the beliefs in UFOs* rather than the UFOs themselves, to human agencies, and one is not sure whether he wants the UFOs themselves included or whether he wants those to be the manifestation of another reality. He tends, I believe, to the latter, but he is far from specific about it.

The former would require the postulation of human beings that are capable of the actual manufacture of UFO craft with their "magic" properties, as well as their being intent on an intricate, involved, and world-wide scheme to deceive with the ultimate end of changing our social and belief systems. Why? For better or for worse? He is not clear on this point; it all appears to be a Machiavellian hodge-podge but with a silver lining. It reminds me of the reply of Mephistopheles to Faust when asked to identify himself: "The power that works for good through scheming ill."

Why deception? Because, Vallée says, UFOs are a "conditioning" process for mankind and that the "logic of conditioning uses absurdity and confusion to achieve its goal while hiding its mechanism." He quotes General Wavell: "The elementary principle of deception is to attract the enemy's attention to what you wish him to see, and to distract his attention from what you do not wish him to see." Thus, according to Vallée, the UFO we see and its perceived actions are what we are supposed to see; it hides the mechanism of what is really going on. "When we go to the movies," he says, "we look at the objects and people on the screen; we do not stare at the projector."

Very well, but who, or what, is projecting the very real craft that Vallée acknowledges them to be? It may be a human agency, he tells us. "Rather than a form of transportation invented by the

denizens of some far-away world, the UFOs could be (again his application of the "could be," "what if," and "suppose that" technique) a stratagem devised by a human group to promote its own goals?" Exactly what these goals are is left rather in the air, but that deception and manipulation is the *modus operandi*, of that Vallée seems convinced. How did he become so convinced? Major Murphy.

He was a major (no pun intended) factor in directing Vallée's concern with the UFO-related cults . . . the Order of Melchizedek, the Two, Stelle, Urantians, and many others. It was he who put Vallée on the Melchizedek

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trail: "within a year I had filled half a shelf with curious books and pamphlets about these heretics of the past." The cults are the prime tools of the Manipulators, and the UFO organizations next. "Organizations like NICAP or the Center for UFO Study (sic.) would be as necessary to a successful deception as Project Bluebook (sic.) or the Condon Committee, because they would defuse the issue, provide an escape valve for the steam of the enthusiasts, and enable the manipulators to check on the extent of their own progress."

This I don't "buy," at least as far as the Center for UFO Studies is concerned, about which I know a great deal. Vallée continues: "The humble man who likes to be called 'Major Murphy' had urged me to carefully piece together the available evidence about the *modus operandi* of the phenomenon." The first opportunity to try this new approach presented itself

with the appearance in the western United States of a new contactee movement (The Two) that recruited UFO passengers. It taught me a serious lesson: such a group can acquire a very significant power over apparently rational people." But hasn't that been true of cults of all sorts during the ages? And today, "Moonies," for example, who exert frightening power over a relatively few persons are not UFO-related. And "The Two" have been exposed and are no longer effective.

Vallée feels that while "the scientific community is . . . fighting rear-guard skirmishes in the name of Rationalism," the forces of the Manipulators, largely through the cults, are creating a rising wave of irrationalism which will dominate human thought with devastating results, compared to which the French Revolution, the burning of the Alexandrian library, and the plunge into the Dark Ages were just forerunners.

In any event, "Major Murphy" succeeded in manipulating Vallée to the extent of deviating his line of thought from the scientific investigation of the UFO phenomenon to the almost exclusive obsession with off-beat cults, the "contactees," and their "messages" to humanity. In fact, Vallée now despairs of the possibility of a truly scientific approach to UFOs. To some extent he is on solid ground. If the UFOs are products of a higher intelligence, whether extra- or meta-terrestrial, then they can confuse any scientific approach by "playing games" with us, with the ball generally in their court. There is little chance of conducting controlled scientific procedures in such a structure.

If this be the name of the game, I part company with Vallée. Let us study UFOs in those areas in which "games playing" is at a minimum. If a UFO can make deep impressions in hard soil, can interfere with electrical apparatus, can be detected on radar, can be photographed, can burn vegetation, can cause paralysis, burns, nausea, etc. then such things can be studied scientifically. UFO "Intelligences" can play games, can confuse, but they can't change the laws of physics as we know them. We can find what pressure was needed to produce the impressions in the soil, we can measure electrical and magnetic effects, we can analyse the light from a UFO, we can construct trajectories from movies and radar observations and so on. If "they", however, can change the laws of physics at will, then we are truly lost! But let the contactees regale us with senseless

messages, and let a UFO land on a road ahead of us and "stage" a sighting to confuse us. If in so doing, it leaves a trace, an indentation, a chemical change, etc. on the road, that can be studied scientifically.

Vallée is certainly correct about the *potential* danger of cult movements if carried to extremes, but I believe he is orders of magnitude off quantitatively. Only time will tell, of course. What I feel he has failed to see is that when "Major Murphy" caused him to study methods of manipulation, he was himself being manipulated by Major Murphy! I have known Vallée for many years and I have observed him to be enormously enthusiastic about an individual and his work, and unduly influenced by that person, only to find that later his enthusiasm has waned and perhaps been transferred elsewhere. I wonder whether this will be the fate of Major Murphy eventually.

Vallée has not given us in this work a comprehensive overview of the UFO phenomenon; large aspects of the phenomenon have been neglected in his search for the meaning behind it all. He feels that he has found it in what most other UFOlogists would regard as the "twilight zone" of UFOlogy, in the babblings of the contactees who seem to hold frequent message-receiving sessions with seen or unseen intelligences from UFOs. He may be right, but most of us will fervently hope that he is not. The book, however, will be a "must" for all serious students of the subject. It is a mine of information about this very Twilight Zone and contains material not easily to be found elsewhere. His accounts of his personal involvement with cultists and their irrational antics is marvelous reading. Vallée writes extremely well, expresses ideas well, with flashes of humor and incisive insights. He writes what he honestly thinks, and we can be sure of one thing: he is not manipulating the reader (at least I don't think so!). I have the highest regard for his integrity although I can only accept the ideas in his book as possible avenues of investigation. There are few people who have devoted as much serious thought to this subject as Vallée, and whatever he says should be listened to with respect even though one may hesitate to accept his ideas without much greater evidence. For, just because of his long years of association with the subject, he seems apt to suffer from the personal insight, "private knowledge" syndrome, and such personal insights

do not lend themselves easily to testing. Much of what he has written here must remain "private knowledge," gained honestly but largely untestable.

There are large areas in which Vallée and I are in general agreement: that the UFO phenomenon is far more complex than the "beginner" senses; that it may have more than just one "solution"; that the extra-terrestrial hypothesis has a great many strikes against it; and that in many respects, the UFO behaves like a holographic projection from . . . another reality? An image can make a right angle turn, can be in one place and almost instantaneously in another (all frequently reported observations). But where is the image projected from and

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how is a mere image able to appear on radar, and how does it stop cars and break branches?

In his chapter on the "stragem theories" (in which he draws a strong analogy between UFO "conspiracy and deception" and World War II espionage methods, he writes: "Suppose, for instance, (another suppose) that in the course of its researches some occult group had stumbled upon a method for the projection of images controlled mentally . . . suppose that it had developed a way to project scenes at a distance, to control and amplify psychokinetic abilities of human subjects, or to create entities . . . materialized beings . . . Have such breakthroughs in fact taken place? And are UFOs the result of their application?"

Vallée continues to push the idea that UFOs might indeed be the products of "advanced technology" right here on Earth which could operate internationally and could be the tool of his postulated "manipulators." Some technology for

Earthmen! Maybe that intelligence exists elsewhere . . . but here?

Vallée has to be given high grades for the courage of his convictions. After all, all "normal" explanations for UFOs have failed, and the field is wide open for daring ideas. Somehow we must explain how at the same time UFOs can appear and act like very physical objects and yet can be quite different . . . He's exploring virgin territory, and I for one feel that so bizarre a phenomenon as the UFO has probably a bizarre explanation . . . a giant, quantum jump, not a small step.

Vallée's best argument for the deception theory comes in his frightening but engrossing chapter, "A Cow for NORAD" which deals with the documented phenomenon of surgically mutilated cattle found under most mysterious conditions, and with their organs of generation and communication removed, but little else. In one particular case, a mutilated cow was deposited, Vallée reports, right on the doorstep of NORAD in Colorado. What a brazen demonstration of superiority on the doorstep of our most advanced technology! Real cosmic one-upmanship!

Vallée has always chosen to work outside of any group, as a "loner". While this has its points, it does prevent cross-fertilization of ideas and promotes mental inbreeding. Perhaps it would have been better had Vallée first discussed these theories with others, rather than disdaining them as not worthy of his attention. It gives others the idea that perhaps he feels that he has a private wire to the truth. And perhaps he has! If so, and this is the answer, the human race is in for a rough time! But he has stated his convictions boldly, and now we know where he stands. For as long as I have known him, he has never feared to be the pioneer and tread in dangerous areas, areas which may prove as deceptive and treacherous as the deception and manipulation he writes about.

He has grappled in this book with the deep philosophical problems of the nature of reality, a problem unsolved by seasoned philosophers—old and new—and he can hardly be faulted for not solving it single-handed. But he has raised some very interesting signposts . . . □

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Dear Mr. Greenwood,

My sincere thanks for the Swan documents and the Howles letters received both.

