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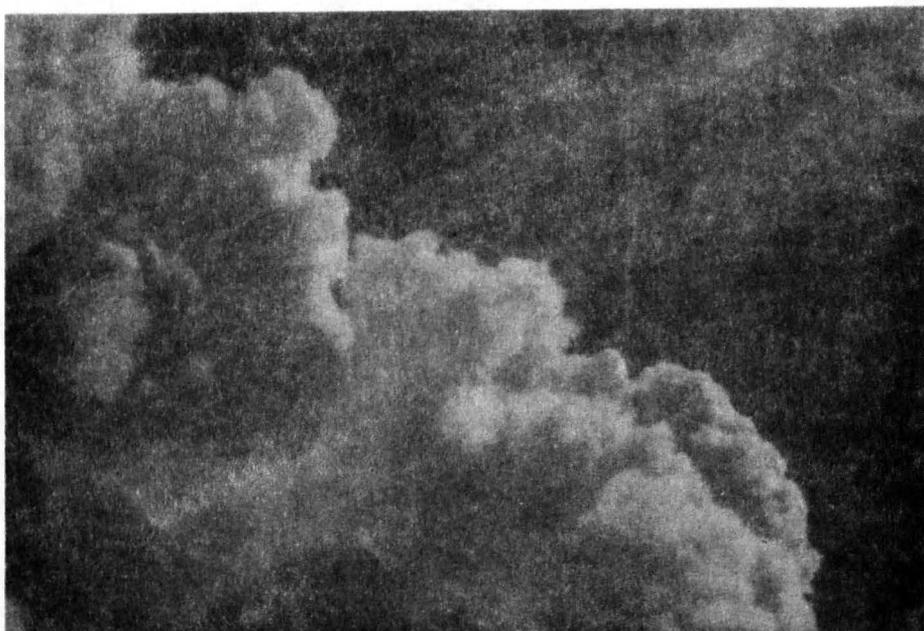
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EDITORIALS

It seems that every time your Editor leaves his Fort Lee Headquarters, even for a short period, his critics pick just that time to renew their unfounded attacks. Those of you who received SAUCER NEWS regularly during 1957 are by now familiar with the controversy over an anonymous letter allegedly proving that your Editor is a secret Air Force agent of some sort. We thought we had settled this matter in our editorial in the October-November issue, but recently the subject has been brought up again in several of our rival saucer zines.

Roger Pierce and Howard Neuberger, having heeded public apathy toward "Cosmic News", of which they were co-editors, have discontinued that magazine, and have recently started publishing again under a new title. The name of their new publication is "UFO Hotwire", and from the first two issues we see that it is no better than its late predecessor. The first issue of "UFO Hotwire" purports to prove that the Air Force hoax letter was written on your Editor's typewriter, thus directly implying that he wrote the letter himself. Gray Barker, in the November issue of his "Saucerian Review", endorses this view. Neither magazine is able to decide just why a man would write a letter exposing himself!

Just within the past few days, we have finally found the solution to the origin of this mysterious letter. In fairness to Mr. Barker and Mr. Pierce, we must admit that we erred when we hinted in our October-November issue that one of them must have written the letter. It turns out, strangely enough, that the letter was written on your Editor's typewriter - but without his knowledge, of course. What happened was this: Several months ago we hired a young man to do odd jobs around the Office, and to assist Mr. Marana, the Managing Editor, when the Editor was out of town. The young man in question was obviously not of a sufficiently serious turn of mind, for as soon as he had familiarized himself with saucer literature and office procedure, he took it upon himself to write the vicious hoax letter to which we are referring in this editorial. Unknown to either Mr. Moseley or Mr. Marana, he used the office typewriter to perpetrate one of the worst hoaxes in recent saucer history. When we finally learned of this, we dismissed him at once, and replaced him with a new assistant. But the damage he did will linger on; and largely because of the sensationalist tactics of Mr. Barker and Mr. Pierce, it will be a long time, if ever, before the damage is repaired. Many saucer fans will no doubt go on believing that the letter is true or that your Editor did write it himself after all.

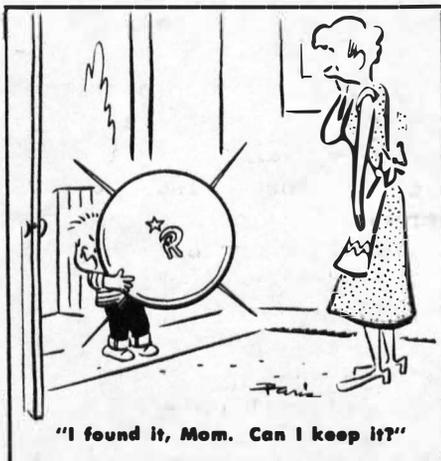
Even Auriphebo Simoes, a usually conservative researcher who edits "The Flying Saucer" in Sao Paulo, Brazil, speculates in a recent issue that Mr. Moseley may be "a highly paid agent....working for his Government." The editors of "The Ufologer", a comparatively new saucer zine from Washington, D. C., also seem to have fallen under the spell of Barker and Pierce. The real tragedy is not so much the loss of personal prestige that your Editor has suffered, as the fact that all this serves to discredit the "Earth Theory" origin of saucers, to which he has sincerely devoted himself for the past three years.

Also involved in this same controversy was a photograph of your Editor which first appeared in the October-November 1955 issue of SAUCER NEWS. This picture was later reprinted in both the "Saucerian Review" and "Cosmic News", but in the reprinting, a strange background of instrument dials has mysteriously been added. This supposedly proves that Mr. Moseley is connected with the Air Force. In the November 1957 "Saucerian Review", Mr. Barker claims that we cut away the tell-tale background when we

published the picture. It happens, however, that the opposite is true. We have the original print of this photograph here in our files, and it is available for inspection by anyone who wants to see it. Our original print of the picture still has no dials in it, as anyone who takes the trouble to look at it will be able to see. In addition, we have a letter from Lonzo Dove, which we have printed on Page 5 of this issue. Mr. Dove is the amateur astronomer and photo expert who in past issues of our magazine has convincingly exposed George Adamski's faked photographs. Now he has done us the favor of exposing a more subtle but much more vicious hoax.

We hope that this editorial will close, for once and for all, the arguments about your Editor's alleged connection with the Air Force. It is high time that these hoaxes cease, and that we all get back down to the serious business of saucer research. Otherwise saucer publications will sink to nothing more than a series of charges and counter-charges. Such controversies may make interesting reading, as Mr. Barker and Mr. Pierce obviously realize, but they do nothing to further our real knowledge about flying saucers.

As most of our subscribers probably know from their daily newspapers, the launching of Russia's Sputnik II in November 1957 coincided with the biggest saucer "flap" since the all-time peak in July of



1952. So many sightings occurred throughout the world last November that it would be impossible to give you all of them, even of the ones we received - and we suspect that our clipping service was far from complete. However, beginning on Page 16 of this issue you will find what we believe to be a good, approximately chronological listing of the principal events of this "flap", followed by a shorter description of some of the less detailed sightings, plus brief accounts of a number of related events which most other saucer publications ignored.

In order to have space to bring you this full coverage, we have had to postpone the publication of several extremely interesting articles which have crossed our desk recently; Among these articles is the strange but true story of Karl Hunrath and Jack Wilkinson, two California saucer researchers who disappeared without a trace while flying in a rented plane to a rendezvous with a flying saucer. This is undoubtedly one of the most baffling unsolved mysteries in the history of saucer research. The full story, as told to your Editor by an intimate friend of the two missing men, will appear for the first time in print anywhere, in the next issue of SAUCER NEWS. This is one issue that we can guarantee you won't want to miss!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORThe "Volcano Theory" of Flying Saucers

Probably the least known theory as to the origin of flying saucers is the "volcano theory"...Richard S. Shaver fathered the theory that there are underground races in the earth called "Dero" and "Tero". He and a few other people have decided that the flying saucers are vehicles of the subterranean races. They supposedly launch the saucers from extinct volcanoes. Another idea leading to the "volcano theory" is the following: Suppose we went to another planet and there were intelligent beings already on it. We wouldn't land there because they might be hostile. We would explore the planet from the air until we found an uninhabited, secluded place in which to make a base, from which we could secretly study them and send out our space ships. The same thing would apply to beings from other planets coming here. - There are two ideal places on our planet for them to have a base - Antarctica and extinct volcanoes. Both places are uninhabited and secluded.

Inside the volcanoes the "Dero", "Tero", or space people could have elevators with flying saucers in them. Whenever they want to launch one, they could hoist the elevator to the mouth of the volcano, and let the saucer take off from there. Or, if saucers can fly straight up, as some people say they can, then the saucer could leave the volcano without the aid of hoists or elevators. But the elevator idea sounds more logical, for many of our guided missile stations are underground, and when a missile is to be fired, an elevator carries it to ground level. Flying saucers from an extinct volcano would be launched exactly like this. Even if the saucers are secret governmental devices of earth origin, extinct volcanoes would still be a good place for a base.

JAMES COONS

Indianapolis, Indiana

Comments on our October-November Issue

In the October-November SAUCER NEWS, Page 3, you mention an offer made by the French Academy of Science regarding communication with Mars. - In the late 1930's, Nikola Tesla made a world-wide press release announcing that interplanetary communication was an accomplished fact. Many so-called scientists scoffed at Tesla's statement, but those closest to him were convinced that he was in constant communication with several planets. It is said that it took him two years to break the code, before communication became possible. Thereafter, he devoted an average of two hours each day for fifteen years, in his communication room, sending and receiving interplanetary messages.

We could all stand some brushing up regarding the entire story of Nikola Tesla. Much has been overlooked regarding his many gifts to this modern age. He also built a flying machine, using what he called wireless energy. Could this be the basis of your belief that flying saucers are made on Earth?

CALVIN C. GIRVIN

North Hollywood, Calif.

Saucer Exposes: Pro and Con

Your work in exposing New Age hoaxes is excellent. Keep it up! It has come to my attention that you are soon going to republish your Adamski expose material. More power to you.....In this connection, I was with Adamski in June at the Detroit UFO Convention. At that time he revealed that

he had taken another saucer ride, from the southwestern part of the U.S.A. to the northeastern part, and that he had visited 20 people along the way. To support his story, Adamski sent letters to these 20 people, asking them what they had been doing that night. I do not know the results of all twenty letters, but I do know that at least two of them failed to check out. In fact, the episode was so obviously faked that Adamski will not write me any more details about it!....

DAN B. HABER
Mansfield, Ohio

I've read the two latest issues of your magazine, and each of them illustrated a growing concern of mine. A scientific search must be led by a feverish yearning to isolate the truth. Such a quest must be fed by facts so that the results it yields will be factual. It must interpret the evidence as the evidence presents itself....I think you'll agree that the UFO saga has divorced itself from this procedure. In most cases, truth has been displaced by sensationalism. Facts have been displaced by personal prejudices. Whole articles and books are being written now, attempting to mold and manipulate the facts into the author's preconceived framework.

As for the several contact stories, many of them are just phonies, as I have proven here in Cleveland on more than one occasion. The rest of them have insufficient evidence for human evaluation. In short, we just cannot tell yet whether they are truth or fiction. To me, an emotional article telling of gallant space men is not sufficient evidence to convince me that space men are here. Likewise, a dramatic expose based on prejudices and "mud-throwing", is just as worthless. And this is the one "bone" I have to pick with SAUCER NEWS and with you. Articles by Aharon, Dove, and even Davidson are sometimes completely ridiculous. If they contained any facts at all, they wouldn't have to "re-expose" the "enemy" so often!....

My feeling is this: There is no real evidence to support the contact cases, so why print anything about them if facts are lacking? Furthermore, if the stories are false, why do editors continue to give the subject constant re-birth in their magazines? Why do they publish smearing articles with no facts? The answer is sensationalism! As I see it, the phony "contactees" will end their tracks if they are ignored by serious researchers.

THOMAS M. COMELLA
Cleveland, Ohio

Concerning Gray Barker's Fake Photograph of James Moseley

Gray Barker in his "Saucerian Bulletin" has now made a stab at blaming on James Moseley himself the faking of his portrait on a background of laboratory equipment suggesting space craft or flying saucer operations by Earth-men. Barker says that Moseley cut out the picture of himself from this background and printed it in his SAUCER NEWS, and that Barker in his own secret way came across this pasteup, which Barker then printed complete in his "Saucerian".

But this is not what is proved by my critical examination of the two half-tone reproductions. Both undoubtedly show the same view of Moseley. But Barker's reproduction is the one that is faked, by cutting the half-tone print out of Moseley's magazine and pasting it onto a background photograph of the laboratory. This sequence of events is proven by the fact that Moseley printed the picture without the background in his Oct.-Nov. 1955 issue, a good while before Barker printed it with the added background in January, 1956.

Naked-eye scrutiny and my microscopic analysis of the

Barker half-tone reproduction proves that the fake was made by using a prior half-tone screen print cut out and pasted on the smooth-tone regular picture background. The cut-out portrait part shows the inevitable interference pattern of tiny dots of the half-tone screen caused by re-screening a screened print, which gives off-step beats of the dots merging and separating periodically. The pattern is absent in the background part of Barker's reproduction, just as it is absent in Moseley's original half-tone reproduction.

Now, if Moseley made the whole thing only to cut off the background for his own paper, why would he start out with a half-tone portrait instead of a regular unscreened photograph of himself? Why would a sensible busy editor go to the silly trouble of taking his portrait, then making a half-tone print from it, cut out his half-tone portrait, paste it on a strange background scene, then again cut off the background to print the portrait in his own magazine; and then somebody else (Barker) makes and prints a half-tone of this half half-tone composite fake?

But for Barker, this procedure would be natural. He would use a previously screened print available handily from Moseley's magazine, and Barker's theatrical promotion business gives him photo tricks and strange background material for the paste-on job. His half-tone picture would thus turn out precisely as it did turn out. Barker even printed under his fake the words "Photo Courtesy of Saucer News", because the portrait part was cut out of Moseley's zine. "Cosmic News" duplicated Barker's fake even to the size. Besides the betraying screen interference pattern, the shadows on the portrait part do not match the shadows in the background. Apparently nobody noticed all this fakery until I mentioned it in a letter written in March 1957, which was called to the attention of Barker, Lee Munsick, and Moseley as well.

In so serious a matter as space visitations from another planet, this sort of faking in a "rather big joke" as Barker calls it, does not become the behavior of serious "investigators", as he labels himself and his associates.

LONZO DOVE

Broadway, Virginia

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The photo on the right below is the original one used in SAUCER NEWS. The one on the left has been cut out from Page 81 of Gray Barker's "Saucerian Review" printed in January of 1956.)

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James W. Moseley: "Saucers are Earth made."
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THE AIR FORCE AND THE SAUCERS

PART THREE - THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY BECOMES INVOLVED WITH SAUCERS

- by Dr. Leon Davidson -

(The first two parts of this article appeared in the Feb.-March 1956 and the June-July 1957 issues of SAUCER NEWS - Editor.)

John Otto's "Message from Space"

Those familiar with activities in the field of flying saucer study since 1954 probably know of the efforts of John Otto of Chicago to establish a channel for physical communication (not psychical) with the purported occupants of flying saucers. Mr. Otto's attempts have been along two major lines. The most interesting involves sending voice (audio) messages using light beams, instead of radio waves, as carriers. Otto's light-beam transmitter and receiver are simple devices which a high school radio club could construct, using an "electric eye" or photocell as the heart of the system. (His wiring diagrams are given on p. 45 of "Flying Saucers - Fact or Fiction", by Max Miller.)

The light beam method of transmission does not require any Government license, since light wavelengths are not subject to international allocation or national control, as radio wavelengths are. Therefore it would be readily possible for many saucer researchers to equip themselves with such devices for attempts to signal any saucer occupants who might happen to be flying over their neighborhoods. The range of light beam transmission could not be very many miles, since ordinary light from extraneous sources would mask out the signal when it became weakened by distance.

Mr. Otto, in the Fall of 1954, while engaged in trying to sell light beam equipment, heard of the Misses Mildred and Marie Maier, two Chicago ladies who had taken photographs of what appeared to be unexpected light spots, thought to be flying saucers. Mr. Otto visited the Maier sisters several times, but was not successful in selling them any light beam equipment. However, he learned that they owned a wire recorder, since the sisters, who had been radio actresses and musical comedy singers, played recordings of some of their performances for him. In the course of several visits, Otto found out that the Maier sisters were definitely interested in saucers.

About this time, Otto arranged with Jim Mills, a free lance Chicago radio announcer, to try an experiment in a second major line of attempted communication with the saucer people. This would involve an attempt at ordinary radio communication, on Jim Mills' 11 a.m. broadcast over Station WGN, Chicago, on Sunday Nov. 28, 1954. (See the article "Come In, Outer Space," by John Otto, in the "Saucerian", Spring, 1955, pp. 37-40.) Mills and Otto privately worked up a carefully worded message which Mills was to read over the air. In order to avoid hoaxers and jokesters, no one but Mills, Otto, and perhaps some of their close associates knew of their plan for this message, and their plan for receiving any reply which might come from space.

The plan for receiving the reply was perhaps naive, although if there actually are highly advanced saucer occupants (as Otto apparently believes), the method might work. Otto and Mills planned to broadcast their message to the "space men", asking for a reply within ten minutes (to forestall hoaxes). They were going to turn off the studio microphones for exactly 15 seconds, while WGN continued to transmit its carrier wave, thus causing all radios which were tuned in to be silent for 15 seconds. They asked the "space men" to reply by cutting in on the WGN transmitter (a feat almost impossible using current earthly technology, unless one could tap into the phone

lines running from the WGN studios to the WGN transmitter.) The "space men" were to modulate the WGN carrier with their message of reply, thus causing it to be heard by everyone tuned in to the program, including Otto and Mills, who would hear it over the station's monitor radio set.

In order to obtain tangible evidence, in case a reply was actually received, Mills asked those listeners who had tape recorders to record the broadcast. John Otto, to be sure that at least one recording would be made, called up the Maiers a few minutes before the show started, and excitedly asked them to listen and to turn on their wire recorder. (They were not regular listeners to Jim Mills' program, and had not heard Otto on the air before, or recorded anything by him or for him before.) Otto stated to them on the phone that his wife, a registered nurse, did not know how to operate his own tape recorder. (It is not clear whether Jim Mills was also having the show taped professionally at the studio.)

The Maier sisters hurriedly set up their recorder, but they had only a 15 minute spool of blank wire, and this was to be a half-hour show. They therefore had to turn the recorder off and on intermittently to save wire for the important parts of the broadcast. Mills read the message to the "space people" at 11-15 a.m., asking for a reply at 11-25 a.m., when he would cut off the microphones for 15 seconds. At 11-25 a.m., when Mills finally said, "Come in, Outer Space!", almost everyone listening was treated to a 15 second period of silence, including those listening at the radio station. John Otto left the station almost immediately, not waiting to receive any results.

But some results did actually come in. Although most of the hundreds of thousands of WGN listeners heard nothing, John Otto has stated that four listeners reported receiving some sound during the 15 second reply period. One, living 90 miles west of Chicago, was a Ground Observer Corps official at Rockford, Illinois. Another was 200 miles north in Wisconsin, and a third was somewhere southeast in Indiana. Of these, only the Wisconsin listener said he had a tape recording, and Otto was never able to obtain a copy of it.

The fourth listener who reported hearing something on her radio during the 15 seconds silence period was Miss Mildred Maier. She lives within a 20 minute ride of the WGN studios. To her, the message sounded like "jingle bells", but it is recognizable as radio-teletype code transmission by experienced shortwave listeners. This code, lasting exactly 15 seconds, was heard audibly in the room at the time of the broadcast, and of course also appeared on the wire recording when it was played back. The code signal starts after a few seconds of silence, which follow Jim Mills' words "Come in, Outer Space!", and it overlaps by the same number of seconds the first words of Jim Mills after the "silent period". These words cannot be heard through the code. (This overlap was established by John Otto on comparing the recording with the script of Mills' broadcast.)

The code message itself seems to contain several breaks in continuity and changes in tuning, although it runs solid code for fifteen seconds. It sounds as if it might have been pre-recorded from an earlier code broadcast from a shortwave teletype code transmitter, in several snatches, and re-broadcast at the time it was recorded by Miss Maier.

When the Maiers phoned WGN immediately after the program, they had in mind to chide John Otto for (as they thought) faking the code message with jingle bells, which they felt was such obvious trickery that no one would be fooled. Since they could not reach Otto at that time, they finally, that evening, played the recording over the phone to a man at nearby Glenview Naval Air Station, who said it was a radio code but not readily de-

cipherable. The next day, when they got in touch with Otto, he was very excited, and came over to the Maiers' home to copy the recording. (The Maier sisters are now convinced that Otto's reactions show that he himself was not personally involved in any trickery in broadcasting the code message.)

On advice from their lawyer, the Maiers asked Otto to sign an agreement that he would not use the recording for commercial gain without the Maiers' consent. Otto argued for several hours against this, but finally had to sign in order to hear the tape and make copies, using his own tape recorder. (The Maier sisters have retained the original wire recording.) Otto was annoyed that they had played the code for the Naval Air Station; he wanted to preserve his "scoop" on the message, which he believed to be from a flying saucer.

Otto broadcast the code message received by the Maiers on several subsequent radio and TV programs. Teletype engineers from the Kleinschmidt Teleprinter Manufacturing Co. of Deerfield, Illinois, told Otto that the material was "high security Government transmission" which they had been ordered to "leave alone" and not try to decipher. Otto himself claims not to believe this, insisting that the signals must have come from a non-earthly source. When slowed down to one-eighth normal speed, the code message consists of five musical notes, in various arrangements. This is just what ordinary radio-teletype code sounds like, when slowed down. Each tone combination represents a certain letter. Furthermore, the code message recorded by the Maiers has been fed through several teletype printing machines on various occasions, giving perfectly normal-looking code message printouts, which are apparently in some military or civilian cipher. (See pp. 16-17 of the "CSI Newsletter", Issue #9, Nov. 1, 1957.) There is, therefore, no doubt that the code message was actually a snatch of a shortwave teletype code transmission.

The Central Intelligence Agency Enters the Case

Miss Mildred Maier received a phone call about December 1954 from a DeMelt E. Walker, who said that he was with the "National Security" (Agency?). He asked her for the original wire recording of the code message. After Miss Maier checked on Walker's authenticity, she arranged for him to come to get one of the extra taped copies which Otto had made for her. Walker was dressed in a business suit, and drove a very old and shabby car. Miss Maier also gave him a magazine with a writeup about her "saucer" photographs, which he later returned to her with the following letter:

Room 304, xxxx North Lake Shore Drive,
Chicago, Ill.

14 March, 1955

Dear Miss Maier:

I am returning the "Journal of Space Flight" which you recently loaned me. It was useful. I thank you very much.

Your cooperation in providing me with the tape recording is very much appreciated. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

DeMelt E. Walker

Miss Maier found that the building at xxxx N. Lake Shore Drive is a U. S. Government office building. The letterhead did not bear any indication of which Government agency Walker was employed by. Although Walker promised to let Miss Maier know what, if anything, the contents of the code message were found to be, she never heard anything more about the matter from him.

In January 1957, the SAUCER NEWS Confidential Newsletter #3 identified Miss Mildred Maier as the person who recorded the reply to Otto's WGN broadcast to space, and also in January 1957, John Otto appeared on the Long John Program on WOR in New York, and tried the same stunt of broadcasting to "space people." (See the "CSI Newsletter" #7, May 1, 1957, pp. 8-9.) At that time it became both possible and important to track down the details of the 1954 WGN broadcast and code message, to try to find just what the content of the WGN code was, which transmitter it originally came from, and how it got onto Miss Maier's recording.

At this point I became personally involved in this investigation. Letters which I sent to John Otto, to Max Miller (editor of "Saucers") and to Miss Maier, brought some of the information given above, which has not appeared in previously published accounts. What follows is the record of my attempts to find out what the U.S. Government learned about the contents of the recorded code message.

Tracking Down the Tape Analysis

The letter of 14 March, 1955, from DeMelt Walker, quoted above, was written on regular 11 by 8½ inch paper, not the 10½ by 8 inch standard U. S. Government letter-size paper. The letterhead bore no reference to the U. S. Government or any U.S. agency, but merely had a cryptic room number and street address. Furthermore, Walker's signature was not followed by the listing of his position and organizational connection usually found at the end of Government letters. Hence, if this letter was authentic, Walker would actually be working for some secret Government agency.

Miss Maier had told me that Walker's secretary had referred to him as "Major" on the phone, and a check of the Air Force Register turned up a DeMelt E. Walker with that rank. I wrote to him, at the Chicago address, inquiring about Miss Maier's tape, and received the following reply:

Room 302, xxxx North Lake Shore Drive,
Chicago, Ill.

12 March, 1957

Dear Mr. Davidson:

In reply to your 6 March 1957 letter, please be advised that the tape received from Miss Mildred Maier of Chicago in 1955 was forwarded to the proper authorities for evaluation; I have no information concerning the results of their study nor am I in a position to make inquiries. I am sorry not to be able to help you. Sincerely,

DeMelt E. Walker

His letterhead was very civilian-looking, and his office even used regular postage stamps instead of a Government envelope.

I wrote to Walker again, asking for the name of the agency to which he had forwarded the tape, so that I could try to learn directly from them what the tape message was. Walker's reply was as follows:

2 April, 1957

Dear Mr. Davidson:

With reference to your letter of 19 March 1957, I am unable to divulge the name of the unit to which Miss Maier's tape was sent in 1955. I have been informed that the correct address for the forwarding of information on the subject of "flying saucers" is the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. I am indeed sorry that I cannot assist you further. Sincerely, DeMelt E. Walker

At this point, convinced that I was dealing with a secret Government agency, I wrote to Allen Dulles, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency in Washington D. C., requesting his cooperation in forwarding my request for information on the Maier tape analysis, to the proper agency. The following reply was received:

Central Intelligence Agency, Washington 25, D.C.
Office of the Director

May 10, 1957

Dear Mr. Davidson:

On behalf of Mr. Dulles, may I acknowledge and reply to your letter of April 21. We have found that the tape you mentioned was analyzed by another agency of the Government and understand that you will hear directly from that agency in the near future as to the nature of the recording.

Sincerely,

J. Arnold Shaw, Ass't. to the Director

After waiting a few months, and writing to Washington again, I received the following letter from the C.I.A., Office of the Director:

Aug. 1, 1957

Dear Mr. Davidson:

I have looked into the matter you mentioned in your letter of July 28 and understand that a letter is now on its way to you from the organization concerned. Thank you for letting me know of this delay, and I hope that the correspondence you receive will be helpful to you.

Sincerely,

J. Arnold Shaw, Ass't. to the Director

However, to the date of writing this article (December 1957), I have not heard directly from the agency which analyzed the tape, which is, I believe, the National Security Agency, with headquarters at Arlington 12, Virginia. I did, however, receive a letter from the Air Force A.T.I.C. on August 5th, which may be the letter referred to by Shaw on August 1st. This will be discussed below.

The Air Force is Used as a Cat's Paw

Major Walker's letter of April 2nd, quoted above, referred me to A.T.I.C. at Wright Field, which conducts the Air Force's "investigation" of flying saucers. In response to a query about Miss Maier's tape message, Captain W. W. Elwood, Assistant Adjutant of A.T.I.C., wrote me on April 17, 1957, as follows:

"Although the subject matter of recordings will normally dictate the government agency to which the material will be submitted, a check of this Center's files discloses that this organization is not in receipt of either correspondence or the recording in question. Please rest assured that you will be notified if the material is received by this Center."

Thus, the tape obviously had not been sent to A.T.I.C., or analyzed by them.

I had also written on April 3, 1957, to the Director of Intelligence of the Air Force, at the Pentagon, for information about Major

Walker and about the recording of Miss Maier's. This brought no reply for many months, but, as if in accordance with the letter of Aug. 1, 1957, from the C.I.A. Director's Office (quoted above), the following reply came from A.T.I.C. at Wright Field on Aug. 5, 1957:

Dear Mr. Davidson:

The information requested in your letter of 3 April 1957 to the Director of Intelligence, Hq USAF, Washington 25, D.C., has been referred to this organization for action.

We are able to inform you that Major (now Lt. Colonel) DeMelt E. Walker is an officer of the U.S. Air Force and was during the period referenced in your letter stationed in Chicago, Illinois.

Your request for information regarding a tape recording has been researched, and we find the tape was analyzed by another government organization. The analysis confirmed that the recording contained only identifiable Morse code which came from a known U.S. licensed radio. No further reporting or action was taken on the recording.

Sincerely, Capt. W. W. Elwood, Ass't. Adjutant

The above letter left several things to be desired: (1) It was not directly from the agency which analyzed the tape; (2) It did not give the decoded message or the typeout; (3) It did not name the transmitting station; (4) It refers to Morse code, whereas the message is definitely teletype code, which is quite different from Morse code.

Hence I sent a letter to the CIA Director's office on August 8th, requesting the name of the agency which did the actual analysis and which found out that the code came from a known licensed U.S. transmitter. It was hoped that direct correspondence with the analyzing agency would unearth the actual identity of the transmitter and the content of the message.

This letter of Aug. 8th did not bring any reply from the CIA, but on Sept. 9, 1957, I received a phone call from a Lt. Col. Voya Skakich, an Air Force Reserve officer assigned to the 1125th Field Activity Group of A.T.I.C. at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Lt. Col. Skakich wanted to "explain things" about the tape recording. At my home the next night, in the presence of Lex Mebane and Ted Bloecher of New York's Civilian Saucer Intelligence Group, Skakich made it clear that his chief concern was to find out why I wanted the name of the secret cryptanalysis agency which analyzed the tape. My motives were in question, since I was asking the kind of questions to which presumably an unfriendly nation would be interested in having answers. Skakich did not personally know anything about the code message itself, or about the analysis.

It was made clear by Skakich that my primary interest was in getting the tape translation and the name of the transmitter, so as to be able to dig down into the detailed story of how the code was fed into Miss Maier's radio. I was only interested in the identity of the cryptanalysis agency in order to be able to write them directly for this information. Skakich then promised to do his best to get me the translation and the transmitter's identification. I promised, in return, not to publicize his role in the case, if he would get me this data.

Nothing more was heard from Skakich until Oct. 8, 1957, when he again called me. In an obviously embarrassed tone he stated that, upon looking into the matter, it developed that "everything had been lost", including the tape, all records, the name of the transmitter, etc; I told him that this was hard to believe, and that I would now feel freed from my promise to avoid publicizing his visit.

Visit to the CIA Office in Chicago

My next step (after notifying certain Congressional committees about the situation) was to take advantage of a trip to Chicago late in 1957 to look up DeMelt E. Walker and the Maier sisters. I found the building and room as listed on Walker's letterhead, but was told that Lt. Col. Walker had returned to full Air Force duty and was now in Germany. His successor in the job, Mr. E----, would talk to me, however. (I do not give Mr. E's name since these CIA people do not relish publicity.)

Mr. E. was a very pleasant fellow, and led me to a sound-proofed conference room or studio where we could talk alone. I explained the story, much as given in this article. He promised to try to get the code translation and the name of the transmitter to me within a week or so, and asked me to keep the exact identification of his office location out of this article, which I told him I was preparing. Several weeks have now elapsed, and the information on the code message has not been received as of this writing. (If it arrives in time, it will be added before publication.)

Discussion of the Situation to Date, and Plans for Further Investigation

Should the cryptanalysis of the Otto code message, recorded by Miss Maier, be obtained through the CIA, it will be compared to the printout of the code already obtained on teletype printers. Then, if the transmitter is identified by the CIA, an attempt will be made to find out from the logbooks of the transmitter just what time of day the teletype message was originally transmitted. At the very least, one would hope to be able to determine whether the material had been pre-recorded and re-broadcast, by checking for signs of tuning variation or breaks in transmission continuity.

It is also planned to try to learn the names of all those who could have known that John Otto was going to call up Miss Maier to record the program. A car or panel truck with electronic equipment (even a modified light beam transmitting-receiving set) could easily send signals a hundred feet from the street into Miss Maier's radio, and there was enough time for driving to Miss Maier's neighborhood from anywhere in downtown Chicago between the time Otto phoned her before the program started, and the time of the silent listening period.

The three other listeners who also stated that they received messages on their radios have presented no recordings, so that their messages, if any were actually received, cannot be compared, note for note, with Miss Maier's. This is a very convenient circumstance for all concerned, including the present writer. Lacking such material evidence, it may be assumed that these other few reports are errors or hoaxes, perhaps all independent of each other. In any event, the fact that no signal was picked up by the thousands of other listeners in and near Chicago makes it clear that a very low power and localized transmitter was used.

In order to present this story fairly, it must be stated that the Maiers' radio actually had (and still has) a short wave band on which such coded teletype signals may be received and heard at any time. It is necessary to turn a knob to change bands, of course, when switching between regular broadcasts and short wave. It is possible, however, that the short wave band dial can be pre-tuned to a teletype transmitter, and a regular broadcasting station such as WGN could be tuned in by push-button tuning (which the set has.) With such an arrangement, merely flipping the band-changing switch to shortwave for 15 seconds, and then flipping it back to standard, could have given the effect found on the tape. However, I can only state that from my

correspondence and visit with the Misses Maier, I believe their statement that they did not touch the radio or switch bands during the recording of the Otto broadcast.

There are several other ways in which the code could have gotten onto the wire recording. It seems most probable that someone associated with the broadcast could have arranged the pre-recording and re-transmission of the code message, using a low-powered portable transmitter, unknown to the Maiers or to Otto. The key to all this lies in the cryptanalysis of the message, and in the identification of the transmitter and time of the original broadcast.

A big surprise could be expected if it should turn out that the Kleinschmidt men were indeed correct when they originally said that the message happens to be a secret Government communication. (Coded Government messages of a classified nature are sent by commercial telegraph and teletype means, as well as over military circuits, so this is not an impossible denouement.) Such an outcome would lead to many interesting speculations. It would also underscore the words of Allen Dulles, head of the CIA, as reported on page 42 of Leonard Stringfield's book "Inside Saucer Post...3-O Blue". Dulles is reported as saying that, by use of the injunction if necessary, he would prevent anyone from testifying in court concerning Adamski's book "Inside the Space Ships", because maximum security exists concerning the subject of UFO's.

The case of the "message from space people" which John Otto has publicized so widely as tangible proof that saucers are extraterrestrial, may turn out to be an opening wedge in the chain of proof that the whole saucer mystery is connected with the activity of certain secret agencies of the U.S. Government. It certainly must be admitted now that secret Government agencies are deeply involved, and that the Air Force serves as a front, or spokesman, and as a target for public interest. Let us hope that Congress will conduct an impartial inquiry, with representatives of all Government military and intelligence agencies being called upon to testify under oath, and tell, finally, the truth about flying saucers.

Postscript by the author: It is of interest to note that this minor incident has involved two Lt. Colonels, while the whole so-called "investigation" of flying saucers by the U. S. Air Force has always been headed by mere Lieutenants, such as Lt. S. W. Smith in 1949, Lt. Jerry Cummings in 1951, and Lt. E. J. Ruppelt (later Captain) in 1952-1953; I am sure that the assignment of Lieutenants to this job is indicative of the utter absence of good faith on the part of the Department of Defense, in the conduct of its flying saucer investigations such as Project Blue Book.

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BOOK REVIEWS

INSIDE SAUCER POST....3-O BLUE - by Leonard Stringfield (Moeller Printing Co.)

This 94-page booklet is a summary report by the former editor of "Orbit", which from early 1954 until its demise in early 1957 was considered one of the best of the saucer zines. The peculiar words "...3-O Blue" in the title are a result of the fact that, unknown to "Orbit" readers until now, Stringfield's home was a UFO reporting post, in liason with the Air Defense Command Filter Center in Columbus, Ohio. "3-O Blue" was part of the code name assigned to Stringfield. The author does not make it clear why the full code name still cannot be revealed.

Much of the material in Stringfield's book will already be familiar to "Orbit" fans, but there is also much that is new, including the story of the author's own first saucer sighting, over the Pacific in 1945. Also included is an account of how Stringfield's research organization "C.R.I.F.O." came to be organized, and there is considerable detail concerning the behind-the-scenes goings-on at "C.R.I.F.O." Headquarters during its hey-day. Stringfield glosses over the reasons for the folding of "Orbit", though these reasons were discussed at some length in that publication's next to last issue. Of particular interest to us here at SAUCER NEWS are Stringfield's comments concerning the Earth Theory origin of saucers - which he discounts, just as we expected. However, he also discounts the validity of the Air Force hoax letter discussed in our editorial, and he apparently reaches the conclusion that your SAUCER NEWS Editor is a sincere but misguided researcher.

To sum up, Stringfield's book is a worthwhile contribution to the field of saucer literature; but because it fails to give a dispassionate over-all picture of the saucer saga, and because it is highly colored with the author's own views and interpretations, we do not feel that the book ranks among the very best of the saucer books thus far published.

THEY RODE IN SPACE SHIPS- by Gavin Gibbons (Neville Spearman, London, England)

- Reviewed by Bryan G. Essenhigh -

Criticism to be of any use must be of a constructive nature. Unfortunately, there is very little to be commended in this new venture into the subject of flying saucers. "New" is perhaps a misnomer, as "They Rode In Space Ships" is mainly a re-write of the Fry and Betherum books - this time in the third person - together with the comments of the author. No doubt the book will be of more interest to British readers than to American readers, as neither Fry's nor Betherum's literary efforts has been published on this side of the Atlantic.

In his introduction, the author quite rightly takes exception to the damage caused to serious, sane and sensible UFO research by the various "lunatic fringe" factions, whose endeavors and writings scuttle the entire subject beneath a nauseating sea of public ridicule. Further, he states that serious investigators must treat all contact stories with severe scepticism until they have weeded out the truthful grain from the chaff of falsehood. On this basis, he selects the stories of Dan Fry and Truman Betherum, but in passing, he mentions that he entirely accepts Adamski's tale (sic) on the grounds, or so it appears, that this is one story that has never been disproved. There are many people who will dispute this statement, and furthermore, the author neglects to mention that neither has Adamski's story been proved!

However, one is justified in asking what constitutes proof. In this particular case, the author seems to be satisfied merely with the words and actions as supplied by the contactees themselves. For instance, the prickling sensation experienced by Fry on his first contact with the saucer at White Sands is given as an example of pretty conclusive evidence of the veracity of the story, on the grounds that a similar sensation is alleged to have been experienced by George Adamski and Stephen Darbyshire. Again, because Fry's saucer is supposed to have defied the law of gravity on landing, we are asked to take this as further convincing "proof". Betherum's story is presented as fact on even less tangible evidence. The author opines that Betherum has possibly smaller powers of imagination than Fry. This possibility, it seems, he regards as proof of the story's truth! Betherum's wife's original scepticism of her husband's claims is put forward as yet another reason for its wholesale acceptance!

Unfortunately, the main sections of this book do not live up to the author's precept of "critical scepticism" as set out in his introduction. The reader is therefore advised to obtain a copy of the November 1957 issue of "Fantastic Universe", where he or she will find an admirable expression of "critical scepticism" in the shape of a very fine article by Isabel Davis, a member of New York's Civilian Saucer Intelligence.

RECENT NEWS STORIES

DRILLING CREW SEES ERIE OBJECT IN WYOMING: On October 10th, M. L. Simpson and three other members of a drilling crew working the night shift on a rig on the Great Lakes, near Kemmerer, Wyoming, reported that they had seen a flying object spouting red and blue flames, heading south at about 500 feet from the ground. They watched the object for three minutes before it disappeared. Simpson described it as a whale-like thing with a rounded nose and fins flaring out from it, and a broad tail. The flames were shooting out from the rear. - On the same morning, a similar object was reported from Utah.

ARIZONA MAN MAKES CLOSE SIGHTING: Here's another incident that is all the more interesting because it occurred before the big November "flap" got started: On the evening of Oct. 30th, J. C. Keys, a resident of Williams, Arizona, was driving his truck along Route 66, near Williams, when he made a most unusual saucer sighting. The object, according to Keys, was globe-shaped, and was 30 feet in diameter with a rigid antenna about 80 feet long extending from it. It was about 150 feet ahead of him, 100 feet above the highway, and traveling at an estimated 300 miles per hour. The most peculiar thing was that the object flew over the highway from north to south, and then suddenly stopped and reversed itself, repeating this strange flight pattern several times. The UFO was in view for 2 minutes in all, and made no sound.

WEIRD BALL OF FIRE PANICS WEST TEXAS: The "Big Flap" got under way in earnest on November 2nd and 3rd, with a rash of sensational sightings in the vicinity of Levelland, in western Texas. Pedro Saucedo, a Levelland barber, told newsmen, "I was driving out to a farm near the Pettitt Community with a friend, Joe Salaz, when we first saw the thing. There was a flash of light in a field to our right, and when we got nearer, the lights on my truck went out and the motor died. I jumped out and hit the dirt, because I was afraid. I called to Joe, but he didn't get out. The thing passed directly over the truck with a great sound and rush of wind. It sounded like thunder,

and the truck rocked from the blast. I felt a lot of heat. Then I got up and watched it go out of sight toward Levelland." Saucedo, a Korean War veteran, said the object was shaped like a torpedo or rocket, but was much larger. - Ronald Martin, an 18-year-old Levelland truck driver, told a similar story: He said that his truck engine died and the lights went out at the same time that a big ball of fire dropped on the highway on which he was traveling. He said that the thing changed to a bluish green color when it settled on the highway, and then changed to a fireball again when it rose straight up and disappeared from view. Police said that these witnesses and over a dozen others who phoned in with similar stories, all sounded upset and in some cases terrified. They seemed to agree that this UFO was about 200 feet long, shaped like an egg, and was lit up as if it were on fire. Most of these people saw the object about 200 feet in the air, and when they got close to it, their lights and motors would cut out.

TWO OHIO WOMEN FRIGHTENED BY UFO:

On Nov. 2nd, a sighting similar to the Levelland ones was also reported by Mrs. Mary McCullough and Sandy Miller of Youngstown, Ohio, who were driving home together from work early that morning. Although the two women disagreed on some details of the sighting, they did agree that the object was in view for about five minutes and that it was egg-shaped. When first sighted, the UFO was just off the ground, some distance away. It then disappeared from view, reappeared, and then seemed to move through a nearby cemetery, a few feet up in the air. It next came to rest on a road near the cemetery. It was then sighted again, moving through an open field. Finally it "faded away", according to the witnesses, and was seen no more.

TWO MILITARY PATROLS AT WHITE SANDS SEE SAUCERS:

Working on different shifts of the routine patrolling of the White Sands Proving Grounds in New Mexico, two military police groups reported spotting UFO's seventeen hours apart on Nov. 3rd. The soldiers stated that they did not speak to each other about what they had seen until both reports had been turned in at the Provost Marshall's office, and the similarity between them had been called to their attention. The first patrol consisted of Corporal Glenn H. Toy and Private James Willbanks, who at 3 a.m. on Nov. 3rd noticed a mysterious light far up in the sky. Then the object came down very slowly to about 50 yards from the ground, and stayed there for about three minutes, giving off a brilliant reddish light. Thereafter it came to the ground fairly fast at a 45-degree angle, and the light went out quickly. This landing occurred two or three miles from the point from which the soldiers were watching. - The second group of MPs, consisting of Specialist Richard Oakes and Specialist Henry Barlow, spotted what appeared to be the same UFO at 8 p.m. on the same day. The two GI's said that they first noticed the object hovering motionless about 50 yards above the ground. It then rose slowly into the sky and



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TEXAS TALL STORY: Martha Kenley, a student, pauses under sign put up at Lubbock on the road to Levelland, where unidentified flying object has been reported by certain Texans.



stopped again. "Then all of a sudden the light went out, and we didn't see it any more," said Oakes. - The following day Lt. Miles F. Penney, commanding officer of the camp where the MPs are stationed, led an investigating team to the area of the sighting, but could find no trace of any saucer.

SAUCER HOVERING OVER CHICAGO CEMETERY SEEN BY POLICE:

Patrolman Cliff Schau and two others with him in his patrol car, reported that at 3-12 a.m. on Nov. 4th they saw a mysterious egg-shaped object hovering over the Elmwood Park cemetery, near Chicago. "We had just answered a police call," Schau explained. "We started our car up again and there it was, just sitting over the cemetery. It was shaped like an egg and had the color of a sunset. I switched off our lights and started following it. I turned the lights back on, and it then shot about 200 feet into the air. We followed it at about 65 mph, but couldn't catch it. It moved at a very high rate of speed." Schau and his companions lost sight of the object at about 3-22 a.m.

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS SEE TEXAS "FLYING EGG":

On Nov. 5th at least two persons living in San Rafael, California, reported they had seen the mysterious object that had caused so much havoc in Levelland, Texas, a few days before, but it appears that their descriptions of what they saw may have been colored by newspaper accounts they had read of the Texas sightings. John Wolfe, a substantial citizen of San Rafael, said that on the previous Friday (Nov. 1st) he had seen a huge glowing oval-shaped object, while standing in his yard at 2 a.m. At first he saw it through an opening in the trees. Since Halloween had ended only two hours before, he thought that someone had placed a jack-o'-lantern in the tree tops. But when he stepped to one side, there was the object in the open sky, "as big as a harvest moon when it's coming up in the east." Wolfe added that the light from the object was so bright that it hurt his eyes. The UFO appeared to stand still in the sky, and was still in the same spot when Mr. Wolfe went into the house to go to bed, some time later. - A Mrs. Edith Ezell of San Rafael said that she too saw a similar object, on Nov. 5th, while looking from the balcony of her hotel room. She said that she saw something round and glowing, spinning fast across the sky. At first she thought it might be Sputnik I or II, but later decided that the object more nearly fitted the flying saucer reports.

RADAR AND VISUAL SIGHTING BY COAST GUARD SHIP IN GULF OF MEXICO:

On Nov. 5th there occurred one of the most widely-publicized incidents of the entire "flap". At 5-20 a.m. on that date, the Coast Guard cutter Sebago sighted a UFO over the Gulf of Mexico. The object resembled a brilliant planet moving at tremendous speed. The UFO was tracked on the Sebago's radar set for 11 minutes before the visual contact and for 16 minutes afterwards. During these periods, the object darted off the screen every few minutes, but soon returned each time. Commander James Schrader, head of search and rescue operations in the Gulf, told reporters that the UFO was seen about 200 miles directly south of the mouth of the Mississippi River.

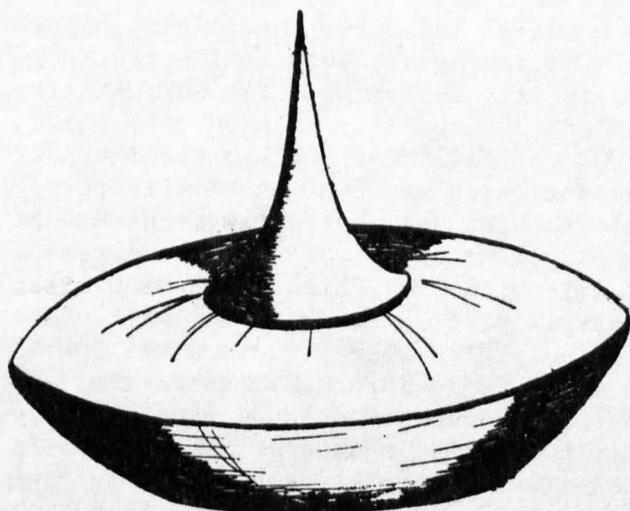
TWO CHICAGO MEN FIND METAL DROPPED BY UFO'S:

Silvery metal strips, apparently dropped by passing saucers, were found separately last Nov. 5th by Dr. Albert P. Burr and James Lyons of Chicago. An Air Force spokesman said that the strips would be examined by the Air Force, but that he thought it was probable that they were only bits of metal "chaff" dropped by high-flying bombers during some mock attack in the area. Such "chaff" has been used since World War II to distort and jam radar detection and tracking of planes. However, Dr. Burr stated that he found his "chaff" just a few hours

after three policemen had reported seeing a weird UFO hovering over a cemetery in nearby Elmwood, Illinois. (See first sighting on Page 18.) Police Lieutenant Lewis R. Case said that the metal strips in question are 1/16th inch wide, and from one to four inches long. Lyons, who came across similar strips, said that they seemed to burn the hand of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Rose Benson, when she held them.

EX-CONVICT TALKS TO SAUCER OCCUPANTS IN NEBRASKA: A Bakersfield, California grain buyer named Reinhold Schmidt, who turned out to be an ex-convict as well, reported on Nov. 5th that he saw a strange silvery blimp-like object near the highway as he was driving his car near Kearney, Nebraska. His engine went dead, and he got out of the car to investigate the object. Schmidt was then invited inside by its crew, which consisted of four men and two women, who spoke broken English and "high German". After a half-hour conversation during which no very specific information was revealed to him, he was asked to leave. The saucer then rose silently from the ground and disappeared in a flash of light. Schmidt stuck to his story in a determined manner, despite close police questioning, but investigation turned up oil inside his car which matched a mysterious greenish oil that had been found at the site of the alleged landing. Then, the discovery of the contactee's criminal record did not do anything to increase the credibility of his story. But the most peculiar aspect of this case is the fact that in remarkably short order, Schmidt was found by a state psychiatric board to be mentally ill, and was placed in confinement. By the evening of Nov. 7th, Schmidt had been committed to an insane asylum, and any further contact with him, to check the truth of his story, was therefore made impossible. We wonder if there may be more to this than meets the eye, especially as an English and German-speaking crew, if it exists, is definitely not of extra-terrestrial origin.

CLOSE SIGHTING SHOWS DEFINITE EVIDENCE OF RADIOACTIVITY: On the night of Nov. 6th, a man named Olden Moore, of Lake County, Ohio, made a very close sighting of a saucer. He was driving his car along Route 86, near Montville, when he saw a blue-green flaming object fly over the highway and plunge into a nearby field. Moore watched the object from his car for 15 minutes, and then got out and walked over to it. He heard a ticking sound "like that of an electric or water meter" coming from the grounded UFO. Moore reported his sighting to Kenneth Locke, the Lake County Civil Defense Director, who tested the field for radioactivity. Locke picked up a reading of 150 mikroreontgens on his geiger counter in the center of a radioactive area 50 feet in diameter. A reading of 15 to 20 mikroreontgens is normal. - Three weeks later, Locke received a letter, apparently signed with a fictitious name, from a man who claimed to have photographed the object which Moore saw. The writer, who called himself Joe Tillman, enclosed 2 photographs with his letter, and said that he had 17 others which he was saving for a reporter from a flying saucer magazine. (Unfortunately not this one, however. - Editor.) The two photos ap-



Olden Moore says he saw something like this. Drawing is based on his rough sketch and description.

peared genuine to Locke. The letter writer said that he had taken his pictures at a distance of 600 feet from the saucer. One of the two photos showed the saucer on the ground, and the other showed it in the air, slightly above the ground. (Moore's sketch of what he saw appears at the bottom of previous page.)

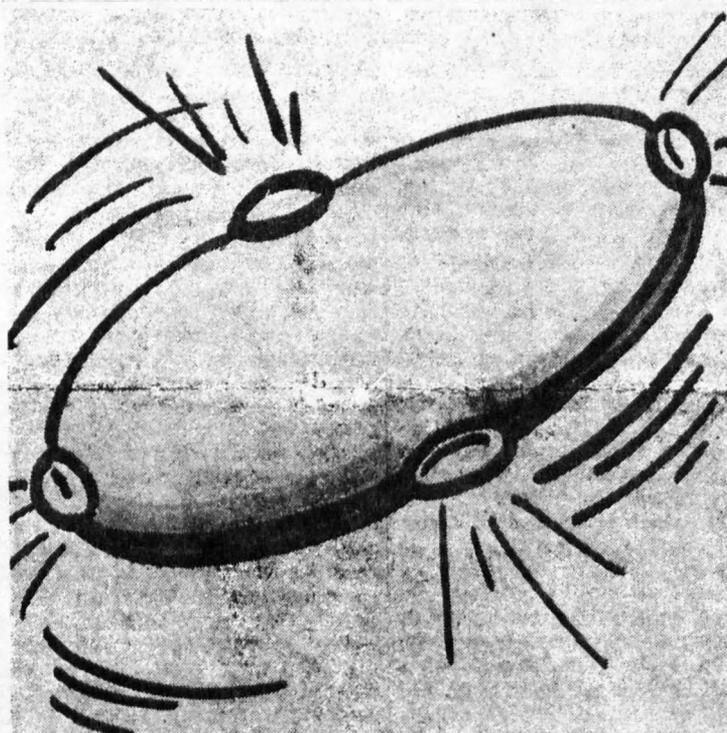
MISCELLANEOUS LANDINGS: The Schmidt landing (Page 19), brought on a wave of similar landing reports in widely scattered sections of the United States. Near Knoxville, Tennessee, a 12-year-old boy named Everett Clark said on Nov. 6th that two ordinary-looking men and women, talking "like German soldiers in the war movies", emerged from a grounded cigar-shaped object and tried to steal his dog. The story was confirmed somewhat by an imprint in the grassy field that was discovered by reporters who arrived on the scene. Also on November 6th, a Long Beach, Calif. resident named Richard Kehoe, (no relation to Major Donald Keyhoe) claimed that two space men speaking broken English talked to him while he and two friends were driving to work. The space creatures supposedly emerged from an egg-shaped object which he described as "solid metal, tan or cream in color, with two metal rings around it." Kehoe's story was discredited by the fact that the two men who allegedly witnessed the landing with him could never be located, and by the fact that he promptly hired a manager, and showed every sign of wanting to cash in on his experience. Another interesting case from the same date is told in detail in the "CSI Newsletter", #22, dated Dec. 15, 1957. About dusk on Nov. 6th, John Trasco had just returned to his home in Everittstown, N.J., when the barking of the family dog attracted the attention of Trasco and his wife. They saw a luminous egg-shaped object, about 10 feet long, hovering a few feet off the ground, near their barn. A 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -foot-tall space man emerged from the saucer, "dressed in a green suit with shiny buttons", and told Mr. Trasco in broken English that he wanted to take his dog. Trasco impolitely retorted, "Get the hell out of here!", whereupon the little man got back into his saucer and took off. - And finally, in New Orleans, La., interplanetary thieves landed in a resident's front lawn, and took his wallet and several other things from inside his home, according to a fragmentary report we have received.

CAR ENGINES STOPPED BY SAUCER IN NEW MEXICO: On Nov. 6th, James Stokes, an engineer working for the Air Force Missile Development Center at Alamogordo, New Mexico, reported that on the previous day ten autos, including his own, had been stopped by a saucer on an isolated desert highway between White Sands Proving Grounds and Alamogordo. His description of the UFO was similar to those given by startled motorists in Texas a few days earlier.

REPORTERS HAVE FUN ON SPACE HOAX: On the night of Nov. 6th, at the height of the "flap", five newspaper men and a photographer in Dallas, Texas, performed an experiment to find out how reliable witnesses' descriptions of UFO's really are. They rigged up a portable warehouse, which was made of canvas except for its plastic windows. This contraption, which when erected looks like a ball cut in half, was set up about 100 feet from the highway running between Dallas and Grapevine, Texas. The structure was inflated to a height of 8 feet and a diameter of 15 feet. Three of the newsmen got inside the object, and the other two remained outside to talk to passing motorists who stopped to gape. Several motorists reported the object to police, and one even said he had seen it flying along the hillside! One baffled passer-by had quite a long conversation with the reporters, whom he assumed to be military men of some sort. He afterwards described the appearance of the contraption accurately to police. The result of the experiment was just as would be imagined - some people are accurate reporters, and some are not.

ENGINE-STOPPING SAUCER REPORTED BY LOUISIANA WOMAN: On Nov. 7th, Mrs. Frank Lain of Lake Charles, La., told newsmen that she saw a hovering bright disc-shaped object at 7-45 a.m. over a city street. Said Mrs. Lain, "I was driving home on Jackson Street when the engine sputtered to a stop. I had read those stories about car engines stopping when there is an object in the sky, so I glanced up, and there it was - standing still at about 200 feet above the ground." According to Mrs. Lain, the object was silver in color, and was round, 15 feet long, and about 2 feet thick. "It scared me so that I didn't look at it too long," she said. The saucer stood still for a few seconds and then moved off to the north in a straight line, at considerable speed. As soon as the UFO had gone, the motor of her car started up without any difficulty. The car, a 1957 model, had been checked recently, and was in perfect running condition.

CHILDREN IN PENNSYLVANIA TOWN MAKE DETAILED SIGHTING: A group of students at Weatherly High School in Lansford, Pa., told reporters last Nov. 9th about a flying saucer they had seen while sitting outside the school at 8-40 that morning. Alice Beers, one of the students, was quoted as saying, "All of a sudden an oval-shaped thing seemed to swoop down upon us, and then it stopped suddenly and soared off toward Hudsonale. It all happened in a matter of seconds." The children agreed that the saucer was very low, scarcely higher than the roof tops. It revolved at high speed, causing a blurring effect to come from four red lights situated on its rim. The object made a sizzling noise as it went by. (See photo on right.)



WHAT 'SAUCER' LOOKED LIKE—This is what Weatherly's "flying saucer" looked like, according to the eight junior high school students of that town, who saw the "object" Thursday night. All agree that the above sketch is correct in all details.

TWO INDIANS PUT THEIR OWN INTERPRETATION ON SAUCER SIGHTING: On Nov. 10th, two Cherokee Indians of Cherokee, North Carolina, saw a spherical red glow that measured 100 feet wide hovering over a highway. They said it rose into the air and disappeared as soon as they drove near it. The Indians believed that this apparition must be a "skillie", long respected by old members of the Cherokee tribe. A "skillie" is a human who has the power to change into any form - animal, vegetable, mineral, or light. To be a "skillie", a person must be put through a ritual by a medicine man immediately after birth.

SAUCER SIGHTING CAUSES INJURY TO OHIO WOMAN: Mrs. Letia Kuhn of Madison, Ohio, made a very close-up sighting during the early morning hours of Nov. 10th. An unidentified object hovered for 20 to 30 minutes at a height of only about 100 feet above her home. It gave off no heat, no noise,

and no odor, but from the bottom there was something like an exhaust. It sent out a stream of light that increased in length. The light was so bright that Mrs. Kuhn had trouble keeping her eyes on it. She said the object was 35 to 40 feet in diameter. After staring at it for awhile, Mrs. Kuhn ran into her home and locked the door. When she looked again, the mysterious object was gone. The next day, Mrs. Kuhn noticed a skin rash and a blurring of her vision, which she attributed to her long close observation of the saucer. Her doctor suggested the possibility of radiation damage, or damage to her eyes caused by ultraviolet light. Two weeks after the incident, Mrs. Kuhn went to a specialist, who found no evidence of radioactivity. However, the blurring of her vision was still unexplained, though the rash might have been from nerves. The rash was subsiding by then, under treatment.

NEW JERSEY SIGHTINGS CAUSED BY HOAX: A number of saucer sightings in the vicinity of Stanton, N. J., on the night of Nov. 11th, turned out to be caused by a 30-year-old amateur inventor who wanted to play a joke on some of his friends. He filled a plastic balloon with hydrogen, hung an aluminum-covered flashlight from it, and sent it up with a nylon line attached to it for retrieving purposes. His friends living in the neighborhood did see the object and were startled by it, but someone phoned the police, and from there on, the hoax got out of hand. Trooper Jack Hayes arrived on the scene, and after taking a long, careful look at the weird floating object, he fired at the balloon and brought it down - ignoring the pleas of a frantic woman bystander who insisted that the craft was manned by interplanetary beings. An interesting aspect of this case is that among those who saw the object were people who thought they heard the pulsating of engines, and even one person, in addition to the above-mentioned lady, who thought he had caught a long-distance glimpse of friendly space men inside the ship!

SILVERY SAUCER SEEN BY OHIO POLICE CHIEF: Police Chief James Lewis of Worthington, Ohio, became convinced of the existence of flying saucers last Nov. 12th when he watched a UFO for about 15 minutes from the police headquarters lawn, together with other police officers and several children who had originally reported the object. The saucer, seen in broad daylight, had no wings or motors, and appeared to be either round or cylindrical. It was flying at an altitude of about 5,000 feet, and gave off a brilliant bluish light. The UFO approached from the northwest, hovered in one spot for several minutes, and then fled swiftly out of sight to the west when a conventional aircraft approached it. The unidentified object was much larger than the conventional plane, according to Lewis.

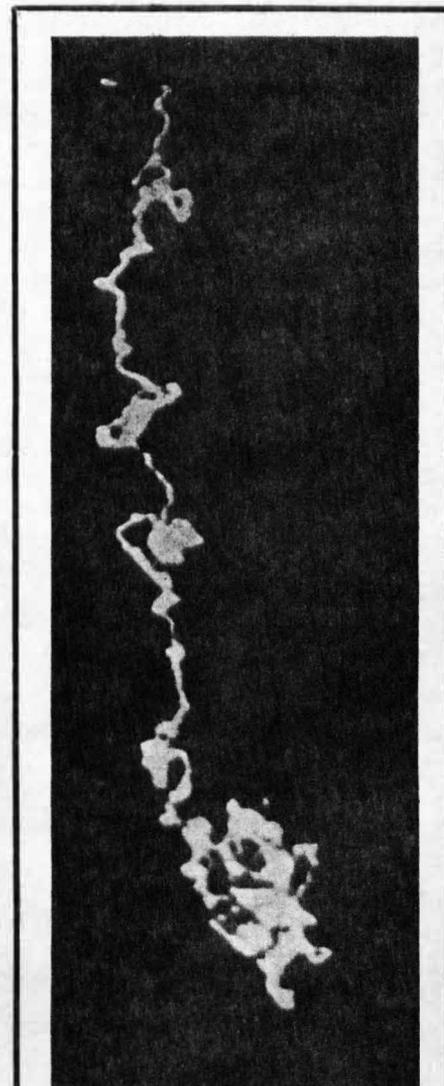
TRANSPARENT SAUCER SEEN IN WISCONSIN: By Nov. 21st the big "flap" of the early part of the month was over, but good sightings did not stop coming in. At 10-45 p.m. on that date, Leslie Coppernoll, a farmer living near Reedsburg, Wisconsin, saw a transparent, spherical saucer-type object 10 feet in diameter, which hovered over a section of his farm. His wife also saw the object, as did at least one Sauk County traffic officer. According to Coppernoll, he had just gone to bed when a bright blue light suddenly came through his bedroom window. He said that he and his wife observed the object about 100 feet from the house, hovering 30 feet in the air. There were bright bluish and green lights coming from inside the object, and there was no sound. He then turned on the bedroom light, and the thing moved about 75 feet further away, and continued to hover in its new position for 10 minutes. The Coppernolls notified the police. When a county policeman arrived, he beamed the spotlight of his car on the UFO. At this point a green light went on inside the sphere,

the object rose higher into the air, revolving, and then suddenly shot off into space.

