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EDITORIAL

Life moves ever onward and upwards in cycles which form an eternal spiral. At the end of every cycle there is an adjustment to be made in order to form the spiral. We move, as it were, onto a higher level. In school terminology - we move to the next standard - and those who are not ready must stay behind a while. So it is with the earth and all that exists on it.

Every move upwards brings with it the same thing, the shedding of the old and the putting on of the new. Old habits and customs must make room for new ones. And a spring-cleaning takes place - with the inevitable chaos and mess - after which however comes a period of rest and joy. The joy of improved surroundings or of new projects to be tackled, new concepts to be mastered and new teachers.

There are teachers ready and waiting to teach mankind of the things which at present are beyond their comprehension, but dawning in their consciousness and already lightening their horizon. It is up to man to accept or reject them.

Being an organisation aiming at genuine contact with people of outer space for the purpose of promoting peace on earth and receiving instruction for our progress in the right direction, we appeal to all members to centre their mind on this contact, as the International Skywatch Day is drawing near. More details about this on page 9.

LET YOUR LAMPS SHINE

by Brinsley Le Poer Trench, author of
"Operation Earth"

Recently, an acquaintance of mine remarked: How are your flying saucers getting on ? Nothing seems to happen these days. We don't hear much about them in the papers".

I replied that they were not my flying saucers, but that I shared an interest in them with millions of other people all over the world who had seen them over the last two decades. It was true that there was apparently a lull as regards sightings being reported in the national press, but nevertheless, local sightings and foreign ones were coming to the attention of Flying Saucer Review all the time, as well as to both the two big UFO organisations here, the British UFO Research Organisation (BUFORA) and Contact (U.K.)

Another point that I explained to my acquaintance was that flying saucer activity appeared to concentrate in certain parts of the world at a particular time and then the emphasis would shift somewhere else.

It was remarkable that some of the biggest and most important sightings abroad, notably the Trinidad Island case in 1958, were hardly mentioned at all in the British National Press. This is no reflection on our press. It is often a question of timing. If, for example, a general election was in progress, a story such as the Great Train Robbery or the Christine Keeler affair, then the odds were that there would be hardly any space left for what to UFO enthusiasts is a big event.

We must remember that though celestial space craft have been recorded all through the ages and in modern times millions of words have been printed about flying saucers during the last 23 years, they are no longer news to the average editor unless some really world-shaking event was to occur such as a mass landing, or alternatively, that he was short of news, as happens sometimes in what is known as the "silly" season around August. This is what I have been told by many journalists, many of whom are interested in the subject but have to get their stories past their editors.

They nearly all realise the eventual potentiality of the subject, and that one day it may finally break.

However, if a local sighting occurs near or at say, Bournemouth, Folkstone, Colchester, Chester or any other town in the British Isles, it is more often than not reported in the local papers because it is local news concerning their residents and environment, but these reports very seldom make the "nationals".

These remarks are, of course, generalisations. Every so often, a story about the UFOs does get into the national press. However, what I have outlined is their general attitude.

I do assure you that UFO activity is going on all the time somewhere on this planet. For example, in my capacity as International Chairman of Contact, I recently received from Contact (Norway) information of a saucer "flap" which has recently taken place there. These sightings, including at least one landing, were reported in that country's national papers but were not covered in our own.

Actually, the amount of UFO sightings going on around the world is greater than ever before! There is evidence, too, of much activity going on at ground level. The number of people contacted now is phenomenal. In addition to face to face contacts, many are being done in several ways of an ESP nature and your readers are well aware of various means by which this can be achieved outside the normal physical one.

However, there is one method which is becoming very frequent. This is not a new one, but because of the increasing number of people writing to me from various parts of the world about this, I would like to bring it to your attention. I am referring to the controversial idea of contacting people in their dreams.