One point regarding the Swan documents: reference is made to ATTA fixing faults in the Pacific. I will be approaching the DRB associate of Wilbert Smith who was down to see Mrs. Swan with Wilbert once. If the reference is to earthquake faults it would be significant for a couple of reasons

① plate tectonics was not theorized till many years after this

② the theory of mid-ocean ridges with varying magnetic directions as one moves away from the ridge (thus the theory that the ocean floor was geologically young and part of a large moving plate) was developed by a small group of geophysicists - one who was Dr. S.T. Wilson, named by Keyhoe in his book as an assistant to Wilbert Smith in the early 50s. Of the three named by Keyhoe Wilson was the only one who did not respond to my request asking what part they had played in Smith's research.

Have enclosed a letter written by Smith to Ron Caswell. This was unknown till very recently.

Have also enclosed from Smith's file a memo believed by Bray to have been written at the Canadian Embassy.

Also enclosed two letters from Buck Buchanan who made trips with Smith to see Mrs. Swan

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Dear Mr, Cameron,

Thank you for your letter of February 3rd. I am afraid that I will not be much help to you in your search for information about Wilbur Smith. (I have seen so many different spellings of his first name, that I am unsure of just exactly how it is spelled.)

I ran across him very few times in the course of my research. I do have a little information about Project Magnet and you may have it if you desire, although I am quite sure that you already have it. I think that it is the Magnet Report.

The only information that I have about Smith in regards to the 1959 case concerning the woman in Maine is that Smith had apparently investigated the woman[^] at the request of the Canadian government or else he had found out about her and investigated on his own. The document that I had seen did not make this clear. The woman's name is Mrs. Swan and she lives ~~in xxxxxxxx~~ somewhere near Brrtsmouth, New Hampshire. Betty Hill is friends with her. I know of no connection between Robert Friend and Smith, at least I came across no connection in my research. Also, I do not know what has happened to the Frank Edwards files or who has control over them.

Once again, I am afraid that I will strike out on the subjects that you say are linked with Smith. I have heard of the UFO base that the Canadian Government devised, and of course I have heard of Project Magnet, but I am not aware of magnetism tests, a downed UFO on an air base near Washington in the 1950s, pieces of UFOs exchanged between the U.S. and Canadian governments, test on "magnetic sink," nor a secret group handling UFO reports too hot for the Air Force to handle. Now, all of this may be true, but I have found no evidence for it. I might add that that all reliable sources who have supplied information about downed UFOs have been unable to come up with any evidence and all leads of this nature have come to nothing.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to ask me. Good luck on your search for Smith's work and background.

Sincerely,
Davidson-Judith
Assistant Professor

"Revelations UFOs and the US. Government Part II" William L. Moore
copy. 1989.

"I was either involved with or aware of efforts by the AFOSI
which centered around other individuals..." (supplying routine
information.

Swan

There were several mentions of an on going interest in a
trance channeler / contactee in New Hampshire whose name I
do not recall (although I wrote it down at the time.) My
understanding was that someone was making a systematic study
of this lady and that she was readily cooperating with it."

8/22/87

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Dear Mr. Cameron,

Thank you for your letter of 7/2.

There is actually not much to be found in U.S. files we have on the Canadian matters raised. But first to your questions:

- 1) Yes, you may file under FOIA from Canada.
- 2) The Air Force, CIA, State Dept. might have files but we've turned ditto. We have an FBI file on Frances Swan from 1954.
- 3) Cost estimate could be minimal or hundreds of dollars. It depends on who you ask and their regulations.
- 4) We have filed on these incidents and haven't located anything useful.
- 5) We don't have Zechel's address. He moves about and we've had no contact for several years.

I read the Fate article you cite. It is largely based on recollections of principals rather than files. The CIA would likely have any paperwork but try and get it. They are impossible to deal with now. The era of government openness is over.

The AVRO project is one area I would like to

develop in the future. I need the spare time to work at it and I'm keeping your letter in an active file to remind me after my current projects are done.

We also have a sizable chunk of Canadian VPO files on microfilm + hardcopy, mostly sightings. I've searched these and don't seem to have the Projects Magnet + Second Storey administrative portions. They are obtainable at the Public Archives in Ottawa.

If you are interested, we have letters written by Admiral Herbert Knowles to G.W. Fitch on the VPO pieces sent to Smith, dating from the early sixties.

You should contact Stanton Friedman re Vannevar Bush + Wilbert Smith. Address is :

If I can be of further help, please let me know. Files may turn up somewhere down the line upon re-filing. This does happen on occasion.

Regards,
Burt Greenwood

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The AF maintains a continuous surveillance
of the Atmosphere near Earth for UFOs
Secretary of AF to Base Commanders Aug 15, 1960
P. 183 Edwards

P. 60-61. Allen Laison John Laole 1957.
contact & liaison

P. 61. 1952 U.K. Good's friend

P. 62-64 Don Fry's contact with Nixon & Reagan
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- not always wackos - see Allen Laison P. 66.

letter from a retired US Army Brigadier general
to Major Hans Peterson in charge of air traffic
control for the ^{Royal} British Air Force from 1949 to 1976.

1959. Dr. Wankel von Braun commenting on the
deflection of a US satellite

"More I can not say at present. We are now
engaged in entering into closer contacts with those powers,
and in six or nine months' time it may be possible to
speak with more precision on the matter." Allen Laison P. 76.

Tim Good "I have acquired over the years from reliable
sources, indicating that contact has been established
with a number of scientists..." P. 76. Allen Laison

1982 - blond vs grey / Linda Rowe Allen Laison P. 106.
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I request that a copy of the following documents be provided to me:

The document I am seeking is described by the enclosed transfer form. I would like any attachments that went with the Knowles letter to the President, any directives or correspondence that came from the White House connected to this letter.

In addition I would like any other documents or letters transferred to the Secret Service from the White House during the period January 1953 and January 1961 which deal with UFOs, flying saucers, or any other such title.

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am an individual seeking information for personal use and not for commercial use.

I request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest.

The document was addressed to the President, and was held by the White House for up to 31 days. Disclosure of this letter, and the release of any other UFO documents transferred by the White House would go a long way in describing the attitude and belief of the Commander in Chief to the topic of UFOs.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

STRIJDOM HINTS GO-SLOW POLICY

Denies South Africa Drifts Toward Police State—Bars Racial Partition Now

Special to The New York Times.
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Dec. 21—His supporters call him "Die Leeu" (the lion). However, South Africa's new Prime Minister Johannes G. Strijdom is acting as placidly as a dove. Statements made by him today contained the following points:

¶ The South African Navy will take over the Simonstown naval base near Capetown from Britain in peace time but would share defense of the base in a world war.

¶ Southern Africa's defense should be planned by South Africa, Britain, France, Portugal and Belgium.

¶ South Africa is not drifting toward a police state. Mr. Strijdom said the Government had not curbed trade union leaders and had used the anti-Communist law against Communists only.

¶ A predominantly British Natal province will not be allowed to secede from the union if South Africa eventually becomes a republic.

¶ South Africa should not be partitioned between Negroes and whites. He said complete separation had to be left to future generations to decide if it was necessary.

In a Christmas message to South Africa's 8,600,000 Negroes Mr. Strijdom said:

"The Government will as in the past continue to guide you on the road of self-development toward maturity. The Bantu of South Africa still have a long way to go, but everything possible will be done to help you along the road ahead.

"Through the Bantu authorities, the Bantu Education Act and other measures, my colleague, the Minister of Native Affairs, Dr. H. F. Verwoerd, has already opened the road for you that leads to self-reliance and self-dependency.

"There are those who in their ignorance tell you that you are not yet ripe for this, that you should continue being dependent on others, that self-development is an idle dream. My reply to them is that they do not have the welfare of their people at heart.

"There lies a great task ahead of you. You must learn to develop and reclaim your own areas (presumably Negro reservations, which total 13 per cent of the land surface of South Africa) so that your homeland can become prosperous. You must learn to

Military Services Push 'Earth Satellites' Study

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP)—The Defense Department said today the combined efforts of the military services were being devoted to studies of "earth satellites."

An earth satellite, when and if built, would be a form of space ship that long has been of fascination to scientists. The satellite would swing in an elliptical pattern around the earth.

A two-sentence Defense Department comment was made available following a recent news conference remark by Secretary Charles E. Wilson that there were no space ship studies going on.

The late Defense Secretary, James Forrestal, referred to an "earth satellite vehicle program" in a report in 1948. Today the department said studies on that program were still active. It added that the studies were being coordinated in Mr. Wilson's office and he approved today's statement.

To become a satellite, a vehicle would have to be launched several hundred miles out and attain a speed of 18,000 miles an hour.

COAL-STEEL POOL TIE IS SIGNED BY BRITAIN

Special to The New York Times.
LONDON, Dec. 21—Britain bound herself today to a formal association for the next fifty years with the six-nation European Coal and Steel Community.

The community is the agency that France, Italy, West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg created in early 1953 to organize and operate a common market in steel and coal.

Britain, under the treaty, will meet as an equal with the community. Both parties will endeavor to reduce or eliminate "restrictions or other factors" affecting mutual trade in coal and steel between the two areas, the treaty states.

However, both will continue to exercise "complete and unfettered independence" with respect to their own areas. This point was stressed by Duncan Sandys, Minister of Housing and Chief British signatory, as the treaty was signed.

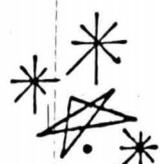
Mr. Sandys signed for Britain, Jean Monnet, French president of the nine-man high authority, or executive board, for the community, and diplomatic representatives for the six member nations.