SAUCER NEARLY HITS CAR IN OHIO: On the night of Nov. 26th, Casey Dondrea of Canton, Ohio, was driving near Zoarville when he noticed a bright light in the sky, which he called to the attention of a young boy who was riding with him. The driver said that he and the youth realized that the light was too low in the sky to be a star, and that it was rapidly descending toward the highway. He said that it came down to about 40 or 50 feet above the car, so close that he was afraid it was going to land right on the car. Suddenly it began to rise again, and appeared to go straight up. Mr. Dondrea said that he heard no noise and saw no definite outline of the object.

TWO UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS FOUND IN INDIANA: An Anderson, Indiana news story of December 1st tells of two unidentified but obviously Earth-made objects which came to earth in that area a few days previously. The first was a balloon-lofted apparatus which resembled a dumbbell. It had two rectangular cartons joined by a single steel strut lined with electrical wiring. Inside both cartons were small metallic balls. Hundreds of square yards of plastic balloon material had been used to carry the apparatus aloft. Inspection revealed that the equipment belonged to the Air Force, but what it was used for remains a mystery. The other unidentified object was also a balloon-like contraption. Witnesses who saw it land said that flashing lights were still operating on it, and that they continued to flash for some time after the object hit the ground. This object fell immediately into the hands of military authorities, who refused to discuss its nature.

STRANGE PHOTO SAID TO SHOW RADIATION VAPOR (See photo at right): As was to be expected, the November sighting "flap" brought out saucer stories from previous months which the sighters, for one reason or another, did not release to the press at the time. One such story involves J. G. Kirby, a rare rocks and gem expert of Dallas, Texas. On Nov. 4th he reported that at 4 a.m. on August 2, 1956, he and his family saw a saucer-like object at a height of 15,000 feet, moving in and out of a frontal cloud. Kirby took several photos of the UFO, one of which is reproduced on this page. Shortly after the sighting, government agents took the pictures for study, and supposedly asked Kirby not to discuss the matter with anyone. Recently, they returned the photos to their owner, and told him that he was now free to discuss the sighting and release the pictures. The investigators speculated that the photos show a glow from radiation vapor; but if they had any more definite conclusion, they kept it to themselves.



—Wide World

WHAT IS IT? This picture, from Amarillo, Tex., is said by Government investigators to show a pattern of "radiation vapor"

LOUISIANA MAN SEES BLOOD-RED SAUCER: Another story brought out by the November "flap" was the weird experience of Harry Robertson, who, last April 25th, saw a UFO at 2-30 a.m. while on a fishing trip near Shreveport, La. In an isolated wooded area about a quarter of a mile from a main highway, Robertson saw "a blood-red object 200 feet long and as big as a house", which floated over a rise in the ground, and settled to earth. It was shaped like a giant half-moon or like a monstrous slice of watermelon, according to Robertson. He watched it glow brightly and silently for several minutes, and then rushed to a nearby house to summon witnesses. When he returned, the spot where he had seen the UFO was empty. A search of the area the next day by an Air Force helicopter proved fruitless.

EVERYONE WANTS TO GET INTO THE ACT: The "Big Flap" brought out of silence a number of real and bogus saucer authorities whom we had not heard from in quite awhile. One of the first to cash in on the easy publicity was our old "friend", Dr. Donald Menzel of Harvard Observatory, whose scientific answer to the "flap" was "Hogwash!". Getting more specific, Menzel went on to explain again about his hot air or temperature inversion theory. According to Menzel, these automobiles out in Texas and elsewhere stalled at the moment of the saucer sightings because their operators developed "nervous feet", and did not operate their accelerators properly. Menzel failed to explain why the car headlights went out at the same time, or why in some cases the batteries were reported to have been steaming. Perhaps batteries can get nervous also. - Of course the Air Force got into the act too, and issued a statement at the height of the "flap" to the effect that of the 5,700 cases they have investigated since 1947, all but a very small percentage have been explainable. A less negative voice was that of Edward L. Kramer, a Bell Aircraft Corporation engineer, who opined that the saucers must come from another planet as "they do not fit in with any of our knowledge concerning mechanics or electronics." - And, as luck would have it, George Williamson's post-Peruvian lecture tour came at just the right time to cash in on public interest in the "flap". Most of the newspapers we have read seem to have taken "Doctor" Williamson seriously, but a Washington D.C. clipping we have, appears to have gotten closer to the heart of the matter. Under questioning, Williamson admitted to Washington News reporters that his degree is only an honorary one from a small college in Canada - the name of which he did not reveal. Williamson also appears to have hedged, under questioning, as to whether he was really the first to have discovered the Peruvian wonders he described in his lecture series. - Finally, from Ottawa came the news that Wilbur B. Smith, former head of Canada's experimental saucer spotting station, now believes that our planet was colonized from outer space. Said Smith, "I feel that intelligent races throughout the Universe probably were responsible for stocking this planet soon after it first became habitable." Flying saucer sightings over the past few years are therefore evidence that "visitors from outside are keeping tabs on the development of the human race", according to Smith.

MYSTERIOUS RADIO SIGNALS BLAMED ON SPUTNIK AND SAUCERS:

Amateur and commercial radio stations reported receiving strange radio signals during the "Big Flap" - signals which could not be attributed to either Sputnik I or Sputnik II. Station WINE (no reflection on the possible condition of its technicians) in Kenmore, New York, said on Nov. 7th that it had received unidentified signals on a frequency of 14,286 megacycles. This frequency is not assigned in the United States, nor is it normally used by foreign broadcasters. Other stations around the country reported receiving signals on the same frequency, which they variously described as a series of dots, a low moan,

and "some kind of code group." RCA Communications, Inc., announced that it had picked up a signal on 108 megacycles, the frequency assigned to United States satellites. Such reports as these spurred rumors that either Russia or the U. S., or both, had launched a new satellite; and due to the fact that some of the unidentified signals appeared to be from a swiftly moving source, it was even speculated that an attempt to send a rocket to the Moon may have been made by one of the world's two Great Powers.

NEWS BRIEFS: A meteor said by some observers to be "as large as a house" passed perilously close to a naval transport plane over Utah on October 11th, and then hurtled to earth near the town of Myton, Utah. Lt. Commander W.F. Noris, pilot of the plane, said later, "I was all shaken up because the fireball came so close." He had been forced to make a sharp turn to avoid hitting it.....William Claude Bateman, a bartender of Washington D.C., told the Washington News last Oct. 15th that in order to prove he is in contact with space beings, he would ask his interplanetary friends to destroy Russia's Sputnik I by 10 a.m. on the following Thursday. "It's the only way I can prove I really have made contact with the flying saucer people", said Bateman. As we all know, Sputnik I kept right on going for quite awhile after Mr. Bateman's time limit ran out....At 4-25 a.m. on October 29th (which is before the big "flap" got under way), police in Troy, New York received a call that a flying saucer had landed at Laureate Park, and that three men had gotten out of it and run away. Two patrolmen were sent to the scene. They found nothing at Laureate Park, and when they went to the address that the woman caller had given, they found no one by that name living there.....On November 7th and 8th, at the height of the "flap", radio stations in Baton Rouge, La., broadcast hourly messages inviting any space ships in the area to land in that city at 8 p.m. on the night of the 8th. According to our information, none did.On Nov. 9th, Lester E. Lee, an elder of the Primitive Baptist Church of Dunn, North Carolina, said that he heard a noise like a dynamite blast and looked up. "There was a flash of light and an object shaped like a lampshade went straight up in the sky", said Lee.....On Nov. 10th police in Hammond, Indiana, reported that they had seen and chased a flying object which first hovered over an intersection and then took off eastward. They also said that squad car radios were cut off temporarily by interference, apparently caused by the object....

On the night of Nov. 20th, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sparks of Dayton, Ohio, spotted a UFO while driving their car along a highway near their home town. The object looked like a short-tailed comet, with a very bright orange head and a short, wide tail, tapering to a point, and bluish-green in color. The object appeared to be about a block away and only about 500 feet above the ground. It was traveling at high speed, soundlessly.....A weird article from Florence, Alabama, dated Nov. 21st, tells in a straight-faced manner about an almost unbelievable experiment, supposedly witnessed by the reporter writing the story. To quote the article, "This man had a model plane suspended from the ceiling of his room. We entered the room and the plane was standing absolutely still. No air currents were circulating in the room. There were no controls. He touched nothing. But he looked at the plane for a moment and it began slowly to turn, gathering momentum, until it was almost spinning. It stopped and turned in the other direction, doing anything he directed it to do."....Rumors that the rocket belonging to Sputnik II had fallen in Alaska were started in early December by an unidentified object that crashed about 100 miles southeast of Fairbanks. The official Army pronouncement stated that the UFO was only a meteor.....In Gulfport, Mississippi, the City Council is reported to have under consideration a proposal that would



-United Press Telephoto

Is This a Flying Catfish?

At Anaheim, Cal., a man came up with what he calls photographic proof that a mysterious object is flying about the country. Edwin G. Leadford said he spotted the object shown above Thursday night from his car and snapped this photo of it. He described the object as cigar shaped and said it flickered with a redish cast light. He used $2\frac{1}{4}$ x $3\frac{3}{4}$ Tri-X film at a tenth of a second at f4.5.

was made by Dr. Robert K. Enders, a biologist of Swarthmore College, in Pennsylvania. Apparently Dr. Enders chooses to ignore the equally reliable stories of people who have seen the Snowman with their own eyes...Royal Navy bomb disposal experts were unable to identify a cylindrical object that washed ashore on the southwest coast of the isle of Jersey, near England, last Oct. 13th. It is 9 feet long with a diameter of 4 feet; Lt. D. Donaghue, chief bomb disposal officer from a nearby ship, said after inspecting the object at low tide that he had never seen anything like it, and would have to contact his headquarters before taking action. Police have roped off an area around the 200-foot cliffs which line the shore; at the foot of one of these cliffs lies the unidentified object...An incident described as the first official case of an almost simultaneous air and ground UFO observation in England, occurred about Oct. 20th, when a mysterious object flew over an important R.A.F. airfield in Warwickshire. Flying Officer D.W. Sweeney, a pilot of considerable experience, almost collided with the object while flying at 28,000 feet. He said that the UFO was moving slowly and showed six lights. Soon after the near-collision the lights went out and the object vanished. Officials on the ground at once connected the incident with a radar sighting reported a few minutes earlier from another nearby R.A.F. station. This report confirmed that the UFO was at 28,000 feet.

...A glowing, red-hot ball struck the playground of an English nursery school on Nov. 5th. The object, weighing one pound, measures four inches by two. It fell only a few feet from a father who was taking his little girl to school. As often happens, scientific opinion was divided on the question of whether the "thing" was or was not a meteorite...Also on Nov. 5th, a flaming object fell into a schoolyard in Alexandria Egypt, and was identified as part of a short-range guided missile. The object, three inches long, two inches wide, and less than one inch thick, was made of white rubber and equipped with three lenses of some sort...The same day, a large cylindrical saucer was seen over Johannesburg, South Africa, by thousands of residents, according to press reports...A bright object larger than a star was seen over Oslo, Norway, on Nov. 9th. It could not have been Sputnik II, as the satellite was not due for several hours...A Yugoslav scientist named Milorad Protio believes that Russia launched an experimental earth satellite on Oct. 25th, 1955. On that date a mysterious object, definitely not a meteor, was observed over Yugoslavia.

prohibit the landing of UFO's within the city limits.....The little town of Mars, Pa. (20 miles north of Pittsburgh) has gotten into the flying saucer act. An electrical firm there sent a Cleveland newspaper reporter a package of discs or condensers labeled, "Flying saucers direct from Mars."

OVERSEAS ROUND-UP: Latest word on the Abominable Snowman of the Himalayas is the absurd story that the mysterious human-like tracks in the snow, which have been seen many times by natives as well as by investigating expeditions, are only the tracks of human beings wearing a special type of snow sandals. This pronouncement

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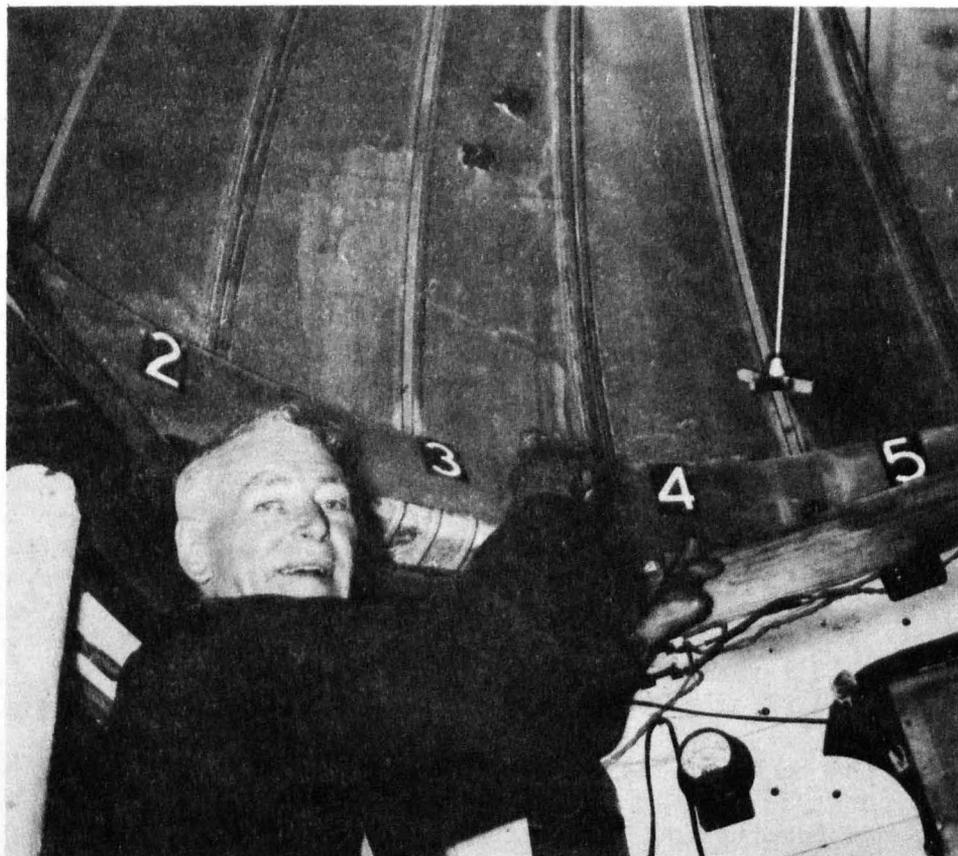
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IN THIS UNUSUAL PHOTO Luther Hawthorne, a professional astronomer in Seattle, Washington, is pointing to two holes in the dome of his observatory made by mysterious fireballs. The objects crashed through the dome in about 1952, while Hawthorne was working on notes concerning a space satellite project. The notes were burned up by the fireballs. Being a Bible reading man, Hawthorne considered this a message from God to stop work on the satellite, and he gave up the project as a result of the incident. (Photo by August C. Roberts.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORAharon's Extraterrestrial Article in the Dec.-Jan. Issue: Pro, and Con

I have just finished reading the article "Extraterrestrialism as an Historical Doctrine", by ibn Aharon - and find it fascinating! I have a feeling of having read other things by the same author, but cannot recall where....

I am looking forward to reading the second installment of this article. May I also tell you that although I am not a subscriber, I do have the opportunity of reading your publication regularly, and I find it exceedingly informative....

BERNICE T. UMLAND
Placitas, New Mexico

I don't pretend to know anything about Chaldaic literature, but I do know something about language and logical arguments. Aharon says (page 8), "All these statements concerning the existence, theory, and operation of magic devices are matters of fact, susceptible to proof and disproof." Pardon my skepticism, but how would one accomplish such a proof or disproof of the statements mentioned? If verification were possible, it would be a meaningful scientific question - otherwise not. But scientific verification is not accomplished through examining literature. Suppose, for example, that 2000 years from now someone digs up Adamski's writings and establishes them as real products of our civilization. He might then try to convince his contemporaries, on the strength of these "ancient" writings, that golden-haired space men actually landed on earth 2000 years ago. He might also discover "similar conceptions all over the world" (to quote Aharon) to bolster up his case. Moral: The written word is not necessarily the true word.

In a later paragraph Aharon relates the stories of "sonic and radionic science" sketchily. I suggest that he attempt to reproduce some of the alleged effects experimentally. If he succeeds, or even suggests a meaningful problem by his efforts, scientists would be greatly interested. But I gather from the tone of the article that Aharon is also a Rationalist and would not be concerned with such mundane affairs. He has made tell-tale lapses into illogic, and commits the usual Rationalist mistake of not clearly differentiating between factual language and conjecture. For example, on page 9 he has already assumed the actual physical existence of the "Golden Rod", and then reinforces the assumption by telling of personally sighting one in 1956. How, pray tell, does he know that what he observed was a "Golden Rod" (if such a thing ever did exist)? And how does he know it was "drawing its energy from the rays of the setting sun"?

The Chaldaic literature is interesting, but its truth or falsity cannot be established by reading it alone. Translating it into meaningful terms might help, but pretending that it is meaningful as it stands betrays a preference for esoteric knowledge - knowledge based on words rather than on verifiable statements of fact. In the example of the "Golden Rod" cited above, it is clear that Aharon accepts the "words" as literal truth, since he interprets a personal experience in terms of the "words". On that basis, anything at all could be "proven" about the past - but it would most emphatically not be a scientific proof. RICHARD HALL

New Orleans, La.

Earth Theory Attacked Again

In regard to your article in the Feb. 1955 issue of "Nexus", entitled "The Truth About the Flying Saucers", and your article in

the June-July 1956 SAUCER NEWS entitled "The Solution to the Flying Saucer Mystery", I wish to make a few comments. I realize that I am a little late in making these comments, but I only started to read your magazine a few months ago. At that time I ordered all your back issues, in order to bring myself up to date on the statements, suppositions, and conjectures that you have been indulging in.

Many things in your two articles are so contradictory and absurd, that they are an affront to one's intelligence....I don't know the mental level of your readers, but if they can swallow such obvious hogwash as the earth theory and the de-contamination of the atmosphere theory, they are a lot more gullible than I am!....You either do not know what you are talking about when you discuss the technical aspects of your so-called theory, or else you are out to make a few dollars which you do not need, fooling people who are so brainless that they will swallow the most outrageous drivel that it has ever been my misfortune to read. I cannot imagine any reason for your printing such trash unless it is to make money, or to place yourself in the limelight.

You have my full permission to print this letter with my full name and address, but I doubt very much if you will dare do so.

RUTH NETHERTON
Chicago, Illinois

(This is the last letter of this sort that we are going to print. People who cannot even criticize us intelligently need not bother to subscribe!- Editor.)

Further Comment on our Saucer Exposés

.....You have been publishing material about some of our recently enrolled members - so-called expose sheets. These expose sheets were about Williamson, Adamski, etc. And now you plan to reprint the Adamski Expose. These and others are recent members of my own organization, and we of the Interplanetary Council are making a very thorough investigation of their contact claims, but with the republishing of your Adamski material, you will be confusing much of our work, plus the fact that you will be publishing information on members of my organization without my permission. This can be considered a scandal, as you will realize.

We feel that you will co-operate with us in our efforts at investigation, plus, no further information on these men will be released by you, unless we approve it. This may sound commanding, but it is for the good of all....

WILLIAM W. SUTHER, JR.
Interplanetary Fellowship,
Chicago, Illinois

(We do not take orders from anyone as to what material we will or will not publish! Furthermore, the Adamski Expose has already been reprinted.- Editor.)

Congratulations on your special issue about Adamski. You have really done a favor to UFO research in reprinting this fine material. Thanks to your efforts, the Adamskis and the Williamsons are beginning to withdraw into their shells, and saucer research is being put on a more scientific foundation than it was before. JOHN KETALAWICH
Fresno, California

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THE GERMAN SAUCER STORY

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is an English translation of two chapters of a book called "Vienen los Platillos Volantes" (The Coming of the Saucers), written in Spanish by Enrique Miguel Borges. These particular chapters of the book were written by Ulbricht Von Rittner, a former officer in the Special Technical Services of the German army. Borges is of the opinion that the origin of saucers is still a mystery, but he turned over four chapters of his book to Von Rittner, who believes in a terrestrial solution. The translation was made by Auriphebos Simoes of C.P.D.V., a Brazilian saucer club. Simoes' translation has been edited carefully by James Moseley. We do not believe that the story you are about to read is true in every detail, but Von Rittner does give you some very important information that has not previously been published in this country.

When the American troops occupied West Germany after World War II, a special organization called the Joint Intelligence Objective Committee was given the job of gathering all products of German science and taking them to the United States. Thus, 1,500 tons of German scientific files arrived at Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio. Most of these files contained secrets and new weapons projects. There were also secret military projects such as how to utilize infra-red rays to facilitate night military operations. There were plans for a stratospheric medium and long-range bomber and 138 different blueprints for various rockets, guided by Hertzian waves. Among these was the model A-4 - a 52-ton contraption, able to fly at speeds greater than 6,000 miles per hour.

To dispose of all these files, an office was set up in Washington, D.C. This office sold these German secret projects at the rate of \$1.00 per copied sheet. Naturally the best buyer was Amtorg, representatives of the Soviet Union in the United States. Amtorg bought the secret files by weight.

But the victors did not limit themselves to carrying to their countries this mountain of papers which represented the work of many hundreds of German scientists. They also carried away the scientists and technicians themselves, mostly those who specialized in weapons. Hunting for scientists became a very fashionable sport during the months that followed the end of the War. Russia and the U.S., the two competitors in this race, divided between them almost the totality of the German scientific staff. The Russians used force and threats to attain this purpose, whereas the Americans used their economic possibilities.

About 400 of these scientists went to the U. S., where many have become American citizens. Among these is Professor Werner Von Braun, who twenty years ago received the highest German decoration for his work in rocket research. He was boss of the mysterious German base where a giant rocket was being prepared to bomb New York. He now works at Fort Bliss (Texas) with his helpers Schilleng and Steinhoff, who are also rocket specialists. Rudolph Hermann and Professor Lippitsch are also in the U. S., as is Dr. Heinz Gartmann and many other technicians specializing in guided missiles, nuclear physics, aerodynamics, etc.

In the U.S.S.R. there is another team of German experts. Among them are Gustav Hertz, Nobel prize winner in Physics. He arrived there with his best helpers - Pose, Schmill, and Mye - and worked at the Russian nuclear laboratory in the Caucasus, where he was killed by accident in 1950. Other top scientists now in Russia include Professor Doeppel of Leipzig University, Bewilogua of Berlin University, Peter Thiessen, Fritz Vollmer, Max

Steenbeck, and others.

Most of the technicians and scientists who worked at the nuclear physics laboratory of Peenemunde during World War II and at the mysterious missile research center called A-10, are now forced laborers in Russia. Only a few have remained in Germany.

To those of us who knew these scientists and worked with them, it is clear that their presence abroad and the services they may render to the two great nations (Russia and the U.S.) will have a great influence on the development of warfare knowledge. In regard to rockets and missiles, Germany was far ahead of any other nation. American General Donald L. Putt stated a few years ago that Germany was ten years ahead of the United States in the development of rocketry when the War ended.

From this point on we will ignore other weapons in our discussion, and deal only with missiles, since missiles are really our only concern in this book, because of their connection with flying saucers.

Let us go back a few years. When the War ended, a small scale model of a new rocket had been begun at the secret research center called A-10. This model was designed by Professor Herman Oberth. The missile was expected to fly at about 6,000 miles per hour with a payload of two tons of TNT. This means that this missile, if launched from one of the German bases on the Baltic, would reach New York thirty minutes after its launching. Its enormous speed would render all defenses useless, and two tons of TNT exploding over New York's skyscrapers would probably have changed the result of the War.

At the same time other weapons with almost the same characteristics were being studied. There were more than 100 projected models of V-type rockets and some of them such as the V-8 and V-9, which existed only in blueprint form, had the round shape of a flying saucer. The destruction of Peenemunde by Allied bombers in 1943 impeded the construction of models or prototypes.

Based on the German rockets known as V-1 and V-2, the Americans have built several types of rockets which are not any secret or mystery. Several American magazines have published pictures of the missiles JB-L-1, the JB-LA, and the JB-2. These represent perfected versions of the V-1. These missiles, built in 1945 and 1946, are probably the grandfathers of the rockets now under construction in American laboratories and military installations. But times have changed, and photos of these devices are not published as carelessly as before. The same applies about divulging data about them.

Therefore there is no reason whatever to doubt that American rocket experts have started midway, limiting themselves to improving the V-1 and V-2. Perhaps they have also tried to build the V-3 and its sequels. If they have built the V-8 and the V-9, we already have a first solution to the problem of the flying saucers.

Naturally we have to see whether this possibility coincides with the known data about flying saucers and the different aspects of their appearance. Let us see what are the known elements of the problem:

In the first place we have the question of the sizes of the saucers. It is not possible to form an exact idea of their size from witnesses' statements, as the size varies widely in the various reports. But on the whole, the reported sizes vary between 12 feet and 100 feet in diameter. These figures in all probability are not correct. If the thing is only 12 feet in diameter, the rocket cannot carry its machinery, propellents, and the necessary installations for its maneuvers. On the other hand, 100 feet seems exaggerated. I don't believe it is possible yet to build such large machines. Simple computations show us that such a large circular missile would weigh more than 500 tons, and this is not possible at the present stage of

science. If the saucers are really as large as this, then the extraterrestrial theory of their origin must be true after all. However, I think the witnesses have overestimated the size as much in some cases as they have underestimated it in others. It is very difficult, even for experts, to determine the exact size of an object seen in the sky, since visual impression depends on altitude, relative transparency of the atmosphere, humidity, angle of incidence of light, etc. Practice has taught us that to reach an approximate conclusion - one that is relatively correct - the best method is to take the average size estimated by several witnesses. In regard to saucers, the real size would therefore be about 45 to 50 feet in diameter. These figures correspond well to today's technical possibilities.

Another question concerns the speed. The greatest speed that has been achieved with rockets is about 4,000 miles per hour, reached by the Germans with the V-2 in 1944. According to the information I have, none of the American models of the V-2 have attained that speed. But some people claim that saucers have been seen going as fast as 20,000 miles per hour. This figure seems highly exaggerated to me. An example from everyday life will show why these exaggerations occur: If a pedestrian walking along a road at 3 miles per hour (normal walking speed) is overtaken by a car going 30 miles per hour, he will see it disappear with "enormous speed". The witness would say that the car was going between 15 and 60 miles per hour, and many people would say that the car was going 20 times as fast as the pedestrian. Actually, the speed was only 10 times as great. The same type of thing may have happened in regard to saucers. Normally American fighter planes fly between 300 and 600 miles per hour, and if a saucer disappeared "as if by miracle", it would be sufficient for the saucer to be flying only ten times as fast as the plane, i.e., 3000 to 6000 miles per hour. This speed is not impossible for a rocket, but 20,000 miles per hour belongs in the realm of fantasy.

We now arrive at the important matter of whether or not the saucers are piloted. Can the human body resist such great speeds without damage? Science has already answered this question, and has stated that high speeds by themselves do not represent any danger for the human body. The dangers stem from sudden acceleration and from by-products of high speed, such as heat, vibration, noise, abrupt turns, etc. All these effects have been studied in detail, and it has been found that the human body can support almost unlimited speed, provided the necessary precautions are taken.

Therefore, it is not impossible that the flying saucers have human pilots in them. However, I do not believe that they do, because a pilot would be absolutely useless in a saucer. The technique of guiding a rocket by Hertzian waves is very advanced. Since the end of World War II, great progress has been made in this field, and remotely-controlled rockets are perfectly safe and steerable. Modern science has found that it is safer to guide a missile by automatic means than by means of a crew, since mechanical objects are not subject to accidents from psychological causes, nor are they subject to psychological influences such as fear, doubt, excitement, etc., as is the human organism. Therefore, no missile builder would think of trusting such piloting to human crews. That is why it seems absurd to think that the flying saucers have human beings inside them.

Thus, bringing together all the scientific information we have discussed so far, we can say that the flying saucers may be rocket missiles built by American technicians and their German collaborators, working in the United States. It is very possible that some of these missiles have escaped from their electronic control, and have arrived in areas that their builders never dreamed of sending them to. The fantastic stories about the extraterrestrial origin of saucers would therefore be the result of newspaper-

men's imaginations; or perhaps they are stories launched by the American authorities to lead astray the opinion of the public and of the Intelligence officers of other nations.

But this is only one of the possible answers to the saucer mystery. The saucers may be Russian as well as American in origin. Let us discuss some of the other facts involved in the situation:

In the great German research centers there were more than 3,000 scientists and technicians working during the War. The V-1 and V-2 passed from theory to practical achievement by the year 1943. A special technical team began their construction, and by 1944 a series of V-1 missiles was being built at the rate of 600 per month. But at the same time, the Peenemunde team went on investigating the possibilities of building newer and better missiles, based on plans made by Professor Von Braun and his helpers.

Several scores of scientists on this team were taken to Russia by the Soviets after the War. Besides the men already mentioned, we know that the Russians also took Manfred Von Ardenne, formerly head of the research laboratories of the German Air Ministry. Von Ardenne was also head of the Peenemunde research center. It would take a long time to list all the technicians who went, willingly or not, into the service of the Soviet Union; but the fact is that the Russians have gotten a greater number of these important men than have the Americans. The Russians were able to get their hands on Peenemunde and Swinemunde, as well as the shops and factories where parts for the V-weapons were built - places such as Treptow, Anklan, Strelitz, etc. All of these places are within the zone occupied by the Russians. An inventory of all the things found by the Russians in this area, would show that the missile-production equipment that the Americans obtained was small compared to that which fell into the hands of the Russians. But it is appropriate to say here that the Americans compensated for this disadvantage by the supremacy of their industry over Russian industry.

We can say, however, that in the first years after the War the military authorities of the Soviet Union got ahead of the Americans in researching and producing rockets. As early as 1946 and 1947, Russian rockets began appearing over the Baltic, and over Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. These rockets passed over the Baltic and Scandinavian skies at enormous speeds. Later they were seen over Western Germany and the Gulf of Kiel. I myself saw one of these missiles in June of 1947, and I want to speak in detail about the impression it made on me, because its characteristics were very similar to those attributed to flying saucers.

The missile passed by me at an estimated altitude of 15,000 to 18,000 feet. It is difficult to estimate the speed of the object, but it was clearly traveling faster than sound, as its "whistle" reached us much later - after it had disappeared on the western horizon. I was with some friends at the time of the sighting, and after a few minutes of discussion, we agreed that the missile's speed was between 2,000 and 3,000 miles per hour. But the most interesting detail of the sighting was the auroela formed around the rocket, caused by air condensation due to the jet reactor's flames, and producing the impression of a round rather than a rocket-shaped object. We had already observed this same phenomenon at the end of the War with the first flights of the V weapons. Under certain atmospheric conditions, mainly when there is a high relative humidity in the air, aircraft and missiles equipped with reactors form a path of condensed air behind them, leaving the impression of a white trail. If the altitude of the flight is great and if the sunlight dazzles the observer's vision, he receives the impression that the craft is a round body flying at great speed. On this morning in June 1947 we had exactly the same impression, but as we were used to such observations, we soon real-

ized that our impressions were optical illusions, i.e., a mistake due to the above-mentioned aureola.

About the same time, (1947), flying saucers began appearing over the United States and northern Europe, but their origin was not the same. Some which appeared over Europe were optical illusions of the kind described above. But public opinion was stirred up by sensationalism in the press, and I am sure that birds, meteors, etc., were many times reported as saucers. Those who primarily profited by this "saucer psychosis" were the builders of the flying saucers. After the Americans' experience with Russian spies and their efforts to get hold of the atomic bomb secret, the psychosis created by the saucers was exactly the thing they needed to force them to surround their research and achievements with a smoke screen. This is how many people have come to believe in the extraterrestrial origin of saucers. Perhaps the agents of Soviet espionage may themselves have been deceived for a time by this fantastic story and were led to hunt for pertinent data regarding saucers in various regions where saucers had never flown. If this technique of spreading false information about non-existent Venusians and Martians is organized by a proper agency or organization, then it is not surprising that the thing called "the mystery of the flying saucers" has been created. Millions of people have been taken in by this misinformation. The only people who most certainly have not fallen for it for long are those in the Intelligence or Espionage Service of the Soviet Union. Without knowing much about the technical details of the saucers, one can nevertheless be sure that a great behind-the-scenes battle is being fought secretly between the Intelligence Services of Russia and the U.S. concerning these saucer-like missiles.

As early as 1950 it was known that the U.S.S.R. has built 16 bases on its Baltic coast for the launching of rocket-bombs, i.e., between Graifsva Bay and the Gulf of Finland. The most important of these bases is located near Porkala, the base ceded to Russia by Finland. The production of the Soviet missiles has been based on the V-1 and V-2. They have created similar missiles with a greater range than the V weapons had. Later the Intelligence services of the Western Powers learned that the Russians were trying to put nuclear warheads on their missiles. Still later it was said that they were trying to equip mines and torpedoes with nuclear explosives.

Naturally it is only possible to guess about the technical details and aerodynamic characteristics of the Russian missiles. But even if the details are not known, it is possible for a technician like myself to make intelligent guesses, for the principles involved are not unknown. Research on rockets dates back to 1933. There was not much progress until 1939, but after the beginning of the War a gigantic jump ahead was achieved, so that by the beginning of 1943, before the destruction of Peenemunde by British aircraft, we had made the first plans for the construction of the V-8 and the V-9, i.e., rockets which would have the round shape of the actual flying saucers! I will try to give a resume of the V-8 and V-9:

The round shape of these devices had been chosen by specialists in aerodynamics, who saw two main advantages in that particular shape: great lift surface and lessened air drag. Adding these advantages to the rapid circular motion of the devices, many factors in the field of gravitation unknown till then were thus put together. The procedure corresponds to the motion of a coin or other small object that is thrown out; it will go further if it is made to spin in flight than it would go if just thrown haphazardly. The rotation of a saucer is achieved thanks to reactors placed around the periphery, at an angle of 45 degrees relative to their respective radii. The pressure of the jet reactors, which is achieved very rapidly, causes the rotation of the whole machine, and because of this, great speeds may be ob-

tained. These speeds are regulated by increasing or decreasing the tempo of the reactors' explosions.

In the center of the rocket there is an immovable part which acts as the axis of rotation for the outer rocket. This stationary part contains the radar, oxygen tanks, alcohol, compressed air, peroxyde, hydrogen, and all things necessary to feed the engines, as well as the compression housing, tubes, and all the gadgets necessary to propel the craft. This inner mechanism is not very different from the V weapons, except for some details which were modified because of the round shape of the craft. All this is completed by a television installation and radar transmitter, which allow the pilots (who never leave the earth) to send the machine where they want it to go. The absence of a crew within the saucer permits the accelerations and abrupt changes of direction that have amazed the American pilots who have seen saucers. Also, the system of turbo-reactors distributed around the outer rim, and the jet of the propulsion, allow an equilibrium to be maintained among the propulsive forces when necessary, so that the craft can hover at a certain point if so desired. At these times the speed of the craft falls to zero, while its rotation increases enormously. If we add to this picture the testimony of American pilots such as Kenneth Arnold, who had the impression that the saucers always maintained the same distance from each other, as though connected by an invisible link, we have another proof that these missiles are guided by radar from a certain point on the surface of the earth. Human crews could never keep the saucers in such perfect formation, because speed is even more difficult for a pilot to control precisely in a jet aircraft than in an aircraft equipped with ordinary piston engines.

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THE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF HUNRATH AND WILKINSON

- by James W. Moseley -

The sudden disappearance of Karl Hunrath and Jack Wilkinson in November of 1953 is an event which has aroused as much interest and controversy on the West Coast as did the strange silencing of Al Bender on the East Coast that same year. These two events are among the greatest unsolved mysteries in Saucerdom. In the February-March 1956 issue of SAUCER NEWS, we brought our readers an outline of the Bender Mystery, based on personal interviews with Bender himself and with several others who could help piece together the story. Now we bring you the Hunrath-Wilkinson saga, based on a recent interview with Mr. Jerrold Baker, a saucer researcher who was personally acquainted with the missing men for many months before their disappearance. Baker will be remembered by SAUCER NEWS readers as the man who furnished much of the material for our Adamski Expose.

Baker first met Hunrath at George Adamski's home in Palomar Gardens, California, in November of 1952. At that time Baker, Hunrath, and George Williamson were forming what was known as the Adamski Foundation, under Adamski's personal direction. Each of these three was to contribute his own special knowledge of saucers to the Foundation's fund of information. Hunrath qualified in that he was an electrical engineer; before coming to California, he had performed experiments with an electro-magnetic machine of his own invention, which he called "Bosco". This machine was designed in an effort to duplicate the magnetic power by which the saucers were assumed to operate. One of its more sinister purposes was to create a magnetic fault, which would cause any saucer operating in the area to come down in the vicinity of the machine.

However, Hunrath never got around to putting "Bosco" into operation again on the West Coast, because the Adamski Foundation soon became side-tracked into metaphysical rather than mechanical research. Thus began a series of fantastic episodes at Palomar Gardens. Williamson would go into medium-like trances, in which he would receive alleged space messages, which he would tell to his listeners in a voice unlike his own natural voice, and which they would write down. At times Williamson would even speak in a language with which the others were totally unfamiliar. These messages they would transcribe as best they could. Afterwards they would try to assign meanings to the various meaningless syllables in the messages, and Williamson would assign symbols to the syllables, based on his knowledge of ancient symbology. It should be added here that the strange language in which Williamson spoke may well have been one of the languages of the American Indians, as he had lived among the Indians for a considerable length of time, studying their customs, legends, etc.

In January of 1953, all three members of the Adamski Foundation had a serious falling out with their leader and teacher, George Adamski; this event has been related in detail in our Adamski Expose. Hunrath, Williamson, and Baker then left Palomar Gardens permanently, and went to Los Angeles seeking employment. Williamson had a knowledge of Indian dances, and for awhile he and Baker considered the idea of Williamson performing these dances publicly, with Baker doing the narration; but this idea did not work out. In the meanwhile Hunrath, because of his technical background, obtained a good job without difficulty, while his two friends were still without steady employment. A few months later, Williamson returned to his wife in Prescott, Arizona, and Baker and Hunrath moved into an apartment in Los Angeles together. About this time, in August of 1953, Jack Wilkinson joined Baker and Hunrath. Wilkinson was a man who had worked together with Hunrath in his earlier exper-

iments with "Bosco". He had been a foreman at an electrical plant in Racine, Wisconsin before joining the group on the Coast. From this time on, Baker had the opportunity to get to know both men well.

In the weeks that followed, the threesome made several trips to Prescott, to confer with Williamson and to participate in more seances, at which Williamson continued to act as medium. They also made trips into the desert, hoping to contact a saucer as Adamski had done, and they even expected to be allowed by the saucer occupants to fly away to another planet with them! To these men at that particular time, this expectation seemed fully justified, as they were all convinced by then that they themselves were Space Men! The seed of this weird idea had been planted by Adamski, and had been passed on by Williamson to Baker, Hunrath, and Wilkinson. Each had a "space name", i.e., Baker was Markon, Williamson was Mark III, etc. Not only this, but Hunrath and Wilkinson even started seeing strange symbols mentally; these symbols came to them as visions, at any time of the day or night, and were written down by them and interpreted. Wilkinson, who had begun as an objective researcher, finally started going into trances himself. It is quite obvious, then, that all of these men had gone into the subjective side of saucer research so deeply by this time that their very minds and reasoning powers were being seriously affected.

At this point Baker's mother became seriously ill, and he had to make a trip east to see her. He therefore does not know first-hand exactly what transpired during the final weeks before the famous disappearance. By this time, Wilkinson's wife and three children had joined him in California, and Hunrath was living separately in a rooming house. While Baker was away, Wilkinson wrote him a letter stating that he had found out definitely when and where a saucer was going to come down, and asking Baker to hurry back to Los Angeles as soon as possible, so that all three of them could go together to meet it - and presumably to fly away to Mars in it. This letter to Baker was never mailed, strangely enough, but Mrs. Wilkinson told Baker about it afterwards.

Baker did not return in time for the saucer rendezvous, however, though he says he would have gone along if he had been there. On his way east he stopped to see Al Bailey and Laimon Streeter, in Winslow, Arizona. These two men, together with Williamson, had conducted the ham radio experiments which resulted in the book "The Saucers Speak". It was in Winslow that Baker learned from Streeter that Hunrath and Wilkinson had disappeared a few days earlier while flying in a rented plane to their saucer rendezvous. An FBI man investigating the case came to talk to Bailey and Streeter while Baker was in Winslow, but Baker was not allowed to be present at the interview; and in spite of his close association with the missing men, he has never been questioned by the police or the FBI up till the present time.

In Los Angeles, Baker went to see Mrs. Wilkinson. She had never been interested in saucers, and was largely unfamiliar with her husband's research, although she gave Baker what facts she could. By then the Los Angeles newspapers had published full accounts of the disappearance. As stated in the papers at the time, mysterious symbols were found on the walls of Wilkinson's home and of Hunrath's boarding house room. These were the symbols which the men claimed to have seen mentally, and which had been transcribed on paper and tacked onto the walls. Naturally the newspapers made a big thing out of these weird symbols, but other equally important evidence never came to their attention. Baker helped Mrs. Wilkinson sell and otherwise dispose of her husband's property, which included a tremendous quantity of mechanical apparatus as well as saucer material. Because Hunrath owed rent in his rooming house at the time of his disappearance, his personal effects were put up at auction

in Los Angeles. Baker was a bidder at the auction, but was unable to bid high enough, and all of Hunrath's things went to a strange friend whom Hunrath had met after Baker's trip east to see his mother.

Hunrath and Wilkinson had just walked off their jobs, and had rented a plane at the Gardina County Airport (near Los Angeles) early one afternoon in November 1953. Before leaving, Wilkinson mailed some money to his wife, and Hunrath mailed money to his landlady. They apparently kept just enough funds to hire the plane with. The night before they left, Hunrath phoned Frank Scully, Manon Darlaine, and another Los Angeles researcher. In these phone calls he hinted about the trip he was going to make, and even invited these people to go with him. This fact leads Baker to believe now that Hunrath had gone even further "off the deep end" during those last weeks.

Although many conflicting rumors continue to circulate even now, there is no definite evidence that Hunrath, Wilkinson, or their plane were ever seen again. One rumor has it that the plane, partly dismantled, was seen from the air by a search party, but no ground expedition ever succeeded in locating it, although a thorough search was made. I should add here that after the disappearance, Baker quickly got over his high-flown ideas about being a Space Man, which he now says were solely due to egotism, and within a short time he was completely "back down to earth" after his adventure deep into the most subjective aspects of saucer research; since 1954 he has given up active research altogether. Nevertheless, he still believes that if by chance Hunrath and Wilkinson did not crash and die, then they are alive now at their destination - Mars. He does not believe any of the persistent rumors that the men are hiding out somewhere on Earth, for strange personal reasons of their own.

There are several other facts which, although perhaps unconnected, serve to heighten this baffling mystery. One is that a few weeks after the disappearance, the airport from which Hunrath and Wilkinson rented their plane was completely destroyed by fire, and every plane in it was burned. Another is that three other people closely connected with this case have died in the four short years since the disappearance, in addition to Hunrath and Wilkinson (if we are to assume them dead.) One is Mr. Detwiler, the professional photographer in Escondido, California, who used to process Adamski's saucer pictures. Another is Hal Nelson, a young Civil Service Investigator who was a close friend of Baker's, and who was well acquainted with all the principals in this case. The third is Laimon Streeter (mentioned above), the ham radio operator who is the mysterious "Mr. R." in Bailey and Williamson's "The Saucers Speak"; Streeter, who was a young man in his 30's, is said to have killed himself! Nelson, also a young man, died by drowning, and Detwiler died a natural death. Hunrath and Wilkinson were only in their late 30's, and according to Baker, they were happy and had everything to live for.

Another strange thing is that the day after the disappearance, a peculiar man in a white uniform visited Mrs. Wilkinson, and told her that her husband was alive and safe. He gave no details, but left his name and address. Baker contacted him, and became convinced that the man really did not know anything. Later other stories came forth contributing to the idea that the men might still be alive. One such story involved a newspaper ad in the "personal" column of a Los Angeles paper, in which the writer of the ad stated in a cryptic manner that he was interested in saucers and would like to contact like-minded people. Some of the people who had known the missing pair thought that Hunrath or Wilkinson had placed the ad in order to contact their friends secretly, but Baker followed up this lead, and says that the writer was a man unconnected with the case. Another story has it that the missing men took baggage with them, and skipped the country for Mexico in an effort to get



We believe that we have held back long enough in printing our proof that George Williamson did not make at least one of the discoveries in Peru which he claims to have made. The above photo, taken in 1955, is a close-up view of part of the large mysterious stone with hieroglyphics on it which Williamson claims to have discovered personally in 1957, on an expedition up one of the tributaries of Peru's Upper Madre de Dios River. This photograph was in our possession long before Williamson ever went to Peru, or thought of going. It was furnished to us by Al Bello, an explorer presently living at Calle Washington 1158, dept. 8, Lima, Peru. Bello has been making expeditions to this stone since 1952, and his story and pictures have appeared in Lima's "El Comercio" and other newspapers. Even Bello was not really the first to discover the rock. Yet, writing in the Nov.-Dec. 1957 issue of England's "Flying Saucer Review", Williamson says, "On July 10th, at 3-30 in the afternoon, we discovered (italics mine) the fabled 'Rock of the Marks or Writings'. We are in unknown country on the Rio Sinkibenia....and ahead of us at a short distance is a wild tribe that has never been visited by white or civilized men!" There is no question in our minds, here at SAUCER NEWS, that Williamson's rock and Bello's rock are one and the same. Williamson undoubtedly heard of the rock somehow while he was in Lima, and perhaps he did go there and revisit it; but by no stretch of the imagination did he discover it!

We understand that in his lectures and writings Williamson is now admitting that the ruins on Peru's Marcahuasi Plateau which he claims to have visited, were really discovered by Dr. Daniel Ruzo. We have received full details from a trusted correspondent about Ruzo's authentic expeditions to this plateau. In addition, your Editor is personally quite familiar with Peruvian ruins; and we shall continue to scrutinize Williamson's writings carefully, in search of more of his factual lapses for the benefit of American and British audiences!

away from personal problems in California. The FBI is said to be of the opinion that they are hiding out in Mexico, and a recent rumor has it that they may have joined George Williamson's metaphysical colony in Peru. According to Baker, however, the only evidence to support these ideas is that Wilkinson had a minor fight with his wife the day before he left. Baker is convinced, from his long close association with Hunrath and Wilkinson, that if they were still alive and on this Planet, they would be continuing their saucer research openly, and their whereabouts would be known.

Looking at the case objectively, the balance of evidence seems to favor the opinion that the men are dead. It is known that Hunrath, who flew the plane, was not an experienced pilot. He had taken a refresher course in flying just the week previous to his disappearance. It is believed that the pair were flying in the direction of Prescott, Arizona, for a saucer rendezvous somewhere in that area. This would have taken them over a long stretch of desolate and almost unexplored country, in which there are mountainous regions where a plane could crash and not be found for years. Baker points out to me that several planes that have crashed in this general area have not been found till years later, and then only by sheer accident. Unless or until new evidence comes to light, therefore, we will have to assume that Hunrath and Wilkinson met a tragic accident while pursuing their unorthodox beliefs. Thus, together with Captain Mantell and several others, they go down in saucer history on the list of those who have lost their lives directly or indirectly due to the elusive flying saucers.

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Just before press time, too late for inclusion in the above article, we received a number of interesting additional details on this matter from Mr. Baker. If reader interest is sufficient, this data will appear in SAUCER NEWS in the near future.

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BOOK REVIEW

FLYING SAUCER PILGRIMAGE - by Bryant & Helen Reeve (Amherst Press)
- Reviewed by James Moseley -

"Flying Saucer Pilgrimage" is the story of one couple's introduction into the world of flying saucer believers. It tells how they started out as curious skeptics, and gradually became interested to the point of making a long trip to California and Mexico, to interview leading saucerers in those areas. Among the men they met and believed in were Adamski, Fry, Beth-erum, Angelucci, Van Tassel, and Mark Probert. Eventually they decided that both the physical and "non-physical" aspects of saucers must be considered in their studies, and the last part of the book is devoted to "New Age" philosophy and interpretations.

If the book is considered simply as a diary of this couple's adventures and hypotheses, then there is no doubt that Bryant and Helen Reeve have succeeded well in their literary effort. The book is interesting, very well written, and in parts it contains a homey if somewhat corny humor. Above all, the sincere enthusiasm of the authors is unmistakable throughout.

If, on the other hand, "Flying Saucer Pilgrimage" is considered in regard to unbiased, factual information about saucers, then it is practically valueless. On Page 6 the authors state, "Our real goal was just
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RECENT NEWS STORIES

DETAILED SIGHTING FROM PENNSYLVANIA: One of the most detailed and interesting sightings we have seen in a long time comes from the Milford, Pa. "Dispatch" dated Dec. 19th, 1957. It concerns an event that occurred on an unspecified date during the previous May. Miss Frances Stichler, who lives on a farm near Milford, was doing chores in her barn at about 6 a.m. one morning in May, when she heard a swirling or spinning sound and looked up. A flat bowl-shaped object 20 feet in diameter, with a broad rim 3 to 4 feet wide, soared into view over the barn, only about 15 feet above the ground. It stopped in a somewhat tilted position and remained poised there for nearly a minute. Then, with a spinning sound, it sailed in a large nearly-horizontal arc toward the southeast and disappeared over a wooded hill. Most interesting of all is the fact that Miss Stichler reports that a man in a light gray tight-fitting helmet and a loose-fitting shiny suit of the same color was sitting on the broad rim of the saucer, with his feet and legs in the lower portion of the object. The man sat on the part of the rim on the far side of the object, so that he was directly facing Miss Stichler. The saucer was tilted in such a way that his body could be seen down to his knees. The man was of average size, and had deep-set eyes and a rather long face, with a "quizzical expression" on his face, according to the witness. His skin was sun-tanned. The two people looked at each other for quite awhile, without speaking. For some reason it never occurred to Miss Stichler to speak to the saucer occupant. Just as she was getting over her initial fright and wondering what to do next, the object left and went out of sight. Because she had no one with her at the time, and no proof to back up her story, Miss Stichler was reluctant to tell anyone about her sighting, and thus it remained unpublicized for several months.

AIR FORCE CHECKING ON GROUNDED UFO IN MONTANA: On Dec. 30th it was reported that the Air Force was interested in a mystery object which had flashed down out of the sky near Giant Springs, Montana. The UFO imbedded itself in a dirt bank, from which it was dug out by local police. The strange object is about two feet long, in the shape of a cone. It was charred by smoke, and smelled of gunpowder or some other explosive. It was light in weight and bore the initials "U.S." just barely visible. After being dug up, the UFO was put under lock and key at the county jail, and only authorized persons were allowed to see it. An unidentified man who witnessed the object's fall, told local radio station KMON that the "thing" came down in front of his car as he drove along a highway near Giant Springs. It hit the dirt bank with a hard thud. The angle at which it hit would indicate that it came almost straight down from the sky, according to KMON's informant.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN OHIO: The following sighting, which occurred on the night of November 22nd, was reported to the Tiro, Ohio "World" on December 12th: Mrs. Richard Goff, who lives near Tiro, told the "World" that she and her brother saw an object which "looked something like a bed pan with eight or ten bright lights shining from the front edge." As it came closer to them, it looked much the same as a bank of field lights at a baseball game, according to the witnesses, who were driving in their car at the time. Said Mrs. Goff, "At this point another car came over the hill behind us, from the north, with bright headlights on, and the object began to back away. It then changed appearance and took on a more circular shape, together with a orangish-red color. It swung back and forth and up and down for a long time as it backed away. We watched it for at least fifteen minutes." Mrs. Goff furnished the newspaper with two sketches of her sighting.

ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN SEEN IN RUSSIA: A January 15th Associated Press story from Moscow tells us that A. G. Pronin, a member of a Soviet scientific expedition, saw a "yeti" or Abominable Snowman in Russia's Pamir Mountains. Mr. Pronin claims that on August 10th (1957), while on this expedition, he spotted a Snowman outlined against the top of a cliff more than 1,500 feet above him. "It was a man-like creature," he reported. "He walked on two feet, stooped, and wearing no clothes. He was stocky, with long extremities, and his body was covered with reddish-gray wool. At first sight I thought it was a bear, but after more careful study it became clear that this was no bear, but a man-like creature." The Snowman was seen walking out of a cave, and was observed to walk some 600 feet before disappearing beyond the edge of a cliff. Mr. Pronin said that he watched the figure for five to eight minutes. Three days later he saw the creature for a few minutes at the same spot. The area was otherwise completely uninhabited.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN WISCONSIN: On Dec. 11th, several motorists near Ellsworth, Wisconsin, reported seeing an unidentified object over Highway 63. The UFO was described as saucer-shaped, and traveling about 50 miles per hour. It was seen at about 4 p.m. Many cars stopped along the highway to witness the strange event. At one time the object was reported flying about 20 feet above the ground. It was said to be circular in shape, with a diameter of 50 feet, and with a small cabin hanging underneath it. It was orange in color and emitted a reddish glow. No windows or sound were noticed. The strange object stayed in the area for several minutes and then was seen to go straight up and out of sight.

THREE SAUCERS SEEN IN SOUTH JERSEY: An "almost local" sighting of considerable interest occurred in New Brunswick, N. J., about 40 miles south of Fort Lee, on January 4th. Paul Paster of New Brunswick said that he was driving his car at about 10 p.m. when his attention was attracted to a bright light in the sky. The UFO was not only brilliant in itself, but also cast out rays of light in three directions, according to Paster. He stopped the car, and he and his wife got out to gaze at the sky. Then, as they were watching this object speed across the horizon, two other UFO's came into view. The other two were at a greater altitude, and were not so bright. However, they each gave out the same three beams of light as did the first object. The three UFO's were in formation, forming "a sort of obtuse triangle", according to the witnesses. Noiselessly and swiftly, the lights sped toward New York City (and Fort Lee - where they were not seen), and disappeared from sight about 30 seconds from the time they were first spotted.

WISCONSIN MAN SEES EXPLOSION IN SKY: The following is one of a large number of reported fireballs, exploding objects, and weird bright flashes of light that were seen in various parts of the midwest during late December and early January. On the night of December 13th, Michael Hammes of Racine, Wisconsin, said that he saw a fast-moving brilliant object explode in the western sky. The UFO was about 3 feet long, according to Hammes, and it had the appearance of a large shell. When he first noticed the object, it seemed to be only about 300 feet above the horizon, over Highway 20, near Sturtevant, Wisconsin. While he watched, the object blew up in a flash of light and a cloud of dark gray smoke. It left a trail of smoke about 100 feet long. The whole episode lasted only a few seconds.

SAUCER DAMAGES CAR IN LOUISIANA: A mysterious UFO, which "resembled the rising sun", was sighted at 7-15 a.m. on Dec. 11th near

Chestnut, La., by Mrs. Mary Louise Tobin, a school teacher from Chestnut. She was driving on State Highway 1 at the time. Mrs. Tobin became concerned when, after spotting the object herself, she saw another car parked in the vicinity of the UFO and smoking as if it were on fire. The smoking car's occupants were attempting to get out. The driver of the car, who was an elderly lady, and a little girl accompanying the lady, came over to the Tobin car. This woman (whose name is not given in the newspaper account) showed Mrs. Tobin burns which the little girl had suffered, supposedly caused by the intense heat from the UFO. Said Mrs. Tobin, "We shared our frightened moments together, wondering if and hoping we would survive." Finally the damaged car stopped smoking, and they decided it was out of danger. The lady got in and tried to start it, but could do so only after a push from the Tobin car. Mrs. Tobin then continued on her way to work. - The newspaper account does not make it clear as to how long the UFO was in sight, or how close it came to the ground.

SAUCER NEWS EDITOR GOES ON LONG JOHN RADIO PROGRAM:

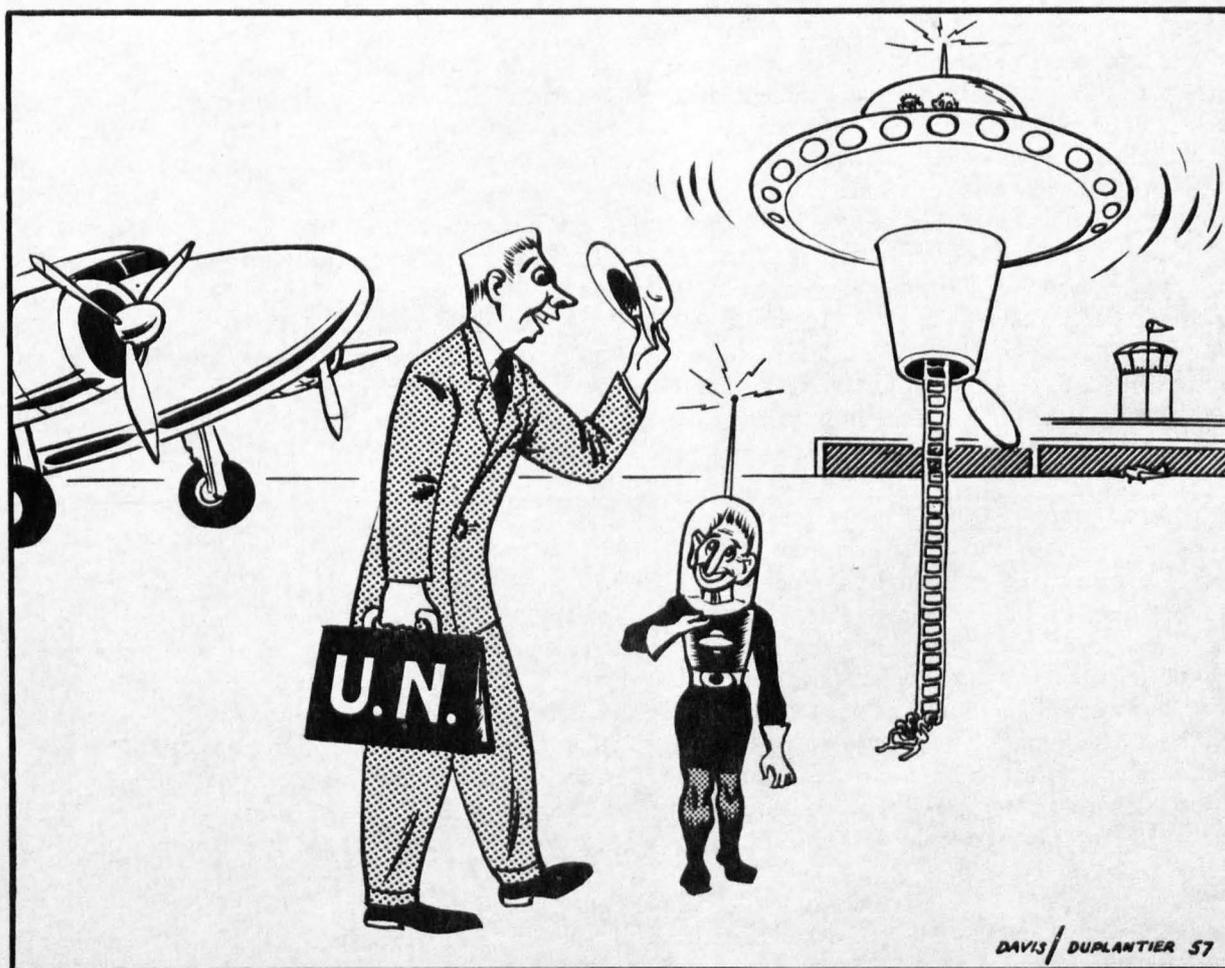
From midnight to 5-30 a.m. on Saturday, January 25th, James W. Moseley, Editor of SAUCER NEWS, appeared on the Long John Party Line radio program, over WOR in New York. The topic of the morning's panel discussion was Moseley's Special Adamski Expose Issue of SAUCER NEWS, which even at this late date is continuing to stir up a great deal of controversy, as will be seen from the "Letters to the Editor" column in this issue. Other members of the panel, in addition to John Nebel (Long John), were Dominic Lucchesi (Technical Consultant for SAUCER NEWS), Mel Schiloni, and Charles Leedham. Mr. Leedham demonstrated a passion for legalistic rather than logical argument, and due to his deliberate attempts to cloud the real issues involved in the Expose, only a few of Mr. Moseley's main points against Adamski were brought out in the course of the 5½ hour broadcast. However, Long John was good enough to recommend this Special Issue of SAUCER NEWS to all listeners who had read Adamski's books; and the large volume of mail your Editor received during the next few days as a result of this "plug," clearly indicates that most saucer fans are hungry for the real truth about Adamski.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN SOUTH DAKOTA: On the night of Dec. 18th, Howard Hendricksen, of Chamberlain, S. D., reported having seen a saucer which according to his estimate was a half-mile in diameter. Although we are highly skeptical of Mr. Hendricksen's ability to judge the size of an unknown object, his sighting is nevertheless a good one. According to his statement to the local newspapers, the UFO passed directly over his car at an altitude of about 200 feet, glowing with an intense greenish-white light, which he described as "like looking into an acetylene torch." The object was traveling slowly, at 20 to 25 miles per hour. Mr. Hendricksen stated that the saucer was tipped on its side, and that the bottom, which was the only illuminated portion, lighted up the area "as bright as day." Part of the top was dome-shaped, and the rest of it looked like the body of a large bomber. He could not be sure if there were windows in the bomber portion or not. There was no sound of any kind.

