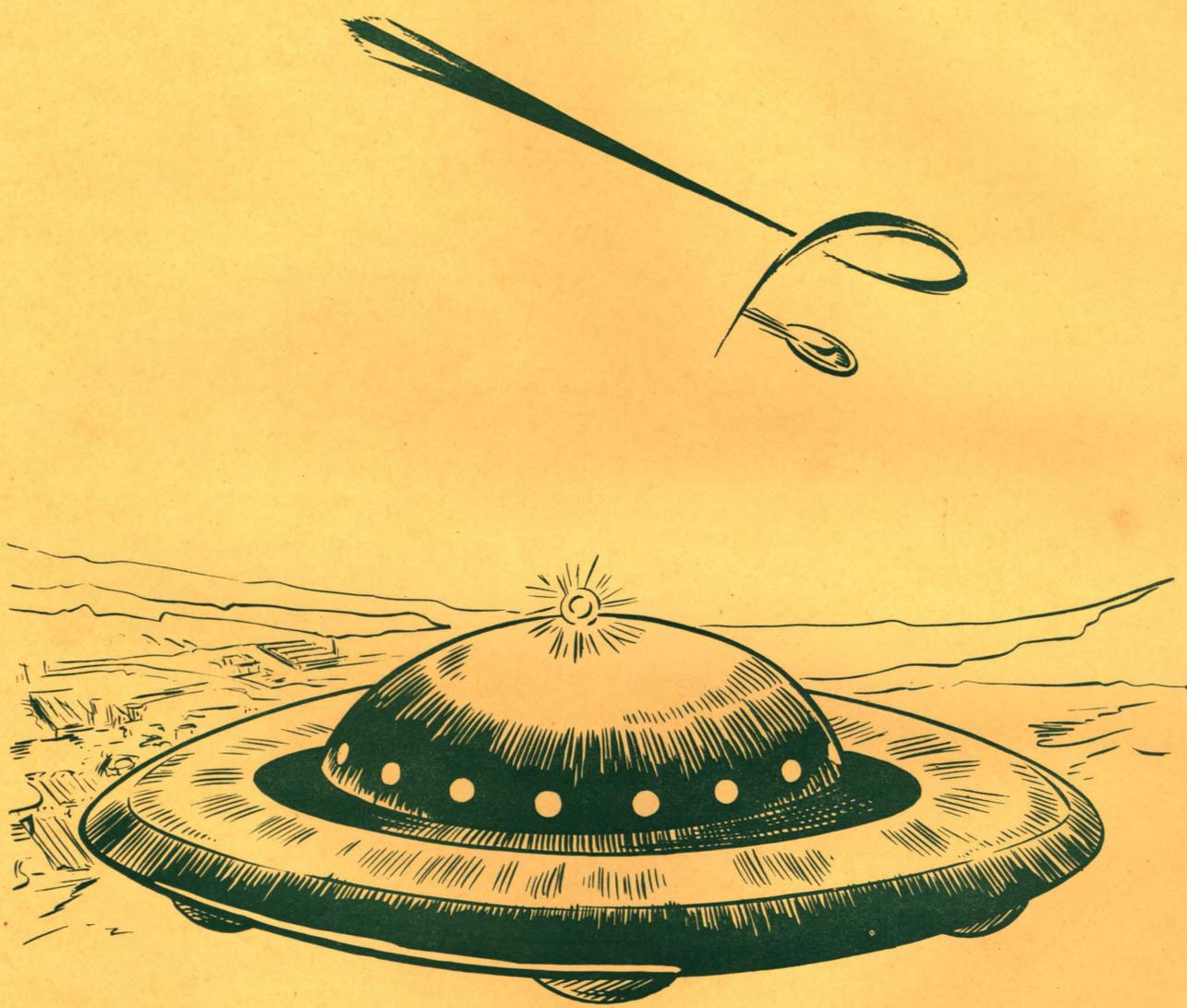


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Editorial

PRIVATELY SPONSORED INVESTIGATORY EFFORTS

AT THIS DATE it can be truthfully stated that there now exists a world-wide network of privately sponsored groups and individuals seriously occupied with the investigation of "unidentified flying objects." It is equally true to report that a large percentage of the world's populace are now awakening to the realization that here is indeed something very big and significant in these strange aerial happenings. Many of these supporters are now forming new groups or joining existing civilian research organizations; this is proof of the growing desire for all interested parties to take an active part in a search that promises to open extraordinary new vistas of knowledge.

Irrespective of the mass of official double talk and the hopeless harpings of the very narrow-minded, increasing numbers of professional men and women are now joining determined civilian effort to probe, study and promulgate the fruit and truth of their findings. It is not denied that some early civilian "ufo" investigators lacked scientific training for such an undertaking, nor were they favoured by having ready access to relevant research tools. However, what they may have lacked in these things they more than made up for with their progressive and unclouded thoughts, enthusiastic thirst for new knowledge and a better than average grasp of the involved and extraordinary situation. Tremendous courage, too, was essential; ridicule and abuse from all and sundry was a difficult problem to face.

To civilian investigators, it is now crystally clear that responsible worldly authorities have badly let their peoples down in these matters and subsequently a situation without precedent has resulted. For as long as officialdom continues to hedge, deny, buck-pass and so neglect their responsibilities, the more urgent the need for civilian research teams to press on for their objectives with increasing vigour and resolute purpose. Sooner or later the speedily growing civilian enterprise in the "ufo" investigation field will embarrass the said authorities into proper and sensible action.

Had there not been so many apparently non-chivalrous, prejudiced and jealous minds controlling the science of astronomy, the momentous discovery that WE ARE NOT ALONE IN THE UNIVERSE could have been theirs with perhaps full credit. Unfortunately, however, top ranking experts in this field have concentrated their thoughts and energies to the preservation of their pet theories of a "DEAD COSMOS" DEVOID OF INTELLIGENCE. Most top-ranking astronomers have repeatedly ignored or glossed over numerous excellent observational data witnessed by prominent members of their own faculty. This hasn't happened only recently, it has been going on for centuries.

Lately a ray of light seems to have pierced the gloom of orthodox astronomy; there has appeared a split in their ranks which is widening from day to day. An appreciable number of professional astronomers are now advancing new or earlier discarded theories with supporting evidence which permits of a very "live universe," perhaps teeming with life. Whilst others are granting close attentions, long overdue, to the inexplicable objects cavorting ever more frequently in our skies. We sincerely trust this move is heeded by skilled and scientifically trained men from all professions, as their assistance is sorely needed in this mighty problem.

Along with the favourable trend for men of science to join forces with privately sponsored investigatory organizations, has lately developed the urgent desire by leaders of these groups to seek and find ways of closer co-operation and evolve a common plan of action and objectives. Although most realize the value of such ideals, it is not as easy to achieve as may be believed. With all existing groups working on a "labour of love" basis, in hours available after the day's bread-winning toils, it has been far more practical to operate independently and use the meagre time available for investigation of local "ufo" incidents and administration of a group's affairs. Most groups have always co-operated in exchange of datas and bulletins, but even this effort is sadly limited by our old foes, time, hands and finance. The last mentioned, finance, and its scarcity, presents the greatest hurdle to progress. There is positively no financial gains or easy slick dollars to be made by privately supported research in any field operating on a "labour of love" basis.

Early this year came the most welcome news of the formation of a new body, of special note, which intends immediate serious research of "Unidentified Flying Objects." With headquarters in Washington, the "National Investigations Committee of Aerial Phenomena" really means business. Recently released, and published in our last issue, was an impressive list of named staff members. Elsewhere in this issue is an example of their plans, objectives and research material which we are happy and proud to reproduce. In recent special dispatches to all existing research groups, Major Donald E. Keyhoe (USMC Ret.), Director of NICAP,

promises that his organization will do all in its power to assist all kindred bodies and intends to form a network of branches throughout the United States and other Dominions, to act as trained observational points and channels of information. This real moral boost from a most experienced quarter will give great heart to like researchers everywhere. Some of us are no doubt growing a trifle weary of the long chase, a chase crowded with obstacles, vexed and frustrated by all manner of nonsense from the most unexpected quarters.

Organized civilian interest in the study of "unidentified flying objects," has two separate factions. There are those groups made up wholly of people who have entirely accepted the claims of the "spaceman contactees"; they devote all their attentions to their favourites. The other faction, which CSI (N.Z) is representative, is made up of persons with a full range of opinions as to what the saucers are or represent, but far the greater majority are satisfied that these so-called "saucers" or, as officially designated, "unidentified flying objects," are intelligently controlled vehicles manned by visitors from worlds outside our own. The organization to which they belong devotes much of its time to investigation of all noteworthy "ufo" sightings and passing on the fruits of their findings at regular meetings. At the same time a listening ear and watchful eye is kept on all claims of contacts with alien beings, but, short of first-hand like experience or more widely acceptable proof of physical spaceman contacts, the groups policy in these matters is to maintain an open mind and reserved judgment. The individual is free to form his own conclusions and all well versed opinions are fully respected.

INTERNATIONAL EFFORT

The first international observational efforts were organized by "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW," London, early last year. Under the capable leadership of Derek Dempster, Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench, Desmond Leslie, Dr. Finch and others, "FSR" organized "International Flying Saucer Sighting Days" (June 30th and September 8th, 1956). For this year, three days have been chosen: June 8th, July 24th and September 14th—see details elsewhere. "FSR's" worthy contribution to civilian research received enthusiastic global support last year and it is felt with confidence that the same will result again this year.

Another most worthy contribution is the proposal recently put forward by Professor S. K. Maitra, Banaras University, India (FSR Jan.-Feb.). Prof. Maitra's plan calling for an international conference at the highest level to discuss the "ufo" problem, reflects the growing concern by increasing numbers of intellectuals who more fully appreciate the import of the fantastic happenings in our skies. The Professor points out that this high level meeting is a most urgent one and must be fully representative of all nations. He nominates the task to the United Nations Organization, via its branch UNESCO.

Perhaps not nearly so significant as the above proposals and efforts, but nevertheless a contribution to the overall objectives, CSI (N.Z.) launched a special project in July last year, calling for New Zealand-wide co-operation from official and unofficial sources. Bearing the title "Project Skywatch," our plan for special observation and evaluation of all "ufo" reports received at our Auckland headquarters over a period of seven months (August, 1956-February, 1957) was publicly announced via the press services throughout N.Z. with little comment. This period had been chosen because activity was forecast to be prolific at this time. The forecast proved to be an accurate one and many reports were received; analysis of over 100 reports are still wanting time and completion.

Bulletins detailing "skywatch" were sent to all meteorological offices, air traffic control towers and aeradio stations in New Zealand and its Pacific mandates. However, response from official quarters was in the main disappointing but not unexpected.

We do wish to acknowledge and thank the Director of the N.Z. Meteorological Services, Mr. M. A. F. Barnett, who replied as follows to our request for co-operation: "My staff have instructions to record any unusual meteorological phenomena, and if appropriate, report them specially to this office. Any non-meteorological ones which appear to be of interest will be reported, either to the local Air Traffic Service Unit or to the Carter Observatory, both of which organizations have an official interest in such occurrences. The staff has also been informed that there is no objection to their communicating with your organization direct in a private capacity."

Two letters to Mr. E. A. Gibson (May 30th and October 20th, 1956), then Director of Civil Aviation, requesting his dept's co-operation, met only with stoney silence. No attempt was made to seek assistance from the Director of the Carter Observatory, whose arch Menzel-form views, now widely known, were not considered representative of proper scientific attitude or approach.

Efforts to seek Press assistance during our project met with more success. However, we noted the remarkable absence of any Press syndicated articles or round-up of reports which were quite numerous in New Zealand in the latter half of 1956. Whilst papers were reporting local sightings, at times almost daily, very few of these were relayed by Press Association wire services. It can hardly be claimed that Press stories reviewing the inexplicable happenings, then current, would not have made good copy.

During this period of activity, news came to CSI of a number of air to air and ground to air observations made by Commissioned Officers of the R.N.Z.A.F. But letters to the witnesses requesting all information also met with stoney silence. It has been established, however, that the officers made detailed reports to the interested parties at Air Headquarters, Wellington. A

Naval sighting was also checked for confirmation, the captain of the vessel replied that he had no knowledge of the alleged incident, but nevertheless we are reasonably certain that one commissioned officer was among the witnesses.

AND STILL IT GOES ON

During the last three months "ufo's" have been most active in the European theatre. Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench, Editor of the highly recommended English journal "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW," reports the following in a recent letter: "We have had a great deal of activity lately, what with the Wardle affair, the West Freugh, Scotland, RAF radar sighting, another RAF sighting on April 29th, a mothership and scout seen the same evening, a Cornish postman sees a saucer off the Lizard for ten minutes the next day and is questioned for two hours by RAF intelligence officers; and so it goes on. Thirty-three good sightings in March, 57 in April and the present pace in May is terrific."

Briefly recalling the excellent RAF radar sighting in Scotland in early April, here are a few details not published in the local cable news: EXPERIENCED OPERATORS, JIM MOVEY AND JOHN KOLOSKY, REPORTED THAT THE OBJECT MOVED AT A "FANTASTIC SPEED." THE "BLIPS" THAT APPEARED ON THE SCREENS WERE TOO BIG AND TOO FAST TO HAVE BEEN A TRADITIONAL AIRCRAFT. THE OBJECT WAS SPOTTED TRAVELLING AT OVER 1500 M.P.H. 60,000 FT. UP (11 MILES HIGH) AND COMMANDING OFFICER WING-COMMANDER W. P. WHITWORTH SAID THAT THE RADAR SETS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECORDING INACCURATELY. THE "BLIPS" WERE ALSO SEEN ON AN INDEPENDENT RADAR SCREEN 90 MILES FROM WEST FREUGH."

With incidents like this and others even far more outstanding, adding up to thousands upon thousands of first class reports, surely you will agree that it is high time we were officially informed and properly prepared for the extraordinary developments ahead.

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Internal Affairs

C.S.I. Dominion President, Mr. H. H. Fulton, gave a public address in Whangarei on May 3rd. The meeting was advertised via Press, Radio, Theatres and Posters. Although not a financial success, the address at the Whangarei Town Hall was well received. The elements seemed to be stacked against the chances of obtaining a larger audience (150 paid admission).

The weather was inclement and a host of local Queen Carnival functions (as well as the movies) precluded a larger attendance. The address, supported by lantern slides, commenced at 8.45 p.m. and terminated at 11.15 p.m. The audience was most receptive, no person departed during the address. Over 40 copies of C.S.I.'s current journal were purchased by the public whilst making their departure.

"The Northern Advocate" published a brief summary of Mr. Fulton's address the following day. This was a straight forward quote—no press opinion. Invitation by IXN Radio Station for interview was accepted, and a small quote here and there appeared in IXN's special saucer feature, "It Came From Outer Space" (14 minutes), presented at 8.18 p.m. the following Friday, 10th May.

