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Chelmsford Public Meeting

On Friday, 17th September 1976, at 8.00 p.m. the Group will be holding a Public Meeting at the British Legion Hall, Haig Gardens, New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex.

This Meeting will be our first in this area and is planned to provide a broad outline of the UFO phenomenon, and in addition, of course, to introduce the Group to visitors.

During the three hours of this Meeting, there will be ample opportunity for visitors to talk to the Group's organisers.

An admission of **20p** will be charged, which will include participation in a raffle and refreshment.

Group Meeting - 9th July 1976, 8-11 p.m.
Harts Lane Lecture Hall, Barking.

Mr. Roy Lake (Chairman) commenced this Meeting by welcoming members (including one of the Group's newly recruited members from Chelmsford) and a good many non-members to this, our first gathering in a long time. He continued by giving a brief outline of the Group's activities, and in particular, Skywatches (please note the Group's Skywatch for October - see SKYWATCHES).

Mr. Ron Rider (Vice-Chairman and Treasurer) then briefly mentioned the situation of Group loyalties. In theory, Investigators of Groups located in the same regions should work together in harmony, and not think of themselves as newspaper reporters trying to obtain a story (UFO report) ahead of everyone else. Of course, some people acting as Investigators belong to two or three Groups - it is then his or her decision as to which Group receives the report (and subsequent credit) first.

Mr. Ron Markwick (Technical Advisor and Head of Investigations) then quoted a recent UFO sighting in Dagenham. This UFO, seen on the 17th June, was of the type that changes its shape. It first appeared as a long orange cylindrical object, which over a period of three minutes changed into a sphere and grew smaller, before fading away (this case will appear in full in a future issue).

Refreshments were then served, after which everyone was asked to approach the Group's equipment table for an explanation as to the nature of the items displayed. Various types of radiation and UFO detectors were demonstrated, and brief accounts of the different methods incorporated in each device to give either a visual reading (radiation detector), or audible alarm (UFO detector), were given. For those of you who are interested in purchasing a UFO detector (magnetic needle type), Mr. Malcolm Jay, a member of the Group, is the person to contact (see "Flying Saucer Review" for advertisement). Alternatively, one can make a satisfactory detector for less than £3.00.

Following a raffle (the prize being £1.00 and won by Mr. John Saville), Mr. Ron Markwick quoted a very interesting case from the impressive American magazine "Official UFO". "The Travis Walton Abduction" (July 1976 issue, page 22) is described as being "possibly one of the most significant in the history of ufology". I will not quote the entire case here, but briefly mention that it is the full story of an abduction by alien occupants; the initial encounter with the UFO (whose occupants later abducted Travis Walton) being witnessed by six forestry workers. This incident took place on 5th November 1975, in Arizona, U.S.A., and was announced on British television and radio news' broadcasts.

At 10.45 p.m. the Chairman announced that the Meeting would have to now close, and commented that unfortunately he could not give a definite date for the next Meeting at Harts Lane Hall, as other important venues were being arranged, the Chelmsford Meeting heading the list.

BRITISH UFO RESEARCH ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE 1976 (BUFORA)

The 1976 Conference will be held from Friday night November 5th to Sunday afternoon, November 7th, at the Birmingham Centre Hotel, New Street, Birmingham B2 4RX. An informal discussion will be held on the Friday evening, with the Conference itself beginning at 10.45 a.m. on the Saturday.

Every effort will be made to make this Conference as interesting and successful as possible, with a wide range of Papers planned, to cover most aspects of Ufology. The main speaker for the weekend will be Mr. Ted Bloecher, the famous American researcher, who will be presenting an important Paper on the Saturday evening. Mr. Bloecher has extensively researched humanoid and occupant cases and his results of such research will be presented.

Apart from some eight other Papers concerned with research work in Britain and elsewhere, there will be small Group discussion sessions on the Saturday afternoon.

Finally, those attending are invited to submit a Paper of their own for the Conference (twenty minutes maximum please) and this can be based on any branch of Ufological research.

The weekend fee for the Conference will be £5.00 (members) and £6.00 non-members. Please forward cheques and postal orders (made payable to BUFORA LTD.), and any Papers, enquiries, etc. (please enclose an s.a.e. with enquiries) to:-

Miss Jenny Randles, 23 Sunningdale Drive,
Irlam, Greater Manchester, M30 6NJ.

INVESTIGATIONS

A number of interesting UFO sightings have been reported in the past three months, virtually all emanating from the Dagenham area. It would appear that UFO activity is beginning again, after a lull of approximately three months (March to May 1976). We expect this activity to spread out from Dagenham to other parts of Essex (as the 1975/76 mini-flap did). Just why Dagenham should play host to their initial visits is a mystery - perhaps those mysterious ley lines have something to do with it, and this is where you, the reader, could help (see "Ley Lines in Essex").

Please remember that if you see a newspaper report of a UFO having recently been seen, please inform us, and if possible, send the clipping with the name and date of issue of the newspaper.

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REPORT No. 1 (Case No. 1975-7-2)

U.F.O. from Germany?

UFO's are generally thought to be extraterrestrial in origin. However, the first case presented here would seem to suggest that not all UFO's are products of other worlds.