MAJOR KEYHOE "SILENCED" DURING NATION-WIDE TELEVISION APPEARANCE: On January 22nd, the Armstrong Circle Theatre (Channel 2 in New York), devoted its hour of television time to a discussion of flying saucers, instead of presenting a fictional drama as it ordinarily does. Out of the entire hour, only about five minutes were devoted to the pro-saucer point of view, which was presented by Major Donald Keyhoe of NICAP. The remaining time was spent mainly in long dissertations by two representatives of the Air Force

viewpoint, plus a shorter session with Professor Donald Menzel of Harvard, dean of the anti-saucerites. Two unscheduled things about the show were interesting: First, Kenneth Arnold, who was in New York and had been scheduled to appear and present his famous 1947 sighting, sent a telegram just before show time, stating that he could not go on the program after all. Arnold gave no concrete reason for this strange last-minute decision. His sighting was presented by the program's announcer, without mentioning Arnold's name over the air at any time. The second unscheduled occurrence was the fact that the sound (audio) was cut off by the studio technicians during the last part of Major Keyhoe's talk. The CBS Network later issued a statement signed by Keyhoe saying that the incident was due to a misunderstanding on Keyhoe's part about the rules for approval of script changes. Keyhoe is said to have admitted that no attempt at censorship was involved. Put more simply, he was cut off because it was a show involving prepared scripts, and when Keyhoe departed from his text, the management did not know what he was going to say, and therefore turned off the sound. The main point of Keyhoe's several sentences that were not heard by the viewing audience, was that if the Congressional committee investigating flying saucer censorship were to be forced to hold public rather than secret hearings, then it would be proven that saucers do exist. Keyhoe then asked his TV viewers to write their Congressmen, urging that the hearings be made public.

FIVE SAUCERS SIGHTED IN MICHIGAN: Jack Wiedman, a resident of Dexter Township, near Ann Arbor, Michigan, watched five UFO's sail through the skies over his farm for more than an hour on the night of Jan. 8th.



INTERPLANETARY PEACE TERMS? HECK NO! WE WANTA BUY SOME ELVIS PRESLEY RECORDS!

He first noticed a long object with a flashing red light, hovering in the sky, at about 8 p.m. It soon began moving toward him at an estimated height of 150 to 200 feet from the ground. The saucer did not pass directly over him, but Wiedman said that it did come close enough to see dividing bars on the object, similar to those seen on the cabin of an airplane. Wiedman heard no motor, but did hear a clicking sound which apparently came from the UFO. The sound resembled that emitted by a Gieger counter, he said. A few minutes later four other similar-looking saucers came into sight, and were witnessed by Wiedman together with his whole family. The group of five objects continued to circle the general area of the farm, at a distance of two or three miles, for almost an hour. They then disappeared from view and did not return.

SAUCER BRIEFS: It seems that George Williamson's luck is still running strong. Two UFO's were seen in the sky seconds after the close of one of Williamson's lectures in Ventura, California, last January 10th. Saucers have also appeared after his lectures in three other California towns, according to Williamson, though we have no confirmation on this. Rumor has it, incidentally, that the self-styled explorer will be returning to Peru shortly....Nobel Peace Prize winner Lester B. Pearson stated recently that the best hope for world peace may be the discovery that space ships from another planet are watching us. "Then all of us on both sides of the Iron Curtain would get together and say, 'They can't do this to us,'" said Pearson.....New York City's saucer book seller James Rigberg, after having declared bankruptcy about a year ago, is back in business again. Shortly before his bankruptcy, Rigberg's magazine "Flying Saucer News" disappeared suddenly from the scene. Now it has reappeared just as suddenly, with no hint whatsoever in the first issue as to its editor's financial problems. His new address is 337 First Ave., in case anyone is interested.....A new saucer "explanation", even more absurd than Professor Menzel's, has been offered by a scientist in the Air Force's Department of Space Medicine. Dr. Herbertus Strughold believes that "eye defects" are the cause of many saucer reports. He neglected to explain how these "eye defects" can get on film!....Latest new saucer magazine to make its appearance is "Saucers, Space & Science", edited by Gene Duplantier of 1157 St. Clair Ave. West, Toronto 10, Ontario, Canada.....Unless you have a good deal more imagination than we do, you were not able to see any saucer in the second of the two pictures on the cover of our February-March issue. The saucer is visible in the top photo, and it was there in our original print of the bottom picture; but it disappeared in the reprint.

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one thing - to know the truth about flying saucers! The plain unvarnished truth - shorn of all propaganda, all pros and cons, all 'hoey'. We did not want opinions. We wanted facts. Facts we could 'put our teeth into' and hang onto, and know that we had something solid..." Unfortunately, the authors present no facts that have any scientific merit. They admit further on that they are not trying to convince anyone and that they are only attempting to explain how they themselves became convinced about saucers. If this is the only object of the book, then all is well. For the evidence that the Reeves present is not sufficient to convince anyone who is not already a Believer. Just because they were willing to accept Adamski, etc., at their word does not mean that the reader will.

In short, the book is very similar to "They Rode in Space Ships", reviewed by Bryan Essenhigh in our last issue; it is a rehash of the experiences of the saucer "greats" as told by sincere but overly credulous admirers.

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IN THE ABOVE PHOTO, an Englishman is holding a small mysterious saucer which fell to earth on an English moor last December. See story on Page 17 for details. (Photo courtesy of Bryan Essenhigh.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Comment on Dr. Davidson's Article in the February-March Issue
(See also the article beginning on Page 4 of this issue.)

This letter is a supplement to my article about the John Otto-Mildred Maier "message from Space" (SAUCER NEWS, Feb.-March 1958, P. 7.) I quote below from letters I received from Miss Maier and Mr. Otto, too late for inclusion in the article.

Miss Maier wrote me on Dec. 29, 1957, as follows:

".....In all fairness to us, we feel you might state that changing the bands on our radio makes a great deal of noise. The sound would be recorded on the tape.....Another correction is that Otto did not try to sell us a transmitter...."

I am sorry that I implied that Otto was trying to sell them light beam equipment. This was my error. I also should have stated, as Miss Maier points out, that my reference on P. 13 of the article to "flipping the band switch" was only hypothetical, since none of the noises accompanying such a switch appear on the wire recording.

John Otto wrote me on Jan. 7, 1958, giving many details relating to the WGN broadcast. I quote only a small portion of his letter here:

"...I was not at the station (WGN) at any time near the broadcast.Just as the show was about to start, I realized that I should at this last moment call, unsuspectingly, as many persons as I could, asking them to record the show. Surprisingly, I could make no phone contact with any persons who were known to have recorders. Suddenly and purely on hunch, I remembered the Maiers. Time was very short, as the show had already started....I believe that even at this date, the Maiers still do not know that I was not in the radio station when I called them.

"....Your reference to a 'localized transmitter' is a logical one, and we suspected the same. However, my canvassing efforts in the immediate vicinity of the Maiers', where no one had heard anything but silence, rules this out."

I am glad to have Otto's confirmation that no one else in the Maiers' neighborhood heard the message. The message was therefore transmitted in a very localized manner. It is also evident that the only person who knew of Otto's phone call to the Maiers was Otto's friend from whose home he made the call.

To bring the whole story up to date, I want to state that on Jan. 8th of this year I received a phone call from Mr. E----- of the CIA office in Chicago. He had been informed by the Washington office that the tape and all records of it were lost, and that there was no way of telling me the name of the "known U.S. licensed radio" which Captain Elwood had told me had transmitted the code. In this manner, apparently, the CIA would like to bring to a close the story of the Otto-Maier "space message"; and, short of a public Congressional investigation of the entire flying saucer situation, there seems to be no way of digging out the name of the radio transmitter involved.

The original wire recording, and many tape-recorded copies of it, still exist, however, so amateur cryptanalysts may still try to decipher the message....

I hope that this letter has cleared up whatever incorrect impressions may have been left by my article.

LEON DAVIDSON

White Plains, N.Y.

(Unfortunately, limitations of space prevent us from printing Dr. Davidson's letter in full. - Editor.)

.....Davidson's article is substantially correct, and credit must be given him for reporting the event in a very thorough and non-sensational manner, although there are some points of interest which are not correct, and which may be assumed to be so because his contacts reported them to him incorrectly....

The events as they transpired have an altogether different meaning to me as the test engineer. I naturally look at the whole situation in a manner quite different from that of a person who would want to fake anything in this test. I have held communications tests which prove to me the validity of an extraterrestrial intelligence. I am therefore in the unique position of examining any new test with many short cuts. In brief, I do not have to check my own honesty, nor do I have to rely on other people's testimony....

Incidentally, I am sorry to see that you and Barker have gotten into a "hassle". Actually, though, you and he both deserved it. One can't expect to circulate half-truths (no matter what the motivation is), and still remain free of the painter's brush. You see, your entire effort in the past seemed to lean toward an expose sheet rather than an effort to report accurately. True, I think you were merely trying to prove your "Earth Theory"; but your publishing of letters without consent, and your unwarranted attack on Adamski and others, have rebounded on you in the form of the recent Barker feud material.

Actually, if it makes you feel any better, you were not hurt by Barker's tirade, and it looks like your bulletin is much better than ever. Get some more articles dealing with the positive results of true research.....Even now, your bulletin seems to have served a purpose, for it is much better than I ever expected to see it!....JOHN OTTO

Chicago, Illinois

Comment on the Hunrath-Wilkinson Article in the April-May Issue

.....Briefly, I feel that you could have done better. I won't quibble, but you have missed the boat: One of my most important disclosures regarding the disappearance was that Hunrath and Wilkinson, as well as nearly every other person active in the metaphysical end of saucer research, believes that he or she is a reincarnate space being. They all have "space names" privately. Al Bailey, Dr. Laughead, George Williamson, Karl Hunrath, Wilbur Wilkinson, and George Van Tassel are all in this category. I am the fallen angel or the ugly duckling, as I have given up for lack of proof....

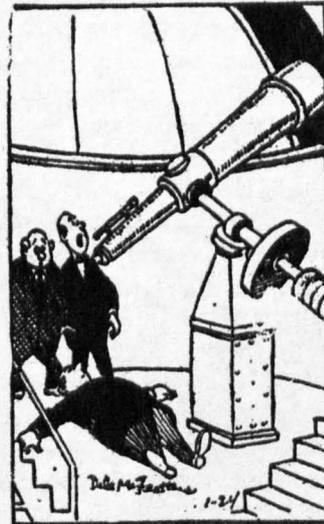
JERROLD BAKER
El Cajon, California

Further Comment on our Adamski Expose

After reading your recent letter, I have decided that it would be wrong of me to judge you and your Adamski Expose on the basis of evidence submitted to me by one man. Thus I have decided to investigate your story for possible merit.....I wish to make it clear to you that I am not for or against Mr. Adamski. Even though your magazine has already committed itself on the Adamski issue, I expect you to publish information I have that is both pro and con....

RICHARD OGDEN, Seattle, Washington

(Some of Mr. Ogden's material will appear in future issues. - Editor.)



'He thought it was an invasion from outer space—a fly lighted on the telescope lens!'

DR. DAVIDSON AND THE WGN CODE
- by Fred Kirsch -

Over the past two years SAUCER NEWS subscribers have been able to read three articles by Dr. Leon Davidson on the subject of the Air Force and flying saucers. Dr. Davidson goes to great lengths to prove the existence of a super-secret government agency that is deeply involved with the flying saucer saga. He is so deeply motivated by his desire to prove this "pet theory" that he becomes very unscientific in his investigations into the matter. While I realize the big job he has undertaken in trying to prove this theory, and his apparently never-ending efforts to do just that, this is no excuse for being unscientific in his investigations. All the facts must be taken into consideration, and the theory should be derived from the facts, not the facts fitted to the theory.

The latest article in Davidson's series appeared in the Feb.-March issue of this magazine. The article concerned the experiments of John Otto in trying to establish communication with our alleged space visitors. Dr. Davidson has conveniently overlooked or brushed off a number of facts that have an important bearing on the matter. I will therefore present these facts in the hope that they will give the reader a better understanding of the whole incident.

Davidson's description of John Otto's experiment is essentially correct. Disk jockey Jim Mills read a pre-arranged script over radio station WGN in Chicago. WGN is a 50,000 watt, clear channel station, of which there are only four in the United States. The script read was an appeal to the "space visitors" to establish communication with the people of Earth. At exactly 11-25 a.m., WGN cut off all microphones for 15 seconds. The carrier remained on, and it was during this 15 second "listening period" that the "space visitors" were requested to cut in on the carrier and speak to all listeners of the program.

The attempt resulted in reports from four people, who said they had heard a loud, teletype-sounding code. Jim Mills had asked for all "earth listeners" to try to make recordings of the program in case the "space visitors" did cooperate. Two of the four people are reported to have made recordings. Of these, the recording by the Maier sisters, who lived only four miles from Otto's home, was the only one that Otto was able to obtain. It is this one recording that has stirred up an endless controversy.

In his article Dr. Davidson gives the false impression that John Otto notified only the Maier sisters previous to the program, and that they were specially selected persons. He adds that the Maier sisters had never recorded any of Otto's programs before and were not regular listeners to Jim Mills' program. All of this only confuses the issue and hides the truth under a false air of mystery. The truth is that no one knew of the attempt previous to the program besides John Otto and Jim Mills. Otto realized this at the last minute and got on the phone to notify his friends and associates. Otto had visited the Maiers several times before, and they had especially requested him to notify them of any coming public broadcasts. It seems that they were making a library of recorded UFO material, and they wanted to record Otto too. Not being able to contact any of his associates at the last minute, Otto thought of the Maiers and called them. The program was already in progress when he reached them. So it was only a matter of a few minutes before the listening period that the Maiers were notified as to what was going on.

Dr. Davidson says that this whole idea of the "space visitors" using the carrier of the radio station is "naive". Such a feat is impossible at this time as determined by our present earthly technology. But if there really

are space visitors, they can't be limited to our earthly technology. And, since the purpose of the experiment was to have the "space visitors" give a message that could be heard by all the WGN listeners, what method is there that is any better than to have them try to utilize the WGN carrier? There is nothing naive about this plan at all.

Dr. Davidson readily goes along with the explanation given by the teletype engineers at the Kleinschmidt Teleprinter Manufacturing Co., who said that the code is "high security government transmission". These engineers were given a copy of the code by Otto, and they attempted to decode it; but they claim to have been told to leave it alone and not to continue trying to decipher it. Dr. Davidson will go along with them immediately, not because the engineers can prove their claims, but because this is what Dr. Davidson wants to believe. He has set out to prove the code a fake in any way he can.

The code itself is actually composed of five channels. This means that it is made up of five different musical tones that vary according to the letter being sent. We are told that this is just like ordinary radio-teletype code. Yes, some radio-teletype code does use five channels, but it is far from ordinary. In fact it is rather uncommon, and most teletype transmissions are composed of fewer channels.

According to the "C.S.I. Newsletter" No. 9, Davidson claims the code in question gives "perfectly normal-looking code message printouts" when fed into a teleprinter machine. Jules St. Germain, who conducted this test, must have been very fortunate indeed, because others have tried the very same thing and didn't get any printout. The code printed only as random noise. Even if the code does give a printout, this does not prove it to be earthly in origin. There are many other factors that would have to be taken into consideration. For a theory to be valid it must explain all the evidence at hand.

In his attempt to track down the source of the code, Davidson corresponded with several government officials. These officials answered on regular 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 11 inch paper, which is slightly larger than that used by our governmental agencies and armed forces. The letters were simple and plain with no reference to the branch of the government that was sending them. These letters were also very civilian-looking, according to Davidson, and regular postage stamps were used on them. The conclusion is then forced upon us that they must be from Davidson's secret saucer agency. Perhaps this is so, but how is it known that this is the secret agency in question? There are probably many secret agencies in the government. Secondly, how do we know it is a secret agency? There isn't enough evidence to prove anything. Just because these letters are not standard government letters, everything is secret and mysterious according to Davidson. Adamski has more evidence that he has talked to people from other worlds than Davidson has to support his theory. Yet Davidson is willing to believe his own theory with far less proof.

In his investigations, Dr. Davidson received a letter from A.T.I.C. saying that they had not received the taped code in question. He therefore concludes, "Thus the tape obviously had not been sent to A.T.I.C. or analyzed by them." Since when did saucer researchers start believing official statements concerning UFO's? If they did, they wouldn't be investigating saucers any more. Yet Dr. Davidson is readily inclined to go along with this statement when he knows very well the falsity of other official statements.

In another official reply from A.T.I.C. Davidson was told that they had checked and found out that the government's analysis confirmed that the recording contains only identifiable Morse code from a known U.S. station. The same thing holds true here. No evidence is given to support the statement. No saucer researcher would be so blind as to accept any Air Force statement on UFO's point blank. Yet Dr. Davidson does so only because A.T.I.C. confirms

what he is trying to prove.

Dr. Davidson has a two-phase program of code authenticity annihilation. First he "proves" it to be teletype, and then he explains how it probably got on the Maier sisters' tape, or in this case, wire. However, he doesn't prove either point beyond his own satisfaction, and he overlooks many contradicting facts because they don't fit his theories.

We are told that a panel truck or car with electronic equipment outside the Maiers' house could easily have transmitted the code into their radio. This is impossible in view of the circumstances. The Maiers were notified by John Otto only minutes before the listening period. How did the people who perpetrated this alleged hoax know that the Maiers were going to record the program? How did they even know about the experiment, since there was no previous publicity? And furthermore, it is technically impossible to do this. As mentioned earlier, WGN is a 50,000 watt, clear channel radio station. During the listening period the carrier remained on. The station was on the air with all its power even though no voices could be heard due to all the microphones being shut off. The code received by the Maiers overlapped the end of the listening period by four seconds. During this time Jim Mills had returned to the air and was completely blocked out. His first 19 words were cut off by the code. There is no known way hoaxers with their own radio equipment could have done this. If they had cut in on the WGN frequency during the listening period, their radio transmitter would have interfered with WGN's. In this case WGN would not be completely blocked, and both stations would be heard at the same time. They would interfere with each other, probably producing garbling and an electronic squeal. Also, if hoaxers were the cause of the code, why didn't other listeners in the neighborhood hear it too? Dr. Davidson overlooks all these points, and in view of these facts, the only possible conclusion is that his explanation is false.

The final clincher is that others over a wide area heard the code too. Four different cases of reception in widely separated locations are known. Obviously, these cases rule out Dr. Davidson's theory as to the cause of the code. How does he avoid this contradicting evidence? Davidson says that since these other three people presented no recordings so that a positive comparison could be made, therefore this evidence has to be discarded. However, comparisons were made, and one other party besides the Maiers did record the code, and it was identical. This person so highly praised what he had received that he refused to give a copy to John Otto, but the code was the same. The others also described in words what they had heard, and the actual recording was then played for them. They then absolutely identified the Maiers' code as being identical to what they had received. Since some of these persons were several hundred miles from Chicago, the theory of hoaxers and a radio transmitter is again ruled out. If a transmitter operated by some hoaxer had been used, as Davidson claims, then it would have been heard by everyone within the known maximum range of the transmitter. This would have meant thousands of listeners. But this was not the case, for only a few heard it. Also, how do we know that only four people received the code? Just because four said they had received it, this is no reason for assuming that there were only four.

Perhaps the reason for Dr. Davidson's intense efforts to explain away the code at all costs is that the real method in which it was received is apparently beyond our comprehension. It is very difficult, if not impossible, to understand the actions of a race far in advance of our own. Space men cannot be limited to our earthly technology. Maybe someone on another planet has perfected a method of transmission that is completely selective. Only those that are intended to receive will receive. The idea is not incomprehensible. It could very easily be something similar to thought transmission. There is

limited evidence supporting this theory, such as reception of strange signals in a completely shielded test laboratory and reception of other strange signals with units that weren't operating at the time and had all power disconnected. I won't go into details, but I am sure any electronic technician could explain the significance of the two above-mentioned incidents. Who knows what some race in advance of our own might be capable of? Only time will tell.

In conclusion let me say that Dr. Davidson is due some credit. He did actively investigate on his own. This is a lot more than many saucer researchers do. He did run into an unusual official run-around. His article did present some good information, but it didn't prove a thing. There are two sides to this story, and neither should be stressed as final at this time. I have not been trying to prove that the code is interplanetary in origin. I say only that it is unexplainable, and Dr. Davidson's explanations are far from adequate. There is no final answer yet, and until one is found, let's leave the book open.

RATIONALISM IN UFOLOGY

- by Richard Hall -

A look at UFO periodicals today shows that Rationalists are running wild in the field of ufology. A Rationalist, in the philosophic sense, is one who believes that reason alone, unaided by observation, can provide knowledge about objective phenomena such as UFO's. Reason, of course, is a wonderful faculty, but it can only analyze facts and uncover possible explanations unless used in conjunction with empirical observation. The possibilities uncovered may be very interesting, but they are not facts.

The UFO Rationalists have dreamed up systems which appear to explain UFO's. These appearances, however, are deceptive because the explanations are empty. They tell us nothing new, nothing tangible, nothing subject to verification in case we want to check up on it. The dangers of Rationalism are obvious. Such systems, often offered in all sincerity, are mistakenly presented as being empirical fact. Actually, unlike scientific explanation (which combines empirical data with logical analysis) there is no logical necessity for accepting a rationalistic statement of fact in preference to any one of an infinite number of other possible statements. Rationalism and science are opposing methods of explanation.

To illustrate the failings of Rationalism, I will analyze some quotations from the writings of Dr. Meade Layne of BSRA, which appear in the bulletin of the Vancouver, B. C. Flying Saucer Club (Dec. 1957.) The following remarks should not be construed as a personal attack on Mr. Layne, but rather as an analysis of some typical Rationalist reasoning. It is unfortunate that well-intentioned men, as Rationalists frequently are, make hasty statements of "fact" which cannot be justified. We are all eager for answers, but we will not get true ones by leaping off into speculation.

Mr. Layne refers to UFO's as "etheric ships". That would be a perfectly acceptable name-tag if it were not soon apparent that "etheric" is supposed to be actually referring to a real place from which the UFO's come. A name, however, does not endow a concept with physical reality by virtue of being spoken or written.

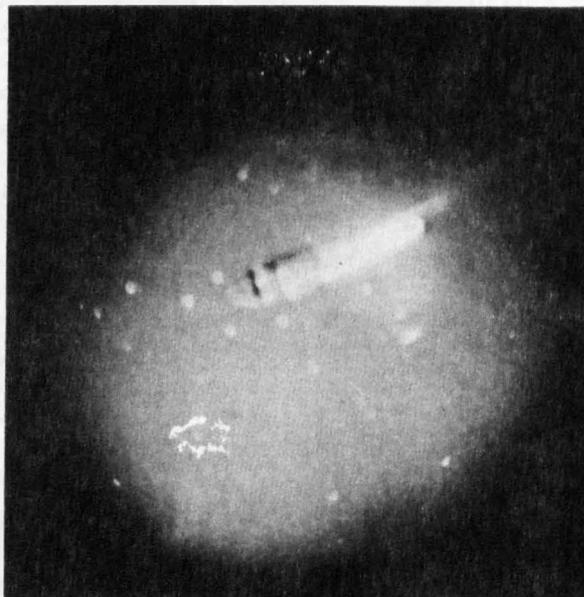
What are the UFO's? They are "etheric ships". Where do they come from? From "the Etheric Plane, or Etheric level.....(or) Etheria." Who flies them? "The Etherians". Would it be sacrilegious to ask just where Etheria is and what evidence there is for its existence in the first place? It would be just as enlightening and just as meaningful to say that the UFO's are "glopic ships" which come from the "Glopic Plane" or "Glopovia". They are, of course,

piloted by "Globovians". The words "etheric" and "plane" appear to have been chosen deliberately for their previous mystical connotations and emotional content. Mr. Layne has not discovered a new kind or place of existence. He has only provided a deceptive rationalistic "explanation" for UFO's deriving from the vague usage of language. Subjective language, capable of personal interpretations, is not the language of science.

One might reason like this: UFO's exist; therefore they must have come from somewhere. Let's call that somewhere "Etheria". Unless Mr. Layne can furnish evidence of what and where it is, however, he has added nothing new to our knowledge. The fact that Mr. Layne and others insist on calling in imaginary "dimensions" also makes them suspect. It has not been demonstrated that UFO's do not originate in the physical universe as we see it, so why all the haste to make them "non-physical" (whatever that might be?) The fact that empirical science has not explained UFO's satisfactorily does not mean that it cannot explain them. The assumptions underlying the other-dimensional explanations are many, but the worst are those which assume that appearances are realities. A UFO "disappears suddenly" and is said to have "dematerialized". There are possible scientific explanations for such observations, but the Rationalists are too eager to invoke "other planes of existence".

The Rationalist seldom distinguishes clearly between his allegations of fact and his speculations. That is what makes his remarks so unpalatable at times. Mr. Layne goes on to give the impression that he has talked to the Etherians. "Their purpose was simply to observe and study the situation and the state of humanity..."; "Our weapons have become a menace to the Etherians themselves."; "(They are) mainly indifferent toward us."; etc.

Taking "Etherians" to be a name-tag for the Space Men and not a reference to a real place, and taking the above quotations to be conjecture, some people might accept Mr. Layne's work as a reasonable study; but it is not fact, and not to be confused with science. In my opinion, it is questionable whether any progress will be made in understanding UFO's as long as rationalistic conjecture displaces and delays scientific inquiry. It is the curse of Ufology that Rationalists are all too eager to take part, while scientists are notoriously reluctant.



The above photos, allegedly of flying saucers, were taken recently by Ralph Nicholson of Patterson, N.J. The one on the right was taken through a telescope.

SAUCERS AND THE INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR

- by John W. Corman -

Foremost in the minds of all saucer researchers and enthusiasts today should be speculation on what effect the International Geophysical Year (IGY) may have on the saucer situation as it stands at present, and the possible effect that the saucers themselves may have on the IGY.

In his article "Saucers on the I.G.Y. List?", in the November 1957 issue of "Flying Saucers from Other Worlds", Ray Palmer hints that the real reason for the IGY is the study of saucers and of ways to defend ourselves against them in the event that they prove to be hostile. Palmer further wonders about the sudden cooperation between Russian and American scientists participating in the IGY. He infers that perhaps our nation is teaming up with the Russians against a common enemy from Outer Space.

This may be true, but in view of programs similar to the IGY in the past, and since Palmer offers no conclusive proof to support his suppositions, his conclusion seems improbable. As far back as 1882 scientists the world over made the first organized assault on the mysteries of the earth. During this period (1882-1883), known as the First International Polar Year, simultaneous expeditions were sent into the Arctic and Antarctic. These expeditions brought back new knowledge about the earth's magnetic field and the aurora.

Fifty years later scientists decided that techniques and instruments had improved sufficiently to warrant another assault. During the Second International Polar Year from 1932 to 1933, expeditions to the earth's polar regions uncovered facts about electromagnetic radiation that eventually led to such electronic advances as radar.

The IGY was first conceived on April 5, 1950 by physicist Lloyd V. Berkner at an informal meeting of several American scientists at the home of James A. Van Allen in Silver Springs, Maryland. Dr. Berkner suggested that a major international scientific effort should be made during 1957-58, since many scientific questions about the earth and its atmosphere urgently needed investigation. Also the sun would be entering a sunspot cycle in 1957-58, and another chance to study sunspots and their effects on the earth wouldn't come again until 1970, when the sunspot cycle would again reach a peak. This suggestion was rapidly taken up by many scientists, and after a discussion by the Joint Committee on the Ionosphere at Brussels, Belgium, a resolution was presented to the International Council of Scientific Unions that a third international effort similar to the First and Second International Polar Years should be made.

The International Council of Scientific Unions accepted the responsibility for such a program in 1951 and a Comite Special de l'Anne Geophysique Internationale (Special Committee for the International Geophysical Year) was set up, which included representatives from many scientific groups. A period from July 1957 to December 1958 was designated as the IGY. The name was changed from the traditional Polar Year to Geophysical Year because not only the polar regions but the entire earth and its atmosphere and interplanetary surroundings were to be studied.

At present more than 10,000 scientists from 67 nations, located at 2,000 stations from pole to pole, are participating in the IGY. Subjects such as accurate weather forecasting, weather changes due to melting ice at the poles, radiation, as well as hundreds of other phenomena, are being intensively studied. New techniques and devices such as electronic computers, radar, radio astronomy, rockets, and radioisotope dating, are greatly aiding and improving these studies.

Palmer's claim that all this is a cover-up solely for the secret investigation of flying saucers seems highly improbable. It is very likely that saucers are being unceremoniously studied along with other phenomena, and that scientists have been told discretely to be on the lookout for strange aerial objects and to quietly report any such objects to their respective governments.

Whether or not a definite effort to study saucers in conjunction with the IGY is being made, one thing is fairly certain: Since the earth is literally being scanned from top to bottom during the IGY, a saucer is bound to show up somewhere and be observed by a scientist possessing modern equipment; and this could reveal new facts about the elusive disks.

Something of this sort may occur (or perhaps has already occurred) in one of the following fields:

(1) Astronomy - Telescopic or radio-telescopic observations may detect flights of UFO's in space or clear up some of the mysteries surrounding the canals on Mars or the changing craters and strange lights that have been seen on the Moon.

(2) Meteorology - Studies of the atmosphere could reveal new information about mirages, cloud formations, and temperature inversions, which probably account for a large percentage of saucer sightings. Also studies of the aurora will bring new insight into this strange electrical phenomenon. (Already one of the discoveries of the IGY has been that the aurora occurs simultaneously at both the North and South Poles.) This may aid in clarifying the possibility that some UFO's are merely balls of St. Elmo's fire or some similar freakish electrical phenomenon. These studies might also establish that saucers are powered or protected by electrical or magnetic forces.

(3) Oceanography - Peering into the briny deep, scientists may find evidence that highly advanced civilizations such as Atlantis or Lemuria once existed and sank beneath the sea. (Studies in archaeology and glaciology may also turn up such evidence.) Perhaps someone will come across new and possibly intelligent forms of sea life which have lurked unseen in the depths of the oceans for eons.

(4) Exploration - Bases being established in the Arctic and Antarctic may lead to the discovery of something that will substantiate the theory that saucers are landing or approaching the earth by way of the polar regions because the earth's rotation is slower in these areas than in any other place, or because our magnetic field is strongest in these regions.

(5) Gravity and Geomagnetism - Basic research into the mysterious forces that bind the universe together may bring startling revelations which will outdate our present concepts of matter and energy, and which may reveal new methods of propulsion which the saucers are harnessing even now. (Recently the Glen L. Martin Co., prime contractor for the Air Force's ICBM Titan, announced that they are under contract with the Government to do research on gravity as a means of aircraft propulsion.)

(6) Upper Atmosphere Rocket Studies - The man-made satellites that are now and soon will be circling the earth, are just the first step in an attempt that will eventually take Mankind outward to the farthest stars. Upper atmosphere research using these satellites, as well as balloons and rockets, will bring a better understanding of the void from which the saucers may be coming, and pave the way for the day when Man will set foot on the planet from which the saucers come (assuming that saucers are of interplanetary origin.)

Whether anything as startling or important as the possibilities just described will occur is uncertain, and if something of the sort does happen, the possibility of the general public learning about it immediately is almost non-existent; for many great discoveries will probably be kept secret

in the interest of national security. However, a summary report of the first five months of the IGY (July through November, 1957), prepared by Hugh Odishaw, Executive Director of the United States program for the IGY, and made public on January 17th, 1958, revealed many interesting facts. Among other things, it stated:

(1) From 110 American rocket firings during the first five months of the IGY it was learned that the temperature and pressure of the upper air varies greatly with latitude, season and time of day. This suggests that the density of the upper atmosphere is influenced by the sun.

(2) Bursts of X-rays from the sun are now believed to form radio-absorbing layers at the base of the ionosphere, which cause radio blackouts.

(3) A series of electric currents has been found to be circling the earth in the upper atmosphere. In particular, there is an "electrojet" girdling the geomagnetic equator.

(4) Whistlers - low-frequency radio sounds seeming to originate in lightning flashes- have been found to follow high-arching lines of the earth's magnetic field, which take them thousands of miles out into space before returning to Earth. This seems to indicate the presence of a thin atmosphere in space - possibly an extension of the sun's own atmosphere.

(5) The amount of oxygen dissolved in the water of the South Atlantic has uniformly decreased during the past thirty years. It is believed that this is caused by a slowing of deep water replacement, which is the result of - or prelude to - climatic change.

(6) Seismic soundings have shown that the ice sheet covering Antarctica is far thicker than was formerly supposed. In some areas, well "inland", the rock floor beneath the ice was found to be far below sea level, while the ice surface was 5,000 feet or more above sea level. Cores of ancient Antarctic ice have been extracted intact from a depth of 2,200 feet below the surface.

These early findings do not seem to bear any direct relationship to flying saucers, but it will be several years before the IGY observations can be thoroughly checked and their significance fully realized. In the meanwhile they give one something to speculate on during the remaining months of the IGY, which will probably bring even more important discoveries.

In any case it must be remembered that whatever the immediate developments are, the information gathered during Man's first International Geophysical Year will eventually lead us to a better - though perhaps still incomplete - understanding of the nature of the saucers and their reasons for being here.

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YOU TOO CAN SEE A FLYING SAUCER!

- by Justin Case -

Would you like to see flying saucers? Do you want to meet and talk with visitors from other planets, or even take a ride in one of their space ships? You can do so quite easily. In fact, the less educated and the more simple-minded you are, the easier it is for you to do all this. But there is considerable danger involved, as you shall soon see.

Most of us are familiar with hypnosis, in which the hypnotist gains control over some person's mind (the person is hereafter called the subject), and makes him do many things that the subject could not or would not do when in his right senses. The subject sees, feels, hears, smells, and tastes whatever the hypnotist tells him to, even though there is nothing there. To the subject the imaginary becomes the real. He will even harm himself or commit crimes against others, so completely is he under the hypnotist's control, and he will be totally unaware of what he did, unless the hypnotist chooses to tell him afterwards.

The dangers of this form of hypnotism are obvious. About one person in five can be hypnotized. Some people are so susceptible that they can be hypnotized by a recorded voice, or over the telephone, or even against their will. To protect such people, some countries have outlawed the practice of hypnotism except by licensed practitioners, and then only for legitimate purposes.

But there is another and much more dangerous form of hypnotism that is of special interest to us. It is dangerous because it cannot be outlawed, for it is beyond any governmental control. This is called auto-suggestion, or self-hypnosis, in which the subject puts himself into somewhat the same mental state as if he were hypnotized by someone else. A common name for this state of mind is day-dreaming, and many people indulge in it without realizing how disastrous it might become.

Such people are usually seeking an escape from the harsh, disagreeable realities of life. They are little people who want to be great, timid souls who want to be heroes, obscure individuals who want fame, troubled people who want peace. They start off by creating in their own minds the kind of world they want. They picture themselves as being what they wish to be, doing the things they want to do, and getting the things they desire. This is such an easy and pleasant process that the subject indulges in these day dreams more and more frequently. Gradually he begins to spend more time in his dream world than in the real world. As time goes by, the imaginary world becomes more and more real. Eventually the subject lives in it entirely, and he cannot consciously return to the real world. When that happens he has lost all contact with the real world, he has lost all control over his own mind, and is ready for the lunatic asylum. That is why self-hypnosis, or auto-suggestion, or day-dreaming, is dangerous.

Since they live in worlds which they have created to their own special order, lunatics are usually quite happy people. Often they are harmless. But sometimes their day-dreaming is of the more frightening type, full of horror and terror, and such people end up as raving maniacs who are apt to harm themselves and others. Thus any form of day-dreaming or self-hypnotism, if carried too far, will lead to disaster.

It is only in the last few decades that psychologists have begun to investigate and understand the widespread practice of self-hypnotism, its causes and effects. They have begun to establish "mental health" clinics. It may shock some of us to learn that two out of every three patients in our hospitals are suffering from some form of mental illness, in which the

patient cannot readily distinguish the imaginary from the real.

It may also shock us to learn that psychologists believe that many biblical characters whom we have been taught to revere were most probably victims of self-hypnotism. These psychologists also attribute many psychic phenomena to the same thing.

What all this means is that any person can make himself see anything he wishes, if he persists long enough and does not realize the dangers of what he is doing. The less educated and the more simple-minded he is, the harder it is for him to distinguish between the imaginary and the real. He can very easily drift into day-dreaming, in which he can have visions of angels and cherubs, of chariots in the sky, of giants and dragons, of fairies and leprechauns, of ghosts and goblins, of devils and imps, and of voluptuous women. He can see people living or dead, and witness events of the past or future. He can hear voices, talk to people, and go on journeys. If flying saucers are of particular interest to him, he can in time see them, talk to their occupants, who will appear to be whatever he wants them to be, and he will even go for a ride inside their space ships. When he becomes convinced that all these hallucinations are real, he is then ready to be visited - not by the three men in black suits in Gray Barker's book, but by men in white suits, who will take him to the nearest lunatic asylum.

It should be clearly understood that all people who have hallucinations or who indulge in day-dreaming, are not headed for lunacy. Normal children often have hallucinations. Adults with child-like minds have them about as often. Normal adults also have hallucinations sometimes, but usually only when they are under great emotional stress such as fear, grief, anger, or hate, or when they are physically exhausted, or under the influence of intoxicants or narcotics. Hallucinations and day-dreams are not dangerous until they become very frequent and persist for long periods of time. Then there is danger of lunacy unless prompt psychiatric treatment is obtained.

Intelligent people are aware of the widespread practice of self-hypnotism and its effects and dangers. That is why they are skeptical of reports of very unusual events, especially those seen by simple-minded people of little education. That is also why the Air Force was prone to attribute so many UFO sightings to hallucinations; and that is why intelligent people who witnessed unusual UFO sightings were reluctant to publicize them. They themselves were not too sure of what they had seen or thought they had seen, and they feared ridicule.

On the other hand, simple-minded people and those with little education fully believe all UFO reports and even the "contact stories", not realizing that the reports and stories could easily be hallucinations, i.e., the products of self-hypnotism.

All this shows the importance of knowing the intelligence and education of a UFO observer before deciding how much to believe his story. Unfortunately, the most unusual UFO reports and contact stories in flying saucer literature have been written by people who appear to be limited in education and intelligence. These stories have obvious flaws in them, which cast doubt on their veracity. The above discussion tends to indicate that some of these writers are honest, sincere people who are probably and unknowingly victims of their own self-hypnotism. Other writers are hoaxers bent on cashing in on the credulity of simple-minded people. Still other stories are fabrications whose authors have repeated them so often that they have convinced themselves. This is another form of self-hypnotism.

In any event, you too can make yourself see flying saucers that are not there, but this article should convince you it is a rather dangerous procedure. So stop before you go too far!

EXTRATERRESTRIALISM AS AN HISTORICAL DOCTRINE

Part Two - Section One

- by Y. N. ibn Aharon, B.D., STM -

In the last section of this series, I spoke of the many races which contributed to the ethnographic history of the Earth. In this article, I am going to restrict myself to a discussion of the relationship between the men of the Inner Race, and our own forebearers. The Chaldeans associated this Inner Race with Venus, called Ishtar and Shakhra, the Morning Star, and they designated them as "Those to whom Venus gave birth" at many points in their liturgy. Whether these Shakhra were indeed Venusians is a point which I shall not endeavor to settle. A discussion of the additional complicating factors which enter into a final disposition of this problem is to be found in Immanuel Velikovsky's documentation on the identity of the planet Venus. This is to be found in his book, "When Worlds Collide", published by Doubleday.

Whether or not they were Venusians, it is certain that they were highly capable on the individual level, and that their personal self-esteem was quite that which we would attribute to a deity. In the face of such magnificence, early Man, who was but a wretched creature, could only tremble and make his obeisance. After the rise of human civilization, however, relations were on a more nearly equal level, with the human plutocracy holding its own with good consistency toward the plutocrats from Beyond.

A conservative dating for the beginnings of organized culture among Earth Men is 27,000 B.C. The small groups of men who followed the luminescent marvidaya (magic carpets) toward the more suitable hunting grounds, gradually became a closely-knitted social organization, which had no further need for encouragement from the extraterrestrials, insofar as solidarity was concerned. Each able-bodied man was born with a hate for his compeers; Early social groupings were based upon a struggle for ascendancy among the younger men of the group, presided over by an Old Man, who might be thirty years old or thereabouts. The guidance provided by the extraterrestrials somehow encouraged the coalescence of this older hatred into a new one; The despite of one young man for another became the enmity of one tribe for another - and the degree of brotherly love within each tribe was food for the optimists who had in mind the abolition of strife between brother and brother, between man and man.

Over a period of thousands of years, the tribal groupings slowly learned to seek out their own food and sustenance. The luxuriant tropical forests made it unnecessary for them to fight one another, and the extraterrestrials had instructed them in a common language and worship. As a result of this situation, tribes in several different geographic areas formed confederations, at a period which we may almost certainly date as 11,000 B.C. Three of these confederations are well known: that of the South Central Pacific, that of East Central Africa, and that of South Central Asia. These are called Rada, Talantu (Atlantis), and Dravidaya, respectively, in Aramaic. Other less unified tribal confederations existed in America and in the Mediterranean region. The three I have named, however, rose to great heights of unity, and devoted the fruits of their peace and plenty to the purposes of learning. They lived lives which had much in the way of machinery for regimentation, but little of its practice. The reins of state were kept out of unsuitable hands by a small but brilliant group of men, who must be numbered among the most capable that our race has ever produced. They are known as the Priests of the Wisdom. In Sanskrit they are called Naga, and in Aramaic they are known as the Nogah, which is also the word for Venus. In this collective sense, the word might be translated as illuminati.

The Priests of the Wisdom governed the greater part of our Earth

for the two thousand years immediately preceding the Great Deluge of 9,000 B.C. (N.B: In this respect, I do not agree with Velikovsky, who rejects Plato's statement, on the grounds that small numbers seem larger as we grow older.) So crucial was the period of their rule that it left traces in the governmental structures and philosophical systems of the greater part of the human race for thousands of years after their power had been washed away by the waters of the Great Deluge. The office of af'fir in the religious congregations of the Eastern Christian sects, various masonic offices, the institution of the papacy, the lama, the inca, and the dragon cults, all hark back to the sceptered servants of the people, who were the priests of Talantu (Atlantis.)

The religious nature of their successors is misleading, however. Religion as we know it is a very late manifestation, and although early Man did worship the Beings from upon High, yet the Priests of the confederated tribes worshipped no one; They dealt and quibbled with our neighbors in space in much the same way as we might deal and quibble with the emissary of an influential foreign power. The Patriachs of Chaldea took over this democratic etiquette, and were accepted as the successors of Atlantis by the entire Western branch of the post-diluvian survivors. The position of power was no longer a live issue, and the regrets of the extraterrestrials left their policy indeterminate. Certain individuals found themselves regarded as gods by incipient groups, whose philosophy and spirit of schism was inconsistent with the fallen civilization of the Priests of the Wisdom; and the Priests of Chaldea railed against these presumptuous outsiders, and begged them not to interfere in the affairs of a race already made unhappy in an attempt to cope with forces greater than itself.

The extraterrestrials had not cared to master the physical forces which surround Man, and their natural interests lay with the different forces which controlled their own movements. Certain members of the Inner Race did cooperate in the construction of experimental stations and preserves to the south of the Bharati region, but they were there in a consultative capacity, and never attempted anything more than the simple adoption of the most utilitarian of their magic devices for the use of the earth people. The physics of the Priests, meanwhile, developed along the lines of research contained in the concept of mantrarhat - the flow of generated force. This Sanskrit term is rendered into Aramaic by the phrase rukha shakhintu, and is the subject of the voluminous series of essays on practical physics bearing the name of Mar Antinogion. Some of these are closely related to the Sanskrit works of the Tattva and Tantra schools, and others resemble the Lepcha and dbu-chan codices of the southeastern lamaseries. The system of schematic diagrams, while inadequate, is better than that used by either the Egyptians or the Greeks for their architectural programs; and as great as were the monuments of those sparse notations, I need not hint at the conceptual and mechanistical grandeur of these more ample sources.

The Chaldeans had nothing to say about twenty-seven foot tall Lemurians, and they were dubious about the towers of Atlantis, but their tradition is highly sensitive to those who would find the faults of lesser mortals in the ranks of the Priesthood of the Wisdom. The average human of those days could visit the nearby planets with ease, and he was acquainted with terrestrial geography at first hand. There was only one language to study, but literature was as broad a pursuit then as now; The lack of linguistic variety was compensated for by an abundance of forms. Their poetry, for example, could demand rhyme or assonance at both ends of a line, or at any point in the middle. And the greatest masters of that craft have left us specimens of Aramaic poetry which gives the appearance of rhyming when read aloud, but in actuality has no visible cause for this effect, either gramatically or phonetically.

The creed of this priesthood and its following was that an increase in perception is the purpose of life. Everything they did was directed toward this end. So intense was the spirituality of many of these groups that there was some problem about keeping up the population to the point of genetic safety. Evidently, Jehova and his "Be fruitful and multiply" had not yet appeared on the scene.

The themes of the art and architecture of this priesthood and its followers were essential in their simplicity, but they cannot be confused with the overtly simple themes of genuinely primitive art, nor is any sensitive person liable to confuse the two. The distinction between the truly civilized, the frankly uncivilized, and that which bears but the veneer of civilization, is too plain to be ignored by anyone who has a shekel to give for the resuscitation and continuation of civilized endeavor. The evidences of Atlantean culture, insofar as art forms are concerned, are to be found for the most part in the collections of the Sangha and of the Alkhaya yat-Amita, which maintains the great academies at Yesub al Beir and Sawdauth. The NaaCal collection of the Nagas is supplementary, as are the DaGaNi and the Talatacan. Carven models of space craft and marvidi are to be found in these places, and in many private collections. The idea of the "godhead" on the prow of a traveling craft was, to begin with, an aesthetic device for covering the relatively cumbersome and certainly unbeautiful mass of weighted lead, which was required to work in harmony with the carbon stubs, which in turn were used to hold down the copper coilings at the other end of the ship.

The destruction of this splendor is a melancholy subject, and only limitations of space force me to be so brief in my statements about it. The sociological factors were, in my opinion, secondary. The Chaldeans blamed the extraterrestrials for not taking a more active role in technological development, and were wont to call the whole thing an accident. But the priest of Hathor would go to the coast of Nubia on the years of the Cycle of the Six, and he would stand up, and he would call out, "It is my victory, O Tathanu, and since you would escape beyond the seas, I called them from their resting place to follow you, and - Woe is me! They did follow, and they brought with them the surface of the earth." On this basis, the more realistic school of historians has come to suspect that the founders of Egypt were descended from a group which had picked a quarrel with the forefathers of the white priests who went fleeing beyond the eastern seas. "And long were their ears, and great was their mind, and good was their end, - but we stopped them." This is the creed of the ascendancy of the black priests during the dawn dynasties of the two Egypts.

In the next installment, we will explore the era of the migrations, and the continuation of the traditions of the Patriarchs and the Pharoahs, as seen in the careers of Moses and Abraham.

(Editor's Note: Due to space limitations, Mr. Aharon has omitted all footnotes from the above article. Any readers who would like to have this list of footnotes should write to the Editor requesting same. These requests will then be passed on to Mr. Aharon.)

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SAUCER WITH HIEROGLYPHICS FOUND IN ENGLAND (See photo on cover):

This story is a bit out of date, but it should be new to most of our American readers: In December of last year, three men found a small flying saucer with strange writing on it on a moor near Yorkshire, England. The men were driving up a steep hill on the moor one night, when the engine of their car suddenly cut out. According to their report to the newspapers, they then saw a glowing object in the sky above some nearby trees. The object appeared to fall to the ground. One of the men, named Hutton, then took a flashlight and went out to locate it, and having done so, he returned to the car to tell his friends. On the way back to the car, he passed a man and woman on a little-used path. When he returned to the spot on the moor where he had located the object a few minutes before, it was no longer there. It subsequently developed that this other man, who is not identified by name in the papers, had picked up the mysterious object, and Hutton and his friends eventually bought it from him for \$28. They then lent it to another unnamed man whom they believed to be an authority on flying saucers.

The base of this mysterious saucer-shaped object is made of copper. It is double-skinned, with a metal coating about $\frac{3}{16}$ th of an inch thick. It has two vent holes in the top, with scorch marks around them. A shaft runs through the middle, and with a flashlight it is possible to look into the interior. Therein is found some copper tubing about a quarter of an inch in diameter coiled around a metal cylinder. Also inside is a powdery substance of some kind. The object is strongly made, and if it is a mere hoax, it must have cost the hoaxter a fairly large amount of money to construct it.

There are hieroglyphics on the outside of the saucer, and when the object was taken apart, 17 thin copper sheets similar to tin foil in texture were found inside it in the form of a book. The above-mentioned flying saucer authority claims to have translated the outside message as follows: "Friends. Message inside to be dealt with by philosophers, not officials. Good wishes. Ulo." The inside message, written on these 17 copper sheets, begins as follows: "My name is Ulo, and I write this message to you, my friends on the planet of the sun you call earth. Where I live I will not say. You are a fierce race, and prepare for space travel...." The man who made this translation was quoted as saying, "I accept this as a message, but I don't accept that it comes from another planet. I think it was devised as a method of presenting certain ideas to the public - either by way of propoganda or advice. It may have come from a body of scientists, who, if they tried to put over their message in a normal way, might be guilty of a breach of trust." We of SAUCER NEWS are inclined to agree in general with this interpretation, assuming that the saucer is not an outright hoax after all.

HAUNTED HOUSE ON LONG ISLAND: It's a relief to know that New York area residents don't have to go to England any more to see a good old-fashioned haunted house. Now we have one right here in the town of Seaford, Long Island, New York. Numerous February newspaper accounts state that bottles have been blowing their corks, objects have been jumping around, apparently by teleportation, and other strange things have been happening - all of which have done little if any good to the nervous system of James Hermann, the house's unfortunate owner. Police, working on the theory that the phenomena might be caused by warm air and hot gas backing down the chimney flue, decided to put a cap on the chimney; but this relieved the situation only temporarily. Hermann and his family moved out for a few days while this work was being done, but when they came back the phenomena started again. All sorts of help-

ful amateurs and professionals have visited the home and witnessed the strange occurrences, but none have been able to help. Said Nassau County police, in despair, "What can we do except watch the furniture fly by?" They hastily added, however, that the matter is still "under investigation", and the mischief maker - whatever it may be - is going to be tracked down even if it takes a long time.

FLYING SAUCER CAPTURED ON FILM IN HAWAII: One of the very rare instances of genuine flying saucers being caught on movie film seems to have occurred in Hawaii last January, when Cliff DeLacy, a 23-year-old college student from Vallejo, California, shot 90 seconds of film. DeLacy saw nine UFO's flashing across the sky, and immediately grabbed his camera. He was careful enough to shoot the tops of nearby trees, to give viewers a reference as to the height and relative speed of the unknown objects. To the untrained observer, the UFO's appear to be about 3 or 4 miles away from the camera, flying at an altitude of 7,000 to 8,000 feet, and burning up the airplanes at a speed slightly greater than that of a jet. The silvery globules appear to be no more than 20 feet in diameter. They are spherical, and no tail fins or other protrusions of any kind are visible. The film, in color, is said to be clear and to show at least two of the nine UFO's in considerable detail. If this is true, then it is by far the best of the less than half dozen genuine saucer movies known to be in existence.

MORE ABOUT THE ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN: Our old friend the Abominable Snowman of the Himalayas is back in the news again. In the April-May issue we related how A.G. Pronin, a member of a Russian scientific expedition, claims to have spotted the mysterious "Yeti" or Snowman twice last summer. Now we have new information about Pronin's expedition, to the effect that a Snowman is believed to have stolen a rubber boat belonging



Flying saucers orbiting around Paris' Eiffel Tower? Actually, the gleaming discs are reflections of lamps and their shades in a window of the Palais de Chaillot, through which this unretouched picture was taken.

to the Russian team. The boat was found a month later three miles upstream, and on the other side of a waterfall. - Several new expeditions in search of the Yeti are scheduled for this year. A Russian team will return to the area, and two American expeditions as well as one British group are expected to join the hunt. A late report states that one of these expeditions has already photographed several of the Snowman's footprints. - Finally, from Northern Nepal, comes the most interesting story of all. The Rajah of Mustang is said to be in possession of a complete Abominable Snowman skin. A newspaper in that area has published a report from the Rajah saying that the skin, which is six feet long and blackish in color, is expected to be taken soon to the Nepalese capital. The Yeti was found dead - presumably killed by another animal.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN OHIO: Frank Dolence of Willoughby, Ohio, made a very good saucer sighting last April 1st, but was reluctant to report it, as he was afraid no one would believe him on April Fool's Day. While driving home from work at 4 a.m., he saw an object that seemed to be about 60 feet high, 30 to 40 feet across the top, 20 to 30 feet across the bottom, and shaped like an ice cream cone. It was an unusual color, between orange and red, and glowed like nothing he had ever seen before. "It appeared to be 200 feet in the air," said Dolence. "When I drove a little further down the street I couldn't see it any more, so I drove back to my original position and it came into sight again. By that time the object was much further away, to the west." Later that night Dolence drove back to the spot with his wife and daughter, but by that time the object had disappeared.

NEWS BRIEFS: A new top-secret U. S. weapon, called Pluto, is said to have many of the characteristics of a flying saucer. Although most details about it are still classified, it is known that both nuclear and ram-jet propulsion will be employed, to give this missile virtually unlimited range, exceptional control, and other unique qualities.....On Feb. 7th a two-foot-long rocket crashed into a street in Naples, Italy, causing widespread panic. The missile tore a gaping hole three feet wide and three feet deep in the street. Authorities said that the object was obviously of foreign origin, but its exact nature remained unsolved. No aircraft were in the vicinity at the time.... Two women received mild burns from a UFO on Feb. 21st, while driving their car on a New Mexico highway. The saucer gave off two brilliant flashes of light, which caused the burns. After a preliminary Geiger counter check disclosed the possibility of radioactivity, the women decided to have a thorough laboratory test. - The flash was seen in a six-state area.....A new mystery in England, probably unrelated to flying saucers but nevertheless interesting, concerns a number of London pigeons that have been dying for no apparent reason; A spokesman for the British Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was quoted as saying, "The cause of death is unknown, despite two post-mortem examinations by our chief veterinary officer and his assistant. They say they have found no sign of poison. At the moment it is baffling, and we are deeply concerned".....

A piece of equipment believed to be from a Russian rocket or Sputnik fell last Jan. 8th on a farm in northern Japan. A spokesman for the Japanese Defense Ministry described the instrument as "more complicated" than those usually carried by weather balloons. Radio specialists from the Ministry were flown from Tokyo to investigate....Another mystery missile hit a train running from Crewe to Birmingham in England recently, and smashed a window. No one inside the train was able to find the object that caused the window to shatter.Literally gallons of water poured from the ceiling of a house in Birmingham (England) on a rainless day last February. The strange indoor rain lasted

for several hours on two successive days. Investigating authorities were unable to offer any reasonable explanation....Police armed with machine guns and dynamite recently formed a search party to look for a sea monster in Guanabara Bay, near Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. A lifeguard described the sea serpent as "a monster with the neck of a giraffe, humps on its back, and a long tail."..... An extremely important Air Force statement released in April gives a summary of conclusions reached by a panel of scientists regarding UFO's. The conclusions read in part as follows: "That the evidence presented on Unidentified Flying Objects shows no indication that these phenomena constitute a direct physical threat to national security. We firmly believe that there is no residuum of cases which indicate phenomena which are attributable to foreign (aircraft)....and that there is no evidence that the phenomena indicate a need for the revision of current scientific concepts." As in earlier Air Force statements, the clear implication is that saucers do exist and are American-made....

The British are now taking the Loch Ness Monster more seriously. A party of six Scottish underwater swimmers equipped with special underwater cameras went to the Loch in mid-June, and a total of more than 30 amateur divers were expected to join in the search, according to a preliminary report we have received. Plans for this search were made after the monster was spotted visually and by underwater sound equipment in early June.....The town of Biggleswade, England, was subjected to a series of saucer hoaxes over a period of months by a mechanic who finally confessed his stunt voluntarily. The hoaxter, named Frank Russell, built a contraption consisting of lights, a balloon, and fireworks, which when released at night gave the appearance of a flying saucer for several seconds. He would then retrieve his device and use it again when the spirit moved him. British authorities are undecided as to whether to prosecute or not....English scientists are baffled by a mystery force which hurled a car four feet into the air, stripped branches from nearby trees, and flung the driver of the car into a ditch 30 feet away.....Another monster, this time in England's respectable Thames River, made its appearance in May. A group of people on the river bank saw a "black eel-like creature" at least a foot in diameter, swimming downstream. It was in view off and on for one minute, about 100 yards away from the viewers....

A Russian newspaper has published a photograph of an airman apparently suspended in mid-air in a condition of weightlessness. The airman, wearing a gravity-suit helmet, held a notebook for jotting down his reactions. He was in what appeared to be an oblong padded chamber.....A mysterious beast was reported in Bell View, Georgia, last April 19th. Four residents said that their dogs had been clawed to death by it, and one man saw it. "At first I thought it was a big monkey," said he. "I took another look and decided it might be a black panther. It just stood there, hollering and screaming, so I left.".... A New Jersey man who claims he was injured as a result of a close saucer sighting in 1956, has been refused workmen's compensation for his alleged injuries. The Workmen's Compensation Board ruled that the man's sighting was all an hallucination. The fellow claims that he has suffered from throat spasms, deafness, and other infirmities, all caused by the saucer.....Columbus, Ohio police and military officials were at a loss last April 3rd to explain reports of a bright flying object with a long row of windows seen between 9 and 11 p.m. the previous Wednesday. Traffic on a road near Columbus was stopped as drivers halted to watch the object, which flew around the east and south sides of the city before disappearing in the west....Also in Columbus, seven persons watched a 40-foot-long orange-colored saucer for a period of several minutes, on the night of Feb. 22nd. The object had "a sort of tail in the opposite direction from which it moved." It was flying at an altitude of about 2,000 feet.

SAUCER LANDING IN NEW JERSEY: On March 25th, a Drakestown, N. J. man named George Chowanski claimed that he had seen a strange object land in his back yard. The incident occurred several weeks previous to its publication, as Chowanski was reluctant to talk about it, fearing ridicule. According to his account, the object was 5 feet high and 15 feet long, and caused his two dogs to break the stillness of the night with loud barks and howls. He heard a "whirring noise", like an electric shaver, and saw a luminous saucer-shaped glow. Three beings emerged from the craft's bottom, walked around a bit, and returned to their saucer after one of them had picked something off the ground. Two or three minutes later the craft took off. - Chowanski's wife was also a witness to the incident. She fled terrified into the house after seeing the saucer, according to the newspaper report.

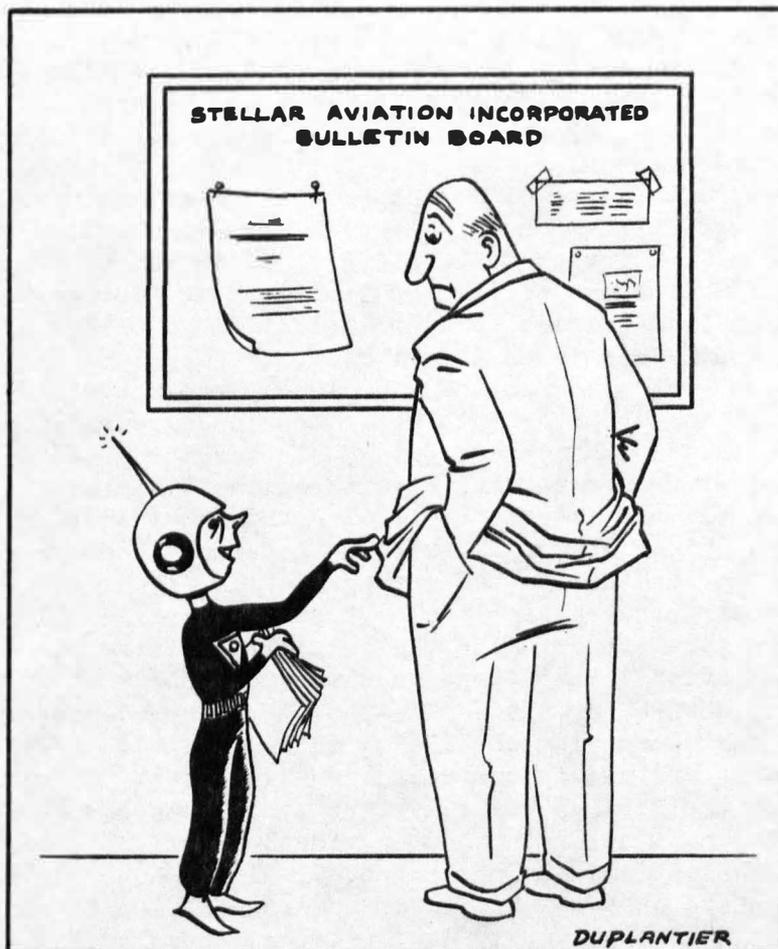
SAUCER BRIEFS: In the April 1st issue of his "Saucerian Review", Gray Barker has renewed the running feud that he has been conducting with your SAUCER NEWS Editor off and on for the past year or so. This time he has unjustly accused Lonzo Dove, a respected researcher and frequent contributor to this magazine, of purposely faking a certain photograph of your Editor. We are of the opinion that this whole matter was settled by our detailed comments in our February-March issue, and that further space-wasting controversy is somewhat useless. However, we also feel obliged to give Mr. Dove an opportunity to answer Barker's unfounded charges, and for this reason a letter from Dove on this subject will appear in our next issue....A gentleman in San Francisco has been kind enough to send us a tract put out by Great Western University, which calls itself "a non-profit teaching fellowship dedicated to helping every man reach a higher goal." Apparently the "University" is only a mail-order correspondence course. We note with extreme interest that among the faculty of their "College of Sciences and Humanities" are the names of our old friend George Williamson and his side-kick John McCoy. McCoy is listed as "Reverend John C. McCoy, H.C.A., H.A.A.", co-chairman of the Department of Psychology and Sociology. Williamson is listed as "George Hunt Williamson, Sc. D., A.A.A." (American Automobile Association????), Chairman of the Department of Anthropology. This takes the cake!!....

As most of you already know by this time, George Adamski is now claiming to have State Department endorsement for his notorious 1952 "Desert Contact" with a space being. The source of Adamski's new claim is an alleged letter from one R. E. Straith of the State Dept's Cultural Exchange Committee. Adamski has eagerly circulated this "evidence" among his supporters throughout the United States as well as in several countries overseas. The letter seems to be another in the strange series of hoax letters that has been plaguing saucer research for the past year or so. Our latest information is that Adamski persists in using the letter to bolster his sagging prestige, in spite of an official State Dept. denial and a personal visit by State Dept. officials.Meanwhile, SAUCER NEWS has been threatened with a \$2,000,000 libel suit by a West Coast man who claims to be a private investigator for Adamski. More details on this in our next issue....Latest major saucer book is "Flying Saucers and the Straight-Line Mystery", by France's Aime Michel, who is also the author of "The Truth about Flying Saucers". The second Michel book has been translated into English by Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York. We hope to have a review of it for you soon.....Confidential information reaching our Headquarters has it that all the saucer contactees will soon be investigated by a privately-financed team of New York psychiatrists. Their findings will be published in a well-known scientific magazine....