When I was very young - a mere child - I used to dream of living in great Sky Ships. It all seemed very familiar and friendly. Now, I only do so very occasionally, and it is all a little hazy. Probably due to the conditioning we all receive on this planet.

I know a French diplomat who is married to a charming South African lady. He has a son by a former marriage who used to dream regularly of "houses in the sky". I don't know if he still does. I am not giving their names as dreams are very personal matters. I could give you other instances but as you see, this is not a new concept.

However, in recent months I have received a large number of letters from correspondents all over the world telling me in every instance of similar dreams. They have all followed the same pattern!. These people in their dreams have seen great Light Ships sometimes several miles or more in length, and they have been taken up into these craft by smaller ships (flying saucers). They have all stated that a blue light glowed inside the mother ship. These dreams keep repeating. In them they have met the occupants of the Ships who were friendly and showed them round.

I have recently written an article entirely on this new phase of intensified contact for "Orbit", a magazine with which I understand that some of your readers are familiar. All these dreams that an increasing number of good folk around the planet are having right now give us much food for thought. If it was just one or two, well, we would probably think it interesting and let it go at that.

Now, in my recently published new book "Operation Earth", I have discussed the Edgar Cayce predictions about the cleansing of this planet of ours which is due to occur between 1958 - 1999 and have also referred to Nostradamus' famous quatrain regarding 1999. Apart from Jesus Himself, I would think that Nostradamus and Cayce are the two greatest Seers we have had in the world since the sinking of Atlantis. Their combined record of "Bulls-eyes" is almost incredible.

Now, Cayce, as most of you know, could in his trance sleep see what was wrong with people's disabilities and give the correct diagnosis and cure. This he did with thousands of authenticated cases. In a similar manner he "saw" what was wrong with our planet and what was necessary to effect a cure.

According to Cayce, several portions of the surface of Earth will before 1999 be submerged under the water and parts of the old Atlantis will arise. The odd thing is that Cayce gives the end of this period of cleansing as 1999 and that is the year Nostradamus states the Sky People will arrive.

However, it has occurred to me that a large number of people will be taken off the planet between 1958 - 1999 at maybe, different times, as the natural catastrophes forecast by Cayce happen, and eventually brought back again when the planet is cleansed and ready again for habitation by the New Man.

Now, I am getting to the point about these dreams that are occurring to so many people at this time. Would it not be possible that they are being prepared for eventualities that Cayce has predicted? It could be that they are being made familiar with the flying saucers and the giant Light Ships so that when the time comes for them to be evacuated they will not be afraid?

Yes, there is much going on in the UFO field at present. We do not read a great deal about flying saucers in our national newspapers at present, but those that fly in them are busy in many ways preparing for the future. In the times that lie ahead let us all take "higher ground" and be ready to assist others. As our beloved W. Tudor Pole would have said: "Let us be lighthouses" and may the light that shines from our lamps reach out in to the darkness.

TELEPATHIC WORK.

Taken from "Telepathy & The Etheric Vehicle"
by Alice A. Bailey

Chapter XI, p. 75.

Certain Warnings People today frequently evidence a telepathic tendency or capacity. They tune in with something or someone, though they know not what it is. Everything that they purport to register is regarded by them as of major importance: it is usually self-related and not due to their high point of spiritual unfoldment which warrants their being the custodians of mysterious spiritual messages - usually of a most unimportant and platitudinous nature. There are many sources of these messages and it might be more useful if I here mention some of them : what I have to say may prove to be of value to the general occult public.

Four Categories of Communications.