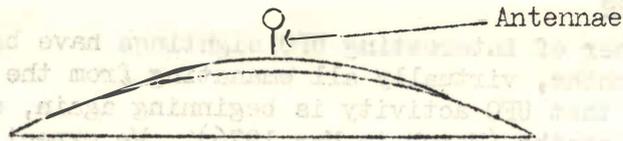
One sunny day during July 1975, the exact day not being recalled, Mr. H. (total anonymity strictly requested), an honest, quiet, married man in his early forties, was driving his Company car along lonely Warwick Lane, a minor road that runs between Rainham and Ockendon, South Essex. Mr. H. was late for a business appointment and he had just glanced at his wristwatch (which indicated 12.10 p.m.) when on the left-hand side of the road he saw a small van parked on the grass verge. The rear of the van, which was facing Mr. H. as he approached, had its rear doors open. The inside of the van contained what could only be described as a vast amount of electrical equipment; many dials, knobs, wires and complicated apparatus being visible. Standing by the side of the van were two 'clean-cut' men dressed in short ski-type jackets. Both of them had short hair, one man's hair being dark, the other's brownish. Their ages, he thought, were in the middle twenties. One of the two men was holding "a box and a long wire".

Mr. H. drove past the van and for some inexplicable reason (he told our Investigator that it was a compulsion), he turned into the very small minor road on his left, a manoeuvre that he did not originally plan to make.

Mr. H. had only driven a matter of yards into the side turning, (Gerpins Lane) when a small disc-shaped object floated across from the left-hand side of the lane and stopped directly in front of him. He applied the car's brakes, came to a halt, and just sat there gazing at the object through the car's windscreen. Winding down the offside door window, he peered out to obtain an uninterrupted view of the oddity. Now beginning to feel a little uneasy, he reversed his car back into Warwick Lane, and facing the way that he had just come, briskly drove off. The disc, which up until then had hovered over the same spot in Gerpins Lane, moved off in pursuit of Mr. H.

For half a mile (0.8 km.) or so the disc followed Mr. H. It made no effort to overtake his car, but remained some 3 feet (.91m) or less above the road matching the car's speed of 40-45 m.p.h. (64-72 km/hr.) Suddenly the disc rose up into the air, turned around, and headed back in the direction of Gerpins Lane. Throughout the incident no other vehicle or person was seen, the whole area being very sparsely populated, with open fields, and trees lining both sides of the road.

The disc encountered by Mr. H.



Additional data (for the disc)

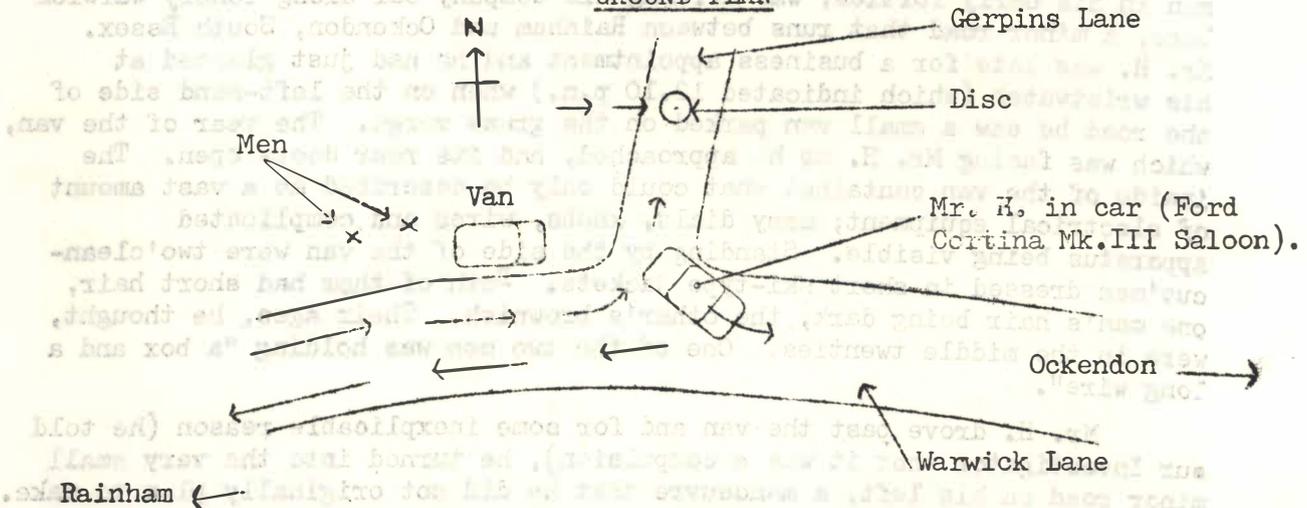
Estimated real size: 3 ft. (0.91m) diameter.
 Colour: Bright silver.
 Audible emissions: None.
 Object observed for between one and four minutes.

Additional data (for the van)

Manufacturer: Datsun.
 Colour: blue.
 Registration No. ??-419?-22.
 Nationality identification plate 'D' (on rear of van).

Mr. H. caught sight of the van's front number plate as he reversed out of Gerpins Lane and faced the opposite direction. Unfortunately, he could only remember the numbers given above. The white plate on the van's rear bearing the capital letter 'D' denotes the country of origin. ('D' for Deutschland, Germany).

