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A Happy New Year to all readers and I wish you good luck for 1981.

This is the first issue since the decision to only produce the newsletter every two months due to lack of news and material. Ironically I now find I have too much material for inclusion in the present issue !

I saw some words from Shakespear's Macbeth quoted recently and thought how apt they were for the electronic voice phenomena. Rather than Macbeth talking to the witches I hear an irate evp researcher calling to t he voice entities:

" Stay you imperfect speakers, tell me more:
Say from whence
You owe this strange intelligence or why
Upon this blasted heath you stop our way
with such prophetic greeting. Speak I charge you."

I will sign off now in case the snow that is just starting to fall means the start of a cold spell and the freezing of my printing ink !!

Best wishes

Alan Cleaver

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RESPONSE TO SPENCER WILSON INTERVIEW

The report on my visit to Spencer Wilson produced response from a couple of subscribers which as compiler is encouraging. Don't be afraid to state your opinions in EVPN ! Anyway here are what two people thought of Spencer Wilson and his theory.

Michael Vinter wrote in a recent letter:

"Let me turn to Spencer Wilson's doppelganger theory. Wrong, I believe, with nothing to support it but the occasional coincidence or responses which sound much like the experimenter himself ... I give you my comment, for publication if you wish, and it brings in a phenomenon which relates to both my experience and your experience. Do you recall that at the Rollright Stones you got something like "Voices, voices" ? Well, I received the very same response, and in much the same tone as you describe, in one of my earlier microphone experiments. The male speaker intruded just before I had actually started to talk myself, - rough, gruff, hoarse if you like; and in the light of what I now deduce, this was a desperate bid by the entities to inform me that if I wanted to get results I would have to give them the raw material with which to work - by which I mean "voice material". In your case, you remarked that some of your results sounded remarkably like Paul Devereux who was chatting nearby. To me, the entities were using the indistinct muttering, remodulating it into new speech. So when we supply a mass of background mush, pre-recorded mush if you like, that is precisely what the entities are using to work upon; it follows that absolute silence will produce nothing at all short of whispers caused by the movement, perhaps, of one's own clothing and/or intra-body sounds. I've had plenty of samples of the latter ! And that is why so many experimenters get only faint whisper voices, because whispers are all the entities have to work with. I believe that they use energy forms to bring about this remodulation - possibly a combination of piezoelectricity and the subconscious areas of the experimenters own c.n.s.* I'm sure I needn't explain too heavily that every time we expand or contract a muscle, minute electrical activity is generated inside the brain.

*c.n.s. - central nervous system.

What I would most like to suggest to you, next time you go to the Rollrights, is that you take with you a second recorder (if you have one) and a cassette of prerecorded mush for raw voice material to be played as you conduct your experiment on the other machine. I believe this might be of some value, although one such test - positive or negative - may not prove a great deal.

As to your theor of Time factor (That time is important in receiving voices - Alan), yes, there is some considerable evidence to support this, but it is of course early for definite conclusions. When you remark that your stone voices arrived a dawn and no other time it suggest to me that the quartz or silicon had indeed built up an energy charge from the daytime warmth and, rather on the principle of electrical storage heaters, began to release it afterwards... Consider this and devise your own plans !"

Cyril Luck also replied:

"How interesting this visit must have been. Would it be possible to persuade Spencer Wilson to write an article for us enlarging on his apppeganger theory as connected with cvp ?

Mr Wilson says the voice entities have offered valuable help and advice and have eased many personal problems, again this is so different to the one or two words usually reported that one is prompted to ask if Mr Wilson, without divulging anything of a personal nature would be prepared to tell cvp news readers details of messages received, it is these meaningful messages that are hard to find.

The message for Elwyn James although short has a greeting, a persons name and reference to something connected with that person so it becomes of real value to researchers. The episode with the boys in the school is extremely interesting, cvp being connected to a visual, this seems to be unique.

Certainly the references to voices of gnomes may cause some raised eyebrows but we have to remember Conan Doyle's fiary photos and although I am unable to refer to a copy at the time of writing I am sure that in the book "The magic of Findhorn" some members of the commune claim not only to have seen "the little people" but to have spoken to them as well.

In view of the fanatastic results obtained at Findhorn in the production of enormousvegetables, terrfic flowers etc. in soil or sand in which theoretically nothing should grow we cannot dismiss too lightly any other claims they make simply because we cannot substantiate them by seeing or hearing ourselves.