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Last minute "Finds"

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Selections from the sound track of the new smash-hit film! Bumptious, buoyant show-biz "tops" make merry music... Ethel Merman, Donald O'Connor, Dan Dailey, Johnnie Ray, Mitzie Gaynor and

evidential or conclusive. Yarns about telepathic contacts with alleged men from Venus, or any other planet, must be treated skeptically. Telepathy is a parapsychological fact, but no scientist has any reason to accept the allegations that telepathy is under control like a telephone line, which is all such yarns imply. The serious observer and investigator of these saucer phenomena has his, or her task made the more difficult by the telepathy reports which tend to cover the whole subject with ridicule and derision. All one can do is watch, wait, weigh, collate and synthesize.

Another unexplained and mysterious phenomenon *not* connected with the explosion of wartime mines. Strange roaring noises were heard out at sea off the coast of Hunstanton, Norfolk, November, 1950. The Air Ministry has not yet arrived at an explanation. No planes had crashed in the sea there.

I have had a letter from Mr. F. P. Sharp of Knutsford, Cheshire, which may have some relevance:

August 12, 1954: "At 10 P.M., I and my friend, "Nobby" Clark, saw flashes of light out at sea—not lightning or gun-fire. We put it down to illuminations from Hunstanton, on the other side of the Wash, England. When I studied the map I concluded that the lights did *not* come from the land."

August 13, 1954: "Saw a thing like a ball of fire, or shooting star, heading towards where we saw the mysterious lights the night before."

On May 25, 1954, similar phenomena were reported off the Sussex coast:

A mysterious "double bang" rattled windows in towns twenty miles apart on the Sussex coast. It came from out at sea. Cause unknown; not wartime mines.

Summing up these phenomena a disturbing pattern seems to emerge. In it are the *Mutants*, as one may call the discoidal and other aeroforms associated with fourth-dimensional world space-ships. I suspect there are also some three-dimensional aeroforms emanating from some world in space, whose matter is *akin* to our own.

In the latter category may be put the sinister fusiform,

or cigar-shaped flying saucer, which is surrounded by a Saturnian ring. Such saucers have been seen to send off satellite discs over Denham, Bucks, England, eastern Sweden and the United States.

In the summer of 1954, these have been again observed, apparently surveying the skies over Washington, D.C., exactly as they did in squadrons on August nights in 1952. Some of my American correspondents call it "buzzing the Capitol, and giving the brass hats the razz-berry."

The following item from the "London Daily Mail," July 5, 1954, suggests that Berlin is undergoing such a survey:

"Berlin is seeing saucers regularly. Allied officials there are investigating the appearance of mysterious flying objects over the city. German eyewitnesses claim that a formation of three fast-moving objects can regularly be seen whenever the sky over Berlin is clear. The objects, described as 'small and disc-like,' are said to appear between 10 and 11 P.M., at extremely high altitudes. American experts have interrogated dozens of people, and a long flying-saucer questionnaire is being drawn up to be filled out by people who claim to have seen the objects."

It may be noted that, here again, there seems to be a cover tactic. These visitants choose to appear in circumstances where they may be mistaken for something terrestrial: in this case, Soviet planes.

But the phenomena are world-wide. All the world's great capitals are probably being surveyed by these mysterious visitants. I do not doubt that if one could obtain such information, one would find that Moscow and Peking, too, are under saucer scrutiny.

When will the curtain go up on this tremendous drama? Probably the answer is: when THEY choose, and not otherwise; for THEY are clearly indifferent to what we think, or feel.

Before we pass from this mysterious, or if one likes, fantastic subject of mysterious subterranean noises, one may ask: just *what* was the strange "something" that *came out of the ground* at, or near Amiens, in northern France, in the year 1769?

I cite a letter from Paris to London, in that year:

"One has a surprising account from Amiens, received in Paris, of a man and his wife and four horses

Mississippi, have become so worried by the frequent apparitions of silent, unidentified objects seen in the skies over their rooftops, between February and April, 1954, that they have called on a scientist from Washington, D.C., to investigate. Meantime, not a word has been uttered by these officials who say they fear to create panic and hysteria, if the press report what is happening."

I, surprised?

God bless you, NO! my friend. The surprises—and painful they may be—will come when these same officials discover that they have created and intensified the very panic they fear. This policy of official silence will defeat its own declared, or unavowed purpose, *when* the shock may come.

Contact messages

MESSAGES FROM OUTER SPACE?

Nation shall speak peace unto nation? Yea, and world speak unto world across the voids of unutterable space!

A New York newspaper states, in September, 1954, that a leading American aviation company is experimenting in interplanetary radio communication.

I NOW POSE THE SENSATIONAL QUERY—which many may, not unreasonably, deem fantastic—inspired by mysterious incidents in the sightings of flying saucers, beginning with the strange affair over Maury Island, in the Admiralty Inlet, on the Pacific coast. In June, 1947, American coast guards saw six doughnut-shaped flying saucers, one of which, in distress, discharged tons of hot metal. This was followed by a very mysterious encounter of Mr. Kenneth Arnold and a U.S. coast guard with an unknown person who appeared to have had personal contact with the entities.

My query is: **HAVE THE SAUCERS TERRESTRIAL SPIES AND CONTACTS?**

I conclude that they may have! There is historical evidence going back to at least the third century B.C., that flying saucers appeared in the skies over old Latium of the Rome before the Caesars, and in the skies of medieval England and Western Europe. It might, therefore, be supposed—proof there is none—that at one time or another, in the far past, contacts *were* made with or by saucer entities and the earth. Fantastic as it sounds, one might speculate whether there may have been, and still is something in the nature of a secret society which, in the last five or six centuries, may have established such contacts, and maintained them to this day. In 1953, I was informed that the U.S. Air Force intelligence considered it possible, from certain reports, that mysterious people in remote regions of the U.S.A. had met saucer entities, and harbored them. It had been positively told me, by a friend in a Middle Western town, that these stories were under investigation.

On January 1, 1954, there was found in the muniments room of the hôtel de ville, or city hall of the ancient town of Arras, in the Pas-de-Calais, France, a late medieval document reporting a weird thing in the sky, hanging for fifteen minutes over that old town, on the night of November 1, 1461. It may be taken as certain that this extra-terrestrial aeroform must have surveyed other places as well.

"In this year of our Lord, 1461, on the day of All Saints, November 1st, there appeared in the sky a brilliant object like an iron bar, long and wide as half the moon. For fifteen minutes it hovered motionless. Then, on a sudden, the strange object began to rise in spirals, and twisted and writhed like an uncoiled mainspring of a watch (*horloge*), and after, it vanished in the sky."

Since the next day was All Souls Day, dedicated to prayer for the souls of the dead, it is probable that the chronicler of this apparition assumed that it came from the land of shades.

It might be surmised—no man being hanged or beheaded for the supposition—that the learned and secretly unorthodox among the Roman Catholic monks and laity, in the fifteenth century and even earlier, may have had

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(41) Developed by the Canadian affiliate of Britain's A. V. Roe, Ltd., Project Y did produce a small-scale model that hovered a few feet off the ground. See Odarenko, memorandum to Chadwell, "Flying Saucer Type of Planes" 25 May 1954; Frederic C. E. Oder, memorandum to Odarenko, "USAF Project Y," 21 May 1954; and Odarenko, T. M. Nordbeck, Ops/SI, and Sidney Graybeal, ASD/SI, memorandum for the record, "Intelligence Responsibilities for Non-Conventional Types of Air Vehicles," 14 June 1954.

Re: MAINE MUFON

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Posted by [kleko](#) on February 04, 1998 at 21:54:56:

In Reply to: [Re: MAINE MUFON](#) posted by MUFAN RC on February 04, 1998 at 19:50:08:

:: Is there a Mufon for the state of Maine???

:: Thanks

:: Kleko

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GARRY S. WELLSWOOD
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Dear Grant,

Enclosed are documents re
Mrs Swan and Knowles (in two
envelopes sent separately)

Nothing has changed on NJ-12,
though I did get a response from
Stan Friedman.

Regards,
Benny Greenwood

support of 500 to 600 professionals, including "numerous people at government labs."

All of the groups are international in scope and draw heavily upon the resources of the scientific community. Their major objective is to re-interest the government in this research and to reopen the UFO investigations with staff and funding commensurate with the gravity of the problem.

Project Cyclops is a different approach to the life-in-space question. Sponsored by Stanford University and NASA's Ames Research Center, Cyclops, if implemented, plans to build antennae capable of receiving electromagnetic waves from outer space and to "listen" for life. This is an especially fascinating approach because, as we will explain below, electromagnetic waves are tied to more than one system of reality.

The cost, unfortunately, is tremendous and the track record for this kind of research discouraging. An earlier attempt, Project Ozma in 1960, failed with lesser equipment and was criticized widely as a pipe dream.

Ask the Man Who Knows One

Nobody has ever been on another planet—or we should say, nobody from earth—but some people claim to have had "contact" of some kind with extraterrestrials. We have mentioned these "contactees" in passing, because they frequently associate themselves with UFO's, or those who "man" (?) UFO's.

It's often not appreciated just how many of these stories have been published in our times, or how frequently someone claims contact with non-earth spacemen. Naturally this takes place in some people with vivid or damaged imaginations, but again, the weight of the evidence favors belief in many of the stories. Some unquestionably reliable witnesses have been involved in this particular issue, as we shall show.

Since 1897 there have been at least 2,500 contact stories published around the world. Of course this just represents those who came forward, willing to be investigated, laughed at, and so

forth.²³ We'll present such a story, with its source, before going on to discuss the contact question.

The incident actually took place in 1959, but the information was classified by the government until 1974, probably due to the involvement of government personnel of integrity and reliability and the extraordinary nature of the case.²⁴ Suppressing material of this nature—material so strange that it might have a panicking effect on the general public, is perhaps understandable.