GROUND PLAN



Mr. H. believed that although the whole affair was a little weird, the disc was only a model being tested by some clever electronic enthusiasts. This was not the end of the story, however. Very early the next morning Mr. H. saw the same small disc outside his bedroom window. The time was 1 a.m. when he witnessed the object for 20-30secs. Apparently, the disc was nearly touching the window pane, only 5-6 feet, (1.5m. - 1.8m) from Mr. H., who was in bed at the time. Mr. H's wife was asleep next to him but he didn't think of awakening her.

The following night, again at 1 a.m., Mr. H. once more beheld the disc outside his bedroom window. This time he tried to awaken his wife, but by the time that he had succeeded in doing so, the object had disappeared.

Mr. H. noticed that the disc was not as bright as it was at Gerpins Lane and didn't have any form of self-illumination. Again, there was nothing to be heard.

Mr. Barry King was telephoned by Mr. H. some months after the sighting. The story was extracted from numerous telephone calls, all more than 20 minutes in length, and a personal visit. Mr. King found the witness, who made him swear to secrecy until recently regarding the whole affair, very worried and in rather a bad way. Even though Mr. King has details of names, etc., he could in no way extract from Mr. H. his home address or employer. Suffice it to say that he is an important Company Executive.

Well, what are we to make of all this? Assuming that the story is true and accurately reported (and we have no reason to doubt these assumptions), then did the two men with the van have anything to do with the disc - and if they did was it only a model after all? The spanner in the works here is:- why did the disc appear at his bedroom window? Also, the Nationality identification plate - why did two Germans come to Britain to test their craft? (Or one of Hitler's original secret weapons? Were they Germans, or indeed Earth people at all? We may never know!

Editor.

"THE GHOST FLIERS - Mysterious Aerial Visitations"

by Mr. Ron Markwick

Members may recall the talk I gave at one of our Meetings regarding the unknown aeroplanes of the 1930's, which flew low over trees, mountain tops, and around the sky-scrappers of New York - where dangerous air currents abound. They were unafraid of night flying, or under any hazardous conditions such as flying in blinding rain, snow and even fog, often for several hours at a time.

Particularly for the '30's, they flew under impossible flying conditions, and countless observers of towns and cities witnessed these "ghost fliers".

It was not only in the U.S.A. where these "crazy flights" took place, but also over the Scandinavian countries in Europe (Norway, Sweden and Denmark) their stunts were observed.

These flights were not of a 5-second nature, but were part of a big flap, which means that the authorities (the military, that is) had ample time to photograph and note some details relating to these unknown mysterious craft.

It was the same pattern with UFO's previous to, and after the 1930's, insomuch as their being seen much in evidence over military installations, with, on occasions, that familiar beam of light aimed Earthward. Although they were identified as bi-planes, or made to seem as such to us, they were unidentified on the more important counts, e.g. to whom do they belong, from whence or why they came, their purpose, why no registration number or national markings, and why pick on a small nation such as Denmark, who never contemplated a take-over of the world? But then extra-terrestrial visitors would not know Denmark to be a small nation having a boundary line with a larger nation; Germany.

True, Germany started the World War II about five years after the Scandinavian flap, but Sweden remained neutral throughout that War, and we can rule out the ghost bi-planes being German, since they could never have flown more than 3,000 miles across the Atlantic to American military installations and then back to the Reich.

These "phantom fliers" were not just a rumour, the newspapers of various nations gave the mystery some considerable coverage. There were many planes involved, and of importance to the matter is the fact that the military were seriously concerned with the violations of their airspaces, but came up with little more than "something was up there". Here we are just over 40 years later, and the establishment is just as naive over UFO's today, as they were in the '30's.

The aircraft's rays of light emitted to Earth are obviously somewhat more than a mere basic light source, and apparently are of frequencies and energies capable of harmful or healing abilities, for beaming up or down, and undoubtedly capable of death-dealing blows.

In 1946 the Scandinavian countries again, along with Finland, had a few thousand "ghost rockets" in all, in air lanes between $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile up, and the press of various countries were busy in reporting the accounts, yet again, of more mysterious visitors. Finland borders with a part of the USSR, and although at first suspected, was soon considered not responsible.

Points to note regarding these "phantom rockets" are; their height (as forementioned) and their speed (which in some instances was extremely fast, and in others at around 250 m.p.h.), although they were also seen to hover. Apparently, many never gave out any audible sounds (but maybe they were of a sub-sonic or ultra-sonic frequency), whilst some sounds heard of other rockets were not of a characteristic rocket roar, but rather like a whistling sound associated with some UFO's. The "ghost rockets" were cigar-shaped, one of the very same UFO shapes as had been observed in the skies right down through the ages, before we'd ever launched a rocket, and long before mankind arrived on planet Earth, no doubt.

From the Bible, Isaiah, who wrote his contribution to the Bible in 732 B.C., drew a blank as did the military investigators with the "phantom planes" and "ghost rockets". Isaiah had no "rocket", "airship", "cigar-shaped", or "phantom aircraft" terms to apply to his "UFO" sightings when he posed the question in Isaiah, Chapter 60, verse 8, of the Old Testament. He asks, "Who are these that fly as a cloud and as the doves to their windows?". To paraphrase this without mentioning Ufology, it would read something like: "Who are these in the skies who go sailing along as a cloud, and fly like doves to their dovecots?".

Isaiah obviously did not know who these particular beings were up aloft, but he was probably referring to a scout ship (dove) returning to its mother ship (window/cloud/dovecot). Many UFO witnesses have expressed how the scoutships (doves) fly into the mother ship (no doors opening, but as into a cloud) and emerged by the same means.