Our sincere gratitude goes out to Michael Watson, C.S.I. member in Whangarei, for his sterling efforts and grand work carried out most earnestly and efficiently. Without such assistance the visit would have not been possible. Sincere thanks, too, to the others who kindly gave assistance.

The April and May General Meetings were well attended, most interesting highlights being the interviews with local people who have recently sighted "unidentified flying objects." Tape recordings from Invercargill (Balfour sighting) and George Adamski were presented. We were honoured with a surprise visit at our May meeting by Mrs. and Miss Jolly of Hamilton. Mrs. P. Jolly is Secretary of the Hamilton Flying Saucer Investigation Committee (164 River Rd.) and is also C.S.I. Representative in the area.

A further committee meeting was held on the 14th May. The President reported on his Whangarei visit, which was considered a reasonable success, although showing a slight financial deficit. All libraries throughout New Zealand had been circularised with a special letter and a gratis copy of C.S.I.'s January-March magazine. A number of libraries have since commenced subscription to our publication. The financial position is becoming precarious due to the high

cost of production of the magazine, which is not yet bringing in returns to equal outlay. Promising trend (providing we can keep the magazine appearing), is the recent doubling and trebling of orders by booksellers throughout N.Z. We under-printed last issue, but this was due to financial limits. Most generous assistance in distribution of magazines to booksellers and all C.S.I. associates is among the continued kindly deeds of Mr. and Mrs. R. Murray, Directors of the Murray Organization. We are hoping that members will respond by placing their book orders with the Murray's; this is the only way we can return such handsome favours.

Due to the ever-increasing demands on the President's time, analysis of "Project Skywatch" material is still in process. Mr. Henk Hinfelaar, a member of C.S.I. committee for some three years standing, has been appointed Hon. Secretary. Many associates will already be conversant with Mr. Hinfelaar's replies to their correspondence. Mr. William Doo, a sterling assistant at general meetings and the controller of the city section of C.S.I. Library (Shop 51, Greys Avenue), continues as Hon. Assistant Secretary. Mrs. Weitzner, our Librarian, reports that the book list continues to grow. More members throughout New Zealand should join the library. A wide range of "U.F.O." books are available at the small charge of 5/- fee to join the library plus 1/- levy for each book borrowed. Much cheaper than buying all the books oneself. Write direct to Mrs. O. Weitzner, 639 Remuera Road, Remuera, Auckland. Mr. Ray Thomas, committee member and C.S.I. Recording and Electronics Officer, is rendering grand service at general meetings. Ray has his own equipment which is kindly made available to C.S.I. A most interesting and informative lantern slide address is promised for the June 26th meeting. Mr. L. R. H. Beaumont, B.A., Secretary of the Auckland Astronomical Society, has kindly accepted our invitation. Mr. Beaumont is well known for his extremely keen interest in astronomy and his extensive list of beautiful slides of the heavens.

GENERAL MEETINGS, 1957

General Meetings for 1957 will be held every **FOURTH Wednesday in month, commencing with February. Please note: Some months have five Wednesdays. Place: Unity Lecture Hall, 1st Floor, 323 Queen Street, Auckland. Time: 8 p.m.**

GENERAL MEETING DATES

June 26th; July 24th; August 28th; September 25th; October 23rd; November 27th.

Three Dates for Your Diary

"Flying Saucer Review" announces that they are sponsoring three International Flying Saucer Sighting Days this year, on Saturday, June 8; Saturday, July 27; and Saturday, September 14. They will be known as the third, fourth and fifth I.F.S.S.D.s respectively.

Last year world-wide interest was aroused when Flying Saucer Review organised the first two I.F.S.S.D.s.

This year it is hoped that all saucer organisations, clubs, periodicals, and individuals all over the world will respond even more enthusiastically.

The purpose of these special sighting days is to get as many observers as possible throughout the world watching the skies. Then if a UFO is seen by one group of observers, it stands more chance of being also spotted by other observers farther along its flight route than would be possible on other days of the year. Thus, it may be possible to plot the actual course across the planet of a UFO, and even to establish some kind of pattern of behaviour.

The only equipment needed to make your I.F.S.S.D. a success consists of a sharp pair of eyes, a pair of binoculars or a telescope. Many saucers have been seen with the naked eye, and it is not essential to possess a pair of binoculars in order to participate as an observer. However, take your pair of binoculars along if you are lucky enough to have a pair.

It is not advisable to skywatch on your own. If you are fortunate enough to sight a saucer, it is most important to have a witness. The more witnesses the better.

Long periods of concentrated gazing at the heavens tend to become tiring and tedious if you are not used to it. Therefore, it is best to agree with your party on a selected period to watch beforehand.

Our advice is that you should watch for two or three hours between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. This is probably the best time of the day for a sighting because the sun is by then low in the sky, and, indeed, will have got right over the horizon by the end of the watch. If you are unable to

watch between these hours, then please keep vigil during a more convenient period of the day.

Should you see an object which might be a flying saucer, please note the time carefully and watch its movements through your binoculars (if available). You are advised to buy a small transparent ruler, marked in inches and centimetres (approximately 10d). When you see a UFO, hold the ruler out horizontally at arm's length and you will be able to get a reasonably accurate measurement of its length as it appears from the ground. This is probably a better method than by holding a sixpence at arm's length, which was previously advocated.

At the end of your vigil you should send a detailed report of anything you have seen to FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, 1 Doughty Street, London, W.C.1, England. Good sighting!

(Report sightings to CSI, we will send them to FSR. —Ed.)

NOTES IN SPACE WE DON'T HAVE

Another new foreign group which appears to be starting like a house afire: CENTRO DE PESQUISA DOS DISCOS VOADORES (Flying Discs Research Centre, or CPDV; Box 8449, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Their mimeographed magazine, THE FLYING SAUCER, is edited by AURIPHEBO B. SIMOES and in three issues has already gotten up to 16 pages of top-level information; it deserves your reading. Brazil is fast becoming one of the major sources of saucer information: with the CPDV magazine; the other Brazilian publication put out by CPDV's organiser, JOSE ESCOBAR FARIA (see story this issue); and the reports by DR. OLAVO FONTES of Rio de Janeiro, in the APRG BULLETIN. Keep an eye on this South American nation! Another organization in Brazil is COCOANI, headed by a former Brazilian Air Force pilot, HULVIO BRANT ALEIXO. CENTRO DE INVESTIGACAO CIVIL DOS OBJETOS AEREOS NAO IDENTIFICADOS (Belo Horizonte, Brazil) says: "Yes, the saucers do exist!"

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NICAP, Directed by Don E. Keyhoe, outstanding ufologist author, and supported by the impressive team (Board of Governors named in our last issue) really seems determined to go places. It represents the greatest challenge the "Silence Group," the pundits of pooh-pooh and Governmental agency censorship, has yet had to contend with. Director Keyhoe in recent correspondence outlines NICAPS objects and aims, asks for and promises closest co-operation with all U.F.O. research groups; details plans for setting up world-wide reporting network and states all worthy news will be reported in frequent news bulletins and a monthly magazine. Reproduced below for your information is the contents of recent news dispatches from NICAP. Your President is already a NICAP member and our 100% co-operation has been promised.

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SPECIAL BULLETIN

April 22, 1957

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS TO NICAP BOARD and SPECIAL ADVISORS PANEL to be announced soon; also a prominent citizen to succeed Admiral D. S. Fahrney, forced by his wife's illness and his heavy business pressures to withdraw as chairman. Admiral Fahrney states: "I will continue an interested member of the organization."

RUMOUR NAVY FORCED FAHRNEY TO QUIT, reported by some NICAP members, refuted by a telegram to Major D. E. Keyhoe, Director: "I sincerely believe that serious, factual investigations by NICAP should continue and I have faith in your leadership to carry out this programme. Also, I am under no compulsion to resign, this being due solely to personal reasons. Best wishes for the success of NICAP. (Signed) Admiral Delmer S. Fahrney, U.S.N., Ret."

HEAD OF NACA BACKS DOWN ON FLYING SAUCER CLAIM. On March 14, Dr. Hugh Dryden, Director National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, was publicly quoted: "Flying saucers do not exist." In answer Director Keyhoe wrote Dr. Dryden: "If you can provide absolute proof that U.F.O.'s are non-existent, I shall request the Board to dissolve this Committee at once."

In reply Dr. Dryden said he had denied reports that the Nazis had a flying saucer in 1945. (Keyhoe had already denied this story.) Next day, interviewed by WIP Philadelphia, Dr. Dryden was asked if important information on other flying saucer possibilities was withheld by the Government. Dr. Dryden: "No comment." In a second NICAP letter he was asked if he still denied existence of all flying saucers, or merely the German rumour. Replying by telegram, Dr. Dryden flatly refused to answer. NEW, IMPORTANT INFORMATION—now being included in first issue of NICAP magazine—is reason for advance of mailing data. This issue will contain: Dramatic inside stories on recent U.F.O. sightings, with details kept from the press. New documentary proof of censorship. A revolutionary plan to reveal the mass of U.F.O. sighting reports and other official information now withheld from the public. Special reports on important unpublished sightings, revealed to NICAP by commercial, private and armed forces pilots, airport tower operators and other reputable observers—including cases where witnesses were ordered or requested not to talk.

In addition to important news items, the No. 1 issue will fully report on NICAP operations, affiliation with existing U.F.O. groups, setting up new NICAP clubs and local evaluation units. Questions asked by NICAP members will be answered, either in specific articles or in a special department answering questions of wide interest to members and prospective members. Although we are still short of editorial help, we expect to mail the magazine the first week in May and thereafter on a precise monthly schedule. (All memberships now in effect will be extended to cover a one-year period and twelve issues of the magazine.)

MANY MEMBERS ARE SENDING NICAP NAMES OF PROSPECTS. Make yourself a Membership Committee of One and extend to your friends the invitation to join NICAP. **Send us lists of names!**

Meantime, I wish to thank you for your patience and the help you are giving us by sending items for this first issue. I believe you will find it well worth the enforced delay.

Sincerely,

DONALD E. KEYHOE,

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Director of NICAP.

PUBLISHED STATEMENTS ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Dr. Clyde W. Tombaugh, noted astronomer, discoverer of the planet Pluto and former chief of the Armed Forces search for unknown natural satellites, who has personally sighted U.F.O.'s: "These things, which do appear to be directed, are unlike any other phenomena I ever observed . . . No one so far has sure-fire, absolute proof . . . Other stars in our galaxy may have hundreds of thousands of inhabitable worlds. Races on these worlds may have been able to utilize the tremendous amounts of power required to bridge the space between the stars."

Dr. J. J. Kalizkewski, cosmic ray scientist on Navy project, who with other scientists sighted two cigar-shaped U.F.O.'s near Minneapolis: "They were strange, terrifically fast. I think the Government should set up a 24-hour alert with radar, telescopes, sky cameras and other instruments."

Capt. Richard Case, American Airlines, who with other pilots and thousands of people in Indianapolis sighted a large U.F.O. speeding over the city: "It was a controlled craft of some kind, going three times faster than we were." (Convair airliner was flying about 300 m.p.h.)

Capt. Richard Adickes, TWA pilot, who with crew and seven passengers, saw a glowing U.F.O. pacing their airliner near South Bend: "Before then, I wasn't convinced by the saucer reports. Now I know they do exist."

William Lear, winner of the Collier Aviation Trophy and president of Lear Inc. aircraft and electronics equipment, who sighted a U.F.O. in bright daylight: "I believe that the flying saucers come from outer space and are piloted by beings of superior intelligence."

Capt. Raymond Ryan, American Airlines, who with 44 passengers was asked by Griffis Air Force Base to chase a U.F.O. between Albany and Syracuse and to report by radio: "This was absolutely real. I'm convinced there was something fantastic up there."

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Capt. James Howard, British Transatlantic pilot with 265 crossings who with crew and 12 passengers saw a huge UFO and six small ones pacing their plane: "It must have been some weird form of spaceship from another world."

Capt. W. B. Nash, Pan American Airways, who with his co-pilot saw a formation of six huge discs manoeuvre below their airliner near Norfolk, Virginia: "I believe the discs were intelligently controlled machines from outer space."

Hermann Oberth, co-designer of the V-2 rocket, noted authority on space travel plans: "It is my thesis that flying saucers come from other worlds outside our solar system."

Col. Frank Milani, Director of Civil Defence in Baltimore, who has personally sighted UFO's: "It is a calculated risk to assume that the so-called saucers do not constitute a threat to the welfare and security of our citizens. We are given to believe they are not hostile, but information on U.F.O.'s is classified."

Flight Lieut. J. R. Salandin, Royal Air Force in England, whose R.A.F. Meteor jet almost collided head-on with a disc-shaped U.F.O. in broad daylight: "The main body was like two saucers pressed together. It appeared metallic. The object was travelling at tremendous speed."

Frank Halstead, curator of Darling Observatory in Duluth, Minnesota: "Many professional astronomers are convinced that the saucers are interplanetary machines. I believe they come from another solar system, but they may be using Mars as a base."

Albert M. Chop, former Air Force press official handling U.F.O. information at the Pentagon: "One thing is absolutely certain. We're being watched by beings from outer space."

PUBLISHED STATEMENTS ON THE QUESTIONS OF OTHER WORLDS

Dr. Harlow Shapley, former Director of Harvard Observatory: "We must now accept it as inevitable that there are other worlds with some kind of thinking beings."

Dr. Harold C. Urey, member of the International Mars Committee, former commissioner of the Atomic Energy Commission and head of Chicago University Institute for Nuclear Studies: "It is exceedingly probable that there is other life in the universe more intelligent than ours."

Rear Admiral Delmer S. Fahrney, U.S.N., Retired, famed as "the father of guided missiles" and formerly chairman of the NICAP Board of Governors: "Reliable reports indicate that there are objects coming into our atmosphere at very high speeds . . . The way they change

position in formation would indicate that their motion is directed. As long as such unidentified objects continue to navigate through the earth's atmosphere, there is an urgent need to know the facts."

Statement by Major Donald E. Keyhoe, U.S.M.C., Retired, Director of NICAP: "Our policy as set by the Board is to collect and evaluate reliable evidence by a NICAP panel of scientists, engineers, pilots, astronomers and other experts. All authentic information on U.F.O.'s will be released **uncensored** to NICAP members and to Congress, with special releases issued to the press. To carry out its programme, NICAP is developing investigative units and U.F.O. research clubs which interested persons may join. Membership in NICAP—at \$7.50—includes special bulletins and a monthly 32-page magazine containing recent U.F.O. sightings, reports on secret developments, special articles by pilots and reliable U.F.O. researchers, a new serialized history of flying saucers—with new light on famous cases—answers to members' questions, and many other features.

Regardless of membership, we shall greatly appreciate receiving news clippings or first-hand U.F.O. sighting reports." Send memberships, clippings, reports and inquiries to . . .

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NEWS FROM JAPAN . . .

