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Looking back over the past year, we undoubtedly have different ideas as to what we have done with it or even what the year has done with us. There are numerous ways taken by various individuals to arrive at the same point, and that is our natural right, resulting from individual uniqueness.

Often this freedom of movement is not always in accordance with laws and we seldom take this into account. It would be profitable if we were to become more aware of the importance of this as well as our thought processes, as this would certainly lead to a greater awareness of our inherent potentials.

What little we know about them, we are all agreed that most ufonauts strike us as belonging to a category of beings that have an inherent quality of being in control of their thought processes and resulting actions. Purposefulness must be the result of knowing one's goal, also the clarity of mind to select the best way to get there, all within the boundaries of laws. As earthbound beings, we have to overcome quite some conditioning and it seems fairly incredible that as a race we are quite content to remain so limited, being without a greater purpose.

When we care to analyse what our chances are to transcend this state of affairs, we come up against some mighty odds, and the mightiest of these is ignorance; in fact it

is not knowing what we lack or who we are. How then can we be purposeful in our aspirations when we cannot or do not acknowledge our own potential? And what is our potential, but to express at all times that we are quite capable of living in harmony with Nature, that we are the embodiment of Nature.

Ninety-nine out of a hundred are quite satisfied to live as they do. The very structure of the establishment suggests that we are only human and have no other choice but to suffer in silence. At best it offers charitable institutions to do so and while these are better than none, the point is that the earth needs a total re-orientation if only to halt further deterioration.

We believe that a good many of our extra-terrestrial friends have come to help us to re-orientate ourselves. The gigantic task of this new orientation can only be undertaken by those who are so functioning.

Due to the rapid deterioration of many planetary conditions, mankind will begin to admit that he is on the wrong track of life. And it is only when the masses sincerely ask for help that help can be given. After all, air only moves when there is a lower atmospheric pressure area somewhere. The law always provides, even on a global scale, when there is a genuine need, provided this need is globally acknowledged. If the olden Israelite had not been expecting a Saviour for so long, Christ could not have appeared to show the way. And so it is that when those of us seek Truth in the greater dimensions of Life, that dimension will respond rewardingly.

May 1975 be just such a year.

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"One of the functions of intelligence is to take account of the dangers that come from trusting solely to the intelligence".
Lewis Mumford - The Transformations
of man

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INCREDIBLE SOUTH AFRICAN CONTACTEE STORY

Members of Contact must have taken more than a passing interest in the subject of Life elsewhere in the universe, exobiology as the scientists call it, or Ufo's or plain flying saucers. Undoubtedly you will have come across books or magazines which relate the experiences of those who have been singled out to become what is known as a contactee. These people who have told us of their incredible experiences usually live in countries far away from our land, and we have often wondered whether there are any contactees in the southern tip of Africa. From what we now know there must have been quite a few; some possibly remained silent about their experiences because nobody would believe them anyway; some have felt the need to share their amazing experiences with others and some have been urged by their space friends to tell others that they really exist and that there is intelligent life on all levels of evolution in the universe. I am going to tell you about one of these contactees I have had the good fortune of meeting and having carefully examined the facts of this amazing contact I will now relate these for your consideration.

We, too, have an "Adamski" in this country! Someone in Durban has been contacted by a spaceman as long ago as 1960. It is a truly amazing story, quite out of this world! For obvious reasons we have had to withhold the identity of the contactee, but I have been asked to be his spokesman.

How did it all start? Let me say now that we are dealing with a benevolent and very advanced civilization within our own milky way galaxy who have solved the problem of travelling vast distances of space at a very short time. I mean really vast stretches of space which astronomers measure in light years, and which we find difficult to imagine. We are told that it involves the crossing of the light barrier, i.e. exceeding the speed of light. Now, our scientists say that this is impossible, as at the speed of light the mass of the object becomes infinitely large. Our space friends say that matter changes in some way at or beyond the speed of light and then reforms into a new dimension. I don't pretend to understand this, but apparently they can then also travel in time as well

as vast distances in the universe! Their spacecraft with occupants can do this. This really boggles the mind. They tell us they come from the 'future' from out there somewhere in space; they also tell us that they wonder if they have come too early in our evolution, as mankind is not yet prepared to accept that there is intelligent life elsewhere in the galaxy.