Amazingly, Isaiah had many believers, although not fully understood by the believers, yet similar UFO sightings by 20th. century man have earned him the name of "crank" in the majority of cases. Surely, any average person today wishing to perpetrate a UFO hoax, to be believed, would conjure up something along the lines equivalent to our own standard of advancement - e.g. "it looked like a Saturn-type rocket of the USA, and it entered the mother ship as a diver enters a submarine under the sea (that is, through an opening which later closed).

Yet in reality, technologically advanced visitors would hardly be expected to do virtually anything the way we might, that is if we are thinking correctly in relative terms.

There may be 100% truth in Isaiah's particular sentence, he may just not mean that "they" fly like a cloud across the sky, but also looked like a cloud (cigar-shaped cloud, possibly) and behaved like a cloud, insomuch as something could fly into it and out again any time later. It should be remembered here the number of witnesses today who see UFO's fly into and out of a non-meteorological mist formation.

Another of the chroniclers of the Bible asked an angel (or shall we say, space-entity?) what were those UFO's (our term today) in the skies, and the reply came that they were "the curse that goes about the face of the Earth" (many times in the past, I've stated that it's obvious we are having varying assortments of space-visitors from different parts of the universe, and some do not know who the others are.

The Condon Committee, USAF, the majority of scientists, the Scandinavian military authorities involved with investigations into the "phantom bi-planes and ghost rockets", sceptics generally, and countless others, would no doubt agree with "the curse which goes about the face of the Earth" answer in the Bible. Because, it caused many so much bother with financial cost, much involved valuable time, arguments, ridicule, show-ups and show-downs, cover-ups and leak-outs, scientists "for" UFO's having lost respect and dismissed from their employ, and etc.

I predict quite confidently, that the subject of UFO's in general will consume religion and matters of the occult, etc., no matter if it takes a little more time.

It strikes me as most interesting that our ancestors thousands of years ago at least knew that something and someone was about up there in the skies (even the religious) even if they did have the characters' identities wrong, as God/angels and the Devil/and his angels(?). But the majority of 20th century scientists have no such ideas; they say there is nothing and no-one about "up there" for which they cannot account for.

More recently, scientists are realising that it isn't hallucinations or light reflections they're picking up as solid returns on their radar 'scopes, and that "something" is there (even if they will not admit to "someone") - that's at least a start by scientists, even though they are the last to join the "club", and considering they cannot grab a UFO, it is quite an achievement on their part to keep with their character and even admit "something" is up there.

Scientists cannot grab the Sun and can never land on it; they accept the Sun is up there, yet UFO's land on the Earth (unlike the Sun), and UFO's give off emissions as does the Sun, and can be seen as can both UFO's/Sun, yet scientists were unaware of the existence of UFO's which were less than 93,000,000 miles away (distance of Earth to the Sun)astounding! Even Ezekiel's writings in the Bible (edited 591 BC.. Ezekiel's account indicates that he knew something/someone was about up there. He spoke of Jehovah's celestial chariot which issued flames of destruction, he spoke of the 4-wheeled living creature, and he even had a flip in it and gave an account of the effects of gravity upon his body (like the hand of the Lord bearing heavily down upon his body). If we put on a similar display to some unknown tribe on Earth today, the primitives would understand the main gist of the event, but of course, we the occupants would be described as anything from gods/angels to devils, depending upon how we treated them, and if the occupants

(humans) were of the fat and ugly looking species with acid burn marks on our faces, the primitives might even call us demons out to capture them in our cameras. Many of the Bible's chroniclers saw their equivalent of UFO's and were "contactees". The Bible relates of "Flying rolls", "flying scrolls", "chariots of fire", "pillars of fire", etc. Job was another who saw UFO's and he was on Earth during the 17th century B.C.

I would have appreciated a photograph from Adam of the craft with the "whirling, flaming swords", which guarded the entrance to the Garden of Eden. Adam (who must have seen a UFO more than anyone else) was here in the year 4025 B.C. (his birth year - died 930 years later). Would somebody please get a message through to Adam via the occult or spirit world that we have news for him - man has been on this planet for nearer 3,000,000 years and not 6,001 years!

Noah also, must have a pile of UFO sighting report forms completed of his own. He was born 2,969 B.C. and died 2,020 B.C. (950 years of age, older than Adam) and he was involved with the Ark at the time of the Biblical Flood - 2,369 B.C., when he was 600 years old. He was 599 years old at the commencement of the flood in NOVEMBER, 2,370 B.C.

Apparently, the life-span of man was much longer with the earlier Biblical characters, yet Moses (born 1,593 B.C., died 1,473 B.C.) forecast that one day man would have an average life span of about 70 years, yet Moses was 120 years of age at his death. For those interested, Abraham lived 175 years (2,018 B.C. - 1,844 B.C.), his wife Sarah lived 127 years (died 1,881 B.C.), Methuselah lived 969 years (3,338 B.C. - 2,370 B.C.), Shem lived 600 years (2,468 B.C. - 1,869 B.C.), Jacob lived 147 years (born 1,858 B.C.) and in the year 1,761 B.C. approx., wrestled in fun with an angel (obviously of a physical and not spiritual nature), and walked off with a limp afterwards. I was just about to say, "guess who won?". Isaac died within his 180th year (1,739 B.C.) and Joseph died 110 years of age (died 1,657 B.C.) Egypt started to emerge as a first world power about 1,600 B.C., and about this time the life-span of man fell dramatically.