This case involved a woman from Maine who claimed to be in contact with extraterrestrials, and she was able to give extraordinary data about the planets. She discussed outer space as if she were very familiar with its inhabitants and gave a cogent picture of extraterrestrial society. First the Canadian government investigated her claims extensively; then the United States government became interested.

Skeptical Investigators Convinced

Two U.S. Naval Intelligence officers were dispatched to interview the remarkable lady from Maine. They came equipped with questions about outer space and technicalities of the subject that would normally be well beyond the civilian grasp.

The woman went easily into a state of trance, in which she was able to supply the investigating officers with new information concerning a "Universal Association of Planets." This UAP was at work on its "Project Euenza" (Project Earth), she informed the officers.

The skeptical officers didn't know quite what to make of all of this, but they were *really* stunned when the woman indicated that the space beings would be just as glad to make contact with one of the officers! True enough, when one of the investigators volunteered he went into the trance state and immediately began giving additional UAP information. He apparently was receiving telepathic messages!

His associate questioned him closely about the sensations as well as the information he was receiving, and though he knew

him well, he couldn't place anything the new contactee was saying. It was, to the best recollection of the questioner, new knowledge coming from his colleague.

And that wasn't nearly the end of it. The contactee officer was subsequently examined carefully by a group of CIA and military personnel. He went into the same trance before that group, and this time he offered proof of the contact with the extraterrestrial personalities. He said that if the group would go to the window, they would see a UFO before their eyes. They went as directed and—there it was! They *all* saw it.

Meanwhile, the woman from Maine identified the beings she was in contact with, along with their planetary addresses, as: Affa, from Uranus; Crill, from Jupiter; Ponnar and Alomar, from Mercury; and Ankar, from Centaurus.

Crill gratuitously supplied her with the population of Jupiter (787,730,016) and the information that the Jupiter day is seven times longer than the Earth day!

The whole matter, admittedly, sounds rather like science fiction, and the names (titles?) of the woman's planetary acquaintances sound quite typical of that whole fairy-tale realm. But there's no getting away from the fact that the incident so impressed the government that it was suppressed, and no adequate alternate explanation has ever been given. We are dealing here with highly skeptical CIA and other Intelligence people who are used to scrutinizing evidence and personalities.

Our Destiny—Decided Elsewhere?

We might also assume that other material is being withheld. If this particular incident was acceptable for release, we wonder what might not be. Has contact been made with our leaders? Is our destiny already decided by aliens?

The idea of a UAP, or a United Planets Organization, is a rather common contactee revelation from the extraterrestrials. Their testimony is naturally suspect on many grounds, but the idea has also been considered by eminent scientists. Dr. Carl Sagan, Cornell University astrophysicist, speaks of a Central Galactic Information Repository. Dr. Fred Hoyle refers to an Interstellar "club." *Newsweek* remarked that a growing number of scientists believe in a United Interstellar Organization (like

the U.N.). It has been suggested that Earth may one day be asked to join this United Planets Organization and that the extraterrestrials may be preparing us for this very event.²⁵

One author believes that the UFO occupants are purposely leading the world into the "Age of Aquarius" through their mental and psychic powers. They intend to uplift the human race to make us worthy of a place at the United Worlds Council. He cites that under the UFO influence there has been a dramatic upsurge of interest in ESP and psychic phenomena. He feels this will signal the beginning of a Golden Age—one that will mark a higher spiritual level for all mankind.²⁶

Aquarius And The Angel Of Light

This mind-boggling idea—that the human race is about to enter some new, more spiritual kind of existence—is really not out of line with Bible prophecy. Many feel that the signs of the end times given by Jesus are well-matched with the natural and spiritual phenomena of this age, and that our times qualify as the "end times" in prophecy.

The end times, in turn, mark the return of Jesus Christ and the setting up of His Kingdom on the earth—truly a golden age and a higher spiritual level—but only for redeemed mankind.

There's a big problem with equating the Kingdom of Christ and the Age of Aquarius. The latter is a man-made, occult-centered, rather naive way of looking upon the manifestations of our times. The Age of Aquarius concept is an application of sorts of the "power of positive thinking" to what is in reality deadly evil. What may appear to be new gains in man's knowledge and understanding, amounts in reality to a deadly decline into the Tribulation. That Garden tree, whose violation ushered in Sin and Death, was called the Tree of Knowledge.

The devil, the Scriptures warn, poses effectively as an Angel of Light. He provides intellectual knowledge and a positive attitude to deluded men, and he accomplishes his ends while they rest in a false confidence. Those who look upon such phenomena as the UFO's, contactees, and the occult as benevolent are playing into his hands.

We rather think, as we have said, that the UFO's and the other strange manifestations we are seeing represent demon

mathematics of which Uri has no concept. Puharich and Geller have failed to note that similar "messages" have been reported by all sorts of individuals under a variety of circumstances and that again, most of them have been misleading. There is much to learn from a study of this strange form of "communication," as some intelligence organizations discovered in 1959.

The Contact with AFFA

The date was July 6, 1959, and the place, Washington, D.C. I believe the facts to be authentic, and I am sorry that I must disguise the names of the principals.²

On the day in question a gentleman I shall call Mr. Talman, had an experience that caused him to contact Colonel Friend, then head of Project Blue Book, concerning Talman's personal experiences with psychic phenomena in connection with UFOs.

Talman and Friend met three days later in the presence of six men from the Central Intelligence Agency and a representative of the office of Naval Intelligence, and they went over the entire case. The discussion began with a briefing about official government involvement in the study of UFOs. Several local cases were studied, as well as some highly publicized American sightings where photographic evidence had been obtained, especially the Mariana case of August, 1950, and the Tremonton sighting of July, 1952. It seems that several members of the group had had contact with a unit that examined the pictures.

Such evidence, interesting as it was to the participants, was not the main point of the meeting, and Talman finally described his own experience. For the last five years his organization had been studying a woman, Mrs. Swan, who

² This document has been quoted extensively in the recent book by Robert Emenecker, *UFOs, Past, Present and Future*, with the permission of the institutions involved. Thus the facts contained in the memorandum can now be discussed publicly.

claimed to be in psychic contact with space entities. And one of the investigators, an intelligence officer named Curtis, had learned her technique and had acquired her ability to receive messages from outer space!

The method that Mrs. Swan used in her communications was a simple one. Asking specific questions, she would relax her body completely and, holding a pencil, would await an answer. An "unknown force" would then take control of her arm and write down the reply. Her abilities had been studied in depth by the Canadians, and the U.S. armed forces also had a complete file on her. At that point of his summary, Talman gave the floor to his colleague, Commander Curtis.

Curtis began his statement before the group with the revelation that during the second half of June, 1959, he had indeed flown with another officer to visit Mrs. Swan. The aim of the visit was to observe the contact and to ask a number of questions through this "channel." The meeting took place as planned, and at the end of the session Mrs. Swan suggested that the commander try to make contact with the entities himself. Curtis made the attempt but was unsuccessful.

Upon his return to Washington Commander Curtis had discussed the case with Talman and another colleague and, at their repeated suggestion, tried to contact the entities again. This time Curtis appeared to be successful in receiving messages from a source identified as AFFA living on the planet Uranus.

Curtis was told to write down the questions as they were posed by Talman and another individual. He did this by relaxing his arm completely, allowing it to be controlled, as he described it, by the "outside force" which was responsible for writing the answers. He observed that he was the object of a very intense physical tension during the message transmission.

Some examples of the exchange between AFFA and these three men are as follows:

"Do you favor a particular Government, religion, group or race?"

"No. Signed AFFA."

"Will there be a third world war?"

"No. Signed AFFA."

"Are Catholics the Chosen People?"

"No. Signed AFFA."

"Can we see a spaceship or flying saucer?"

"When would you like to see it?"

"Can we see it now?"

"Go to the window."

At that point, the three men rushed to the window but saw nothing. Coming back to the table, Curtis asked, "Are we looking in the right direction?" The response from AFFA did not come through his arm but as a word that Curtis pronounced verbally: "Yes!"

It was 2 P.M. on that day, July 6, 1959, when the three men saw the disk-shaped object. It flew over Washington and was described as having clear edges and a dark center. They called the radar center and were told that, for an unknown reason, the radar return was blocked in the sector they indicated! One of the earlier questions to AFFA had elicited a response dealing with the saucers' difficulty in penetrating the earth's radar network undetected.

Universal Association of Planets

When he heard these revelations, Colonel Friend asked Commander Curtis to make another attempt to contact AFFA as he had done three days earlier, but the trial was unsuccessful. He did get a few replies, but they indicated that "the moment was not favorable." AFFA stated, however, that there was no objection to the members of the group attending the meeting.

Mr. Talman and all the people in attendance at the meeting stated for the record that they had known Curtis for many years, and that he had always been competent, quiet, calm, and very conservative. All thought his experi-

ence to be extremely significant, not only because of his background, but because of the testimony of two other senior officers who had been with him when the flying saucer had appeared over the building!

The next day Commander Curtis and Colonel Friend went to the office where the file of the contact case was kept. The documents contained in that file showed that Mrs. Swan had been in communication with the following entities:

AFFA from Uranus

CRILL from Jupiter

ALOMAR from Mercury

PONNAR also from Mercury

ANKAR from the constellation Centaurus

What impressed the investigators was the fact that through these contacts the woman had been able to answer questions that appeared to be beyond her education and technical knowledge. However, the visitors were disappointed to find only vague descriptions of the propulsion mechanism of the mysterious flying saucers. Some of the statements alluded to the material that was used in their construction, but nothing specific was revealed. Curtis indicated that the Canadians had pursued this particular aspect of the question quite deeply.