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P.O. Box 18, Isogo, Post Office, Yokohama.

Delta Shaped Object Seen:

Seen over downtown Tokyo on January 26th, 1957, by two ladies, Mrs. Matsuko Hara, Infant school teacher, and a friend, a large, luminous, yellow-green, delta-shaped object was seen heading south-east on a climbing path. The observation was made at 4.30 p.m. and lasted for an estimated 10 seconds. A distinct shock blast and earthlike rumble was also experienced by the witnesses and confirmed by another school teacher, Mrs. Akiko Ikeda, who was indoors at the time.

Big Shock Blast and Saucers:

Four mysterious big shock blasts occurred in the Yokohama-Yokosuka area at noon on February 21st. The Police Headquarters and

Maritime Safety Board at Yokohama investigated the explosions and announced that "The blasts may have been sonic booms made by jet aircraft," but it was later established that no jets were in the area at that time. That same night a V formation of five "ufos" described as orange-red lights were witnessed by thousands of Yokohama citizens around 9.07 p.m. The V-lights were flying fairly low, were silent, and travelling at an estimated 130 knots. The formation was in sight for 7 minutes. Mr. A. Komaki, a member of the Japan U.F.O. investigation group, managed to photograph the formation with his 35mm camera. He was using SS film and telephoto lens (remember the similar v-formations of lights seen over Invercargill on December 28th and January 4th, 1957, reported in our last issue.—Ed.).

Small "ufo" Seen Over Old Temple in Kyoto:

A mysterious, small, round, silvery object, gliding along at a very low altitude in the Temple garden at 8.15 a.m. on March 2nd, 1957, greatly astonished three of the Priestesses. The object departed with a great rate of speed at a steep angle of ascent.

Credit Mr. Yusuke Matsumura, Director, Japan Group.

S-F MAG. STARTS BOON FOR UFOLOGY

FANTASTIC UNIVERSE SCIENCE FICTION

magazine is to be congratulated for a long overdue, serious study within its pages on the flying saucer enigma. The series began in its February issue which had a cover showing a UFO and jets, drawn by KELLY FREAS. Inside were articles by IVAN T. SANDERSON, setting the stage for the study of UFOlogy; GRAY BARKER, retelling the ALBERT K. BENDER mess; and a wonderful idea of "How to Be a Saucer Author," by DEAN McLAUGHLIN. The March issue had an outstanding first article in a series, "Shapes in the Sky," by CSI of N.Y. The April issue had a fine review of the AIME MICHEL book by the magazine's editor, HANS STEFAN SANTESSON. Coming issues will sport more by CSI and others. Hats off to King Size Publications and Stefan Santesson; the sci-fiers are awakening to a legitimate field of serious interest. Hope they add some sanity to it.

DAN FRY coined it. It's now becoming widespread in saucerdom, to describe any one of many sensational developments in the field: "SENSPACETIONAL!"

“OVERSEAS HEADLINES”

“FOUR LITTLE MEN IN GREY”

VILLAGERS SAW ‘FLYING SAUCER’ LAND

Amiens, North France, May 11 (Reuter)—French gendarmes were examining tracks on the road near the village of Beaucourt-Sur-Landre this morning which villagers said were made by a flying saucer which they claim landed last night with “four little men dressed in grey” aboard.

Police also reported finding lumps of a black lava-like substance.

The story started just after midnight when a 29-year-old Hungarian refugee, M. Michel Sekete, was cycling home. He told the police he was “dazzled by a strange projectile.”

He hid behind a telegraph pole and saw “four little men” walking along the road.

He came out from hiding and had just reached his bicycle when, he told the police, “the four little men came towards me in a threatening manner.”

M. Sekete pedalled towards the local railway station shouting to the watchman: “Let me in quickly, a flying saucer has landed and I am being attacked.”

Six people, including the station watchman and his wife, have made statements to the police saying they saw the saucer and the little men.

They said the saucer was a reddish colour and that after it took off, it hovered for several minutes above the village and then disappeared.

We have to thank our Christchurch member, Lilian Mooney, for sending in this interesting news spot from the Scottish “Daily Record,” 27th April. There have been many such incidents in recent years; investigating scientists have been greatly baffled . . .

A MYSTERY OBJECT FELL FROM THE SKY LAST NIGHT AND PLUNGED INTO THE GROUND ONLY 30 YARDS FROM A GROUP OF CARAVANS.—“Daily Record.”

It happened a mile from Busby, Lanarkshire. When the object hit the ground there was a puff of blue smoke and an explosion.

It was thought last night as experts investigated that the Thing might have plunged from the comet now nearing the earth.

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Police cars from East Kilbride, Busby, and C.I.D. officials from Hamilton County Headquarters raced to Ballantine Field, a mile from Busby, to investigate the mystery.

They saw “object”

The only people who saw the object fall from the sky were Mr. Andrew Buchanan, 55, and his 52-year-old wife, Helen, as they were returning in their car from East Kilbride to Kingsleigh, Thortonhall, to their home.

Mr. Buchanan said: “I had just turned off the main East Kilbride Road when out of the corner of my eye I spotted a flaming orange ball.

“I shouted to my wife: ‘MY GOD! What is it?’ . . . And then it plunged into the ground 20 yards away.

Mr. Buchanan and his wife got out of the car and went to the edge of the field. Then he phoned the police, and five police cars arrived and trained their headlights on the crater. C.I.D. men, carrying powerful arc lamps, moved in.

‘Cannon ball’

They took photographs of the crater and scooped samples of whitish powder from the edge of the hole. And an officer said last night:

“There was an impression at the bottom of the crater as if a cannon ball had landed with terrific force.

“AT THE MOMENT WE ARE COMPLETELY BAFFLED.”

One of the caravan dwellers, Mr. James Baxter, said:

“My wife and I were watching TV when the thing landed. Our caravan rocked. The screen went blank. We got the fright of our lives.

“I said to my wife . . . ‘Something terrible has happened. I hope it’s not another caravan explosion!’ ”

Find nothing

Police dug well below the bottom of the crater but found nothing. A police official said:

“Whatever it was it disappeared completely after exploding.”

Dr. H. E. Butler, principal scientific officer at the Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, said last night:

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"It is very unlikely that the object came from the new comet.

"IT IS MORE LIKELY TO BE AN ORDINARY METEOR."

● Only last week—less than 100 yards away—a family of five were badly burned when a stove blew up and destroyed their caravan.

"The Christian Science Monitor," Boston, Feb. 6th, 1957.

SOVIETS SAY SHIP HIT BY METEORITE

A meteorite struck the mast of the 5,670-ton Soviet steamer Ismail while in the Indian Ocean on her way from Calcutta to Odessa, Moscow radio says.

The Soviet Ministry of Merchant Marine received a radio message from the ship's captain reporting that during the night of January 28 "the space round the ship suddenly became brightly illuminated," the radio reported.

The crew of the vessel, about 100 miles from Socotra Island off the eastern coast of Africa, succeeded in finding and picking up a small splinter of the meteorite from the deck, the radio said. No damage was caused to the ship.

Credit: Lilian Mooney.

NEWS PICKUPS

RAY PALMER, whose SEARCH magazine (formerly Mystic) has continued the saucer material he started revealing in FATE, also publishes OTHER WORLD SCIENCE STORIES which is mainly science fiction. However, a forthcoming issue will show a radical change, brought about by his readers' growing interest in UFOs. The magazine, now bi-monthly, will go monthly, and change its name to FLYING SAUCERS FROM OTHER WORLDS, shifting the emphasis from the first two words to the last two each month, with the content alternating. This should be an interesting experiment, indicating the rapidly developing change wrought in the field; also Palmer's amazing mind and constant fight to keep busy and commercial. He originally asked GRAY BARKER to get involved in the FLATWOODS MONSTER affair; he promoted the SHAVER story over a decade; he published KENNETH ARNOLD'S unfortunate book; has just finished RIC WILLIAMSON'S new one ("Other Tongues—Other Flesh," \$4, Amherst Press, Amherst, Wis.); and is, I understand, writing a saucer book under his own name. A busy man, he!

"New U.S. Ambassador Impressed"

SAUCER TALES NOT ALL SILLY, TAYLOR SAYS

WASHINGTON, May 4 (UP)—Henry J. Taylor, nominated to be the new U.S. ambassador to Switzerland, believes that flying saucers may really exist.

At least 10% of flying saucer reports are "very disturbing," and must be taken seriously, he says.

Taylor, a radio commentator, was questioned about his views on aerial discs earlier this week by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which was considering his ambassadorial nomination.

The committee later approved the nomination by voice vote. Taylor's testimony was made public today.

Taylor said that "nine out of 10" claimed saucer sightings are either ridiculous, reported by publicity seekers, or a result of misconceptions, optical illusions or a hundred other different things. But there is a 10th one that is "very disturbing," he said.

He said the average 10th case has to be taken seriously because it "has been seen by too many sober-minded people, with photographic and other evidence."

"I haven't the faintest idea what is happening, I just don't know, and I don't know anybody else who knows," Taylor told the committee. "But," he said, "it is very difficult to deny that something is happening around us that we just don't quite understand."

He said "something is apparently happening in about 8 or 10% of these sightings in various parts of the world which is not clear."

Taylor said, "I just don't think that we know all the secrets of the universe yet."

Taylor also told the committee he has spent considerable time in Switzerland and is familiar with its problems.

"I feel at home in Switzerland," he said. "I believe I am competent on Switzerland."

Credit: William Johnson, Cleveland, Ohio.

"The Straits Times," May 16th, 1957.

ARE SAUCERS REAL?

YES, THEY ARE, SAYS MATHS PROFESSOR: FOR ALL I KNOW THEY MAY BE HERE TO SAVE US FROM OURSELVES IF WE START ATOM WAR'

The professor of applied mathematics at the University of Malaya, Prof. J. C. Cooke, told the Science Society of Malaya yesterday that he believed flying saucers were controlled by intelligent beings from outside the earth.

He also said that they did not appear to be hostile and might be here to save us from ourselves.

"Certainly, if we showed hostility to them they could annihilate us," said Prof. Cooke. "I personally hope that they will intervene if an atomic war starts here."

'Frightened men'

Prof. Cooke, who was lecturing on "Flying Saucers," emphasised that his audience was the "senior scientific body in the country" and pleaded with them not to fall into the common tendency to discredit the existence of these objects.

Some scientists discounted the evidence because "they did not want flying saucers to exist or were frightened of the consequences of their existence.

"Once before the war I was accused of making public statements liable to cause alarm and despondency," he said. "I trust this talk will not lead me into the same trouble.

Fear of panic

"There is no doubt that governments have suppressed the truth about flying saucers because of their fear of mass panic and hysteria.

"But there will be far more trouble caused by suppressing the truth than by broadcasting it."

Prof. Cooke said that despite such explanations, as atmospheric inversions, meteorological balloons, sundogs, optical delusions and the effects of alcohol, scientists investigating the thousands of flying saucers which had been sighted had been unable to explain away about 30 per cent of the sightings.

(At the end of his lecture, he admitted at question time that he "might have got a nought wrong" and that the unexplained percentage might be 3, not 30).

After quoting at length several accounts of the behaviour of flying saucers, their landings, and their occupants, Prof. Cooke said they fell into four groups:

● **HUGE DISCS** or flat cones, from 500 to 1,000 feet in diameter.

● **CIGAR - SHAPED** craft about 100 feet long which seemed to act as mother ships for

● **FLYING SAUCERS** proper which were spherical with a conning tower on top and small landing domes underneath, 20 to 50 feet in diameter and probably manned by two or three persons.

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● **SMALL**, brilliantly lit discs from six inches to 12 feet in diameter, a type of remote-controlled scout craft.

Prof. Cooke said Canadian scientists had investigated the third type and in 1953 planned to build a flying saucer on a propulsion theory based on Einstein's "unified field theory."

(FOOTNOTE: Professor Cooke announced his resignation from the University in April; he is to join the staff of the Ministry of Supply's Royal Aircraft establishment at Farnborough, Hampshire, England.)

"The Straits Times," May 17th, 1957.

PROFESSOR NO. 2 BACKS THE "FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" IDEA

Flying Saucers were the most widely discussed subject at the University of Malaya yesterday—among students and faculty members alike.

And at least one other professor supported the views of the Professor of Applied Mathematics, Prof. J. C. Cooke.

It was Prof. Cooke who started it all when he told the Science Society of Malaya on Wednesday that he believed flying saucers were "controlled by intelligent beings from outside the Earth."

The head of the Chemistry Department, PROF. R. A. ROBINSON, yesterday supported him.

"I think Prof. Cooke's attitude is quite correct. I wouldn't say it's impossible or incredible that flying saucers are controlled in this way," said Prof. Robinson.

Keep Open Mind

"It is not so long ago that scientists thought they had proved that man could never fly and that an iron ship must inevitably sink.

"The proper attitude for a scientist to take is to preserve an open mind until there is more conclusive evidence available."

ENGLISH REPRESENTATIVE

We take pleasure in announcing that Bryan Essenhigh, 27 Bradbourne Vale Rd., Sevenoaks, Kent, has been appointed CSI English Rep. Bryan has kept us well informed of the 'ufo' scene in his homeland and forwarded much valuable documentary material. Our sincere thanks, Bryan.

Frank Edwards is back on the air! He is sponsored by Pabst Brewing Company of Chicago over WLS, a 50,000 watt clear channel station at 890 on the dial . . . Mondays through Friday nights at 10:30 CST. Pabst is considering extending the programme to other stations in other cities. If you would like to hear Frank Edwards on your local radio station, why not tell his sponsors so? Just write to Pabst Brewing Company, Merchandise Mart, Chicago 54, Illinois. Do it today, won't you?

(American Stations.—Ed.)

Astonishing New Contact Claim

SAUCERS OVER TIBET . . .

by Dr. T. Lobsang Rampa

Dr. T. Lobsang Rampa became a high-ranking Lama in Tibet before the Communist invasion. His recently-published best-selling autobiography "The Third Eye" is a fascinating account of his life in that country. The son of a Tibetan noble, Lobsang Rampa's future was foreseen by the court astrologers, and he had no choice but to take up a monastic career. In early childhood he was cut off completely from his family and subjected to incredible hardships. However, he showed such remarkable progress that at an early stage the Dalai Lama decreed that his exceptional powers of clairvoyance should be heightened by a surgical operation on his forehead, known as the opening of the "third eye."*

FLYING SAUCERS? Of course there are flying saucers! I have seen many both in the sky and on the ground, and I have even been for a trip in one.

Tibet is the most convenient country of all for flying saucers. It is remote from the bustle of the everyday world, and is peopled by those who place religion and scientific concepts before material gain. Throughout the centuries the people of Tibet have known the truth about flying saucers, what they are, why they are, how they work, and the purpose behind it all. We know of the flying saucer people as the gods in the sky in their fiery chariots. But let me relate an incident which certainly has never been told before in any country outside of Tibet, and which is utterly true.