1. Messages emanating from the relatively nice, well-trained subconscious nature of the recipient. These well up from the subconscious but are regarded by the recipient as coming from an outside source. Introspective people frequently penetrate into the layer of the subconscious recollection and are quite unaware of so doing. Their interest in themselves is so intense. Not knowing that they have done this, they regard what they find as unusual, beautiful and important, and then proceed to formulate it into messages which they expect their friends and the general public to regard as spiritually based. These messages are normally innocuous, sometimes beautiful, because they are a mixture of what the recipients have read and gathered from mystical writings ... it is really the content of their right thinking along spiritual lines and can do no one any harm but is of no true importance whatsoever. It accounts, however, for 85% (eighty-five percent) of the so-called inspired writings so prevalent at this time.
2. Impressions from the soul, which are translated into concepts and written down by the personality; the recipient is deeply impressed by the relatively high vibration which accompanies them, forgetting that the vibration of the

soul is that of a Master, for the soul is a Master on its own plane. These are true soul impressions, but usually have in them nothing new of major importance... they are therefore that which the awakening personality has contributed to the soul of the good, the true and the beautiful, plus that which has entered into the personality consciousness as a result of soul contact. This accounts for 8% (eight per cent) of the writings and communications put before the general public by aspirants today.

3. Teachings given by a senior or more advanced disciple on the inner planes to a disciple under training or who has just been admitted to an Ashram. These teachings bear the impress and conclusions of the senior disciple and are frequently of value; they may - and often do - contain information of which the recipient is totally unaware. The criterion here is that nothing (literally nothing) will concern the recipient, either spiritually or mentally or in any other way connected with his personality, nor will they contain the platitudes of the religious background of the recipient. They will account for 5% (five per cent) of the teaching given, but this is in relation to the entire world and the percentage does not refer to some one occult group, one religious faith or one nation. The recognition of this is of vital importance.
4. Communications from a Master to His disciple. This accounts for 2% (two per cent) of the entire telepathic receptivity demonstrated by humanity as a whole throughout the entire world. Western students would here do well to remember that the subjective Eastern student is far more prone to telepathic receptivity than is his Western brother; this has a definite bearing on all the above classifications, which is somewhat humiliating for the Western mystic or occult student.

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THE HIGHEST EMANATING IMPRESSION.

The dynamic impression which emanates from Shamballa

(where the Will of God is known) reaches forth in great cycles and cyclic waves; these are impulsed from extra-planetary sources, as demanded or invoked by the Lord of the world and his Associates

This high spiritual and ultimate expression moves outward along the seven rays, viewing them as seven streams of spiritual energy, qualified and coloured by the Shamballic impression; this process repeats itself when hierarchical invocation is effective and successfully established. This again is repeated between the Hierarchy and humanity in response to human invocation; this is becoming increasingly intelligent, potent and evocative

HUMANITY RECEIVER OF A MULTITUDE OF IMPRESSIONS.

The entire human family is today an amazing receiver of impressions owing to its myriad types of susceptible mechanisms. These impressionable instruments are capable of registering tamasic (heavy) impressions coming from the sub-human kingdoms, particularly the third (animal) and the first (mineral); they record rajasic (vivid) impressions coming from mental sources of all kinds; they are also to a much less degree responsive to sattvic or rhythmic impressions. Their response to these high impressions and their registration of truth, light and quality - coming from the highest sources - is growing.

It is because of this that the human kingdom (the great middle kingdom whose function it is to mediate between the higher and the lower) is the subject of much divine impression, conveying the Purpose of Sanat Kumara (Lord of the World). This you know. I have taught you much along this line in "A Treatise on Cosmic Fire". In these present instructions I am dealing with group possibilities with groups which can be trained to record, register and be impressed by the Hierarchy. Such a group can be in the position of being able to invoke the Hierarchy with power if it so choose. I am again bringing these things to your attention as aspirants and disciples, but from an angle, different to those in my earlier writings. The responsibility of impressionability, of telepathic registration and of invocative appeal is very great; hence what I have written here.

INTERNATIONAL SKY-WATCHING WEEKEND

June 13th - 14th, 1970

Concentrated in two main areas of Natal, the Drakensberg in the west and the coast in the east, will be groups of sky-watchers during the period of the twenty-third anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's sighting of UFO's.