Howard Menger, the New Jersey resident who claims to have visited other planets, received an earthly warning recently from the Federal Communica-

tions Commission for operating a static generator. The agents said the apparatus was found in a tent about 1,000 yards from his farmhouse. They said the generator was connected to an aerial and that it is capable of interfering with local radio and TV reception. They explained that a warning is issued to those violating FCC laws, and that an arrest is later made if the warning is not heeded. - Incidentally, Menger has remarried, and rumor has it that his first wife no longer supports his contact claims....London's infamous George King is under investigation by Scotland Yard for selling tape-recorded messages from Jesus Christ and the saints, for 25 shillings (about \$3.00) each. He is also selling blue glass bottles which, it is claimed, if filled with tap water and exposed to the sun, can bring "benefit and relief" to sufferers from various diseases. King, who heads England's Aetherius Society, claims to have been to Mars "in a mental state" and to have conversed with the people there. Not long ago he was also involved in a protest march in London streets, brought on by the British Government's secrecy concerning flying saucers.

UNUSUAL INCIDENT IN VERMONT: A dazzling ball of fire suspended from a parachute, a red flare, blinking signal lights, and a burned-out area in the woods were the ingredients of a puzzling mystery in Burlington, Vt. last April 20th. Most baffled of all was Lyman Cote, who witnessed the entire display. The strange series of events began about 9-30 p.m., when a fireball, at first thought to be a meteor, flared brilliantly in the sky near Burlington. Hundreds of people saw it, but they did not see what Cote saw - a parachute falling earthward from the object. It landed in a nearby patch of woods; Cote called the police, and tried to guide them to the area. A swamp blocked the way, but they could see two blinking white lights, like flashlight signals, at the spot they were trying to approach. A red flare was also seen coming from the same place. The next day they succeeded in reaching the area, where they found a scorched spot in the woods, but no signs of life or the parachute. Later Cote was visited by two Air Force men who cautioned him not to talk too much about the event. An Air Force helicopter was later seen scouting the area, but no statement was issued as to what it found. A report on the incident was sent to Washington.



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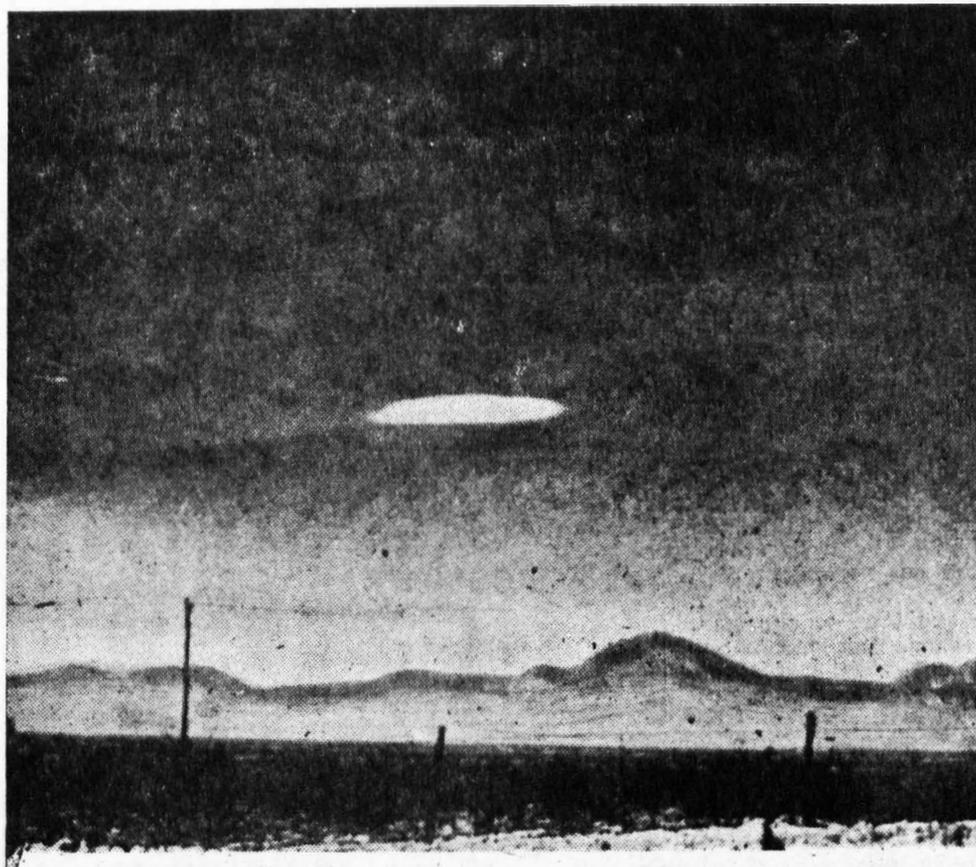
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FLYING SAUCER OVER NEW MEXICO: The above photo shows a UFO which hovered for fifteen minutes near the Hollman Air Development Center at Alamogordo, New Mexico. A Government employee took the picture. (Photo released through Aerial Phenomena Research Organization.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORTwo Million Dollar Lawsuit Threatened by Adamski Supporter

I have completed my investigation of the SAUCER NEWS expose of George Adamski, and I have concluded that it is as much of a fraud as J.P. Cahn's expose of Frank Scully's book. Incidentally, Frank informs me that Mr. Cahn and True Magazine will have an opportunity to defend themselves in a \$1,200,000 libel suit against them....

What you do not know, and what Mr. Baker did not know when he answered my recent letter, is that I am a secret investigator working for Professor Adamski. It was my job to find evidence that exposes your expose, and then to turn over my evidence to Adamski and recommend that he sue you and Baker for \$2,000,000. The whole idea of my letters to you, especially that offer of twelve articles and then immediate withdrawal of the offer, was all a trap that you and Baker fell for hook, line, and sinker. I knew that if I could get you and Baker to talk enough to defend your expose, one of you might make a slip I was looking for....

My best advice for you and Baker is that both of you better start looking for a good lawyer if Adamski decides to follow my suggestion and sue both of you on the basis of my evidence.....So that this letter cannot serve you and Baker in court, I shall say so long sucker:

MR. X (You know who I am.)

Seattle, Washington

(Yes, I do know who you are. This is the same Richard Ogden whose letter to the Editor appeared in our June-July issue. At that time Mr. Ogden stated: "I wish to make it clear to you that I am not for or against Mr. Adamski." Now it appears that he is a self-appointed investigator for Adamski. We will welcome this lawsuit, if it should happen to take place, as we are able to back up all our claims! - Editor.)

Comment on our Editorial in the February-March Issue

I think I should apologize for having suggested that you might be an agent of the United States, highly paid or not. I very much hope that you will understand how easy it is to acquire false notions when one is confronted with such an intriguing riddle as that of the flying discs. I have even suggested that Ruppelt and Fahrney could go to any extremes about the subject, on behalf of their country. You and I would do the same on request of our respective Governments. There are many many things that the people should never learn about for security reasons, and I see no reason why any Government should not use agents to ward off potentially dangerous notions.

Naturally I am not entitled to suppose that you are really an agent because I have no grounds for that, and my suggestion was just an idle one. I may take it back publicly if you think it will help. On the other hand, if I were sure that you were an agent, I would assume that the motives of your Government were such that I would restrain myself and keep quiet not only about you but also about the whole subject of saucers....

AURIPHEBO SIMOES (Editor of "The Flying Saucer")

Sao Paulo, Brazil

Comments on our April-May Issue

The article by Von Rittner ("The German Saucer Story") is pretty weak stuff if you don't mind me saying so. What Von Rittner has to tell us

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NEWSLETTER #8 - CONFIDENTIAL

In the April-May issue of SAUCER NEWS (Page 18), we commented briefly on George Williamson's extraordinary luck while on a series of lectures in Southern California last winter: Flying saucers were seen immediately after at least four of these lectures, according to the newspaper account on which we based our comments. Now it appears from a recent issue of Max Miller's "Saucers" Magazine (P. O. Box 35034, Los Angeles) that these sightings were nothing more than hoaxes. Miller states: "An unfortunate series of childish hoaxes was perpetrated at a number of flying saucer lectures in the Southern California area last December through January. Unknown to the lecturer himself (sic), two local aviation engineers used approximately this modus operandi: One would attend the lectures equipped with a miniature radio transmitter. At the conclusion of the talk, this engineer would contact his accomplice who would be located a block or two away. This engineer would then release a helium or hydrogen filled balloon with one or more red emergency flares affixed thereto. As the crowds left the meetings, these dangling and mysterious blobs of weaving lights would immediately attract attention, whereupon engineer #1 would circulate among the group recording astonished comments on a concealed wire recorder." - It seems that some people will do almost anything for publicity!

Which brings us directly to our next topic: APRO (Aerial Phenomena Research Organization) of Alamogordo, New Mexico, has just made the claim that they have obtained physical proof that flying saucers are from another planet. It is known, incidentally, that APRO is badly in need of funds and new members, and this new claim smells very much like a publicity stunt to us. We hereby repeat our offer, first made over two years ago, of \$1,000 in cash to anyone who can produce irrefutable physical proof of space visitations. Although as of this writing APRO has not yet stated what their "proof" consists of, we are hereby calling their bluff, and offering in advance to give them our reward, if their new evidence really amounts to proof - which we of course seriously doubt.

Special "inside information" from sources we are not at liberty to name gives us the following two items of interest to all saucer fans: First, Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York has completed an investigation of George Adamski's infamous State Department letter (allegedly from R.E. Straith of the Cultural Exchange Committee) and compared it with two other hoax letters that were also sent out in December of last year. CSI has reached the conclusion that these letters, and possibly others as well, match up with a typewriter in the possession of a well-known saucer researcher living in Clarksburg, West Virginia. These facts, with details, will be made public in the next CSI Newsletter. - Finally, we are reliably informed that Washington D.C.'s NICAP will fold up before the end of this year. Lack of funds and public apathy are said to be the main reasons that Major Keyhoe will give up his two-year struggle at the helm of NICAP. Refunds will be given to all members, if possible.

does nothing at all to render any of my previous arguments invalid. The author dismisses witnesses' estimates of sizes much too readily. Does he not realize that he is discrediting many competent observers, some of them scientists like himself? Also, he should realize that many people besides him are quite familiar with the condensation trail phenomena. If Von Rittner has sought to impress the made-on-Earth theory on readers by telling us all about German progress in rocket research 15 years ago, he has failed miserably....

DAVID WIGHTMAN (Editor of "Uranus")
Lancashire, England

I am still enjoying your SAUCER NEWS very much. It certainly keeps me from getting behind in Saucerdom.....I liked your objective approach to the Hunrath and Wilkinson case, and would like to hear about the added information you now have.

As you know, I still can't buy the U. S. or German contemporary saucer theory, due to reasons which I've already told you. I haven't a closed mind, but I "just ain't sold." WILLIAM NASH, Miami, Florida

I couldn't agree more with your comment after the letter from Ruth Netherton. Having had some experience as an editor (of "Uranus") in the past, I know how you felt. I am also surprised at your daring to print material that Mr. Suther doesn't approve of! We have our share of crackpots over here but I don't think we have produced a specimen equal to this chap. But it does show that you have hit them on a tender spot with your exposes, and from that angle it is a good sign!

The Hunrath and Wilkinson article is very interesting and I hope you will publish the further material to which you refer.

I don't agree with your theory of the earthly origin of UFO's, but I do enjoy reading the interesting material you publish in your magazine, and feel quite a thrill of pleasurable anticipation as I open your envelope....

ERIC BIDDLE
Shropshire, England

Lonzo Dove Replies to Gray Barker's Unjust Accusation of Photo-Faking

Gray Barker in his April 1st "Saucerian Bulletin" says that he for one is "bored with our feud with James W. Moseley, a stupid controversy involving a hoaxed-up picture." So far so good. But let us first clean the slate by getting the record straight, because Barker's latest sling of dirt splashed on me, and must be answered with incontestable truth: Who started the "feud" anyhow? It was Barker himself, of course, who first published the fake portrait of Moseley, and it was Barker who again, after seeing that nobody was impressed enough to keep the feud running, months later restirred it by declaring that Moseley released the fake and that he (Barker) obtained it in his own secret way...That was carrying a joke too far. Though as our readers know, Moseley's views on saucers are exactly the opposite of my own, I wrote an article showing how utterly silly and unlikely such a trick would be from Moseley. Evidently Barker was firmly convinced by my argument, because he immediately reversed his story and now says that the fake was made by me!

Gray Barker, a grown man, and publisher in a new scientific field that requires the highest possible degree of veracity with a minimum of errors and hoaxes, uses his columns for a serialized stunt whose "saucerian" purpose my fullest exercise of intelligence has never figured out, and finally stoops to the childish delinquency of printing weighted accusations against me without a trace of reason!.... LONZO DOVE, Broadway, Virginia

STUDY OF A PRE-1947 SIGHTING
- by Dr. Leon Davidson -

Critics of the theory that flying saucer reports are due to U.S. Government activities (starting about 1947) have often pointed to pre-1947 sightings as evidence against this explanation. The present article will attempt to show that, in at least one widely publicized pre-1947 sighting, there is strong evidence of an ordinary earthly origin.

The sighting in question was quoted (with an error in the date) on p. 17 of "Flying Saucers on the Attack" by H. T. Wilkins (Citadel, 1954). The real date was August 5, 1927, and the location was the Himalayan Mountains, near the Gobi Desert. The author of the report was Nicholas Roerich, and it appears on page 361 of his book "Altaï-Himalaya" (F.A. Stokes Co., N.Y., 1929). The following quotation is from that book:

"Seven of us began to watch this unusual bird. At the same moment another of our caravanners remarked: 'There is something far above the bird,' and he shouted in his astonishment. We all saw, in a direction from north to south, something big and shiny reflecting the sun, like a huge oval moving at great speed. Crossing our camp, this thing changed its direction from south to southwest, and we saw how it disappeared in the intense blue sky. We even had time to take our field glasses, and saw quite distinctly an oval form with shiny surface, one side of which was brilliant from the sun."

Since the object seen by Roerich did not hover or make sharp "right angle" turns or maneuver strangely, it cannot definitely be classed as a flying saucer. However, there seems little doubt that some real object was seen in the air that day, and I attempted to find a rational explanation for it. The following question was sent, in August 1954, to one of the leading American experts on the Far East: "In 1927, would it seem possible that an aircraft would be flying over the region Roerich describes?" The reply, in part, was: "In August 1927, Sven Hedin's Sino-Swedish Expedition was on its way through Inner Mongolia into Sinkiang. Hedin had a tie-up with the German Luftansa (Airline) to prospect a route and landing fields to make possible a commercial line N.W. China-Sinkiang-Siberia-Berlin. I believe a number of exploratory flights were actually flown by the Germans, using Fokker 3-motor all-metal planes.

The book which describes Hedin's expedition is "Across the Gobi Desert" by Sven Hedin, (E.P. Dutton and Co., N. Y., 1932). The following extracts from the book have some bearing on the case we are discussing:

Page xi: "Never before (this expedition) have pilot balloons been sent up, in the very heart of Asia, to a height of 69,500 feet. Three hundred and fifty such balloons were sent up by our chief meteorologist, Dr. Waldemar Haude."

Page 54: "The mean height that was reached amounts to 7,500 meters (24,600 feet) above sea level.... Even our largest (balloons) are too small to be clearly observed above a height of 15,000 meters (49,000 feet).... So far as the yellow ones are concerned, (they) are almost transparent. They have a diameter of about three-quarters of a meter (2 1/2 feet) or of 120 centimeters (4 feet). The small ones have a speed of ascent of 150 meters a minute, the large ones 250."

Page 122: "I got up on the 4th of August (1927) at half past seven to begin a really eventful day. The camp that we were making for today has the number XIII, my lucky number."

Page 125: "The sun goes down with a red glow. At half past seven we at last reach Halle-Utaiin-gol, a genuine broad erosion-turrow, which seems to come from a far distance and which is crossed in serpentine courses by two

streams." (This is his camp XIII, where he was located on August 5th, 1927.)

Page 61: "On the 16th of June (1927) the first new camels reached us.....Above our heads Dr. Haude's pilot balloon was just mounting upwards and stood out glistening like a diamond against the background of a turquoise-blue heaven. The two Mongols, strangers to us, that the new members of the caravan had brought into our camp were fine, hardy, weather-tanned types of their race, famous from the times of Jenghiz Khan. It was amusing to observe them when the balloon rose in the air. They stood there speechless and stared after the bright ball till it could only be seen with the field-glass."

The whole of Hedin's book ought to be read by those who think that the Roerich sighting was due to an extraterrestrial object. Hedin's expedition launched these weather balloons on a daily schedule, and several "permanent" weather stations were established along his route. It is most interesting that the reactions of the newcomers to Hedin's camp, seeing the weather balloon for the first time, paralleled the reactions of Roerich's party, who had never seen the weather balloons.

Note some of the similarities in the two descriptions: Roerich - "shiny, brilliant"; Hedin - "glistening, bright"; R. - "astonishment"; H. - "speechless"; R. - "intense blue sky"; H. - "turquoise-blue heaven." Both cases involved visual and field-glass observation. The only discrepancy in the reports is that Roerich saw an oval shape, and Hedin a ball; but Roerich does not give the proportions of the oval, which could have been almost circular therefore. Of course the two descriptions refer to different dates, but Hedin launched balloons daily, so that is of no importance.

The two expeditions were aware of each other's presence in the country, but they were not in direct communication. (Communication was limited in that area of the world.) It has been difficult to pinpoint the exact location of Roerich's expedition on the 5th of August, 1927, since his book is not very explicit. Hedin's location is known, as noted in the excerpt from p. 125, above. Roerich's general location, in the Koko Nor region, can be found on maps and atlases, but Hedin's Halle-Utayin-gol cannot be found, and undoubtedly only a large-scale detailed map of China would show it. The most that has been established so far is that the two expeditions were not much more than 500 miles apart on that day, and they may have been closer, perhaps less than 100 miles apart.

It would be possible to do a thorough research job, dig out the detailed maps, find the wind directions for that day from the Hedin Expedition archives, and then see whether Hedin's balloons could possibly be the cause of Roerich's sighting, or whether they could be positively ruled out. This research is left as an exercise for the reader - especially for the reader who said, while reading this article, "No! Not a weather balloon, in 1927, in Mongolia! Don't try to explain away Roerich's sighting with that corny explanation!"

The case, for the moment, rests here. I merely assert that, with balloons being launched daily by Hedin's group in the same general area, there is as yet no proof that what Roerich's party saw was not one of these balloons. The descriptions of the sighting and the balloon launching are so similar that even die-hard "interplanetary" believers should be wary about rejecting the possibility of a connection. In short, this particular well-publicized pre-1947 sighting cannot be considered to be evidence of extraterrestrial visitors to our skies. Nor can it be considered to be evidence that flying saucers existed before World War II.

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EXTRATERRESTRIALISM AS AN HISTORICAL DOCTRINE

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Part 3A: The Era of Individual Enterprize on the Part of the Extraterrestrials

The extraterrestrials withdrew from Egypt and Sumeria for a time after these groups had settled in climes more congenial than their Talantan home. Their new cities were given the collective name of "The World Down Below", which meant "World to the South."

The World Down Below was located in the headwaters of the Nile, upon the sides of the Great Mountains which, like Sinai, have two heads arising from a single base. Their entrances were accessible only through tunnels, and the tunnels could be reached only by water. No aircraft are mentioned as being present within the cities, but landing places for the larger craft were provided on the Northern plains, where the plateau obviated the necessity for care in landing spaceships many miles in diameter.

Fiction has depicted a carnal paradise, rife with occult dangers. The Lurking Fear was there; but infractions of the flesh were punished in every case by death. The Code of the Ten Divine Dynesties, under which ante-Menean Egypt lived for two millenia, encourages a man to cohabit with his sister; and he might not go to another woman till he had done so; The Law of the Cities was even more severe, and all progeny were the result of marriages between brother and sister. An extraterrestrial whose parents did not have common grandparents was regarded as illegitimate by his colleagues, and was often hunted down as an offender against the purity of the blood of the offending house.

Different blood stocks allied themselves into confederations, and confederations which lived near one another for a considerable period were regarded as races, regardless of divergencies in blood stock. Thus, an extraterrestrial might speak of such differing degrees of relationship as, My brother who was born in my homeland, My brother who is an ally, and My brother who is of my blood, with equal distinction and sincerity. Relationships within the same family were not much calculated according to specific degrees of hemoproximity, the very fact of belonging to the same family being thought sufficient to warrant fraternal behavior among all its members.

Then too, business duties tended to break up the family groups before the blood line became too thin to merit traditional consideration. Even so, distant relatives would occasionally be found living under the same roof, as if they were at most first cousins.

The symbol adapted by the tribes at the time of their confederation during the Golden Age of Talantu was the Solar Fire. The special connotation of the Solar Fire, when embodied in the physical manifestation of the hearth, was the progress of life in general and of the family unit in particular. A man who went away from his home city might not return to claim the relationship of his family without permission from the priest who guarded the patriarchal hearth, and the scientific data associated with it.

The hearth itself was built from local stone, wrought into the shape of a cone. Frequently, it bore a cosmological inscription in the NaGa or Qabirtic languages. A hole was bored through the stone at the base of the cone and the fire was fed through it. The surface of the hearth itself could not serve as the base of a fire, and must be protected from the touch of anything except the pure tongues of the blazing fire. At first, the source of the fire is reported to have been remote from the hearth, in a ship overhead, which possessed the equipment necessary to focus the required radiant energies upon receipt of a request from the ground. During an overland journey, such a ship would be present to supply a pillar of fire by night and a cloudy mass by day.

Because they had better methods, the extraterrestrials did not use

the Solar Fire or its representations for any purpose. The increased primitivism of the northern migrations led to the profanation of the hearth for cooking purposes. Some groups, rather than sink to this level, gave up the use of fire altogether, and thus established a sort of inverse superiority to those who violated the most fundamental concepts of their civilization.

The general bias of extraterrestrial science leads one to place great emphasis on the psychological basis of crime, and the treatment of crime as a psychological condition. They taught that an electro-magnetic field underlay every corporeal manifestation, and, by studying this field, they were able to tell the state of a man's mind, and specifically, whether he had committed a given act or not. The Chaldean works speak in uninteresting detail about the crime detection and prevention techniques used among the extraterrestrials. Serious crimes were rare among the gods, and were usually taken care of by capital punishment when they did occur. When a person's magnetic orientation began to disturb the sensitivities of his fellow citizens, and the cause was either unknown or of itself unexceptionable, he might be asked to leave until the condition should rectify itself. The magnetic stability of the mature individual depended upon his freedom from close contact with violently antagonistic or unbalanced persons.

For this reason, a person who was unwanted in his home city might be all the more welcome elsewhere, on that account. During the times of which we are speaking, however, the number of exiles increased so greatly that they were, as a group, unable to find admittance to another city. Thereupon, they went to live among the sons of the migrators. And their origins were recognized for what they were, at least in the beginning. But, as their range widened over the face of the earth, they came into contact with wandering tribes who had lost contact with all living men beyond the confines of their isolation, and, in some cases, had even forgotten the existence of other peoples. Their ignorance, tragic in itself, has become the cause of the greater tragedy of the human race.

The extraterrestrials in this second era of the relations of man with his gods, were quite a different sort than those who figured in the first era. Lacking the clear-cut mercenary impulses toward thrift which characterized their forebears, they found themselves free to pursue their private pleasures, with the worshipful service of a whole people at their disposal. The ignorance of our own day in forgetting the extraterrestrial origin of our deities quite equals that of the ancient tribesmen who mistook displays of technological superiority for evidence of divinity. The race of Venus, who very nearly monopolized the god business, ultimately traced its origin to Earth; but there were a few gods who came from afar, and whom the Venusians themselves regarded as aliens.

Man frequently identified his gods with terrestrial animals, on the basis of physical resemblance, or with a climatic condition of his environment, on the basis of personality. The beings who were the target of such identification generally encouraged it when they learned of it, for they were very kind. One of their number, whose memory is venerated to this day in India, Peru, and among the Brotherhoods, was likened to an elephant. In Chaldean, his name was Dbsh. He said: "You may know the Ruler of the Cosmos by virtue of his powerlessness. All of his power is bound up in the endowment of Life to the multitude of his creatures, and he will do nothing to impede their development, that they may return to Him ripe with the fruits of duration. (See footnote, page 10.) It is clearly impossible to confuse this description with that of an individual who gave more attention to the furnishings of his apartment and to his daily dietary needs than he chose to vouchsafe to his Chosen People in consideration of their needs.

The Nakhash-na, whom Genesis labels as the most sophisticated of all men, were products of a separate biomorphic development among the reptilian life-forms of the Earth, but the extent of their resemblance to anthroposaurian and anthropogenic life did not fail to astonish even the Venusians. "They begrudged to the Serpent-men the grace of their bodies, and sought to prevent their acceptance into the society of men." (See footnote, page 10.)

Over a period of centuries the number of extraterrestrials in free circulation in the countries of the Fertile Crescent became so large that it was difficult any longer to secure implicit obedience to the Council of the Great Ones among Those from Upon High, which had ruled in that place, because such was the will of the sons of men. Their leaders understood the significance of the Council, and respected it, but the common people could not understand why they should harken unto the unseen, when more ostensible forces were at hand.

According to our way of thinking, the Council should have inaugurated an educational campaign to enhance its prestige, and, if this were to fail, resort to the use of force in order to effect a reassertion of its dominion. We have seen, however, that the status of the Council in its governance over Man was in some respects questionable, even though the results and techniques of their administration were in every way satisfactory. The right to live under tyranny is an undeniable right of free men, as long as they made the tyranny, and can abolish it by common consent should they seek to do so. The rule of the Council was founded in common consent of the governed, and was utterly put aside when that consent was withdrawn. To ignore this condition would have constituted gross interference in the affairs of another race, to which their ancestors had already done sufficient injustice to subject themselves to eternal retribution.

But because the collective authority of Those from Upon High had come to an end, did not mean that a Venusian was not free, on his own initiative, to accept the allegiance of any tribe that elected to follow him. It was impossible that the ways of the Venusians should be imposed upon Earthmen without caricature. A code might be promulgated, but could not go into effect if there was debate or dispute within the ranks of men. What acceptance there was had to be absolute. There was no power to prevent armed interference, beyond that of developmental limitation; but that is quite enough for the wise man. The rule of the Earth was relinquished voluntarily by the Council of Those from Upon High because the cost of continuing it would soon have exceeded its worth, as a factor in increasing the rate of civilization among the indigenes. Moreover, this decision was reached without the blatant strife which characterizes such a move when executed among members of our own race.

But although the Council did give up direct control, it persisted in exercising a protective influence over human affairs, by means of human beings associated with it by virtue of advanced thinking and high conception. The unifiers, founders, and consolidators of lands too numerous to mention acted under the advice and the sponsorship of the Council. The rulers of Egypt were "successors to the gods." The Ba-ra-ink-ong were expected to be physiologically identical to their extramundane predecessors. Pharaoh had to conduct the business of government all day without food, and he had to exercise great care in the privacy of his toilet, which was the most closely guarded of all state secrets.

By 800 B. C. this had become a mere convention, but let those who doubt that there was once a solid foundation of fact behind the tradition, return once again to his inscriptions: "I am the Sun, and the Brother of the Sun, for from the Earth I draw no nourishment." (See footnote, page 10.) For example, when Moses (Ra-ma-su) paid his brother a visit, he did so at a time

when the incumbent sovereign was apt to be more cooperative so that he might rid himself of an unwelcome delay in relieving himself at the river, just after sundown.

Until 1,340 B.C., there was no crisis in the smooth running of the Pharaonic government as an instrument of the Council. In that year, there arose a resurgence of power in behalf of a low schismatic, who had plagued all Chaldea with his willfulness, beginning in 1,781 B.C.

An Aramaic document of 230 B.C., published in London in 1786 (see footnote, page 10), treats fully the information, gathered from original sources, since restricted, relating to the early influence of extraterrestrials during the era of individual enterprise, which was just then entering its last days. The reluctance of the Great Ones among Those from Upon High to enter into direct contact with members of the productive classes, was the root of all the evil of those days, and of our own day. They did not despise those who loved to wound the skin of the Earth with sharpened stick, but they felt nothing in common with them.

The laboring classes of 1,400 B.C. labored because they wanted to. The Council dwelt in the Land Below and there were many varieties of men clustering the peripheries of the cities of the citadels of civilized men. The extraterrestrial entrepreneur in question began in that country to work among the peripheral groups, and never changed his policy in that regard. His messages of doom, sent into the royal high places of the land, were carried by the most uncouth emissaries, and initially, excited only ridicule. But this alien was different than his kind, and the protection of the Council had never been as active in Elam Asur (modern Iraq) as it had been in Egypt.

This extraterrestrial threatened to shut off the water supply, and contaminate the soils upon which the city was dependent for food. An incident had taken place five centuries earlier, involving a Queen, who sought incestuous intercourse with a neighboring monarch who was not related to her by blood. This led to the withdrawal of the great gems which had supplied power to the cities. The inhabitants, of course, were not immediately thrown back upon agriculture, because their priesthood had received excellent and intensive training in generative principles; but the years went by, and the heritage of knowledge was not preserved in all the exactitudes of its application, and this source became increasingly unreliable, which is the result predicted by the Council at the time of their punishment of the erring Queen.

Therefore, in the year we have mentioned (1,340 B.C.), there arrived at Elam Asur a Strange One from Upon High, who offered the use of his gravity devices to the fathers of the city in return for asylum. The agreement was made, and our friend, whose name was then Shaday Elili Athunu, became acquainted with the inhabitants of the city, and especially with a young fellow of Northern stock, which is to say a barbarian, called Ab-ra-mu, whose job was to search for saucer-wood in the reserved groves on the hills to the east of the city. Ab-ra-mu resented the casual superiority of the rich and well-born of that place, and told Shaday Elili Athunu about it. He accused them particularly of bending down upon carved slabs of the wood he selected, and flying through the air on them.

The determining factor of the weak mind is its categorical acceptance of the irrational. Athunu told Ab-ra-mu that the knowledge of the priests of the city was evil, and that he, Ab-ra-mu, must convince his family to leave with him to a place where they could revert to their former pastoral ways, and offer up sacrifices to Athunu, who was the only god known to Ab-ra-mu. One suspects that the price of meats in Elam Asur had become prohibitively high, in order to meet the terms of Athunu's tight contract regarding the water supply, and that the asinine fellow did not want to lay out his earnings on the

new scale. His standing among his own people seems to have been good, but he certainly does not represent the finest traditions of his race. Let us hope too that most of us are better than the unkept Abraham he picked up in the woods. It is a strange thing that Ab-ra-mu, as he improved in his religion, improved in his decor and etiquette as well.

The country in which Abraham set up shop was already populated by seven nations, all of them rulers of that part of the world, and great in their doings. But Ab-ra-mu was a babe out of the woods, and knew not the meaning of the things of this world, for how should he be impressed by the gadgets of Athunu, if he were made acquainted with the finer trappings of the local rulers? Fantastic beings of incredible power and wisdom ruled on every side, and Abraham led his cattle among the walled cities, his own mind no more perturbed by the presence of knowledge than those of his kine, and he reversed the laws of Elam Asur, and lit a hearth on uncarved rock. He reversed these laws in other ways as well, by marrying a woman not his sister, and by seeking to subordinate a human life to the wishes of another.

History shows quite plainly that Ab-ra-mu knew that he was dealing with another being very much like himself as to personality and emotional construction, but he followed in awe as Athunu proceeded to slaughter various among his own brethren, and to burn them in their cities, using the weapons of old, which had been built into his ships only for use among the stars, where the ways of the wind run quietly and the currents of space are unrippled. The murderer went afar off, for he was an outlaw, and all those who followed him have since been treated as ostracites to the truth. Athunu's tactics upset the balance of that country, and there was no food. Ab-ra-mu was instructed to go down into Egypt, where the Council would provide for him; and when he did so, he carried with him the disease of ignorance, which spread rapidly in a country about to enter a new, lesser phase of communications. At a critical time, the power of the Council to guide the Pharaoh was abridged in the matter of this young refugee, and this power was never to see its full status again.

The knowledge of Athunu's conduct was, of course, common in Egypt. But the Pharaoh in power was an Enemy of the Sun, and sought not to find harm where there had been none. Athunu had not yet done anything against him.

That was yet to come.

Footnote: Any readers who would like a list of references regarding the quotations, or who have questions regarding the article in general, should write to Mr. Aharon in care of this magazine. - The next article in this series will appear in our December-January issue, and is entitled: "The Giving of a New Law; The Power of the Council is Put Down; His Hind Parts Shall be Seen; and Radioactivity on Sinai."

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THE RISE AND FALL OF NICAP
- by James W. Moseley and Richard Cohen -

Washington D.C.'s National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) was organized in late 1956 by Thomas Townsend Brown, who described himself as a physicist and biophysicist. A slick "tentative prospectus" issued by Brown in 1956 envisioned a grandiose program. Ten sections, each with a collaborating subcommittee of five members, were to do the work of the organization. These sections were: administrative; investigations; technical interpretations; abstract interpretations; library and statistics; publications; public relations; government relations; religious and philosophical considerations; and international coordination. A nine-man Board of Governors, consisting of prominent men in various fields, was elected by the Brown regime in November of 1956. At first glance, NICAP seemed to be off to a very good start indeed.

Most important to the saucer-minded public was NICAP's plan to "publish its findings in a factual, scientific manner, without bias or speculation." For the membership price of \$15 per year, members were to receive a publication called "Project Skylight", "a monthly scientific journal (italics ours) containing not only a record of meetings and matters of interest....but also statistics and summaries of important investigations conducted by the Committee." A second monthly magazine called "Space Flight" was also envisioned, to contain authoritative semi-technical articles, photographs in color, and selected science fiction. This magazine, unlike the first, was to be made available to the general public, and a large income was expected from its sale. These two magazines were to be sent to regular members for their \$15 annual fee. A shorter Newsletter was to be issued to "associate members" for the special price of \$7.50 per year.

In early 1957, Townsend Brown was forced out as leader of NICAP, and Major Donald Keyhoe took charge. NICAP's luxurious offices on Washington's fashionable Connecticut Avenue were kept for the time being, but Keyhoe set out on a plan to cut Brown's high-flown schemes down to practical size. A fantastically large salary schedule had been set up by the former regime, and huge sums of money had been committed to various firms for printing, office equipment, etc. Keyhoe apparently dropped the idea of the above-mentioned ten committees, and in general he succeeded in cutting commitments down to a reasonable level - which is to his credit, as NICAP was (and still is) very short of funds. At the same time, the regular membership fee was cut in half, to \$7.50.

However, to our way of thinking, the only important questions are: (1) What became of the publications promised by NICAP originally to the many people who trustingly sent in their \$15?; and (2) What became of the "factual, scientific investigation, without bias or speculation" promised by Townsend Brown to the original membership? Only by studying the answers to these two questions can we decide intelligently whether or not NICAP under Keyhoe has held true to the original aims of the organization.

In a form letter dated March 4th, 1957, Keyhoe himself stated that the two major publications planned by Brown would become reality under the new management. However, in another letter of the same date, Keyhoe says, "At first, the Newsletter will have to serve in place of the two publications planned by the former regime. However, we intend this to be a 32-page publication, or even larger if necessary, to cover the subject, until we are financially able to publish the magazines."

So far, all well and good. At this point, we have been led to expect a monthly 32-page factual and scientific Newsletter, available to members

at \$7.50 per year. But what has happened since then? The fact is that since Keyhoe took over as Director of NICAP in January of 1957, exactly four Newsletters have been published, under the title "The U.F.O. Investigator". The first, of 32 pages, is dated July, 1957. The second, of 32 pages, is dated August-September, 1957, and thus gives the impression that the publication schedule has switched from monthly to bi-monthly. But the third issue, also of 32 pages, is dated January, 1958. One might call this a quarterly schedule. But the fourth and most recent issue, consisting of only 8 pages, is dated June, 1958. Might this magazine not better be called "The U.F.O. Annual"? And what ever became of "Project Skylight" and "Space Flight"?

Various bulletins sent out by Keyhoe during 1957 and early 1958, as well as a few passages from "The U.F.O. Investigator" itself, give clues as to what has gone wrong. A form letter dated April 22, 1957, informs us that Admiral Fahrney, Chairman of the Board of NICAP, has resigned, the rumor being that he was under pressure from the Navy to do so. Another bulletin dated August 1, 1957, complains of the continuing financial problem and the shortage of helpers in the NICAP office. Another dated March 5th, 1958, contains an urgent plea for new members. A thing called "Confidential NICAP Bulletin," dated April 4th, 1958, concedes that the financial crisis is worse, in spite of all efforts, and that the "Investigator" will be reduced in size (as it has been), and will be alternated with more frequent "Confidential Bulletins" - of which only a few, consisting of 4 pages or less each, have been issued to date. The April 4th statement also concedes: "We fully realize that most members were promised a 32-page monthly. This has now been changed, at least temporarily."

The most recent "Confidential NICAP Bulletin", issued July 9th of this year, tells us, under a heading of "We need your help", that public interest has (understandably in our opinion) "seriously decreased", and that the rate of new memberships has reached an all-time low. Finally, a bulletin dated July 25th, badly mimeographed on new cheaper stationery, states that the annual membership rate has gone down to \$5.00. It also gives us the startling information that NICAP has stocked and will sell "all the UFO books available." To us, all means just that! Does this mean that the once-proud NICAP, an organization designed and initiated to conduct a high-level sober scientific investigation, is reduced to selling (and thus implicitly endorsing, whether they like it or not), books about contact claims? Will we be able to send to NICAP for enlightening books by Fry, Van Tassel, Angelucci, Crandall, Buck Nelson, and Adamski? Apparently we will!

But what of "The U.F.O. Investigator" itself? If the magazine had remained true to the ideals on which NICAP was founded, perhaps we could excuse its reduced size, its ever-decreasing publication schedule, and the fact that NICAP is now selling contact books for purely financial reasons. But far from publishing its findings "in a factual, scientific manner, without bias or speculation", the "Investigator", under Keyhoe's management, has quite expectedly followed the precise line of thought that has been expressed by Keyhoe in his three saucer books, and in his numerous lectures and articles. The magazine is eye-catching, nicely printed, and well written, but it falls far short of even a semi-scientific presentation. In fact, it is little more than an outlet for Major Keyhoe's somewhat adolescent private war with the Air Force!

In short, NICAP is basically the vehicle for the opinions of one man, Major Donald Keyhoe - just as SAUCER NEWS is basically the vehicle for the opinions of one man, James W. Moseley. This is all well and good, so long as we are willing to forget NICAP's original promises and purposes, and to consider the "Investigator" as just another in the long list of saucer periodicals, expressing the views and biases of its Editor - just as SAUCER NEWS is but one in the long list of saucer magazines, expressing the views and biases

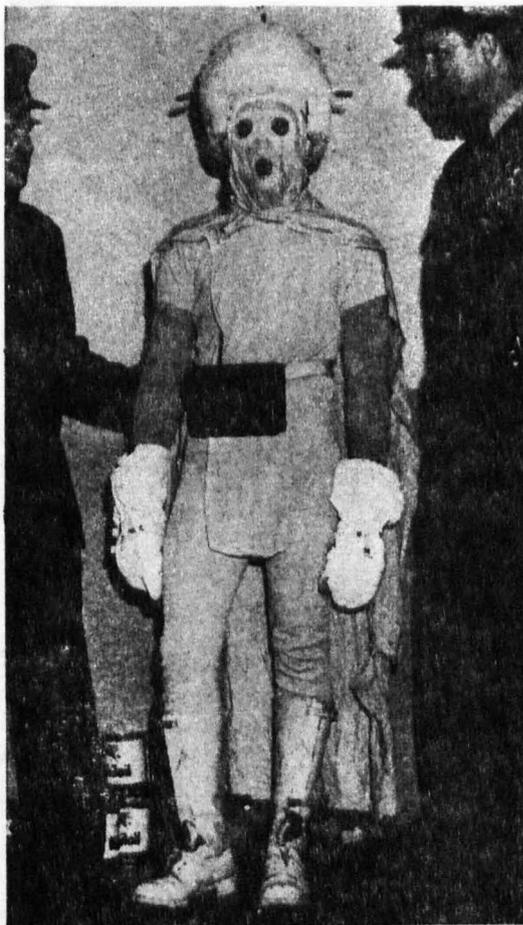
of its editor.

But we were among those who hoped for something better from NICAP. We did not expect just another saucer club. In these expectations, however, we have been sorely disappointed.

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RECENT NEWS STORIES

PILOT SEES UFO SPLIT INTO THREE PARTS: Captain Peter Jrouwel of the Royal Dutch Airline stated on June 29th that he saw a "glaring light" disintegrate into three parts, while flying to New York City from Shannon, Ireland, the previous night. He spotted the light two hours out of Shannon while flying at an altitude of 10,000 feet. "The light became brighter and crossed our path in a low arc," he related. "The moon was right up there too, so we could compare the illumination with the moon. It started bright as Venus and at one time appeared brighter than the moon. Then it suddenly burst into three parts, each part still very bright. Two seconds later the parts either burned out or became lost in the clouds beneath us."



CAPTURED SPACEMAN

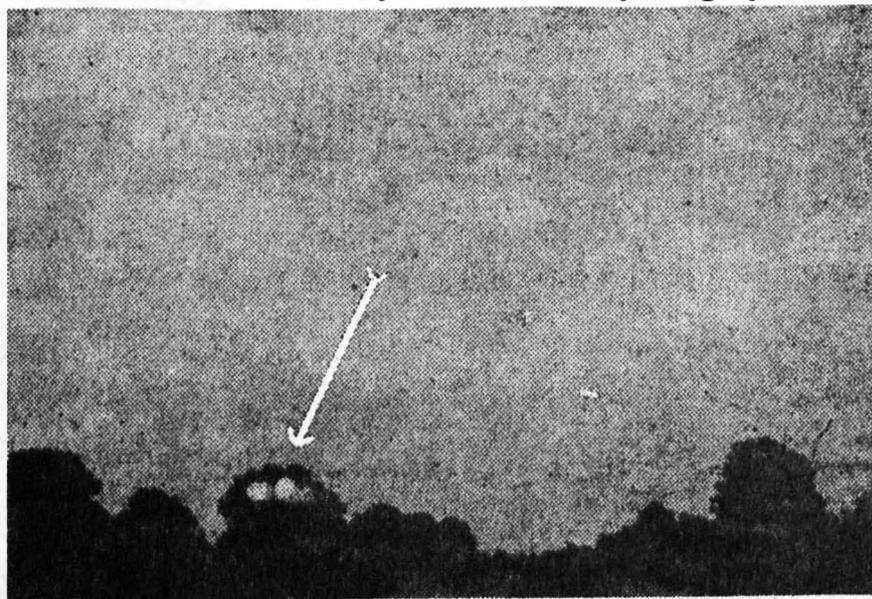
Motorists around Bad Axe, Mich. suffered unearthly scares when a figure in space helmet, long cape, skintight uniform and boots loomed before their headlights, then disappeared. Police arrested Jerry Sprague, 22, who confessed to pulling the prank in a suit of underwear.

STRANGE INCIDENT ON A GEORGIA FARM: On the night of April 21st a brightly burning object resembling a comet or meteor fell near Bethlehem, Georgia, showering sparks as it fell. It slightly injured a farmer named Fred Fuller, who apparently had a piece of the object land on his head. No visible remains of the UFO were found, but it was noted the next day that a number of bushes in the area were scorched. The farmer, who lives alone, also states that he has felt badly ever since the incident, and that three dogs in the neighborhood died in the two days following the apparition. Thus far his crops have shown no ill effects, however.

NEW MEXICO MINE GUARDS SEE SAUCER: Tom Reeder and James Turbin, security guards in New Mexico's Ambrosia Lake uranium area, said last April 22nd that they spent several hours watching a UFO before daybreak on the previous Saturday morning. The unidentified object was first spotted on a mesa to the northwest of them, and had the appearance of a searchlight or headlight. The light then "bounced what appeared to be a few feet and shot straight up in the air, glowing brighter and brighter." It was so bright that it made tears come to their eyes, said Turbin. A 10 or 20-foot-long silvery-white streamer shot out from the light, and later changed color several times, from white to red to blue. - The men were described by their boss as "highly trained, reliable observers."

CLOSE TEXAS SIGHTING: A strange cigar-shaped object, brightly illuminated with a trailing green glow, was reported by Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Darden of Silver City, Texas on the night of July 11th. The couple was awakened by the sound of wolves howling nearby, and got up to investigate. The UFO passed almost directly over their house, and was so close that they could hear the throbbing of the motor. It was traveling at great speed, but stopped twice and just hovered for a few seconds each time. The main body of the object was about 50 feet long, according to the witnesses, who watched it through field glasses.

UFO PHOTOGRAPHED BY LOUISIANA POLICEMEN (See photo below): A pair of Louisiana state troopers saw and photographed two glowing UFO's on June



24th, on a highway near the town of Alexandria, and caused a secrecy-veiled Air Force investigation to be launched into the sighting. One of the police officers was preparing to shoot pictures of cloud formations with his Polaroid camera when he spotted the objects, which resembled two glowing balls a few feet apart, floating at treetop level. Seconds later the UFO's disappeared. The sighting may or may not be ac-

counted for by the fact that a group of local teen-aged boys had been launching a series of gas-filled plastic bags over the area. The Air Force brought in one of the boys for questioning, but declined to state the results of their investigation.

LAST-MINUTE NEWS: A saucer organization in New Mexico called APRO, recently re-released a statement made some time ago by Dr. Carl Jung, world-famous psychologist. In it, Dr. Jung stated: "If the extraterrestrial origin of saucers should be confirmed, this would prove the existence of an intelligent interplanetary relationship. What such a fact might mean for humanity cannot be predicted. But it would put us without doubt in the extremely precarious position of primitive communities in conflict with the superior culture of the white race".....This issue of SAUCER NEWS is costing us 50% more for postage, due to the August 1st increase in postal rates. Fourth class junk mail, the cause of the postal deficit, has not gone up; but other classes have! ...A saucer convention is planned in Sept. by Howard Menger of Highbridge, N.J.

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Some very important new information on two related matters has come to our attention during the past few days. The Oct.-Nov. issue of SAUCER NEWS (with which most of you are receiving this Newsletter), has already gone to press; so we decided to put this information in Newsletter form for the present, and then repeat it in summary form in the Dec.-Jan. issue, as we feel that what we have to say on these two subjects should be made available to all SAUCER NEWS subscribers.

First, the controversy concerning the "Mr. X" letter that our Headquarters received from Seattle, has taken a new twist. This is the letter in which we were threatened with a two million dollar lawsuit for our anti-Adamski articles. For several well-founded reasons, we blamed this vicious hoax letter on Richard Ogden. He denies authorship, as indicated in his letter appearing on page 4 of the Oct.-Nov. issue of SAUCER NEWS. Now we have received another letter from Ogden, dated September 9th, in which he states that Thomas M. Comella of Cleveland, Ohio, is the real author. Furthermore, Ogden's charge is backed up by what seems at first glance to be irrevocable proof. Ogden has sent us a letter dated August 29th that he received from Comella, which states in part: "I wrote the letter supposedly from you in Moseley's latest SAUCER NEWS". This letter from Comella is absolutely genuine, and we have a photostat of it in our files. However, if Comella is the culprit, he must have had an as yet unidentified confederate living in Seattle, for the "Mr. X" letter was mailed from Seattle, not Cleveland. Furthermore, in a phone interview with your Editor, Mr. Comella states that his intended statement was, "I read the letter supposedly from you...." rather than "I wrote the letter...." If this was merely a typographical error, it was an incredible blunder, since it changed the entire meaning of the sentence so radically, and amounted to a confession of guilt. But the context of the sentence as related to the rest of the letter seems to bear out Comella's claim that the word "wrote" is not what he intended to say. The finger of suspicion therefore reverts to Richard Ogden, who, in his letter of September 9th, seems overjoyed at Comella's alleged confession. Says Ogden, "No harm was intended, I am sure.... for it seems that he (Comella) just wanted to have some good clean fun with you and the whole thing was just a laugh." This sort of thing is not good clean fun in our opinion, and we are not laughing. In view of the fact that saucerdom has been plagued in recent months by a whole wave of hoax letters, including the notorious Straith affair, we cannot take this matter lightly!

If Comella wrote the "Mr. X" letter, it is yet to be explained how he mailed it from Seattle, how his hoax letter followed the logical sequence of letters received earlier and later from Ogden, and why his alleged confession to Ogden contains no explanation as to why the letter was written. It is still our opinion that our comments following Ogden's letter on page 4 of the Oct.-Nov. issue are correct. Furthermore, Ogden may well be responsible for the Straith and other hoax letters as well, in view of the following fact: In Newsletter #8 we carried the statement that Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York had reached the conclusion that the Straith letter and two other hoax letters mailed about the same time were written by "a well-known saucer researcher living in Clarks-

burg, West Virginia." Now we learn that the CSI spokesman who gave us this information was apparently wrong. An official of CSI has denied that their investigations point to the Clarksburg researcher (who is, of course, Gray Barker.) CSI's only conclusion is that the Straith letter and the two others were written on the same typewriter. In spite of the fact that Barker and SAUCER NEWS are at odds on many points, we feel that an apology to him is in order. But someone did write these three letters, and the leading suspect is now Ogden. Anyone capable of writing one hoax letter is certainly capable of writing others. However, we have no proof as yet, and our investigation into this matter will continue. SAUCER NEWS readers will be informed of any further developments just as soon as such information becomes available.

In our opinion it is extremely regrettable that Ogden, and perhaps others as well, have stooped to such under-handed and artificial ways of keeping interest in saucers alive. We of SAUCER NEWS print all interesting and important news as it comes in, and for this we have sometimes been accused of sensationalism. But we never stoop to creating the news. In fact, your Editor's prestige was badly hurt about a year ago by a hoax letter about him, accusing him of being an underground Air Force agent. CSI and other reputable groups have also been attacked. It is high time that these confusing and time-wasting incidents stop, so that saucer researchers and publishers can return to the business of serious research!

In another recent development, Major Donald E. Keyhoe announces that he has fired Rose Hackett Campbell and Bess Clark, who till now were members of the NICAP staff. In a phone interview Keyhoe told us that these two ladies were fired because of a difference of opinion about how to handle the "saucer contact" claims of Adamski and others. Apparently the policy difference came to a head because of a recent NICAP bulletin stating that the organization was going to stock and sell all saucer books, including the "contact" books. Keyhoe later claimed that this item was mailed out without his knowledge or consent, and that NICAP was not going to sell contact books after all. We believe (though we may possibly be wrong) that our NICAP article in the Aug.-Sept. SAUCER NEWS, which called nation-wide attention to NICAP's intended sale of contact books, played a large part in Keyhoe's decision to "clean house". Further details on this matter will appear in our Dec.-Jan. issue.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: The terms under which you subscribed to the Newsletter were that you would be placed on the mailing list for an indefinite period of time. Those of you who sent in your dollar during the past year have received five issues, beginning with #5. Those of you who subscribed to the Newsletter earlier than that, and who are still on the list, have sent in a total of \$2.00 each and have received nine issues, beginning with #1 in December of 1955. It is now time that we must ask all those who wish to remain on the list to send us an additional dollar. If you are one of the people who began with #1 and have already (in error) sent us a total of \$3.00 instead of \$2.00, or if you are one of the people who began with #5 and have already sent \$2.00 - then you owe nothing further. All others, with the exception of honorary members of S.A.U.C.E.R.S., will please remit one dollar. - Although this particular issue contains material that will later be reprinted in part in SAUCER NEWS, most Newsletters contain information that is considered "too hot to handle" in our regular issues, and which therefore is made available only to Newsletter subscribers. We sincerely hope that you will want to remain on the mailing list. Important confidential information reaches our Headquarters more frequently than ever these days, and we know you won't want to miss any of it.

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MAJOR DONALD E. KEYHOE, Director of Washington D.C.'s National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), who is now the center of a storm of controversy amid rumors that the NICAP organization is about to fold up. (See Letters to the Editor section, Pages 4 and 5.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORComments on Our June-July Issue

I would like to comment on Fred Kirsch's article, "Dr. Davidson and the WGN Code": On Page 6, Mr. Kirsch says, "Maybe someone on another planet has perfected a method of transmission that is completely selective. Only those that are intended to receive it will. The idea is not incomprehensible." Indeed, it is very likely, because one of our "earthlings", the famed Nikola Tesla, inventor of the Tesla coil and the alternating current, had perfected such a method before he died, but his secret died with him! You may check these facts, along with many others of his seemingly fantastic inventions, in a biography of Tesla written by John J. O'Neill, called "Prodigal Genius". I thoroughly agree with Mr. Kirsch. Remember, as Faraday says, "Nothing is too wonderful to be true"; and I think a lot of people are going to have to slither to the background with their small ideas, once we get on the right track and begin proving some of the fabulous things that can be done. With all due respect to Dr. Davidson, I think he is capable of bigger thinking than he is doing at present. Imagine what he could do if he'd expend all that energy on trying to prove something worthwhile, rather than trying to discredit people!

MRS. BENITA L. MITCHELL
Clemmons, North Carolina

I enjoyed your June-July issue of SAUCER NEWS. And you certainly are to be commended for being the one to bring to light so much new data regarding the WGN code.

However, I think you jumped to a premature conclusion with reference to the declaration by the panel of scientists called by the CIA ("News Briefs", Page 20.) - I've talked with Dr. Robertson at Caltech, Chairman of the group, and it is abundantly obvious that they rejected the total existence of UFO's - "earthmade" or otherwise.

MAX MILLER (Editor of "Saucers")
Los Angeles, California

Just a few passing thoughts regarding "You Too Can See a Flying Saucer" by Justin Case: Does Eastern, American, United, Northwestern, Pan-American, TWA, BOAC and the Army Air Force know that their pilots are deluded, self-hypnotized, hallucinated and day dreaming?...It is my understanding that the Army says it costs \$50,000 to train a jet pilot. If this is so, then they sure are wasting my tax money on deluded, self-hypnotized, hallucinated and day-dreaming men....Also, I read that the Air Force said it cost them \$10,000 to investigate each UFO sighting. Again I say that they are wasting my money on the sightings if pilots are "less educated and more simple minded" than I am....Is the Air Force the place to find refuge from "the harsh disagreeable realities of life"? Are the commercial airline pilots "little people who want to be great, timid souls who want to be heroes, obscure individuals who want fame, troubled people who want peace"? Have any pilots spent so much time in their imaginary dream world 20,000 feet up that they never returned to the real world? Mantell returned, but then of course he was in little bitty pieces! Maybe the pilots who see UFO's are really after all just normal children. (If so, I'd like to adopt that Eastern Airlines pilot I rode with about a year ago.) But then of course, as Mr. Case says, maybe they are all just under the influence of intoxicants or narcotics. Do you know where I can get enough heroin to bring a UFO up my driveway? Where do the airline pilots get theirs? Who is their pusher?...MARIE M. JENKINS, Oldwick, New Jersey

Letters from readers concerning my recent article "You Too Can See a Flying Saucer" take me to imply that flying saucers are seen only by "deluded, self-hypnotized, hallucinated or day-dreaming people". Nowhere do I make any such implication. In fact, I am convinced of the reality of some saucer sightings by the 110 best sightings reported in Keyhoe's and Capt. Ruppelt's books. (See my article "How to Separate Fact from Fiction" in the Dec.-Jan. SAUCER NEWS.) However, many sightings, including the "contact" stories, are the result of hallucination, etc., and my article sought to explain the psychological basis for this....

JUSTIN CASE, Washington, D.C.

The Adamski Controversy (Continued)

This brief note is to inform you of an untrue claim broadcast by Mr. George Adamski and repeated on the air by one or more of his friends. Mr. Adamski stated that he is an honorary member of NICAP and implied that he was especially favored with an unpaid membership in NICAP.

This claim is absolutely untrue. NICAP has no honorary members, and since Mr. Adamski's claims are still under investigation, this Committee does not and will not grant him any special favors....

MAJOR DONALD E. KEYHOE (Director of NICAP)
Washington, D.C.

My analysis of the Adamski story attracted a visit to me by the man who was then Associate Editor of Major Keyhoe's NICAP flying saucer bulletin in Washington. He insisted that Keyhoe wanted my complete manuscript and priority as to how and when and if it be published.

The date was July 14, 1957. I finished typing the manuscript two days later, and sent it by first class mail to my visitor, in care of the NICAP office.....If it was received there, it was never acknowledged. On Aug. 27, 1957, the same NICAP man wrote me: "Have you put together the Adamski material we discussed? I'd very much like to see it...." I answered: "I am very much puzzled about my manuscript 'Exposing Highlights of the Adamski Photographs' which I sent to you in care of the NICAP address in Washington.....I never got any acknowledgment from either you or NICAP. Who in the NICAP office did receive my manuscript? Rose Hackett (Campbell) once wrote me for material in connection with CLJ (Adamski's ghost-writer), but I never answered because I had broken off from that fringe of saucerdom. She is now in the NICAP office as Secretary."

Finally on June 24, 1958, he replied: "Regarding your Adamski manuscript, what I do have is your folder on the Mars Synodic Period Flying Saucers, coupled with a letter to Frank Edwards dated May 1954." How did he ever get that old manuscript? Well, I had sent that carbon copy to Frank Edwards, who was listed on the NICAP Board of Governors, and I know that one time Frank Edwards handed one of my similar folios to CLJ, who is a close friend to the NICAP Secretary, Rose Hackett. Thus my old manuscript easily got into the NICAP office, where it was evidently switched in place of my new Adamski-CLJ Expose, thus keeping my Expose under cover!

Thus I sent my Adamski-CLJ Expose to Keyhoe's NICAP, whose Secretary is a loyal protecting friend to CLJ and Adamski, who both have motive for suppressing such an exposure. Ergo - the manuscript vanishes, the addressee never gets it, and so must think I had turned renegade. A year later I sent my own carbon copy of that manuscript to James Moseley of SAUCER NEWS. Any future excuse of "finding" the original will not justify the past....

LONZO DOVE, Broadway, Virginia

This is a formal notice that as of December 1957 I decided that you are right and that saucers come from the vicinity of the Earth....More and more you are exposing such "space quacks" as Adamski, Angelucci, and Williamson....I no longer believe in life in any form anywhere in the entire creation except on our Earth.... HOWARD NEUBERGER (former co-editor of "Cosmic News")
Strongsville, Ohio

You asked me in your letter to confess that I wrote the Mr. X letter that you published in the Aug.-Sept. issue of your magazine. I will do no such thing. I can only repeat that I have no carbon copy of this letter in my files nor do I ever remember writing such a letter....As for your comment that this letter from Mr. X was mailed from Seattle and typed on the kind of typewriter I own, I have only your word for it that this is true. I would appreciate seeing a photocopy of this letter along with the envelope to see if what you are saying is true....

Any intelligent person can easily tell that your Mr. X letter is something that you very likely authored yourself, because for one thing it just doesn't make sense. I am not a private investigator for Adamski. He has never hired me to do any work for him. I have corresponded with him for a number of years as a friend but I am not an investigator for him. Furthermore, did you ever stop to ask yourself the question of why I would want to sue SAUCER NEWS because of the statements made therein against Adamski? I do not have any cause for a libel suit because the statements were not against me. If anyone has any cause for a libel suit, this person is Professor Adamski himself.

RICHARD OGDEN

Seattle, Washington

(Editor's note: The "Mr. X" letter, which was postmarked in Seattle, stated that it would be Adamski who would sue us, on the basis of Mr. X's "evidence". We have no correspondents in Seattle at present except Mr. Ogden, and we know of no one anywhere who is currently gathering information against our expose, except Mr. Ogden. Therefore we are still as convinced as ever that Ogden did write this letter, in spite of his denials.)

Comments on the NICAP Article in our August-September Issue

I have examined your article about NICAP but I wish to read it more carefully before commenting at length. Briefly, I can say I feel you were unfair to attribute to me any failure to live up to the claims made by Mr. Townsend Brown. It was clearly stated in the membership promotion letter sent out after I took over that NICAP offered - not what Mr. Brown envisioned - but a 32-page magazine and bulletin. All members paying \$15 were automatically listed for two years, and now under the new rate for three years. There was no attempt to collect membership fees on the basis of Mr. Brown's hopes and plans.

I do feel that you might have given me a chance to get some of the actual facts as against your conclusions - and any material furnished you by possible opponents of NICAP. I understand that among such is one NICAP member, who is strongly anti-Keyhoe.....Naturally you have the right to criticize and even attack NICAP and myself, but in the interest of fairness I hope we can exchange views calmly, so that you will not be misled into printing something which actually is incorrect. I realize that certain people would be glad to give you misleading information in the hope of wrecking NICAP or at least in the hope of discrediting me.

You are correct in stating that NICAP always needs more financial support. It has survived only through personal sacrifice. However, I have enough faith in the members to believe that your gloomy prediction of its

early demise will be proved unfounded. A detailed analysis of your article will be sent later.

MAJOR DONALD E. KEYHOE (Director of NICAP)
Washington, D.C.

(Editor's note: The material for our SAUCER NEWS article was taken entirely from NICAP publications and bulletins, and was not furnished to us by anyone. Our brief item about NICAP in Newsletter #8 was sent in by a confidential correspondent, and we, like Keyhoe, hope that it turns out to be untrue. As for NICAP's financial situation, it is frankly a puzzle to us. According to a recent issue of Washington D.C.'s "Little Listening Post", NICAP has a membership of over 3,000. According to Keyhoe's statement in his letter on Page 2 of this issue, NICAP has no honorary members, so this means that all of these more than 3,000 people have sent in a minimum of \$7.50 each. Thus, an absolute minimum of \$22,500 in subscription money has reached the NICAP treasury in that organization's less than two years of existence - not to mention gifts and donations. SAUCER NEWS has received only a small fraction of that amount in its almost six years of operation, and most saucer clubs have taken in much less money than we have. We do not mean to imply dishonesty of any sort, but in view of the fact that NICAP has not undertaken any of the scientific projects envisioned by Brown, it is not at all clear to us why the financial shortage is so acute. - In our next issue we will be glad to publish the further comments that Major Keyhoe promises in the above letter.)

The failure of NICAP, with its unparalleled influence among "respectable" people, would be a catastrophe that might be irreparable, and I can't see how you can be indifferent to it....