The day was bitter. Frozen pellets of ice, driven by the howling gale, hammered like bullets into our flapping robes and tore the skin off any exposed surface. The sky was a vivid purple with patches of startlingly white cloud which raced off into the hinterland. Here, nearly twenty thousand feet above the sea, in the Chang Tang Highlands of Tibet, we were toiling upwards, upwards.

At our last resting place, some five miles behind us, a voice had come into our consciousness: "Strive on, my brothers. Strive on, and enter the fog belt again, for there is much for you to see." The seven of us, all high lamas from the lamaseries of Tibet, had had much telepathic communication with the Gods of the Skies. From them we had learned the secret of the chariots which sped swiftly across our

land and which sometimes alighted in remote districts.

Onwards we climbed, higher and higher, clawing a foot-hold in the hard earth, forcing our fingers into the slightest crevice in the rocks. At last we reached the mysterious fog belt again, and entered. Soon we were through it and into the wonderfully heated land of a by-gone age.

"A day's march more, my brothers," said the voice," and you shall see a chariot of old."

For that night we rested in the warmth and comfort of the Hidden Land. We found ease and relaxation on a soft bed of moss, and in the morning we gratefully bathed in a warm, broad river before setting out on another day's march. Here in this land there were pleasant fruits which we took with us for our meal, a satisfactory change indeed from the eternal tsampa!

Throughout that day we journeyed upwards through pleasant trees of rhododendron and walnut, and others the like of which we had not seen before. All the time we were rising upwards, and all the time we were in this pleasant warm land. With nightfall upon us we made our camp beneath some trees, and lit our fire, then rolled ourselves in our robes, and fell asleep. With the first light of dawn we were again ready to continue our journey. For perhaps another two to two and a half miles we marched, and then came to an open clearing. Here we were stopped, dumbfounded with amazement; the clearing before us was vast, and incredible.

The open plain we saw was perhaps five miles across, and the scene was so strange that even now I hesitate to write because of the knowledge that I shall be disbelieved. The plain was about five miles across and at its distant side there was a vast sheet of ice extending upwards, like a sheet of glass reaching toward the heavens. But that was not the strangest thing before us, for the plain contained a ruined city, and yet some buildings were quite intact. Some buildings, in fact, looked almost new. Nearby, in a spacious courtyard, there was an immense metal structure which reminded me of two of our temple dishes, clamped together, and it was clearly a vehicle of some sort.

My guide, the Lama Mingyar Dondup, broke our awed silence, saying, "This was the home of the Gods half a million years ago. During those

days men strove against the Gods, and invented a device to shatter an atom which wrought disaster on the earth, causing lands to rise and lands to sink, destroying mountains and creating anew. This was a mighty city, the metropolis, and here was once the sea-shore. The convulsion of the earth which followed an explosion raised this land thousands of feet, and the shock of that explosion altered the rotation of the earth. We shall go closer, and we shall see other parts of the city embedded in the ice of the glacier—a glacier which, in this hot valley, has gently melted, leaving intact these ancient buildings.”

We listened in fascinated silence, and then, as if by one common impulse, we moved forward. Only as we came close to the buildings did it become apparent to us that the people who had lived here must have been not less than twelve feet tall. Everything was on a giant scale, and I was forcibly reminded of those huge figures which I had seen deep in the hidden vaults of the Potala.

We approached the strange vehicle of metal. It was immense. Perhaps fifty or sixty feet across, and now dulled with age. We saw a ladder extending up into a dark opening and, feeling as if we trod sacred ground, we crept up, one by one; the Lama Mingyar Dondup went first and soon disappeared into the dark hole. I was next, and as I reached the top of the ladder and stepped inside the metal hull I saw my guide bending over what looked to be a sloping table in this large metal room. He touched something, and a bluish light came, and there was a faint hum. To our horrified amazement, at the far end of the room figures appeared and walked toward us and spoke to us. Our first impulse was to turn and run, to flee this house of magic, but a voice in our brains stopped us. “Be not afraid,” it said, “for we were aware of your coming and have been so aware this last hundred years. We made provision so that those who were intrepid enough to enter this vessel should know the past.” We were held as if hypnotised, powerless to move, powerless to obey our animal instincts and escape. “Be seated,” said the voice, “for this will be long, and tired men do not listen well.” We sat, the seven of us in a row, facing the end of the room, and waited. For some seconds the buzzing continued. The light in the room faded, and we were in a darkness so profound that we could not see our hands before us. Some seconds later the buzzing stopped and there was a faint click, then upon the wall appeared pictures—pictures so utterly strange that they were almost beyond our comprehension. Pictures of a mighty city among whose ruins we now sat, a city beside the sea upon which rode many strange craft.

Overhead, disc-like vehicles soared through the air, soundlessly, effortlessly. Upon the shore of golden sands giant figures strode amongst waving palm trees. We could hear the sound of happy voices, of children at play as they splashed in the surf. We saw scenes in the streets, in the houses, in the public buildings. Without warning, we saw as if from some craft in the air. It reminded me so vividly of my kite flying that I almost clutched a non-existent cross-bar. Then there was a dreadful boom, and from afar a mushroom-shaped cloud soared miles to the heavens, a cloud shot with crimson and yellow, as if the very breath of the gods was fire.

Engulfed

From our vantage point we saw buildings topple, and people fleeing for their lives. Then, from out of the distance roared a huge wave of the sea, perhaps fifty feet, perhaps a hundred feet high. It struck the land and engulfed the houses—the once stately metropolis. The earth shook, the picture swirled, and faded, and grew again. We had an impression of falling, spinning, and all was blackness. For what seemed to be a long time we sat wonderingly in the darkness. A picture came on the wall again, but this time a different picture. We saw the clearing, and in it were strange craft, such as that in which we now sat. Men seemed to be doing maintenance work, servicing. Craft were continuously arriving and departing. There seemed to be many different types of people, ranging from those about fifteen feet tall to some about five feet tall. The picture changed, and we saw views outside the earth, and a view of the dark side of the moon. The voice of the screen gave us an explanation throughout the picture. We learned that there was an Association, a White Brotherhood, composed of incarnate and discarnate entities. Those who were incarnate came from many different planets, and they had as their one aim the safeguarding of life. Man, we were told, was certainly not the highest form of evolution, and these people, these guardians, worked for creatures of all kinds, not merely for man.

Invasion

We were told Tibet was to be invaded, and that the invaders, Communists, would be as a disease on the body of the earth. Communism, we were told, would be eradicated and in the age to follow creatures of all kinds would commune together as in the days of long ago.

Tibet was to be invaded. But even Tibet could play her part with telepathic lamas who could so easily contact spaceships.

Earth, they said, was a colony, and these people of outer space supervised the earth so

that they could mitigate the effects of atomic radiation and, it was hoped, save the people of earth from blowing their world to pieces.

We, the seven telepathic lamas, were taken in a spaceship, and up into the air. We saw, in half an hour, our land of Tibet—a land which it would take three months for a man on a fast horse to cross. Then, with no increase in gravity, with no sensation of speed, we were taken out of the atmosphere and into space.

WE know how these spaceships work. WE know why they can turn so quickly, and why

those within them are not affected by centrifugal force, but that is for another occasion.

This is true. No matter how strange it seems, no matter how impossible or fantastic, *IT STILL IS TRUE*. If you do not believe it—then that is indeed your loss; many others have done this also, but have remained silent for fear of ridicule. I, of the East, have suffered so much from the West that I am now immune to what they think.

**The Third Eye*, Secker & Warburg, London, 18s.
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MANY FORMS OF NATURAL PHENOMENA

Associates are strongly advised to enlarge their knowledge from the many excellent publications on how to better recognise the many common and uncommon forms natural phenomena may take. There is no denying that many reported observations of "unusual things in the sky" can be truthfully explained as unrecognised manifestations of natural phenomena or mistaken identity. Then again, too, we caution those who are too ready to lightly dismiss expert observations.

"ANGELS HAIR"

A series of falls of "Threads from the Sky" during April and May were reported to CSI. The falls occurred in Auckland, Christchurch, Leeston and Timaru. The largest fall apparently occurred at Leeston (little south of Christchurch) from where a generous sample was forwarded to headquarters by Mrs. N. E. MacKenzie. This sample has been photographed and analysed. The findings of Mr. L. S. Spackman, Analyst and Consulting Chemist, of Auckland, is that the material is spider-web, more technically known as Gossamer. A special feature article on this subject is being prepared and will be published most likely in the next issue.

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Our delayed report on officers of CIVILIAN SAUCER INTELLIGENCE OF NEW YORK: President, JOHN DUBARRY, former Aviation editor of TRUE, responsible for DONALD KEYHOE'S interest in saucers, and prominent aviation writer and enthusiast; Vice-President for Public Relations, IVAN T. SANDERSON, lecturer, author, naturalist, UFOlogist; Secretary, ALEXANDER MEBANE, who has so well occupied that post for a period of time during which CSI has best defined its aims and methods and outdone itself in operations; Treasurer, ISABEL DAVIS, one of the 'big three' who devote so much time to keeping CSI going and making it the outstanding civilian saucer group; and Research Director, TED BLOECHER, who in spite of a lack of extensive technical training (i.e., he is not a Ph.D. or professional astronomer, etc., as demanded by Menzel et al), is especially capable in that office, particularly with his astonishing photomemory.

CSI's most recent public meeting heard a very well-prepared and most informative and amusing illustrated lecture by the Rev. ALBERT BALLER of Greenfield, Mass., entitled "Mystery in the Skies." Baller is a member of the NICAP Board of Governors (see story this issue). In a members' meeting 8th March, reports on NICAP, 'little men' stories, the ESFA meeting, and a tape by WAVENEY GIRVAN (see excerpts this issue) were heard.

The CSI NEWS LETTER No 6 for December "is devoted for the most part to recent events which, in the editor's opinion, are not genuine." The writers outline their case for "The Need for Outspoken Criticism":

1. **"Everyone who has been seriously interested in UFOs for some time comes to realize that in addition to the genuine or apparently genuine data, there are three kinds of spur-**

ious pseudo-data that have to be weeded out and rejected: the false stories produced by deliberate and cynical hoaxers, the false stories produced by the insane or emotionally unstable, and the honest errors of observation that result from mistaking some natural or man-made object for a UFO.

2. **"Frank criticism, disagreeable as it may be, is essential for our own education. It takes some time for a novice in UFO research to develop a judicious attitude; he almost always begins by accepting more than he should, and with increasing experience makes the painful discovery that he has lots of 'unlearning' to do.**
3. **"Unless we have the courage publicly to repudiate the spurious, we shall not only betray our responsibility to other UFO students, and become a laughing-stock to the public at large, we shall also disappoint and repel those who are able to make the discriminations which we have shirked. There are many intelligent persons, particularly in the field of science, who realize that the subject of UFOs must have some factual basis; but on looking into the literature of the field, they have found it is riddled with evident fraud, and that even the would-be factual works are marred by over-enthusiastic acceptance of the dubious. So long as 'saucer research' is of this calibre, they will not endanger their own reputations by acknowledging their interest in it. They are capable of recognizing the irrationality of total rejection, as exemplified by DONALD MENZEL; but they will not accept a GEORGE ADAMSKI, or even an H. T. WILKINS, as an alternative. They demand—and it is a justifiable demand—leadership which is not too obviously vulnerable to the ridicule of the skeptics."**

This particular issue of CSI NEWS LETTER (CSI of N.Y., Lex Mebane, Secy., 245 West 104 St., Apt. 8-B, New York 25, N.Y.—note new address) is worthy of retention for posterity; if you don't have a copy try to get one. It runs to 25 pages of solid-packed reporting and editorialization.

NOTE: The writer is a layman whose mind is open on Flying Saucers—riddle of the age! He believes men should seek until they find the truth about this provocative subject.

Truth and Flying Saucers

By DUNCAN CAMERON CAMPBELL

MAY, 1957 —WASHINGTON, D.C.

Are flying saucers coming to Earth?

Are they friend or foe?

Why don't the space beings contact the heads of governments—or have they done so and been suppressed?

In the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" we are told God's truth is marching on. So it is, ever has been, and ever will be.

Truth is marching on in the search for facts about UFO—Unidentified Flying Objects, or Flying Saucers. An exciting development in this phenomenal search for truth is the formation in Washington, D.C., of a nation-wide organization* engaged in sifting fancies from facts on flying saucers.

Here is a subject full of mysteries and perplexities. Dozens of books have been written on flying saucers—and nobody knows how many hundreds more are being written. Numerous individuals have claimed contact with space people. Others state they have been alerted for space travel.

A leading author has said 20,000 sightings have been reported. A military expert has declared that no agency in this country or Russia is able to duplicate at this time the speeds and accelerations which radars and trained observers indicate these flying objects are able to achieve, and that there are signs an intelligence directs them because of the way they fly.

Government officials report a percentage of unsolved cases but furnish scant information to clarify the mystery. Security requirements may account for some reluctance to share facts with the taxpayer but despite censorship much documentary evidence is now on the public record.

Hundreds of detailed reports of the so-called flying saucers have been published in newspapers, magazines and books. These reports have come not only from the rank and file of

men and women but also from technically trained pilots, professional and amateur astronomers, radar men, engineers and other fully qualified observers. Anyone who will may examine the evidence.

THE PROBLEM IS SERIOUS

A candid survey of the evidence proves the flying saucer problem is a serious one. Reports indicate that men have been killed chasing saucers, while others have disappeared completely—plane, crew and all. Terrifying near collisions have been reported.

Documentary colour movies of flying saucers have been widely exhibited in theatres, further accentuating the reality of the problem and the need to know the facts.

If thousands who declare they have seen UFO are mistaken, the reason should be made known. The nation should be aroused to the possibilities of danger through mass acceptance of error, if nothing more. Deliberate deception should be exposed.

On the other hand, if "intelligent beings" from other planets are visiting Earth, we ought to get acquainted. Is it too much to expect that "intelligent beings" on Earth can solve this mystery? What steps can be taken toward solving the riddle?

Confronted with a problem of this nature, many are indifferent. Others resent threats to their way of life. Some think it is morally wrong to look beyond orthodox science and religion. A few search diligently for authentic information.

The history of progress proves that dedicated minorities often change history itself.

WHAT IS TRUTH?

What is truth? How may truth be applied effectively to the case of flying saucers?

Truth shows facts in a clear light without disguise or prejudice. Truth "endureth to all

*National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, 1536 Connecticut Avenue, Washington 6, D.C.

generations." It has nothing to conceal, while its entrance dispels darkness, deceit, delusion.

The search for truth applied to UFO is being conducted on two fronts: objective and subjective. There is disagreement among the researchers as to the pre-eminence of these frontiers. In the interests of truth, it is important and even imperative that both fronts be explored.

Men believed for centuries that the earth was flat. Later Galileo and others subjectively concluded the earth was round, but men refused to accept this premise until Columbus set foot on the shores of the western world and proved its roundness objectively. Madame Curie postulated tremendous potentials in the atom, but it took years and billions of dollars before her theories were proved objectively.