The documents in that file gave information on the entities that were responsible for the contact. There existed it seemed, a certain organization called OEEU, meaning "Universal Association of Planets," and that organization had a project called EU or EREVZA, which meant "Earth."³ Its aim was never specified. In Chapter Four,

3. The document I am quoting from here is a copy of the original memorandum. The spelling of some of the names differs from that given by Emenegger in his book. For instance, it has OEEV rather than OEEU, and EUENZA instead of EREVZA.

however, we shall have the opportunity to analyze in detail the fascinating background of a similar organization whose reputation is rapidly spreading in Spain: it is called UMMO and is attempting to influence human affairs.

The memorandum that was written for archiving purposes as a result of this series of meetings concludes with the writer's evaluation of the personal attitudes within the group. The leader of the interaction, it was stated, appeared to be a man with a fine analytic mind. His only motivation in the case was his respect for Curtis. The latter seemed to be a very stable man: "He occupies—or occupied!—a responsible position," the memorandum goes on to say with tongue in cheek. This officer seemed quite embarrassed when he found himself a center of attention during the initial phase of the meeting, but he later relaxed.

Finally, Talman was said to be "a man with both feet firmly on the ground." "*There is no question,*" the author of the memo concluded, "*that the object seen over Washington on that day of July 1959, was a flying saucer.*"

The Contact with 7171

In 1972 I began my own investigation into the phenomenon of automatic writing and I had the occasion to observe several lengthy exchanges between one of my subjects and an entity calling itself "7171," who claimed to be connected with UFOs. The subject was a man whose abilities I have personally tested; in successive experiments involving small objects hidden in plastic boxes, this person produced drawings of the targets with considerable accuracy. (Other tests involved the use of a computer in the prediction of the state of a random number generator.) For several years, this person had occasionally felt the urge to write what at first seemed to be meaningless messages. When questions were asked of the "entity" allegedly producing the writing, the messages became more focused,

and soon centered on the UFO phenomenon. This person then approached me and agreed that more systematic testing was in order. At the same time we attempted to refine the communication technique and to identify those components of the interaction that might be coming from the channel's own subconscious mind.

The contents of some relevant communications are given below. The point here, once again, is not that such communications might contain any new knowledge, but that, taken in the context of the "contact" with AFFA, they throw some light on the type of phenomena the men in Washington were playing with.

Vallee: Can you experience the future?

Medium: YES.

Vallee: Why are you communicating?

Medium: THE ANSWER TO THIS I DO NOT FULLY KNOW MYSELF. I KNOW ONLY THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THOSE HIGHER THAN I.

Vallee: What are UFOs a symbol of?

Medium: THEY ARE A SYMBOL OF NOTHING IN THE SENSE THAT YOU MEAN. THEY HAVE A VALIDITY INDEPENDENT OF SYMBOLISM.

Vallee: Why are there men like us in UFOs?

Medium: BECAUSE, FOR VERY DEEP REASONS, THE FORM OF MAN IS A UNIVERSAL CONSTANT.

Vallee: Why do they come here?

Medium: TO HARMONIZE THIS WORLD WITH THE REST OF THE UNIVERSE.

Vallee: Who is 7171?

Medium: HE IS ONLY ONE OF THE INFINITE NUMBER OF ENTITIES THROUGH WHICH I MAY SPEAK.

Interview William Steinhilber Jan 6, 89

- Q. Did you send me the letter dealing with the 80-1 yet?
- Q. No, did you that yet? I got you a tape which I put in the mail. I left her two days ago.
- Q. Mentions talking to Linda Howe.
- Q. You talked to her last night but she talk about Bill Cooper stuff.
- Q. That's one of her sources.
- Q. That's one of her cohorts. He has information that claims to go beyond MS-12.
- Q. Is this a document?
- Q. He has his MASIC document, explaining classification. MASIC central. MASIC is in control of ^{and the affairs} MS-12 is just a study group that studies information that is distributed to them by MASIC... and it goes on and on. It talks about Aquarius and Project Pounce and all the cut projects and goes into detail about every one of the projects and cut projects. He claims to have seen this document while he was in the navy - naval intelligence. He also claims to have seen Project Blue Book Report #13.
- Q. How did you find out about this? Who's her?
- Q. Well her ^{interviewed} me, brought him to me and he happened to live only five miles from me so he came over on the second Street and talked with him for three or four hours. I taped him on the video tape and interviewed him while he was talking to me.
- Q. Check hand from Toronto about a document he put in the bulletin board for safety.
- Q. You're probably talking about the same thing. Project Aquarius and the whole bit. Also he had what he considered to be the full Aquarius document. He showed it to me but he said I couldn't have it to copy it. He only had one copy. It had the same page just like the one Moore distributed - the one with the little emblem at

saying "Presidential Briefing paper presented by MS-12". Project Aquarius. Then it went on for three or four pages with all the cut projects mentioned, paragraph by paragraph. It talked about Project Sigma, and then it talked about Project Squirrel and Project Snowbird in this document says that Snowbird was a project to lead the public away with the joint US-Canadian effort to build a flying saucer. It talked about the 1954. Press release by Quarks when he mentioned the saucer. He said that's what Project Snowbird was about, and the project it was covering was the real project to fly alien aircrafts. It was called Project something else. Peon't remember.

- Q. How did he get this document?
- Q. He didn't say how he got it. He said he wasn't revealing sources because he's trying to protect them. That's what he told me. He says he still has intelligence agency connections and all this. The guy is the director of a technical institute.
- Q. In California.
- Q. Yes. He held the position three or four different times as director or assistant director of various colleges and technical institutes in Southern California down in San Diego and Anaheim.
- Q. Does he have a bio anywhere?
- Q. No, I didn't see any bio on him. He had his own bio. He wrote his own bio talking about his military experience and he said you could check into it.
- Q. Can you send me a copy?
- Q. Yes. I can send it to you. One of his sources he calls Christopher. How is Brian making out with that guy from the astro camp dept at Point State?
- Q. Did he not relate that to you?
- Q. He did go into any detail.

c. Write all the things possible and the possible
articles. Cameron said I could send a copy of
will.
5. Will Cain know anything or anything we've
not in communication that will answer. The last thing I got
from him was that thing he wanted me to have photographed.
He hasn't contacted me since then.
c. The last thing he told me is that you were going to
write him a letter and send a copy of the answer letter.
5. Is that what I was going to do. I told do (Cain).
I haven't gotten around to that. I've been so busy with the
Cheshire Helltrap. I had about fifty pieces of mail come
in over one month... People that had the book at HREC.
In Scotland, he has been writing me over and over again
c. I think he is just waiting for your letter.
5. I'll just pick it out. I've got it in my "ready to do"
things. I'll get you that letter do Seally on the 23rd of
the 11th. I'll get you a copy of that m-12 stuff from
Cooper. Cooper gave me a package of maybe 50 pages of material.
It ran them off in his printer just before he came over.

By 1959 Smith had become involved with the U.S. Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). The latter had requested he participate in investigations in which "contact" through telepathic means was supposedly established with alien beings through a medium by the name of Mrs. Swan, but this activity was not entirely new. Smith's 1950 secret memo to the controller of telecommunications had mentioned that the Americans were investigating along a number of lines, including mental phenomena, and now Smith himself had become a participant. Smith continued working through Mrs. Swan in the ensuing years and referred to the aliens he spoke to through her as "the boys from Topside." The alien with whom he spoke most often was named AFFA. AFFA told Smith about new concepts of space and time, matter and energy, which Smith subsequently expounded upon in a manuscript he called *The New Science*.

Smith was so certain of the existence of extraterrestrials that one might wonder if on one of his many trips to the U.S. he was allowed to actually see a retrieved disk or the alleged bodies. Was Smith later truly in contact with superior beings? There are, of course, other explanations, as we shall see.

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best-selling chronicle of their adventures in his book *The Interrupted Journey*. Fuller tells us that under hypnosis the Hills were literally abducted by a flying saucer and medically examined by humanoids, who tested Mrs. Hill, among other things, for pregnancy, causing substantial psychological damage.

There are those who have followed their faith down what I consider very creative paths. The cults have helped to taint the study, yet I understand why they have grown up. Through the ages man has woven yarns, myths, and religions to explain the bizarre phenomena he has witnessed. The myths are the result of his frustrations. Man is a great storyteller, assigning frameworks from which he can continue to live and function amid a welter of troubling confusions. He lives with and maintains various theories until they no longer make any sense in light of his ever-ongoing experiences. I found it no surprise that in the face of the UFO mystery some nonscientists find it fulfilling to establish religions.

In the autumn of each year, not far from the Berkeley campus of the University of California, a very special group invades the premises of the gracious old Claremont Hotel. I decided I would join the truth-seekers, and began to prepare myself mentally for my journey to the annual Spacecraft Convention.

The convention was sponsored by Understanding, Inc., Borderline Science, Research Associated, and Source Unlimited. Upon entering the foyer I encountered an endless barrage of booths, display stands, UFO photos, religious symbols, and other curiosities peculiar to that group of people who opted to distinguish themselves from orthodox or establishment UFO investigations. Mounds of books, drawings, and photographs of spacecraft heaped into great imposing stacks lined the stalls and bookracks scattered about the hall. There was an authenticity in the facial expressions of many of the convention-goers. They regarded their business at the convention very seriously. I spoke to some of the exhibitors and found them to be earnest in their beliefs. Many of them honestly feel they have been in either telepathic or physical communication with our planet's intergalactic friends and foes. These people, these truth-seekers, represent the contactees who are beyond the threshold of even the new science. They claim somehow to have tangled with the Master Jesus, Firkon of Mars, Orthon of Venus, and others. Their speech is peppered and exotically accented with the mention of names like Clarion, Tythan,

Korendor, Blaau, Schara, and Foser—the earth's invisible second moon.