ALEXANDER D. MEBANE
New York, N.Y.

Congratulations on your NICAP article. It is the most sensible thing I have read in SAUCER NEWS in a long time. - When NICAP was first organized, I sent in my name to them as wanting to start a local chapter. I was soon contacted by several crackpots, and was sorry I ever got into the thing.Our little group here in Chicago broke off from NICAP several months ago, and when we read in his bulletin that he was going to sell the "contact" books, that was the last straw as far as I am concerned. I think Major Keyhoe means well, but he sure hasn't done the job we expected of him.

RUTH NETHERTON
Chicago, Illinois

You've done it again with your NICAP article! I never thought you'd have the nerve to attack that bunch, but I see you did it.....In my opinion SAUCER NEWS is the only saucer magazine with the guts to say what it wants, without fear or favor...JOHN KETALAWICH

Fresno, California

(Editor's note: Our article should not be construed as an attack on NICAP or on Major Keyhoe, for whom we have a great deal of respect. We are merely trying to offer comments and criticisms concerning some important points we feel the organization has slipped up on.)

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THE CASE OF THE CRASHED UFO

- by Bob Barry, News Director of Radio Station WMNS, Orlean, N.Y. -

During the week of March 17th, 1958, I received some very important saucer information from one of Orlean's most respected persons, Police Chief George Finger. I know the Chief very well, as I make daily visits to the police station to pick up news-worthy material for my noon broadcast.

During my visit to the station that day, we got into a chat about my UFO Conference which was scheduled for March 20th. In the course of the conversation, Chief Finger asked me if I had ever heard of a certain incident that occurred in Pennsylvania some time between September of 1949 and January of 1951. It happened that I knew nothing about it. The details were scarce but enough was there to make me want to look into it further. He told me that an object was supposed to have crashed in the vicinity of Coudersport and Emporium, Pa., and that it sheared off the tops of trees. I was also told that the U. S. Army came into the area (a hilly section away from any main roads) with Army trucks. They roped the area off, loaded the object on trucks, and drove away.

That was enough for me! I made up my mind to follow this story through. Here is the course of the events that followed.

I learned that several people in the area were supposed to have seen the object shortly before it crashed. One of them was a Reserve Officer of the U. S. Army who lived in Emporium and who worked at Sears Roebuck & Co. at Emporium at the time. He was supposed to have seen an Army truck pick up the object and haul it away. The Reserve Officer figured the Army knew what the object was, and he thought the Army truck he saw was from Baltimore, Maryland. He allegedly was told to keep quiet concerning what he saw! I learned that the Cameron County Press Independent in Emporium supposedly carried this story.

My next move was to call the editor of that paper, James Klies. I told him of my findings and asked him to check his files to see if he had anything on the story. Mr. Kiles told me he would phone me back in a few hours. That same afternoon, I received the reply to my request. He told me that the only thing he had for the period of September 1949 to January 1951 was a report concerning a weather balloon that was found near Keating Summit on Friday October 13th, 1950, by two hunters, Gene Kreitner and Clifford Stuckey, both of Keating Summit. He said the balloon had six panels and was covered with aluminum or lead foil. The panels had two small batteries and a light bulb. The equipment was turned over to the Air Force. The balloon was found in the vicinity of Liberty, Pa.

I next called a Mr. Fish, Sr., who is associated with the Coudersport Enterprise. After I informed him of my findings, he told me that he had a vague recollection of the event, but that was all. He gave me the name of the editor of the newspaper at that particular time. He is Walter Taylor, who now works at the Genoa Printing Co., at Genoa, Ohio.

My next contact was with Bert Freed, of Orlean, N. Y., a reporter for the Bradford Era of Bradford, Pa. Bert had been in this vicinity for a good many years and if the Bradford paper carried anything on the story, he would remember it locally. After telling him of my findings, I was informed by him that he could not remember the event. However, he suggested that I contact Katherine Dorfeld of Coudersport, who lived there at the time. Upon calling Mrs. Dorfeld, I learned that she did remember the incident. She said two children found the object at Keating Summit. She also told me that the object was supposed to have had printing on it which said: "Anyone finding this, return it to the U.S. Government!" It is not known if there was an address on it other

than the above phrase. According to Mrs. Dorfled, the U.S. Government came to the area, roped it off, and closed all news sources on the event. Government trucks moved in, loaded the object up, and whisked it away.

On March 24th, 1958, I wrote a letter to the ex-editor of the Coudersport weekly newspaper. After I failed to hear from him for over three weeks, I called him long-distance at Genoa, Ohio. Mr. Taylor told me that his wife had just returned from Coudersport. She was visiting friends there, and also checked on the story, which did appear in the paper at the time. Mr. Taylor told me it was quite a story, but not similar to the one I had come across. He said he would get all the facts together and send me the story in about one week if possible. I am still waiting for his reply.

Through a series of phone calls I picked up the fact that a witness allegedly heard a noise while working on his farm. He then heard an explosion and started running to the vicinity of where the noise came from. This man's name is Joseph E. Phelps, and at the time he lived near Emporium. Since that time Mr. Phelps has moved, and through a friend of his (Mr. Carl Reidy, an attorney in Emporium), I obtained his present address. It is 520 Oak Terrace, Point Pleasant Boro, New Jersey. Mr. Phelps is a very good friend of Katherine Dorfled's husband, of whom I neglected to get the first name in my long-distance telephone conversation with her. Phelps told Mr. Dorfled that the object was made of metal. Two boys were supposed to have been playing in the vicinity, and they got to the object before Phelps. Phelps allegedly was told by Government officials or the U. S. Army to be quiet about the story. (Could Phelps be the Reserve Officer who worked at Sears Roebuck & Co. at the time?)

On March 24th I wrote Mr. Phelps a letter confronting him with the facts I had regarding his part in the story. I told him that I would appreciate a prompt reply, and that I would like to know if the facts I was given concerning him and the crashed UFO were true or not. After waiting until April 7th, it was quite apparent that I was not going to receive a reply to my letter. I wrote him a second time on that date, and finally received the following answer:

Dear Bob:

In so far as my stating this object was metal or any of the so-called Army suppression is bunk. Most of what you quote me as saying is hearsay. I was in the crowd at Keating Summit but there were dozens of people there before and after I left. Go see Cliff Stuckey at the General Store in Keating Summit. He should be able to give you plenty of information. If I had anything worthwhile I would be more than glad to give it to you and help you, but I do not. There is just a chance that I may be in a bad spot as I work for a firm which is doing a job for the Signal Corps and I may get fired, but that wouldn't matter should I know anything worthwhile. I do not think you want to be a boob. I'm sure I do not want that either.

Sincerely, Joe Phelps

Well, there's the story to date. You will remember that Cliff Stuckey is one of the men who is said to have found a weather balloon on Oct. 13th, 1950. What puzzles me is why Phelps didn't straighten me out on what was supposedly quoted wrong to me by Mrs. Dorfled in regard to the conversation Mr. Dorfled and Joe Phelps had together concerning this object, at the time the incident occurred. Why didn't Phelps tell me what he did see? He admits he was in the crowd, so he must have seen or heard something.

If any readers can supply further information of any kind about this incident, please contact SAUCER NEWS.

HOW MUCH LIKE US?
- by Justin Case -

In November 1957, the magazine "This Week" (a supplement to many Sunday newspapers) contained an article called "What Will Invaders from Space Look Like?" by rocket expert Willy Ley.

Mr. Ley gave reasons why he thinks visitors from space will breathe air, eat vegetable and animal matter, will weigh not less than 40 nor more than 250 pounds, possess a skull, two eyes, two ears, and hands and feet. "They will probably bear a strong resemblance to the man next door," said Mr. Ley, so that "the chances are you wouldn't even give them a second look."

Furthermore, Mr. Ley said our Milky Way Galaxy has about 30 billion stars or suns, most of which have planets. Our invaders from space will originate from a planet very much like our own Earth.

Therefore, according to Mr. Ley, out of the many billions of planets in our galaxy, containing all possible forms of life, only one form of intelligent life capable of space flight is probable - the human form - so like our own that "you wouldn't even give them a second look." And this form of life would come from a planet very much like our own.

Thus Mr. Ley gives much comfort to the writers of "saucer contact stories", in which the visitors from space are claimed to look like us. He also gives comfort to the Ardent Believers of such stories, who eagerly expect that any strange-looking person they see might be a visitor from space. At the same time Mr. Ley debunked most science-fiction writers, who have depicted invaders from space as having anything but human form.

The better class of science-fiction writers are intelligent, imaginative, and well educated. Much of their science-fiction is based on science fact, stretched somewhat, of course, to make their stories more interesting. Consequently, their views are worthy of consideration. So let us see who is more likely to be right, Mr. Ley or the science-fiction writers.

For the answer to this question we consult the science of Biology (the study of life) and one of its branches, the study of Evolution, the process whereby simpler and lower forms of life develop into more complex and higher forms, adapting themselves to changes in their environment during the process. From Biology and Evolution we learn the following:

(1) The variety of vegetable and animal life on our planet seems almost limitless. Many different forms thrive side by side with others in the same surroundings. Anyone who studies even a few square feet of grass, for instance, will be amazed at the variety of life to be found there.

(2) Life is very persistent and tenacious, existing even under seemingly impossible conditions. Thus, vegetable and animal life are found everywhere, even in deserts, on mountain tops, under icebergs, and even under ocean bottoms. It is very difficult to kill off, as anyone who has tried to rid his garden of weeds and insect pests can well testify.

(3) In the growth and development of life, nature takes many different paths to accomplish the same result. For instance, consider how some animals protect themselves. The porcupine rolls into a ball with its spikes extended, a turtle withdraws into its shell, a horse fights with its hoofs, a bear with its front claws, a dog with its teeth. Other animals protect themselves only by means of their speed, like the rabbit. Thus evolution is random, though directed toward the same end.

(4) This choice of paths is partly accidental, and if wrong, it leads to extinction. Perhaps that is why many prehistoric animals are now extinct.

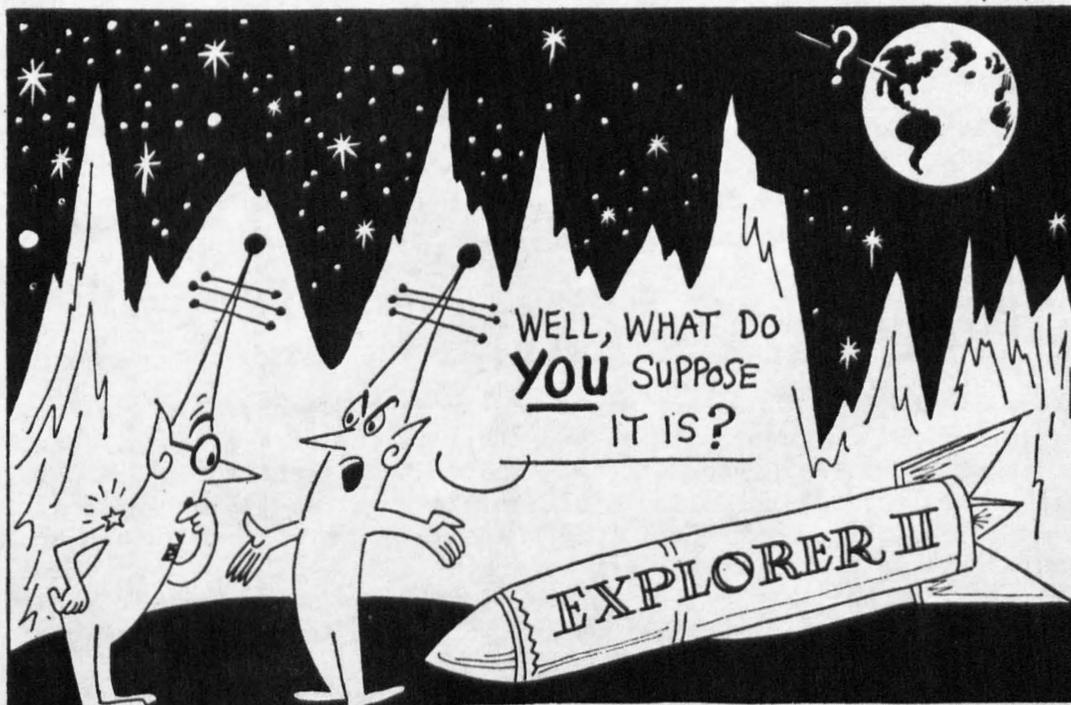
(5) Man, the only animal on Earth intelligent enough to develop

space flight, is a product of a very long (about one million years) and complex process of evolution, during which time he was affected by a very intricate series of biological and physical conditions and accidents. He is therefore partly a product of chance. If he were destroyed, it is extremely improbable that anything similar to him would again evolve, for the same conditions under which he developed could not be reproduced in the same order, to the same extent, and for the same lengths of time. Other animals, such as those who use their forefeet (as squirrels do) might possibly develop and take his place.

Summing up, Biology and Evolution show that the variety of life is almost limitless, that it will develop and continue to exist under very difficult conditions, that in this growth and development it can take many dif-



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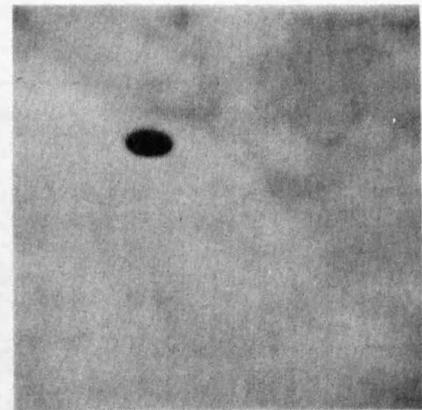
ferent paths toward its same goal of survival, the choice of these paths is partly accidental, and that Man is one of many different results of such evolution. Man therefore is the result of a very special set of conditions and accidents that can never be duplicated here on Earth.

It is generally conceded that a wide variety of life exists on some of the planets that revolve around the 30 billion suns in our Milky Way Galaxy. This life must evolve to become intelligent and capable of space flight if they expect to visit us. We have seen that evolution is influenced by surroundings and partly by accident. To produce man-like creatures on those planets, the same surroundings and the same accidents are needed as produced Man on our planet.

What are the chances that such conditions and accidents will be duplicated in the same sequence and for the same lengths of time on many of these planets and thus produce intelligent life so much like us that "they will resemble the man next door"? If, among the wide variety of life that exists there, man-like creatures do develop, what are the chances that they will pick our planet to visit from among the billions of other planets? Considering the almost limitless variety of life and the wide range of conditions possible on other planets in our galaxy, such chances of man-like creatures developing and coming to visit us are so infinitesimally small as to be impossible.

Therefore there is very little chance that Willy Ley's invaders from space will closely resemble the man next door. It is much more probable that they would be so different from us that we would give them a lot more than a second look if we saw them.

How much like us will they be? It is useless to guess. In the past, the truth has often proven to be stranger than fiction. It is quite possible that invaders from space will be even stranger than anything the science fiction writers have thought of!



The photo on the left, above, was taken by Karl Magnusson in Iceland, during the solar eclipse of June 30th, 1954. This is one of a series of saucer pictures taken by Mr. Magnusson at that time. It was sent to SAUCER NEWS by Mr. Skuli Skulason of Iceland. - The photo on the right was taken in April 1958 at Southend-on-Sea, Sussex, England, by a man who prefers to remain anonymous. The saucer is said to have been traveling at a moderate speed at the time the picture was snapped. We have no further details as yet. The picture was submitted by P. B. Godfry-Bartram of Sussex, England, to whom we give our thanks.

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THE AIR FORCE POSITION ON FLYING SAUCERS
- by Major Lawrence J. Tacker, USAF -

(Editor's Note: The following article is published in the public interest, and not because we necessarily agree with it. As in the past, SAUCER NEWS prints any timely and worthwhile article about flying saucers and related subjects. However, our own views are expressed only in our editorials and in articles which carry the by-line of one or more members of our editorial staff.)

First, I wish to clear up a few points regarding our news releases and regarding the complete Formal Report of the Scientific Advisory Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects, which convened on January 14th to 18th, 1953.

The complete Formal Report of the Panel has not been fully declassified for security reasons. The Formal Report is not available to the general public for distribution or reproduction.

The Formal Report does not contain the following specific recommendations mentioned in Captain Ruppelt's book, "The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects":

Page 293: "The Panel didn't recommend that the activities of Blue Book be cut back, and they didn't recommend that it be dropped. They recommended that it be expanded.....The expansion they recommended would require a considerable sum of money. The investigative force of Project Blue Book should be quadrupled in size, they wrote...."

Page 294: "And lastly, they said that the American public should be told every detail of every phase of the UFO investigation - the details of the sightings, the official conclusions, and why the conclusions were made. This would serve a double purpose: It would dispel any of the mystery that security breeds and it would keep the Air Force on the ball; sloppy investigations and analysis would never occur."

However, the minutes of the various meetings which led to the Formal Report of the Panel do include comments and suggestions of individual members of the Panel. This is an unofficial classified supplement to the Formal Panel Report setting forth comments and suggestions of the Panel members, which they believed were inappropriate for inclusion in the Formal Report.

These minutes disclose the fact that members of the Panel generally concluded that in view of the complete lack of authenticated evidence, an educational training program designed to debunk the existence of interplanetary space ships was required. Captain Ruppelt as an interviewee testifying before the Panel, unofficially proposed, for the purpose of analyzing and evaluating reported sightings, teams which would expand the ATIC effort. Captain Ruppelt was not a member of the Panel.

These minutes also disclose that because of the brevity of some sightings and the inability of witnesses to express themselves clearly, that conclusive explanations could not be expected for every case reported. Furthermore, it was considered that normally it would be a great waste of effort to try to solve most of the sightings unless such actions would benefit a training and educational program. The Panel also endorsed the long-accepted method for new scientific knowledge, which is for the sighter to prove his point, not the explainer. Captain Ruppelt was probably recalling or referring to his conversations with individual members of the Panel and to the unofficial supplement when he wrote his book.

For your information, the classified portion of the Formal Report and the unofficial supplement do not deal specifically with UFO's but with other matters of intelligence significance which affect the national security.

In our attempt to put the UFO subject in proper perspective, it

appears that the Air Force cannot compete with the science-fiction writers. We believe that we have the investigation of the UFO phenomena in responsible hands and that an adequate, thorough, and honest program is being conducted. Regardless, a small but articulate segment of people are under the mistaken belief that the Air Force has not sought the assistance of outstanding authorities outside the Air Force to assist in our evaluation of UFO sightings, and that we are withholding vital UFO information from the public, therefore preventing proper evaluation. We have, on numerous occasions, publicized our conclusions relative to UFO and explained our evaluation processes. This group, nevertheless, continues to claim that UFO's are objects from outer space and to demand Congressional hearings on the subject.

It is easy to understand the continued interest of this small segment because the subject is so novel and fascinating that it supports over 45 organizations of one type or another. Most of these organizations publish news letters or magazines and they expect the Air Force to furnish them material for their publications. Needless to say, we do not have the resources allotted to this project to fill the numerous individual requests which these organizations make for copies of our investigative reports and other related matters.

Furthermore, we would be remiss in our duty to the American public if we, by our assistance, encouraged these organizations in their sensational claims and contentions. Consequently, we do not give them individual attention but rather make periodic press releases through established news channels. In so doing, we show partiality to no one person or organization nor do we place ourselves in the position of placing our stamp of approval on, or giving preferential treatment to, any one of them.

This press release approach used by all branches of the Government is considered censorship by some of these organizations and, because we will not favor them with our individual attention, they contend that we are keeping vital information from the public. The Air Force was compelled to generally adopt the press release approach because in the past when we furnished factual information to certain writers of UFO books and articles upon their individual requests, our action was interpreted as granting approval and clearance to the books and articles in which the information was used.

If we withhold certain information from the public regarding UFO's it is done not for the purpose of depriving the public of vital information necessary for proper evaluation nor is it done because there is scientific proof of the existence of space craft from other planets and we do not wish to alarm the American public. It is done in the majority of instances to protect the people involved from the idle curiosity of the sensation seekers. In a few limited instances it is done to keep from compromising our investigation processes and, in a few instances, it is done for legitimate security reasons.

The Air Force has a tremendous task in defending this country against weapon systems which we know actually exist and are in the hands of our potential enemies. To divert more men and money away from this most serious mission into a greatly enlarged program for the investigation of UFO's - objects about which we have been unable to discover one iota of tangible scientific evidence - would seriously jeopardize the security of this country against a known proven threat. This would be allowing the sensation seekers to dictate our defense policies, and would, in our opinion, lay ourselves open to the charge of gross imprudence.

The Air Force does not deny that unknown objects have been seen by responsible people. It is in the interpretation of these sightings that we are questioned. From our investigation covering the past ten or twelve year period, the Air Force contends that when the evidence of these sightings has been sifted through the scientific criteria, it has led to the conclusion that the

objects were not space craft and that they did not constitute a threat to the security of this country. As an act of faith, UFO's can be considered manned or unmanned craft from outer space, but as a scientific fact there has been no authenticated scientific evidence presented to or discovered by the Air Force to support this conclusion.

BOOK REVIEW

UFO's CONFIDENTIAL - by George Hunt Williamson and John McCoy (Essene Press)
 - - - Reviewed by James W. Moseley - - -

Probably the kindest thing that can be said about this book is that it is somewhat more readable and rational than Williamson's previous effort, "Other Tongues, Other Flesh".

The first half of the new Williamson book reveals that Laimon Streeter is the name of the mysterious "Mr. R.", the ham radio operator who was a central figure in the alleged space contacts described in "The Saucers Speak", which was Williamson's first literary effort. We of SAUCER NEWS have known "Mr. R." and his true identity for several years, as your Editor interviewed Streeter during a visit to Arizona in 1953. Now Williamson gives us the somewhat startling information that Streeter left his physical body for a period of eight days in 1950, and made some sort of astral visit to another planet. The author also claims that Streeter was visited in 1952 by agents of the CAA and the FCC, who admitted that the radio contacts with spacemen were real, but insisted that they should not be publicized, in the interests of national security. For this reason Streeter allegedly opposed the publication of "The Saucers Speak", for he had been warned by these agents that his job would be in danger if the "facts" about the spacemen were published. - It is interesting to note that Williamson did not reveal this information until it was too late to check the accuracy of his claims; for Laimon Streeter died in 1955.

Williamson then goes into a long discussion of the "Silence Group" and the "International Bankers", which is supposedly a super-secret world government. Several references are then made to Gray Barker's "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers". Says Williamson: "All governments, yes all, are under the complete control of the 'International Bankers' who also control all money and thus create depressions and prosperity whenever they want it. They want and need a divided world so that wars may continue and their wealth steadily increase." Williamson is obviously still under the influence of William D. Pelley, a notorious Fascist who served seven years in jail for sedition, and with whom Williamson worked closely in Indiana for a considerable period of time after Pelley's release on parole. In "UFO's Confidential", the author seems to endorse the Fascist and anti-Semitic views expressed in such publications as "Our Secret Government", which states, according to Williamson: "The individuals who compose our 'secret government' are, of course, invisible to the public eye. Bernard Baruch, Felix Frankfurter, Herbert Lehman, (and) the Warburgs are unquestionably top figures in the Great Conspiracy, but not even Baruch is the hierarch of the Cabal. He is the 'Field Commander'. He and his above-mentioned affiliates choose the top tool such as FDR was, (and) such as Ike is today...."

Next, Williamson jumps to the conclusion that Al Bender, the "silenced" saucer researcher of Bridgeport, Conn., found out that the Earth is on a collision course with a sun, and that the saucers are here to effect an evacuation of our planet. This sounds a bit frightening to us, and might account for Bender's attitude, if true. However, further on the author states that there is really nothing to worry about, as the world will not end for awhile yet, though there will be "violent storms", etc. We are now entering an

area of "cosmic dust", and the "New Age" of peace and enlightenment, etc., will be upon us before the end of the world comes.

In the second half of "UFO's Confidential," written by Williamson's partner John McCoy, this "New Age" philosophy is explained in further detail. After describing some saucer sightings and contacts made by himself and his friends, McCoy goes on to say that in regard to bringing about the "New Age", "the greatest work is being done by those individuals who are working quietly and unobtrusively....The important people are the scientists, for example, who go up to the mother ships once a week to work in the laboratories there or attend discourses." This fantastic information is thrown in so casually that we are amazed! We had not known till now that Earth scientists are attending discourses aboard mother ships.

Next, McCoy gets into high gear with a long attack upon our capitalistic economic system, our science, our educational system, and our Government. This section should be of particular interest to anyone looking for subversive ideas. He then introduces us to the "third force", which is composed of evil spacemen who "would like very much to tow Earth out of its orbit and even out of the solar system and to utilize its mineral resources. Annihilation of the entire population would be necessary to accomplish this end." But don't worry, folks; remember that Williamson told us in Part One that there is nothing to worry about. The good spacemen are going to overcome the evil ones - somehow.

McCoy finishes his section with a discussion of why there have been a few saucer contact hoaxes, and why some contactees exaggerate their stories or give out false information concerning them. The conclusion seems to be that what with the "third force" around to confuse matters, and all that, you must consider the value of a space contact only by the worth of the information the spacemen are supposed to have revealed. In other words, space messages that you like and agree with are genuine, and all others are not. But if you don't believe any of this tripe, that doesn't matter to McCoy either, for as he says on Page 99, "Whether the space people are here or not makes no difference. Whether the contactees are telling the truth or not makes no difference...." Here at last we can almost agree with him!

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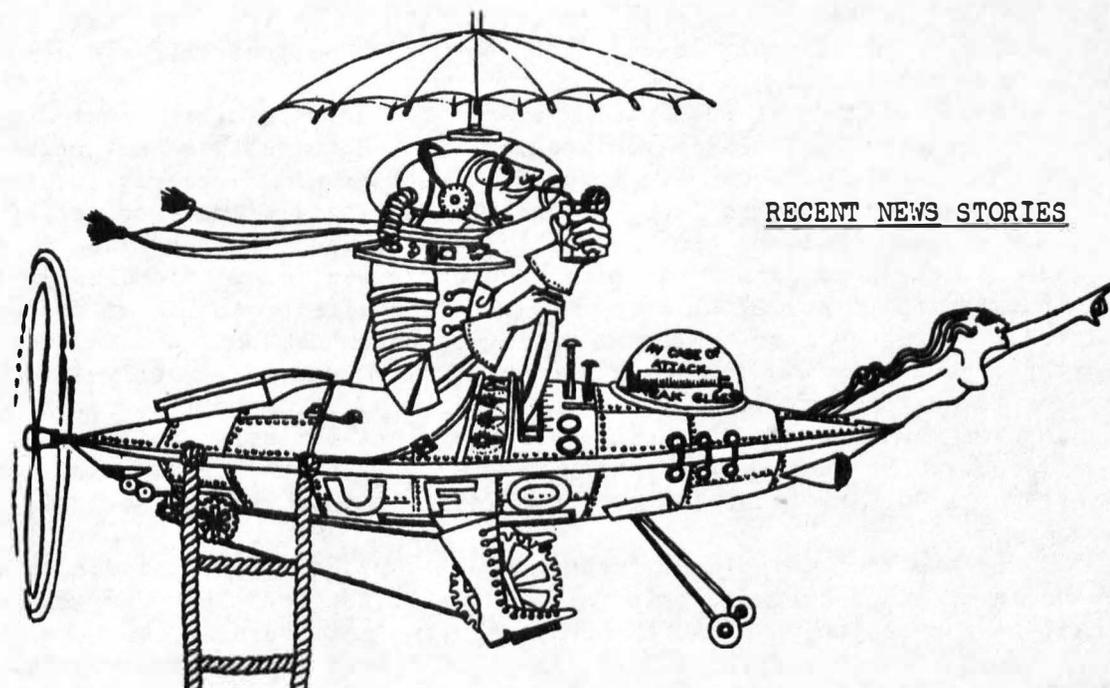
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DR. JUNG MISQUOTED BY APRO: As we mentioned in the closing paragraph of our August-September issue, a New Mexico saucer organization called APRO recently re-released a supposedly pro-saucer statement made some time ago by Dr. Carl Jung, world-famous psychologist. Jung's opinion, as given to the Associated Press by APRO, was that "if the extraterrestrial origin of saucers should be confirmed, this would prove the existence of an intelligent interplanetary relationship. What such a fact might mean for humanity cannot be predicted..." But this statement turns out to be a cut-down and edited version of a story from England's "Flying Saucer Review", which in turn was a translation of an article about Jung that appeared in a German-language Swiss magazine in 1954. It appears that something was lost, or perhaps added, in the translation, because Dr. Jung does not believe in interplanetary spacecraft. Last August, in one of his rare interviews, the 83-year-old Jung set the record straight. He called flying saucers a new "savior myth" and said that the saucer cult "may be a spontaneous reaction of the subconscious to fear of the apparently insoluble political situation in the world....At such times eyes turn heavenwards in search of help, and miraculous forebodings of a threatening or consoling nature appear from on high....In my study of the literature on the subject, I have again and again come across the idea that the saucers contained creatures who came to earth to 'help' or 'instruct' us. This clearly shows the observer's own desire for help...."

SAUCER BRIEFS: Here is an amusing exact quote from the March-April issue of J. Escobar Faria's "UFO Critical Bulletin", published in Brazil: "BLACK BOOK IN UFOLOGY - Be careful with the following modern anti-Galileo scientists who intend to burn any serious research toward the extraterrestrial origin thesis for the UFO's: Donald Menzel, Lincoln La Paz, Spencer Jones, Richard Wooley, Leon Davidson, Justin Case (just a pseudonym), et al., as well as some civilian investigators like, for instance, James Moseley. Be careful - they are clever logicians and possess a wide amount of information (even secret) in order to confuse public mind. They are doing the same official (international) 'hush hush' gambling. Be careful! I ask to other Editors sufficiently energetic in the field to enlarge time to time this BLACK BOOK IN UFOLOGY."

Your SAUCER NEWS Editor is honored to be mentioned in the same breath with distinguished men like Lincoln La Paz, etc. We just hope that Mr. Faria doesn't plan to hush us all up....

And speaking of hush-ups, we are reliably informed that Roger Pierce's "UFO Hotwire" has ceased publication. The "Hotwire" was the successor to "Cosmic News", which Pierce used to co-edit with Howard Neuberger.....As of this writing, there has been no issue of the CSI Newsletter since Dec. of 1957, though we understand that the club is still active....Your Editor made his 5th appearance on the Long John Party Line radio program on Station WOR in New York on the morning of Aug. 27th. Among the other panelists was Lester del Rey, noted science-fiction writer and champion saucer debunker. We found del Rey to be a worthy opponent in the morning's debate, unlike several poorly-informed anti-saucerites with whom we had debated previously.....A complete report on Howard Menger's saucer convention in New Jersey last September will appear in our next issue.....We hear by the grapevine that Gray Barker is planning a new series of smears against your Editor. Our reply to this will also be in the next issue....

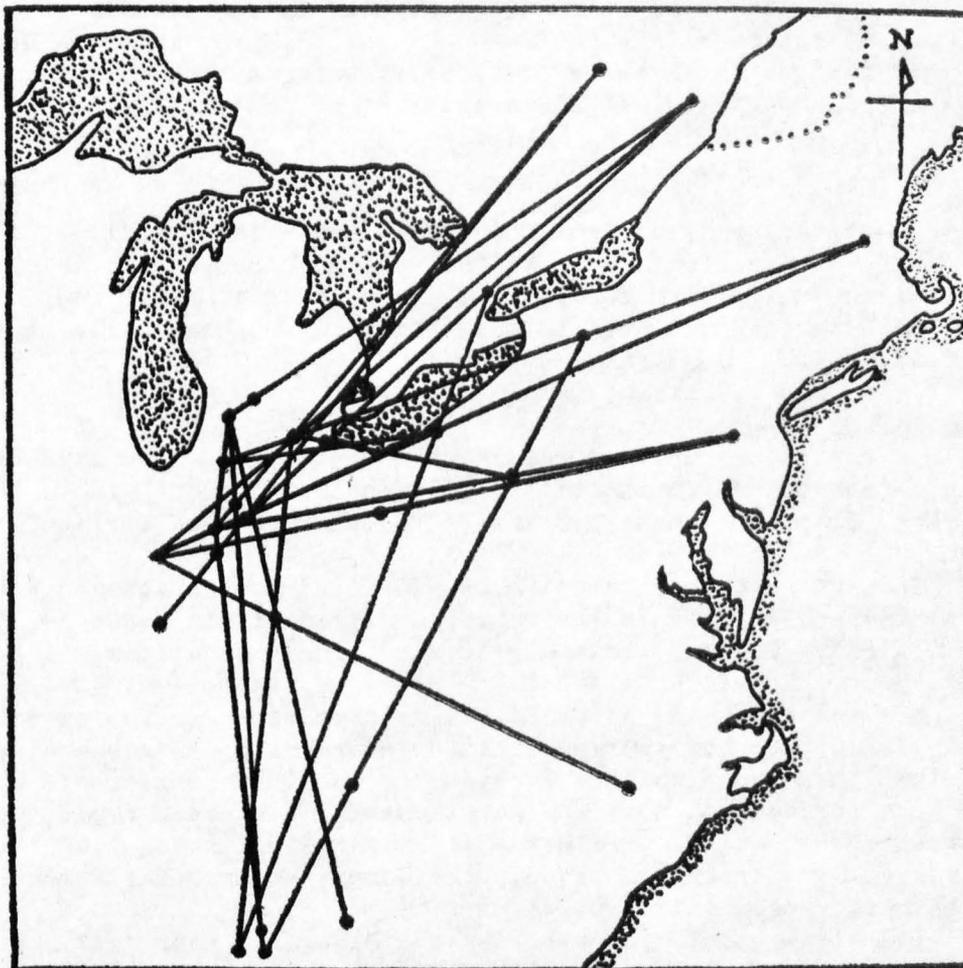
By the time this issue reaches you, your Editor will again be out of town on an extended business trip, and thus will not be able to answer personal mail in connection with SAUCER NEWS. Routine matters will, as usual, be handled by John Marana....William D. Pelley, mentioned in our book review, is still active with his "Soulcraft" organization in Indiana, as witnessed by a fantastic brochure we received from him a few days ago. Pelley has been working on a thing he calls "Ultravision", which is like television except that the spirits of departed souls are seen and heard thereon. Now it seems that in spite of generous donations from his followers, the "Ultravision" project is bogged down and won't become a practical reality as soon as he had hoped. So Pelley has a wonderful substitute- tape recordings of the voices of his departed friends who were to have appeared on "Ultravision". These friends include Theodore Roosevelt, Henry Ford, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Edison, and others. For ten bucks you can have your very own recording of the actual voice of any of these gentlemen, recorded from Pelley's seances. Curiously enough, the brochure forewarns us that these departed greats are likely to echo Pelley's own political beliefs, for which he was once jailed!

NEWS BRIEFS: Quite frankly, good saucer sightings were almost non-existent this past summer, but here are a few noteworthy items: A UFO "like a ball of fire, with a bluish-green and red tail at least 500 feet long" was sighted by a couple in Selma, Alabama, on Aug. 13th. The object was seen from nearby, and was heard to make a "sizzling" sound.....An American scientist speaking in Amsterdam has suggested that large metal satellites could sweep away the high-energy radiation band which threatens to keep Man from ever flying higher than 250 miles into space. (This is further confirmation for our controversial "radiation article" which appeared in the June-July 1956 issue.) ...Persons in widely scattered parts of northern New Jersey reported last Aug. 3rd that they had seen a bright glowing ball circling just beneath the moon on the previous Friday night.....A good sighting was made at Lake Arthur, La., on the night of July 31st, when two men reported seeing a flaming red ball-shaped object pass by about a mile away from them.....32 people in Detroit, Michigan saw a mysterious fireball that bobbed and weaved over the Detroit airport for nearly four hours on the night of Aug. 9th. The CAA was informed of the sighting.....Fishermen in Italy have found a mammoth skull more than 30 feet long, with eye sockets three feet in diameter....Prof. Jason J. Nassau of Cleveland, Ohio and six other professional astronomers saw a saucer on the night of Aug. 15th, at the same time that they were observing the Sputnik rocket carrier.

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THE ABOVE DRAWING shows saucer sightings in the northeastern United States on Nov. 6th, 1957. The dots represent sightings, and the lines connecting them show the "straight-line" effect discovered by French saucer researcher Aime Michel, as explained in his new book. See Page 8 for a review of the book.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORConcerning NICAP

I have your Oct.-Nov. issue of SAUCER NEWS. The "storm of controversy" that is supposed to be surrounding Keyhoe is your own invention. With your unfounded attack on NICAP you have put SAUCER NEWS into the Gray Barker and Ray Palmer category. I agree completely with Mr. Mebane. Why don't you stop slinging mud and give NICAP the support it so desperately needs?

ROBERT J. DURANT
Lorain, Ohio

Congratulations on your Oct.-Nov. issue. Your handling of the situation at NICAP was excellent and most interesting, though I do think you tend to sensationalize a bit. Personally, I never thought NICAP would last this long, but I do hope they are able to make some progress against censorship before they fold up....

JOHN FRAISER
Ontario, Canada

In regard to our last telephone conversation, you may have noted that I made a correction in the latest NICAP bulletin in regard to the resignations of Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Clark. I assume you will correct the error in your own publication.

In regard to the question of NICAP finances which you wrote about in your last issue, I refer to the detailed statement in Issue No. 5 of the "UFO Investigator". You may quote all of the figures or statements therein as an answer to your charges.

We have received several letters from members who said they were sent unsolicited copies of your publication concerning charges against NICAP. It appears that these were sent to everyone on the list of members published by NICAP. I am curious to know why you thought this necessary or advisable, since you assure me that you were not attacking NICAP. Several of the members assumed that you were trying to cripple the Committee by going directly to the members with these unsolicited copies.

You state that you will discuss NICAP in your next issue using material I have sent you. I should like again to say that permission has not been given to you to extract paragraphs without written permission from me. In other words, if you reprint the material it must be printed in full or I must see the condensation and approve it before publication. Otherwise it will be necessary for me to point out any erroneous statements or implications caused by deletion of material.

Our invitation for you to visit the NICAP office stands. I feel that you cannot even approach an accurate picture of our operations without visiting our headquarters and seeing the problems and asking specific questions about our operations. At the very least, you should put your questions in writing, or phone them in so that you can have detailed accurate answers. If you wish to reproduce this letter in full, you have my permission. This is not permission to extract any part of this letter for publication without my written approval.

MAJOR DONALD E. KEYHOE (Director of NICAP)
Washington, D.C.

(Editor's Note: We apparently erred in our Newsletter #9 in stating that Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Clark were fired by Keyhoe. We should have said instead that they resigned. Incidentally, according to Issue #5 of the "Investigator", Mrs. Campbell has "frankly warned that she plans to fight NICAP". It still remains to be seen what form this fight will take. - Due to Major Keyhoe's unwilling-

ness to let us cut and edit his letters in our own way, we have decided to wait until such time as he is willing and able to write an article for SAUCER NEWS, in defense of his organization. In the meanwhile, we will have no more to say about NICAP. We are glad that Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Clark have left the group and that the plan to sell saucer contact books has been abandoned. We hope that NICAP's financial situation will improve in the future, and we are glad that the rumor about them closing down in late 1958 proved unfounded)

Concerning Major Tacker's Article in the Oct.-Nov. Issue

I discussed Ruppelt's book briefly with Dr. Robertson of Caltech when I queried him about the Panel of Scientists' statement. He told me that, to the best of his recollection, Ruppelt's account of the meeting was substantially correct.

MAX B. MILLER (Editor of "Saucers")
Los Angeles, California

I refer to your Oct.-Nov. 1958 SAUCER NEWS and the article on page eleven therein titled "The Air Force Position on Flying Saucers" by Major Lawrence J. Tacker.

Major Tacker is a member of this office and he has informed me that he did not prepare and submit this article to you for publication nor does he know where you obtained this article.

We appreciate the opportunity of presenting the official Air Force position on the subject of unidentified flying objects to your many readers but think it would be to our mutual interest to set the record straight.

Therefore we would appreciate your publishing in a subsequent issue a statement to the effect that the article as published by you represents extracts from official Air Force letters (possibly furnished by your readers) and evidently signed by Major Tacker on the subject of unidentified flying objects.

COLONEL M. H. GILMAN
Chief, Public Information Division
Office of Information Services
Department of the Air Force, Washington, D.C.

(Editor's Note: The above letter is quite perplexing, for two reasons: First, Major Tacker's article was the complete text of a letter he sent to Dr. Leon Davidson late in 1958. We had Dr. Davidson's permission to use the letter, and we also phoned Major Tacker at the Pentagon to ask for his permission, which he granted. Perhaps, however, we made a mistake by not stating in SAUCER NEWS that the article was actually a letter written to Davidson. - Secondly, and much more baffling, is the fact that Col. Gilman sent the above letter to James B. Moseley rather than James W. Moseley, although the "W." in your Editor's name appears in at least two places in each issue of SAUCER NEWS. This is no mere typing error in our opinion, because the "B." appears in two places on Col. Gilman's letter, and because your Editor was almost christened "Barber" instead of "Willett," and is still known to some friends and relatives by the former middle name. Therefore, it seems that the Air Force picked up the "B." while investigating us, for reasons as yet unknown. In a phone interview with your Editor, Col. Gilman was unable to explain satisfactorily how the "B." appeared in his letter in place of the "W.".

Comment on Justin Case's Article "How Much Like Us"

I did not read the article by Willy Ley in the magazine "This Week" but I have the report on his talk to the CBSI (of New York) open meeting held on May 23rd, 1958, and also the article by Ley in "The Complete Book of Outer

Space". The talk given to CSI was an abbreviated version of the longer article in "This Week", so I feel justified in making the following comments.

Going progressively through the text of Justin Case's article, I soon found reason to criticize the author. He quotes Willy Ley as saying any extraterrestrial visitor we may receive will ".....probably bear a strong resemblance to the man next door.....The chances are you wouldn't give him a second look." Now this does not agree with what Mr. Ley said in the CSI talk, in which he paid strict attention to the "accidents" of evolution and the effects they could have on body construction. Furthermore, his summary was different to that quoted by Justin Case. Ley said, "In short, we end up with a creature that, seen from a distance by somebody who needs glasses but doesn't wear them, - would not be immediately distinguishable from a human being." Therefore, far from "giving comfort" to writers of contact claims and the ardent believers of same, the contrary is the case. Ley states, "So as soon as somebody tells me he has had contact with a person looking exactly like us, I have all the biological reasons in the world for not believing it." These few facts render a considerable portion of Case's criticism incorrect and unjustified....

I also venture to disagree entirely with Justin Case's statements (page 9) concerning the "extreme improbability" of anything similar to man evolving again. A particular set of conditions must exist for a planet to evolve, and astronomers today have every reason to believe these conditions recur millions of times in different parts of the universe. There are millions of suns identical with ours and it is surely logical to assume conditions surrounding them must be similar to those in our Solar System; so why should there not be millions of other "Earths" where life would evolve under identical conditions? Given the same atmosphere, time would produce the same plant life and mineral deposits, and the many other "accidents" which have influenced the evolution of life here on Earth. As Ley mentions, "...Minor accidents could occur...."; so I am not suggesting identical forms of life would evolve.

DAVID WIGHTMAN (Editor of "Uranus"), Lancs., England.

More Evidence of Pre-1947 Saucers (?)

Your Fact Sheet announces SAUCER NEWS as the only saucer magazine whose official policy favors a terrestrial rather than an extraterrestrial solution to the flying saucer mystery....The late Prof. Alberto Tulli, former director of the Egyptian Museum at the Vatican in Rome, left a papyrus transferred by Monsignor Gustavo Tulli, his brother, to Prince Borris de Rachewiltz, who translated it. Prince Boris published it in "Doubt", the magazine of the Fortean Society of New York. It is identified as belonging to the Middle Kingdom, part of the annals of Pharaoh Thutmose III (1,600 B.C.). It reads:

"In the year 22, of the 3rd month of winter, sixth hour of the day, the scribes' archivists, or chroniclers, or annalists, of the House of Life, found that there was a circle of fire coming in the sky but it had no head. From its mouth came a breath that stank. One rod long was its body and a rod wide, and it was noiseless. And the hearts of the scribes became terrified and confused, and they laid themselves flat on their bellies. They reported to the Pharaoh..... (This) is recorded in papyri of the House of Life. Now, after some days had gone by, behold, these things became more numerous in the skies than ever. They shone more than the brightness of the sun, and extended to the limits of the four quarters of the skies..... The army of the Pharaoh looked on with him in their midst. It was after supper. Thereupon, these fire circles ascended higher in the sky toward the south. Fish and winged animals fell down from the sky. (It was) a marvel never before known since the foundation of this land!".... ANTHONY COOPER, SASKATCHEWAN, Canada

EXTRATERRESTRIALISM AS AN HISTORICAL DOCTRINE (Part 3-B)

- by Y. N. ibn A'haron, B.D., S.T.M. -

Note: To account for the emphasis given by the historical works of the Chaldaic canon to the doings of Y'hova requires a careful remembrance of the factors in which the original authors were interested. The later anthologies and topical compilations were Zarathustran in origin, and should not be confused with the primary chronicles extracted herein. (The Anthologies, though inadequate, are reliable, and are available to readers of Arabic.) In studying Chaldea, we are dealing with a nation whose place in history has been obscured by other peoples who were consciously indebted to the Maji (Members of the Great Council of Chaldea) for their greatness. The Chaldeans were accepted throughout the Near Middle East as cultural descendants of the Era preceding the Great Flood. As such, they were leaders of the world, until the coming of Y'hova. The significance of this event is that it marked the end of the extraterrestrials' regime in our world, as represented by the Council of the Extraterrestrials in the World Down Below, a capital city located to the south of the two Egypts. The Council of the Extraterrestrials was established after the Age of Resettlement, and encouraged the same work of philosophical and technological progress in which the Council of Chaldea was involved. At important junctures in the early days of its existence, the Council of Extraterrestrials had sought protection from the Council of Chaldea, and its failure to reciprocate that protection in the case of Y'hova, marked its fall from power. The Council had acted against Y'hova, and its action had failed. If we do not know how to take the confessions of guilt contained in the Canaanite language literature of the Hebrews (brei Kabir, in Chaldean), the Majian Annals are unequivocal in respect to Y'hova's standing under the Law of the Ten Dynesties.

The procedures of historical research are as arduous and exacting as those in the physical sciences, and, in the case of Chaldean history, more important to the future well-being of mankind; for what good can come of the future if we do not know of our past? The history of the Occidental Fringe (Europe and the U.S.A.) is not enough to enable us to escape a serious case of racial amnesia. Extraterrestrial visitors may or may not be with us today, but they were certainly present in the Near Middle East of 11,000 to 1,000 B.C., as I shall now proceed to illustrate, from sources which should be more familiar than those used heretofore. Such illustration, it should be emphasized, does not indicate a propensity on the part of the writer for accepting "contact" stories. On the contrary, the "contact" claims of ancient times were made, and substantiated, by a class of men so different from those of our day as to detract from the validity of any comparisons. (Mr. Adamski was quite the atheist the last time I met him, as Rev. LeVan, who was present on that occasion, can easily verify.)

In the last installment, we saw Y'hova indulge in mercantile arrangements with the city of Elam Asur. Although our initial appraisal of Ab-ra-mu was not as favorable as we could have wished it to be, we are not reluctant to admit that he improved very greatly with age. The occupation of herdsman, in which Y'hova encouraged him, wrought a change in the erstwhile wood-gatherer and whittler of Elam Asur, and produced a fully-rounded human being, noble of mind, and generous of disposition. Most of the information available about him from the Chaldean is in the form of a commentary on the Book of Generations, which dates from the Babylonian Period. According to this document, Abraham was introduced to the art of civilization largely through association with the rulers of the local cities, into whose councils he was accepted because of his wealth.

By benefiting from the company of Melkhi-tsedeq and Hurdala-Omer, who, the Book of Generations tells us, were "born of the Stars", Abraham (the Aramite form of Ab-ra-mu, meaning "born of the spring") learned to profoundly respect the moral and ethical codes of the city dwellers. So deeply did this respect become seated in the mind of Abraham the Elamite that, at one point, the Chaldean author tells us, it threatened to supplant his obedience to his other-worldly mentor. The apparent chronology of the Hebrew Scriptures notwithstanding, the disciplinary sacrifice ritual on Mount Mori-yah came after the nuclear destruction of the pro-Council cities of Ssi-doma and Gam-orah. Abraham, as is well known, opposed this brutal destruction, saying that it was unnecessary; but the inability of the Elahim for peaceful persuasion, which led to the downfall of the Council, made it difficult for Y'hova to think in terms other than the annihilation of those who dared to openly oppose him.

Such potency does not mean that Y'hova was Ruler of Heaven and Earth, King of Kings, any more than were the Emperors of Persia of a later date. The Chaldean Annals tell us also of other deified personages, descendants of the Black Priesthood, and Elohim, as well as other varieties of extra-terrestrial visitors, who regularly destroyed cities, and demanded the sacrifice of individuals who had offended them. Thus we see that Y'hova's habits were really not so much different from those of the general run of gods, whose deeds are sung in other Semitic tongues, and in the syllables of Veda and Diapason. Y'hova's peculiar importance to later Chaldaic and Hebrew may be explained by virtue of the important individual role he played in determining the economic and social conditions of the Hebrews, descendants of Chaldea. His major standing in the Western World since he left the scene may be explained by pointing out the confusion which has arisen about the doctrine of the arrogance of Y'hova. This doctrine has been confused by the common people of Israel and the religious leaders of the West (including German Judaism) as an affirmation of the naive but decorative notion of monotheism. This equation does not meet the facts. Y'hova did not create Man, nor was he created by Man.

The popular idea is that the God of Israel was Omnipotent and Unseen (the implication being that he had no corporeal existence.) The Jews, we are told, worshipped the Creative Principle, and derived all their benefits from their service to it. Hence, the doctrine of a personal God! This is nonsense! The Chaldean Archives paint quite a different picture, and, what is more, the Hebrew Scriptures back them up. Increasingly it is clear that the Bible is a reliable historical document. No one would think of branding those sections of the Majian Annals which correspond to the first four Books of Moses as religious, and yet those who suggest that the Torah be taken literally all the way through are treated with opprobrium by doctrinarian biddies and reverent scientists who think that "amen" is a Kabbalistical formula.

We are told, "There must be a God, to account for the Mysteries of the Kosmos." But the Greeks said, "The Gods themselves were in the Kosmos." Creative Principles and Unseen Powers no doubt there are, but Y'hova does not fill the bill. Let anyone who believes that the powers of Y'hova were unlimited take note that most of the acts described as "miracles, signs and wonders" are capable of being duplicated today. Exceptions to this are the Ruakh and the K'vod (magnetic devices), of which more below. Those who believe that Y'hova was a personal God, who answered the innermost yearning of the Soul, or rewarded piety with worldly blessings, may reflect on this: "Through obedience to my Law alone shalt thou be blessed"; and, since most of his laws were relatively good ones, this made sense. But such a statement does not encourage thoughts of supernatural intercession contrary to the laws of nature, which Y'hova himself was among the first in bringing to the attention of his followers. If they did not violate the principles of social living, they would live

in peace with their neighbors; if they ate the right foods, they would be healthy, et cetera. Those who have been struck by the similarity between the Laws of Moses and those of Hamur-abi should remember that Ba'al was also Eliyat-ha (One from Upon High).

Moses the Pharaoh confessed to all Israel that Y'hova was the God of nations other than Israel. "Y'hova came from Sinai, and shined forth from Se'ir (in Edom) unto them; he rose up from Har Paran and went from Riv'voth Kodesh (a place name meaning 'Myriads of Sanctity') from the South, and he appeared as a fiery device unto them." (Deuteronomy XXIII)

Finally, let those who deny the corporeal existence of Y'hova and the tangibility of his technology, read this passage from the Hebrew (which does not occur in Chaldean before 700 B.C.): "And Y'hova said unto Moses, 'Go unto the people, and sanctify them, today and tomorrow, and cause them to wash their clothes, and be ready against the 3rd day, for Y'hova will come down in the sight of the people, upon Mount Sinai; and thou shalt keep the people away from it on every side....' And Moses went down and said, 'Come not at your wives.' And it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that Mount Sinai was altogether enveloped in smoke, because Y'hova descended upon it in a fire, and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace and the whole mount quaked greatly. And Y'hova said, 'Command the people, lest they break through to gaze, and many of them perish.' (Exodus XX); and Y'hova said, 'Depart and go up hence unto the land which I swore unto Abraham. I will send a messenger before thee, and drive out the Cana'anite, for I will not go up in the midst of thee.' And when the people heard, they mourned, for Y'hova had said, 'Put off now thy ornaments, that I may know what to do unto thee.' And Moses took the tabernacle and pitched it outside the camp.

"And it came to pass, as Moses entered the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and Y'hova spake unto Moses, face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. Moses said, 'Thou hast said, "Cause this people to be brought up"; but thou hast not given me to know whom thou wilt send with me; therefore, I pray thee, make known to me thy route in going up hence. If your person go not, thou shalt not take us up from this planet; for wherein shall it be known anywhere that I and thy people have found grace in your eyes if not in your going with us in our being taken far away from all the people on the face of the Earth?' And Y'hova said, "This thing also I will do." And Moses said, 'Show me your K'vod.' Y'hova said, "I will make all good things to pass before thee; but thou canst not see my face, for no man shall see me and live. Thou shalt stand upon a rock, and while my K'vod passeth by, I will cover thee with my hand. And I will take away my hand, and thou shalt see my back parts, but my face shall not be seen.'" (Exodus XXXIII)

A short time later, Aaron's two sons, Nadav and Abi-hu, were struck down after kindling a "sinister flame". This radioactive fusion lay at the root of the technology which created the "Presence and Glory of the Lord" (ruakh K'vod Y'hova), which were the magnetic machines which formed the bases of Y'hova's prestige, and which enabled him to carry out his designs against Egypt - as I shall undertake to demonstrate in the next installment.

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BOOK REVIEWS

FLYING SAUCERS AND THE STRAIGHT-LINE MYSTERY, by Aime Michel (Criterion Books)
 (Translated from the French by CSI of New York)

- Reviewed by Richard Cohen -

This book, by the author of "The Truth About Flying Saucers", is a surprisingly worthwhile contribution to the field of saucer literature - much more so than the author's first book. The one tremendous difference that strikes us between "The Straight-Line Mystery" and all previous saucer books, is that here at last we find a rational, scientific attempt to bring some order out of the apparent chaos of sightings. Most saucer books previous to this one have fallen quite distinctly into one of two categories: (1) Personal experiences that the author has had with space beings; and (2) Chaotic reports by researchers who seem to revel in the fact that in spite of all their efforts, the saucer mystery remains as deep and unexplained as ever; or who give long and boring lists of sightings without any systematical analysis whatsoever.

Michel, on the other hand, has carefully analyzed the wave of sightings that swept France in the late summer and early fall of 1954. Without any attempt at ignoring data that does not fit his theories, Michel has reached several absolutely new conclusions about sighting patterns; and his conclusions seem to be well substantiated by the facts, at least insofar as this particular sighting wave is concerned. The author finds that sightings on a given day fall along straight lines, which he calls "orthotenic" lines. Furthermore, these lines often intersect or even converge at a focal point, like at the center of a wheel; and at these intersections, "mother ships" are seen. Curiously enough, sightings along the lines radiating from these centers do not usually indicate by their time sequence that a single trajectory was involved. The only valid conclusion, according to Michel, is that sightings within a given 24-hour period will almost invariably fall on and only on these lines. For an earlier or later 24-hour period, the center and spokes of the curious wheel-like patterns will shift and change. Thus it is quite obvious (to us) that whatever the reason for these straight-line patterns may be, it is not because saucers fly along "magnetic fault lines" or any such thing, such as Frank Scully described in his book.

Many of the 1954 French sightings involved "little men", and these reports also are analyzed and described in detail by Michel. Incidentally, many of the outstanding sightings and landings from France in 1954 were first published in the United States in "Nexus" (predecessor to SAUCER NEWS), in spite of the Editor's belief that flying saucers are of terrestrial origin. - Michel points out in his book that in a number of cases, physical evidence was discovered at the alleged spot where the landing occurred - evidences such as grass crushed in a circular pattern, broken branches, etc. The creatures involved in these incidents were humanoids of slightly less than normal human stature, whose dress and actions were in each case bizarre, to say the least. In no case was there intellectual contact between the French sighters and the humanoids, which makes the incidents distinct from the tales told by Menger, Adamski, etc., in this country. Michel is unable to find any apparent reason for the landings, or even for the straight-line patterns of the sightings; but he has gone as far as his available data will allow him, and were he to go further he would fall into the pitfall of unscientific speculation. But at least an extremely important first step has been made, and most of the 1954 French sightings fall into a coherent pattern as a result of Michel's painstaking research.

The next step should be a careful attempt to find out if American

sightings also show evidences of falling along "orthotenic" lines. In an appendix to Michel's text, the American translators (Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York) have given a summary of the November 1957 American sightings. They also produced the map shown on the cover of this issue, and did other worthwhile research. However, their work has not been thorough enough to indicate definitely whether or not Michel's straight-line theory applies to this sighting wave or not. Of course, a great deal of time-consuming work would be involved in proving or disproving the validity of Michel's theory. The exact place and time of a great number of sightings that occurred on the same day would have to be obtained. However, this is just the job that CSI, NICAP, or one of the other large and supposedly serious research outfits here in America should now undertake. The excuse that Air Force censorship spoils everything just isn't good enough - although CSI uses this excuse in their appendix to "The Straight-Line Mystery". There is an official saucer investigation in France, too, but this didn't stop Michel. On the other hand, CSI should be given credit for the job they have done in translating the book, and thus making it available to the American public. We just hope that the fine start Michel has made toward sensible scientific sighting analysis will not be in vain, and that some American group with sufficient facilities and time will go on to enlarge and expand his work.

THE FLYING SAUCER REVIEW'S WORLD ROUNDUP OF UFO SIGHTINGS AND EVENTS - by the Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench (Citadel Press)

- Reviewed by James W. Moseley -

This book is a classic example of what is meant by "long boring lists of sightings without any systematical analysis", as mentioned in Mr. Cohen's review of the Michel book. "World Roundup of UFO Sightings and Events" is nothing more than a reprint of 1956 and 1957 sightings from le Poer Trench's journal, "The Flying Saucer Review," which is a bi-monthly saucer magazine published in London, England. Although some of these sightings will be new to American readers, the book will add little if anything to their knowledge of saucers. Almost no discrimination has been used in the selection of material to be included in the book. For example, eight pages are devoted to a

THE PHOTO AT THE RIGHT is a posed shot of Howard Menger's second wife, who claims to be reincarnated from Venus. Whether or not this is true, the lady makes a pretty picture by purely earthly standards, and we are glad for the excuse to add a little cheesecake to SAUCER NEWS. See story beginning on Page 13 for details of Menger's recent "interplanetary spacecraft" convention. (Photo by August C. Roberts.)



contact allegedly made by one Mrs. Elizabeth Klarer of South Africa. This account was sent to the "Review" and vouched for by Edgar Sievers, a pro-Adamski saucer editor in South Africa. According to the yarn, Mrs. Klarer witnessed a saucer landing, and spotted a blond pilot inside the craft, who was "the most handsome man I have ever seen," according to the narrative. The woman yearned for the day when the handsome saucer pilot would return, and eventually he did. This time she ran to meet him when she saw his saucer. He and a dark-skinned co-pilot took her for a ride, during which they killed time by describing their living habits, etc., on Venus. No doubt this was the sort of tale Dr. Carl Jung had in mind recently when he called flying saucers a new "savior myth". In any case, the Klarer sighting is clearly something to be discussed on a psychiatrist's couch rather than in a supposedly serious catalogue of UFO events. Most of the sightings in "World Roundup" are not as bad as this one, but the book as a whole is definitely not a worthwhile contribution to ufological literature.

OTIS T. CARR AND THE FREE ENERGY PRINCIPLE

- by Robert J. Durant -

Did you know that 0 times X = X ?; Or that $-0 / 0 = -1$; and $-X / X = X$? These expressions are mathematically correct, and conform to the rules of ordinary algebra, according to Mr. Otis T. Carr, inventor and director of OTC Enterprises, Inc., of Baltimore. These equations are given as part of an explanation of Carr's inventions, which deal with the neutralization of gravity.

On December 7th, 1959, Carr plans to visit the moon aboard his spaceship, powered by his invention. At this moment, he is touring the country lecturing before UFO and psychic phenomena groups in an attempt to find people willing to buy stock in the OTC Enterprises. Mr. Carr compares this business opportunity with the Coca-Cola stock, whose initial purchasers have realized a profit of several thousand percent. "The people who got in on the ground floor became millionaires," says Carr. And anti-gravity has much greater possibilities than coke ever had! But it will take a hundred thousand dollars to build the moon ship, and Carr is letting the public have a chance to supply that money. Naturally, when the OTC X-1 makes it to the moon and back, OTC stock will skyrocket.

0 times X = 0; and $-X / X = -1$, as any high school algebra text will tell you. $-0 / 0$ doesn't equal anything at all in ordinary algebra, and is referred to by mathematicians as "undefined". Carr is using the mathematical nonsense in the first paragraph with other double-talk to dupe thousands of people into investing in the OTC Enterprises. Unfortunately, few people who come in contact with Carr have the technical background necessary to come to grips with his barrage of jargon.

According to Carr, the Defense Department has investigated his claims, but has turned down his offer to deliver one spacecraft, complete, for twenty million dollars. Now Carr is turning to the public for aid. His devices will be used to usher in a New Age on this planet, an age of plenty and happiness, plus rides to the moon and planets, all gratis. If the Government can't use his ideas, it is just too bad for them. What about private industry? "No monopoly should control this free energy system," says Carr.

For \$1.00 you can buy a set of printed material "explaining" the free energy principle, and the aims of the OTC Enterprises. A quasi-religious theme runs throughout Carr's literature, making it sound like the work of G.H. Williamson. The same frame of mind which supported Williamson is now supporting Carr. Most of the religiously inclined statements emanate from Major Wayne Aho, who is traveling with Carr and does most of the promotion work for him.

Aho is an old-timer in the deep-end school of UFO research.