Our visitor from space and time is, to our utter amazement, very human in appearance. Anatomically they appear to be identical to us, and could easily fit in in any West European city. They have a clean and healthy look about them and appear to have robust physical strength which suggests that they exercise regularly. Language is no problem as they have learnt English to perfection. One must assume that these space visitors to any country on our planet will have to master the language before arrival. They appear to come here for study periods from two to five years, during which time they live amongst us, and work amongst us without drawing particular attention to themselves. Let me hasten to add here that all occupants of UFOs are not necessarily like us - indeed, some have been reported to be very strange types. But our space friends are not weird monsters at all; on the contrary they have turned out to be delightful people, kind, loving, very humble - a measure of their true greatness!

Let me now tell you the story as I heard it from the man who actually experienced it. This is what he said:

"It all started in 1960, at the time when the firm where I worked was short of a radio technician. Someone answered the advertisement my firm had placed in the local newspaper. The first time I saw 'him' was when he walked around with a director who showed him the plant and introduced him to a few of us in the department. We were told that he was to start at the beginning of the month. As we worked in the same department we gradually became friendly, both being supervisors of a section of the factory. He told me his name was 'George', and being in an office together, we got to know each other rather well. He stayed in an hotel and as I was staying further out of town myself I used to pass by this hotel and pick him up on the motor bike. Then I got around to seeing George at weekends and we used to go out together. He told me he was from Johannesburg.

We saw quite a bit of each other and often went fishing. That is when he really started to work on me. One night when we were on Patterson's Groyne, we saw a light in the sky. This is what brought up the subject. I mentioned to George that I wondered whether the light was a sputnik or a Ufo, and he asked me my opinion on Ufos, people from other worlds, and so on. I replied that I hadn't given it much thought, but as far as I was concerned there must be life out there somewhere. From then on he gradually brought up the subject of life in space. He often asked whether I thought there could be life on Venus, or in other solar systems, and once I was used to the idea of life in outer space he gave me proof. He referred to historical incidents, the pyramids, ancient Egypt, the pharaohs, etc. I suppose that it took him about eight months to really convince me, and then one day he said that he was going to give me absolute proof that the lights in the sky aren't all sputniks! And so we made arrangements to go fishing again at the same spot on a Saturday night.

George used to borrow my fishing rods as he had no fishing tackle himself. When I picked him up that night I noticed that he had a leather bag and I asked him what was in it. He said that it was something for us to eat, so I said no more and off we went. Then as we got to Patterson's Groyne we noticed that there were quite a number of people about, but by 2 a.m. we were the only two left. George said that he wanted to prove something to me. I switched on my flashlight and he opened the leather bag; in the light I could see that it was some kind of instrument. Later I was told that it was an instrument they use to communicate with each other, an instrument which can amplify telepathic messages. There was a telescopic antenna on this instrument which he pulled. This aerial was rather unusual, consisting of two vertical rods joined at the top by a horizontal piece, making a U-shape, and about four to five feet high when fully extended. George then started to talk into the instrument in a strange language I had never heard before. A good half hour later a light came from over the sea, making for the Bluff and then moving in line with the shore. It came right over us, where it stopped. The light was a space craft homing in on the instrument which George had on the Groyne. The space craft emitted a blue-white light which was constant,

not pulsating at all. Then this "light" performed an aerial manoeuvre in the shape of a cross and then in a circle around a central point. This was my first piece of proof. Then George spoke into the instrument again, and I was surprised to hear a voice replying in English and addressing me! The voice said that he was the commander of the spacecraft above us. He described the manoeuvres he had just performed and gave the altitude. The Commander then said that he was going to show me what happens when a spacecraft leaves at maximum acceleration and to listen very carefully; but, before he left he told me who George was, that he had come specially to find someone suitable who was willing to start a group so that interested people could join. George would tell me exactly what his mission was and what my mission was to be, if I was willing to accept. The craft then moved off - George and I were watching as it streaked off and then we heard the crack of the sonic boom, which could be heard above the noise of the surf.