During this weekend it is hoped that telepathic contact will be made with the space beings, each local group's efforts culminating between 3 and 3.30 p.m. (S.A. time) on Saturday, 13th June, when other "Contact" groups throughout the world will be sending their thoughts 'en masse' towards the skies.

Contact of a different nature is being planned between members of the Durban, Johannesburg and Pretoria branches who will meet at the Loteni Parks Board Camp in the Drakensberg. Other members of the Durban branch will form skywatching groups at Himeville, Warner Beach, Shelley Beach, Durban North and Hillcrest.

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Extract from "Other tongues - Other Flesh" by George Hunt
Williamson.

"Many of us came centuries ago, and especially during the last part of your nineteenth century. Some of you are our direct descendants. Some of you were incarnated back into Saros from other planets and only recently have you begun to realise who you are and what your true purpose is. You are one with us and must prepare to meet the work ahead of us all. You are the 'apples' we 'salted away' until we had need of them. That time is now here. We have returned! However, all the 'seeds' have not matured; some have rotted. Therefore, some of you because of certain conditions will never know who you are. We are all space beings since all life is spiritual in essence and inhabits space. We are all the Creator's children; we are brothers and sisters."

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S I G H T I N G S.

REEF MEN SPY A 'U.F.O.' - PRETORIA NEWS - 25.2.1970.

Five Roodepoort people last night reported sighting a copper-coloured unidentified flying object travelling from north to south at "tremendous speed".

Mr. I. Langenstrase, of Discovery, Roodepoort, a businessman, said he, his brother Jack, his nephew Earl (14) and his daughter Jennifer (13) and Mr. Andrian Ferry were in the garden of his home stargazing through a 3 inch telescope. They had just finished looking at the moon and were about to set their sights on Saturn, when Mr. Langenstrase observed the UFO. He asked Mr. Ferry to get a pair of binoculars, but before the latter had returned, the object had disappeared.

"The object was copper-coloured and travelling at a tremendous speed, from north to south. I have never believed in flying saucers, but I am beginning to think again", said Mr. Langenstrase.

No reply could be obtained from the Republic Observatory, or from the Olifantshoek tracking station.

Mrs. G.C. Gifford, 43 Surrey Mansions, 323 Currie Road, Durban, Natal. 15.3.1970 at 7.05 p.m. Mrs. Gifford observed from her balcony a UFO "circular in shape with a very bright light in the centre. Inside this light a red ball was rotating clockwise, and blue and almost rainbow shades were glittering around the exterior. The object remained stationary for 20 minutes before gradually receding, very slowly indeed, in a north-eastern direction towards the sky". There was no moonlight, a few stars. The object seemed very close to earth, as the stars were very far behind.

Mrs. P.N. Chester-Browne, 180 McDonald Road, Glenwood, DURBAN. 3.2.1970 at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Chester-Browne was listening to her radio-program when, for

no reason at all, the radio started making an awful noise, not the same as when a storm is in the air. Jim Conway, next-door neighbour came over with his transistor which was making the same noise. He suspected it might be a UFO, so we went outside into the backyard. It was a clear moonlight night, lots of stars, no sign of storm. After about 5 minutes we saw this very bright ball, like a bright star (only much brighter), the size of a football, shoot across the sky. It went very fast and disappeared in a matter of seconds in North-eastern direction. Coming back inside, we turned on the radios and the reception from then on was perfect."

"Strange Flying Objects" over City. Rhodesia Herald: 19.3.70.

Salisbury, Rhodesia. Mrs. S. Pink and Mr. R. Armstrong saw "three silver objects circling at great height about a black object, before the 'black object' made off at great speed towards the sun, followed by the 'silver objects'."

Later a resident of Belvedere phoned, He would not give his name or phone number, but his description of the "flying saucers" very closely resembled that given by Mrs. Pink and Mr. Armstrong. He, too, saw four objects; the black one streaking off first, the three silver ones following.