I walked over to a booth with a hand-scrawled sign reading "The Reorganized Church of the UFO. Listen to the Words of the Space People." I stared at the spectators around me and noticed a young man in the corner busily signing photographs of himself. He appeared to be a newly recruited celebrity in cosmic society. My neighborly bystander suddenly whispered, "He has made contact with Pollious, the grand coordinator of the Andromeda sector of the Galactic Union."

In the middle of the hall I noticed a fragile silver-haired lady sitting alone in front of an old tape recorder perched on an oak table. She looked at me, eyes twinkling. "Would you like to hear the beautiful message we have?" I nodded. With that, she flicked the button, and a stilted voice began to resound, fading in and out from moment to moment.

"I am Lelan, the head of the government of the planet Nobelia. I speak to you from across the parsecs. We have contacted the president of the United States, the pope, and all the other world leaders, but they have chosen to ignore us, so we are acting through a far wiser man. R. Spencer Jason will be your leader. We must rescue you from the evil influence of vicious inhabitants of the planet Zeno. Let me warn you that the Zenonians will stop at nothing to prevent our saving Earth. They control all government officials on your planet. . . ." The tape was still playing as I quietly slipped away.

Most groups develop because of a strong belief in specific events that have been said to have already happened or that are prophesied to occur in the near future. A number of years ago the *Lake City Herald* of Lake City, Minnesota, headlined this story: PROPHECY FROM PLANET CLARION CALL TO CITY: FLEE THAT FLOOD. IT'LL SWAMP US ON DEC. 21, 1951 OUTER SPACE TELLS SUBURBANITE. "Lake City," it reported, "will be destroyed by a flood from the Great Lake just before dawn, Dec. 21, according to suburban housewife Mrs. Marian Keech of 847 West School St., who said the prophecy is not her own. It is the purport of many messages she has received by automatic writing. The messages, according to Mrs. Keech, are sent to her by superior beings from a planet called 'Clarion.' These beings have been visiting the earth, she says, in what we call flying saucers. During their visits, she says, they have observed fault lines in the earth's crust that foretold the deluge. Mrs. Keech reports she was told the flood will spread to form an inland sea, stretching from the

earthquakes had occurred in California and in Italy. "It all ties in with what I believe," was her comment. Then more instructions came: "Be on your toes and give it to the papers at the time they come to you. . . . Give them the works and put thy furbish in."

And then nothing!

Visitors began to decline. Armstrong's sister tried to have Daisy and him declared legally insane and requested the custody of their children. But Mrs. Keech's belief persisted, although Armstrong began to hedge and in an interview delivered a series of thin, specious denials and excuses. However, the Seekers continued to contend that the invisible spacemen had, in fact, made an appearance!

The followers were satisfied. The world hadn't been destroyed. And despite the cynicism of their enemies, the Seekers—the believers—had fulfilled their need to search for the truth about the unknown. This need to believe proved paramount to the belief itself. It maintained their psychological stability. The Seekers' tale numbers just one more in man's many attempts to order his experiences in the universe in a way in which he can most comfortably comprehend the unknown horizons.

I have spent a great deal of time on the telephone interviewing various astronomers on the subject of extraterrestrial life (ETL) and the UFO connection. Their views on UFOs can be divided into three major categories. 1. All UFO sightings can be explained by natural phenomena. This view seems to be on the decline. 2. A small number of UFO sightings cannot be explained and remain a mystery. This view is increasingly being shared by both conservative and liberal scientists. 3. The unexplained UFO sightings are accountable to the presence of extraterrestrial visitors. Only the most romantic observers are willing to accept the extraterrestrial conclusion.

The famous New Mexico astronomer Clyde Tombaugh was first on my interview list. He had discovered the planet Pluto and was one of the few remaining visual astronomers who still physically peered at the celestial horizons through a telescope. He had also seen his own UFO—a sighting that has remained a classic up to the present day. In August 1949 he observed a flight of rectangles of light arranged as if they were "ports" on an elliptical object. I wanted to speak to Dr. Tombaugh and try to get an update of his views.

Dr. Tombaugh answered the phone. After I told him my business, he politely and quietly refused to make any statement whatsoever.

He was very apologetic but firm about his refusal. When I asked him why he had taken a position of silence on the matter, he told me that he had received so much backlash from previous statements that he no longer wanted to be involved with such an emotional topic. It caused him more grief than he felt it was worth. He told me that he had precious little time left to investigate those things that mattered to him and that a statement would only encourage a replay of a familiar and painful barrage of positive and negative feedback. He didn't have the time or the inclination to get involved.

His refusal to comment was statement enough. It demonstrated just how emotionally charged the entire subject has been in the past and remains at the present. It provides a clue to the inconsistencies of thought and frequent blatant lack of imagination and nerve that sometimes accompany scientific discussions on the UFO subject.

Everyone I interviewed suggested that I obtain Frank Drake's views. Dr. Drake was instrumental in initiating the search for extraterrestrial life through the use of radio telescopes. Presently the director of the National Astronomy and Ionosphere Center at Cornell University, Dr. Drake has been asked about UFOs on more occasions, perhaps, than any other astronomer in the country.

"With regard to the possibilities of there being intelligent creatures elsewhere in the universe," he said slowly, "I think that all of the information we have from astronomy, biology, and the evolution of intelligence and technology on the earth would indicate that it is certain that there is intelligent life and indeed civilizations elsewhere in space. Their numbers may be small and their manifestations on an astronomical scale very faint. Therefore, the question is not whether they are there—they are—but rather, how difficult it is to detect. My own belief is that it is indeed a very demanding enterprise to detect the manifestations of other civilizations and it will require an effort on our part which is of the same order as the largest scientific undertakings that we have so far pursued."

Dr. Drake was very familiar with his subject. He had pushed for a concentrated search for extraterrestrial life and was a convinced exponent of the exobiological thesis. He continued, "In the matter of UFOs, I have followed the subject for years and investigated personally many UFOs. I have never seen evidence that would convince me that UFOs are an indication of extraterrestrial intelligent activity. The evidence just has not been delivered, in any case." That was it. He asked me if that was all I wanted, and then cordially bid me good day. I had my statement—short and sweet.

creatures. . . . Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. . . . Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted over against them: for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels. . . . And when they went I heard the noise of their wings like the noise of great waters."

Arthur Orton's summary presents the vision of Ezekiel:

We have a description of four spacesuited and helicopter-equipped men getting off of or out of something that landed in a cloud of dust or smoke. The four men start their helicopters, take off and fly to some height. On returning to the ground, they remove their flying gear and wait. (*Analog Science Fact/Fiction*)

Orton concludes that the nature of Ezekiel's description reads like a deposition. He states, "It [the vision] is the presentation of a tableau that makes no sense to the man who witnessed it or to those to whom he is describing it."

On our own continent we find an eighteenth-century Indian legend that mentions luminous humanoid beings who paralyzed people with a small tube. The touch was described as being like a bombardment of cactus needles. Most Indian legends have been passed down from generation to generation and tribe to tribe, with little success on the part of folklorists to pin down dates and sources. However, the popular Star Husband Tale indicates a strong belief on the part of early Indians that extraterrestrials did exist and were able to transcend to earth. In this particular tale, two Indian girls sleeping in the open at night gaze at two stars—one bright, the other dim. They both wish to be married to these stars, and upon awakening, find that each is married to a star, one to a young man (the bright star), and the other to an old man (the dim one). They live with these men in the upper world, above the sky that can be seen from earth.

Although many Indian legends, like Greek myths, personified the sun, moon, and visible stars and looked to them as gods of sorts, there is an underlying theme to the tales that indicates a knowledge and willingness on the part of the Indians to accept the concept of life outside of what they could see and communicate with. A Paiute chief, Mezzaluma, recounted an ancient tale for a Canadian journal, *Topside*. When asked where the North American Indians came from, Chief Mezzaluma answered, "The Indians were created in the

sky by Gitchie Manitou, the Great Spirit, who sent down here a big thunderbird to find a place for his children to live. He discovered this land . . . and brought Indians to settle on it. They were taught to use the land wisely and never abuse its natural resources."

Gordon Lore and Harold Deneault, Jr., in their book *Mysteries of the Skies*, have cited an interesting piece of testimony offered in the late summer of 1917 by John Boback, a storekeeper in Youngstown, Pennsylvania. While he was walking on the railroad ties, an eerie "swishing sound" on his left jolted him. On the north side of the tracks he noticed an elliptical object as large as an automobile sitting in a pasture about a hundred feet away. The outer shell was smooth; it had no fins or propellers. The structure lay flat on its underside. An interior light from portholes on the upper portion of the object reminded Boback of automobile headlights. Moments later it lifted off into a smooth, gradual climb. The altitude and acceleration seemed to make the interior become increasingly brighter. It seems that one aspect of the sighting puzzled Boback. At takeoff the UFO had not nosed upward, as he had expected. It had risen from the ground and remained parallel with the surface. At no time did it hover, spin, or revolve during the two minutes he observed it.

The movement and physical description are consistent with reports gathered by NICAP, and the Center for UFO Studies. Granted, many accounts drawn from ancient sources could probably be explained as other than UFOs, but the number of explainable phenomena cited in the past is constant with the number of explainable phenomena cited today. Most investigators agree that at least 20 percent of today's reported cases are totally unexplained. Strange aerial objects have been seen and recorded frequently prior to recent times, by people from all walks of life, including a substantial number of reputable astronomers and other scientists. These reports preceded the era of heavier-than-air flight. The very antiquity of the sightings makes it hard to write them off as a by-product of imaginations enriched by twentieth-century technology.