From then on things went in leaps and bounds. George was with us for two years. During that time he had exhausted every source of information in Durban, libraries, museums, churches - there was not one church in Durban he missed, we attended many meetings and also a few spiritualist's meetings. He was keen to find out about our different religions and what the ministers were trying to get across to their congregations. He never expressed an opinion about these various denominations and he said that he would not criticize our forms of worship, but there were quite a number of things that he used to shake his head at - such as lawlessness, brawls, fights, drunks and so on. Then, after two years, George said that it was time for him to go back.

At Easter, 1962, I took George up to Richards Bay and when we arrived he told me that we had to be on the beach at 10 p.m. He seemed to know that beach very well, and pointed out an outcrop of rocks where the rendezvous with the spacecraft had been planned for. At low tide, which was at 10 p.m. the beach would be much wider and there would be more room for a spacecraft landing. The rest of the day we spent fishing and when evening came George and I were on the beach at the appointed time. George had two suitcases and the leather bag with the instrument. He again spoke into the instrument as he had done

previously, and it was not very long before a light approached from the sea. George then said that I had to get back as far as possible against the side of the sand dunes. George was wearing his blue uniform which looked like a tight fitting track suit. It was of a special material which gave him protection against certain radiations. As I had no such protection I had therefore to get back as far as possible. He said good-bye and we shook hands and then he said that although he would be away for quite a while, we would meet again. The spacecraft was huge - about 160 feet in diameter - disc-shaped like two saucers with a dome on top which had large observation windows through which a bright white light was shining, and I could see a figure at one of the observation windows. The craft touched down on the beach with a sort of scraping sound over the pebbles. Once it was down it was soon rising again as a round column extended out of the bottom of the craft which seemed to push the whole craft upwards. This round column was a lift shaft with sliding doors at the bottom. George picked up his suitcases and his instrument and went through the door into the lift shaft. The lift would take him up to the various deck levels of the space craft; when the door closed George was gone and the column was drawn back into the body of the spacecraft, which then settled again on the beach. Very soon after that, the craft took to the air and moved away over the sea. The lights went off in the control centre on top and it climbed rapidly and was soon out of sight. That is how George left.

Before George left, he taught me how to communicate by telepathy and in this way I have been in touch with him over the years right up to the present".

This is the story of what happened about twelve years ago to this contactee, but I am going to bring you right up to date with the latest happenings. Recently I was asked to be present when George once again communicated telepathically with our contactee. In his message George said that he would like to communicate with the group called "Contact" and that in the future we would have further communications from him and possibly from other space-craft commanders. These are to be recorded on tape, edited by me and then handed to the Chairman of Contact so that members of Contact may hear them.

It appears that you are now truly a 'contacted group' in contact with space intelligences! We hope to bring you more from our space friends, and in closing I have great pleasure in conveying to you all the very best wishes from George, our contacted friend and myself. This is the way our space friends usually end their communications:

Viso Viso Kiata, Planet Earth,
Viso Viso Kiata, Planet Earth,
Kiata si endo Koldas.

May the Divine One guide and go before you all.

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IN PASSING

Have you ever wondered how far back in history flying saucers have been reported? There are many alleged reports of ufos in the Bible, and anyone who cares to read the Old Restament may find reference to "pillars of clouds" or "pillars of fire" in Exodus and Numbers. Even in the New Testament there appear to be strange phenomena of beings from the clouds talking to man, but it is left to each one to interpret it as he can best understand and accept it.