The brochure is very well designed, and expertly printed, in several colors. By "well-designed" I mean that it is a wonderful come-on. An unsophisticated person would be overwhelmed by what he encounters therein. For instance, the first page of the brochure is divided into two parts. The top half contains a picture of Albert Einstein, with a quotation from one of his works on theoretical physics. The bottom half of the page contains a picture of Otis Carr, with a quotation from his explanation of the free energy principle. The syllogism is simple and obvious, and beautifully designed to hook the credulous: Einstein was a great scientist; Einstein's picture and his words appear exactly as Carr's picture and words do. Therefore Carr must be a great scientist also. Similarly, Carr is listed among the all-time greats of science, - Newton, Archimedes, etc., and for all most people know, he might well be a great scientist. After all, he is completely unintelligible, isn't he?

Let's take a close look at Carr's explanation of the free energy principle. Before analyzing his statement, bear in mind that Carr has said that the words used in it can be found in any dictionary, and that there is nothing special about their meanings in this context. The word "pressure" used here is the same "pressure" used everywhere else by engineers.

"The dimensions of pressure are straight line; the dimension of motion is a curvature. Pressure creates motion and motion creates pressure. Therefore, motion is dimensionally fourth; Finite space is a condition of the field, and the static universe is as real as the kinetic one. From the spawning point of inertia, numerous dimensions beyond the fourth are logically equated - static or dynamic, all matter is available energy. IT IS AS SIMPLE AS THAT."



"They just don't build saucers like they used to."

Take the first sentence. The "dimensions of pressure" are in the units of force per unit area, such as pounds per square foot. That is the dictionary definition of pressure. Rewriting the first sentence we have: Force per unit area = straight line. Maybe apples do equal bananas. That would make as much sense!

The next sentence can't even be reworded. What is the "dimension of motion"? Common usage of these words would indicate that this term means the measure of the magnitude or degree of motion, but no such thing is known in physics. Momentum, or even the kinetic energy of a moving body cannot be called the "dimension" of motion. If Carr means that motion exists in the "second dimension", that is not true either. Three dimensions are needed to describe the motion of a physical object. (Plus the variation of each dimension with time.) Similarly, a pressure of a force must be specified by three vectors, representing its magnitude and direction in the three space dimensions: length, width, and depth, in the simplest terms. So whatever the dimension of motion is, it is the same as a curvature, if that is any help!

I am taking these statements apart in such detail because many people are convinced that Carr is a genius who can't express himself well

enough to be understood. They think that perhaps Carr has discovered some principles which are contrary to known science and that therefore his statements are impossible to judge by orthodox standards. But Carr himself rules out that possibility, by his insistence that he abides strictly by the dictionary and common usage. So it really doesn't matter if Carr has discovered a new principle or not. His statements can be analyzed without anything more than a technical dictionary and common sense.

To continue with the free energy explanation: "Pressure creates motion, and motion creates pressure." This could be correct, though worded poorly, because an unbalanced force acting on a mass does result in a motion of the mass. Also, by stretching the imagination considerably, a motion could create a pressure if you think of something moving that hits something else, such as a moving billiard ball hitting a stationary one. In this case a motion creates a pressure, or an impact more correctly; but again this leaves much to the imagination. Ordinary usage in technical terminology cannot make sense out of this sentence.

The rest of the "explanation" follows similarly. Further examination would be a waste of time.

Maybe Otis Carr really has discovered a new principle for the release of "free energy" as he calls it. But there is no doubt that Carr himself has not the slightest idea why it works. If, as he says, he has succeeded in flying some crude models of his device, we will be forced to recognize that a truly new principle has been discovered. Whether it "works" or not has no bearing on my analysis of his statements, as explained above.

Readers of Charles Fort are familiar with other cases of men with similar "wild talents". These men invented machines which worked, and worked well enough for experienced businessmen to invest heavily in the projects. But the inventor never was able to make an intelligible explanation of the operation of his device. Big words and nonsense abound in these explanations, as they do in everything Carr writes. With the death of the inventor, the machines ceased to operate. This led Fort to speculate that some psycho-kinetic force, probably subconscious, was wielded by these inventors to operate their miraculous machines.

Until the time when Carr can make a public demonstration of his machine, his activities will have to be followed with considerable suspicion. You might keep an eye on your wallet, too, if he comes to town.

Information for this article was obtained from a personal interview with Otis T. Carr and from his brochure, which can be obtained for \$1.00 by writing to 2502 N. Calvert St., Baltimore 18, Maryland. - For a good discussion of the scientific treatment of motion, see pages 1-44 of "Applied Mechanics and Dynamics", by Housner and Hudson. For Fort's writings on "mechanical witchcraft" see pages 1056-1062 in the omnibus edition. These are the last six pages of "Wild Talents".

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RECENT NEWS STORIES

REPORT ON THE SPACE CONVENTION: The Howard Menger Space Convention, unofficially called the First Interplanetary Annual Spacecraft Convention Organization (F.I.A.S.C.O.), was held on the Menger farm near White Farms, New Jersey, on September 13th and 14th. A crowd variously estimated at 500 to 1000 was present on Saturday the 13th, and a somewhat smaller number attended on Sunday. Among the speakers, besides Menger himself, were: Major Wayne Aho, well-known pro-contactee lecturer; Otis T. Carr, self-styled president of OTC Enterprises, who expects to land on the Moon with Aho on December 7th, 1959, using a "free energy" power system he has invented; Andy Sinatra, better known as the "Mystic Barber"; Alex McNeil, a contactee from Long Island; Lester del Rey, noted science-fiction writer and leading spokesman of the anti-saucerites; Jules St. Germain, prominent New York lawyer and saucer investigator; Gray Barker, author of "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers", and editor of the "Saucerian"; and Connie Menger (Howard's wife), who has written a book called "My Saturnian Lover" under the pen name of Marla Baxter.

Unfortunately none of the Big Name Contactees from the West Coast were present. The speakers who did appear were a somewhat uninspired lot, and no important new information was revealed by anyone. The crowd's attention was diverted to a considerable extent on Saturday by the presence of Long John, of Party Line fame, who was making tapes nearby at the same time the speeches were going on. According to our information, the high point of the Convention came at 4 a.m. Sunday morning, when about nine of the devotees who had spent the night at the Menger farm were fortunate enough to see a saucer. The sighting occurred shortly after blue lights had allegedly been seen coming out of Menger's room in the farmhouse. The lights are said to have disappeared into



By far the most colorful fellow at the Convention was the "Mystic Barber". The photo at the left shows him gesturing wildly as he addresses the crowd. On his head he wears a metallic psychic device of his own invention, which he uses to receive telepathic messages. The Barber has other such devices, for sending telepathic messages and for absorbing "solar energy". Photo at right shows him in a calmer moment, posed next to a model someone made of a saucer airport of the future.





the eastern sky, in the same area where the saucer was seen shortly afterwards. Slides and color movies of saucers were shown on both Saturday and Sunday nights. A good time seems to have been had by all. Our opinion: Good clean fun - nothing more, nothing less.

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Photos: Top: Major Wayne Aho addressing the enraptured crowd; Middle: General view of the crowd; Bottom: An "alien visitor" brought to the Convention by an enthusiastic lady saucer fan. The "visitor" is actually a monkey dressed in baby clothes. (All pictures on this and the previous page are SAUCER NEWS staff photos.)

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THE FITZGERALD SIGHTING: One of the best sightings to come to our attention in a long time is one from Sheffield Lake, Ohio, that occurred on Sept. 21st. According to the local newspapers, Mrs. William H. Fitzgerald watched a flying saucer at very close range for more than five minutes early that morning, after a brilliant light from the UFO had roused her from her bed. She watched the object as it glided along slowly about a foot above her neighbor's driveway. It was seen to discharge a cloud of "heavy pinkish-gray purplish smoke." It then swept in a curve onto Mrs. Fitzgerald's front lawn, and rose to about seven feet above the ground. Thereupon it made two circular maneuvers, and shot straight up into the sky, out of sight. Mrs. Fitzgerald's husband and daughter, although in the same

room, did not see the object; but her stepson John, who was thought to be sleeping peacefully in the next room, did see the UFO - and the next day his story tallied with hers. The saucer was described as round from a top or bottom view and oval from a side view, with a rounded cap or top. It was about eight feet in diameter and three feet high, and had openings on both sides, in which Mrs. Fitzgerald saw a series of small tubes "like small exhaust pipes." - Fortunately for saucer fans, this sighting was given a thorough first-hand investigation by an Ohio saucer group called the UFO Research Committee of Akron, who have prepared a thirteen page report on all aspects of the incident. Unfortunately, space limitations prevent us from reproducing this report even in summary form, but it is an extremely well-done job, and we heartily recommend it to all our readers. In addition to containing many details of the sighting that the newspapers did not carry, the report shows the sloppiness or the downright unfairness of the Air Force's investigation of the incident. The Air Force came up with an "explanation" of the sighting that simply does not conform to the facts, and if this is typical of their investigation procedures, it is easy to see how they are now able to solve over 98% of all sightings they investigate. For the complete story send \$1.00 to Fred A. Kirsch, P. O. Box 5242, Akron 13, Ohio.

LANDING IN KENTUCKY: A saucer landed in a rural area near Stephensburg, Kentucky, last October 6th, and was witnessed by a Mrs. Harvey Devore; She looked out of her kitchen window at about 6 a.m., and saw a silver-colored object sitting in a nearby field. She thought at first it was her husband's pick-up truck, and forgot about it. But the object stayed on. At 8-30 Mrs. Devore looked again, and it was still there. Curious by now, she called a neighbor and asked him to investigate. The neighbor started into the field, but when he got to within about 300 yards of the object, it started rolling along the ground and then took off, going almost straight up. The UFO was described as triangular in shape, looking much like an ice cream cone. It was about the size of a pick-up truck, and had short stubby wings that moved back and forth as it took off. It had no propeller and made no noise. After leaving the ground, the object hovered over the field for another 45 minutes. Small wheel marks were found at the spot where the saucer had rolled along the ground.

FORTEAN ITEMS: As usual, we have a group of excellent reports from our good friend Bryan Essenhigh, our Overseas Editor. Among them are the following: As of August 14th, British police were trying to solve the mystery of a "burning field" between Folkstone and Dover, England. Two Dover youths developed burns on their arms after walking through the field, and a dog that was with them had to be destroyed. The field has been cordoned off and warning notices put up.....In the midst of a vigorous anti-litter campaign in New York City, cleaners scanning the pavements for signs of careless disposal of unconsidered trifles raised their eyebrows and held their noses when they found a nine-foot shark on the pavement on fashionable Park Avenue. The shark was carted away for burial. The next night an eight-foot porpoise was found hanging from a lamp post nearby. It was taken away to join the shark. (Maybe this isn't strictly Fortean, but we liked it. - Editor.)...Police in Jackson, Michigan, were baffled last July by the disappearance of a windmill from a farm. There were not even any tire marks to indicate how the twenty-foot tower had been carried away....

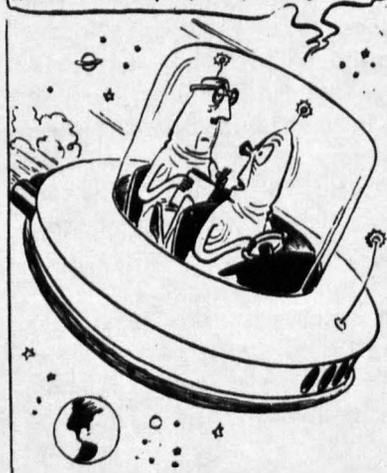
A man said to be twenty feet tall was seen by fishermen at Lake Hulu in Central Borneo last August. Local newspapers said the fishermen claim the man, bearded and covered with hair, was carrying dead monkeys and appeared to be hunting for others. The fishermen abandoned their boats and fled....

Thousands of tiny live frogs mixed with hail stones fell in the Jura mountain village of St. Julian-sur-Suran on August 8th.....Two hotel workers reportedly saw the Loch Ness Monster on July 16th.....On July 30th a monster was reported in Christchurch Bay (England) for the second time in three weeks. Fishermen and other witnesses said it was about twenty feet long, and was seen swimming near the shore. Plans were made by a local angling club to hunt for the thing.Near East London, South Africa, 17 men in a fishing boat saw a sea monster last August 27th. A huge brown creature with a head like a lion reared up from the water, and then vanished....

A German missionary back from 13 years in Tibet reports that the Abominable Snowmen of the Himalayas are really native priests living nude in the icy wilderness of nearly inaccessible mountain ranges. The missionary, Rev. Franz Eichinger, says he has photographed one of the priests. "In a way that we cannot understand, these people are immune from the influences of nature and the needs of human life," Father Eichinger said. The picture, which was published recently in a Roman Catholic newspaper, shows a Snowman dressed only in a loincloth, with wild hair and closed eyes - but definitely a human being.Footprints 16 inches long have been found repeatedly in Northern California. It is believed that they belong to a mentally deficient Indian with large feet, who was kept chained by his parents till he was 17 years old. Twenty-eight years ago he escaped and disappeared, and has apparently been living a hermit's life since then. Although no one has spotted the owner of the footprints, it is calculated that whoever he is, he may be as much as 7 feet 6 inches tall, and he may weigh as much as 400 pounds. The prints have been seen off and on for the past 10 years.....Finally, another ghost story from England (where else!). It is reported that the 25 boys and girls living in St. Agnes Home for Children see a certain female ghost so regularly that they are not frightened by it, and believe the ghost to be a benign fairy. "We take her as a matter of course," said one of the women who runs the home. "The last time I saw her, in broad daylight, she was walking along the passage to the nursery. She was dressed in a long white robe - perhaps a bridal gown - and had a white veil on her head." Others on the staff, as well as the children, have seen her frequently, sometimes in daylight, but usually around 2 a.m.

FOUR IN TRUCK CHASED BY UFO: Four Los Angeles teen-agers driving near the Mexican border in southern California were startled last Dec. 1st by a giant sphere with flashing green and red lights, which chased their pick-up truck for 45 miles along the highway before it finally gave up and flew away.

Get your nose out of that book and keep an eye open for those "saucers" that the earth people are talking about!



Before it left, however, it blasted the truck with a "white ray", which stopped their watches, stopped the functioning of the dials on the instrument panel, and blistered the paint on the truck. Connie Males, 18, - one of the four - described the light as "an unearthly shade of green." The police to whom the incident was reported disagree with the claim that the truck paint was blistered. Said one of the police, in making his report, "Anything can happen, but this is improbable."

SAUCER BRIEFS: As stated in our Non-Scheduled Newsletter #9, Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York now denies that they have reached any conclusions as to the real author of Adamski's letter from R. E. Straith of the State Department. They have learned, however, that the Straith letter and

two other recent hoax letters were written on the same typewriter. In our opinion, the finger of suspicion points strongly at Richard Ogden. We also believe him to be the author of the "Mr. X" hoax letter which threatened SAUCER NEWS with a two million dollar lawsuit because of our articles exposing Adamski. In spite of his vigorous denials, and in spite of an attempt on his part to shift the blame onto Thomas Comella of Columbus, Ohio, Ogden is still our number one suspect in regard to the whole wave of recent hoax letters....As these words are being written, the Straith controversy is still going on at full force in many quarters. Both the FBI and the Justice Department are said to be making investigations. However, SAUCER NEWS has already taken up too much valuable space with these matters, and we have decided not to print anything further about the hoax letters until or unless important new evidence is uncovered.....An organization called the Aerial Phenomena Investigations Society of Western New York has been formed by Bob Barry, a civil defense director and radio announcer in Olean, New York. Mr. Barry was the author of the article "The Case of the Crashed UFO" which appeared in our Oct.-Nov. issue....

A group of scientists in Spain have formed the Interplanetary Studies Center to investigate UFO's. The group is headed by a scientist named Eduardo Buelta.....With this issue, SAUCER NEWS begins its sixth year of publication. We are the only saucer organization, with the exception of California's BSRA, that has published as many as 34 consecutive scheduled issues. (This is our issue #34).....Our old adversary George H. Williamson reached a new peak in his career last October when he met the Queen of England. The meeting was arranged through the efforts of the Countess of Mayo, who is a saucer fan, and who apparently was quite taken in by Williamson's line at a London lecture. One newspaper account of the incident describes Williamson as a professor, and head of the department of anthropology at San Francisco University - which does not exist, as another newspaper was unkind enough to point out....Latest new saucer magazine is "The Journal of Correlative Philosophy", 22 Rogers Ave., Apt. 2-B, Brooklyn, N. Y., edited by Y.N. ibn A'haron, who is also Executive Editor of SAUCER NEWS. This is a sensible anti-contact magazine, and deals with saucers as well as speculative philosophy, South American archaeology, and other such topics. Material and subscriptions (\$2.00 per year) are needed rather urgently to keep this enterprise afloat.....Your Editor's latest appearance on the Long John Party Line was in the wee morning hours of Jan. 8th. The discussion concerned, among other things, an important archaeological discovery we made recently in Peru. An article about this discovery appears in the current issue of "The Journal of Correlative Philosophy".

CLOSE SIGHTING AT DISNEYLAND, CALIFORNIA: Almost as if some new wonderful exhibit were undergoing secret midnight tests, a brightly-glowing blimp-shaped UFO was seen floating 300 yards above Walt Disney's famous "Disneyland" near Garden Grove, California, last Oct. 23rd. It was seen by Richard Osterloh, who spotted the object while driving home at 12-30 a.m. along a nearby street. He described the object as the size and shape of a blimp, surrounded by a halo glow, and with three or four brightly shining colored lights in its center. It also had a tail about three or four times the length of the object itself, with a bright light shining at the end. The UFO was in view for about two minutes. Eventually it took a sharp dive toward the ground and disappeared in a bright flash, without making any noise.

NEWS BRIEFS: A new Air Force "fact sheet" released in October claims that out of the 1270 most recent sightings that they have investigated, less than 2% are unexplained. However, numerous unsolved sightings of recent

date cast grave doubt on the Air Force figures. For example, on Sept. 29th two Army men stationed at the Nike base near Derwood, Maryland, saw a mysterious object land and take off near the base. They described it as wingless and propellerless, with a ball-like nose and a blunt tail. The Air Force claims this was merely a case of welders' arc lights reflecting from orange-colored trucks belonging to an electric power company. The Air Force somehow forgot, however, that the sighting took place at 5-30



a.m., and no one was welding at that time.....A large polished aluminum ball, with a parachute and a blue rubber balloon attached, landed in the back yard of a woman living in Raynes Park, Surrey, England, last July 10th. The ball, which was $12\frac{1}{4}$ inches in diameter, was hollow; but it contained nothing inside, and there were no markings to show where it came from.....An incident nearly identical to the above occurred on Sept. 28th in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. John Hammond and several neighbors said that a 12-inch cylindrical metal object bearing "U. S." markings fell at a Columbus street corner at 11 p.m. that evening. The object whistled, flashed brightly, and exploded in the street. Mrs. Hammond said police picked it up, but according to the newspaper account, the police claim to have no record of it....

A small metal object that may be part of a space rocket or a saucer was examined last Oct. 30th by a chemistry professor in Youngstown, Ohio. The UFO was brought in for examination by police, following a motorist's report that he saw the thing plunge in a fiery streak from the sky. The professor said the object was not a meteorite nor was it similar to any waste material from steel mills. The composition was described as aluminum, boron, silicon, and "other less widely known elements."....A close sighting was made on a ranch near Floyada, Texas, on the evening of Dec. 10th, when a glowing oblong light was observed by several ranchers. One of them, Q. D. Williams, said that he watched the light moving in circles at about a 100 foot altitude, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile away. It was visible for 30 minutes, and was taking about 10 seconds to complete each of its weird circular revolutions.....A good sighting was made on Oct. 6th in Cliffside Park, N. J., which is the neighboring town to Fort Lee. Three tree surgeons from nearby River Edge went out on a limb and joined the ranks of UFO observers. According to their story, they were watching a jet plane when two round objects resembling tennis balls came into sight. Unlike the jet, the UFO's left no vapor trails. Also, they were going at about twice the speed of the jet, and were in formation. They remained in sight for two minutes....

Another nearly local sighting was made in Plainfield, N. J., where Len Cuifo and two other men saw and photographed what seems to be a UFO. (See photo above.) The object hovered for about an hour, during which time it appeared to be a bright star. It then began moving and made several peculiar maneuvers in the sky during the next two hours.....A National Guard jet pilot, flying above Birmingham, Alabama, had to swerve his plane last Sept. 25th to avoid a collision with a bluish-white object that had a steady flame shooting out from its back. The pilot, Capt. W. B. George, was flying at 2,500 feet at the time. A number of other reports, from the ground, were received by the local CAA about the same object on the same evening....A fiery object was seen over a four-state area of the southeastern U.S. on Oct. 28th. Data gathered by the CAA indicate it fell into the ocean somewhere east of Jacksonville, Florida.

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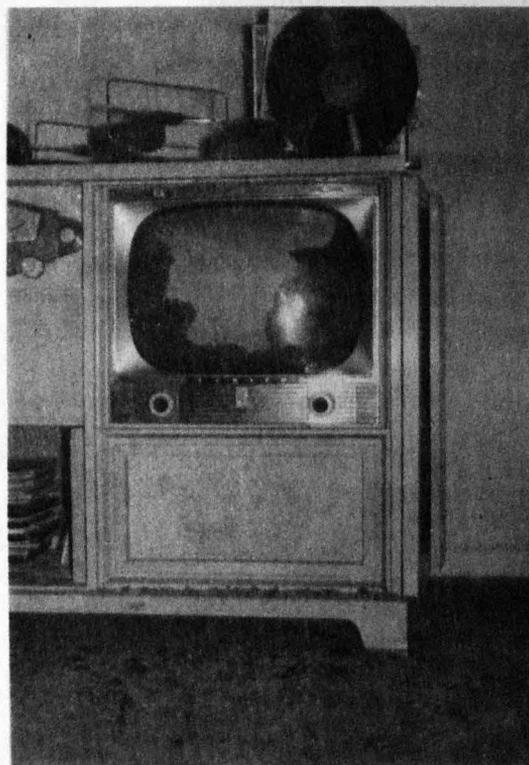
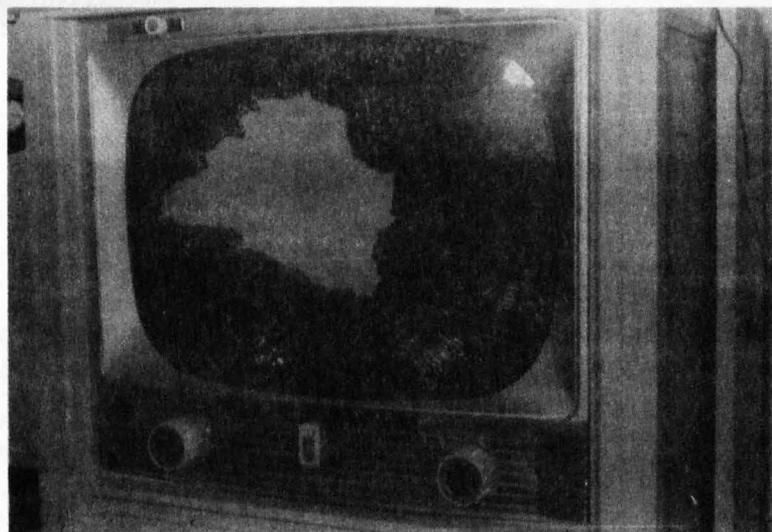
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SECOND MYSTERIOUS CASE OF "GLASS PITTING" AT SAUCER NEWS HEADQUARTERS: For the second time in just under three years, the glass protecting the screen of the T.V. set in your Editor's apartment has shattered mysteriously into thousands of tiny cracks, as shown in the pictures above. The photo at the left is reprinted from our April-May 1956 issue, which went to press shortly after the phenomenon took place the first time. Now again, on Jan. 16th of this year, an identical incident occurred, as shown in the photo on the right. In each case, the Editor was alone in the apartment, and in each case the explosion shattered tiny pieces of glass with such force that some fell more than three feet in front of the set. (SAUCER NEWS staff photos.)

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EDITORIAL NOTES

SAUCER NEWS TO BEGIN QUARTERLY PUBLICATION: This will be the last bi-monthly issue of SAUCER NEWS. Beginning with the next issue, (dated June, 1959), we will follow a quarterly publication schedule. This means that subscribers who paid \$2.00 for six issues will receive these issues over a period of 18 months rather than one year. In other respects the magazine will remain basically the same.

The reason for the change in publication schedule is quite simple. SAUCER NEWS is, after all, a hobby - and a money-losing one at that. Your Editor's regular business has been taking up an increasing amount of his time during the past two years, and it has become increasingly difficult to meet six deadlines every year. Reducing the number of deadlines to four will make our work somewhat easier, and we are hoping that the total amount of material we publish each year will remain the same. In other words, the average size of the issues will be larger from now on, if all goes well.

Contrary to rumors, we have no intention of folding up. SAUCER NEWS still intends to be around "till the last cup and saucer". It would help, however, if more of our readers got their subscription renewals in to us promptly. Renewals, particularly in regard to the non-scheduled Confidential Newsletter, have been lagging somewhat lately, and this makes the financial burden harder on us. Please watch for the star (*) after your name on the envelope, which indicates your subscription has expired. If our subscribers will cooperate in this way, the road will be paved toward making SAUCER NEWS bigger and better than ever.

As always, your suggestions and comments are invited. Most issues contain "Letters to the Editor" columns, in which we print important letters sent in by our readers.

WE ARE SHORT of SAUCER NEWS Issue #16 (February-March, 1956) and Newsletter #1 (December, 1955). We are willing to pay \$1.00 cash to anyone who will send us either of these items, in good condition; or we will exchange any three recent back issues for either of these items, if preferred.

FOR SALE: Recently we acquired a few more copies of Maria Reiche's booklet about the ancient and little-known mysterious lines on the desert near Nasca, Peru. We have made these booklets available to SAUCER NEWS readers from time to time ever since our own article about the Nasca Lines appeared in the April 1955 issue of SAUCER NEWS. The price is \$1.50 per copy, and as the demand has thus far always exceeded the supply, we suggest that you write promptly. Those who write in after the supply is exhausted will have their money returned.....We also have two copies each of ten recent issues of "Uranus", England's outstanding saucer magazine. Available are Vol. 3, No. 4 and 5; Vol. 4, No. 1 through 6; Vol. 5, No. 1 and 2. These will be sold for \$3.00 per set to the first two persons who send in for them....Still available are a few copies of the Air Force Project Blue Book Special Report #14. This has a hard cover, and an introduction by Dr. Leon Davidson. Price: \$1.00 per copy. Also on hand are SAUCER NEWS back issues #2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 17 through 34, at a cost of \$1.00 for any three. Issue #1 (July, 1954) and #27 (the Special Adamski Expose Issue) sell for \$1.00 each.

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SCREWING THE LID DOWN ON "DOCTOR" WILLIAMSON

- by James W. Moseley and Michael G. Mann -

(Editor's Note: Mr. Mann is Director of the International Federation of Saucer Clubs. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1538, G.P.O., New York 1, N.Y.)

George Hunt Williamson, who first came to our attention in 1953 as one of the witnesses to George Adamski's notorious "desert contact", has since broadened the scope of his endeavors. Recently returned from a trip to England during which he met Queen Elizabeth, he is currently lecturing in Southern California. The disquieting thing about Williamson's present activities is that he is being described more and more frequently in the press as "professor" and "doctor", and as an "anthropologist" and "archaeologist". The latter titles are apparently a result of his travels in Peru, where he visited several important archaeological sites, but made no actual discoveries to the best of our knowledge.

The title that intrigued us most, however, was that of "doctor". We have Williamson's two best-known books, "The Saucers Speak" (1954) and "Other Tongues, Other Flesh" (dated 1953, actually published in 1957), both of which have been reviewed (unfavorably) in past issues of SAUCER NEWS. On the jacket of "The Saucers Speak", the description of the author states that "for his ethnological research among the Chippewa Indians of Minnesota he was awarded an honorary degree in science"; but there is nothing said as to when or where the degree was received. In the more recent "Other Tongues, Other Flesh", no mention is made of this alleged degree, though both books state that Williamson is listed in various editions of "Who's Who in America".

We therefore consulted Volume 29 of "Who's Who in America", and found the following description of Williamson: "Williamson G. Hunt - Anthropologist, lecturer, author; Born in Chicago Ill. Dec. 9, 1926; Son of George L. and Burnice (Hunt) W; Student Cornell Coll. 1945-46; U. Denver, 1947; Eastern N.M. U., 1947-48; A.B., U. of Ariz., 1951; Sc.D., No. U., 1952; M. Betty Jane Hettler Sept. 1949; 1 son, Mark Fredrick; Dir. of Indian lore Lake Hubert Camps 1950-51; Prodn. mgr. Inter-tribal Indian Ceremonials, 1951; Dir. of arts and crafts bd. Standing Rock Indian Reservation, 1952; Assoc. Editor Valor Mag; Dir. of Soulcraft research labs, Noblesville Ind; Splty N. Am. Indian dancing, religion, dress and ornamentation. Recipient Silver Award for Indian dancing Inter-tribal Indian Ceremonials, 1951; Member AAAS, Soc. Am. Archaeology, Am. Anthropol. Assn., Arizona Archaeol. and Hist. Soc., Ill. State Archaeol. Soc. (Gold Key, 1948), Sons of the Highlands; Republican; Episcopalian; Author: The Hopi and Zuni Indians, 1950; The Saucers Speak, 1953; Other Tongues, Other Flesh, 1954....Office: P.O. Box 192, Noblesville, Ind."

We have left the abbreviations exactly as they appear in "Who's Who", even though in at least one important case they cause confusion. In the key item, "Sc.D., No. U., 1952", there has been confusion among researchers as to whether this alleged Doctor of Science degree was supposedly received from Northern University or from Northwestern University. The obvious interpretation would be Northern University, though it turns out that there is no such insti-



"Doctor" Williamson

tution, according to the information we quote below. There is a Northwestern University in San Francisco, but no evidence that Williamson ever attended it. Furthermore, due to Williamson's record at the University of Arizona, it is highly unlikely he ever received a Sc.D. degree anywhere, honorary or otherwise.

We now quote from two letters that were received from the University of Arizona by a person who wishes to remain anonymous. The letters were passed on to us for use in SAUCER NEWS. The important parts of the letters are given in full, except for the recipient's name, and two phrases in the second letter which might be construed as libelous, and therefore have been blanked out.

"August 25, 1958

Dear -----:

There is sufficient discrepancy between certain items contained in "Who's Who in America" relating to George Hunt Williamson and the facts as we have them on record here, to warrant further investigation, which we propose doing.

According to our transcripts from those schools, Mr. Williamson did attend Cornell College, at Mt. Vernon, Iowa, from January to May, 1945; Eastern New Mexico College (Portales) from September, 1947, to January, 1949; and the University of Arizona from June, 1949, to January, 1951. On February 9, 1951, Mr. Williamson was disqualified from the University for poor scholarship. This action prohibits the student from registering during the following semester, after which he is eligible to register once again on probation, but Mr. Williamson did not return thereafter to this University.

We have no record of his having been granted any bachelor's degree from Eastern New Mexico. As a matter of fact, the listing in "Who's Who" indicates that he was awarded the B.A. degree from our institution in 1951, which is not true. The "Who's Who" listing further indicates a Sc.D. degree as having been awarded by Northwestern University in 1952, an item we intend to check with Northwestern, since it would be manifestly impossible for such an honorary degree, based on valuable experience, achievement, and contribution to some field of endeavor, to be awarded only one year following a bachelor's degree - especially when the scholarship and degree are both so dubious. The Sc.D., or Doctor of Science, degree, is an honorary degree granted by institutions to eminent persons whose achievements they desire to honor....

Sincerely yours,

Miss Margaret Husted, Assistant to the Registrar"

"October 20, 1958

Dear -----:

Miss Husted of this office has referred me to your two most recent letters concerning George Hunt Williamson.

This case becomes more puzzling by the day. We have been informed that the listing in "Who's Who in America" for Mr. Williamson which refers to a Doctor of Science degree awarded in 1952 by "No. U." refers to "Northern University" rather than Northwestern. However, there is no institution in existence that we can locate known as Northern University.

I believe Miss Husted earlier informed you that, rather than being a graduate of the University of Arizona as he claims in "Who's Who in America," Mr. Williamson was disqualified from this institution because of poor scholarship.

I will be frank with you and say that Mr. Williamson is remembered on this campus by a number of persons who describe him as a ****, ****, etc. Dr. Emil Haury, Head of our Department of Anthropology, found quite a few

other remarks in the "Who's Who in America" listing which are either inaccurate or misleading....

Sincerely yours,

David L. Windsor, Registrar and Director of Admissions"

Here at SAUCER NEWS, our only interest in this matter is to set the record straight. This is a free country, and anyone is at liberty to lecture about mythical archaeological discoveries if they so desire. But by using non-existent degrees such as "doctor," a person gives prestige, respectability, and seeming authenticity to his claims, which they do not deserve. If Williamson intends to go on lecturing, it would be a good thing if he were forced to admit publicly that his theories and pronouncements are not bolstered by the scientific background and education he currently claims to have.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I would like to compliment you on the definite improvement in SAUCER NEWS. Not only is there more material, much better organized, but the general tone of the publication has gone up, with more argument and less bickering....

E. R. LEE, Minneapolis, Minn.

I think your magazine one of the nicest of the saucer magazines. The articles are always worth reading, and the hysteria of "contacts" and "messages" is always clearly exposed.

In our latest issue of "Disc Digest", we have included the principal part of the article "Saucers and the I.G.Y.", from your June-July 1958 issue. We sent you a copy for your kind attention. We hope that you can understand the Dutch language, though we fear this is not so. In the spring of 1959 we shall publish an English edition of our magazine. We shall not forget to send you a copy.

N. JON. KEIKENMEESTER, The Hague, Holland

Congratulations once again to you and Mr. Marana for putting out a substantial magazine on schedule.....I'm surprised, though, that you felt it necessary to print David Wightman's criticism of Justin Case's article "How Much Like Us?", since Mr. Wightman is criticizing under a misapprehension. He thinks that the talk Willy Ley gave to Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York was an abbreviated version of the longer article in "This Week" Magazine, which is wrong on just the essential point: In his talk for us, Willy Ley was mindful to make it plain that he would not expect extraterrestrials to look just like us. And this was just what he had failed to make clear in his "This Week" piece, giving the contact believers an opportunity to hail him as a supporter of their mythology. Indeed, our chief reason for seeking Mr. Ley as a speaker was to enable him to put on record this important correction to the impression given by the "This Week" article....Justin Case's critique of Ley's original piece was quite justified, though it has been outdated now that Ley has restated his views in more unexceptionable terms.

We appreciate Richard Cohen's long and favorable review of Michel, but of course you can't satisfy an author. I would grumble slightly that Mr. Cohen might have noticed the importance of our statistical researches, which furnish a preliminary answer to the fundamental question of whether the alignments are, or are not, merely accidental. It is not sufficient to find "orthotenic" alignments; it is essential to show that they are clearly distinguishable from the "pseudo-orthotenic" alignments that will always turn up accidentally in any set of points. We attempted to set up criteria for making that essential distinction....ALEXANDER D. MEBANE, New York, N.Y.

THE NATURE OF THE UFO MYSTERY

- by Thomas M. Comella -

(Editor's Note: Mr. Comella is the former editor of "The Flying Saucer News Service Research Bulletin". He is also a former member of George Williamson's Telonic Research Center. His last article for SAUCER NEWS appeared in our April-May 1957 issue.)

A great change is taking place in UFO research. Those investigators who used to believe that the flying saucers are real, are now not so sure. This existing attitude has brought serious research to a virtual standstill, because everyone is asking, "What are we investigating, anyway?" For almost twelve years, the problem of the UFO has been attacked, and the solution still eludes us. Hidden within this failure is a lesson for the human race, a lesson that must be learned if man is to progress in the truthful knowledge of the Universe. This lesson is in two parts, one a corollary of the other, and it is of such fundamental importance that it might provide us with the very key to the UFO mystery.

Man is a rational being. That is, his mind operates logically, or according to the process of reasoning. That which is not logical is, by definition, chaotic and not meaningful, for logic is the human being's index for intelligence. For centuries Man has searched for the secrets of the Universe, and out of this search has come the science and technology of today. However, all science and technology is based upon one assumption - that the Universe is not chaotic or unmeaningful; that it is logical and can be understood by the human mind. This is the crux of the UFO problem as well as of untold other mysteries.

When Man attacks a problem, he proceeds logically and his solution conforms with the facts that his mind perceives. For years this method has yielded very practical results. Once in awhile, though, Man is confronted with a situation that is different. The UFO problem is such a situation. For ten years, Man has applied logic to the UFO and he has failed miserably to resolve the mystery. In 1947, after the initial shock had worn off, it was believed that Man's proven formula would solve the UFO saga. All that was needed was time, money, and the human mind. Man's inability to cope with this problem has been neatly covered up, I believe, by the very workings of his mind. He has rationalized that because his problem-solving formula failed, there wasn't any mystery to begin with. In other words, if our logical approach finds nothing, there must be nothing there.

But there is a fallacy here, and a very prominent one! For the UFO is not a logical quantity. It has been proven time and time again! These strange objects show us no pattern, no reasonable conformity to what we know as intelligence, and no purpose. We have applied logic to an illogical quantity. This is like trying to force a square peg into a round hole; It simply will not work. But just because it will not work, there is no reason to declare that the round hole is nonexistent. We must find the round peg before we can solve the UFO mystery.

Consider for a moment a race of beings from some planet in the depths of space - a race that, by our standards, is almost completely undetectable, because its actions, possessions, and purposes are unintelligible to us. We could no more communicate with such a race than we could converse with a piece of stone. If such a situation as this presented itself, would there be any hope of resolving it? Could Man, by any stretch of the imagination, resolve such a problem? Could he ever overcome the logic and ego that bind him, and "see" the reality present? The chances of such a success would be very minute indeed, and would involve a fantastic trek down the trail of the incredible.

Extraterrestrialism in Majian Literature, Introd.
Section III: Bibliography

Sefer Mabiya Doraya, The Book of Descendant Generations. This work is dedicated to a consecutive reconstruction of the history of the Majians from the time of their settlement in the Fertile Crescent, until B. C. 700. It is paralleled in the cylinder inscriptions of Pal-Esser available in the Chicago Oriental Series, and in Breshith, parshath Noakh, teshuboth 5-7. Quotations are to be found in the Eastern Aramaic translation of this Farshah, which runs concurrent with the Canaanite text in the Romm Edition. A full text is known to exist in the possession of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Basrah in the Chaldaean rite. Copies of this work were burnt in Spain during the Inquisition, and it is mentioned in several lists of the contents of confiscated libraries. It was reprinted in 1945 by the Refugee Press at Munich under the collective title Likutei Yalkut Umayya, Hakdama L'toldoth Ameinu. This work is in the Jewish Division of the New York Public Library, but is catalogued only under the heading "Midrash, Yalkut." The Khurban edition is set in ordinary Hebrew type.

Sefer Toldetha Kabiriya, The Book of Kabir History. This is one of the s'farim mistarim, or forbidden books, and has been reprinted at least three times in this century (The last printing was Savannah, Georgia, 1937). The oldest text is no more than five hundred years old, but the purity of the Aramaic attests to the work's antiquity. This MS. is in private hands, but an edition in Arabic script was copied in 1340 at Cordoba, on the orders of the Patriarch of that city. It was translated into Arabic after that; a precis from Aramaic sources occurs in Nadawi's history of the Morrish Conquest of Spain, an edition of which entitled Historia de los Musulmanes y su Conquesta has been issued by the semi-official Escuelas Superiores de Estudios Arabes en Madrid y Cordoba. Read especially his chapter 'Al Lesana fil Moghorobin'. STK was printed at Astamboul in 1875 (and perhaps before that) but the only copy of this edition which I have been able to locate is in the Library of the Siyyum al Yahud' fil Marrakesh, which institution will not appreciate inquiries.

(See section I for a discussion of the historical identification of the Kabiri.)

Sefer Mangangaraban Thneien, The Book of Passing Years. The Standard MS. of this work fell into the hands of the Syrian Patriarch of the Lebanon (who has all sorts of other titles). It is available in the Arabic-language Indigenous Peoples' Historical Series, Protectorate of Egypt, 1908. The Aramaic is quoted in the Western Aramaic Targum on Chronicles and in the Peshittah, into which it seems to have been inserted by a Majian sympathizer. The Peshittah is available in many of the polyglot Bibles, one of which should be in your local library, if it was founded before 1900.

Sefer Sefirah, The Book of Cycles. A book you will have to read before you will fully understand the volume just discussed. The Masonic and White Brotherhood (Doreal) "translations" are unreliable. MS. in the Bibliotheque du Bastille, Paris, and the British Museum, filed under Calendrical Remains of Early Mesopotamia. Style of the work is very bad, but is compensated by the strict observance of the rules of proof. It is so dry that it might well have been edited by our friends at CSI.

La Nithaladu: Imrei Khakhamim al Mispantu Ngenokh. He did not evolve: The sayings of the Patriarchs upon the Story of the Transcendant Man. The work upon which this book serves as commentarium, the Book of Enoch, has been preserved both in Greek and in Lesana Negusa. In the Chaldaean, the gamal nun is preserved, to give us the meaning of this word, usually rendered as a proper name, on the evidence of Breshith. The full text of this work, which is a Jewish anthology of more ancient sources which seem to have been lost, may be found in the Kerekh Hanistar al Khayah Mosheh Rabeinu, a work common in the Judaeo-Spanish edition of Thessalonica, 1903, considered very pietistic, and quoted in the Takhamunim for the Day of Atonement to be found in the Oriental Makhzorim, and even in the edition of the Hebrew Publishing Co. Also included in the Romm edition of the Mikraoth Gedoloth.

The contents of the work deal with the Is Man an Animal? theme, and the Elohei Nogah affair is discoursed upon at great length. Note the sentence beginning 'Im lah abayu', If They Had Not Come...

Sefer Dibra Dilkhaku min Ur-Nagad yat Tiberaya (Ar'a Kadishah Yethebei), The Book of His Being Taken Out from the Most Illustrious Ur unto the Region of the Lakes, Called the Dwelling-Place of the Holy Spirit. (No extraterrestrialist connotation for the word Kadisha has been uncovered, the rabbinate will be happy to know.) Is the original source for parshath Lekh Lekha, and is drawn upon in the Targum Medrashi, and in the Mdrs Pstn Rbuva. My edition is that of the Caro Press, Istamboul, 1926, with Ladino type. The Ashkenaz Khurban edition was thrown carelessly into a volume labelled Kal Hamidrashim Lo M'nukadim, whatever points have to do with it. A good edition, however, is Vilna, 1816.

Nog'ei Ekhed Harabban Ibrahim ibn Ezra (which name is very bad Arabic, but we Oriental Jews are rather Chaldaean, you know.) Hasepharadi, Ithrei Wakether Yisraya min Abuthana yath B'raya Khethen. This glorious compilation of exegesis (the title of which I will not translate, because it might ruin the effect of self-discovery) was accorded the largest print for a full-length text in the Roman Edition. It runs on for 80 pages of 12-point double-column cursive character. If you are at all literate (I.E., if you know Hebrew) read this, even if you read nothing else on this list. If you do not read Hebrew, I am happy to be able to provide a reference in English (which language I do not read with an eye towards the study of Extraterrestrialism) which I discovered while browsing in the bookshop of the Port Authority Bus Terminal, 8th Avenue and 40th St., New York. It is, Isaac Husik, A History of Medieval Jewish Philosophy, Philadelphia, 1915 (Now available in a paper-back edition for \$1.95); while reading the new edition, however, remember that Harry Wolfson is too well imbued with Hellenism to follow in the true spirit of he who re-discovered ibn Batuta and the Karaim for the Euro-American world.

Historians of literature will now find out from whom Emmanuel Swedenborg pirated his material, and, if they can follow Medieval grammatical terminology, they will learn that B'ro does NOT mean to "create", neither does Ruakh mean spirit, whirlwind or "massy form" (vide M. K. Jessup), because Hebrew has other words for this signification. The glorious Christians have finally learnt that Ratseakh does not mean "kill", but rather murder; and they should have the good sense to realize that Y'hovah's blood-lust (as exhibited, for one instance, in the Book of Joshua, which historicity is increasingly vindicated) would be incompatible with such a prohibition.

Madanga Lakokhei N'khaz Tabarzila B'shokhantuhom: Likutei Mish'angarei S'mayanu Ng'arein, Information upon the Properties of Metals and Yellow Metals, Gleaned from the (Study of) Elements of the Atmosphere, (Diligently) Compared. The contents of this work are to be dealt with in a forthcoming article, to be syndicated by Saucer News. Editions are based upon the Hodeida MS. brought to Turkey in the Byzantine era, by Sherif Ibrahim. Printed in Textos Andaluces, RIS. A Latin edition exists. The alchemists used this work, probably because of its references to yellow-metals, by which the Majians meant copper. They did not value gold.

Yehudah Halevi used the Madanga as a basis for his poems on the Levels of the Heaven (Madpis Ts'tab, Jerusalem).

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A supplementary Bibliography of Books on and about the Chaldaeans and their Languages, including such topics as the Aramites, Arameans, Caucasian Armenians, proto-Majians, Assyrians and neo-Assyrians (and all the Seventh Rite Christians) Nestorians, and assorted Pagans, - is under preparation.

This pamphlet is being published as part of the Journal of Correlative Philosophy, Omega Epsilon, March 1, 1959; the Supplementary Bibliography will appear in future issues.

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This Bibliography is being sent out to all those who subscribe to Saucer News Newsletter as an extra number with the February-March issue of the Magazine, James W. Moseley, Editor, Post Office Box 163, Fort Lee, New Jersey.

By now you are undoubtedly wondering, just what is Comella's purpose in examining this problem? Is he trying to tell us that the UFO mystery is unsolvable? To these questions, I will say that if Man is to gain the truthful knowledge of the Universe, he must view nature as it is; for to impose the logic of Man upon the Universe is to change nature according to Man's understanding. I will say that Man has developed his logical ways because his ego has not allowed for the possibility that he is not supreme throughout the Cosmos. I will say that because twelve years of research have failed to resolve the UFO mystery, there is no reason to state dogmatically that no problem ever existed. For I have given you another possibility - one that our egos might be able to rationalize, but one that our minds won't be able to exclude. I say that the above situation might be embodied in the UFO saga. Now, tell me, who is free enough to solve it?

With these words of challenge, I am terminating my investigations into the UFO mystery. Yes, this is Comella's swansong. I hope that this last article of mine has glimpsed for you a truth that will propel you to accept my challenge.

To quiet the sensationalists, let me say that three men in black suits, driving black Eldorado Cadillacs, have not shut me up; for I do not leave UFO research reluctantly; I leave it by choice. Some will say that I am turning my back on the subject because I have seemingly sighted an unsolvable paradox in the UFO mystery. To these people I can only say: Those who know me well, know that I never quit until I've won. Still others will claim that my interest is gone. This is short and simple, but not true.

The friends I have made while trailing the UFO have been lasting friends. We have disagreed more than we have agreed, but I know that all of us are willing to fight for our right to disagree or agree. We have stumbled after the UFO in a most unorganized fashion and we have failed. I have tried to provide us with a perspective of the problem that is new and accurate. And it is with the hope that the end of my efforts will bring life to what I have fought for, that I pass from the UFO scene.

To the readers of this and other saucerzines, may I say that you are the foundation of UFO research. Like the citizens of a great city, your ideals and discriminations will decide whether sincere research goes on, or comes to a halt for



"Pardon me sir, are you a geologist?"
 "Heck no, Mac, I'm a spaceman!"

good. To those of you who have claimed contacts with outer space and have lied, let me say that it's too bad you couldn't have made a worthwhile contribution. To those of you who have claimed contacts and have told the truth, I am sorry for you and for me. I am sorry for you because in your experience you have glimpsed reality but have failed to prove it. I am sorry for me because I was unable to see the truth in what you said and hence missed that reality. But it is these isolated pieces of reality that add up to the paradox of the UFO mystery.

To the United States Air Force, I am bound to offer you my apologies, for we have misinterpreted your disorganization and inability to understand the illogical, for a conspiracy against us. To the so-called International Bankers, I can only say that we have surely camouflaged you all the more in our rampage to discover you. To the "Mister X" who enjoys writing hoax letters: You can be sure that I know who you are, and may my silence charge you with a responsibility to reverse the trend of your endeavors. And to all you story tellers and gossipers, let me say that you have done a fine job of avoiding the truth. If you finally get tired of your babblings and seek elsewhere for your thrills, then the cartoon of the UFO will become real research. To you who have found the UFO a fitting subject to make money on, I have only one thing to say: You are shutting out the truth completely when you compromise with sincerity.

To you who want to believe in UFO, search for a justification of your belief. To those who have closed minds to the unusual - ask yourself what you are after - the truth, or what you merely want to be the truth. To those who are honestly curious - temper your imagination with sincerity and you shall know the secret of the saucers.

DO FLYING SAUCERS COME FROM MARS?

- by Justin Case -

For the answer to this very interesting question, let us first review what is known about this neighbor of ours: We know more about Mars than about any other planet except our own. This is because when Mars comes closest to us, as it does every $25\frac{1}{2}$ months, we observe it with our backs to the sun, which is the most favorable condition for observation. Mars is about $\frac{1}{2}$ the diameter of our Earth, and its gravity is only about $\frac{1}{3}$ rd. Because of this low gravity, it has lost most of its atmosphere during the past, so that now its air is very thin. There are no signs of any oceans, seas, or even lakes on Mars. The only evidence of any water consists of the white frost caps that form the polar regions, and it is believed that these caps are only a few inches deep. Clouds that appear on Mars are believed to be dust, not water vapor. The surface is mostly flat and arid like our desert regions. Mars receives only 40% as much heat from the sun as we do. Consequently it is colder than the coldest areas on Earth.

In 1954 Prof. Slipher of Lowell Observatory took some 20,000 photographs of Mars. He concluded that the changes in color that take place on its surface are due to some very primitive form of vegetation, such as grows on our mountain tops. He also verified the existence of "canals" and found that one of them runs 1,500 miles, perfectly straight, without any bends. He thinks they are lines of vegetation along water courses. Mars is a dying planet - an example of what our Earth will look like in the far distant future.

Next let us review some other information that has a bearing on the question we are seeking to answer. We start out by noting that the conditions required for life to exist are so very special that life is the exception, not the rule, in the starry Universe. It would take too long to go into

details on this point, so the interested reader is referred to the excellent book "Life on Other Worlds" by H. Spencer Jones. All forms of life on our planet, including vegetable and animal, on land, in the water, and in the air, consist mostly of the chemical elements carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen. There is good scientific reason to believe that all forms of life elsewhere in the Universe may be different from those on Earth, but they must also consist chiefly of carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen. Consequently, sufficient quantities of these three chemical elements must exist in a readily available form in order that any form of life may develop.

Furthermore, life can exist without being intelligent, e.g., vegetable life. Intelligent life can exist without producing enough scientific development for space flight. Examples of this are found on our own Earth. In our cold polar regions the living is so very difficult that the Eskimos have no time and energy left for scientific development. In our hot, tropical regions, the living is so easy that the natives are lazy and unambitious. They have no inducement for scientific development, and our most backward and ignorant races are to be found in the tropics. It is only in the temperate zones, where living is neither too difficult nor too easy, that people have developed the highest civilizations, and are now on the threshold of space travel. Therefore it is evident that a very special set of conditions have to exist for intelligent life to develop enough scientific advancement for space flight.

We are now ready to consider the question - do flying saucers come from Mars? It appears that the elements for life, namely carbon, oxygen and hydrogen, are very scarce on Mars. There is very little water (which contains oxygen and hydrogen) on land or in the air, and the oxygen content of the air is pitifully small - only 1/1000 as much as on Earth. The extensive arid, dusty deserts and the very cold climate are unfavorable for life, either vegetable or animal. Nevertheless the 1,500-mile-long "canal" observed by Prof. Slipher is an indication that intelligent life of some sort might have existed, or perhaps still exists on Mars.

It might be contended that all these very unfavorable conditions would be the best reason why Martians would want to leave their dying planet, and migrate to a more hospitable place, like Earth. However, we have to remember that these unfavorable conditions did not develop just recently. They were taking place slowly and remorselessly over many thousands of years. If the Martians were intelligent, they should have realized this many thousands of years ago. If they had the ability, this knowledge should have stimulated them to develop space travel as the only means of self-preservation. But if they did not have the knowledge or the ability or the desire at that time, it is now much too late. The living must be so difficult now that whatever Martians are left must have to spend all their time and energy just barely keeping alive. They have no time for scientific development, even less time than the Eskimos on our own Earth.

Although we know more about Mars than about any other neighboring planet, we still know relatively little about it. Also, we are not entirely sure that the little we know is right. Nevertheless the best scientific information available to us clearly shows the improbability of life existing on Mars at the present time that is intelligent enough and that has the time and energy to develop the means of visiting us. Therefore, if flying saucers are intelligent visitors from space, it is very unlikely that they originate from Mars. However, we will know definitely only when at some date in the future our own space ships visit Mars and bring back the news of their surveys. At the present rate of progress in space flight, this should take place in about ten years.

ECM + CIA = UFO

or

How to Cause a Radar Sighting

- by Dr. Leon Davidson -

Introduction: The title of this article gives a basic equation which seems to have worked successfully in creating "authentic" radar sightings of flying saucers. Three well-publicized radar cases, representing examples of this technique, are the Washington Airport case, the "invisible" saucers over England, and the Gulf of Mexico case. These will be discussed below, with references to books in which full descriptions of the sightings are given. The terms of the equation are defined as follows:

ECM = Electronic Countermeasures

CIA = Central Intelligence Agency

UFO = Unidentified Flying Objects

The first two terms will be discussed and explained below.

Electronic Countermeasures: By 1945, mechanical countermeasures against radar had become publicly known. Aluminum foil strips, dropped from planes, reflect radar waves and clutter up the enemy's radar screens. Further developments led to electronic countermeasures (ECM). A "black box" in our bombers would pick up the enemy's radar impulses, amplify and modify them, and send them back, drowning out the normal radar return from the bomber. The modification could be a change in timing or phase, and could cause the "blip" on the radar screen to have an incorrect range, speed, or heading.

By about 1950, ECM was standard equipment on our advanced bombers, and was being developed for missiles. Advertisements started to appear about 1956, showing that this equipment could be used for creating simulated targets for training radar operators. I quote from an article in "Aviation Research and Development", March 1957, page 22: "A new radar moving target simulator system, which generates a display of up to six individual moving targets on any standard radar indicator, has been developed.....to train radar operatorsand for in-flight training of airborne early-warning personnel....Target positions, paths, and velocities can....simulate....realistic flight paths.... Speeds up to 10,000 knots (about 11,500 mph) are easily generated.....The target can be made to turn left or right....For each target there is...adjustment to provide a realistic scope presentation."

The reader should keep this quotation in mind when reading about radar sightings of high-speed UFO's.

The Central Intelligence Agency: The CIA is the chief foreign intelligence arm of the United States, and is the successor to the O.S.S., our World War II "cloak and dagger" agency. The mission of the CIA includes waging psychological warfare. Neither the public, the Congress, nor many people in the Government, know how the CIA spends its funds, probably running over \$100,000,000 per year. Its working personnel never identify themselves publicly. It doesn't publicize its office locations, its activities, or its contact men. The CIA's policies are guided by the "Operations Coordination Board", which consists of the White House Special Assistant for National Security (formerly Robert Cutler), the Under Secretary of State, and the Deputy Secretary of Defense (now Donald A. Quarles).

The Director of the CIA in its early days was Admiral Hillenkoetter (now retired, and high in NICAP circles). Since about 1950, the CIA Director has been Allen W. Dulles, a Wall Street lawyer (48 Wall St., to be exact), who is a younger brother of John F. Dulles, our Secretary of State.

The role of the CIA in the flying saucer field is becoming increasingly well known, as the following references show: Stringfield, "Inside Saucer Post 3-0 Blue", page 42; SAUCER NEWS, February-March 1958, pages 7-14; Palmer, "Flying Saucers", Feb. 1959, editorial; "Fate", Feb. 1959, page 57; NICAP, "The UFO Investigator", No. 4, June 1958, page 4.

Meaning of the Equation ECM + CIA = UFO: I contend that the CIA, since 1951, has caused or sponsored saucer sightings for its own purposes. By shrewd psychological manipulation, a series of "normal" events has been served up so as to appear as quite convincing evidence of extraterrestrial UFO's. Some of this "normal" activity includes military use of ECM on a classified basis, unknown to the radar observers who were involved, leading to the radar reports discussed in this article.

By examining the references given, the reader will see that these three cases are treated as good sightings by competent reliable observers. The general attitude of saucer researchers toward these cases is somewhat as follows: These cases show that saucers are real solid objects, giving genuine radar returns (Michel, pp. 83-89), traveling at speeds up to 9,000 mph (FSFOS, pp. 161-165). These objects can maneuver remarkably well (FSC, p. 217) and perform beyond the capability of present Earthmade devices (FSFOS, p. 166). These radar blips are not due to temperature inversions (FSFOS, pp. 101-103, and Michel, p. 87). In some cases there are simultaneous radar and visual sightings, so the objects cannot be merely radar tricks (FSFOS, p. 64).

I will now endeavor to show that the attitude expressed above is unfounded, if the existence of ECM equipment can be postulated.

The "Invisible" Saucers: The "classic" radar sighting, in its purest form, is the case of the "Invisible" Saucers, given in Chapter 15 of Keyhoe's "Flying Saucer Conspiracy" (FSC, pp. 217-221). A brief abstract follows: "In late September (1952) as UFO sightings were increasing all over Europe.... a strange U-formation had appeared on a civilian radarscope (in England). The formation....of 40 to 50 UFO's....changed with a precise movement from a U-formation to two parallel lines....and (then) reformed in a perfect Z...Cloudy skies had hidden them....but the third appearance came on a bright clear dayat noon....But this time....the UFO formation was invisible to the human eye (just as on the two previous days)...Four more times the mystery formation returned at noon....For over a month this story was kept from the public.... The War Office spokesman said he had been given top-level orders to 'maintain the utmost secrecy'...."

Keyhoe's Washington contact, "Paul Redell", says of this case (see p. 219, FSC): "Yes, I know about it, and I'm pretty sure it's happened here too....I believe that the answer is tied in with some highly classified research I've heard about....There's one lead I can give you....The Nansei-Shoto thing is exactly the same as what happened over England. Some day when the lid is lifted, I'll explain it." (The Nansei-Shoto affair is discussed on pages 221-224 of FSC, and is also mentioned in the following section of this article.)

Note that there is no claim of visual confirmation in this English case, as reported by Keyhoe. A test or demonstration, by military authorities, of ECM in England, could have accounted for this case and for Redell's remarks.

The Washington Airport Sightings and the Official Explanations: An important and well known case is the Washington National Airport radar sightings of July 19th and July 26th, 1952. I have no space to quote the case here, but it is well written up in Ruppelt (pp. 209-228), Michel (pp. 84-89), and Keyhoe (FSFOS, pp. 62-70).

At a press conference at the Pentagon, July 29th, 1952, General Samford, Director of Air Force Intelligence, answered questions about these radar sightings. The New York Times front page story of July 30th, 1952, in quoting from Samford's statements, contains the following "official" viewpoints: "We are learning more and more about radar...Radar is capable of playing tricks for which it was not designed....These instances were good observations of something, but not good observations of what radar was designed to observe." (Naturally, the General did not mention ECM because this was a classified subject at the time, but it seems obvious that this is what he was guardedly referring to.)

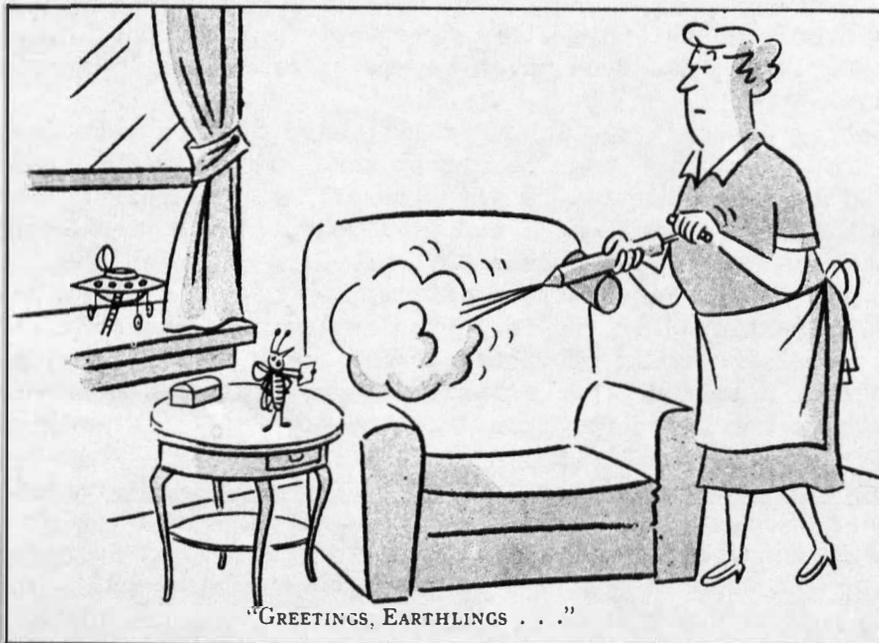
The General also said that an experienced radar operator, assigned to define saucers on the radar screen, was subject to curiosity stimuli that would result in overemphasis. He said that he was satisfied that none of the saucer "sightings" represented the flight of any material object. The New York Times news summary for that day also stated: "The pickup of the aerial objects on radar screens was of 'radar ghosts' and not actual things."

Along this line, a Washington Post article by John G. Norris, July 29th, 1952, stated: "A high Navy officer suggested that they were a revisitation of the 'ghosts of Nansei-Shoto'. He referred to the rash of spots which appeared on radar screens....in 1945....never fully explained....believed generally to have been caused by....'electronic noise' from the many radar sets in the area." (It may be surmised that the Nansei-Shoto affair was an accident, due to the proximity of many Naval radar sets, which led to the realization of the possibility of ECM.)

The Gulf of Mexico Sighting: Space permits only a brief discussion of the Gulf of Mexico case of December 6th, 1952, one of the mainstays of Keyhoe's theories. (FSFOS, pp. 161-166) The case involved a radar training plane, returning from a night's practice. Suddenly radar blips apparently going 5,000 to 9,000 mph were seen. Although this case is supposed to contain visual confirmation, I quote from p. 165: "The closest the objects came was approximately 20 miles....Flashes of light were noted....I saw a blue-white streak travel front to rear...." Since almost anything seen from a plane will seem to travel from front to rear, even wisps of clouds or particles from the exhaust, this

is not conclusive visual confirmation of a flying saucer.