Turning to possible extensions of that technology, I queried Dr. Robert Wood of the McDonnell Douglas Corporation: How would you design the best space vehicles and excursion modules? What would they do? How would they differ from what we already have? "Well," Dr. Wood began, "the answer to those questions all depends on the assumptions you are willing to make. If you assume that they are inventable, then you get an updated model of the Viking system. The updated system would have a better specific impulse

on the propellants. It would orbit the planet, slow down using atmospheric drag to reduce its velocity, and so forth. In short, it would operate the same way Viking does, but with more efficient components, so it could carry a larger payload for less fuel weight."

He paused, then continued. "If you invoke a new assumption about science which is as yet unprovable and try to design the best deep-space vehicles and landers possible, then you come up with a UFO. That is the best model we have, for a perfect interstellar craft. Either you assume something completely new or you play it safe and go with only what we already know. In the latter case, you come up with what we essentially already have.

"UFOs are stunningly different from our present landers. Their apparent antigravity allows them to accelerate and decelerate in an instant. They can do this without causing the occupants physical harm they would otherwise encounter without such gravity-interaction devices. UFOs seem to operate on a principle other than $F = MA$ [Force = Mass times Acceleration]. Their circular shape denotes a conductive wire around the vehicle. The currents of this hypothetical wire flow around the disk and might somehow relate to controlling gravity."

Dr. Wood and I talked for a long time. He explained how the changing colors often observed with the UFO could be technically explained. They might be due to ordinary interaction of the vehicle with the atmosphere. Ionized air becomes red, or there might be a massive magnetic field in the vicinity of the object, which would cause excited molecules to manifest themselves in different wavelengths. He assured me that all this was speculation on his part.

Needless to say, Dr. Wood did not intimate that this was an easy task, but he did point out one very worthwhile analogy. "If we make the assumption that it can be done—that it's possible—then we can try getting experiments done to test that assumption. We can direct these experiments toward discovering the principles behind the way these machines behave. Remember, as soon as the Russians knew it was possible to make the atom bomb, they made one in two years. The big gamble, then, is in the speculation that it's possible. The USA took the gamble, and we succeeded in producing the bomb. The key, then, is that if people know that it can be done, they will figure out how to do it. But for the most part, technological people have not been willing to make that assumption. They assume that gravity-interaction systems cannot be made. Hence they aren't working on them."

I wondered how far we were away from designing something like this without any new assumptions in science. Had anybody been working on that possibility? Stanton T. Friedman is a nuclear physicist who had been working on such questions for fifteen years. He got involved in the UFO problem from an engineering perspective, and was primarily interested in understanding how UFO maneuver and design could relate to our present knowledge of physics and energetics. In 1968 he submitted a paper before the House Committee on Science and Astronautics. I read Friedman's paper and decided to contact him to see if his views had changed substantially in the interim.

During our interview Friedman reiterated time and time again that designers should be looking at UFOs to find out how to design fast, efficient interstellar spacecraft. He was an experienced lecturer and clearly delineated the technical possibilities within our grasp. He was optimistic about our ability to soon duplicate the engineering expertise UFOs seem to manifest.

"Don't UFOs do things that scientists know are impossible?" I asked. He had answered this question before. He didn't hesitate. "No laws of physics have been violated. The UFOs need great maneuverability. They have to be able to get home again."

Then Friedman began to recount all of the craft's physical characteristics, backing each with a technical-design reason for their appearance. The saucer-shaped symmetric craft allows them to move in any direction. They don't have wings like our airplanes because wings would prevent them from such unidirectional maneuvers. Their glow suggests a plasma-ionized atmosphere. Their reported color changes suggest an electromagnetic field capable of interacting with that plasma. They land in football fields or large empty spaces in the Midwest; they have no use or need for metropolitan airfields bustling with people.

His conclusion is that interstellar travel is indeed possible, with round-trip times shorter than a man's lifetime if fission or fusion propulsion systems are refined. But he also pointed out that these already envisioned methods of flight aren't the only possibilities, and explained how engineers accelerate things to high velocities: "Physicists for years have been pushing particles of one sort or another to velocities close to that of light. We don't do this by physically or mechanically pushing the particles; we do this by electrically and magnetically controlling the acceleration, taking into account the

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Dear Grant:

I look forward to reading what all this ends up as. Although I've long been aware of Smith's vital role in UFO research internationally as well as nationally, I've always had something else more pressing (or so it seemed so). I'm not clear on all the angles you are going to attack; but two general ones that I don't get from your questions that I hope are approached either by you, myself, or someone else are: 1) his engineering work directly relevant to possible propulsions systems, e.g. gravitation; and 2) his indirect, or direct, contacts with the CIA. For instance the EUENZA or OEEV stuff that the CIA got involved with apparently after Canadian military and civilian authorities were involved. I wonder what, if any, role Smith had in all this.

You might get in touch with Frank Maine, M.P. for Wellington Room 123, Confederation Building. Ottawa K1A 0A6. As you may know, he has appeared on a number of radio talk programs (As It Happens) to briefly talk about UFOs. Although he has some interest, my brief experience talking with him gave me the impression he just wishes to be open minded, but pretty well accepts what ever officialdom says about it all (e.g. NRC). So I would suggest you get in touch; but I don't know whether he'll be of assistance or not. I have some older references to Members who have questioned government in the past (e.g. Edward Schreyer, John M. Reid, etc.) but I don't even know if they still are around.

I'll be in Saskatoon this Tuesday to give a talk at the university on UFOs. But I doubt if I'll have time to help you track down the two fellows. (Is it Brain Cannon or Brian Cannon? - I assume it's the 2nd). There is, as you probably already know, a Brian Cannon in Winnipeg who used to be quite active in UFO research (CAPRO, etc).

If you get hold of any new source material on Smith I'd really like to learn more of them.

Best wishes,



John Brent Musgrave

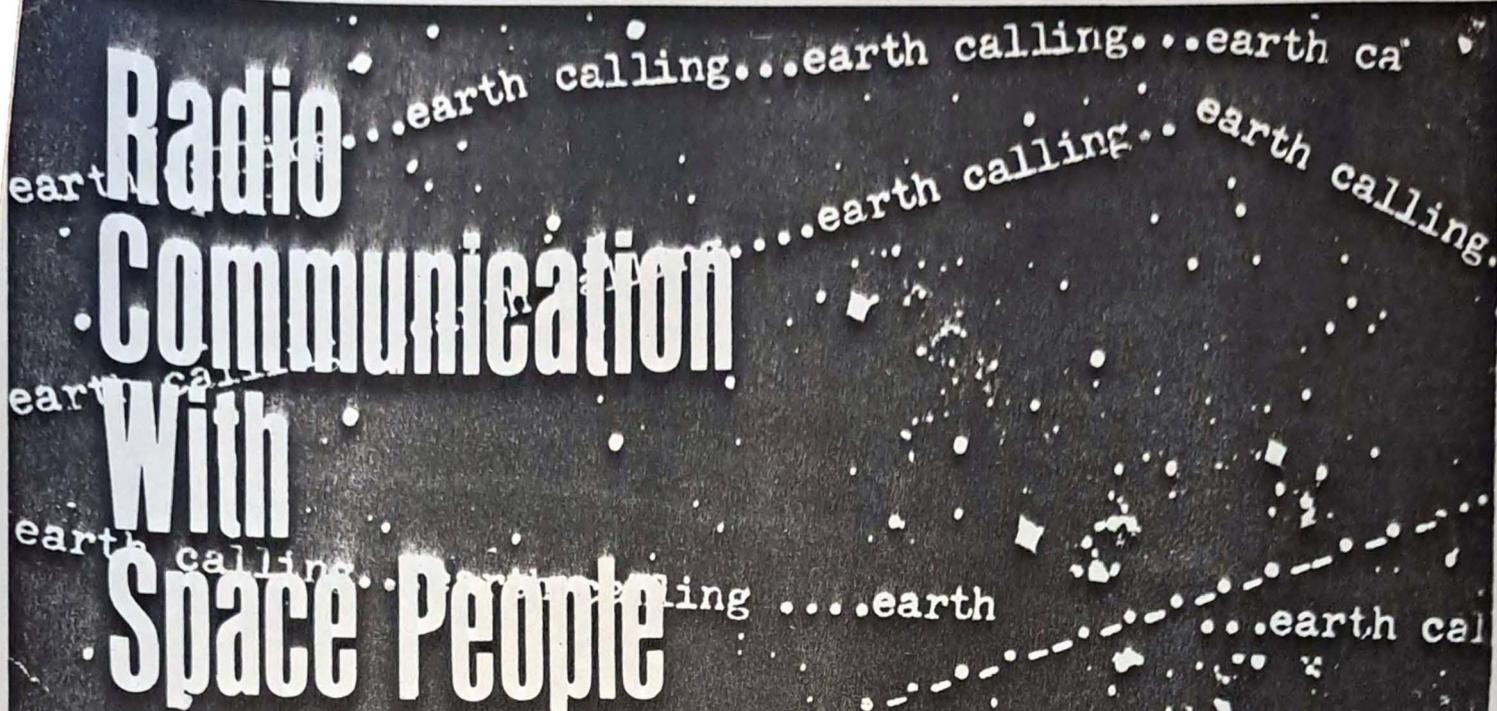
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two important international conferences were held in Moscow: the first in 1965 concerned telecommunications, during which three unknown satellites involving the East were discussed

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Radio Communication With Space People

Strange signals have been coming from outer space. Are other civilizations from other worlds trying to contact us? We have been receiving these strange signals since the invention of radio. Nikola Tesla and Marconi were believers that another world somewhere in the cosmos is trying to contact our planet.