Not much seems to have been mentioned about flying saucers during the Dark Ages. However, there have been a couple of isolated reports, and one such is the following:

In December, AD 1200, "a little before the Nativity of the Lord", in the province of York, England, "five Moons" were seen at "about the first watch of the night". One "moon" appeared in the North; one in the South; one in the East, and one in the West. The fifthe "moon", having many "stars" accompanying it, was first seen in the middle of the other "moons" (in the zenith?). It made a circuit of the other "moons" five or six times. The entire phenomena lasted for about one hour.

Who says that flying saucers were unknown before Kenneth Arnold's famous sightings in 1947?

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Extract from a talk entitled

"POLLUTION"

By Simon Legg of S.A.C.C.A.P.

There was a newspaper report a couple of months ago which put forward what at first sight seemed to be the most astounding solution to the world's population explosion problem. The writer suggested that one way of coping with this would be the construction of huge space craft which would be self-supporting in terms of energy and material resources indefinitely, even to the extent of including tiny farming systems which would support the needs of their human occupants, sustained by solar energy and natural wastes, including the wastes of the inhabitants.

Before we write off such an idea as completely fantastic and bordering on the lunatic fringe, we have to remember that to-day we are seeing come true the predictions of earlier writers like Jules Verne and H.G. Wells. In their day many people considered ideas like space exploration, or even of the placing of a man on the moon as being quite crazy. However, we now know that the Science Fiction of yesterday has often become the Fact of to-day.

Some members of "Contact" may have read Frank Herbert's Science Fiction masterpiece called "Dune", which dealt with events perhaps 10,000 years hence in the future. You will remember that in this book, before the action took place, the planet Earth had solved its population problem by using space craft to shift surplus population to other planets in the universe inhabitable by man. The possibility of using space craft to shift populations to other worlds, in the same way that to-day we fly a team of rugby players from one continent to another by jet, is perhaps a little more comprehensible to us than the other suggestion of using space craft as semi-permanent habitations!

The author of "Dune", Frank Herbert, has more than a passing knowledge of and interest in, Ecology. There is an appendix to this book called "The Ecology of Dune" in which the author infers that the planet which is the scene of his story had once had water, but had been turned into a desert, inhabited by people

having certain resemblances to the nomadic inhabitants of today's North African deserts. In the book, a scientist from another planet, and later his son, had been trying to reclaim this desert and to turn it into a more hospitable place on which to live.

In this connection it is frightening that certain scientists have stated that if we carry on treating the world's resources of forests, soil and water in the way in which we are to-day, the whole of this world could be one vast desert by the year AD 2050!

With all due respects I do not think that the answer to man's pollution problems is inter-planetary travel. Such solutions, if they are indeed practicable, lie beyond the immediate future.

What do we mean by pollution? Colliers' definition of the verb "pollute" is "to make unclean or impure, dirty, corrupt, profane", hence the noun "pollution". In to-day's popular parlance when we talk of pollution we refer to various aspects of this dirtying which have been caused directly or indirectly by man. These aspects are, amongst others, the population explosion, the technological revolution, water pollution, air pollution, soil erosion and the imbalances in nature due to pesticides, litter, etc.

Basically, our problems derive from two cardinal errors in mankind's behaviour patterns. Firstly, we have lived and to a large extent are still living as though the world's natural resources were inexhaustible. Secondly, we have acted as though Nature had an unlimited ability to absorb all our waste products, whether biological or mineral, and to return them to their original state, or at least render them harmless.

The average man shrugs off the idea of pollution as something he can do very little about. If the pollution bogey worries you, then worry constructively; do something. You can educate yourselves on the subject and join one or more of the conservation bodies which are working in this field and work with them.

THE SEARCH FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE CONTINUES.

