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So what happened at the next conference ten years later, when the chickens came home to roost? That's another fascinating story. Remind me to write about that. I kept in close touch with the ITU hams for many years, so I knew what was going on from the inside. Also, remind me to write about how I engineered Budlong's forced retirement.

### Sue Your Parents

If I weren't an orphan, I'd sure haul my parents into court and sue them for child neglect. This has to do with my reading an excellent instruction book on prenatal care. You're probably too busy in the hamshack to do what it takes to have any kids, but if you do ever decide to take a few minutes off from DXing to have a junior op, get this book and read it or I'll put you high on my list of hams to haunt with high line noise and defective transistors after I win my Silent Key award from the League (which I'm sure they have ready, just awaiting the date).

The book is *Prenatal Classroom, a parents guide for teaching your baby in the womb*. It's by Van de Carr and Lehrer, ISBN 0-89334-152-5, 161p, \$13, published by Humanics Learning, Box 7400, Atlanta GA 30309. It doesn't say much that I didn't know before, but it is an excellent instruction book on how to communicate with your unborn child. How to teach it around 50 words, to like music, and stimulate brain growth before birth.

Back in 1950, when I got interested in Dianetics and studied at the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, I found out how much that happens during the prenatal months affects us later on. It is really simple, under hypnosis, to regress anyone to the prenatal period and find the causes of many current-life psychological problems. It's also easy to erase these devilish influences, once you learn the tricks. As far as I know, this stuff hasn't been taught since the late Ron Hubbard, who I knew quite well, started Scientology and using the technology more for brainwashing than helping people. Well, he made hundreds of millions.

Instead of loading up your child with bad baggage, you can give it one heck of a head start by following the instructions in this book. The AMA says this results in significantly higher IQs, which means that if you don't use these techniques, you are permanently robbing your child of mental ability that is inherent. It's bad enough with our schools dedicated to dumbing our kids down without parents adding to the mess.

You can teach your unborn child to communicate with you, to recognize words, and even to like certain foods. One mother, who ate a lot

of doughnuts during her pregnancy, had a child whose favorite food was doughnuts. Still is. They call her blimp. One thing I know for sure, my mother didn't eat much eggplant.

And yes, if you let the poor kid hear a lot of CW, it'll probably grow up to be an ARRL director. I think that's probably what happened to poor old Harry Daniels W2HD, the ex-president of the League and internationally noted Wayne Green fan.

If you're into the grandfather class, be sure your kids get copies of this book to help guide them with your grandchildren.

The one aspect of the book that disappointed me was the lack of any attention to the pre-conception things you can do to give your kids the best chance at not screwing up their lives the way you have. My folks smoked and drank, and look at me, and sigh for what I might have been without the pre-conception destruction of many good traits and zillions of potential brain cells.

It shouldn't be any surprise that what happens during the nine months of pregnancy, when the child is growing from a pin-point fertilized ova into a baby, is going to be a big part of the programming of this new computer. Sure, the genes are like the ROM programming, giving us instincts, but from then on it's RAM memory and little Ickie can hear and record everything going on after just a few weeks. And, after twelve weeks, start tasting. Ickie feels pain, is sensitive to drugs in the mother's blood, and can be seriously traumatized by ultra-sound or the missionary position.

Since Dianetics is a lost art, as far as I know, your best bet is to create as little bad programming as you can and not count on being able to erase it later. I hope that makes sense. Anyway, I think you'll enjoy the book.

### Tapping ET's Phone

Cosmologists are having bitter arguments over the age of the universe, complete with wild credential waving to back up unfounded theories. But, whether it's five, ten, or fifteen billion years, or even ageless, the odds seems heavy that (a) there is other intelligent life, and (b) that it is probably millions to billions of years ahead of us in technology.

Radio has been around for about a hundred years. Two hundred years ago anyone predicting that people anywhere in the world would be able to see and talk with anyone else at will would have been locked up in an insane asylum. Well, that was before mental hospitals. Considering that technology developments have been speeding up, I suspect that any predictions we might make for 2096 would be as far off the mark as the 1896 predictions for 1996, where they thought we would be up to our armpits in horse manure in our cities. Instead, it's exhaust fumes.