King David lived 70 years (1,107 B.C. - 1,037 B.C.) and the life-spans were less from here on. Greece, a fifth world power, ruled in Judea in 332 B.C. and the Romans (6th world power) ruled in Jerusalem in 63 B.C. onward; the British Empire began its climb in 1,600 A.D., and was the seventh world power. It doesn't say much for 20th century scientists, when it was known by our primitive forefathers that UFO's and occupants existed even in their times, but perhaps it was a case of bad eyesight, or was it their way of mentally deducing?

"I see no ships"

Prior to the great flaps of the "phantom planes", there was yet another flap, but it was airships this time. The great flap started in 1,896, but we were beaten to the post again because Count F. von Meppelin had not yet produced his "first" at that time. Thousands of people in the U.S.A. alone saw these airships, and although the U.S. sightings were the better known, they did occur in Britain and New Zealand also. The best U.K. sighting was the one in Wales, May 1, 1909, where the occupants were seen; the best English case was the airship seen two months previous over Peterborough Cathedral, which was observed by a policeman, and the account appeared in a Peterborough newspaper. Once again, this airship emitted a ray of light down to Earth.

Now someone from somewhere unknown, either possessed airships (unlikely, of course, to be Meppelin type airships for space travel), or some space entities 'programmed' observers in the viewing areas to think they saw airships, possibly by several methods.

Two possible explanations, of many, are: (1) By FREQUENCY APPLICATION to the observers - a form of indirect hypnosis, and (2) HOLLOGRAM METHOD - by projection of light intensity beams to produce a three-dimensional image (known to science, but Adamski knew before scientists), and this method has been used in checking out some supposedly "contactee" cases, whereby humans have been aboard some alien spacecraft. If science today can, by this method, produce another you, and I'd have difficulty in determining which was you and the false image, I'm sure some entities could produce an airship in the sky anytime they wished.

The frequency application method would be by means of applying a "programmed" image directly on to the sensing organ of the witness, since it is the brain which does the "seeing", whereas the eyes, even if of 100% vision, are only the mediator, but this would have a blind man (blindness due to the eyes only) seeing the same object as those who are not blind.

The hologram method would require here that the brain does the seeing. In other words, the two methods mentioned, would differ inasmuch as applying an image to the brain, rather than at a distance, (e.g. up in the sky) from the brain. From this we can understand how some UFO's give no return on radar, but there are other methods of nullifying radio, radar, and photographic images.

Those persons who study ESP, the occult, etc., and numerous ufologists who often end up down that alley, may perhaps say that we humans sometimes dream a 100% detailed account of our future at some particular time, and that UFO's - whether ghost rockets, phantom planes, mysterious airships, etc. - are nothing more than man/woman's dreams of the future. True though it may be, much involvement with UFO's finds science making the same discovery at some later time, e.g. healing/harmful radiation effects, airships, planes, rockets, saucer-shaped terrestrial planes, body repairs by laser and electromagnetic radiation, the Van Allen belts (Adamski also knew before any scientists), fire-fly effects outside a rocket (Adamski knew before the first "accepted" space-flight), and other seemingly un-noticed prophecies, makes it appear as though some entities know our future and are "using" it on us. There are explanations for aerial sightings, but I cannot think that the brain of its own natural accord dreams up a perfect account of our future, there would be too many distortions in a natural dream.

Unknowingly, "contactees" are the ones who are able to prophecy, as are the prophets of the Bible (they received the information from someone). Since we have passed the biplane age, we of the future, (of the "phantom planes" of the '30's), still have not accounted for those "ghost fliers" with no markings on their aircraft. These particular types of UFO's cannot be dreams flying aloft, since radar returns inform us that it is "hardware" in flight - I rule out the dream theme on several counts.

If space beings are using our future on us, from where did they obtain their material for projection? Such beings on their travels in the universe would obviously note other systems of, say, a few years ahead of us, and record our material in three or four-dimensions in a micro-dot computer-type memory bank, and give us a re-run in image and sound and accompanied with external effects complete (including giving us a "solid" radar return). We know the future of a body's capabilities, by observing another child elsewhere, or even of a time previously. On the other hand, advanced beings could edit their own "talkie-movie" for us, hence such items of omission as the reg. numbers and insignia. On one count alone it would have grave implications, i.e. from the military point of view, if some nations insignia were affixed falsely to the aircraft.

Why should space-beings entertain us in the skies? But then there are many reasons why we do specific things, and they're all different, but like space beings, we do them.

Our visitors may be responsible for us, or at least some of them (but then there may be many different types who do this to other systems and it may be a general "space-pattern") and occasionally they egg us on indirectly to thinking in terms of space visits. Unfortunately our scientists can't spot the clues. It is only during recent years that the swing to space-visitors started to catch on in substantial numbers.

Some of the strange sightings, such as a telephone or a giant illuminated bird with metallic flapping wings, may be no more than a real craft being shrouded in a false image. How many humans would write off such sightings as though it was nothing but imagination; these are good signs of deception and elusiveness on the part of our visitors. Whether it be an "impossibility" of our part (such as a giant sloth) projected, or an apparent "Impossibility" of our future being projected, both sightings would fool most on Earth into thinking there was nothing up there! Rays of light were not only seen as an emission from "modern" saucer or cigar-shaped objects, but also from the mysterious airships, phantom planes, etc., but science would regard in their limited knowledge (there's always something new to discover, that's what makes it exciting for any future generations), these rays to be of an electromagnetic type radiation or of a corpuscular nature (such as e.g. cyclotron beams, cosmic rays), but inherent in these rays are frequencies hitherto unknown to science.