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News of a Staffordshire man who claims he has received more than 600 voices on tape was reported in Psychic News on December 13 rewriting a report in the Wolverhampton Express and Star.

"I first heard about evp in 1971 and was interested. Last year I decided to find out for myself if these voices really existed. Now I know it's a fact" said evp researcher Mr Sam Alsop of Catisfield Crescent, Pendeford. The paper also reports that Mr Alsop, 49, is attempting to obtain spirit photographs.

Like many researchers it was several months before he received his first evp sample. He was ready to give up experimenting when he heard a voice claim: "I'm Natasha". That was back in March 1980 and he now has six hundred voice samples.

Exciting news from researcher Michael Vinter who has made a "sustained dialogue with paranormal entities". Unfortunately full details had not reached me by the time of printing of this newsletter but I hope to bring you fuller and exclusive news of his work in the next edition of EVP News.

Towards the end of 1980 Spiritualist, trance medium, healer and evp researcher Richard Smith passed away. At the age of 62 he was still active despite a heart attack early in 1980 and followed the progress of EVP News with great interest. He became interested in evp in 1974 but it was three years before he heard his first voice. He was never convinced they were the voices of the dead. Dick lived in Truro, Cornwall and was a Hospital Administrator. On behalf of all researchers I send our condolences to his friends and family.

The idea of a London evp research group started by Margo Galway has, unfortunately, failed to get off the ground due to lack of interest.

I am still continuing work at the Rollright Stones in connection with the Dragon Project but so far there is no more progress to report. Two earlier experiments at the site at dawn resulted in evp samples.

THE NEED FOR HARD EVIDENCE IN RESEARCH - BY G. G. BONNER

The new physics tells us that space and time do not exist as the realities that we have come to accept, and with the advent of quantum mechanics and the search for a unified field theory, physicists look anew at the nature of the universe and the older mechanistic theory is now rejected. Thus within this new framework of modern physics, the possibilities of "parallel universes" of antim-matter in another dimension are no longer in the realms of fiction, it is part of the new cosmology. For this reason it is now much easier to come to terms with the discovery of the " voice phenomena", not merely in abstract occult terms but within the mainstream of scientific research.

I think it is possible to exaggerate Jungs theories on the "collective unconscious" and try and explain away too much paranormal phenomena, by rather vague, and abstract concepts of a "cosmic consciousness". This is not intended to deny the contribution of such research to the understanding of man, but merely to give a personal opinion, that it can be taken to illogical extremes for which I find no evidence in fact.

We do not know the extent to which the mind can act on physical matter, or possibly create from its own thought forms, an energy field capable of a certain life of its own. We must also recognise that such an energy field could be used by "entities" who exist in another dimension. Therefore it is no easy task to decide what is merely mental projection of psychokinetic powers or possibly an entity from some real but other dimensional source.

Either is possible it appears, in the light of recent parapsychological research; although I feel that there must be an experiments that can at least to some extent by reason possibly of precognition prove that some phenomena go beyond the powers that we associate with mental processes. In this vague no mans land we can appreciate the dilemma of psychologists especially as their training in materialism no longer is adequate upon which they can judge. Many extravagant claims made by Spiritualists also in my view weakens their case in the eyes at least of those trained in scientific methods, as much so called "paranormal phenomena" has a perfectly normal explanation. So called evidence is constantly offered as proof when in fact it proves little except how easily people can be deceived. Thus

the serious researcher who is aware that paranormal phenomena can exist, and be real, is fighting in the middle, on one side against the die hard materialism of the older science, and also against the beliefs of people who are swayed by emotion rather than by reason. Between these extremes, lays the truth, but it is not easy to find, and indeed can only be found by patient trial and error research. Facts, not theories, are what are wanted. Is it possible in the light of the mind-brain problem for the human personality to survive biological death, if we regard the brain as the organ (in life) of the mind, even accepting its physiochemical nature? This is the sort of question we have to ask, because, unless there is at least a possibility that the answer is "yes", then it is not possible to consider the voices as those of the dead. I do not even consider the collective unconscious hypothesis can explain the information supplied by certain voices recorded on tape (evp).

It is a very complex question, and that is why research must continue, to learn all we can, in the hope that eventually enough evidence will be obtained to enable us to form a sound judgement.

Gilbert Bonner - July 1980.

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