As soon as a communications medium which is instantaneous and unlimited in bandwidth is discovered, radio will be quickly phased out, just as were smoke signals, then signal lights, and spark transmissions.

Meanwhile, science has, for the most part, turned a blind eye and deaf ear to the tens of thousands of reports from seemingly sincere and sane people who claim to have had contact with visiting ETs, and millions of people who have seen UFOs. Look, once we get far enough developed so we're able to visit planets in other solar systems, I doubt we're going to go in like Captain Kirk and offer to share our advanced technology with some species which hasn't even learned to fly. And how long have we been flying? Well, sure, the Wright Brothers got off the ground in 1908, but I was on the very first commercial flight between Philadelphia and New York, so practical aviation isn't very old.

My dad designed and built the Philadelphia Central Airport (in Camden), so I was right in the middle of the early days of commercial flight. All of the well-known aviators of that era used to come over to our house to visit.

It seems likely that any civilization advanced enough to travel to other solar systems will also have survived their natural warrior background and developed a more peaceful system for living with their advanced technology, so they'll probably visit more out of curiosity than a need to conquer more worlds. And this would mean a low profile, which seems to fit exactly what we're experiencing.

Quantum mechanics is giving us some hints on the possibility for instantaneous communications, and perhaps even space travel over any distance. But QM seems to be a link between matter and thought, so scientists are very uncomfortable with it. We're not sure what matter is yet, and we haven't much in the way of clues about thought. We're like people 200 years ago in this respect, and still ready to crucify any scientist daring to look deeply into these matters. Like the Harvard professor and his recent book on his interviews with contactees.

How about you? Are you a UFO believer? Or skeptic? Do you really believe that every single one of the expert observers who have reported in detail on UFOs has been mistaken or is lying? That every single report, with many based on observations by hundreds to thousands of people, are baloney? How about contactee stories? They are now into the thousands, with most of the people involved keeping quiet about it and wishing it had never happened. Are every one of these people deluded or liars?

Sure, as with any such field, there are a bunch of weirdoes and

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nut cases. But then we have those in just about every field. You should see the stuff I get in the weird science and health fields! But the trouble is that in amongst the crazies and scam artists there are some serious and dedicated people who should be heard. Sorting the wheat from the chaff isn't easy.

I have a file drawer full of alternative health claims. The part that worries me is that I doubt that 100% of them are phony. So how are we going to find out what's worth while and what isn't? In the health field we know that the medical establishment, which includes our government, isn't going to even try. And we've seen what happens when the government gets involved with UFOs: cover-ups and obfuscation. They throw dedicated scientists into prison and destroy their laboratories, as they have with Wilhelm Reich, Royal Rife, and many others. And tried to do recently with Naessens.

If you are interested in getting involved with the SETI project and lending your radio ear to the multitudes scanning the heavens for errant ET signals, call 800-AU-SETI for instructions. This is a private group, so at least you won't be messing with the government, which I don't trust any further than my vote goes. Which isn't very far. I'm trying to remember if I've ever had a pleasant meeting with government people. Yep, I've had many very positive contacts with the FCC and, since Prose Walker got canned, few negatives. I can't say the same for the IRS, FDA, FBI and a few of the other government strong-arm outfits. But, even if the project fails to detect any ET signals, you'll have had an adventure trying if you get involved. And you'll learn a lot about weak signal reception and antennas.

Frankly, I doubt that SETI is going to accomplish much. We'd do a lot better to look for clues as to a new communications medium. It's really arrogant of our scientists to believe that they've now invented all there is to invent in communications systems. It reminds me of the attempts a little over a hundred years ago to build better telescopes so they could look for smoke signals or mirror reflections from other planets.

### Psychic Pets

Have you got a dog? A cat? Some other kind of pet? There's a couple of books I somehow have to get you to read. Yes, I know, you only read technical magazines. Or novels. So how am I going to break you loose and get you to read some non-fiction? Sure, I've read some wonderful novels. I've got 22 shelves of 'em in my library. But few of them added much to my life in the way of understanding. Well,

maybe Sinclair Lewis and John P. Marquand's novels were worth while long term.