In the Bible we find Pilate asking "What is truth?" when Jesus stood before him. Pilate listened to the evidence—at least that much can be said in his favour! Jesus had lived the truth before men openly and finally Pilate had to answer his own question. "I find no fault in this man."

There is no fault in truth and there is no fault in seeking truth. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

WHY SEEK THE TRUTH?

To seek the truth for the sake of knowing the truth is noble, but to seek the truth to set men free is still more noble. The incentive of freedom has always caused some people to dedicate their lives to the task of uncovering the whole truth in all kinds of subjects.

It is sometimes a long, hard task to find the truth that sets men free, but the consecrated seeker can be satisfied with nothing less than the truth.

Those engaged in the intensive search for truth about cancer, for instance, are trying every possibility even remotely promising—one of the latest being trance mediumship, hoping for subjective responses that can be demonstrated in a helpful way objectively.

In the field of aerial phenomena people throughout the world have formed "saucer clubs" in an effort to uncover the truth about UFO. The spontaneous growth of these clubs and their magazines is a sensational development of the times in which we live. Hundreds of people of all ages are meeting regularly to study Ufology. Housewife, store clerk, labourer, doctor, farmer, scientist, minister—all seem to be equally concerned. They want the facts. They are giving time, money and energy to find the truth. They have a certain irresistible

enthusiasm. They appear sincere. No obstacle seems to thwart their determination to get the correct answers to their questions.

TRUTH IRRESPECTIVE OF PERSONS

Philosophers have always pointed out that truth is no respecter of persons. They look askance at the inclination of the masses to accept blindly the dictatorial edicts of those in power as being final authority for truth. Enlightenment requires constant work ferreting out facts to reveal higher truth.

Experience teaches that truth is not the sole possession of those in high positions. It is entirely possible that a man with no truth in him could come into our assembly and be given a good place among us, merely because he wears good clothes and a gold ring—so to speak. It is equally possible that a man could bring us profound truth, yet be scornfully rejected because he is a poor man in "vile raiment." Degrees of authority and wealth are not necessarily evidences of eternal truth.

"All great truths begin in blasphemies," declared Bernard Shaw. Until recently what could have been more blasphemed and blasted than flying saucers? It seems only natural to ridicule the unfamiliar. The fearful thing is usually the unknown—and when it is known, it is no longer fearful.

HAS RIDICULE RUN ITS COURSE?

Potentially there are stupendous truths waiting to be revealed when the flying objects are fully identified. It is time to examine exhaustively whatever reliable evidence is at hand.

Actually, the belittling phase of UFO study may have run its course already. This is indicated by the unimpeachable character and life achievement of the scientists, educators, retired generals, admirals, astronomers and other outstanding citizens who have stated publicly their interest in working with reliable organizations to obtain the truth on aerial phenomena.

The purpose of the serious researchers is becoming evident. They have vowed to uncover the facts about interplanetary communication. They have brought the subject into the limelight of unquestioned respectability. Speculation and investigation of the flying saucers have become exceedingly popular. UFO—provocative riddle of the age!—may soon become obsolete in terminology at least, if the researchers succeed in identifying what is now classified as unidentified.

MANKIND IS CROSSMINDED

At the moment, mankind is woefully cross-minded on UFO. All kinds of conflicting reports have been published on the subject. The evi-

dence must be considered carefully. It must be weighed on the scales of exact truth.

As matters now stand, if the researchers do no more than prove the non-existence of flying craft from outer space, they will render a public service of inestimable worth. If they establish proof of spaceships visiting Earth from other planets, all the world will suddenly awaken to the possibilities of a great new era of pioneering.

If it were not for determined seekers of truth, progress would cease. Inventors and discoverers who are seeking the betterment of mankind are consecrated to their tasks. They are persistent learners and doers. The world is immensely better off because they persevere. They love their fellowman and seek truth for the common good instead of glory or gain for themselves. Christian Love and Truth are two of the most powerful forces in the world. When they go arm in arm they are invincible.

SOME VIEWS ARE EXTREME

The views of some individuals on UFO seem radical and wild. Frequently these persons are referred to as crackpots. The so-called fringe element in flying saucer circles offends many serious-minded students of the subject.

Every sensational enigma attracts the mentally unstable. It is not wise, however, to dismiss "crazy ideas" with a shrug. Great ideas are often introduced by men labelled visionaries. With so many facets to truth, who can say that some of the truth may not emerge from the imaginations of the dreamers? At least they explore possibilities that the orthodox ignore. Truth, like gold, is where you find it.

MINDS SHOULD BE OPEN

More to be shunned are the individuals with closed minds. Instead of dealing with facts they deal in prejudices. Their biased slants will never be cleared until they cultivate open minds. In the flying saucer controversy, this openmindedness must apply to both the objective and the subjective researcher—and their attitude toward one another.

The truth seeker is resilient. He is willing to change his mind if evidence clearly warrants a fresh viewpoint.

Most people believe there have not been enough facts disclosed about flying saucers to justify a dogmatic opinion. Neither are there facts enough to disprove the theories of the unorthodox. More information is needed to satisfy either skeptic or believer.

TRUTH HAS TWO SIDES

Whether one calls truth objective or subjective, physical or metaphysical, esoteric or exoteric, microcosmic or macrocosmic, psychic

or parapsychic—or by any other terminology, so long as it is actual truth—all truth is part of the whole truth. Therefore, truth seekers on all paths must learn to recognize that the roads they travel may lead to only one small segment of the total truth. The wise one acknowledges quite early in his journey toward truth that other honest seekers he meets may also be on the right road to ultimate truth. Accordingly, he conducts himself with humility and love at all times. He practices the Golden Rule. He avoids epithets. He patiently exchanges his portion of the truth with those portions others have found. He keeps free from pride, rancor and phariseism. Never does the wise man claim that he alone has found all the truth.

The majority of UFO fact finders are seeking the truth through objective channels in so-called orthodox methods. There should be no quarrel over that. The intention of these researchers is above reproach. They want to prove or disprove assertions of various authors and speakers who contend that flying saucers are physical vehicles from other planets. They want to do this through existing channels that have produced results in other notable efforts to advance the truth. They believe if certain sensational claims cannot be upheld by the empirical methods of testing the truth, then the claimants must face the uncompromising effects they bring on themselves by half-truths or untruth.

What they are desiring is to open the channels of truth that may be needlessly blocked by ignorance, entrenched power or deceitfulness. Settled schools of thought may have to accept new findings.

In the end, a flood of truth can and will wash away any blockage, these earnest researchers believe.

HOAXERS WILL BE EXPOSED

It is noted that the serious researcher gives solemn warning that he will do all he can to expose the prevaricator, if a fair hearing warrants such action for the sake of truth. He also intends to expose men and women whose motives are questionable. It is sad but true that there are those characters who patently deceive the public. They practice guile for the purpose of gain. In addition to these unprincipled ones, the truth crusader hopes to clear up part of the flying saucer mystery by eliminating—as kindly as possible—the cases where imaginative yarns are foisted on the public by schizophrenic tendencies to demand notoriety at any cost. Nevertheless, the name-calling researcher who thinks he has found a hoaxer must himself be careful that he does not suppress saucer tales that are exceedingly unusual, for

it is quite possible that some of the unusual stories are true.

SUBJECTIVE RESEARCH PROGRESSES

The broadminded researcher acknowledges that an honest search for truth is making progress in the purely subjective realm of knowledge. Mental telepathy experiments, seances, hypnotism tests, extrasensory perception and other more or less intangible avenues to truth are gaining public credence—if not acceptance by the orthodox leaders. Where objective measurements are shown, the evidence is impressive in some circles of thought.

Whatever throws light on truth cannot be spurned by an honest man. But until the subjective can be evaluated accurately by objective procedures of true science, the level-headed student of aerial phenomena joins the ever-increasing group that seeks the UFO solution by rational methods. They want courtroom evidence regarding flying saucers and flying saucer characters—whether claiming to come from Four Corners Village of the West Side of the Moon.

FACTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES

The disciple of truth wants to know the facts. He wants opportunity to examine all the evidence on UFO. The facts will speak for themselves. Men with public welfare at heart are always able to weigh the facts when they know them.

Intelligent freemen are able to face the revealed truth and make whatever decisions may be necessary for the common good of humanity.

Premature opinions or commitments are avoided by the wise UFO student. In the search for truth each person has a unique part. The individual pools his part with others to save time and energy.

GREAT QUESTIONS ARE INVOLVED

If flying saucers actually visit Earth from outer space, many questions must be answered. Any list of questions only gives rise to others, but here are a few that would make the Unidentified Flying Objects become Identified Flying Objects—if they could be answered!

Are the bombs of annihilation responsible for the flying saucers?

Have genuine communications been received on Earth from UFO through personal contact, telepathy, radio or otherwise—as alleged by various Earth dwellers? And if so, how can the contact stories be proved or disproved?

Why don't saucers land en masse and convince everybody of their reality and their intentions? Have such craft landed or crashed?

Have any of our people had opportunity to examine their construction?

Can UFO become invisible, as some reports indicate? Are they extradimensional with ability to change vibration—or is this idea pure fiction?

Do UFO utilize etheric channels of power and speed unknown to scientists?

IS WORLD ECONOMY THREATENED?

Would the potentially revolutionary changes—predicted on the reality of spaceships—have such an impact on the world economy as to cause those in authority to suppress the truth?

In what language do the space beings communicate with earthmen?

Is the present visitation of spaceships to Earth the most significant occurrence since the resurrection of Jesus, as some believers assert?

Would travel between Earth and other planets become commonplace in a short time?

Will religious philosophies face revision when and if saucers are proved to be real?

Will modern educational standards be outmoded? Would the appalling extent of man's ignorance of his destiny, the universe and life itself be exposed?

Would the social, cultural, economic and engineering regimes of Earth be altered to man's great benefit or to his great detriment?

THE TRUTH WILL OUT!

It is ever the prompting of the great soul to seek out solutions of problems. Truth finds ways to make known the unknown.

At present one can only theorize on the flying saucer problem. Probably no one really knows the answer as yet. It is true that many sincere individuals have ideas, premises, surmises, hopes, fears, dreams—but no one has come forward with enough facts to convince the general public. The truth needs be pinpointed and publicized.

Eventually the right answers will be found. Truth will be tracked to the last hidden corner. It is the nature of truth to be revealed ultimately.

WHO WILL SOLVE THE RIDDLE?

Another question of keen interest concerns the seeker of truth: Who is most likely to get the answer first? Will the scientist wrestling with secrets of antigravitics be the first to solve this great riddle about interplanetary exploration?

Will the satellite builders "get there first?"

Will the seers, clairvoyants and the mystics "see the light" more clearly and quickly? Or could it be that most of the honest seekers are arriving at truth more or less simultaneously?

ANSWERS MUST BE SOUND

These and other questions of great portent must be considered. The substitution of guesses for facts is not acceptable. Day-dreaming must yield to rational thinking. Moreover, the true student of flying saucers will not rest until he gets sound answers.

It is highly important to persuade men to examine and weigh the evidence pertaining to this problem. A few brave individuals have risked the scorn of their neighbours in an effort to bring the matter before the attention of intelligent and fair-minded people. When thousands are convinced that enough evidence exists to justify a thorough investigation, they will support that investigation.

EARTH IS NOW SPACE CONSCIOUS

This is an era of swift change. It is demonstrated by development of the bombs, application of atomic energy to various peacetime uses, marvels of electronics, and launching of satellites into space.

Dedicated truth-seekers are being enlightened—yes, illuminated!—as never before. The evidence is mounting throughout the entire world.

A CHILD ASKS A QUESTION

Truth is ageless. Many young people of today are thinking clear, long thoughts. Perhaps beardless youths—their minds stretched wide by science fiction, if you please!—will sit in the midst of their elders and speak wisdom that cannot be denied.

Even the younger children expect the right answers these days. With open minds they watch television space programmes, read the superman “funnies” and listen with understanding to the transcendent teachings of the Bible.

A certain four-year-old was playing flying saucers. He wanted to know if spaceships would sail on the ocean. When he was told spaceships go straight up, he looked heavenward for a second then asked seriously, “What will God say about that?”

The child was close to the truth. He was aware of the Author of Truth.

Mankind may well seek the truth about flying saucers by turning to the Source of truth. Meantime, it is encouraging to know that—

GOD'S TRUTH IS MARCHING ON!

EDITOR'S NOTE: The very sad news has just been received that the author of the excellent free lance review, “TRUTH & FLYING SAUCERS,” quite suddenly and unexpectedly passed away on June 6th. Word has just been received via airletter from Major Keyhoe, who further states: “This was a tremendous shock to us all here. Mrs. Rose Hackett Campbell, wife of the deceased, is a key member of our administrative staff. This great shock naturally caused her temporary absence from NI-CAP headquarters, subsequently the first issue of our magazine, already delayed by several setbacks, has been further delayed. However, it is almost completed and will soon be with the printers.” Keyhoe's letter was dated 10th June. Our sincere condolences are extended to Mrs. Campbell in her sad loss.

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FLYING SAUCERS ARE NO LONGER A JOKE

THE SECRET OF ROOM 801

Reynolds News Reporter

In Room 801 of what was once the Hotel Metropole, Britain's Air Ministry is investigating Flying Saucers—and that's official. After years of speculation it can now be revealed that Defence Chiefs are taking the Flying Saucer SERIOUSLY.

Not only is there this special department for following up all “Saucer” reports but there is action, too.

At airfields all over Britain, fighter planes are kept ready to intercept, and if necessary engage, any unidentified flying object within combat range.

The heart of all this activity—Room 801—was once an attic on the ninth floor of the former hotel building in London's Northumberland Avenue, off Trafalgar Square.

Its existence was admitted last night by an Air Ministry spokesman. He disclosed that it has been investigating Flying Saucer reports since 1947. “We have something like 10,000 on our files,” he said.

Mystery Remains

Many of these had been “cleared up.” But there were some that could not be explained.

“This is why nobody in the know is prepared to say that ALL reports about these mystery objects are nonsense,” he added.

Earlier, I spoke to a man who has been inside Room 801. Its secrets are well guarded. But hanging over three padlocked filing cabinets is a map of the British Isles covered with thousands of coloured pins.

“The heaviest concentration of pins,” he said, “appears to be over the Norwich area.”

Again I talked to Mr. R. R. Russell, a Board of Trade technician, who has reported flying saucer sightings to the Ministry. He showed me some special forms on which these reports have to be made.

The Ministry, he said, always insisted on the greatest secrecy.

DONATIONS

Our sincere thanks goes out to Miss V. E. J. Allan and Mr. J. D. McLeod, Mrs. Lambert and Mrs. O. Weitzner for generous donations to our library and research fund.

I, George Adamski do Solemnly Swear!