Mrs. Marjorie Begbie, of Jameson Avenue, West Belvedere, saw a strange bright light over what she thought was Warren Hills. She had seen the same light the night before. Her servant told her that he had seen it as well.

At the time of the sightings reported by Mrs. Pink and Mr. Armstrong, the meteorological office in Salisbury said no weather balloons had been released.

Air Traffic Control, Salisbury Airport, said there was an aircraft overflying at 3,500 feet. It was a scheduled flight. The plane would only be sighted for a minute or two, they said.

YOUNG SKYWATCHERS.

Astronomy for Children.

This month we are going to begin a series of talks on Astronomy, which means 'a study of the stars'. We are told that the space people come from different planets and solar systems other than our own. Now, what is a solar system and where is a galaxy.

When you lie flat on your back and gaze up into the black night sky, thousands of little lights blink back at you, they seem to be crowded together, almost on top of each other. However, in reality they are thousands of miles apart and it would take hundreds of years in one of our space ships to travel from one star to another.

A STAR OR SUN.

This is a gaseous burning body which sends out tremendous rays of energy which we see as light and feel as heat. The closer one gets to a sun the hotter it becomes.

A PLANET.

A planet is a mass of burning gas which has cooled down and become solid, thus it has no light of its own but reflects it instead - our earth is such a planet.

A SOLAR SYSTEM.

This consists of a central sun with planets which revolve in fixed orbits around it. Each planet lies at a different distance from the sun. Our earth takes $365\frac{1}{4}$ days to make a complete circle around the sun.

In our own solar system there are nine known planets; they are Mercury, (nearest to the sun) Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and last of all Pluto.

Next time we shall discuss each planet in detail.

EXTRACTS FROM THE BOOK :

"THE COMING OF THE GUARDIANS"

Compiled by Meade Layne M.A.

This communication is from Lao-Tse.

LAO-TSE or LAO-TZU: c. 604 B.C. (encyco) but "lived between 550-600 B.C. in a town called K'uhsien. He belonged to a wealthy and educated family, and had no need to work for the Imperial Library, yet spent much time there poring over the books. He later became a roaming sage. Actually did no writing at all, but his sayings were compiled by his disciples. Had a wife and seven children and according to custom several concubines. At about fifty years of age he abandoned his family and followers and was taken into the mystical school of the White Brotherhood. He died smiling happily at the age of eighty-two". (An extraordinary intellect and a truly great philosopher; a central figure in Taoism. ML).

This is what he said or conveyed in 1948 about the visitors from space:

"They have often come simply in quest of knowledge, just as you make expeditions to far-off places, to Polar regions or central Asia.

"They are not here with intent to interfere in your affairs - nevertheless - if there is another world war, employing nuclear energies, they may be forced to intervene. The release of atomic forces has disturbed their sphere of existence ~~rather~~ seriously.

"Let it be understood that if ever such intervention becomes necessary, it will be wholly impersonal. There will be no taking of sides. It is contrary to Law, that any one plane should interfere with the processes by which another works out its destiny.

"They are vastly **your** superiors in science - though every plane has its special forms of development and progress, so that we speak of differences, but not often of superiority or inferiority.

"The Etherians are large people, up to fifteen feet in height. I would say that they belong to the human order of evolution - that is, you would not call them Devas or nature Spirits. Yet the great forms you have seen and photographed in the skies and on the surface of the earth also, somewhat resemble them.

"You ask why they are now suddenly present in large numbers. I shall tell you. Always, when a civilization, a culture has reached its height and is destined to collapse, the Etherians have appeared in numbers. They come to make an examination and final record, for their own knowledge, of the status of that civilization - somewhat as you might do with disappearing tribes and races. And it is true also that they have been alerted and disturbed by your release of atomic energies. But all past civilizations and races have had their day, and failed in some way, and passed out of earth existence. So with your civilization. The Etherian people came, and observed, and made their historical records. So they come now."