Less and less become the numbers of conceited people who think we are alone in an infinite universe, the Bible is to blame for such conceit, it never mentioned any system as having life on it other than Earth. It said that there are terrestrial and celestial beings (of the sky, heavenly).

With regard to UFO's and space entities, scientists would no doubt, by a majority vote, state it as too fantastic to be true, but then the universe is too fantastic to be true, so they must expect fantastic things.

The Americans have possessed for some time a special camera which photographs ghost images of the past (for 24 hours previous at the moment), so it seems reasonable that technologically advanced beings could reproduce apparitions of our past (without a camera) for us to witness. If a ghost is a spirit of the dead, then why are ghosts seen wearing clothes and why do we see ghost buildings (in other words, ghosts are organic and inorganic in nature).

We could fill a book as to why we see "ghost" rockets, planes, airships, etc., in our skies. One good answer might be that the ufonauts by their very acts, are causing confusion amongst us - one good way to avoid a known fact is to over-complicate or confuse the issue - it will shy off many a person, and apparently, our scientists have been one of the easiest to fob off.

I am all for true scientific methodology, but too many scientists are answering the way they "feel" about a subject, or with pre-conceived notions. Take, for example, two scientists; one who believes 100% in a God creator and the other scientist who disbelieves 100% in a God creator. Now, if both used true methodology scientifically, how can they arrive at a conflicting result (to the extreme) after supposedly using the same scientific pattern of thought?

Even if some advanced entities to our planet are just plain jokers or not, either way they must be laughing at the expense of our scientists. The theory does not agree with me that because scientists have found no space aliens, none can find us. There's probably one consolation for us, and that is, that in all probability there exists in the universe other systems whose scientists shy away from their UFO phenomena just as ours do; and their final analysis, is: "utter bilge, balderdash, rubbish."

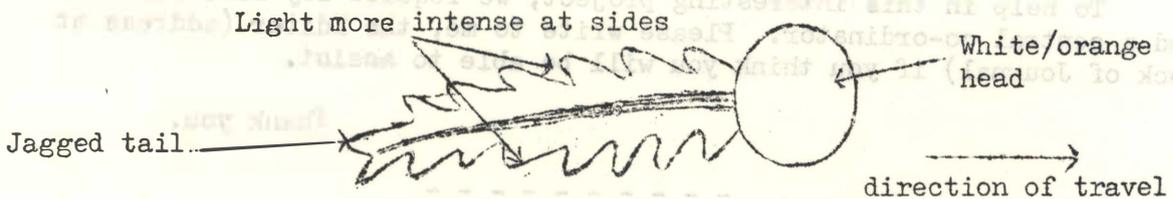
Ron Markwick.

Fireball of 6th June 1976 (Case No. 1976-6-2)

Upon 6th June 1976 a brilliant fireball (a very bright shooting star or meteor) passed over southern England from Gloucestershire to Essex. The fireball was reported to have been of visual magnitude - 14 ($3\frac{1}{2}$ times as bright as the Full-Moon) and apparently many witnesses quickly get in touch with astronomical Societies, UFO Groups, Police, etc.

The drawing below is that of a Mrs. Warne of Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex, who witnessed the object at 21.30 G.M.T. (approx) for a duration of perhaps 12 seconds.

The Fireball as seen by Mrs. Warne



This fireball must have been really spectacular as Mrs. Warne estimated the "head" to have been equivalent in size to a 6" (15.2 cm) diameter ball held at arms length. The object was finally seen to explode noiselessly in the north-east, the pieces cascading down towards the ground and disappearing "behind" some houses. The remains of this fireball would appear, therefore, to have fallen into the sea east of Foulness, south-east Essex.

(Credit to Mr. Andy Collins for this report).

GROUP CO-OPERATION MAPIT/EUFOSG by David L. Rees

"As the Secretary of the Manchester Aerial Phenomena Investigation Team may I say on behalf of our membership thank you to your Journal Editor (D.J. Goring) on the recent co-operation set-up between ourselves and the Essex UFO Study Group via exchange adverts, publications, articles, etc. It can only I feel go from strength to strength. MAPIT was formed in 1973 after the finish of the National Flying Saucer Investigation Team, of which MAPIT members acted as a Branch. Since August 1974, when I took over as Editor of our magazine "Skywatch", and the distribution and international relations, which I feel is of great importance in learning and gaining information of worldwide Ufology and UFO Societies, I am proud to say that the magazine is now sent to ten countries throughout the world. The area in which we are situated holds great potential for close encounter sightings, being situated to the east of Manchester with the Pennines, Peak District and less populated areas ideal for low level UFO activity. We at MAPIT hope to uncover any past, recent or future incidents in our area to the best of our ability via a serious Scientific approach! We would also like to encourage ANYBODY who wishes to express their ideas, criticisms, articles, etc. A lot of Group publications only have a few contributors and perhaps reprint material from other publications. Thankfully MAPIT and the EUFOSG don't have this problem. So write to your Group Journal Editor, that's what he is there for. The magazine of any Group is its members' mouthpiece, why more of them don't use them I will never know. I hope that in future issues of your Journal MAPIT's members and myself will contribute useful information for you, the reader, and for the subject in general. I once again thank your Editor for allowing me this chance to introduce MAPIT to you."