We reproduce this "letter to the Editor" (ILLUSTRATED, London, early 1955) which you may not have seen. It may help you decide re George Adamski's claims. CSI headquarters neither encourages or discourages belief in such-like claims. However, in view of the evidence of this nature, no one can afford to completely reject it nor is it wise to go completely overboard with it.

From Desmond Leslie, joint author with George Adamski of the best-seller, "Flying Saucers Have Landed."

Sir,

Your readers may be interested in a personal impression of George Adamski, the first man to claim that he has spoken to a visitor from outer space (ILLUSTRATED Book Choice, **Flying Saucer!** February 19).

I stayed with Adamski for nearly three months last summer. He lives in a bungalow three thousand feet up on the western slopes of Mount Palomar, the large table mountain in Southern California, on the other side of which, two thousand feet higher up, is the world's greatest telescope.

Adamski is a tall, well-built man of sixty-four. There is humour and sympathy in his enormous deep black eyes. Now that he has retired, he spends most of his time writing or studying the stars through his two telescopes, a six-inch and an eighteen-inch—the latter housed under a dome. About five years ago many amateur astronomers were asked to keep a lookout for unusual objects in the sky and to photograph them if they could. Mount Palomar has the clearest air in the world (that's why the big observatory was built on the summit), and Adamski was fortunate enough after a while to get a few pictures of objects that were not aircraft, meteorites or stars. By that time he was keenly interested in flying saucers. He redoubled his efforts to obtain more pictures.

The climax of his search came in November, 1952, when he and a party of six other people reported seeing a high, cigar-shaped craft in the desert. Shortly afterwards he reported the famous contact with a saucer, on the ground as told in the book **Flying Saucers Have Landed**, which I co-authored with him. I wrote this book in 1951-1952, and had actually completed my section before I ever heard of Adamski. I did not meet him in person until my visit last summer.

I was a little apprehensive of meeting this now fabulous character. I found him simple, sincere and very likeable. I questioned him fairly thoroughly, recording the essential questions on tape. For example: "How is it you got these pictures through your little six-inch telescope, while the great 200-inch telescope over the mountain has none?"

"Have you ever tried shooting pigeons with a big naval gun?" he returned. "These saucers don't stand still. It's hard enough to get a shot even with this tiny telescope. Anyway, I'm not sure the 'big eye' hasn't got pictures. I've heard it has. But I'm by no means the only one to contact a saucer on the ground."

Adamski, I could tell, was what one might call a "God-fearing man," so I asked whether he believed it would be wrong to invent a story like this and fool a number of sincere people. The answer he recorded for me was emphatic:

"I, George Adamski, do solemnly swear that the contact with a man from a flying saucer which I wrote about in **Flying Saucers Have Landed** is true in every respect and is a true physical experience. I am sixty-four and getting near the end of my life. I believe I shall soon have to give an account to a Superior Being. I would not care to face Him with a lie like that on my soul. Therefore, I swear that were I to die tonight and be given a chance to take back all I have said, I could not do so. I could only repeat it, for every word of it is true."

We were later visited by Daniel Fry, a government rocket engineer, who claimed to have gone inside a saucer that landed one evening in 1950 at White Sands guided missile range, New Mexico, two years before the experiences reported by Adamski. Fry struck me as an intelligent and matter-of-fact kind of man; neither the type to suffer from delusions nor the type to invent fairy tales.

When I took my leave of Adamski last August, he said: "Desmond, I just happened to be one of the first. But many others are going to meet these ships on the ground and talk to their crews as time goes by. In fact, if you get back to Europe by October you'll find it already starting."

I arrived in Europe in mid-October. By then, landings were being reported all over France and Italy. I went on to Rome, where the Press contained landing reports and sightings (including photographs) almost every day for a month.

I can only suggest that owners of cameras in this country keep them loaded and to hand.

DESMOND LESLIE.

Outerspace Humanity Bound to Almighty God by Religious Ties

By Dr. Benjamin D. Benincasa

(Note: The accompanying article is Dr. Benincasa's summary of the Preface to his book-length manuscript, THE THEOLOGIAN'S APPROACH TO RELIGION ON OTHER PLANETS.)

With the rapid approach of the International Geophysical Year, Earth astronauts appear ready to take the first step in the direction of interplanetary air travel. A generation ago, the possibility of aircraft passage between the planets was scornfully waved aside as a pipe dream by conservative intellectuals of both Europe and America. However, shortly after the conclusion of World War II, there appeared a gradual though recognizable change of mind. Realism supplanted romanticism; respect replaced ridicule.

To what must be attributed this reversed attitude toward the terrestrial spaceship project? Has friendly "rivalry" between Old and New World astronomical geniuses, as to who shall be the first to set up a successful artificial moon-let hundreds of miles above the Earth, intensified spacecraft research efforts? Or, have imitative terrestrials been offered sufficient evidence that one of more worlds of intelligent beings, presumably more scientifically advanced than we, must have already initiated interplanetary flights? But whatever may be the cause for the stepped-up outerspace programme, it is certain that space-vessel experts here in America and abroad are feverishly attempting to construct inter-orbic flying machines, as well as special satellitic and extra-satellitic paraphernalia, for independent visits to far-away celestial regions and inhabitants.

American and European astronauts may reach the Moon and Mars, too, within the next ten years. Perhaps their first inter-global trip may be postponed until the beginning of 1970. But until such a time as Earth's space flights are accomplished, and personal meetings between our own space navigators and resident extra-

terrestrials take place, Earth people in general may only speculate on what our neighbouring planetarians look like, what manner of civilization and religious beliefs they have, and just how they worship Almighty God.

Presently, the author is particularly interested in the theologian's approach to religion in other worlds. In other words, he attempts to answer the question that many Earthlings have begun to ask: If extra-terrestrials do believe in a Supreme Being, is the bond between them and Him any different from what we know it to be here on Earth?

Inasmuch as a credence in the prevalence of extra-terrestrial religious tendencies implies a belief in the presence of extra-terrestrial thinking beings to manifest them, it is well to inquire whether human populations really exist on other Earth-like spheres.

According to current American astronomical interpretations of large-scale sky photographs, our sun is associated in a galaxy with 200-billion to 300-billion other stars. To be sure, California's galaxy expert, Dr. C. D. Shane, believes that there may be hundreds of millions of galactic compositions, and no fewer than 1000 "clusters" of galaxies; and that is reasonable to assume that there may be even inconceivably great clusters of incredibly big "clusters."

A short time ago, Scientists Carl von Weizsäcker, George Gamow and Harold C. Urey declared that they would not be at all surprised if sentient and intelligent beings, composed essentially like ourselves, inhabited, within Planet Terra's galaxy alone, millions of planets whose physical conditions must be nearly identical with those on our globe.

If we accept the solemn judgments of these reputable scientific investigators in all but the number of inhabited worlds, preferring to substitute thousands, even hundreds, for millions, we should, nevertheless, acknowledge the exist-

ence of extra-terrene body-and-spirit creatures who are affected, in much the same manner as we, by air, light, colours, attractions, and other material influences which operate on their planets.

For now, the author is not concerned with material influences. He would prefer to dwell upon those non-material influences which must necessarily act impartially on both Earthlings and Extra-Earthlings. He would like to direct the attention of the reader to an inescapable, penetrative influence which has effected changes in the moral lives of human beings everywhere from the very moment the Supreme Creator linked to Himself the corporeal progenitors of universal mankind by infusing into them a spiritual soul—the life force and principle of all activity.

This influence is religion, which is described by Europe's distinguished religious writer, the Rev. Otto Karrer, as "an invasion from without, the illumination of man's consciousness, his mind and heart by an objectively existing Divine Reality."

Whether his life has been spent in the Eastern or Western Hemisphere, on a continent or island, we know that Earth-bound man has always evinced a feeling of dependence upon a Supernatural Power in which he has learned to believe. All Earthly peoples, reflects Blessed Henry Suso, a celebrated fourteenth-century ascetic writer, "obey God and contribute as much as they can to that mysterious harmony which rises up unceasingly to praise and bless the Creator." And Dr. Carl Gustav Jung, who is, perhaps, the greatest living psychiatrist, observes that the "idea of an All-Powerful Being is present everywhere, if not consciously recognized, then unconsciously accepted." "I consider it wiser," he continues, "to recognize the idea of God consciously."

If it may be said of Earthmen, that they are naturally God-conscious and religious, why may it not be equally conceived of body-and-soul inhabitants of other planets?

Indeed, if we admit the existence of other peopled globes, then we are led to the acceptance of the inevitable conclusion, namely, that the reasoning beings who are attached to them are partakers of the same human nature as we, and that mundanians and extra-mundanians are brethren under the skin. If this truth be kept in mind, and also the other verity, that the outer-space intellectual creatures, as well as we, were created by the same Supernatural God, "who is above all, through all, and in us all," we are obliged to declare that Martians, Venusians, and other solar-system planetarians have a religious attitude which presupposes the Omni-

potent Presence of God in all rational creatures—a presence which exists even before they become conscious of it. Indeed, the whole being of terrestrial, Martian and Venusian man abides and moves in a Supreme life-giver. He is protected and comforted by a loving Creator. He, in fine, is in contact with an Omniscient and Omnipotent God who receives his prayers of love or imploration even before they are uttered.

That an Almighty God must have been revealed to men of other inhabited planets is one of the primary thought-currents which course through the author's book, **THE THEOLOGIAN'S APPROACH TO RELIGION ON OTHER PLANETS**. The author adheres to the thesis that, if a Divine First Mover and Revelator is recognized on all man-supporting planets, then religious principles in general must follow a relatively uniform pattern throughout the entire cosmos.

ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSIONS OVER MID-HOLLAND

On the 4/1/56 several papers made mention of violent explosions in the sky over the towns of Utrecht, Zeist, Arnhem and Nymegen.

These explosions were so violent that residents of surrounding townships at a distance of at least 11 miles gained the impression that a town was blown up. Observers stated that the thunderous noise lasted for an unusually long time and it is our definite impression that the sound volume of the breaking of the sound barrier was far surpassed.

Although the drone of a plane engine was heard, the Air Force did not confirm that planes were in the area at the time.

In Utrecht and suburbs scores of window panes were shattered, in Arnhem-South doors flew open and in Nymegen people had the impression that bombs were exploded. At the observatory in Utrecht no reports of meteor observations were received, which isn't of much importance as the sky was heavily overcast.

Dr. C. de Jager informed us that he thought that the windows "bulged," but he also stated never having heard of window shatterings through meteor explosions.

Prof. Dr. M. G. J. Minnaert also was sceptical with reference to the meteorite theory, because the two explosions which followed one another with an interval of 1 second had, as far as he could recollect, not resulted in the thunderous roar that goes with these phenomena.

As any satisfactory explanation has not yet come to the fore, the most probable solution seems that two interplanetary discs, chased by jets, were caused to be disintegrated as they threatened to get beyond the control of radio-graphic guidance.

In similar cases that have been reported before, observers also made mention of blue light flashes.

(Note of translator: It seems likely that fire balls could have caused this phenomenon.)

That such a disintegration causes a violent explosion is understandable if one considers that the apparatus which creates the gravity field round the disc is totally destroyed, thus eliminating a reasonably great vacuum in our atmosphere.

Dutch UFO-GIDS "Plativolov."

"Fate" Magazine.

Editor's Note: Frank Edwards, the former Mutual Broadcasting System commentator, was probably the best known reporter of UFO phenomena in the United States when he was fired by his sponsor three years ago. Here, in this second of a series of exclusive articles, Edwards tells why he was fired—and he tells for the first time how the military tried to silence him. Don't miss future articles in this series by Frank Edwards!

The Plot to Silence Me . . .

By Frank Edwards

The TV film on UFO's was ready for showing. A major network was interested—then the brass curtain fell.

As I write this article, the hillside which sweeps away from my study window is lightly brushed with moonlight. The jet pursuit planes are especially active. I can't see them, even in the moonlit sky, but their unmistakable express-train rumble leaves no doubt as to what they are.

Nor does the rash of reports of strange unidentified objects in the skies in this part of the nation leave any doubt why the jets are suddenly so active.

During the several years in which I was a commentator on the Mutual Broadcasting System I reported saucer sightings which in my opinion came from credible and competent witnesses.

Since the airline pilots were among the groups which sponsored my programme I had access to the men who fly our thousands of commercial planes and they frequently contacted me after they had sighted some of these things which the Air Force chooses to call "Unidentified Flying Objects."

My lot as the news commentator for the American Federation of Labour was not a happy one. My audience was tremendous and my relations with the AFL rank and file members were excellent but the president of that organization disliked me and as my popularity grew his dislike increased.

In fairness to him I think I should make it plain that he never at any time tried to suppress my reports on UFO's; the unpleasantness which existed between the president of the AFL and me was largely the result of my determination not to be pressured into making statements which I knew to be nothing more than propaganda. By the summer of 1954 a break had become inevitable; I sent in my resignation to the entire executive board on August 11 and three days later I was notified that I had been fired.

In a press conference on the subject of my severance from their radio programme, the president of the AFL said that he had fired me because "he talked too much about flying saucers!" I knew, as he did, that this was not the reason.

In the summer of 1954 I was the only nationwide news source from which the public could get an occasional UFO report. I broadcast only 17 such brief reports in eight and a half months of 1954. But this included the devastating expose that 1954 was the heaviest sighting year on record (according to Air Technical Intelligence at Wright Field) although on that same day the Brass Curtain boys in the Pentagon were saying officially that there were virtually no sightings at all!

Shortly after I left the network I joined the staff of Hullinger Productions, a film organization that was making television movies at the sound studios of Ameri-

can University in Washington, D.C. Our first production was a half-hour film with the provocative title, "What Do You Think?" which dealt with unidentified flying objects. As moderator of the fracas I was able to select the manpower for the panel. Willy Ley and Johnathan Leonard, science editor of "Time" magazine, opposed Maj. Donald Keyhoe and Capt. William Nash of Pan American Airlines.

The participants were keenly interested in their respective viewpoints and they did such a slam-bang job that we completed the entire film in one continuous take, a very unusual achievement for that type of production.

When the film was ready for showing the producer took it to New York and ran it for the executive of one of the biggest film booking outfits in the television field. They were enthusiastic in their comments—so much so that the president of the company instructed the sales manager to arrange personally for showing it to the networks.

When could we deliver the balance of the 26 films in the series?

The producer contacted the various scientists who had contracted to appear and sent word to the New York booking office that we could deliver the films for fall showing.

Then the brass curtain came down with a bang.

A major television network saw the films and decided they were good Sunday afternoon fare. Three days later they served notice that they "could not make the time available." A week later the booking office returned the film to us and sent a brief note to the effect that they had contacted all the networks and had found them uninterested.

The producer was bewildered by the sudden chill after the initial warm reception. I wasn't. I knew that certain disgruntled figures in the Pentagon were determined that I should not be able to reach the public through any broadcasting network. Thus I was not surprised when our film series on the "verboden" subject was squelched.

