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A science is, by definition, an exact and sound cognizance of certain determined things, or furthermore, an ensemble of coordinated knowledge referring to a decided object. However, within the investigation field touching the UFO phenomena, we find ourselves lost amidst the worst jungle ever created around a subject of study.

UFOLOGY : IS IT A SCIENCE ?

In the 1940s, almost every country in the world saw the rise of sundry organizations intending to study the phenomena. Only in Canada and the United States we count more than 260 research groups that in fact serve as dumping-grounds for the disappointed drop-outs of orthodox science: we find neurotics and the illuminared who all claim to dedicate themselves to the mission of piercing this mystery.

The gamut of organizations, on the one hand, starts from pretenders alleging to entertain direct relations with flying saucer occupants; considering themselves ambassadors of extraterrestrial civilizations in face of the rarer groups who try, on the other hand, without much success, approaching the controversy through appliance of rational methods.

A LOOK AT THE PROBLEM

Why, after more than twenty-five years of so claimed research from the part of all these organizations, does the mystery, far from elucidation, remain such a dark, obscure domain, lacking even a single ray of light? Without many difficulties we could illustrate a few reasons:

First of all, from the evident lack of coordination between the diverse research teams cascade multiple efforts that in the long run come to no avail, giving rise to the inevitable impossibility of obtaining a global view of the phenomena, that is to say — resultant

failure to encircle the subject in its totality (as the matter seems to stand to date!).

Secondly, the sensuous attitude mostly scorned at by the stringent scientist investigator in other fields, has found its place within UFOlogy. However, if we are to achieve concrete, scientific conclusions in this domain, (bringing UFOlogy studies the scientific status to rang cheek-to-cheek with, let us say, nuclear physics), the sentimental approach must be mercilessly annihilated from established research teams.

No official authority should intervene in objectives of a scientific nature: If authorities have remained faithful to their "politique of silence", (menacing UFO study groups that get out-of-hand), the reason is quite obvious: the mass population requires objective controllers behind their social systems, not sensuous story tellers that, from the officials point of view, could result in mass confusion and probable social cataclysms.

A SCIENCE OR NOT ?

Although the general outline of the situation we've just sketched appears somewhat somber, leading us to conclude UFOlogy is not a science, in spite of numerous individuals contending to apply scientific research methods and calling themselves scientists when in fact, as the present halo of mystery around the phenomena reveals, they're not, the uni-

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PERMANENT UFO FLAP OVER LA TUQUE

182 miles north-east of Montreal, in the French province of Quebec, lies the quiet small town of La Tuque with it's some 15,000 inhabitants. This small populaced town is enswathed by the oldest mountains in the world – the Laurentians. Dozens of lakes and rivers of every conceivable size and shape are to be seen in which ever way one happens to travel along that region.

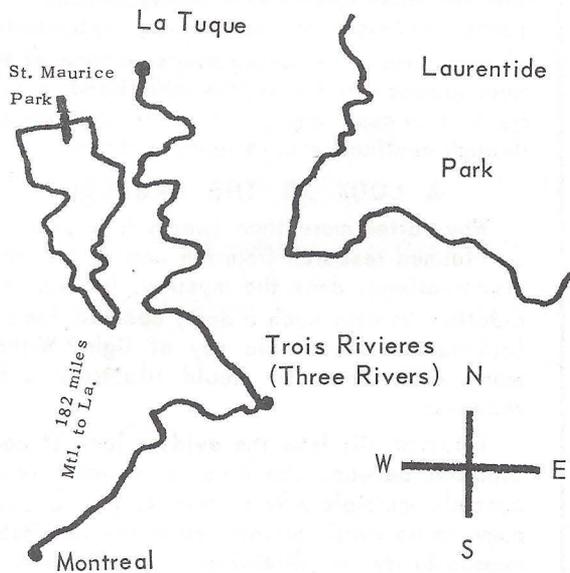
In the hot summer heat many tourists, from all parts of North-America, come to spend their few months vacations in La Tuque to fish, camp, and generally pass a quiet relaxing holiday. But the skies of these montaineous regions are not so silenced and relaxed as at first might appear. On the contrary, they are intensively active and somewhat tend to disturb visitor's outdoor fiesta's!

Multitudes of reports have been recorded concerning strange "slimy water creatures", "flying monsters", "flying objects" that seem to play in the day and night skies with their weird "red, green and yellow lights", bizarre flights that have been classed as having the apparitions of "hat shaped" or "cigar shaped" forms that with "rapid flying speed" plunge "into lakes", "disappearing under the water, and after some time, at a tremendous speed," jot out towards the skies, vanishing instantly from view.