LEY LINES IN ESSEX

To help the Group's study of the UFO phenomenon, it is desirable that we obtain knowledge of the location of ley lines in Essex.

As many of you will know, ley lines are identified when ancient sites fall upon a straight line. UFO's have been found (in many cases) to follow these lines. The origin of ley lines is lost in history and many of them await rediscovery.

To help in this interesting project, we require ley line hunters and a central co-ordinator. Please write to me, the Editor (address at back of Journal) if you think you will be able to assist.

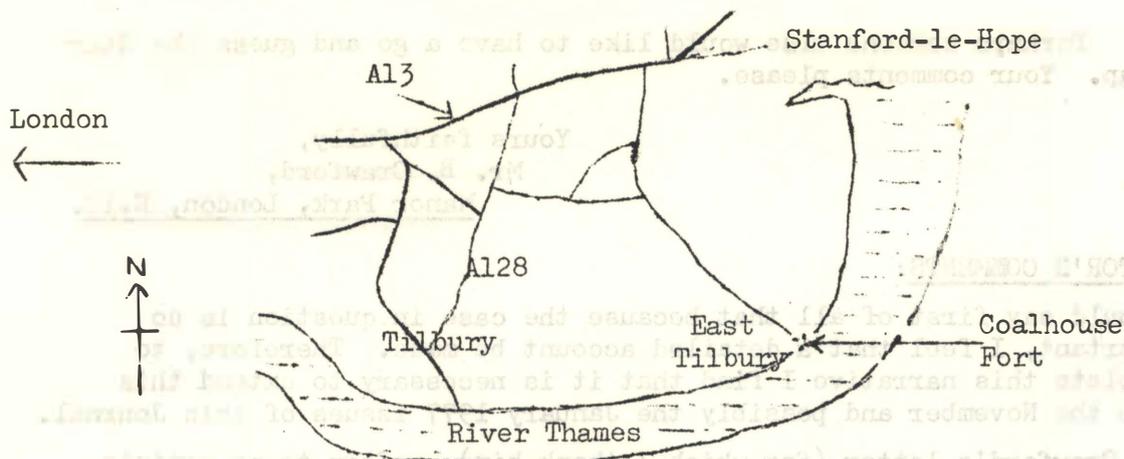
Thank you.

SKYWATCHES

Since this particular section is being written prior to the Skywatch arranged in the July issue of our Journal, I will publish a report on this event in the November issue.

The next Skywatch will be on Saturday, 9th October 1976, at Coalhouse Fort, an old building on the north bank of the Thames. The Meeting time will be 9.00 p.m. Members of the public are very welcome to come along.

(Please see next page for a reference map giving location of this Skywatch).



BOOKS

"THE DEVIL'S TRIANGLE" by Richard Winer 70p; "IS ANYONE OUT THERE?" by J. Stoneley and A.T. Lawton 70p; "UFO'S THE WHOLE STORY" by Coral and Jim Lorenzen 80p; "FLYING SAUCERS & THE INNER EARTH" by Kurt Glemser 67p; "THE MEN IN BLACK REPORT" by Kurt Glemser 67p; "SUBTERRANEAN WORLDS OF PLANET EARTH" by Gene Duplantier 68p; "MORE THINGS" by Ivan Sanderson 95p; "WORLDS BEYOND" by Ian Ridpath £3.40. "THE UTAH UFO DISPLAY" by Dr. Frank Salisbury £5.00.

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LETTERS

Dear Mr. Goring,

Following your invitation in the January 1976 Newsletter for readers letters, etc., I would like to know if someone could clarify a comment made in the October 1975 issue of the Newsletter relating to the Betty and Barney Hill case.

It was stated that the alleged star map drawn by Betty Hill had been identified by Astronomers, who said that it corresponded with the stars around Zeta Reticuli, a constellation in the southern hemisphere.

Dr. Hynek was quoted as follows:-

"What is most astounding is that Betty Hill's star map gives a view of the Zeta system from the other side looking back towards our own Solar System, a vantage point no human has ever had."

All this sounds very convincing until we read the book by Ian Hobana and Julien Weverbergh, "UFO's from Behind the Iron Curtain", and I quote page 39 as follows:-

"(Betty Hill) drew a section of an astronomical chart (again under hypnosis) which she had seen on board a grounded UFO. She then pointed to a star which was the UFO's home port - the star indicated on the map lay in the Pegasus constellation."

The Pegasus constellation lies in the Northern hemisphere!

Perhaps someone else would like to have a go and guess the Star Group. Your comments please.

Yours faithfully,
Mr. B. Crawford,
Manor Park, London, E.12.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS:

I would say first of all that because the case in question is so important, I feel that a detailed account be made. Therefore, to complete this narrative I find that it is necessary to extend this into the November and possibly the January 1977 issues of this Journal.

Mr. Crawford's letter (for which I thank him), refers to an article edited not by myself, but by the former Editor (and present Technical Advisor), Mr. Ron Markwick. However, I have at hand more than enough material with which to reply. Firstly though, for all those unacquainted with the original story, I will give a summary and follow the subsequent developments concerning the Star Map through to the present.