What would they do next?

The answer came quickly. They would offer me a job!

For several years I had known that my private, unlisted phone was tapped. Phone tapping in the nation's capitol is one of the major industries. A great deal of it can be justified under the guise of national security, which covers a multitude of sins. A great deal of it is nothing more than sheer cussedness.

At any rate, my phone was tapped and I knew it. Newsmen who called me never identified themselves because they knew I could recognise their voices anyway. When Major Keyhoe and I talked we were careful to say nothing which we would not want recorded at the Pentagon and upon occasion we were equally careful to say some things which the Pentagon would not want recorded, either! Wire-tapping is a double-edged weapon upon occasion.

With the inside information on my activities, apparently gained by tapped telephone wires, those on the other end of the line knew that I was working on a programme to sell tape recordings to stations all over the country. If that happened they would be outmanoeuvred again. Just to annoy them, I had several friends make fake long distance calls to order my transcriptions for their "stations."

I was not surprised when my phone rang one evening and the caller identified herself as a public relations employee at the Pentagon whom I had met a couple of years before when she was working with a newspaper in the southwest. Would I be interested in a very special job at the Pentagon?

Perhaps. Just what kind of job did she have in mind?

Strangely enough she didn't seem to know except to say that it was very special—a consultant position of some sort (and being a consultant at the Pentagon is a ticket on the gravy train!) She inquired if she might report back that I would be willing to discuss the matter?

I assured her that she could. Next day I got a call from a fellow for whom I had long had real respect. Despite a serious physical handicap he had worked his way to a position of considerable responsibility and trust. He had access to the upper echelon at the Pentagon and he had often worked with me in past years to get across to the nation some clarification of reports which had been garbled or distorted. I had helped him and he in return had helped me.

When he phoned me as a sequel to my cryptic conversation with the lady public relations officer he was obviously making a call which he had to make rather than one in which he took pleasure. The manner in which he handled the call was the tip-off to me. Would I please have lunch with General Gamble in reference to the matter which had been brought to my attention the day before?

At the appointed time I was on hand at Willard's Hotel for the luncheon. The fellow who called himself General Gamble brought along a captain who had not been mentioned in the original arrangements. It was all right with me for I was going to record our conversation on a tiny wire recorder strapped under my arm and I had the feeling that the captain was there for the same purpose.

"General Gamble" got right down to business. Would I be interested in accepting a high level job with the Defence Department?

I replied that I would have to know more about it and I made it plain that I was not only doing all right financially but that I expected to do ever better by selling tape-recorded programmes to radio stations across the country. Just what sort of job did he have in mind?

The "General" was a bit vague on that. It was a very important task that he had in mind, so he said, and one I could do well.

No amount of probing on my part could induce him to go into detail. The job was important, period.

Did it involve national security? I asked.

Indeed it did, he assured me. I would be virtually my own boss, doing the job pretty much as I pleased. In case I had to travel I could fly in military planes for free, etc. Next to finding money this seemed like the easiest way to get it. How much? Eighteen-thousand-five-hundred per year, at least, although that could be increased by the addition of certain allowances if I found it necessary.

He evidently figured that I was taking the bait because he was beginning to smile. "General Gamble" was pleased with himself.

"And this job is part of our national security?"

"It certainly is," he replied.

"Very well then," I said. "I want to contribute whatever I can to such an important activity . . . so I will just do the job for nothing a year!"

His jaw dropped. The "General" hadn't expected such a turn and he was unprepared for it.

"But you can't do the job for nothing, Mr. Edwards! We want to pay you."

I assured the gentleman that I was not only willing but insistent that I do the job, whatever it was, for free, as a contribution to our national security. Was he certain that I could do the job? Why?

The "General" then did a strange thing—he turned to the captain and nodded for him to take over.

The captain assured me that this job was a most unusual one. It would take me into some out of the way places and I would see some things I had never seen before . . . and which few people had seen. I would . . .

Just to needle them I interrupted at that point and inquired:

"The things I would see are out of this world, aren't they?"

My luncheon companions just looked at each other and neither of them made any effort to reply to the question. I followed it with another:

"How do you fellows know that I have any special qualifications for this job you're talking about?"

"You have shown a lot of interest in it," the "General" replied.

"Have I talked about it a lot—perhaps too much?"

"You have often mentioned it in your broadcasts—that is why we have contacted you."

It was apparent from his attitude that the "General" was not going to be led into giving me any inkling of the nature of the job. He was no longer smiling and I had the feeling that he was about to lose his temper.

The upshot of our conversation was that if they could put me under contract the job was mine and I would find out more about it after I signed the contract. Would the contract swear me to secrecy? Yes.

I thanked the two officers and parted company with them in the corridor of the Willard. I made no effort to find out who they really were for that would probably have been just so much wasted time. Because of the peculiarly enigmatic approach I cannot be sure just what it was they wanted me to do, if anything. But there can be no mistake about one thing . . . the offer was being made to silence me.

Thus far it hasn't worked.

My duties as news director of a large television station leave little time for making speeches but such time as I have available is booked almost solid. And (wonder of wonders!) the organizations which book me make no bones about it—they want to know the suppressed facts about unidentified flying objects! Two years ago such a thing could not have happened but in those two years many things have taken place which have brought about a change in the attitude of the thinking public.

One of my recent addresses on this topic was made before a joint meeting of Rotary and Kiwanis in a large Midwestern city. It was the biggest turnout they ever had. During the course of the talk I asked those who felt that they had seen unconventional aerial objects please to hold up their hands. Seventeen hands promptly went up, hands belonging to lawyers, doctors, ground observer corps members.

I found after the meeting that one of those who held up his hand had been a former radar technician in charge of the radar at White Sands, N.M., on that historic day when a V-2 rocket took off, pursued by two unidentified flying objects in full view of all the bewildered brass.

At a college convocation programme which I addressed on this subject, at their request, the attendance was the highest they ever had. Why? I think because so many of those present were fliers during World War II., men who unhesitatingly held up their hands when I asked how many had seen disc-shaped flying objects of unknown origin in flight.

The frequency with which other national magazines are now carrying "saucer" articles indicates two things: That FATE'S pioneering in this field has not been in vain—and that the subject has become "respectable."

The fight to enlighten the public is far from over. The broadcasting networks frequently present crackpots who infest the "saucer" field. The networks seem to have no difficulty finding time to exhibit characters who make claims of fantastic experiences. But those same networks flatly refuse to permit informed discussion of the subject by qualified authorities.

I call this the technique of sneer and smear.

As a prize example I refer you to a network television programme originating on the West Coast one night a few months ago. The announcer was interviewing an astronomer. Time was getting short and the announcer finally came to the last question, for which the astronomer was primed and waiting:

"Have you ever (snicker) seen a flying saucer?"

The astronomer turned full face to the television camera, curled his lip disdainfully and snapped: "No reputable astronomer has ever seen a flying saucer!"

This opens a new line of reasoning—a new yardstick for determining the existence or non-existence of celestial objects. If the astronomers haven't seen them in their telescopes—presto! they don't exist.

It just happens to be a fact that hundreds of commercial airliners fly over this nation every night. It also happens to be a fact that no professional astronomer has ever caught a glimpse of one in the tiny field of his telescope.

Unfortunately, this does not prove that commercial airliners do not exist. But it does prove that some men with big telescopes have small minds.

A Meeting of the French Flying Saucer Club "Ouranos"

By Gavin Gibbons

I was fortunate enough to attend a meeting of "OURANOS," the French flying saucer club. This meeting was held on the 27/10/56 in a school building in the western district of Paris, the building being the residence of one of the members.

It was there that I met many important people, which was quite an interesting experience. Amongst the people present were the president, Marc Thirouin; Jimmy Guieu, author of the book "FLYING SAUCERS COME FROM ANOTHER WORLD," and many other works; Aimé Michel, author of "THE TRUTH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS"; Charles Garreau, whose book "ALERTE DANS LE CIEL," was recently published; further notables were A. DUFOUR, a prominent French UFO enthusiastic, and the American Dr. ANN PITWOOD, who had exchanged her country of birth, California, for France, in order to carry out some investigations.

She knew Truman Bethurum and Daniel Fry, whose adventures with UFO's are described in my second book, "THEY RODE IN SPACESHIPS." This book will be published by Neville Spearman, London, in the spring of 1957.

Dr. Pittwood and I were so busy talking French that we forgot all about our native tongue.

Monsieur Thirouin opened the meeting by stating that through his illness this assemblée was the first held by "OURANOS" since many months. He then continued by giving a description of the type of people who usually became members of their society. They were either convinced by substantial evidence or impressed by personal observations of spaceships. More and more well-known personalities start believing in the possibilities of UFO's, but many others are afraid to commit themselves out of fear for ridicule and for the sake of jeopardizing their positions. He quoted the example of the Director of the Observatory at Marseilles, who denied that the object, seen on the 17/11/55 was a spaceship. I concluded here from, how similar the situation of saucer enthusiasts in France was compared to that of their confraters in Britain. Monsieur Thirouin was glad to be able to advise the audience that he contacted Saucer clubs in Holland, Bolivia, Argentina and Lebanon, together with the Italian Club "C.I.R.N.O.S.," whose president, ERBESTO THAYAT, had sent him some photos. He further mentioned "LE COURRIER INTERPLANETAIRE," the Swiss (published in French) saucer periodical issued by Alfred Nahon and regretted the fact that the latter had transferred the saucer problem to the more spiritual plane. After that, on request of Monsieur Thirouin, I

gave a concise picture of the activities of Saucer Clubs in Great Britain.

The first half of the meeting was then concluded with the discussion of the usual matters that do occur in every organization.

The second half was opened with a general discussion. Monsieur Dufour instigated an interesting theory. He suggested that: People came from Mars in spaceships, indicating how observations always increased in number during the opposition of this planet with the Earth and that space people are not actually interested for our benefit, but have the more selfish purpose of transplanting people on Mars, where they reproduce and can then be used for hard labour, exactly in the same way as we on the Earth make use of coolies or slaves. This would refer to millions of human beings, whose ancestors originated from the Earth, but who only recognised the Red Planet as their abode and consequently did not know of any other life than that of servitude to the beings of The Higher Race.

(Note of the Translator: According to my opinion, Monsieur Dufour must have been a steady listener to the serial, "Journey Into Space." He may even have read the book.—H. J. Hinfelaar.)

A lively discussion resulted from this vulnerable hypothesis and one of the points brought to the fore by Aimé Mjchel was that perhaps Earthlings were also wanted to do the work that on Earth was done by animals and overmore could be used for experiments. He also pointed out that animals are more suitable for hard labour than machines ever will be.

The discussion then changed to the relative heights of people on other planets; with reference to this point "THE LITTLE MEN OF VENUS" amongst others was quoted.

The discussion closed with a suggestion by Marc Thirouin that levitation by super men was caused in order to displace Earthlings.

Two days later I sighted my eleventh UFO. I was in the park at Versailles, near the Castle. It was closing time and I was locked in. While trying to find my way out through one of the gates, I spotted a bright light in the South, which fell from the sky under a 45 degree angle, a rather sharp angle for a meteor. It disappeared and I banner the thought that it could have been a saucer until it appeared again. It stayed on for a couple of seconds and then again vanished.

Source: The Dutch UFO-GIDS "Plativol," Jan./Feb. issue, 1957.

How Wide is your Knowledge ?

It will undoubtedly be agreed by all intelligent people that a comprehensive knowledge acquired through serious study is essential to the understanding of any subject, particularly one which is of great importance in the world of today.

There can also be no doubt in the minds of serious thinkers that the case of the UFO's presents a field of enquiry that cannot be overlooked by anyone who has eyes to see and ears to hear—the idea of burying one's head in the sand and ignoring facts is one that will never lead man to an understanding of his place and purpose in the Universe.

None of us can yet say that we have all the answers to the greatest puzzle ever to confront the people of Earth, but—only by a constant and serious study of every aspect of the situation can we hope to find it.

The only means we have of doing this is our ability to read carefully all that is written on the subject, which, even at the present time, amounts to a very large number of books, apart from the hundreds of publications from Investigation Groups throughout the world.

Every person who can truly be called a serious-minded investigator has only become such by his comprehensive and intensive study of the case history as it has occurred through the years, and those of us who seek to make known the facts cannot but make an earnest appeal to all thinking men and women to read what has been written and evaluate for themselves, for it is only by knowledge gained through study that one can become aware of the evidence, and thereby more competent to judge accordingly.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Sirs,

As one who is a new reader of your very interesting magazine, "Flying Saucers," let me say that I enjoyed it immensely. The reports of the sightings are accurate without being long drawn out and I was amazed to find N.Z. sightings so numerous. Only two weeks ago we had a saucer over Rotorua but unfortunately I missed this one. However, I did **not** miss one sighting which occurred during my school years of age. Then I had no idea what the object was whatsoever.

It occurred in September, 1939, the eve of World War II. I was living on a farm, two miles outside the small town of Skerries, on the East Coast. It was a calm evening, visibility was unlimited. I remember my father calling me outside and exclaiming: "What on earth is that?" Looking out to sea, and some half-mile to one side of the islands, I could see this circular, orange-coloured globe hovering and then moving slowly southwards. It travelled in a sort of slow bouncing fashion, just like a ball in slow motion, then it would come back to its original position. I would say, and this is only an approx. measurement, that its size was about 150 feet in diameter. There were many adult witnesses to this sighting, all of whom were baffled by the startling appearance of the object; at the least, one would say it was weird both in appearance and behaviour. We watched for over half an hour, then grew tired, as it kept patrolling up and down a five-mile stretch most of the time. Before we went to sleep that night we went outside to see if it were there but it had gone. Next day war was declared between Britain and Germany. It was not until Flying Saucers made news again in 1947 that I began to compare sightings with mine of 1939 and found many "orange-coloured globes" or saucers that seemed very similar.

I know of another strange occurrence that took place in my home town. One evening a woman—also some children—saw what she described as something resembling a "line of railway coaches in the sky." The object was completely silent and was at a very low altitude, the whole thing disappearing behind a low hill out of sight. The children I mention did not accompany this woman, who is my mother, but sighted the strange affair from a different sector of the town. Their parents disbelieved them till both stories were compared and were found to be identical in detail. Like many of the Flying Saucer stories, this happening struck me as being very strange indeed, particularly the fact that the whole thing took place at about six o'clock in the evening, the object was very low in the sky, and it was travelling slowly. I will be writing home to my mother soon and will ask her for a fuller and more detailed account. Her actual description as far as I can remember never varied from "just like a line of railway waggons or coaches." I often wondered, could it have been a cigar-shaped saucer such as Capt. Whitted(?) saw while flying his D.C. passenger plane. His sighting was of a "cigar-shaped object with rows of lighted windows."

I might add that my mother is a comparatively young woman of 55 years and not given to "seeing things" that don't exist. I remember asking her what effect this affair had on her and she said that it was "very frightening and strange."