Back in February I tried to get you to read *Kinship of All Life* by J. Allen Boone. But my recommendation just went in one eyeball and out the other. I know that for a fact because if you had read the book you'd have written, thanking me for alerting you to such an incredible treasure. It's not only an interesting story, it's true, and even worse, it is an instruction manual on how you can communicate with your pet. If you have a problem finding the book you can try Item #5280, Laura Lee Books, Box 3010, Bellevue WA 98009 - 800-243-1053. A reader let me know about that. Get their catalog...it lists several of my recommended books.

You see, animals, lacking speech, communicate on a more psychic level. And they communicate very well without being able to talk. I've had a lot of pets down through the years, so I sure wish I'd known more about how to communicate with them. Let's see, we had a blue and yellow macaw for about 30 years. And there was a rhesus monkey. A six-foot indigo who was very friendly. Greyhounds, Italian Greyhounds, Afghans, Burmese cats, a couple goats, a couple horses, a turkey, an African swan goose, and so on.

While I was down at the Virginia Beach hamfest to give a couple talks, I made my usual pilgrimage to the Edgar Cayce book shop. This time I only found one new book that looked interesting. It was *Psychic Pets* by Wylder, on sale for \$6. It was a 1995 reprint of a 1978 book. ISBN 0-517-69265-1; 150p; hardbound. It's packed with stories of psychic performances by pets. Like the pet canary that tapped on the window of the next door neighbor one cold, rainy night. The neighbor opened the window to let it in, but it died at that moment. The neighbor recognized the canary and went next door to tell the owner and found she had fallen and was helpless.

Then there was Sugar, a Persian cat, who was terrified of being in automobiles. When his owner had to move from California to Oklahoma, he gave Sugar to neighbors who wanted him rather than try to force him to make the 1,500-mile car trip. Fourteen months later Sugar showed up at the Oklahoma farm and moved right in. He had an odd hip deformity, so they knew it had to be Sugar, and not a cat that looked like him. They called the family they'd left him with and they said yes, Sugar had left 13 months ago. He walked 1,500 miles and found his family in a place he'd never been before. Sugar had to average about four miles a day, plus somehow get food and water, for over a year!

The book is filled with stories of animals being clairvoyant and warning their owners in time to save

their lives, of animals helping each other, and so on. If I run into you on 20m I'll tell you a few more of the amazing stories. Like how cats in London knew a half hour or more before radar was able to pick up incoming raids and headed for the bomb shelters, thus warning the people.

I'll bet you've got an animal ESP story I'd enjoy. The next time I'm in your area, if you have an open repeater that doesn't time out in one minute, I'd love to hear it.

### League Bummer

Here goes Uncle Wayne, attacking the poor old League again. So who else has the stupidity to attack a religion in print? This time I thought you ought to know about a letter to *QST* that they're surely not going to publish. It's from Steven Morris K7LXC, griping about the April article, "Dialing For Deals." The article encouraged their readers to whipsaw ham dealers to get the lowest possible price...thereby eventually putting all but the few dealers with the lowest overhead out of business.

As Steve points out, the end result of us always shopping for the lowest possible price forces dealers to give less and less service to compete. Thus the article does a serious disservice to both ham dealers and amateurs. Of course, if you aren't ever going to want any service and are happy to buy everything by mail order from the manufacturer, then perhaps forcing most of the ham dealers out of business isn't a problem. Eventually all manufacturers will have to sell directly via mail order. And that would mean even more ads for *QST*, which could be exactly what the League has in mind in pursuing this tack.

Meanwhile, I'm sure that the few ham dealers left will continue to advertise in *QST*, thus showing their continuing support for the League, just as the whole ham industry did 30 years ago when the League put 85% of the retailers and manufacturers out of business within a couple of years. There isn't the slightest hint that anyone in the ham industry has learned anything from history.

### Your First QSO!

I'll bet you can remember your first contact, just as I remember mine. Oh, I'm not counting the times I used fictitious calls and made contacts on 40m CW (called bootlegging in those days). No, my first legitimate contact, license in hand, was on 2-1/2 meters.

The rig was a 1G4GT oscillator-super-regenerative detector, with a 1Q5GT modulator-amplifier. The whole works was built into a one cubic foot walkie-talkie, complete with batteries and a handle. It was a

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