Unknown to the airmen on the plane, this incident could have been due to ECM operations, either for the purposes of training the crew, or for demonstrating ECM's capabilities to those high officials who would later get to see the "eyewitness" reports made out by the crew. In any case, it also provided a good radar



sighting for the saucer files. On p. 159, Keyhoe states that this case was especially given to him as one which supported his interplanetary mother-ship theory.

I conclude with Keyhoe's words from p. 165: "Of all the official reports I'd seen, this was the most astonishing. That it had been released to me seemed to mean only one thing. Clearly, Intelligence....("the CIA??").... wanted the public to see this conclusive proof that the saucers were interplanetary machines."

What Really Happened in these Radar Cases?: I do not claim that all radar sightings of flying saucers are caused by the use of ECM equipment. However, I believe that the radar sightings discussed in this article had no connection with real objects capable of speeds of thousands of miles per hour. Instead, I maintain, these particular reports were due either to accidental or purposeful generation of signals in the radar sets, from special ECM equipment in the vicinity. The ECM operations would have been conducted under normal secrecy rules befitting their novel military character. The ECM personnel may not even have realized that their operations would give rise to these UFO reports. The reports of the radar personnel show that they were not aware of any ECM possibilities, and were genuinely "taken in" by the display.

Such proceedings would seem normal, honest, and perfectly proper in the name of military research and development. But I think we must draw the line at the next step, misleading publicity. I believe that the CIA "promoted" publicity on these sightings, at least the American cases, for the purpose of fostering stories about the "interplanetary" nature of flying saucers. Shrewd manipulation of normal military moves, through top level contacts, enabled the CIA, without any extensive staff of operations, to perform certain necessary feats. A few examples are given below.

(1) The jet interceptors which guard Washington were moved from Andrews Air Force Base (4 miles away) to New Castle, Delaware (90 miles away) to "permit runway repairs" during the month of the sightings in Washington. This accounted for the delays and lack of sufficient interceptors. With the jets based at Andrews AFB, an ECM hoax could not have been carried off.

(2) Ruppelt was prevented from traveling around Washington to collect facts from eyewitnesses. He states how he was unable to get taxi fare or a staff car on July 21st (Ruppelt, pp. 216-217). And on July 29th, he says (p. 221): "Major Fournet and I spent the entire morning 'just leaving' for somewhere to investigate 'something'. Every time we would start to leave, something more pressing would come up." A reason for the CIA to have kept him immobile appears on p. 224: "...Had someone gone out and made a more thorough investigation....(it) would have taken some of the (interest) out of the two (radar) reports. It took me a year to put....together...., but it could have been collected in a day of concentrated effort!" He then quotes some data which cast doubt on the validity of the visual confirmations of the Washington radar sightings.

Conclusion: It should be noted that the Washington sightings were predicted in advance to Ruppelt, privately, by a CIA scientist, a few days before they took place. (Ruppelt, pp. 209-210). This is quite consistent with the contention that the CIA "sponsored" the sightings.

Those who find it hard to believe that a government agency would participate in such trickery should read the article in Life Magazine, Jan. 5, 1950, pp. 20-31, "How Insiders Kept Their Great Secret". Note particularly the sentence in the fourth paragraph: "A group of Signal Corps trailers....was brought under false orders at night...with the connivance of a cooperative but

mystified provost marshal, and parked in a remote spot (on the base)". When the full story of these 1952 radar sightings is finally told, there will be, I am sure, many such instances revealed, involving ECM equipment.

Researchers who want to learn the truth about flying saucers should learn all they can about ECM. Then let them consider whether they will admit that this may be a solution to these radar sightings.

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RECENT NEWS STORIES

MYSTERIOUS "THING" SPLITS TREE IN IRELAND: On January 1st, it was reported that a saucer-like object flashed down out of the sky and cut an Irish farmer's two-foot-thick oak tree in half. A former member of the British Interplanetary Society, upon investigating the incident, said, "This would appear to be the first case in the United Kingdom where such a mysterious happening has been reported and some tangible evidence remains." He stated that the tree showed no scorch marks, as it would if it had been struck by lightning. The farmer, named Joseph Bennett, said that he had heard a strange noise in the sky "like the sound of rushing wind". He described the object as black and about seven feet across. It came to within twenty feet of the ground, and then flew away so fast that he saw it for only a matter of seconds.

LEADING SCIENTIST SUGGESTS SATELLITES TO CLEAN RADIATION BELT: Dr. Fred Singer, addressing a meeting of the American Physical Society, has stated that there are two bands of radiation surrounding the Earth, the most dangerous of which is about 1,500 miles away, and composed of electrically charged particles traveling at the speed of light. As these particles are capable of penetrating several inches of metal, they could prove a tremendous hazard to future space explorers. Dr. Singer therefore suggests a "sweeping of space", to be accomplished by firing a heavy satellite into an orbit that will keep it inside this particular radiation belt. Because of their tremendous speed (5 times around the earth per second), the particles will have many chances to hit the satellite. Those that do so will be slowed down so much that they will leave the belt. In a few months or years nearly all will be gone. Dr. Singer calculates that once the belt is destroyed, it will not build up to its present strength again for a hundred years.

CIGAR-SHAPED OBJECT FRIGHTENS MOTORISTS IN CONNECTICUT: Two couples driving in Marlborough, Conn., reported independently last Dec. 15th that they saw a missile-like UFO flying low over the city. The first couple, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wabrek of Windsor, Conn., stated that the saucer was flying very low and parallel to the direction in which their car was traveling. It was bathed in an "icy blue glow" which later changed to red-yellow. There was a white light in the rear that appeared to be the engine exhaust. No other markings or protrusions were visible. The second couple, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Rose, who were driving along the same road, said that the object passed directly in front of their car in an area where the trees had recently been cleared away. They noticed a bulge about one-third of the way back from the front of the UFO, and they reported the same white light from the rear that the Wabreks had seen. Each sighting lasted only a few seconds.

SAUCER BRIEFS: George Adamski's latest claim is to have been carried by saucer between two lecture engagements in the middle west. According to the tale, he was about to board a train from Kansas City, Missouri, to Davenport, Iowa, when his space friends came along and picked him up by saucer. He did not save the expense of the train trip, however, and still has his unused ticket to prove the truth of the story. He spent eight hours aboard a mother ship on his way to Davenport, and then arrived safe and sound in time for his scheduled appearance.....On January 9th, a saucerer named Douglas Hancock was placed under observation in the psychiatric ward of St. Albans Naval Hospital on Long Island. Mr. Hancock was a friend and follower of Prince Neosom, a gentleman who claims to be from a planet $8\frac{1}{2}$ light years away from Earth. The Prince, who is said to be in reality a baker by profession, is still at large, and living in Detroit....

Your Editor's latest appearance on the Long John Party Line radio program was on the morning of January 25th. Also present was Gray Barker of the "Saucerian", and others.....Speaking of Barker, a news story from his home town of Clarksburg, W. Va., dated January 17th, had this to say: "An author capitalizing on the modern 'flying saucer' craze entertained members of the Clarksburg Lions Club Friday noon at the Waldo Hotel...Admitting his principal interest in the weird field is promoted by the fact that he is a writer and author of a book and magazine articles resulting in profit, Barker gave the Lions his factual impressions of flying saucers." (Italics ours.).....A public meeting of Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York will be held on March 27th at the Hotel Diplomat in New York City. Speakers will include Major Donald Keyhoe and Long John Nebel, of Party Line fame. Inquiries about tickets should be made to Marilyn Shaw, 19 Cherrywood Lane, Port Washington, Long Island.... The Great Lakes Unidentified Flying Objects Association announced last January that they are changing the name of the organization to the Great Lakes Identified Flying Objects Association, due to the fact that they believe they have identified the source of UFO's. Norman Jack Maynard, head of the 250-member group, said that his organization is now convinced that flying saucers come from Mars.

EGG-SHAPED SAUCER SEEN IN BALTIMORE: One of the best sightings of recent date occurred on October 26th (1958), when two Baltimore men named Alvin Cohen and Phillip Small made a very close observation of a huge egg-shaped UFO. They were driving near the edge of town at about 10-30 that night, approaching a bridge, when they saw an egg-shaped object 100 feet long and 70 feet thick in its largest diameter. It glowed a dim, translucent white. They thought at first that it might be a Navy blimp, but upon coming closer to the bridge, they noticed that the thing bore no insignia, stabilizer, fins, or other external marks or protrusions of any kind. At a distance of about 300 feet from the object, the lights and motor stopped on their car. The automobile's entire electric circuit was apparently knocked out. Frightened, they jumped out of the car and crouched with the car between them and the UFO. They watched it in this manner for 30 seconds, during which time it grew brighter. Rays of heat from it smote their faces. Then, with a loud noise "like a thunderclap", it shot up and disappeared within 10 seconds. - As usual, police could find no definite evidence to confirm or deny the story, though they admitted that both men were sober and plenty scared when they made their report.

SAUCER FOLLOWS TRAIN IN INDIANA: Last October 3rd, five members of the crew of a freight train on the Monon railroad in Clinton County, Indiana, watched four UFO's pace the train for over an hour shortly before daylight. The objects glowed white at high speeds and red-orange at lower speeds. They

dipped low over the train and maneuvered in formation. The saucers stayed with the train for 40 miles before disappearing. The conductor shone a powerful flashlight at one of them at one point, and it hurriedly flew away, only to return a few minutes later. The conductor stated that the UFO's flew at tree-top level part of the time, and could best be seen then, although their exact shape was hard to determine, because they glowed so brightly in the dark. He added that the objects appeared to be about 40 feet in diameter and 8 to 10 feet thick. After maneuvering around the train for an hour and ten minutes, they moved off together to the northwest and went out of sight.

EARLESS MONSTER IN CALIFORNIA: Charles Wetzel of Bloomington, California, claims that a monster jumped out in front of his car as he drove along a street near nearby Riverside. Said he: "It had a round, scare-crowish head, like something out of Halloween. It wasn't human. It had longer arms than anything I've ever seen. When it saw me in the car it reached all the way back to the windshield and began clawing at me. It didn't have any ears. The face was all round. The eyes were shining like something fluorescent and it had a protuberant mouth." Wetzel said he became terrified when the creature reached over the hood of his car and began clawing at the windshield. He reached for a .22 pistol in the glove compartment. "I held that pistol and stomped on the gas," he said. "The thing fell back from the car and made a gurgling sound. The noise it made didn't sound human. I think I hit it. I heard something hit the pan under the car." - Police were able to find nothing to prove or disprove Wetzel's story.

NEWS BRIEFS: A man living in Franklin County, Alabama, claims that eight generators have burned out in his car during the past four years, while driving along a certain 20-mile strip of highway. He has never had generator trouble anywhere but on that particular part of the road. In addition, strange lights have been seen in the sky several times in the same area, a large burned-out hole appeared overnight in December 1957, causing an Army investigation, and an unexplained plane crash occurred a few years previous to that.Our best Fortean item for this issue concerns a 3-foot-long baby eel being studied in New Zealand by zoologists who believe it may be the offspring of a sea serpent as large as 30 feet or more. The eel was caught by fishermen in the Tasman Sea, between Australia and New Zealand. It has a snake-like head with bulging eyes and large sharp teeth, similar to museum reconstructions of prehistoric creatures.....Hundreds of residents of Riverdale, New York, caught fleeting glimpses of a saucer which passed rapidly in level flight over their town. Excellent sightings of the object were made at nearby Michell Air Force Base. Mrs. Arthur Nelson, one of the sighters, stated that the UFO was a bluish object which streaked from north to south over nearby rooftops. The level flight of the UFO rules out the possibility it was a meteor, as suggested by some meteorologists.....Three squad cars of police made a fruitless hour-long search on the night of December 28th for an unidentified object which four residents of Camden, N.J. said they had seen crash to earth in a city dump.... A Dover, N.J. inventor named Ulrich Meinhold, claims that two human-looking occupants of a saucer landed in his back yard, and divulged to him the secrets of the operation of their craft. He is now working on a 10-foot-diameter saucer, based on the information he received from the space men. The Earth-made saucer will use "sound wave energy", and will be ready for test flight soon.

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LONG JOHN HUSHED UP WHILE DISCUSSING HUSH-UPS: The article at the left is from the Monday August 24th edition of the New York Daily News. It concerns a flying saucer discussion on the Long John Party Line radio program of Sunday August 23rd. The discussion ended mysteriously when Long John Nebel was cut off the air in the middle of a sentence. Asked to comment on the N.Y. News story, Long John refused to say anything beyond pointing out a few obvious errors: The program begins at 12:00 midnight rather than 12:30 a.m., and two of the names are misspelled - James Moseley, and Jack Keane. It should also be noted

that in addition to Moseley, Gray Barker, and Ben Isquith, the morning's panel members included Y.N. ibn A'haron, known as "Yonah".

Long John finished his WOR-Radio show an hour earlier than he expected Sunday morning. The program, which normally runs from 12:30 A.M. to 5:30 A.M., was interrupted at 4:30 A.M. during a heated discussion on "flying saucers" and music filled the rest of the show. Long John was discussing "saucers" with guests James Mozley, editor of Saucer News, Gray Barker, publisher of a recent book, "From Outer Space to You," and Ben Isquith, a programmer for computer machines.

According to Long John, his engineer, Jack Keen, received a phone call from a member of management who told him to discontinue the talk and substitute music. The only reason Long John could offer for the cut was that the discussion "might have developed into something more."

To those of us who were present in the WOR studio, the silencing of the Party Line program came as a complete surprise. For most of the morning, talk had centered around an expose of Gray Barker written for the June 1959 issue of SAUCER NEWS. This is the article in which Lonzo Dove accused Barker of having been responsible for the notorious "hush-up" or silencing of Al Bender by three men in black suits. Also mentioned in the course of the morning was the Howard Menger book "From Outer Space to You", which was recently published by Barker.

Shortly before the program went off the air, Long John asked Barker his personal opinion about the alleged silencing of Al Bender, Howard Menger, and the Mitchell Sisters (two midwest contactees who claim to have ridden in a saucer.) John then asked, "If these stories are true, do you think the...men in black are from this planet?" Barker replied to the effect that he believes they are, but that their peculiar dress and mannerisms were probably more frightening to Bender than the information they conveyed to him. During Barker's above-mentioned reply, a phone rang in the control room. It was plainly heard in the studio through a door that had accidentally been left open, but no one in the studio gave it any significance at the time. The final words of the program were as follows:

L.J. (to Barker): Has anyone hushed you up?
Barker: No.

L.J: Did you mention in one of your recent magazine articles about the possibility of hushing Long John up? It was written in one of Palmer's magazines that Long John will be hushed up.....

At this point, music unaccountably started coming in from the control room. It was several moments before your Editor realized that we had been cut off the air, and even then he did not immediately connect it with the phone call. But when Long John excitedly rushed out to talk with Jack Keane, the engineer, everyone on the panel knew that something serious had gone wrong. A chill came over the studio, and for the next few minutes John was quite irritable with several of the people present. The music played on, while we all talked and milled around.

Dave Field, the producer of the show, told me he had answered the telephone and handed it to Keane. They both apparently had recognized the voice on the other end, though they refused to tell me who the caller was. Keane had used his authority as engineer to cut the show off the air without consulting John. As only a very few people know the confidential phone number of the control room, speculation among the panel was that the mysterious caller probably was the manager of the station, the F.C.C. (Federal Communications Commission), or the Air Force. Apparently something one of us had said over the air that morning had caused panic on the part of someone in authority, but Long John was unable or unwilling to clear up the mystery in any way.

After the music had continued for about ten minutes, Long John went on the air to interrupt briefly and say: "Due to circumstances beyond my control, we are going to enjoy more....music.I'll be back with you a little later to say goodnight." Just before sign-off time at 5-30 a.m., John said, "This is Long John again. I'm sorry that we ran into some difficulty and I'll be back with you again tonight, I hope."

To those familiar with saucer lore, this incident will bring to mind the night of January 22, 1958, when Major Donald Keyhoe was cut off the Armstrong Circle Theatre due to Air Force censorship. In regard to the Long John hush-up, our opinion is that a more prosaic explanation may be in order: It is known to your Editor that Gray Barker was one of the very few who knew the studio's confidential phone number. Isn't it possible that, to increase sales of his book about the Bender hush-up, Barker arranged for a confederate to make a hoax phone call to the studio? The fact that Barker will stoop to almost anything for publicity and profit has already been pretty well established by Lonzo Dove. Only time will tell whether this solution is the correct one, and whether the Long John program ever dares to discuss flying saucers again.

Note: Exact quotes from the program were obtained from a tape recording made by saucer researcher John J. Robinson of Jersey City, N.J.

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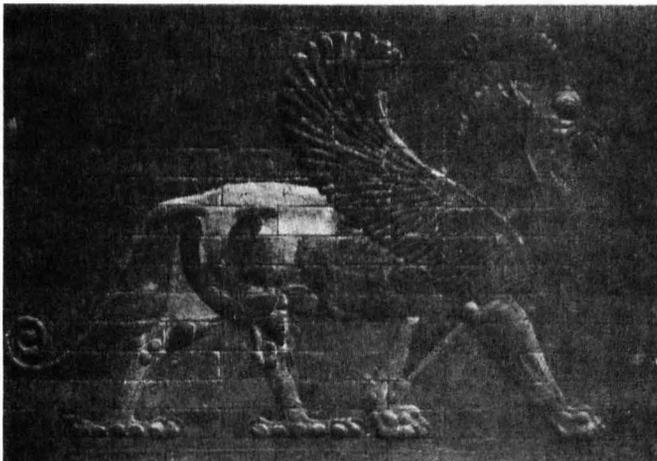
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THE ABOVE ILLUSTRATIONS show two of the possible body forms of Y'hova, the God of Israel. On the left he is pictured as a lion, and on the right as an ibex. According to the research done by ibn A'haron, who supplied these pictures, Y'hova was an extraterrestrial being. As Y'hova did not commonly travel among humans, and as ancient references are vague on this particular point, the precise physical form of Y'hova is not known. However, the ancient texts leave no doubt about the fact that he did have a physical body, and the various representations of it, though different, have many similarities. - The latest article in ibn A'haron's series begins on page 9 of this issue.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

We feel that this would be a good time to make a re-statement of SAUCER NEWS policy: Contributors are free to express their own opinions, whether or not these opinions co-incide with those of the editorial staff. SAUCER NEWS will publish any article which appears to be factual, well-documented, non-libelous, and interesting; but signed articles do not necessarily express official SAUCER NEWS policy.

We make these statements now primarily to anticipate in advance Major Keyhoe's reactions to the article by Michael G. Mann beginning on page 4 of this issue. We believe that Mr. Mann's charges are very reasonable and that, in the public interest, they definitely deserve a hearing. We know that the letters mentioned in his article are accurately quoted, but we have no way of knowing whether or not all his research is correct, as we do not have the time or facilities to check all his statements. Presumably if there are any inaccuracies in the article, one or more of our subscribers will point them out to us. Any worthwhile points thus raised will be published in our next issue.

Still on hand are a few copies each of back issues #2, 3, 8 through 11, 13, and 17 through 36. They are available at a cost of \$1.00 for any three. We also have the hard-cover book called Air Force Project Blue Book Special Report #14, with an introduction by Dr. Leon Davidson. This sells for \$1.00 per copy.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A recent injury has made me decide to sell the majority of my non-fiction occult book collection - fourteen trunks full of hard-to-find items. There is considerable saucer material, and hundreds of booklets and magazines. All are in good condition and reasonably priced. I hope you will publish this, and that any of your readers who are interested will contact me.

FRANCIS BROWNLEY

1604 McArthur Drive, Jacksonville, Arkansas

I want to thank you for sending me a copy of the June issue of SAUCER NEWS by first class mail, and I must say you showed fairness by giving me this advance copy of your magazine in which your Lonzo Dove attacks me so viciously. While I plan to reply to Dove's charges in the September 1st issue of my Saucerian Bulletin, I do feel that his allegations are so ridiculous that no reader of yours in his right mind will believe them.

I might add, however, that my attorneys are scrutinizing this issue closely for any evidence of libel, and should this issue damage me in any way, I will be prepared to take legal action against both you and the author

of the attack. The article also alluded to a possible forthcoming article in which Mr. Dove may accuse me of writing the now famous State Department letter, which is tantamount to accusing me of committing a criminal act. Therefore I now give you ample notice that should this article be damaging and/or libelous, I will leave no legal course unexplored to prosecute both you as editor and the author, Lonzo Dove.

It is time that you halted your slanderous attacks on various civilian UFO researchers, and it would give me a great personal satisfaction to be one of the persons responsible for bringing justice to you and the people who conspire with you to halt honest research.

GRAY BARKER, Clarksburg, W. Va.

Gray Barker has agreed to publish my expose material on you, beginning in the next issue of his Saucerian Bulletin. Make no mistake about it, I am going to close down SAUCER NEWS! I am going to put an end to your exposes of people like Gray Barker, George Williamson, Adamski, and others. So live it up now, because SAUCER NEWS is on its last legs! As a matter of fact I might say that SAUCER NEWS has one foot in the grave and the other on a banana peel.

Be careful on the Straith letter. Get in touch with Mr. James Maney of Oklahoma City, Okla. Mr. Maney got a piece of the State Department stationery - white seal, blue embossed - in April, 1957. He had written the State Dept. claiming to be a collector of letterhead stationery, and received blank stationery. He then sent it to Gray Barker in April 1959, after the Straith letter had been written. So Mr. Barker couldn't have written the letter in December, 1957, in that Mr. Maney still had the blank paper....Barker actually received the stationery, in that I have a letter from him in which he freely admits he has it right now.....I am trying to get Barker to send me the stationery to photostat. This then would be positive proof he didn't write the Straith letter in that he still has the blank paper, and this would blow to pieces any expose you plan on the Straith letter. So you better check your facts very carefully or you will make a complete fool of yourself on this Straith matter....

RICHARD OGDEN, Seattle, Wash.

(Editor's Note: This is the same Mr. Ogden whom we accused some time ago of having written a hoax letter signed "Mr. X". Ogden has since threatened to sue us for \$250,000. It now seems obvious that he and Barker are working together to cover up the Straith hoax. Barker could have received the stationery from someone other than Maney. We are not frightened by these threats from Barker and Ogden, and we still plan to print Dove's article about the Straith letter in a forthcoming issue of SAUCER NEWS.)

Congratulations on your expose of Gray Barker, which was long overdue. Barker and his colleague Ray Palmer have been hoodwinking the saucer public with impunity long enough, and it is certainly high time that someone set the record straight! I will be looking forward to your expose of Barker as author of the Straith hoax letter....

JOHN J. ROBINSON, Jersey City, N. J.

Your June issue was the best yet in an ever-improving series. I have long suspected that Barker's "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers" was a masterpiece of unadulterated sensationalism, but I never guessed that Barker himself could have caused the "Three Men" hush-up of Al Bender. Poor Bender! As Dove says, he must have just withdrawn from the saucer field to let the sensationalists and crackpots take over.....SAUCER NEWS is one of the few sensible voices in a field that is increasingly falling into the hands of the "True Believers"....

ROGER SIMPSON, Detroit, Michigan

WHO IS FOOLING DONALD KEYHOE?

- by Michael G. Mann -

I have been an avid reader of Donald Keyhoe's articles for a number of years. Besides his three well-known saucer books, he has many magazine articles to his credit. One of the very best was a story written in 1947 entitled "Secret Mission".

After reading Keyhoe's first two saucer books, I waited anxiously for his next revealing work. It was finally published in 1956, and was entitled "The Flying Saucer Conspiracy". The book was easy reading, fast moving, and extremely interesting. It was full of new and unusual claims that sounded almost too good to be true. Keyhoe told of Air Force and Government cover-ups, and he went on at great length about his constant battle with a body he called the "Silence Group". Keyhoe's information seemed just too amazing to be factual, and I therefore decided to investigate "The Flying Saucer Conspiracy" further.

When people discuss the topic of Unidentified Flying Objects, the name that comes immediately to their mind is Donald Keyhoe. He has become to a large degree the leading spokesman of the field. Therefore his statements and claims by necessity must be correct and factual. A mistake on his part not only hurts him and NICAP but also hurts the entire field.

At a recent New York lecture, the late M.K. Jessup told of an amazing saucer occurrence. Since it was one of the ones that Keyhoe brought forth in his Conspiracy Book, I asked Jessup about the source of his information. He immediately replied that he was quoting from Keyhoe's book. I am now sure that if Jessup had bothered to check the data for himself, he would never have mentioned the case.

The case in question is found on page 264 of "Conspiracy", which I quote below:

When the moon was full, Dr. Kuiper stated, he had seen thousands of glistening white spots, apparently the tops of inverted cones. "These cones looked," he declared, "as if they had been turned out on a lathe from blocks of white chalk." In his report to the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Kuiper stated that these white objects - which British astronomers previously had called "domes" - could be seen all over the surface of the moon, though they were clustered most thickly near the moon's equator. He added, significantly, that though the strange cones were relatively recent features, their nature and origin were a mystery.

Here we have a case in which an eminent astronomer goes way out on a limb to make a perfectly ridiculous statement. If this were true, why hasn't this news become the most important bit of information of the century? Perhaps it is due to the fact that Keyhoe was a bit over-enthusiastic when he wrote the statement. I have contacted Dr. Kuiper, and this is what he actually has to say on the subject: "The bright spots which I observed on the moon are apparently small craters made by meteorite impacts. The dome craters are totally different in appearance and appear to be extinct volcanoes."

This is not a lone mistake in a large book, but just one of many. A major portion of the 14th chapter, which Keyhoe calls "The Burning Road" is devoted to the mysterious burning of a macadam road in Woodside, California. Keyhoe writes on page 196 of "Conspiracy":

At four o'clock in the afternoon, farmers living near Portola Road heard a loud explosion from some unknown source. Immediately afterward a

270-foot section of Portola Road's macadam surface was found ablaze. The fire was originating from dozens of strange metal pellets. Half an hour later, when firemen reached the scene, the surface of the road was almost boiling under the intense heat.....The burned area was in precisely the shape of a rectangle 70 by 270 feet. Mystified, Fire Chief Bolpiano notified the Air Force and the Army, but Intelligence officers and demolition experts could not explain the cause of the fire.



Donald Keyhoe

What this has to do with saucers is still a mystery to me. It would be important to include such a case in a book of Fortean phenomena, but in Keyhoe's book it is a bit out of place. And if Keyhoe had bothered to check the matter, he would have discovered that the "strange metal pellets" weren't so strange after all. I contacted Sheriff Earl B. Whitmore of Redwood City, California, who wrote me as follows: "This is to advise you that it was determined that the fragments were pieces of cast iron pipe which had been shattered by some type of explosion."

"The Flying Saucer Conspiracy" contains many interesting cases, but by far the most important are the Kimross, Fort Lauderdale, and Utica sightings. After a week of extensive research, I came to the conclusion that the Kimross Air Force Base that Keyhoe mentioned didn't exist. Then I realized that he was really referring to Kinross Air Force Base in Michigan. The events of this case according to Keyhoe are given below: (Page 13 of "Conspiracy".)

At an isolated radar station, Air Defense operators were watching their scope in a routine guard against possible enemy attack. Suddenly the "blip" of an unknown machine appeared on the glass screen. The Ground Control Intercept officer took a quick look. The "unknown" was flying over the Soo Locks....In less than two minutes an F-89 from Kimross Field was streaking toward the locks. At the jet's controls was Lieutenant Felix Moncla Jr....Guided by Ground Control, Moncla climbed steeply toward the "unknown". Back at GCI, the controller watched the jet's blip on his glowing radarscope. As it moved toward the UFO's blip, the strange craft changed course....

Nine more minutes ticked by in the tense quiet of the GCI radar room. Gradually the F-89 cut down the gap....Suddenly the two blips merged into one. Whether the strange machine had abruptly slowed down or Moncla unaccountably had put on full power, no one in the room could tell. But one thing seemed grimly certain: The two machines were locked together, as if in a smashing collision. For a moment longer the huge, ominous blip remained on the glass. Then it went quickly off the scope.....As quickly as possible, search planes with flares were roaring over Lake Superior.....But no trace was ever found of the missing men, the F-89 - or the unknown machine. (End of quote.)

In a letter to me, Captain George M. Karl Jr., Administrative Officer at Kinross Air Force Base, had this to say: "Files of the Evening News, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, for the dates 23 and 24 November 1953 report an incident taking place somewhat as you described, although no conclusions were attempted by the newspaper. The newspaper reports said the aircraft was flying over Lake Superior at the time it disappeared. The editor of the newspaper said that, as he recalls the incident, the personnel involved were stationed here at the time, while the assigned tactical unit was training at Yuma, Ariz."

Because of the lack of information in the above letter, I got in touch with Captain Harry E. Scarborough, an Information Services Officer at the 30th Air Division, Traux Field, Madison, Wisconsin. He was unable to shed any further light on the incident.

On Captain Scarborough's suggestion, I contacted Major Lawrence J. Tacker, a Public Information Officer at the Pentagon. His letter to me did not contain any additional information about the affair either! Isn't it amazing that Keyhoe could give such a detailed account of the case, while the Air Force has just the bare essentials on the matter. I was under the impression that Keyhoe got this data from the Air Force - although it might be possible that he acquired the data from the pilot of the "Unknown", in a private interview, of course!

I then sent Major Tacker the accounts of seven cases set forth in the Conspiracy Book. Each case was carefully copied onto a file card and mailed to the Major. His reply was short: "The seven cards with your letter are returned herewith as requested. The cases are not sightings which have been reported to the United States Air Force." These cases were all supposed to have been acquired from Air Force files, and yet the Air Force is unaware of them!

The next case I will cite is the Fort Lauderdale affair. On page 293 of his book, Keyhoe states:

On the afternoon of December 5, 1945, five TBM "Avengers" stood on the ramp at Fort Lauderdale Naval Air Station.....At 2-10 P. M., the flight leader gunned his engine, and the first Avenger roared down the runway. In rapid succession the others followed, climbing into a clear blue sky. Cruising at 215 mph, the planes flew out over the Atlantic.....At 3-45 P. M. the Fort Lauderdale station received a strange radio message. In a worried voice the flight leader reported: "We seem to be off course. I'm not sure of our position." During the next hour more calls came in, each a little more tense. It seemed impossible for all five compasses to have failed. Yet how else could the pilots have become so utterly lost?....

A huge Martin Mariner flying boat was hurriedly dispatched to the scene.....Several minutes later Operations called the Mariner to check its position. There was no answer. For five taut minutes the base radio operator anxiously repeated the call. But the Mariner's radio, like the Avengers', was ominously silent....At dawn the escort carrier Solomons put out to sea with 30 planes to begin an aerial hunt. By now over 20 vessels were methodically combing the sea. Within two hours 240 planes were crisscrossing the sky from Florida to the Bahamas...But still there was not a trace of the six lost planes...

Months later a Naval Board of Inquiry formally stated that no trace had been found of the missing men or their planes.....Later an AP reporter at Fort Lauderdale asked the Navy if the mystery had ever been solved. There was still no clue, one station officer told him, as to the fate of the missing men."They vanished as completely," he said, "as if they had flown to Mars."

The above was one of the seven cases unknown to the Air Force. In

fact, the base itself was unknown to the Air Force! I have tried in vain to locate this base, but all attempts have drawn a blank. At least the Kimross Base existed. The closest I came to locating the base was in a reply I received from Lee Munsick. Munsick is the Director of the North Jersey UFO Group, and is a former associate editor of Keyhoe's "UFO Investigator". He is also a close friend of Major Keyhoe. When asked about the Lauderdale military base, he replied, "Re Fort Lauderdale in 'Conspiracy', there is no base there now and I don't believe there has been (I was there in March.) There is an airport however....I believe it is designated as Broward County International Airport, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Broward County includes Lauderdale and abuts Dade County (Miami et al) on the north."

Here we have a statement by one of Keyhoe's trusted co-workers attesting to the fact that the base mentioned in Keyhoe's book is fictional. No wonder the Air Force has no record of the Fort Lauderdale case!

Moving on to the Utica Case, I came up against the same old problem. The base in question didn't exist! This time I gave Keyhoe the benefit of the doubt and checked further. I soon came to the conclusion that by Griffith Air Force Base, Keyhoe in his strange way actually means Griffiss A.F.B. Keyhoe's account (page 174 of "Conspiracy") is as follows:

An F-94 Starfire jet had been scrambled to check on an unknown near Utica, New York. When the strange blip first showed on Air Defense radarscopes, the usual swift check had been made. But no aircraft was scheduled to be at that point. Guided by Ground Control, the pilot climbed steeply while his radar observer watched the rear cockpit scope. By now the pilot could actually see the unknown - a strange gleaming object moving swiftly above. Pulling into a tight climbing turn, he started to close the gap....

Suddenly, as the plane streaked toward the UFO, a wave of heat mysteriously filled the cockpit. It was like the blast of a furnace....The pilot jettisoned his canopy and seized the ejection lever. He felt the jet jump as the radarman bailed out.....Looking back at the F-94, he groaned. The jet was plunging straight into the village of Walesville, New York. As he watched, horrified, it crashed in the heart of the town and burst into flames.....Four people were killed, two of them children, and another was seriously injured.

I haven't had a chance to check all the data myself, but a good friend, Mr. Jonas Kover, who is an excellent researcher and heads a large New York saucer group, did do a bit of research on the case. He traveled through the area and spent a considerable amount of time in Utica checking news clippings and talking to residents about the case. He drew a complete blank. This situation may have been caused by the long period of time that has passed since the occurrence. But it is not likely that people would forget such a tragic disaster!

From the material I have cited in this article, it appears that there are three possible conclusions that can be drawn: (1) Keyhoe was given the correct data on these cases, but twisted the facts to suit his own purposes and to increase sales of his book. (2) He is working for the Air Force, as has been claimed by many people, including Ray Palmer. (3) He is merely a pawn in a huge game being played by the Air Force.

Of these possibilities I am inclined to accept the third. My reasons are threefold: (1) Before the "Conspiracy" book, Keyhoe seemed to be a hard-working and factual reporter. (2) As he is one of the most important saucer researchers, he would be a prime target to be controlled by the Air Force; and what better way than to feed him false data to report to the public? (3) Keyhoe's data always comes to him under sinister cloak and dagger conditions.

There is always a slip by an official or a blunder made by the Silence Group, or some such thing. This tends to prove that there is a policy of slipping Keyhoe bogus data under the guise of good information.

As I have stated above, since 1956 much of the material released by Keyhoe has become quite questionable. As an example, take this statement that Keyhoe made on a New York television show. Keyhoe said that he didn't care too much for the theories of Dr. Donald H. Menzel. He then stated that the Harvard astrophysicist has been in his field for a mere three years. For those who heard this, I would like to inform them and Keyhoe that Dr. Menzel has been in his field of study since 1921, a period of 38 years. Is this a short time? It seems that the Doctor has been "in his field" before Keyhoe even thought about flying saucers. To quote Dr. Menzel, "I am aware of the many wild claims that he (Keyhoe) makes in his books. On the basis of many assumptions and hypotheses, he builds up the best possible case he can for flying saucers from outer space. I do not consider his qualifications as ample for an understanding of the phenomena involved."

In a recent letter to me, Major Tacker at the Pentagon had this to say about Keyhoe: "The Air Force has asked Major Keyhoe for data or evidence which would prove UFOs are interplanetary space ships. Major Keyhoe has not supplied the Air Force with this information."

Although there is an enormous amount of incorrect data and misleading information in "Conspiracy", I have in this article chosen only a few examples as representative of the book. But for those who still are not satisfied and convinced, I have saved Keyhoe's most fantastic blunder for last. It appears on page 264 of the book:

Within a few days after this report became public, I learned of another moon study - this one supposed to be secret. For months astronomers at Mount Palomar had been observing the moon, making long observations whenever conditions permitted. Not only had their photographs confirmed the existence of the mysterious bridge, reported by Wilkins, but a spectrographic analysis had proven it was constructed of metal....

This was the statement that had made me suspicious of "Conspiracy" in the first place. I contacted Dr. Milton L. Humason, a well-known Palomar astronomer. His letter to me reads in part: "The case of O'Neill's bridge was investigated at our Mount Wilson Observatory by Dr. Dinsmore Alter. In Dr. Alter's opinion the bridge did not exist. Major Keyhoe erred when he stated that spectrographic observations of the bridge had been made at Palomar."

Actually, a check on Keyhoe's claim was unnecessary, because his statement in the book is completely ridiculous. A spectrum shot of a metallic object on the moon would not show it to be metallic. Instead, the metallic surface of the object would reflect everything around it, causing the spectrum to pick up the surrounding area and not the area in question.

In closing, I would like to state that I have written this article not in any attempt to expose Keyhoe, but merely to show him and those interested that for quite some time he has been the recipient of misinformation. It is my hope that one day he will wake up to this situation and once again begin to report factual material.

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EXTRATERRESTRIALISM AS AN HISTORICAL DOCTRINE
 PART FOUR: K'VOD Y'HOVA; THE GLORY OF THE LORD
 - by Y. N. ibn A'haron, B.D., S.T.M. -

At the close of the last installment, further discussion of "The Presence and Glory of the Lord", as mentioned in Exodus XXXIII, was promised.

In the intervening months, this promise has become easier to fulfill by virtue of three facts. First, the book-length manuscript on which this series is based, has been completed. Secondly, a substantial collection of source material has been gathered into one place for reference, which was impossible during the writer's nomadic period, fortunately now at an end. Lastly, the facilities available for this research have been enhanced by the addition of a Hebrew typewriter. This new equipment has made possible a greatly increased correspondence with scholars throughout the world, and has cut in half the time required for copying literary extracts for inclusion in this series.

Many readers will see no reason for including such information in a technical article. Most of these, however, are the same people who can see no reason for the series, to begin with. Those who recognize the cultural significance of new information about the personality and biography of the god of Israel will, at the same time, recognize the importance of adding to our sources for, and enhancing our understanding of, this new information.

In order to insulate against any charges of science fictionalism in the course of my extraterrestrial research, it seems best to begin the discussion of "The Power and the Glory" by giving a brief history of the manner in which my study of extraterrestrialism began.

While checking a manuscript of the Book of Genesis in Aramaic, the author had occasion to seek in the Rabba, or traditional folk literature, relating to that book. The Rabba failed to supply the necessary information, but led to an older work called Sifra Reshitta. Among the European Jews, this book and others like it are considered heresy, but the Near Eastern seminaries rely heavily on this large corpus of pre-Babylonian Aramaic works for religious inspiration and source material. Many sifre parallel the Old Testament in regard to the material with which they deal, and are for that reason designated by the name of the Biblical book to which they are thought relevant. Thus, the Reshitta is thought to be part of the Safruth, or literature, about Genesis.

My research dealt with the theological question of "The Presence and Glory of the Lord", also known as the Divine Immanence. Starting with Genesis 3:8, I proceeded to explore what the commentators had to say about such diverse subjects as Sanctuary, Holy Reserve, Divine Wrath, Elohist Descent, etc.

The verse with which I was dealing was not sufficiently clear in the Hebrew to enable me to say whether the Aramaic was faithful to the original or not. It ran as follows: "And they heard the voice of Y'hova, of Those from upon High, progressing through the garden at first star-shine." The help I might expect from the European commentators is graphically illustrated by Rashi's brilliant exposition on the word V'shimu in Hebrew, which means "and they heard." Rashi says, "What did they hear? They heard the voice of the Lord walking in the garden." This "great scholar" has thus done nothing more than repeat what should be obvious from reading the verse itself!

Deserting the Europeans then, I turned to the Reshitta, which began its discussion of the subject with a passage I had heard before, in the Aramaic Razayah, or Songs of Holy Praise, for the Day of Atonement in the Near East liturgy. The sentence rang with the perfect cadence of the true Majian, which reads in its translation:

"The Lords from another World came,
Those from upon High from the Shining Morning-Star."

Unless these lines are carefully preserved in the mind, and their source remembered, the factual basis of this work is bound to be overlooked. In a space-conscious generation, it should not be taken for granted that the popular science and space station lore so common to our TV and movies, has penetrated the veil of religious preoccupation characteristic of Americans. The Immanence of the Lord is a sacred study, and all consideration of it must of necessity partake of dignified anthropomorphism and of subtlety. The predominance of this subtlety leads, however, to the untrue suspicion that the anthropomorphism is allegorical and representational.

This point is vital to our subject. The impression of the Bible as an allegorical work is largely the result of our wishful desire to think that no age was ever as great or as powerful as our own. Those whose attention is completely taken up with sacred studies, and who are isolated from the world at large by high walls of linguistic separation, know nothing of all this sophistication. "Each word is true; not one shall be added nor one subtracted." (Deuteronomy.) The God of Israel to men like this is a real being, different and distinct from all others - certainly not gross, but certainly not a myth or allegory. Given the choice, they would, by preference and belief, lean toward the literal rather than the allegorical interpretation.

Imbued with this ideal, the author began a discreet search for further information about the Divine Immanence. The subject had intentionally been treated as esoteric by the Rabbis, and inasmuch as his studies were in philology, not theology, too much open curiosity on the student's part would have been thought unseemly, and cause for a lecture on "Respect for the Mysteries." Thus compelled, the author continued his search in the same direction as that in which it had begun.

Progress was slow from that time until further texts could be mailed in from the Middle East. Copyists had to be found, and the Arab authorities had to be assured that no treasonable statements were contained within the shipments. Gradually, word associations developed, of which the author made notes, and when the headings of these notes were used as the subjects for research, his troubles were over. The seventh such heading was "The Presence and Glory of the Lord". Early in the course of the reading entailed by this research, this phrase associated itself with verbs referring to travel, and situations featuring a display of God's power over men. It was eventually apparent that this Mystery surrounded not only the extraordinary instances of God's dealing with Man, but even the most ordinary ones, such as His commissioning a worshipper for the service of prophecy.

A great deal of nonsense surrounds the office of the prophet of Israel, and the spirit in which prophetic utterances should be interpreted. The Bible, on its own authority, is nothing if it is not history. Clever men try to turn the simple realism of the prophets into tableaux of narcotic ecstasy. The ability of the prophets to see into the future is seized upon as an excuse for regarding these men as unstable and therefore untrustworthy in their accounts of the events which befell them. The bad logic of this view is easily demonstrated. The prophets, because of their unusual insight and social objectivity, were able to paint realistic pictures of future happenings. Succeeding generations, astonished at the extent to which the events of their age had been predicted, came to think of the prophets in supernatural terms. The question to be asked is, "How did the prophets see the future if they could not see the present?" Indeed, careful students are agreed that the great prophets did nothing more than extrapolate the probabilities of future social

and cultural developments from conditions extant in their own day. "Erekh ben yomo," goes the proverb, i. e., a panoramic view of the world's future history is to be gained from the study of one's own times.

The language of the prophets has also been the source of much confusion. The flowery bent of a man's prose should not be taken as a reflection on his veracity. Indeed, the language of Ezekiel the Prophet is almost childish in its poor syntax and its gaping repetition in awe of what he had seen. Of all the prophets, fewer problems of textual criticism surround the personality of Ezekiel than that of the others. Ezekiel was the last of the prophetic writers to live before the reforms (and falsifications) of Ezra were to take effect. His work is to be considered as the last in which the Mosaic conception of the Diety is reflected. His experiences in dealing with Those from Upon High are painstakingly set forth in the first and third chapters of the book that bears his name. The following translation is from the Hebrew, but the meanings of controversial words are those given by the Middle Eastern authorities and not by the European apologists:

In the thirtieth year and the fifth day of the fourth month, I was in the midst of the exile camp on the K'var River when the skies were opened and I was shown sights of Those from Upon High. And I saw that a revolving construct was coming from the north, - a great mass, spitting forth fire which illuminated it on all sides. From its center, from the midst of the fire, came an electric spark. Four beings were visible from the midst of the fire, and they were as flaming spheres, with lightning going about among them illuminating the fire. I saw the beings, and I saw that there was a disc on the ground surrounding the beings in all four directions. The appearance of the discs and their tactics resembled those of a magnet; and the shape of each one was as that of the others; and they would perform maneuvers, as when one wheel would go through the center of another. All four would move simultaneously and they would not swerve as they moved. Each of them had an outer rim, and their outer rims appeared to have holes all the way around.

As the beings would move away from each other, the discs would stay near them, and when the beings rose from off the ground, the discs would also rise. When the great construct would move about, they would follow it; and as the great construct moved about, the discs would rise in their ranks, because a being had gone from the construct into the disc.

And the shape over the head of the being was a transparent dome, and the beings were gathered beneath the dome. And there was a voice from above the dome, and all about there was a reddish glow. Also, there was a throne and a man upon the throne, with an electrical charge surrounding him like fire, above his knees and below. Just as the rainbow which appears in the clouds on a rainy day, such was the brightness all around. This was the K'vod Y'hova - The Glory of the Lord, and when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice speaking:

"Rise and go unto the exile camp at Tel Aviv."

And the great construct raised me up, and I heard behind me a great noise, as the K'vod Y'hova moved from its place. And the construct carried me, and I traveled in the bitter heat of the construct, and the Yad Y'hova - the Presence of the Lord, - was present in great force.

The important detail of Ezekiel's sighting lies in the connection established between the movement of the construct (ru'akh) and the dislocation of the gravity device (k'vod) which operated through the flowing current (yad) which was the Presence of the Lord. The operation of this principle is characterized as electromagnetic. (Khashmal is mentioned twice, once in connection

with tarshish.) When this machinery is in operation, furthermore, it produces a great deal of light and heat, to the extent of oxidizing the atmospheric gases in the neighborhood of its exhaust. (I refer specifically to the use of the word tarshish, and to nogah and esh, both of which occur a great number of times.) Aircraft employing the K'vod principle were generally disc-shaped, although the shape of the great construct (ru'akh) is not specified. The word mass (anan) is, however, used to describe the construct. A sphere might be inferred from this. In Exodus this theory is called into question by an association between the cloudy mass and the "pillar of fire", which was cigar-shaped.

The very proximity of K'vod aircraft caused lightning bolts to go forth from one to the other, from which we may deduce that a polarity principle was involved, whereby the discs would travel in pairs, one negatively charged, and the other positively oriented. Before any conclusions are drawn as to the circular mode of travel which would seem logical in this case, it is necessary to reiterate the words of Ezekiel that the discs did not swerve as they moved, but rather described right angles in respect to one another as they moved further apart, each in a different cartographic direction.

Ezekiel follows this account with a diary of his missions as an agent of Y'hova, for such was the true role of the prophet. The soothsayer is not to be confused with the prophet in this respect.

An interesting note which lends credence to the details of Ezekiel's account occurs during his description of a debauch which took place in the Temple at Jerusalem. Ezekiel was sent to investigate, equipped with a shovel and other needed equipment, by means of which he uncovered a clandestine entrance to the Main Hall. His description of the evils and abominations taking place therein is hair-raising. Ya'azanyahu ben Shafan was the host at this affair, with all the elders of Israel in attendance. Their only excuse to their god was that "Y'hova could not see them, for he had left the land." The differing tone of the later books of the Bible gives us cause to wonder if the deity did not take advantage of the evil-doings of that era in order to do that very thing. At any rate, Ezekiel's description marks the end of the operational aircraft in the Jewish tradition, although flying carpets persisted for a very long time, as objects of literary convention.

Note: Ibn A'haron will conclude his series on "Extraterrestrialism as an Historical Doctrine" with a postscript article entitled, "How to Build a Saucer", to be written exclusively for SAUCER NEWS. - Also of interest to SAUCER NEWS readers will be an article appearing in the October issue of "Fantastic Universe" science fiction magazine. It is entitled "The Sinister Flame", and contains more fascinating material on the new science of extraterrestrialism.

SPUTNIKS AND FLYING SAUCERS

- by Justin Case -

For years we Americans have been complacent in our belief that we were well ahead of the Russians in all forms of science, including nuclear physics and rocketry. But this belief was rudely shattered late in 1957 when the Russians launched their first two Sputniks in alarmingly rapid succession, while we were engaged principally in talking about what we were going to do. President Eisenhower found it necessary to deliver two Science and Security talks to the public, first partly to soothe our suddenly-awakened fears, and secondly to warn us that we must make a determined effort to catch up with and exceed the Russians in the space race. Our U. S. Navy Vanguard project was speeded up in a vain effort to put the first American satellite into orbit. The repeated failures to do this were so widely publicized throughout the

world that American prestige rapidly deteriorated while that of the Russians grew.

Furthermore, ever since their first Sputnik, the Russians have been intensifying their cold war on us. Despite the recent visit of their Deputy Prime Minister, which seemed to indicate a break in the cold war, it is now (March, 1959) more intense than ever, with a crisis over Berlin rapidly approaching.

What is the effect of all these developments on the flying saucer mystery? By flying saucers, I mean those UFOs that have been seen visually and tracked on radar, that accelerate and travel at fantastically high rates, and that make very sudden and sharp changes in direction of flight - all of which appear to be intelligently directed.

The foregoing developments lead to several conclusions:

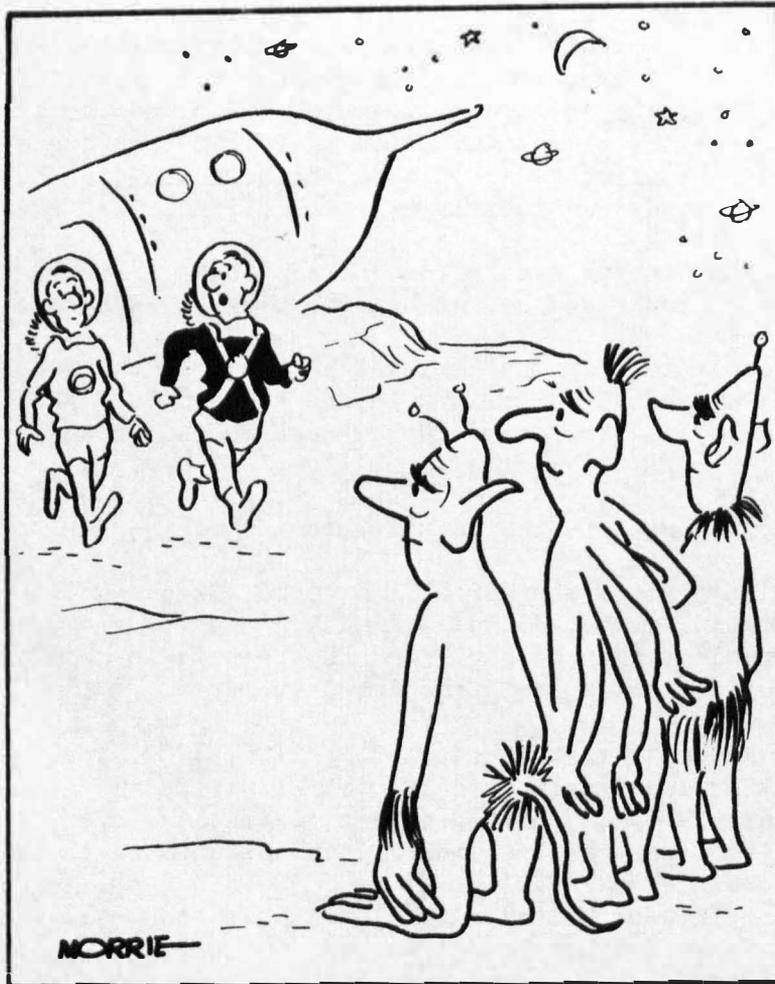
1. Flying saucers are not secret U.S. devices. If they were, President Eisenhower would have told us so in his Science and Security talks in order to restore both confidence in ourselves and our prestige throughout the world. But to date, no government official has sought to bolster our morale by claiming that we have anything as advanced as flying saucers. (Such devices as the AVRO saucer are much less advanced than the real UFOs.)

2. They are not secret Soviet devices. If they were, the Reds would be boasting about them and openly flying them everywhere. They would now be dictating to the free world instead of continuing to wage propaganda wars.

3. Since they are not secret devices of either the U. S. or of Russia, they are not Earth-made devices, for no other nation has the enormous scientific resources or industrial wealth to produce such craft.

4. Neither the U. S. or Russian governments believe that flying saucers contain intelligent visitors from space. If they did, they would immediately stop the cold war. They would immediately join in mutual defense against a common enemy that possesses tremendously powerful craft. When and if this happens, it will be the best clue that flying saucers come from space.

5. Our Air Force still does not know what flying saucers are. If they knew, they would have no reason to conceal the solution from us, now that it is evident that UFOs are not Earth-made devices and that our government does not believe they are in-



"Remember, no fraternizing with the opposite sex; whichever they are!"

telligent visitors from space. The Air Force does not have enough scientific evidence to warrant any conclusions about the identity of UFOs.

6. Therefore it is safe to say that flying saucers have not landed, they have not contacted anyone, and they have not left any proof anywhere of their presence or identity.

The advent of the Sputniks has reduced the flying saucer mystery by eliminating the probability that they are Earth-made devices. This is an important step in the solution of the mystery.

This means that flying saucers still might be intelligent visitors from space, or they might be some form of phenomena beyond our present knowledge. Intelligent people will readily admit that the mystery has not yet been solved. This leaves the various Lunatic Fringe groups as the only ones who believe they know what flying saucers really are.

THE CASE OF THE MYSTERIOUS AIRPLANE CRASH

- by Bob Barry -

First, I would like to outline a report that appeared in the Seattle Post Intelligencer, Seattle, Washington, on April 2nd, 1959. The report states:

An Air Force C-118 transport plane, wrapped in flames and streaming a tail of fire, plunged to earth with four men aboard 15 miles east of McChord Air Force Base, Washington. There were no survivors. Col. Robert E. Booth, commander of the 1705th Air Transport Group, to which the plane was attached, said a radioed report from the plane indicated there had been a mid-air collision. Col. Booth said the pilot radioed about an hour and fifteen minutes after taking off from McChord on a routine training flight, "We have hit something, or something has hit us."

Col. Booth further stated that the pilot called "Mayday", the international distress signal, and reported he was heading back to the base. Then came the words, "This is it!"

That was the last contact with the stricken plane. "It would appear there was some kind of mid-air collision prior to the crash," Col. Booth said. It was reported that two bodies were found buried deep in the ground by the impact.

That concludes the report of the Seattle Post Intelligencer of April 2nd, 1959.

Robert Gribble, director of the Aerial Phenomena Research Group (national headquarters at 5108 Findlay St., Seattle, Wash.) sent a group of investigators from his UFO organization and forwarded the results to me for release in this district. I submit that report from Mr. Gribble:

Subject: C-118 Air Force Transport crash on April 1, 1959.

Additional information in reference to previous report:

1. The C-118 was struck by an unknown object near Mt. Rainier. A large part of the horizontal stabilizer was knocked off. This was found in the hills on the north side of Mt. Rainier.

2. Witnesses in the area of Mt. Rainier stated that the C-118 was flying at tree-top level and was headed north. It seemed to be fighting for altitude. The plane was not on fire.

3. For some unknown reason, the plane did not land at McChord Air Force Base, but instead, turned away from the field, still flying at very low altitude. It then struck trees on Crooker Heights, damaged #4 engine, and tore

open the wing tank, which then caught fire and turned the plane into a flying torch.

4. After A.P.R.G. (Aerial Phenomena Research Group) made our first visit to the Sumner-Orting area, near the crash scene, the entire area was placed under a state of semi-martial law. Troops were moved in from Fort Lewis to interview residents of the area and to instruct them not to discuss the crash with any strangers.

5. The body of the fourth member of the crew has not been found, as of April 23rd, 1959.

6. The "shredded" condition in which the plane was found, is still a mystery.

This concludes the first report from Mr. Gribble, mailed to me on April 23rd. The following newspaper article was also part of the April 23rd report from Mr. Gribble. It is from the Olympia, Washington, Olympian, and is dated April 2nd:

Strange Sky Object Reported by Couple Traveling in Country: Did a mysterious, high-speed light in the sky have anything to do with carrying a four-engine Air Force Transport to the earth in flames Wednesday evening, and killing all four crewmen? It may never be known, but the report of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Loomis of Offutt Lake is being studied by the air safety officer at McChord Air Force Base for possible clues to the air disaster that occurred in Pierce County.

Loomis, who operates a general store in Littlerock, and his wife were returning home from Tinino about 8-30 Wednesday evening, when they spotted the brilliant aerial object. Loomis explained it this way: "My wife was driving. We were coming from Tinino toward Offutt Lake when I noticed off in the sky to my right an extremely bright light; It seemed to blink or go out, and then it would appear again. We watched it in relationship to the Nelson brothers' home, and it really traveled northward at a high rate of speed, and I mean it was fast. It was just over the tree tops."

Loomis said the object definitely was not an airplane. He said that when they arrived home and heard of the crash, they began to wonder about the sighting, since the object appeared to have been traveling in the direction that would lead it toward the big transport that apparently was crippled in mid-air. Last-minute reports from the pilot stated he either hit, or was struck by, something in the air.

A public information officer at McChord Field said Thursday that he had received unofficial reports that Army troops at Fort Lewis were practicing with parachute flares Wednesday evening - which may give a clue to the bright light seen. However, only one object, traveling at a high rate of speed, was seen by the Loomis couple, and the Air Force authorities are suspicious enough to be checking it thoroughly.

Further reports received by this writer from the Aerial Phenomena Research Group, point out several incidents preceding and following the crash which definitely make the entire case highly unusual to say the least. These incidents are listed below:

1. At 7-00 P. M. on April 1st, a series of mysterious aerial explosions shook the North Seattle area.
2. At 7-20 P. M., the entire Seattle area was shaken by a tremendous aerial explosion. Damage was reported.
3. At 7-45 P. M., Mr. Sam Snyder of Graham, Washington (near the

crash scene) said that his wife and a house guest witnessed a brilliant glow through the timber in the direction of the crash scene. After dying out, it was followed by a second glow, which soon disappeared. (Notice that this took place before the crash of the C-118 according to the A.P.R.G. report.)

4. During the early hours of darkness, exact time unknown, mysterious lighted objects were seen in the sky from Kent, about 20 miles north of the crash scene, and in Carbonado, about 8 miles southeast of the crash scene. They were also reported in the Mt. Rainier area. Sightings of these mysterious objects in the Orting area were confirmed on April 2nd in a telephone conversation with Orting's chief of police and the public information officer at McChord Air Force Base. However, the information officer at McChord said the objects were "flares being dropped by parachute during a parachute jump exercise at Fort Lewis," which is located next to the air base. Mr. Dolwood, who is news chief at Fort Lewis, denied that such an exercise was in progress on the night of the crash.

5. Witnesses in the Sumner area stated that, as the C-118 passed over their area, none of the four engines were running. The same witnesses said that two parachute-like glowing objects were following the plane. The witnesses also noticed that a portion of the tailpiece was missing.

6. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones of Orting said they saw three or four parachute-like objects in the air as the plane passed near their home. The Air Force had no comment regarding these objects.

7. At 10-00 P.M. another series of mysterious explosions shook the Seattle area.

8. About 10-00 on the morning after the crash, an anonymous phone call was received at A.P.R.G. Headquarters in Seattle, which stated that radar at McChord Air Force Base had picked up UFOs prior to the crash. The public information officer at McChord neither admitted nor denied the validity of this statement.

The A.P.R.G. report continues:

On Saturday, April 4th, a group of A.P.R.G. investigators went to the Orting-Sumner area to investigate the reports of UFOs seen in the area prior to the crash. We had been advised, in a telephone conversation with Mr. Fred Emard, Orting's Chief of Police, that he would be glad to furnish us with information regarding the sighting of mysterious lighted objects, but we would have to come to Orting so that he could see who he was talking to. We obliged.

Upon arrival in Orting, we found the Chief in conference with an Air Force colonel. The town was alive with Air Force brass.

After waiting about 25 minutes at the Chief's home for an interview, we finally were able to see him. He announced that he had nothing to say to members of our group, and then left. We were advised that any statement Chief Emard had for our group could be made through McChord Air Force Base! The Chief, and the other officials of Orting, had been silenced. This was a statement given to us by a source close to Chief Emard. It is not a theory on the part of the A.P.R.G. investigating team.

Since the crash, the Air Force has been working frantically and silently, trying desperately to silence anyone and everyone who witnessed the crash or who have any information pertaining to the crash. Residents of the Sumner-Orting area have been advised not to discuss the crash with anyone. They have been bluffed into submission. Airport tower operators at some local airports have been forced by Air Force officers to sign affidavits compelling them to remain silent about the crash. If they don't sign, they lose their jobs!

One gentleman, who was one of the first to arrive at the crash scene, talked frankly and freely of what he had seen and heard. Then he too was silenced. His experience with the crash was bad enough, but his experience with censorship left him really shaken up!

The citizens of the Sumner-Orting area are silent and scared. They know something is wrong, but they can't put their finger on it. What is the Air Force trying to hide? Did the Air Force radar see a UFO hit the C-118? Were there eye-witnesses to the collision which the pilot reported? Is this the reason for all the secrecy?

We of A.P.R.G. have heard a lot about Air Force censorship regarding UFOs. Many of our members were reluctant to believe these reports. However, the Air Force actions in connection with the crash of the C-118 have shocked these members into a reality which they shall never forget. They have experienced this censorship first hand! We of A.P.R.G. were advised, through a source in Orting, to mind our own business, or else. We called their bluff, and continued our investigation.

Air Force officers have not been successful in their desperate attempt to silence all witnesses and all sources of information. We have received a considerable amount of information which is still being checked out. Much of this information is of a startling nature, and must be supported by additional data before being released.

Thus ends the report from the Aerial Phenomena Research Group of Seattle, Washington. This group is to be complimented for their excellent work in digging out many unknown facts pertaining to the crash of the AF-C-118 transport.



RECENT NEWS STORIES

INDIANA FAMILY CHASES SAUCERS: On the night of July 9th, James F. Baker and other members of his family driving with him, chased a group of unidentified lights for several miles on a highway near Columbus, Indiana. Said Baker: "We saw three lights moving very slowly in front of us, and we thought at first that they were on an airplane with engine trouble. There was no sound. I think I could have thrown a rock and hit them, they were so low. These blinking orange lights then moved out of their triangle formation. It gave us quite a start. Later they came back together and we started chasing them towards Columbus." Baker estimated the speed of the lights at 15 mph, until he started chasing them. They then increased their speed and finally streaked off into the sky and got away from him. Local officials identified the lights as belonging to three airplanes flying in a triangle formation, but this explanation does not fit the facts as told by Baker.