THE BETTY AND BARNEY HILL ABDUCTION (U.S.A. 1961)

Upon the evening of 19th September 1961, Betty and Barney Hill (husband and wife) were returning to their home by motor car, after a short vacation in Canada. Their home lay in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, U.S.A., and it was on U.S. Route 3, in New Hampshire, that the Hills were abducted by the occupants of an UFO.

After being taken aboard their craft, various physical examinations were performed upon the Hills. Following this, Betty found herself alone with the Captain (or leader) of the ship. A little conversation transpired where Betty asked him where they came from. Upon discovering that she knew very little about the Universe, the Captain extracted a map from a sort of drawer in the wall. The map was three-dimensional, with various sized dots and lines on it. In response to Betty's questions, the Captain explained the lines upon the map - he then asked "Where are you on the map?" (implying, no doubt, where was the Earth or the Sun). She didn't know. The Captain then said: "If you don't know where you are, then there isn't any point in my telling you where I am from." He then rolled up the map and replaced it where it came from. Pleas from Betty for an explanation of where Earth might be on the map were only met with laughter from the Captain.

Betty and Barney Hill were then returned unharmed to their car and "told" to forget everything. The couple then continued on their homeward journey oblivious of the abduction.

However, anxiety and strange dreams about two hours of the trip which couldn't be accounted for worried them. Three years passed before a Psychiatrist was allowed to hypnotise them and reveal the incredible events of that night in 1961. Unfortunately, a local UFO Group heard of the story and the press duly found out - the entire story was then reluctantly disclosed.

SUMMARY - Betty and Barney Hill Abduction (Part I)

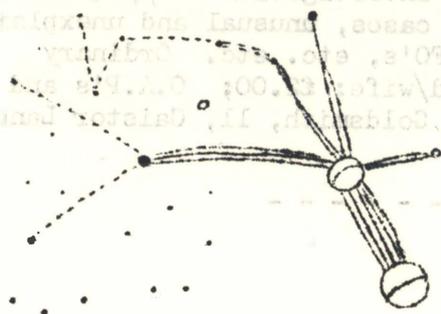
The information given in "UFO's From Behind the Iron Curtain" pertaining to this case was taken from "The Interrupted Journey" by J.G. Fuller (published by Dial Press, 1966). Before 1966 the Star Map (that Betty Hill drew under post-hypnosis in 1964) had not been truly identified.

In 1965 Betty Hill thought that she saw a great similarity between her map and that of a star map of the constellation Pegasus, published in the "New York Times", showing the position of the quasar CTA-102. This quasar was thought to be sending out intelligent radio signals (announced by the Russian radio astronomers N. Kardasher and G. Sholomitsky), but other scientists were unable to corroborate this claim, and so the idea of CTA-102 being an intelligent radio source was dropped.

Marjorie Fish, an amateur astronomer, Ohio schoolteacher and member of Mensa, became interested in the map in 1966, as did Charles Atterberg, an aeronautical communications engineer of Illinois. Fish and Atterberg worked independently on the idea that the Hill map could be a spaceman's view of the stars FROM a point in space well away from our Sun. Ms. Fish built models of the Solar neighbourhood (by stringing beads on to lengths of thread, thereby obtaining three-dimensional models) in her effort to find a particular viewing position from where the stars (beads) would lie in the same configuration as those on Betty Hill's map. Unfortunately, no good resemblances could be obtained, so Ms. Fish decided to visit Betty Hill to obtain more information than Fuller's book gave.

Betty Hill described her map to Marjorie Fish in August 1969. It was three-dimensional (3D), like looking through a window, and the stars were tinted and glowed. The map was made of a flat, thin material, with no apparent edges, lines or surfaces on its far side to indicate its boundaries (or its "depth"). The map was some three feet (91cm) wide by two feet (61cm) high, with many stars being visible. Betty went on that the Captain/Leader told her that the heavy lines joining the two largest circles were trade routes, the other solid lines were places visited occasionally, and the broken lines were expeditions.

When viewing the Star Map she believed that it was only some three feet (61cm) away from her, but since she didn't alter her position in relation to it, there is no way of knowing if the map would have given the same 3D view from all positions, or if it would have been totally 3D. There were other stars on the map, but only the more prominent ones connected by lines, and a small prominent triangle off to the left, could be recalled. No concentration of stars was noticed and therefore the Milky Way (galactic plane) was apparently not represented - an indication that the stars were local and not hundreds or thousands of light years apart.



The Star Map drawn by Betty Hill in 1964 whilst under post-hypnotic suggestion.

Betty & Barney Hill case cont...

(As this issue goes to print, it has been noticed that an account of the Betty and Barney Hill case is included in the August 1976 edition of "Official UFO". Nevertheless the continuation of the account written here will still be given in subsequent Journals).

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ERRATA, July 1976 Journal

Page 8: Mr. Barry King would like to erase the statement relating to "The Garboldisham UFO" (Report 3, "INVESTIGATIONS"). Although one of Kenneth Arnold's sightings in 1974 bore a slight resemblance to the UFO in Report 3, this comparison between them was not intended. A report yet to be published was initially meant to be compared with Ken Arnolds.

Page 9: In the article "METEORITE OR UFO", there exists a small error. It was stated that: "Trees were blown flat for more than 50km. from the (meteorite's) blast centre." This should now read: "A region more than 50 km. from the blast centre was affected."

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