The Oblong Cloud

An interesting case took place in the warm

summer month of June. Four men, two auto-mechanics, a local customer, and a certain Mr R., a musician, were holding a common conversation on the premises of a rural gasoline station just outside of La Tuque. The time was 2:30 p.m. on a clear, cloudless, sunny afternoon of a weekday. One of the four men, gazing at the distant mountain peaks, suddenly observed a "weird moving cloud". The other three men were immediatly notified and gazed in that direction. There, in the distant skies, they watched a "hugeblack, oblong cloud", descending between two mountains where Lac Clair reposed. Eventually, the "oblong cloud" disappeared behind the mountain on the fore.



Mr. R., the musician, remarked that not a cloud was to be seen in sight, except for this "stranger". Aroused by curiosity and suspicion, Mr. R. got in his car, along with the customer, and drove the 5 minutes drive to Lac Clair to investigate.

On arrival they scanned the four corners of the sky, without seeing any trace of a cloud whatsoever. Hopefully they drove back to the garage and asked the two mechanics if they had seen the cloud appear in Mr. R.'s absence? No reappearance was noted.

Mr. R. was left with the suspicion that what he and the three other men sighted was a "flying saucer hidden behind an artificially created cloud in order to illude human on-lookers". He based his notion on the fact that the "cloud seemed a dense pitch black condensation", unlike the common clouds of those regions. He supposed that the saucer behind that illusive device dipped into Lac Clair and disappeared from view. He also said that as an alternative to the under water vanishing, "there are many caverns in those mountains. They could very well have disappeared in one of them."

We agree that clouds travel with the wind, horizontally in most cases. The four men stipulated that on this day it was "calm" not a breeze stirred the atmosphere. The sighted object travelled on a vertical plane, not horizontally, as condensed clouds do. -Therefore: Do clouds cruise vertically? Water, in it's evaporating process, rises upward, but does not fall downward. Water evaporates from lakes and rivers in cloud formation to later bring rain. Rain falls. The cloud formation rises. The "oblong black cloud" descended

slowly, vertically.

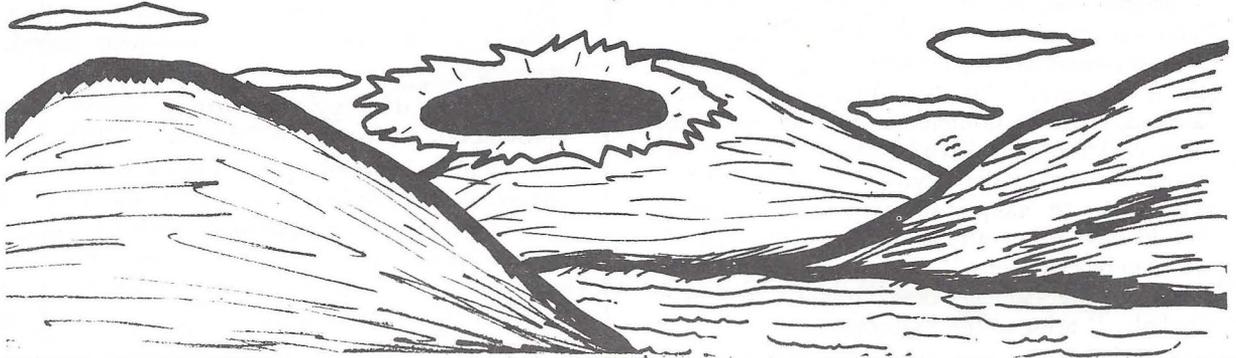
Without material evidence to prove that this object actually was not a "cloud", we are condemned to ask our next question: What was it? Was it a cloud or an illusion? Other odd cases reported, and on records, of "hat shaped objects", diving furiously into lakes, have been studied. The conclusions have been mere speculations. What those men saw might have been a meteorite?

An Expedition

These, and other reports have been subjects of long tedious research for the U.F.O. Investigation Committee of Les Citoyens du Cosmos here in Jonquiere, Quebec... Because of the validity of certain individuals' reputations who've evidently submitted their long withheld experience of a phenomenon, three authorities of Les Citoyens du Cosmos, involved with investigations of these matters, and myself, decided to check up on the many "plunging" reports usually suppressed because of that common sense of ridicule people manifest towards such cases.