SAUCER BRIEFS: An Ocean City N. J. newspaper article dated July 24th states that oval-shaped UFOs buzzed docks and guest cabins in that area. The report was made by Mrs. Thomas McGrath, of Upper Darby, Pa., a newspaper woman who was spending the summer at Ocean City. She said that she was working on the family boat when two saucers came down around the boat, with a third saucer behind it. The three objects then circled around the nearby guest cabins, and disappeared into the sky....A French scientist named Dr. Marcel Pages asserts that he has discovered a way to build a flying saucer capable of traveling through the cosmos at almost unlimited speed. His plan is simply to eliminate the earth's gravitation by a rotating electric field. (Shades of Otis T. Carr!) Dr. Pages claims to have been working on his theories for the past 40 years, and recently presented them to the International Congress of Satellites and Missiles in Paris.....At 10-30 P. M. on July 16th, a Superior, Nebraska resident named Jim Chapman claimed that, while he was on his way home from a ball game, a UFO followed him along a highway. When he changed his direction of travel, the UFO did also. Finally Chapman became "plain scared", and headed back to where he could find someone for moral support. Chapman eventually came upon two other people, and the three of them reported that the UFO followed them in the same way, changing direction whenever they did. It was at a 30-degree angle in the sky and about a quarter of a mile away, according to the witnesses.....



Dr. Carl Jung's controversial UFO book has been published in English, and is called "Flying Saucers: A Modern Myth of Things Seen in the Skies". There has been a great deal of dispute concerning Jung's personal opinion on saucers, due partly to Jung's own ambiguous statements in the book and elsewhere. The truth seems to be that Jung is not nearly as interested in the physical existence of UFOs as he is in their psychological implications. The illustration at the left, from Jung's book, shows a saucer sighting in 1566 A.D.

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KENNETH ARNOLD, THE MAN WHO STARTED IT ALL.

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EDITORIALS

SIX THOUSAND SAUCER CLIPPINGS FOR SALE: Due to our inadequate staff and lack of spare time, we have had to abandon work on our huge private collection of saucer clippings here at SAUCER NEWS Headquarters. This collection consists of 40 scrapbooks, each containing an average of about 150 clippings, or 6,000 clippings in all, covering the years 1954-1959. We would like to sell the entire set of 40 volumes to some saucer researcher who would appreciate them, and who is able to pay cash. The price is somewhat high, due to the tremendous cost of the press clipping services from which we received the clippings. Anyone interested should contact us for details. - A 10% commission on the purchase price will be given to anyone who obtains a buyer for us, should we be unable to do so directly through SAUCER NEWS. - Incidentally, the fact that we are abandoning this one phase of our research should not be construed as a sign that SAUCER NEWS is intending to cease publication. On the contrary, we still intend to be around till "the last cup and saucer."

ANOTHER ATTACK BY GRAY BARKER: Mr. Barker, in the September issue of his Saucerian Bulletin, lashes out at Lonzo Dove and your Editor because of the facts brought forth in the June SAUCER NEWS, in which we showed that Barker himself was responsible for the mysterious "hush-up" of Al Bender in 1953. Now Barker quotes a letter from the Air Force in which an officer at the Pentagon implies that your Editor may be a certain Captain James W. Mosley (with one "e") who was discharged from the service in 1957. Barker's rumor-mongering is squelched, however, by the following letter now in our possession, written later by the same Pentagon officer: "Further information reveals that the James W. Moseley of New Jersey and Captain James W. Mosley.....are two different persons."

Dove's answer to Barker's Saucerian attack is printed on Page 5 of this issue. We have also printed, on Page 4, a letter from Barker's co-worker Richard Ogden, in which the absurd counter-charge is made that Dove himself hushed up Bender. As always, it is our intention to be fair and present both sides of all controversies, no matter how much we sympathize with Dove's position in this particular case.

MAJOR KEYHOE THREATENS LAWSUIT: As a result of Michael G. Mann's article in the September issue, Major Keyhoe has threatened to sue SAUCER NEWS if we do not print a full retraction. This we cannot do, as it would be unfair to Mann, to our readers, and to the several officials and scientists who wrote to Mann, thus supplying him with his information. These letters are right here in our files. Even though Mann may have erred in some of his conclusions and implications, the article as a whole is an honest and factual one, and in no way libelous. In our opinion it is just a shame that Keyhoe apparently feels himself to be above honest criticism. We will leave this case for our readers to judge. Those who have read our September issue will remember Mann's main points.

A long letter from Keyhoe - too long for the Letters to the Editor section - has been printed verbatim in the form of an article, beginning on Page 17 of this issue. A short letter from Mann can be found on Page 7. We believe our readers will conclude, as we did, that Keyhoe has not successfully refuted the two most important points in Mann's article, regarding "domes" on the Moon and a "moon bridge". No matter what they may or may not have said in the past, the two scientists quoted by Mann now contradict Keyhoe in regard to these strange lunar features described in his book "The Flying Saucer Conspiracy".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many thanks for your letter in July, and also for the two copies of SAUCER NEWS that you sent. I can definitely say that without doubt your publication is the best I have read on the subject. There are those with glossy covers, and those connected with "big names", but yours still remains the best I have read so far.....I am hoping soon to produce a magazine in England, similar to your own. It will be called "U.F.O. Researcher". If it is as good, factual, and objective as yours, I will be satisfied....

ROY STEMMAN

President, London U.F.O. Research Organization
London, England

This is a challenge to any and all people who claim to have contacted a space ship from outer space, and to have communicated with outer space entities: I will prove that there are no space ships from outer space, and no outer space people. I will prove this through their own so-called outer space entities, if these claimants will agree to simple and sensible rules for a test. Anyone who wants to accept this challenge should get in touch with me.

JACOB I. APSEL

2438A North 1st St., Milwaukee 12, Wisconsin

The reason I have not written you recently is that I have been trying extremely hard to get some tangible proof for you, regarding my contacts. I regret to say it is more difficult than I ever realized....

I recently went on a strict sacrificial fast to please God and to prove that He would feed me with His Life-Force-Energy-of-the-Universe, which God did; but I was unable to persuade any doctors or hospitals to examine me and see proof in my body. I fasted for 42 days, eating and drinking absolutely nothing but plain unadulterated water. I went to two newspapers and offered to take a lie detector test and submit to any kind of thorough physical examination if they would arrange same, but they refused....Six days out of every week during this fast I averaged working ten hours a day and most of this time I had to stand on my feet. Even during my 2½ hours off in the afternoon I walked around and shopped like always, and rarely got to sleep before three or four o'clock in the morning, getting up around ten in the morning and only actually sleeping four to six hours per day. In fact I had much less sleep and rest than before starting my strict fast. I did not really start getting seriously weak until the last few days. Every time I felt weak, I would ask God for extra energy, and instantly I felt stronger....I claim that it is a miracle when anyone can fast 42 days and keep on working all this time. It can only be done with God's help. Everyone I ever read about or heard of who fasted for long periods, laid around in their beds most of the time, taking practically no exercise....

WILLIAM BATEMAN, Washington, D.C.

SAUCER NEWS still seems to improve with every issue. I just don't know how you do it. Yours is the only saucer magazine that has the courage to print both sides of every question. CLARK BRADFORD

Detroit, Michigan



MR. BATEMAN

Letters Concerning the June Issue

I am writing this letter in defence of my good friend Gray Barker, and against the ridiculous article by Lonzo Dove attacking Barker.

First I would like to say that this letter is being written to you on my own volition, without direction or request of Gray Barker.

Nobody except Bender himself knows the exact date of his visitation by the Three Men. Possibly it could have been that Bender was visited before he went on vacation, using that time to think out his dilemma. When he returned from vacation, or very soon thereafter, on Sept. 9, 1953, he called a meeting of the IFSB staff, ordering its disbandment.

Where Dove gets the idea that the epileptic in the Clarksburg hospital was the Norfolk man, and was one of the Three Men in Black, is beyond me, and seems to be one of Ufology's greatest examples of conclusion-jumping. One possible identity of the epileptic was the Norfolk man. I might add that it was not an IFSB membership card in question. It was one of Barker's business cards that the FBI agent presented. My personal theory as to the identity of the epileptic is that he was the serviceman who was the only stranger Barker remembered giving his card to.

Dove's sole basis for believing that Barker visited "Smallwood" in Canada, was the use of two Barkerese idioms: "we" and "very, very". Is Dove so naive as to believe that Gray Barker is the only person in the U.S. who uses that idiom?...Also, Barker is not the only tall person in the U.S. And where does Dove find reason to believe that Barker was in Quebec during December, 1954? Barker denies it, and how could Dove prove otherwise?

Dove quotes part of Bender's letter to Barker of Sept. 16, 1953. Only he leaves off several words which make his point valueless. His quote is: "I do not know if I advised you or not, but do not accept any more memberships." The real quote includes the above, but after "memberships" Dove leaves off the words "until after the October 1953 issue of Space Review is in your hands." This changes the meaning of the sentence entirely, leaving Dove looking ridiculous.... JAMES MANEY, Oklahoma City, Okla.

On page nine Dove claims that the paper Bender sent to some correspondent was none other than his own Mars Origin of Flying Saucers. It is here that Dove slips up again. If you check Barker's book on page 132 you will see that this claim by Dove is untrue. Bender himself developed the theory that was the answer to the saucer mystery, and he wrote about it to some correspondent. Then he was visited by the Three Men who had that paper. So since Bender developed the theory, it wasn't anything Dove sent him.

The record shows that Lonzo Dove was a former key figure in Bender's organization and was in charge of astronomical research. Now, just who was this correspondent that Bender sent that paper to? If Bender found out the secret of the saucers, he wouldn't have written it to someone outside of his organization to check on. No, he gave his paper to one of the key figures in the organization....The odds are that he gave it to the man who knew something about astronomy, since the answer to the saucer mystery would most likely lie within this field of study. In short, the paper went to the man in charge of astronomical research, Lonzo Dove....Thus it was Dove himself who turned Al Bender in to the authorities....Dove twisted the facts in his article to confuse the reader....but gave himself away by claiming knowledge that Bender was visited by men supposedly from the CIA. Dove forgets that Al Bender never admitted the Three Men were from the government. Only the man who turned Bender in knew where they were from!....

RICHARD OGDEN, Seattle, Washington

I think space is due for at least this final rebuttal to Gray Barker's reply against my article in SAUCER NEWS. Barker wasted no time, and in fact got ahead of time, in that his reply was out before August 22nd, whereas my advance copy of SAUCER NEWS containing my own article came out on August 18th. Gray Barker therefore must be clairvoyant, or something!

It is true that I did not quote the whole "context" of Barker's book and writings - they are too much. But what I did quote into brief summary statements, gave precisely his own conjunctive meaning in his writing. This is true even in spite of some editorial alterations in my quotation marks - which were so convenient as an excuse for Gray Barker to ridicule something in my article.

Barker's answer in his Saucerian Bulletin is a great confession of having no real counter-argument, because his only complaint is these quotation marks - not what they said but their condition as he viewed them. Barker does not point out any misquotations; He just implies that I made some, evidently knowing better than to charge outright that I myself did any misquoting of him. And so, having no grounds at all for denial of my charges, Barker resorts to angry adjectives in name-calling to hide his emptiness and fill the air with camouflage of discredit to my personal character.

Barker went so far as to promote me falsely into the "candy trade," instead of my known thirty years of professional photography, in line with my hobby of optical study in astronomy. In one place he gladly acknowledged my true experience, when he pinned his own "big joke" fake photo onto me, but in another place Barker wants to show that only his own "photographic editor" (August C. Roberts) was able to fake a photo. Barker says, "Roberts....by some photographic magic superimposed the....monster" in the cover photograph of the Saucerian issue containing Barker's answer to my article.

And Barker falsifies just as blackly in saying that I expose his frauds because I am jealous of his name being above mine on the IFSB letterheads, and saying that before this happened I was "on the best of terms" with him. This is impossible, because I never uttered a word to Barker "personally" until Dec. 16, 1953, which was after the Bender Bureau was closed down and therefore long after Bender printed Barker's name once to mine twice on the letterhead of IFSB. If anything, Barker was the one who had basis for jealousy in this case, if we are going to act like little boys shifting the guilt.

Gray Barker did deny one thing, that he personally visited Quebec, but his mention of this shows all the more that he had inside knowledge that the visitor obtained the saucer fragment before the second visit....

My advice to Barker is that he think twice before speaking once, for every time he opens his mouth he gets his feet in it and stumbles in his argument!

LONZO DOVE

Broadway, Virginia

(Editor's Note: Dove implies above that your Editor purposely changed his article for the worse. Editorial changes were made, but only in an effort to make Dove's points clearer than they were in his original manuscript. - The reason Barker was able to reply to Dove's charges so quickly was that we felt at the time that it would be only fair to send Barker an advance copy of the charges in time for Barker's forthcoming issue of his Saucerian.)

Letters Concerning the September Issue

The front cover illustration on the September 1959 issue of SAUCER NEWS is the most interesting you have ever published....

DAVID COX

Los Angeles, Calif.

The cover of the September issue is the most disgusting thing I have ever seen. By what supreme egotism does your ibn A'haron think he can photograph God? Your magazine is obviously immoral and should not be allowed through the mails. Please cancel my subscription immediately....

CARLOS MENTIRA
Bronx, New York

The article by Bob Barry on pages 14 to 17 of the Sept. 1959 SAUCER NEWS, "The Case of the Mysterious Airplane Crash", presents facts concerning the fatal crash of an Air Force transport plane after hitting some object in the air at a time and place where U. S. military activities were taking place. The "silencing" of witnesses and local residents, including the local Chief of Police, is described in detail. Everything in the article is consistent with the premise that there was an accidental collision of a U. S. device (say a secret "foo fighter", rocket, parachute gadget, etc.) with the transport.

The official "censorship" which the A.P.R.G. investigators discovered is quite in keeping with this premise. The fear of exposure to embarrassment or disciplinary action would cause the Air Force officers to hush up the details of the case. Yet the article as written, and as it will be interpreted by most saucer fans, will be construed as indicating that the Air Force considers the incident to have been caused by an extraterrestrial saucer. (Item 8 on page 16 of the article apparently describes a phone call from a CIA "agent-provocateur" to get the APRG people involved in the case, on a UFO angle.)

It is unfortunate that the date of the crash was April 1st, since this date is not conducive to highest news credibility. Lest this seem too flippant a remark to the families of the four deceased airmen, I trust that the APRG investigators, having the names of the dead men now that the next of kin have been notified, will convey the sincere regrets of all saucer researchers that such accidents have to occur. As long as the public (and the military personnel who are not "in" on the secret) are kept uninformed, such accidents are bound to happen. The guilty parties should not be allowed to hide behind censorship, especially when the haze of "UFO" activity is purposely drawn over the picture.

DR. LEON DAVIDSON
White Plains, N.Y.

The article in the latest SAUCER NEWS by Michael G. Mann does saucer fans a service, I believe, in pointing out that Major Keyhoe is neither infallible nor above occasional distortions of fact, although Keyhoe certainly has not intended to deliberately deceive us. However, Mr. Mann is guilty of the same sort of errors for which he rightly takes Keyhoe to task. I note a few instances below:

(1) Mr. Mann's harping on the misspelling "Kimross" does not discredit, of itself, Major Keyhoe's account of the incident....

(2) If there had been a collision between a jet and some object, whether extraterrestrial or American or Soviet in origin, the replies to any inquiry would be just those which were given to Mr. Mann. The statements of the Air Force neither prove nor disprove Major Keyhoe's veracity.

(3) Keyhoe did not claim to have based his accounts on Air Force reports, but on interviews with information officers, Air Force statements to the press, and other news stories - with hints of scuttlebutt here and there. If Mr. Mann objects, as I do, to what is apparently misleading dramatization, then he should say so plainly....

A technical UFO journal would free Ufology from misleading dramatization and unconscious distortions. Major Keyhoe, for example, refers to any

UFO not shaped like a cigar or disk as merely a "machine" or "object", thus oversimplifying classification....By all reports neither NICAP nor anyone else is providing us with a technical publication....

FRANK J. REID, Chicago, Illinois

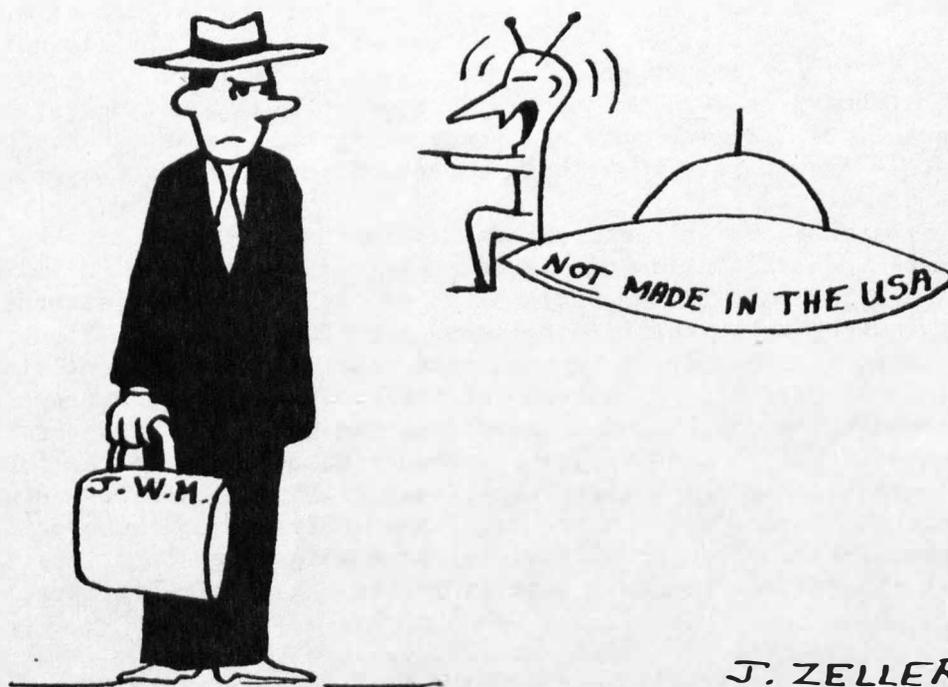
I want to congratulate you on how neatly SAUCER NEWS is arranged and printed - free from advertisements.

I sent for it for the express purpose of reading Mr. Michael Mann's reports. As the old saying goes, there is no beating around the bush. With his reports, everything is explicit. Not only that, but just a bit of humor; and humor is what this old world needs more of....

MRS. HARRY KAPREILIAN, Kingston, New York

Mr. Keyhoe's personal letter to me regarding my article was most ill-mannered.....I made no libelous remarks in the article but merely reviewed the Keyhoe book impartially and in good faith. Is it my fault that inquiries on my part showed many of his statements in the book to be in error? I certainly didn't have anything to do with the replies that I received from the many officials I contacted.....Can Keyhoe deny that Mt. Palomar denies his statement about a spectrum shot of the "moon bridge"?.....Keyhoe mentions that I contacted the wrong branch of the service in my inquiries. I was under the impression that it is the Air Force and not the Navy that handles saucer matters. Isn't Keyhoe the one who always states that if any of the data he comes forth with is untrue, he will give the Air Force permission to recall him to active duty and publicly court-martial him? I have heard him make this statement many times via T.V. It seems he forgets that, as he is a retired Marine Corps officer, the Air Force would have no jurisdiction to recall him...I have recently learned that my informant was wrong about the Utica crash. It did take place after all....MICHAEL G. MANN, Brooklyn, New York

GUESS WHO department...



BOOK REVIEW

SECRET PLACES OF THE LION - by George Hunt Williamson (Amherst Press, \$4.50)
 - Reviewed by Y. N. ibn A'haron, B.D., S.T.M. -

This is surely the most interesting book one could ever read, and among the most informative. The number of cheap novels the author read as research background for it would astound even the trigonometric Mayans.

It is unfortunate that we cannot limit this review to a discussion of the book's entertainment value. Williamson's books are always good for a laugh or two, especially when we first pick them up. After completing the first hundred pages, however, we invariably confront a host of hidden horrors which the publishers have buried deeply within the text, hoping that the reader will not notice them until after he has paid the purchase price.

In Mr. Williamson's last book, the "gaff" was anti-Semitic Fascism. Elaborate stories of an International Bankers' conspiracy were concocted, in which it was said that certain prominent Jewish families were secretly plotting to rule the world. In short, all the worst filth of the Hitler era was revived.

"Secret Places of the Lion", however, represents a new kind of revival: All the hallucinated and unsubstantiated treasure stories of the past ten thousand years are revived in a conglomerate history of the world, which rests for its authority on records deposited at the non-existent Abbey of the Seven Rays on Lake Titicaca, Peru. In the introduction, Mr. Williamson implies that he was initiated into these ancient mysteries by a certain Brother Philip of the Amethystine Order of the Seven Rays. Even those who would accept such credentials, however, will per force withdraw their support of Mr. Williamson's efforts when they learn that he has been disowned by the very Order of which Brother Philip is said to have been a member. An affidavit, signed by the public relations director of the real Order, has been printed in the Journal of Correlative Philosophy for December, 1958.

From this starting point, Mr. Williamson swings a broad arch into the realms of fantasy, with only occasional references to his "mystic records, golden tablets, and Abbey Scrolls." His system of commentary is an ancient and dishonorable one. He passes it off with the savoir faire and sleight of hand common to the profession of prestidigitators. As soon as he has been able to convince the unwary reader that any one aspect of an historical situation is open to question, he uses the alleged discrepancy as an excuse for pulling down the whole framework of historical fact upon which our understanding of Man's past is built.

As an added attraction, each of history's great names is made to shoulder more than the burden of his own name and reputation. An indispensable feature of the book is the Appendix entitled "Reincarnation Patterns of Identities." The author believes, for instance, that Pharoah Ankhen-Aton, the great ruler who has received recent homage as the world's first monotheist, later reincarnated as Socrates, Epictetus, Simon Peter, and William Lloyd Garrison. Mr. Williamson makes no attempt to reconcile the disparate views of these several personalities, nor even to justify the sequence he has established. Many unanswered questions present themselves, each calling louder for solution than the one before. In the end, there can remain only a good-humored chuckle at the ludicrous farce which would result from Ankhen-Aton occupying the bodies of a devout athiest, a fatalist, a polytheist, and a freethinker, each in their turn.

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 To return to Williamson's basic technique, it will serve to discuss

only one of the numerous tall stories which the author is said to have dreamed up toward the end of his stay in Peru. The most graphic and putrescently racist example is to be found in his handling of the life of King David.

Drawing only from outdated and unreliable works of reference (including the insupportable conjectures of Prof. Immanuel Velikovsky), Mr. Williamson tells his public that neither David nor Solomon were mentioned in public inscriptions of the period to which they are most generally assigned, 1,000 B.C. In Williamson's chronology, these monarchs are said to have lived in the days before Moses, or about 1,500 B.C.

This chronology is based solely on the alleged absence of monumental remains. The historical authenticity of the Bible is brushed aside with an impatient hand. The only real trouble with these manipulations is that they are untrue in every respect. Williamson's chronological data are drawn from the abyss of subconscious resentment against the Jewish people whose history he is maligning; and his biographical details are copied from the "true romance" magazines.

The facts are:

(1-A) While Williamson has been able to upset the history of Israel and of Egypt (at least to his own satisfaction), he has not been able to distort the facts relating to Assyria and the Hittites.

(1-B) Williamson admits the historical authenticity of Hiram of Tyre, King Solomon's illustrious contemporary.

(1-C) Hiram is prominently mentioned in the North Semitic annals, especially in those of Assyria, and his dates as given there are consistent with the Biblical account!

(2-A) In the days following World War II, many jealously guarded artifacts were brought to light during the relocation of the Bedouin population in the Jordan Valley. One of the most important finds during this era was a signet ring from the year 1,000 B.C. This date was unanimously agreed upon by scholars throughout the world because of the peculiar slant of the handwriting and the techniques employed in working the metal.

(2-B) This ring bore the name of a man who is mentioned in the Book of Kings as being one of David's chief lieutenants in the south of Palestine!

(3-A) Even were it true that no monuments bearing the names of David and his best-loved son have been recovered, it would prove nothing because the Jews did not generally erect plaques of durable metal or tablets of stone. The common writing materials in ancient Judea were closer to those in use today than to those employed in the neighboring countries to the north. The peoples of Palestine wrote with chalk on black-board, or else with ink on parchment. The Phoenician alphabet was not suitable for use on clay, or even very easily on pottery. For this reason, relatively few written evidences survive from those days. One Semitic people, the Carthaginians of Tunis, were so much accustomed to the use of perishable writing materials, that not one jot of their literature has survived. All that we know about their writings is that they were very extensive, and much admired by all the world of that day.

(3-B) It is not surprising that the only source of written Jewish history is the Bible. The word itself is an arbitrary term for all the works of history, biography, and philosophy that survived the Babalonian exile. King David is mentioned explicitly in three separate histories of the period, and his dates have been carefully computed and cross-checked by means of the genealogical tables given therein.

In the face of these facts, further evidence that King David lived in the tenth century B. C. would approach the superfluous. We trust that Mr. Williamson will soon have the good grace to withdraw his specious claims.

THE AERIAL PHENOMENA OF EARTHQUAKES

- by Frank Reid -

Those who have read Harold T. Wilkins' interesting, if chaotic, "Flying Saucers Uncensored," have probably passed over the following item without much interest:

"September 10, 1954: An Algerian road-sweeper said: 'I saw a sun in the sky at midnight, and the moon turned red, one hour before the great earthquake struck Orleansville, Algeria.' (N. B. The appalling earthquake at Orleansville, which began at 1 a.m., killed more than one thousand people.)"

Wilkins remarks that a similar incident occurred at Gloucester, England, in 1895, and that "this phenomenon has been seen before and since, but it remains a mystery."

Indeed, although they have been known since the Romans first recorded them in 89 B. C., such phenomena connected with earthquakes remain not only mysterious but pretty much unknown and forgotten - even for UFO researchers, who could benefit greatly from their study!

In 1910, Professor I. Galli of Italy made a study of 148 cases of luminous phenomena accompanying earthquakes, mostly Italian reports, and while he did not advance any explanation for the phenomena, he claimed that they were of four classes: (1) Flashes of light like lightning, luminous spots, and narrow bands of light; (2) Globes, columns, and beams of fire; (3) Flames, sparks, and luminous vapors; (4) Diffuse lights in the air and luminous clouds.

Aside from this, most scientists have ignored the phenomena, attempted lengthy Project Bluebook-type debunking, or simply agreed with Sieberg that such phenomena form "the darkest chapter in seismology" and left it at that. To make matters worse, Galli's four classes do not cover all phenomena associated with earthquakes.

Charles Fort's books list a great many phenomena which he associated with earthquakes, but a careful weeding out of natural phenomena leaves us with only about 28 good cases.

It can therefore be seen that this is a new and fertile field for UFO research, and one that can perhaps offer clues to the nature, behavior, and means of propulsion of UFOs. In order to introduce the researcher into this new field, I will describe the phenomena associated with four relatively recent earthquakes, and point out a few areas for speculation.

Case I - Idu, Japan, 1930.

"There can be little doubt that the destructive Idu (Japan) earthquake of Nov. 26, 1930, was closely associated with the lights seen shortly before, and for at least an hour after, the earthquake."

The above statement must have startled the readers of "Nature", the famous British science journal, when it appeared in 1931, but the evidence was too great for seismology to ignore. This case is the decisive argument in favor of the fact that aerial phenomena sometimes accompany earthquakes.

The Idu Peninsula runs southward along the west side of Sagami Bay, and is about 75 miles southwest of Tokyo. The quake of Nov. 26, 1930, which occurred at 4-30 a.m., had its epicenter near the northern end of the peninsula. (The epicenter is the area on the earth's surface vertically above the point of origin of an earthquake.) Two members of Japan's Earthquake Research Institute observed the lights accompanying the quake. One, Mr. K. Musya, was so impressed by the phenomena that he later made extensive inquiries in the quake area, and collected almost 1,500 accounts of the phenomena.

For a complete description of the lights, we turn to an article by Dr. Charles Davison in "Discovery":

"As to the appearance of the lights, nearly all the varieties classified by Galli were observed. In most of them, the sky was lit up as if by sheet-lightning, and nearly all the observers agree in estimating the duration of a single flash as decidedly longer than that of lightning. At one place on the east side of Tokyo Bay, the light resembled auroral streamers diverging from a point on the horizon. Beams and columns of light were seen in different places, and several observers compared the beams to those of searchlights. Others describe the lights as like that of fireballs. Some state that detached clouds were illuminated or that a ruddy glow was seen in the sky. At Hakonamati, close to the epicenter and to the northeast, a flash of light was seen, now in one spot, now in another, and, when the earthquake was at its height, a straight row of round masses of light appeared in the southwest. According to most of the observers, the color of the light was a pale blue or white or like that of lightning, but a large number state that it was of a reddish or orange color. The light is said to have been so bright on Tokyo that objects in a room could be seen. At another place, about 30 miles from the epicenter, it was brighter than that of moonlight.

"The places at which the lights were observed lie within an area including the coast of Surugu Bay, the Idu Peninsula, the coast of Sagami Bay, the valley of the Sagami River, and the coasts of the Bosco Peninsula and of Tokyo Bay. The lights were seen to a distance of 50 miles to the east of the epicenter, nearly 70 miles to the northeast, and more than 40 miles to the west. They were seen both before the earthquake and for some time after the quake, but were most conspicuous during the middle of the shock. The directions in which the lights were seen point as a rule to the neighborhood of the epicenter, that is, to the northern part of the Idu Peninsula. The light was, however, seen in other directions, sometimes in the direction of the sea.

"It is important to notice that, according to the Central Meteorological Office, there was no thunderstorm in the affected area at the time of the earthquake. The lights were also seen at places where there were no high voltage wires, nor has there been a single report that such wires were seen to emit considerable light. Thus, lightning and sparking from electric wires are excluded as causes of the luminous phenomena, and it is difficult not to accept the conclusion of Messrs. Musya and Terada that, while we cannot as yet offer any explanation of the mechanism of the phenomena, there can be little doubt as to their connection with the earthquake."

Case II - South Hyuga, Japan, 1931.

Mr. Musya, in the year following the Idu quake, studied four instances of luminous phenomena accompanying earthquakes. The most numerous reports concerned the South Hyuga earthquake of Nov. 2, 1931. The phenomena were lights like lightning or searchlight beams, of a bluish or sometimes yellowish color, which radiated from a point on the horizon. They were seen before, during, and after the quake. There were no storms, fires, or landslides. However, there were observations of what appeared to be meteors, on the evening of the quake.

Case III - Bucharest, Rumania, 1940.

On the afternoon of Nov. 8, 1940, a 30-minute series of earth shocks was felt in Bucharest, Rumania. At 3-39 a.m., on Nov. 10th, a tremendous earthquake, its epicenter 100 to 150 miles north of Bucharest, ravaged Rumania, killing between 1,000 and 2,000 people.

Said the New York Times: "Persons who were up at the time said the first sign of the disaster was a blinding flash of blue light. Then three minutes of violent shocks followed, accompanied by the ripping, crashing noises

of tumbling buildings."

The Rev. Joseph J. Lynch, Fordham University's seismographer, said that his instruments showed it to be a 9th grade quake - which could damage poorly constructed buildings. The "blinding flashes of blue light" reported by witnesses of the Rumanian quake, were described by Father Lynch as having resulted from the first wave of the earthquake as it reached ground surface. He explained that a quake comes in three distinct waves, with the first producing varied phenomena, which might likely produce the flashes of light. The second and third waves were the ones that did the real damage as they broke the surface.

It is worth noting that, Father Lynch to the contrary, this earthquake was of such violence that in some sections of Rumania, the populace hailed the invading German Army as their rescuers!

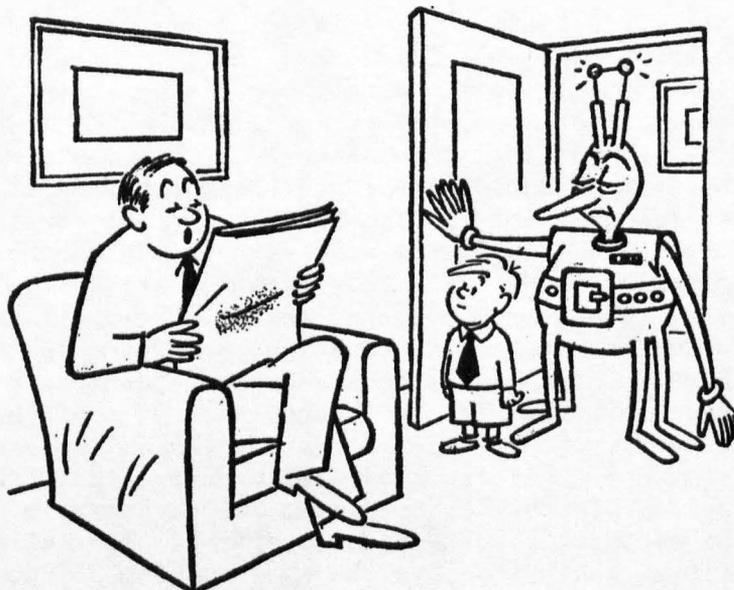
Case IV - Nicosia, Cyprus, 1941.

A severe earthquake, of an intensity of VII or VIII on the Forel-Mercalli scale, occurred in Cyprus, at about 5-35 a.m., on Jan. 20th, 1941. The epicenter was about 200 kilometers from the Syrian coast, near the southeast coast of Cyprus. The associated phenomena were described by Abdulazim Aziz, of the Department of Agriculture, in a letter published in "Nature":

"A bright flash associated with the earthquake was seen from the eastern and central parts of the island. A man named Nicosia Hodja, who was on the minaret for morning prayer, in describing the event, said that he first heard a deafening noise suggesting the impact of a gigantic projectile on the surface of the earth with a simultaneous rocking motion so severe that he feared the minaret would collapse. Afterwards he saw a brilliant reddish object like a huge globular lightning moving slowly toward the east. The tremors then changed into horizontal waves and gradually vanished. There is strong evidence that the direction of the flash was pointing to the epicentral area."

Now, in looking over these phenomena, which are almost certainly of the UFO type, we find that there are certain common characteristics: (1) The phenomena seem to be associated with, or interested in, the epicentral area, where the quake has its origin; (2) The earthquakes themselves are violent, sometimes very much so; and (3) The color of the phenomena is usually bluish - with the definite exception of the Nicosia case - suggesting that the UFOs themselves show reddish or yellowish colors, while blue is the color of searchlights, abnormal clouds, glows, and other displays which often accompany UFOs.

In all four cases, scientists recognized the connection between the phenomena and the earthquakes. In the Rumanian case, the blue flash preceded the quake, and the explanation was advanced that the phenomenon was



"I give up, Junior. What has four legs and flies?"

caused by the "first wave" of the quake. Just how this wave could produce luminosity is unclear, to say the least. Also, this explanation does not fit cases in which lights were seen some time before a quake, during the quake, and for some time afterwards! In the Rumanian case, unfortunately, there was a drizzling rain which followed the quake, and which casts a certain amount of doubt on the Ufological nature of the flash.

Just why UFOs are sometimes attracted to earthquakes is a complete mystery. They do not show up at all earthquakes, even though the quakes may be quite violent. I could not find the slightest hint of UFO activity in any of the accounts of the San Francisco earthquake of 1906.

It has been noted by a number of writers that animals are often agitated before an earthquake. Birds leave their nests, dogs fuss about, whining, etc. If, as some theorize, UFOs are actually some form of living aerial jellyfish, they might be prompted by curiosity to come down and "watch" an earthquake with whatever senses they possess, much as people come out of their houses to watch a meteor shower or an aurora.

A more likely explanation is that this UFO activity during earthquakes has something to do with the earth's gravitic field. Scientists know that mountains, sudden massive geological formations, and other features of the earth's crust, can cause tiny but measurable variations in the force of gravity, and they have named such variations "gravity anomalies." Such anomalies of the gravitic field undoubtedly may occur, or be shifted, during quakes. The Idu quake caused what "Nature" called "remarkable displacements" in the Tanna fault, shifting the entire western block 120 centimeters to the south, and 60 centimeters upwards. Minute as these gravitic changes are, they are nevertheless interesting to those studying gravity.

Presumably, if UFOs are using anti-gravity in the manner of Lieutenant Plantier's famous theory, they could measure such changes in the gravitic field, while they are taking place. Speculating further, one wonders if these craft use the "features" of the earth's gravitic field as navigation aids. And the unpleasant thought occurs that perhaps they do not merely observe some earthquakes, but cause them as well!

With this idly wild bit of speculation, I turn the problem over to those with more time, freedom, and inclination for UFO research than I. Long hours in libraries have only brought me more questions than answers. I therefore leave it to the reader to follow through on this line of research.

DO FLYING SAUCERS COME FROM SPACE? - PART I

- by Justin Case -

Our Sun is a bright star, a brightly burning body that shines much like most other stars seen in the night sky. In all directions beyond our Sun is so vast an emptiness that it is difficult to comprehend. The nearest star is so far away that its light, traveling at 186,000 miles per second, takes 4.3 years to reach us. This distance is 25,000,000,000,000 miles! Within a radius of 16 light years from our Sun, there are only 48 other stars. Beyond them are billions of stars, comprising our Milky Way Galaxy. This galaxy occupies a space shaped something like a pocket watch, and is estimated to be about 100,000 light years in diameter and about 8,000 light years thick. Our Sun is located about 30,000 light years out from the center, in a part of our galaxy that is relatively thinly populated by stars.

In all directions beyond our Milky Way Galaxy, there is again vast emptiness of space, in which there are other galaxies. Each galaxy is an island universe immersed in a sea of space, separated from its neighbor galaxies by about a million light years of distance. What lies beyond them, no one knows.

While our Sun is a star, not all stars are like our Sun. Some are "white dwarfs", some are "red giants", and some are double or tripple stars. Some are much larger, others much smaller than our Sun, and there are still other types of stars. Although our Sun is much like most other stars, there is no evidence that these other stars have planets like our Sun has. But it is now generally admitted by astronomers that some of these stars might have their own planets, on some of which life might exist. This admission is based only on probabilities, not on evidence. It is important to remember this.

Our Sun has nine planets, all rotating in the same direction around it but at various distances. All planets but one, - Pluto - are approximately in the same plane. The planets in turn have moons rotating around them. The Sun, its planets, and their moons comprise the Solar System, and this in turn is a part of our Milky Way Galaxy.

With this brief introduction to astronomy we can now proceed to the title question - do flying saucers come from space? But first let us agree to use "interplanetary space" to denote the space within our Solar System, "interstellar" to mean the space outside our Solar System and between the stars, and "intergalactic" to mean the space outside of our Milky Way Galaxy and between the other galaxies. The term "space" alone will be used to include everything outside our Earth's atmosphere which therefore includes interplanetary, interstellar, and intergalactic.

It is the contention of most saucer students that flying saucers do not look or act like conventional flying objects and that they are not secret U. S. or Russian inventions or any other Earth-made devices. Therefore, they say, what else could they be but some form of space vehicle? This is not scientific or logical thinking, but we will not question it here. Instead, we will admit the possibility that flying saucers are some form of intelligent life from space, and we will discuss where in space they might possibly come from.

Life is a chemical process. There is good scientific reason to believe that life can flourish only under two principal conditions, but of course there are other additional conditions. First, there must be sufficient quantities of the chemicals carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen readily available in the proper form. Secondly, there must be favorable temperatures, not warmer than about 140 degrees Fahrenheit or colder than about 40 degrees below zero. The temperatures must be well above the freezing point of water (32 degrees F. on Earth) for at least half the time. The interested reader will find reasons for this given in the book "Life on Other Worlds" by H. Spencer Jones. Only where we find these conditions can we say that life is possible, bearing in mind that life can exist without being intelligent, and intelligent life can exist without developing enough to achieve space flight in flying saucers. Where we do not find these conditions, we can safely say that flying saucers cannot originate from there.

We will start with interplanetary space and briefly review the data that our best scientists have accumulated over several hundred years of patient and careful observation, measurement, calculation, and experiment.

Our Sun is an incandescent mass with a surface temperature of about 10,000 degrees F., a temperature that can only be attained in nuclear fission or fusion, as in atomic or hydrogen bombs.

Moving outward from the Sun, the nearest planet is Mercury. One side of Mercury always faces the Sun, and its surface temperature is about 770 degrees, that of molten lead. The other side is perpetually dark and is near absolute zero in temperature, i.e., 460 degrees below zero. There is no atmosphere on Mercury. Thus no life can exist on Mercury and hence flying saucers cannot originate from there.

Venus is the second planet in distance from the Sun. It turns very slowly on its axis, one day on Venus being about as long as a month on Earth. Its surface is always covered with very thick clouds. The sunlit side of these clouds has a temperature of about 130 degrees F., and the dark side about minus 10. The most careful measurements have failed to detect any sign of oxygen or water vapor in the clouds of Venus. Instead, they indicate that the clouds are most probably carbon dioxide. Since this gas acts like a blanket, the temperatures on the surface underneath it are believed to be close to the boiling point of water, i.e., 212 degrees. Some astronomers think that Venus now is a planet like Earth was many millions of years ago before life appeared on it. Venus therefore does not provide the two conditions necessary for life, and hence cannot be the origin of flying saucers.

Earth is the third planet from the Sun. The advent of Russian Sputniks and our own Explorer satellites, plus the intensification of the cold war, clearly indicate that flying saucers are not Earth made, nor do the officials of the U.S. and Russia think they are interplanetary. If they did think so, they would immediately stop the cold war and unite for mutual defence against the common enemy. This matter was discussed in Reference #1.

Mars is a picture of what Earth will be like some millions of years in the future. It is a dying planet. There are no signs of water anywhere except the white frost caps in the polar regions, which are believed to be only a few inches thick. The atmosphere is very thin, and contains only 1/1000 as much oxygen as on Earth. Clouds are believed to be dust, and the surface is flat and arid like our desert regions. Seasonal changes in color are believed to be due to some very primitive and hardy form of vegetation. The climate is very cold, with 86 degrees F. highest, and well below zero lowest. The conditions do not favor any form of intelligent life. It is very unlikely that flying saucers originate from Mars. For further discussion on this, see Reference #2.

Beyond the orbit of Mars lies the Asteroid Belt, containing many thousands of tiny planets. Some of these are huge chunks of rock of irregular outline. At one time it was thought that these were fragments of an exploded planet. Present theory leans to the idea that these fragments never collected to form a planet. No life can exist on them, in any case.

Next we come to Jupiter, the giant of the planets. It has a very thick atmosphere, several thousands of miles deep, containing ammonia and methane, both of which are poisonous. This and its maximum surface temperature of about minus 216 degrees, make any form of life impossible.

Life is likewise impossible on all the remaining planets. They are farther away from the Sun and have lower surface temperatures. Saturn has about minus 240 degrees, Neptune about minus 330, and Pluto minus 350. Neptune's atmosphere contains methane and frozen ammonia, and Pluto is so cold that no atmosphere can exist on it, as it would be frozen solid.

All the planets



"Left, left, left, right, right, right, left, left, left . . ."

have moons. We know that our own moon is a lifeless world, devoid of atmosphere and with no water or vegetation on it. The moons of all other planets are likewise lifeless, principally because their small size does not permit them to retain any atmosphere, and because they are generally hotter on the sunlit sides and colder on their dark sides than their parent planets.

We have now briefly reviewed the best scientific information about our Solar System. We have found that the two principal conditions for life - ample supplies of carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen in proper form, and certain definite temperature limits - are lacking on every planet and moon except our own Earth and possibly Mars. In Reference #1 and #2 we eliminated both Earth and Mars as possible origins of flying saucers, and now we are forced by scientific evidence to eliminate all other places in interplanetary space. We therefore must conclude that flying saucers are not interplanetary because we can find no place from which they could possibly originate.

This should make it clear why scientists, the Air Force, and our government officials refuse to accept the popular belief that saucers are interplanetary. There is no evidence to support this belief, and all scientific data about interplanetary space shows that flying saucers cannot originate there.

The only basis left for the popular belief that saucers are interplanetary, is that this scientific data is wrong, and that there are interplanetary places where life has developed and achieved space flight. It is possible that science is wrong, but not probable. Our scientists are as right as it is humanly possible to be. They never tell us anything unless they can prove it. That is why we hold them in such high esteem. Anyone who says the scientists are wrong must prove it. This subject was discussed in Reference #3, where some samples were given of scientists being wrong for many years. But all odds favor the scientists being right.

In his book "The Case for the UFO", M. K. Jessup claimed that flying saucers were space ships that inhabit the area near the gravitational neutral of the Earth-Moon-Sun system. That spot is about 170,000 miles from Earth and about in line with the Sun. This book was written in 1954. Mr. Jessup has now had five years in which to achieve everlasting fame and glory for himself by actually locating these space ships, since he knows where to look for them. But neither he nor anyone else has done so. We are forced to conclude, therefore, that Mr. Jessup was not right.

In Part II of this article, we will discuss the possibilities that flying saucers are interstellar or intergalactic.

References in the above article are to other articles by Justin Case in previous issues of SAUCER NEWS, as follows:

- Ref. #1 - Sputniks and Flying Saucers - Sept. 1959 issue.
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A REPLY TO AN ATTACK BY JAMES W. MOSELEY AND MICHAEL G. MANN

- by Major Donald E. Keyhoe, Ret. -

In the September 1959 issue of SAUCER NEWS, published by you, there appears an attack on me by Michael G. Mann. You stated you believed Mr. Mann's charges very reasonable; even without this, you are legally responsible for publishing an article which contains false, and, I believe, defamatory and libelous statements.

Since you avoided checking with me, on what were obvious untruths, I believe this was a malicious attack, a deliberate intent to destroy myself and NICAP, by inventing and circulating rumors about my book, "The Flying Saucer Conspiracy."

The most glaring untruth concerns my report of the 1945 disappearance of Navy planes after taking off from Ft. Lauderdale Naval Air Station. Mr. Mann, as endorsed by you, says the Ft. Lauderdale NAS never existed, thereby labeling this report fictional.

In any sincere investigation, a competent reporter would have written the Navy Dept. He would have found the facts exactly as I stated, with a Navy Board of Inquiry admitting it had no explanation. Also, he would have found detailed press accounts, especially in Florida, where an extensive air-sea search was made. The Associated Press had a round-up with all the facts. In addition, NICAP has had letters from Navy men then stationed at Ft. Lauderdale. The Navy Dept. will confirm that Ft. Lauderdale was then active, and now is carried as an inactive Naval Air Station.

The second worse error involved Mann's peculiar "investigation" of the November 22, 1953 loss of an AF F-89 two-man interceptor. As stated in my book, the F-89 chased an unknown object from the Soo Locks out over Lake Superior. Ground Control Intercept radarmen (AF) saw the blip of the F-89 merge with that of the unknown, and no trace of the plane or pilots ever was found.

If you, or Mann, had had the courtesy to write me I would have sent you the enclosed photostat of a clipping from the Chicago Tribune, an AP story appearing in an early edition November 23, 1953. As you will see, it confirms my report of the chase by Lt. Felix Moncla, Jr., pilot, with Lt. R.R. Wilson, radar officer. The AP was told, as the clip shows, that Traux AFB informed them the jet disappeared after it took off from Kinross AFB. The AP news story added: "Traux air field officials said the plane was followed by radar until it merged with an object 70 miles off Keweenaw Point in upper Michigan."

Besides this, I have letters from Moncla's mother and brother-in-law, thanking me for my efforts to learn the truth, which are available for inspection at NICAP. In addition, the Traux statement was confirmed to me by Lieut. Robert C. White, AF PIO handling UFO information at the Pentagon, though White explained the "merging" as an error by the radarmen (even though they were GCI experts.)

In trying to prove the F-89 case false, Mr. Mann plays up a typographical error I failed to catch on proofs - calling Kinross AFB "Kimross." He states: "After a week of extensive research, I came to the conclusion that Kimross AFB didn't exist. Then I realized that he (Keyhoe) was referring to Kinross AFB." As an editor, Mr. Moseley, shouldn't you have worried a little about an author who took a week of extensive research even to deduce this simple fact?

Perhaps it was this type of research which led Mr. Mann to accuse me of making up the story of the F-94 which had crashed on July 1, 1954, into Walesville, N.Y. The two-man jet had been scrambled to investigate a reported "unknown," when unexpected heat filled the cockpit. The two men bailed out,

and the jet's crash killed four people, two of them children. This crash story was on all the press-wires, was confirmed by the AF Press Desk. There was only one error in my account - Griffiss AFB was called "Griffith." But a check of newspaper files, or written query to the AF Press Desk, would have proved the crash story, exactly as I wrote it.

Regarding the burning road at Woodside, Calif., I quoted exactly from statements by Fire Chief John A. Bolpiano: A 270-foot section of Portola Road was ablaze; metal pellets causing it were still too hot to handle 30 minutes later. The "cast iron fragments" answer was rejected, as I stated. If Mr. Mann had queried Chief Bolpiano instead of a late arrival on the scene, he might have found the facts.

Mr. Mann quotes Dr. Gerald Kuiper as stating the bright spots he observed on the moon were apparently small craters made by meteors. This may be his present view, but in 1954, in a report to the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Kuiper said the white spots were apparently the tops of inverted cones. They looked, he said, as if they had been turned out on a lathe from blocks of white chalk. He added that though they were relatively recent, their nature and origin were a mystery. These were the quoted statements which Mr. Mann implies were made up.

Regarding Dr. Menzel's comments, quoted by Mr. Mann, I will say only this: In January, 1953, ATIC gave me official statements that they had examined Menzel's theories and did not accept them, in general, nor in the Mantell, Chiles-Whitted and Gorman cases he claimed to explain.

As to the "moon bridge" story, this was a verbatim transcript of a British Broadcasting Corporation interview with Sir H. Percy Wilkins, noted lunar authority. Dr. Wilkins has written me that he stands on his report of the structure's artificial appearance - "like an engineering job" - but that he thought it somehow must be natural. Other astronomers, including Dr. Jas. A. Bartlett, have sighted the "bridge." The information on the Palomar analysis came from a source I consider competent.

Mr. Mann claims the AF listed 7 of my cases (unspecified) as unknown to them. Under their policy, this is no surprise. If Mr. Mann will name them, I will prove the seven cases as factual as the preceding cases you have tried to discredit.

Further proving malicious intent, Mr. Moseley, you sent unsolicited copies of this attack to all NICAP members whose addresses had appeared in our publications. I hereby demand that you immediately send copies of my answer, in full, to all these NICAP members, to your own membership, and any others who received that issue. If accompanied by a full retraction, it may influence my decision, but I reserve the right to initiate legal action against both you and Mr. Mann.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES: Our March issue, which may reach you a few weeks behind schedule, will include an article by ibn A'haron entitled "How to Build a Saucer", an article by Michael G. Mann exposing Prince Neasom (the most fantastic contactee of them all), and Part Two of Justin Case's current article. We feel sure this is an issue you won't want to miss....A beautifully bound set of SAUCER NEWS will be given free to our 2,500th subscriber. We'll be announcing the lucky winner soon....Those of you who want to learn the inside story of the recent "hush-up" of the Long John radio show, will find all the facts in the latest issue of our Non-Scheduled Newsletter. For the price of one dollar you can be placed on the Newsletter mailing list for an indefinite period of time....The following back issues of SAUCER NEWS are still available: #1, 2, 3, 8 through 11, 13, and 17 through 37. All sell for 3 for \$1.00, except #1 and #27, which cost \$1.00 each.

RECENT NEWS STORIES

MILITARY AUTHORITIES CHECK SCORCHED AREA LEFT BY UFO: At 2-30 a.m. on September 7th, a farmer named Walter Ogden (no relation to saucer researcher Richard Ogden) happened to be outside his farmhouse, near Flemingsburg, Kentucky. Suddenly he saw a balloon-like object suspended in the air, about 200 yards away and 50 feet above the ground. Shortly thereafter the object ascended rapidly, emitting a blast of fire which struck the earth beneath it. The saucer then disappeared in an easterly direction. Later Ogden and several friends formed a search party, and in their inspection of the farm, they came across a scorched area about 15 feet in diameter, at about the same spot where Ogden had seen the UFO. Military authorities were notified, and a few days later they arrived on the scene. The scorched area was fenced off, and soil samples were taken. One of the military men was quoted by the local sheriff as saying, "There's definitely a smell of fuel about these soil samples." However, as usual, we can assume that the results of the analysis will never be made public! (See photo below.)

PECULIAR INCIDENT ON LONG JOHN RADIO PROGRAM: On the night of August 24th, the Long John radio show was mysteriously cut off the air in the wee morning hours. The station later issued a news release which reads in part: "Long John Nebel was airing a stirring matter concerning flying saucers over WOR when a call purporting to be from the management of WOR ordered him to switch from interstellar discussion to earth-bound music. The interruption came at 4-30 a.m., and Long John discontinued the group discussion. A thorough investigation reveals that no such order was made by the management of WOR.



WHERE UFO 'BLASTED OFF' — Fleming County Sheriff R. S. Stokely, left, and Walter Ogden, Fleming County farmer of near Wallingford, inspect the scorched area above which Ogden reported seeing an unidentified flying object over his farm recently. Military officials put up the fence around the 15-foot-diameter area and took samples of the soil for further investigation. (Photo by Herald Correspondent).

Hundreds of phone calls and letters from early bird listeners expressed irritation at what appeared to be arbitrary management. WOR wishes to assure all that no censorship is being installed at the station. The four guests (Ben Isquith, James W. Moseley, Gray Barker, and Y.N. ibn A'haron) who were curtailed in their discussion have been invited to return and finish their ardent review of aerial phenomena in our skies. In the meanwhile, the switchboard has been ordered to use a special code when accepting calls from sources claiming to be WOR management executives....." The August 24th show was rebroadcast on the morning of Sept. 13th, on tape, and this time the music was replaced by a completion of the saucer discussion by the same four guests. - For the complete inside story of this "hush-up" incident, see SAUCER NEWS Confidential Newsletter #10.

MANY SEE SAUCER SPECTACLE IN MICHIGAN: Residents throughout the area near Pontiac, Michigan, reported that two UFO's were visible in the sky for 20 minutes on the night of August 18th. The most detailed report came from Wanda Bieri, who was at a local drive-in movie with her husband and children. Said she, "We were sitting in the car waiting for the show to begin. It wasn't quite dark yet. Suddenly my husband told me to look at two peculiar objects in the lower horizon. We saw the people in other cars watching too, and some got out of their cars to look. There were two yellow discs in the sky - not in the heavens, but in our own atmosphere. The two objects faced each other, and for about eight minutes they stood perfectly still. Then for the next three minutes, one moved higher than the other. All of a sudden the lower one took off in a straight upward movement and became a very thin disc with a long yellow tail with a bit of red in it, making it look like a fire streak. Then, 30 seconds later, the second one moved up and over and down in a perfect arc, leaving a yellow trail behind it. It disappeared completely while the first disc continued to go straight up, then leveled off and began flying perfectly straight for about three minutes, trailing to the right with a stream of yellowish vapor that faded to pink as it disappeared. As the first one faded, the second flying object came back into view and looked like it was coming directly at us, right under the other one, which had reappeared again. They both arched together, like they were making a big U-turn, and then streaked away for the last time."

NEWS BRIEFS: An unidentified object fell in the yard of a home at Midkiff, West Virginia, on the night of September 13th. Preliminary reports stated that the object was "pretty good sized" and was "quivering". Unfortunately our clipping service has not yet sent any follow-up report.....Another saucer convention has been held, this time near San Francisco, California. It was called the Second Annual Northern California Spacecraft Convention, and took place on September 5th and 6th. It was attended by many of the same contacts who spoke at Van Tassel's convention at Giant Rock, and at the earlier convention in Los Angeles' Statler Hilton Hotel....During the evening of Sept. 22nd, crew members of a Pan-American flight from New York to Paris sighted a mysterious luminous object that appeared to be a high altitude rocket burning itself out above the atmosphere. The crew told reporters that they saw an object at extremely high altitude traveling "from south to north at right angles to a vertical shaft of light traversing it." The sighting took place over the east coast of Labrador.

WEIRD SIGHTING IN OREGON: Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Evans told a wild saucer story to police in Medford, Oregon, during the early morning hours of July 21st. Shortly after midnight, the couple was about to visit a house in a

lonely area near town, when they heard footsteps and saw a blinding flash of light, followed by a piercing, whirring noise like helicopter blades. They left in a hurry, they said. Returning a half hour later, the couple said they saw lights come on, revealing a large, round object with octagon-shaped windows lighted in brilliant yellow. They then fled the area again, and encountered a car blocking an intersection in their route. They sped around it, but suddenly it was right behind them, with "enormous yellow lights" shining through the rear window of their car. The mystery car kept following them until suddenly it "vanished completely" at another intersection. - Other calmer saucer reports were received by police the same night.

SAUCERS OVER WASHINGTON TOWN FOR THREE HOURS: On the night of Aug. 24th, a number of winking and blinking bright lights were seen for more than three hours in the city of Bremerton, Washington. The lights kept changing color, from red to green to blue, and appeared to be attached to a single object that was hanging almost stationary in the sky. Local police were alerted, and several obtained a good view of the UFO, which was estimated to be at an altitude of 40,000 to 50,000 feet. A deputy sheriff gave a report to a nearby civil defense headquarters, which in turn was supposed to notify nearby McChord Air Base. However, due to some unaccountable mix-up, McChord did not receive the information until much later. - SAUCER NEWS readers will remember that McChord is the same field near which the mysterious air crash described in Bob Barry's article in our last issue took place. At that time a blanket of secrecy and censorship was placed over the crash, according to local saucer researchers who tried to investigate the incident.

SAUCER LANDS IN NEW YORK STATE: Three witnesses saw "a contraption that looked like a big boat" take off from an empty field in back of a boarding house in Gloversville, New York, last August 4th. This event occurred in broad daylight, at 10 a.m. One witness described the object as about four feet high and as big as a garage. It appeared to be covered with brownish-green canvas. A strip of limp, black rubber about a foot long and an inch wide was found later at the landing site, as well as a two-foot-long strip of aluminum. A close scrutiny of the area revealed that the grass was pressed down on the spot where the UFO had been seen to take off.

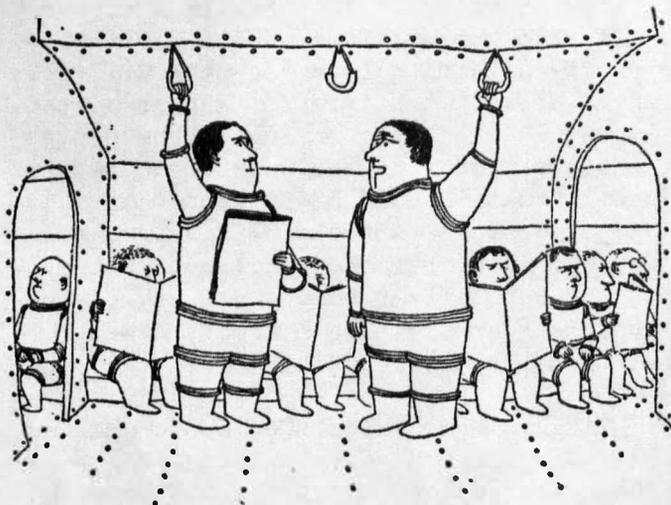
SAUCER BRIEFS: A news clipping dated August 17th informs us that Howard Menger has been freed from jail after payment of \$529 in back alimony to his first wife. Space fans will recall that Menger divorced his first wife in order to marry Marla Baxter, author of "My Saturnian Lover"...Otis T. Carr, notorious inventor of the OTC X-1 which never left the ground, was arraigned in an Oklahoma City district court on August 14th, after having waived a preliminary hearing. Carr, Wayne Aho, and another member of the Carr organization are now free on \$1,000 bail each.....Proving that SAUCER NEWS hasn't as much influence as we might wish for, a newspaper article announcing a George Williamson lecture in Phoenix, Arizona, on Aug. 17th, has the headline "College Professor Talks to Flying Saucer Group." If reputable newsmen can still believe that Williamson is a college professor or anything near it, then our several exposes of "Dr." Williamson have been largely in vain.

DETAILED SIGHTING IN PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Arlene Conley of Bellefonte, Pa., made a very unusual saucer sighting in the early afternoon of Aug. 17th, while doing household chores in the back yard of her home. She reported a large, square metallic object, "so shiny that it appeared to have light of its own," moving slowly between two layers of clouds. The object left no vapor

trail and made no noise. From its position between the two cloud layers, she estimated that it was three times as big as a large airplane would appear to be at the same height. The UFO was square, and moved along with one corner pointed toward the earth. The body of the thing was parallel to the ground and extended between opposite corners of the square. The sides which joined the upper and lower points seemed to be less solid than the body. "It was not of the same consistency all over; It was very strange," said Mrs. Conley. She was informed that the U.S. Space Agency had rocketed a huge sodium flare high into the air that morning, creating a spectacle visible throughout the entire area; but she insisted that this was not what she had seen. The flare had been launched at 5-18 a.m., and its trail was visible for half an hour. As Mrs. Conley's sighting was in the afternoon, she appears correct in her contention that she saw a different object.

SAUCER LANDING IN TEXAS: An event reminiscent of some of the November 1957 sightings occurred near Angelton, Texas, on the night of August 20th. A man named Randy Chandler and his girl friend were driving along a farm road near Angelton when they saw a "dirigible-shaped object" which had rows of lights from front to rear (presumably windows.) As the UFO passed over the car, the motor went dead and the headlights went out. Chandler said that the object was only about 400 feet above the car. Another couple, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Shanks, were driving along the same road, and stopped to watch. The foursome saw the object land in a pasture not far from the highway. They left and passed by the area again about 45 minutes later, at which time the UFO was still in the same spot where they had seen it land.

OUTSTANDING SIGHTING FROM THE YEAR 1881: This is hardly current news, but the following incident is so interesting that we feel it deserves your attention. The story you are about to read is from a Santa Fe, New Mexico newspaper from the year 1881. It was reprinted recently in several New Mexico papers: "Tonight soon after the arrival of the train from Santa Fe, as the operator at this point and two or three of his friends were taking a short walk before retiring for the night, they were startled by voices evidently coming from above them.....Upon looking upwards they were astonished to see a large balloon coming from the west. As it rapidly approached, the voices became more distinct, but were entirely unintelligible. Loud shouts in a language entirely unknown to any of the party were constantly given, evidently



"All the romance has gone out of space travel."

with a desire to attract attention. The construction of the balloon was entirely different to anything of the kind ever seen by any of the party, being in the shape of a fish; and at one time it was so low that fanciful characters on the outside of the car, which appeared to be very elegant, were plainly seen. The air machine appeared to be entirely under the control of the occupants, and appeared to be guided by a large fanlike apparatus.....The balloon was monstrous in size, and the car as nearly as could be judged contained eight or ten persons...."