The journal "Priroda" reports that since the 1971 Byurakan Conference on the Search for Extraterrestrial Civilizations, the Soviets have expressed support of the American scientist, J. Weber, who contends the very powerful gravitational radiation he had recorded and studied is of such magnitude that it cannot be explained by any known cosmic phenomenon. Weber supposes the radiation emanates from the centre of our galaxy. The Soviets believe that herein lies the key to communication with extraterrestrial civilizations - the transmission of gravitational waves.

Most scientists favour electromagnetic or radio waves as the means of interstellar communication. There is some difference of opinion as to which wavelength to use: some favour radio waves; others prefer transmitting on visual wavelengths.

The advantages of gravitational waves is that they penetrate everything and are not diminished in strength when passing through material objects.

A shortcoming of gravitational waves is the extremely low level of signal transmitted as compared to the level of interference caused by surrounding masses. This obstacle can be overcome by developing a system of modulation of the gravitational waves, which would enable a receiver to unmistakably distinguish an artificial signal from among the considerable noise of natural origin.

U.S. scientists favour radio waves as the means of extraterrestrial communication. A study named Cyclops suggests that intelligent forms of life may have established a galaxy-wide communications network.

Today mankind has the technology to build equipment to signal across our galaxy and to other galaxies as well. The problem is where to signal and how to decipher any signals received.

Because many wavelengths of space radiations are impeded by the earth's atmosphere, astronomers have been sending equipment

in balloons, planes, rockets and satellites in an attempt to work above the atmosphere. Instruments used include ultra-violet light telescopes, gamma-ray telescopes and infrared telescopes.

Science Digest.

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Early in December, 1974, scientists beamed a three-minute radio message towards Messier 13, a cluster of 300,000 stars on the edge of the Milky Way. Astronomers have listened with telescopes for any possible communications from outer space, but this was the first time that signals had been sent out. The project was devised by the National Astronomy and Ionosphere Centre, which operates the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico for Cornell University and the National Science Foundation. This experiment was used to illustrate the capabilities of the world's largest antenna.

The message can be converted into a television image that conveys information about Earth: a figure of a man, the chemical composition of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) on which man depends, the earth's location in the solar system, and a representation of the transmitting antenna.

Transmission was in the form of systematic frequency fluctuations representing "characters" that can be reconstructed into the image.

As the signals will take an estimated 24,000 years to reach Messier 13, not many of the scientists anticipate being able to be present when a reply is eventually received!

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In outer space, or just around the corner from home in the family car, you know you're in trouble when you hear a funny noise!

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U.F.O.s - KEY TO THE NEW AGE

By Arthur Shuttlewood

Arthur Shuttlewood, reported by profession, and it seems a 'new-age' investigator and scientist by inclination, in his book "U.F.O.s - Key to the New Age" has produced a pyramid of thoughts which, if it does not often leave the reader greatly wondering, requires him or her to have a nimble mind indeed.

This seems all the more so as Arthur Shuttlewood follows one pattern of thought with another often without supplying a link. These unfinished 'random thought patterns' could cause some bewilderment on the reader's part. However, all these thoughts are emanations of the central and rather hidden theme of the book, that man is an integral part of the all; also that when he understands the great law of unified cosmic energy, he will have the key to a new age way of life and ease of mind.

The basis of his book is the number of sightings and observations at Warminster, England, especially the Cradle Hill area, which is often followed by deductions and questions. The author reminds one of a new-age Sherlock Holmes, always probing the possibilities, seeking relationships and offering his insights, but at the same time leaving the reader also to do his own thinking. His book is a compilation of borderland thoughts and reflections, which are very suited to complement the insight of other Truth-seekers so that they may reach more definite conclusions.

