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The electronic voice phenomenon at last seems to be getting the attention it deserves and more and more people are becoming interested in the subject.

Many people do not like to thank one individual but I am going to stick my neck out and say this revival, at least in the English speaking world, is probably due to the single-handed and selfishless efforts of Gilbert Bonner.

He spends almost every hour of the day either working on the evp or helping others who have written to him for advice. He has taken the time and effort to reply to these people in full even if they have not had the courtesy to enclose a stamped addressed envelope. His recent articles have created such a flurry of letters that he has had to spend even more time replying to them.

The lack of space in the last two issues has prevented me printing Gilbert's regular articles which, judging by your letters, you enjoy. Hopefully next ~~issue~~ space will be available and he will be able to cover in detail points about the evp you have written to ask him about.

The one beginner he has perhaps helped most is me ! He has made EVP News the success it is today by his unselfish offers of articles detailing the results and experience of many years hard work. Thank you Gilbert.

Alan Cleaver

THIS ISSUE: The revival of evp.

REVIVAL OF INTEREST IN EVP

News report by Alan Cleaver

There has been a tremendous world wide revival of interest in the evp during the past few months.

Several articles have appeared in Psychic News and evp seems at last to be taking off in America. Until now America has had less researchers than England.

News came in Psychic News on April 4 about Friedrich Jurgenson the discoverer of the voice phenomenon:

FILM TO BE MADE OF JURGENSON AND THE EVP

This documentary will shortly be shown on Eurovision and as well as featuring Jurgenson will also illustrate the work of the Centre for the Study of Parapsychology at Fermo, Italy. Jurgenson is the honorary President of this organization founded three years ago.

Friedrich Jurgenson discovered the voice phenomenon in 1957 and has reliably reported to have held conversations lasting up to 20 minutes with the voices. He believes they are the voices of the dead.

AMERICAN EVP RESEARCH GROUP FORMED

Research Gilbert Bonner of Hastings, Sussex informs me that researchers in America are uniting in a new attempt to gather information on the evp and that in February this year a public demonstration of the evp was presented by the Association for the Study of electronic voice phenomena (ASEVP). The Society was formed by David Lothamer from California.

AMERICAN EVP NEWSLETTER STARTED

A newsletter containing much useful information on the evp has also appeared for U.S. researchers. It is called "The Spirit Voice" and is produced by an ex air force electronics technician Bill Weisensale - writes Gilbert Bonner.

NEW BOOK BY EVP RESEARCHER

A new book by evp researcher Raymond Bayless of California, America has appeared both in America and England. It is called "Phone Calls from the Dead" and contains not only useful information about the evp but about people who have literally received phone calls from dead people.

EVP ON TV !

Gilbert Bonner tells me evp researcher Sarah Estep from Maryland, USA, is pushing ahead with attempts to obtain the world's first evp contact with video equipment. She is trying to record apparent paranormal phenomena she had observed on her television. Results have so far been negative but she has been told by evp voices received via the radio that she should continue the experiments.

NEWS FROM RESEARCHER RICHARD SHEARGOLD

EVP researcher Richard Sheargold has also noticed the sudden revival of interest in this extraordinary phenomena:

"I have lately been greatly encouraged by an upturn in interest in this phenomenon and by the high calibre of certain of our newer experimenters. May this trend continue" he wrote in Psychic News on February 14.

He made the headlines in that issue of PN when he asked the question where does the evp originate ? He said he does not believe in a Spiritualistic view as to the origin of the phenomenon. "I lean towards a theory of self-generated, semi-autonomous thought forms" he writes.

I hope it will not be long before Richard Sheargold expands on this idea.

It was Richard Sheargold who, in 1976, demonstrated voices could come through using pre-recorded tape. He writes: "This effectively disposed of the many sensational stories of mysterious radio stations manned by the dead, or alternatively by little green men in "outer space" broadcasting cryptic messages to us !"

Following this Sheargold discovered it was perfectly possible to contact living people as well as dead people ! He has contacted through evp many people still alive - including me !

ITALIAN RESEARCH

News from Italian researchers (a rare event) was revealed in Psychic News on April 4. Despite no contact between English researchers and Italian researchers - save the common starting ground of the writings of Konstantin Raudive - it is surprising to note the correlations between the results of the two countries.

The Italian researchers featured in the article are Marcello Bacci, a 54-year-old electronic engineer and a Lawyer, Luciano Capitani who have an evp laboratory in Grosset, Italy. Other members in their evp group are: Del Francia, Enrico Bernazzani, Franco Santi, Prof. Lorianò Calchetti, Sergio Giomi and Simonetta Santarnecki.

They began their radio experiments in 1974 and now have 15,000 hours of tape. They use the radio interfrequency method. The group appears to have independently come to the same conclusion reached by Richard Sheargold in 1976 - that the voices modulate existing noise and do not come through as a normal radio station does. The group asserts the phenomena are not due to the magnetic recording head but come directly from the loudspeaker, in one case immediately after the apparatus was switched on - "probably by a residue of electrostatic charge."

The group has changed the range and frequency of the radio waves during the voices' broadcasts without interrupting the reception of them.

The group have their own "guide" called Alan Cordula who has spoken to them almost daily on the tapes for many years. This is common with Sheargold's Catharine and Michael Vinter's Christabel.

The article hints that the researchers believe evp researchers who are successful have some psychic ability - something Gilbert Bonner also believes. He wrote in February 1981: "I believe the researcher acts as a link (a sensitive). It is not just a question of technique."

He added: "We depend on the voices contacting us."

JURGENSON'S LP RECORDS MYSTERY CONTINUES

Cyril Luck of Norfolk has been chasing the Philips Record Company for confirmation - or denial - of the existence of Jurgenson voice tapes soon to be released as an L.P.

Constant reference has been made about the imminent release of records featuring evp results obtained by Jurgenson in evp literature for three or four years but the record is still to appear on the market.

Cyril Luck wrote asking for more information. He wrote: "There appears to be considerable doubt as to whether such recordings were ever made and it would be of great interest to many researchers if you could confirm or otherwise that such recordings exist.

He received a very pleasant, but not very useful, reply from Mr R. Cribb, quality control manager of their manufacturing and distribution division. He misunderstood the letter by Cyril, although it was quite clear to me, and thought we believed the record had already been released.

Mr Cribb wrote: "First Philips have never released such a record in the UK and we are not aware of its existence."

He then suggested two addressess - one Philips in Holland - where Mr Luck might try to obtain the record. It was a helpful letter but did not say whether there were any plan to release any such recordings they had of Jurgenson's evp.

A NEW METHOD

Following the news last month of Michael Vinter developing a new method for contacting the voices Gilbert Bonner also announced the development of a new method.

His article in PN on January 24 resulted in him being inaundated with requests from all over the world asking him to expand on the news.

He wrote to me saying: "Although I was not quoted correctly I did draw the attention of PN's editor to a "new" metod I was informed of by a Dutch colleague, that may have been developed by F. Seidl ! I am not sure.

"It deployed a method I had already adopted (in one form) in a new manner that established by its very technique certain facts. It was totally 'new' and has nothing to do with Vinter's dialogue experiment.

"I have had many requests for information on this new technique but do not feel the time is ready to make public this method, but have informed three researchers here and in the USA as further tests are need in my opinion. Three tape recorders are required and unless one has already obtained voices and therefore linked with the other dimension of these voices I do not think this method would work. It depends upon the voice course not us. THE BRIDGE MUST EXIST. "

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