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"And another communication from Arakashi. Very little seems to be known about this personality. All that the Inner Circle can and will say, is that he was a Guru (holy man), who lived and died in the Punjab District of India c.1320-98 A.D. - teachings were Buddhistic."

He communicated the following in 1950:

"Your conventional physics have led men to believe that three dimensional form is real and substantial. But your more learned physicist will tell you that a physical-chemical object is rarefied to the point of being ninety per cent space, or what is known as nothingness, and that that which is called space or the ether is extremely more dense than any known substance. The reason for this seems to lie in the fact that no two atoms of which form is made, touch one another and that, relatively speaking, their distances from one another can be compared with those separating your heavenly bodies. And that which holds them together or drives them farther apart is called the field of attraction and repulsion, or positive and negative poles. Now, you can take a bar of iron which may seem real and very solid to your eyes and sense of touch, but which is as porous as a piece of sponge, and if you heat this bar, you will find it will first start to bend and then to run like water. Why? Simply because heat steps up the vibratory rate of its molecules, thus creating a greater negative field than existed in it while cold. This drives the molecules further apart. Now, while you have changed the form of a "bar" of iron, you have not in any way changed the substance called iron because it has become liquid. You may change it all into vapour but it will still remain "iron" vapour.

"Now all this latter is well-known even by the schoolboy; I wish only to make clear that a human body contains all the known elements; and the mind in deep meditation knows how, with the aid of breath and the kundalini forces, to segregate the necessary chemicals from the body and project them into the thought-form mold, thereby creating a three-dimensional object.

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"If your men of science hope to understand more clearly the phenomena of life, they will have to come sooner or later to the realisation that this thing which we call 'space-time' is subjective personified activity that is projected from the self in compact, extremely minute impulses. On the gross earth plane these impulses are what you call chemical particles - called this simply because the nuclear structure of these impulses can be so arranged as to form what you think of as matter - however, only the kind that is suited for your three-dimensional way of thinking. But deep within the gross matter field there lies a more subtle field known as the Etheric plane. It is from this next higher vibratory rate that solidified matter draws its energy that keeps it functioning in the physical world. When a physical body of any kind starts to deteriorate and go through the state you call "death", it is because the channels through which it absorbs this etheric energy have failed, for one cause or another. The energy-matter that went to make up that particular body will go through many forms before it again flows back into its original state of formless matter.

"All that man sees is matter in motion, and then almost always only one phase of it.

"When seemingly strange phenomena, such as odd-looking aircraft and countless other things come to your notice, you can be assured that it is one form of matter merging with another that has an affinity or strong pull of attraction for it. Sometimes the force of attraction is so great that the speed at which they meet causes them to do what you call explode. An explosion is but one of the many ways that one dimension has of merging with another by sudden and violent breakdown, or deterioration, and almost instant regrouping to form new substance."

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MEETINGS FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

DURBAN

June Instead of the usual monthly meeting
there will be an International Sky-
watch weekend. For details see Page 9.

July Friday, 17th at 8 p.m.

August Friday, 21st at 8 p.m.

Meeting Place: The Centre, 3rd Floor, Prince of
Wales Building, 384 Smith Street,
Durban.

JOHANNESBURG June: Monday 8th at 8 p.m.

July: " 13th at 8 p.m.

August: " 10th at 8 p.m.

Meeting Place: 17, Westmeath Road, Parkview,
Johannesburg. If new friends
would like to attend these
meetings, please contact Mrs.
Neslie Schmultz, at the above
address.

PRETORIA June: Friday

August: Friday

Meeting Place: Theosophical Hall, 424 Skinner
Street. All are welcome.
Chairman Mr. Johan Jacobs,
P.O. Box 215, Pretoria.

EAST LONDON Meetings are held at irregular
intervals. Please contact the
Chairman, Mr. E.E. Buttner at
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