On June 20th, 1971, our research team arrived at Lac Clair situated just on the outskirts of La Tuque. This large lake and it's boundaries was under the proprietorship of Canadian International Paper Mills of Canada Ltd., who obliged us to constantly carry the special permission papers stating that we had an authorities go-ahead for our research purposes. We camped for 2 weeks where many reported sightings emanated from. Our results were negative as far as the plunge was concerned. We did visit caverns of many sizes and

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Last Autumn of 71, Stuart Nixon, secretary-treasurer of NICAP—America's largest UFO research organization—declared in a press conference the anticipation of a new flap of flying saucer observations for 1972. However, in the province of Quebec the "new flap" didn't wait for 1972 to manifest itself!

ST-LIN-DES-LAURENTIDES

In the summer of 1971, a group of people reunited in a cottage on St-Lin—a small village situated about 35 miles from Montreal—observed for many hours a flight of luminous objects traversing the sky and conducting aerial manoeuvres defying the laws of gravity (90 degrees turns, instant acceleration, etc...).

RIMOUSKI

On July 21st, 1971, a great part of Rimouski's population was roused from its sleep: stationary luminous objects could be seen with the naked-eye in three different directions—Sacré-Coeur, St-Odile and Pointe-au-Pere. Descriptions from different witnesses tallied: "It revolved and was red like fire with green and blue rays flickering all around it."

To eliminate the hypothesis that Rimouski was victim of collective hallucination, we'd like to point out that reports emanated from the northern-shore and notably from Grandes-Bergeronnes where people observed strange aerial objects at Rimouski's geographical altitude... These spectacles left such impressions on eye-witnesses that: "...even if we've never believed in Martians and flying saucers tales, doubts started to creep in our minds."

A few days after the Rimouski flap, some 15 people from Baie-Comeau, a town opposite Rimouski on the north shore of the St. Lawrence river, reported having seen similar phenomena. Mr. Pierre-Paul Ouellet, citizen of Baie-Comeau, formally informed us that he, his wife, their children and friends observed "...very strange things in the sky...". He narrated his experience to skeptical audiences affirming that he and other attending eye-witnesses of the phenomena were "...not dreaming..." and that no one among them had "...touched alcohol..." prior to the sightings.

HIGHWAY 54

Near the end of November, a couple from Montreal, driving to Chicoutimi on Highway 54 North, noticed a luminous object stationed in the sky. They decided to park their car on the side of the road to better view the phenomena when, to their astonishment, a "little metal-like disk exits from" the principal object. "It passed at a very low altitude above our heads" whence "a bizarre whistling sound" could be heard. The metallic disk disappeared over the distant mountain peaks but the principal object remained stationary and visible up to the time they decided to continue their voyage.

In the opening days of January, 1972, the "new flap" predicted by Stuart Nixon was old-hat in the province of Quebec. A succession of reports started flowing in.

On Wednesday, January 6th, a lawyer from Ste-Foy, Mr. Georges Gendron, his wife and their three children saw a mysterious round object over the Laurentian Park flying towards Levis. The object looked like an enormous ball of fire decked with a protruding mobile trunk-like structure from which two antennas projected. The flamboyant ball slowly swerved along its course without emitting a sound. As it approached a large river, the mysterious object began to bob up and down, remaining in such a state for some 30 seconds until it finally sped away at a tremendous speed, simultaneously splitting itself in two.

On the following afternoon, January 7th, a provincial civil-servant, Mr. Rene Guay, and his wife observed approaching a luminous object while driving on Jean Dequen Street in St. Foy. The object stationed itself immediately above their car and hovered there for some time. Five to six minutes later, the "strange luminosity" ascended to from 150