Arthur Shuttlewood not only investigates Ufo's but his mind works overtime when it comes to radiation, electricity, magnetism, gravity, telepathy and extra-sensory perception. He raises the question that there could be a subtle link between magnetism and E.S.P.; that there is also the likelihood that our minds are continuously open to suggestion, even to very distant ones. Then he links waterspouts and tornadoes with a spiral magnetic field, links these with sunspots and says that these magnetic structures could be filled with helium nuclei, which are unable to find free electrons and as a consequence pull these from any organic matter in the vicinity.

Shuttlewood says it could well be possible that there is a universal octave scale of energy, from very ordinary to even a conscious form of energy, and the more refined it appears the more difficult it becomes to be used. If the reader is an occult student, he or she will undoubtedly see the connection between the foregoing and the raising of one's individual rate of vibration. In other words, the higher this rate of vibration is, the higher on the scale will be the individual's use of cosmic energy.

Then we find the author thinking aloud about possible consequences of the ruptured van Allen belt and the damage to the heavyside reflecting layer, the escape of protons, neutrons and electrons that make up this belt. He carries on, that as a consequence the electrical grid systems might fail because of the escape of free electrons; all electrical machinery will come to a standstill for the same reason, including motor cars. (Well, back to the old horse!).

For many years Warminster has been receiving signs of things to come and the author comes forward with the possibility that a good deal of phenomena could be the activity of etheric or elemental forces. When the wavelengths of these vibrations become lowered, they may occasionally be captured by the eye or a photographic plate, the ear or on a tape. Also, that a proportion of so-called Ufo's are probably random natural products, gaseous molecules approaching crystalline shapes, which are attracted by magnetism to a particular spot. A Cornish woman claiming to be a contactee of Ufonauts, warns of the build-up of the noise level on earth, as this may rupture the thin outer film or filter around the earth. If and when this happens, the magnetic force can flow outwards unrestricted and the earth's axis will commence to slip. This in turn will start to change the rate of the earth's revolutions. She says that this is one of the reasons for the ufonauts' urgent activities here. (Thank God for good friends).

Summing up, Arthur Shuttlewood has produced a book with a truly new-age approach to our ancient problems. Although it may not be the easiest of books to follow, it presents us with a challenge; a challenge to delve into the mysteries of Ufo's,

Ufonauts and aerial phenomena, but also to re-educate oneself, to think in terms of being truly universal.

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URGENT APPEAL

We have a special request to make: Would any readers who possess back-copies of Flying Saucer Review be prepared to part with them?

Contact Library had copies dating back many years which had been bound in book form. Unfortunately this volume was borrowed by a member and subsequently lost. As you can well imagine, there is a wealth of ufo information in these magazines and any researcher should be able to browse through these magazines and do some research. We therefore hope to make up another volume for all earnest ufo enthusiasts to read. We would appreciate it if everybody could look through their libraries for Flying Saucer Review copies, and post them to:

"Contact"
P.O. Box 743,
DURBAN.
4000.

We would be willing to pay the cost of postage on receipt of any copies sent to us.

Our grateful thanks in anticipation!

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to combine the December-February issue with the March-May issue. We regret that this has happened, but feel sure that you will continue to look forward to subsequent copies of "Skywatch".

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"Education replaces cocksure ignorance with thoughtful uncertainty" - Modern Maturity.

MEETINGS FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

DURBAN: Meetings are held on the fourth
Wednesday in the month.

Venue: The Centre, 3rd Floor, Progress House,
Hermitage Street, Durban.

JOHANNESBURG: Meetings are held on the first
Monday in the month.

Venue: Kindly contact Mrs. E. Klarer, at
3, Cottage Place, 394 Rifle Range,
Towerby, Johannesburg, for details.

CAPE TOWN: Meetings are held on the last
Friday in the month.

Venue: Kindly contact Mr. Andre Nestel at
9 Schoonvrug Lane, Weltevrede,
Constantia for details.

PRETORIA: Kindly contact Mr. Walter Beck,
postal address P.O. Box 4226, Pretoria,
for details of meetings.