I can well understand her being frightened for I myself and my wife were very much scared when one morning at 1.30 a.m. the whole bedroom was lit up by a fast-moving bluish white light accompanied by a humming sound. We were wide awake when this occurred. It was not the result of motor car lights for no cars were in the vicinity at the time. Whatever caused this light was in the sky and was very close. My brother was living

with me at the time and I woke him up to find out if he'd heard anything but he was actually fast asleep and was at the back of the house. This light was very bright—intense bluish white, like the light from a welder's torch. The whole thing had such an effect that there was no more sleep for anyone that night, or morning rather.

I've set down these few experiences in the hope that they may be of interest to your magazine. I may add that the case for spaceships is a very strong one, to my mind, and all the conjectures about the sightings and their origin seem to point to the one answer—inter-planetary visitors. It is quite surprising the number of people who are quite prepared to accept this answer. How do people smile when the saucer question arises? Perhaps it will not be long before the proper contacts are made and doubts will be dispelled for once and for all.

Should you wish to use extracts from this letter in your magazine, you are welcome to do so, although I do not wish my name and address to be published.

Again wishing your publication every success; it would be quite an addition to the issue if you were able to publish occasional photos of saucers. I know this is not as easy as it sounds; but it would certainly add interest to an already interesting magazine if it could be managed.

I am, your truly, (M.F.).

(We have good photos we could publish but lack sufficient funds at present.—Ed.)

The Secretary,
C.S.I.

Dear Sir,

In our last magazine mention was made of the difficulty of continuing publication of same without adequate funds—well, why not raise subscriptions to, say, thirty shillings? Old members would agree that this is necessary and I'm sure intending members would not consider it to be out of the way. It is most important that a magazine of this type continues to reach the public. I am doing my best to persuade others to think and read seriously and I'm of the opinion that most other members do likewise, but one will keep running into a brick wall or at least an empty head when people will insist that UFOs are all rot and then one finds out that all they have read is the Brick Bradford in the Wellington Sports Post or have listened to some ghostly serial on some abominable commercial station!!

But never mind, the day will come when we won't be regarded as "cranks." Keep up your very good work.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) K. S. FLEMING.

11 Forth Street,
Woolahra, Sydney,
Australia.

10/6/57.

Dear Mr. Fulton,

I received your last issue of "Flying Saucers" about three weeks ago; and should have written you long before this to thank you very much indeed for the inclusion in it of my wife's little poem, "The Spaceman." She is really delighted about it, and is very pleased you printed it; she felt it just fitted the occasion of so many "space-men" visiting Earth; and is, herself, very enthusiastic about "flying saucers." Also, I find, people who read the poem are taking interest in the magazine also, so that is all to the good for your publication, isn't it? I found this last issue **very** interesting indeed, owing to the account of the mysterious happenings in the sky of 1909 all over New Zealand; especially over Otago. I was about 26 at that time, and lived in Dunedin, where the newspapers ("Evening Star," and "Otago Daily Times") were full of reports of flying objects seen night and day. I did keep many cuttings of it all, but they were lost over the

years (moving about as I did). Well, do I remember the excitement about one airship seen by hundreds of school children (and teachers) at Kelso (in Otago)? Drawings by the children were published in the newspapers, and I remember some of those drawings were **cigar-shaped**. Also the residents of Opoho, a suburb of Dunedin, were greatly excited by the noises they heard overhead; and lights at night. Of course, many people explained it all away by saying it was the planet Mars seen in breaks of the clouds, which was just nonsense. I myself saw Mars, which was very bright at that time, while travelling in the trams; and no one in their right senses could confuse the planet's appearance with the light of any aircraft, "flying saucer" or otherwise. It could easily be recognised as the star it was, to me, anyway. About that time my brother and I were dismantling an aeroplane (bi-plane type) which I had built and which **didn't** fly! Well, this evening we suddenly heard a loud noise, over to the east, and there we saw a huge flaming mass of "something" tearing across the sky about two or three miles up. It came straight towards us, passing overhead, and I remember vividly the **long** stream of fiery sparks behind it; the noise I will never forget; it was equal to a dozen trains passing over a bridge. It disappeared to the south-west, and was seen near Balclutha. Next day the papers had many reports about it, and said it was a meteor, but I have always been doubtful about that, as it was seen over the city of Wellington, then over Christchurch, then over Dunedin, and finished up somewhere near Invercargill, where it was reported to have exploded! I often wonder now, **What** was it, because what meteor could travel **horizontally** for all those hundreds of miles? Something strange about such a huge object travelling horizontally at such speed. As I write our postman has called, and he tells me about a fellow postman who actually saw **five** UFOs in formation at tremendous height two mornings ago while delivering letters. He says the man swears by it, that as he left the door of a house he heard the lady call "Look," and he looked up to see the five bright objects in formation moving very fast and at a very great height. As he watched them sweeping around they suddenly vanished clean out of sight. But the man refuses to give his name or to make a statement

of the event. Says he is **quite** sure of what he saw, but is afraid of being laughed at! Can you beat it? However, I will try to contact this man direct and see if I can persuade him to give some more information. I may be sending for an extra copy of your last issue of "Flying Saucers" for a friend in N.Z. With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

CLIVE CHAPMAN.

(A close approach of Mars occurred in 1909.—Ed.)

We could hardly ignore this invitation and worthy appeal. CSI will appear in the Souvenir Programme. Greetings on behalf of our membership to all at the ball was included in our reply. We hope the Martian guests do not disappoint.

8th May, 1957.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to ask if you would take advertising space in the Souvenir Programme which is being published in connection with the Flying Saucer Ball. As you will see, this is being run to raise money for the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples, but although this money is urgently needed for the valuable work which this Society performs, we are planning a very pleasant and light-hearted evening on the 19th June. The Ball Room of Grosvenor House will be converted into the deck of a Space Ship and we are taking steps by the use of special sound tracks as well as decor to create the impression of a Ball in outer space. It is expected that very many people interested in flying saucers and ufo's will attend this Ball.

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IF YOU ARE new to this saucer business, the Miller book would be a good medium on which to cut your teeth. The first chapter is on the history of flying saucers. This not only includes the historic sighting of June 24, 1947, when small plane pilot Kenneth Arnold spotted the nine shining, saucer-like objects over the Cascade mountains of Western Washington, the sighting that touched off the recent flying saucer broohawhaw, but saucer sightings dating back to pre-Christian times.

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AS THE INTEREST and number of UFO sightings increased, the U.S. Air Force set up several projects to look into the various aspects of the business. None of their reports confirms that such things as flying saucers exist. This is not the sort of answers that devout saucer fans want to hear. Hence the Air Force, and all military agencies have been kept on the griddle constantly. It's like a patient who wants to hear one diagnosis and won't be satisfied until the doctor tells him exactly what he wants to hear.

Miller's book contains a wealth of saucer pictures. Some of these are obvious fakes. Others, if faked, are convincing.

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Sao Paulo, Brazil,
South America.

(Critical: "Involving or exercising careful judgment or observation.")

ONE may ask what is the motive of this leaflet in unpretending English that comes from Brazil, a South American nation? Why the Editor writes in foreign language and sends the sheets to readers of English speech if the Brazilian people speaks Portuguese?

The reason is the following: In Brazil responsible persons don't pay much attention at the UFO's subject. Indeed, they mock the Flying Saucers' researchers.

So, the UFO-CRITICAL BULLETIN Editor settled to issue this leaflet to change informations and magazines with all groups and single investigators in the world, and to participate actively on the F.S. international audience.

NOTES.—There is in Brazil a theosophic sect founded by one Prof. Henrique José de Souza under the name of "Sociedade Teosófica Brasileira" (Brazilian Theosophic Society), that is, a heretical branch from the Mme. Blavatzky orthodox line. At the beginning of 1955, precisely in February, Comd. Paulo Justino Strauss, speaking on behalf of that society, stated emphatically that the Flying Saucers come from cities of "astral" plane matter under the earthly crust. Comd. Strauss is a former high official of the Brazilian Navy, now retired of duty, and he's, too, an elder brother of such religious entity. So, he's a responsible voice to be forsaken without examination; he has his own credentials. Here is the story: Strauss said to the magazine "OCruzeiro" (a weekly review like "Post," "Look," etc.) that the UFO's are coming from the earth underground where exist marvellous cities named "Shamballah," "Duat," etc., which belong to another world, "Agartha," or an etherical region. To those places the earthlings go by means of a new incarnation or directly with their own physical bodies. There they find themselves in three states: physical, "astral" and "mental." When in physical state, said the first, they eat "prana" (see Yoga) absorbed from the air. There exist peace and harmony. There are long tunnels between the cities. The atmosphere is pure and limpid, the light is bluish in constant soft twilight. There exist huge libraries containing the knowledge of all times. Yet, said Comd. Strauss, that Cel. Fawcett and his son, Jack, brought to those Brazilian etherical cities the anglo-saxonic seeds of the "fifth sub-race" to perform the "Mother-race" on the "Aquarium Cycle," that's the new golden age to mankind. SO, THE UFO'S ARE COMING TO WARN US ABOUT THE NEW

CYCLE. STRAUSS FORETOLD THAT AT THE END OF 1956 THE FLYING SAUCERS WOULD CONTROL ALL RADIO STATIONS ON EARTH AND A LOUD VOICE WOULD BE HEARD BY ALL THE EARTHLINGS. FIRSTLY, ON THE RADIOS, AFTER ON THE AIR ITSELF!!

I am a patient man. Till now I said nothing about the story. I waited like a yogi till the end of 1956. But now I must criticize with hardness such a stupidity of crackpots, one of the most naive hoaxes about Flying Saucers' history. I presume those simple-minded men of the "Sociedade Teosófica Brasileira" are so credulous as that poor devil named Dr. Charles Laughead and other F.S. storytellers, including the sponsors of the Los Angeles UFO-TV big fiasco in November, 1956.

BOOK REVIEWS.—It's hard to accept the Prof. M. K. Jessup ideas ("UFO and the Bible"). We must examine the Bible sibylline verses under the light of the context and never to look the direct text only. The book carries out an extravagant and fallacious thesis. To the author, "Son of Man" is only "Son of Man" (according his prior book, "The Case for the UFO," our forbear of Mu, the drowned continent aeons ago, are now flying above the earth by their heirs . . . ! and they are in this singular-plurally word the biblical "Son of Man"!?) Darn it! The Christ prophecy—it's obvious to the top biblical experts—means the Divinity "second coming," nothing more. So, the "Son of Man" is Christ Himself and/or the "Son of God." About Flying Saucers and the Book verses, Prof. Jessup's interpretation seems to me a subversion of the doctrine, although I'm not a religious man to discuss the matter.

§ I consider Harold T. Wilkins as a scholarly writer. Indeed, he's a fine intellectual man. But Mr. Wilkins does not build his works with the requisite accuracy. His two UFO's books ("Flying Saucers from the Moon" and "Flying Saucers Uncensored") have an excessive list of sightings that weary the patient reader and play a role unconnected on all the chapters. It seems to me that Mr. Wilkins doesn't like to trace out a previous plan upon his writing before he begins to write them. For that very reason his two books represent a chaotic whole, although very interesting for his peculiar witty and pleasant literary style. I have no intention to diminish Mr. Wilkins' works, but to speak out what I must honestly speak. I'm contrary to praise F.S. books without analysis. It's necessary to do even a hard criticism when the work deserves it. If Harold T. Wilkins doesn't change the way I mentioned, probably his writings will lose an international audience. Mr. Wilkins is a noted UFOlogist, and we care about his important writings.

Concerning the context, I don't agree with him, too. In my opinion UFO's are piloted by peaceful outer space intelligent beings. Wilkins is entirely wrong when he suggests the F.S. are responsible for some crashes of our planes. No evidence corroborate such a thesis. I discussed the problem with my friend, Richard Hall, a clever investigator of New Orleans, and I remember

I wrote to him the following words: "I'm convinced that the F.S. aren't harmful. By logic, I say, not by any sort of mysticism. If the UFO's wanted to destroy us they definitely could, and not only some earthly planes that cross their paths. All plane disasters are resulted by our own boldness. I guess that the power of a UFO is tremendous, because he works within the universal electro-magnetical fields. And what do we see? Some plane accidents very little explained . . ." Concerning the subject of the Cap. Jean Plantier theory—the belt force that surrounds a UFO—see his book, "La Propulsion des Soucoupes Volantes par Action Directe sur L'atome" (Maison MAME, France, 1955).

SIGHTINGS.—Brazil, Passo Fundo, State of Rio Grande do Sul, Aug. 21, 1956.—At 3 a.m. this city was visited by two F.S., one of them huge another smaller. They were profusely shiny, emanating a brilliant shot-colour. They came in silence and slowly from the East, and hovered motionless above the city for a while, fifteen minutes approximately. Afterwards they ran away, one to the West another to the North. Witnesses: Lair Rodrigues Lemos, Miguel Gumerindo and Joao Batista Gomes, guards; Vites Xavier and Osmar Costa Quintana.

§ Cambuquira, State of Minas Gerais, August 28, 1956—At 6.30 a.m., Jorge Noronha and five witnesses spotted a bright object, disc-shaped, over this town for five minutes. The F.S. originated from the North and crossed the space toward N.W. Its height was around six thousand feet, with a diameter of twelve inches approximately. The UFO moved slowly without noise and disappeared in its rectilinear trajectory.

§ Manaus, State of Amazonas, October 5, 1956—José Tibúrcio Alves, resident in this northern capital, stated to "Meridional Telegraphic Agency" he saw a UFO at 2.30 a.m. on October 5. The object was plenty luminous as a bright corona, and was moving at low altitude, around 1,200 feet. An intense light came from that huge saucer-shaped contrivance. Such a luminosity darkened the sight and illuminated the street around 100 yards. By reason of that bright halo, José Alves couldn't see any details of the UFO structure. Afterwards it crossed silently the skies and disappeared.

§ Sao Paulo, Capital, January 4, 1957—At 10.30 a.m. above this city was seen a round sparkling object in motion from S. to N. It was travelling very high and soundless. The skies were clean and totally blue and encircling the UFO there were rays of varied colours. It was in sight around three minutes. Witnesses: Oscar Peixoto, public servant retired, Joao Roberto, son of the journalist Sebastiao Barboxa, and others.

§ Argentina—Buenos Aires, August 18, 1956—At 3 a.m. a F.S. was seen above this Capital by several people on many places of the city. The witnesses said the apparatus was shaped in two luminous globes by the sides and between them, as a joint, a cone that lightened the skies intermittently with a greenish brightness. The weird machine came silently and hovered motionless above Buenos Aires for a while. Afterwards it ran in

the space very fast and was lost of sight. (Note: Remember the sighting reported on this sheet—No. 1, Jan.—of a F.S. above Rio de Janeiro that was, too, a greenish object? UFO's of green colour aren't plentiful.)

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