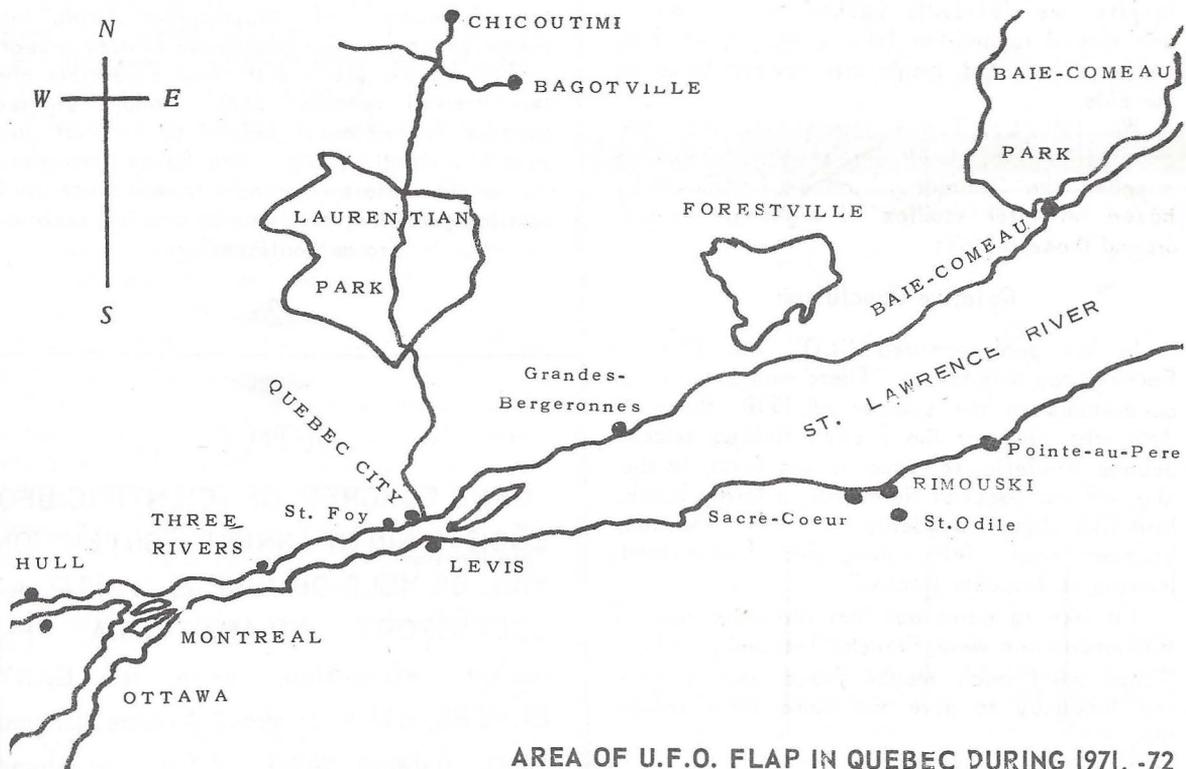
feet of the car roof and instantly sped away towards Laval Hospital. The two witnesses agreed that the "object looked like a ball in the shape of a bell" and emitted "luminous streaks" which they thought were caused by the "sun's rays reflecting off it." In a nearby grocery store, seven persons simultaneously witnessed the same phenomena.

JANUARY 1972

On a Wednesday at about 6:15 a.m., Mr. Jules Gobeil of R.R. St-Jean-Baptiste, was dutifully proceeding towards the cowshed to milk his cows. He "...heard a sort of pleasant whistling sound without doubt caused by air displacement..." Raising his head he "...saw, just 200 feet above the ground near the shed, a hovering large, red object not more than a 100 feet long... It appeared whole and transformed into a kind of red tail... after about

one minute it disappeared towards the Bagotville Air Force Base flying at an estimated speed of about 85 to 100 miles per hour..."

Mr. Gobeil avowed that the THING "...was not an airplane..." nor "...a helicopter...". He said: "The airport is just a quarter mile down the road. I should know what helicopters and airplanes look like!" He admitted feeling "...a little scared while the thing remained in view..." His dog, a healthy looking German Shepherd, who accompanied Mr. Gobeil on the morning of this incident, "...hid under the cowshed as quickly as the THING disappeared! I swear he didn't like that mysterious object at all!" He asserted that: "Before the incident, I didn't at all believe these strange tales of mysterious objects, but now, YES!!!" The family of Mr. and Mrs. Magella Soucy of Bagotville confirmed the observation of a similar phenomena around the same hour.



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This lake, Lac Clair, has been the controversy in La Tuque where it is said that dozens of SAUCER LIKE OBJECTS have been seen to constantly plunge.

shapes but, they were scanty things.

After two successive weeks of negative results, we decidedly packed our equipment and moved to another lake where reports had not been recorded. Negativity seemed to be on our side.

We left La Tuque temporarily with the conclusion that lead our research team to suppose the "plunging" cases PROBABLE, based on later studies of sightings in and around those regions.

Relative Conclusion

In his book entitled "LO", Mr. Charles Fort relates this story: "There was a series of occurrences in the summer of 1910. Early in July, the crew of the French fishing smack, Jeunne Frederic, reported having seen, in the sky, off the coast of Normandy, a large, black, bird like object. Suddenly it fell into the sea, bounded back, felt again, and disappeared, leaving no findable traces."