BY GEORGE WAGNER

Nikola Tesla, pioneer electronics technician, flashed radio messages from earth to outer space two years before Guglielmo Marconi transmitted his feeble signals across the Atlantic Ocean.

In 1899 Tesla constructed an interplanetary radio transmitter near Colorado Springs, Colorado. Power was driven through a gigantic Tesla coil, seventy-five feet in diameter, and flashed like lightning from a two hundred foot tower. A make-and-break device wired into the coil permitted the transmitting of messages in code.

During these experiments, Tesla began receiving codes on equipment at the Colorado station. While these weird sound-symbols were unintelligible to Tesla and his associates, they were of such a regular non-random nature as to be clearly artificial in origin. Tesla theorized that the signals may have come from Venus or Mars or even farther out in our solar system.

A code very similar to that received by Tesla was heard by

Marconi radio stations in Europe just before the First World War, especially during 1919-1921.

On one occasion in 1920 the Italian inventor was vacationing in the Mediterranean Ocean aboard his 220-foot yacht, the *Electra*. Marconi used his leisure time to test high-powered radio equipment. It was on one such occasion that he became aware of strange coded signals.

Marconi said that the code was never used on earth, and that it was transmitted over a wave length (2 kilocycles) ten times longer than could have lasted at that time, broadcasted by any terrestrial radio station. He believed that the messages came from outer space, possibly from the planet Mars.

On August 21, 1924, astronomers around the world prepared to observe the planet Mars. On August 22, the planet would swing closer to earth, an event that will not happen again for the next seventy-five years.

Professor David Todd, head astronomer at Amherst College



Massachusetts, requested that for the period August 21-23, all high powered radio transmitters in all parts of the world shut down for five minutes every hour. During these periods of silence, Dr. Todd suggested that the radio bands should be combed for signals coming from outer space. Radio stations throughout the world, at the diplomatic nudgings of the United States Government went along with the Todd plan.

During these five minute segments, "strange noises" and "harsh dots" were received by monitors in the United States, Canada, England and France. Station WOR, Newark, New Jersey, received coded messages. Mysterious sounds were picked up on 10 kilocycles by a 24-tube receiving set manned by Marconi Company at Dulwich, England. Marconi spokesmen said the signals were not coming from any terrestrial transmitter.

The code was received at the Point Grey wireless station, Vancouver, British Columbia. It was also heard by the radio operator at

the Vancouver Merchants exchange. It was revealed that the signals had been heard in the area since late July, almost every day at 6:20 and 7:12 a.m.

It has been insinuated that the Vancouver signals were actually the result of malfunctions of the Point Grey equipment. C.W. Mellish, head radio operator at the Point Grey station, insisted that "The signal has been noticed at the same hour practically every day for over four weeks. It is absolutely distinctive and cannot be attributed to any known instrument, static, or leaking transformers in Vancouver."

In addition to his broadcasting project, Professor Todd approached an inventor named Charles Francis Jenkins. Jenkins had developed the "Jenkins Radio Camera," a device that recorded radio signals on a thirty foot strip of paper tape.

This apparatus was tuned to 50 kilocycles. Impulses which came in over this frequency were printed upon the tape. When the tape was later examined, it was

discovered to be covered with dots. Along one edge the dots were fairly evenly spaced but the dots along the other edge were so arranged as to make up crudely-pictured *human faces!*

Dr. Mansfield Robinson, a psychic researcher from Royden, England, tried to contact Mars by radio in 1926. He had previously received (he claimed) telepathic instructions in the matter from a big-eared Martian woman named "Compararu." Robinson said that his radio picked up the letter M and S in a special "Martian code."

The psychic researcher again attempted to contact Mars on October 24, 1928. His five word message was transmitted on 16.04 kilocycles by the powerful post office wireless station at Rugby, England. The British government charged Robinson the going rate for mundane messages...seven shillings, six pence; about \$1.80 in American money at the 1928 rate of exchange.

Professor A.M. Low, an English scientist listening in on Robinson's broadcast, heard the Rugby trans-

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mission answered by dots and dashes. This message was in no code used on earth, but the signals were far too regular to have been accidental.

"It was a mysterious message," Low said later. "It was hardly likely that it could have come from Mars. However, I must confess that I do not know who sent it."

On December 15 and 16, 1928, Robinson transmitted yet another broadcast on 14.28 kilocycles by the Companhia Radio Telegraphica Brasileira, an R.C.A. controlled station at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The results of this experiment were only vaguely reported in the United States and the test seems to have been a failure.

On November 28th, 1954, at 11:15 a.m., Chicago station WGN aimed a radio message towards flying saucers supposedly circling the earth. Nothing was heard at the station by way of a reply, but many radio listeners reported hearing ringing noises over the WGN frequency. These sounds were said to resemble sleigh bells. Two listeners tape-recorded what they said sounded like "strange musical tones."

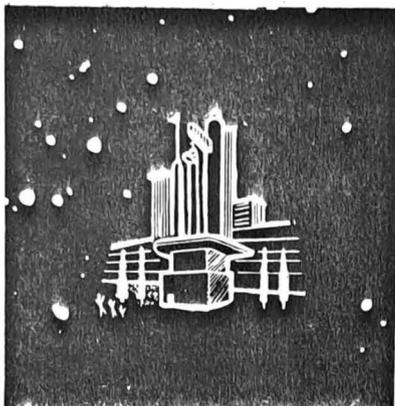
In 1957 weird signals were picked up by radio receivers and even the public address systems at the International Airport of Maiquetia, Venezuela. They were also received by a short wave set at Barcelona, Venezuela.

The signals included loud poppings, exploding noises, followed by dots and dashes. Rafael Betnitez, a radio technician employed at the airport since 1940, said that the phenomena was unique in his experience. The radioman reported that he was under a physician's care for damage the jarring sounds had done to his hearing.

On the night of August 3, 1958, short wave listeners throughout the southeastern United States reportedly heard a weird message on the 75-meter amateur band. The speaker whose voice was heard from Kentucky to Florida, claimed his name was "Necoma,"

and that he was an inhabitant of the planet Jupiter. He said that he was transmitting from a spaceship orbiting 50,000 miles above the earth. The strange voice delivered a two hour harangue on the evils of atomic testing. The Jovian said that if atomic bomb tests were not immediately suspended, he would destroy our solar system. Necoma spoke in English, German and in a "musical gibberish" that he said was the language of his native planet.

It is almost too easy to brand this story a hoax since the destruction of the solar system would also annihilate Necoma's home along with the other eight planets. And of course Jupiter's ammonia-rich atmosphere certain-



ly rules out life as we know it. Yet, if the reports of the Necoma broadcast are true, the hoaxer had access to powerful radio transmitting equipment, which he was willing to risk on a completely illegal broadcast.

In any case, the episode reminds me of the 1957 adventure of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard L. Martin. Their address is unknown to me but, their testimony appeared in the *Rocky Mountain News* on November 25 1957. The Martins received telephone calls from, of all things, a man who claimed to be orbiting the earth in a spaceship. "Take this message," one telephone transmission went, "I am having trouble transmitting from this frequency. You are the only one I could seem to make contact with...I am in a 360 degree

orbit and I see no way of returning to earth, please contact...(static).. Do not be alarmed. In the near future you will understand what is happening. I can reach you only every four hours. I will contact you again in four hours."

There were no further messages.

1957 and 1958 were banner years for weirdo space messages. Jesse Ungari, a United States Navy Reserve radio technician, was watching a commercial broadcast by KPIX-TV, San Jose, California, when suddenly, the announcer's voice faded out only to be replaced by another. "We are calling you from outer space," the new voice said. "We are going to destroy your city in twenty four hours."

Police radios in Boise, Idaho, were overpowered by a voice speaking "something like Japanese." This transmission lasted five minutes.

The Martins' story, like the Necoma episode may have been an elaborate hoax but, what about Tesla and Marconi? What *did* they hear?

Both men believed they had contacted civilizations on our neighboring planets. This now seems out of the question. United States space probes seem to rule out the possibility of non-Terran civilizations or even highly developed forms of life in our solar system. Other stars would also be excluded and it would take four years for a radio signal to travel from earth to a planet of Alpha Centauri, our system's nearest stellar neighbor. Further, it must be pointed out that we have no real idea as to whether other stars even have planets. The reply from Alpha Centauri—if any, would take an equal length of time.

Tesla seems to have signalled some type of mobile transmitter within our solar system. Such an extraterrestrial device, a spaceship...was doubtless responsible for the signals received by Marconi and A.M. Low. These men seem to have made radio contact with space people. □



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Dear Mr. Cameron:

We are responding to your Freedom of Information Act request pertaining to Frances Swan.

All Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) investigative files are retrieved through a computerized index known as the Defense Clearance and Investigations Index (DCII). The DCII identifies investigative records maintained by Department of Defense components.

The DCII identifies records on individuals by using the individual's name, date of birth, and/or social security account number. NCIS enters the names of subjects, co-subjects, and victims entitled in our reports of investigation into the DCII. A search of the DCII using Frances Swan's name did not surface an NCIS investigative file.

If you believe an adequate search for responsive records was not accomplished, you may file an appeal by writing to Judge Advocate General, Navy Department, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332-2400. The appeal must be received in that office within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter to be considered.

A copy of this letter should be attached along with a statement as to why you believe an adequate search has not been conducted. It is recommended that the letter of appeal and the envelope both bear the notation "Freedom of Information Act Appeal".

Sincerely,


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