I'd like to point out that the observers of this occurrence were French. The people of La Tuque are French. Maybe French people have the tendency to give the same lie wherever they are?

Another story Fort relates: "In the London Daily Express, September 11, 1922, it is said

that upon Sept. 9th., John Morris, coxswain of the Barmouth (Wales) life boat, and William James, looking out at sea, from the shore, at Barmouth, saw what they thought was an airplane falling into the ocean. They rushed out in a motor boat, but found nothing."

-It seems that not only in La Tuque do people see "THINGS" diving in water, but off the "coast of Normandy"!

To my knowledge man does not possess, or has not as yet invented, a mechanism capable of performing duties both in air and in sea. This does not mean that he will never achieve such a realization (the voyage to the moon used to be a dream)-, but only strenghtens the reports plausibility behind plunging saucers.

Theoretically we could assume that at some past unrecorded time, extraterrestrial intelligent beings occupied earth, using it as a landing base for their flying machines which later led to scientific experimentation of earth's biology, amongst other things, creating intelligent life as we know it today. But as nature swayed and catastrophied lands into submergence -as our geological history reveals - their bases, along with their scientists and experimental records, sunk. Today, sighted saucers (or objects) belonging to that past possible event, plunge into lakes throughout the world waters; perhaps to excavate their own lost, sunken, civilization and it's records?
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EDITORIAL

The U.F.O. phenomenon has been in raging controversy now for some 30 odd years. In U.S.A. alone there exist 250 and more organizations dedicated to research the multitudes of reports relating to the enigma. In Canada there are but a handful of these organizations fully established. It goes without saying that numerous people who've had sighting or physical contact experiences with strange bizarre manifestations in Canada have not had a guiding hand to relieve them of the psychological, burdening consequences these experiences are liable to engender.

The Citizens of Cosmos, now in their second year of initiation for the benefit of Mankind, comprises the involvement of all of Man's spirit in the higher being of consciousness. In the words of our director-general: "The Citizens of Cosmos are an assemblage of conscious individuals who have faith in the future of Humankind and who endeavor the the realization of common aims. It is a chain of friendship, a spiritual union."

From this union has come forth a U.F.O. Investigation Committee, for the people of the province of Quebec. From the time this committee inaugurated it's voice and responsible intentions, a large number of people throughout this province have felt free and gratified to relieve themselves from vexing, inconvenient and bothersome questions concerning their adventitious observations.

The meer recording of observations and/or contacts concerning the Flying Saucer *rara avis* brings more light and insight to the prevailing truth until finally we see the light. Then could we possibly understand the meaning and purpose for the extraterrestrials' frequent journeys to our earth and then only might be a possibility to comprehend Humankind.

James A. Richards

"Man must have a purpose," said God,
"And I leave it to you to think of one."
And He went away.

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identified flying saucer phenomena still remains a practically virgin field for investigation, wherein very few questions have received valid answers.

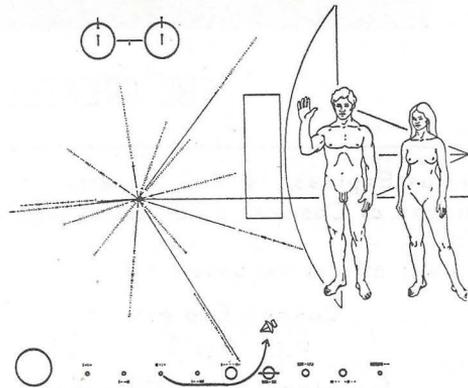
CONCLUDING

If we don't accept the hypothesis that the majority of witnesses are victims of a mass hallucination, we neither think this the only valid explanation.

Further, if we think the subjectivity most UFO investigators manifest in their reports a most noxious element in our study of the phenomena, we also think that the existence of such sentiment itself is proof that there exists some unforeseen truth under "the veil".

No one finds routine impressionable: emotionalism acts out it's play only in face of an unusual reality situated on a stage found outside our "daily mirror"!

(The preceding article, being a translation and extension of "L'OVNIOLOGIE EST-ELLE UNE SCIENCE?", appeared originally in Vol. 1, No. 9, July 1971, of our earlier French edition.)



PLAQUE DESIGN CARRIED BY PIONEER 10 SPACE CRAFT INTENDS, THAT IF CAPTURED BY NON-TERRRESTRIAL BEINGS, WITH AT LEAST SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF EARTH-LINGS, TO PROVIDE KNOWLEDGE OF THE ORIGINS AND INTENTIONS OF ITS MAKERS.

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