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Dear Mr.Rees,

In reply to Mr.Rimmers' article in the last edition of SKYWATCH (SW 25 p10) At the risk of being classed as one of the debating society breed, may I ask an obvious question? Do we wish to solve the mystery of UFO's and if so, which is the most certain route to the solution? I agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Rimmer's emphasis on research, but I question the type of research. Is he seriously asking lay people to go out and collect every piece of existing information (reportedly devoid of help from other groups), itself a mammoth task (?) and then collate this information and analyse it all as an Einstein - without bias. Scientific training or not, is this humanly possible? If the UFO mystery should fall under the jurisdiction of contemporary frames of reference, viewed factually, could not fast standardised reporting, computer collation and scientific analysis be a possible alternative? Perhaps giving more chance of sure success than a "go it alone" attempt by even the highest qualified researchers. In that instance some form of national co-ordination would seem advisable despite any possible disadvantages entailed en route. Maybe there are other alternatives, if so, what are they? I assert that this is a priority question that demands answering to demonstrate we are genuine in our research if nothing else, or are we forever to be considered as ridiculous amateurs?

Yours respectfully, Mrs.K. (Name withheld by request, Mrs.K is a MAPIT member).

BELOW: JOHN RIMMER'ANSWERS MRS.K's LETTER:

Dear David,

I think I can answer most of the points by quoting from a reply to letters in similar vein in the Merseyside UFO Bulletin in September 1970.".....people have asked me what I would put in place of the present groups. I suggest..... a possible future structure of individual studies by researchers, uniting for specific purposes and working together on an informal basis, calling in specialists, and publishing their findings. This is how every other scientific discipline works from psychical research to civil engineering. If people want to meet regularly to discuss cases, swap stories, exchange books, etc., I feel that this can be done in a far better atmosphere over a few jars in a pub, completely informally. Rather than forming into a society with a constitution and some high-flown title, which by its very nature claims to be some sort of official spokesman for UFOlogists as a whole".

"I think this is as valid today as it was then. I have never suggested, as your correspondent seems to think, that UFOlogists should work in total isolation, never consulting each other or working together on important cases. On the contrary, I am all in favour of as many meetings, discussions and correspondence between researchers as possible. But the moment you set up the Slog ster UFO Research Group, or the Intergalactic Saucer Bureau in Oldham, you start becoming involved in group politics, organisational minutiae and power struggles, all of which are very entertaining, but have little to do with the subject in question. I am pleased to see that individual researchers are beginning to liase directly with each other through an organisation like UFOIN. Although I do still have some doubts about the concept and structure of UFOIN, its first published reports seem to be of a high standard, and it is certainly a very encouraging move. I think most researchers will agree that all the major advancements in our knowledge of the phenomenon over the past twenty years have been as a result of independent UFOlogists outside the group system. I need only mention the names of Jacques Vallee, John Keel, Charles Bowen, Jerome Clark, Allen Hynek, all writers of some of the most significant books of the past decade, none connexed with the conventional group structure in Britain or the USA. Those books which have emerged from the groups (BUFORA's sad researchers handbook, for instance) show all the signs of having been written, and heavily re-written, by a committee. Its a truism, in UFOlogy as in life, that committees are the enemy of individual achievement.

Yours sincerely, John Rimmer, Editor MUF0B, New Malden, Surrey.....

UFO EXHIBITION IN DENMARK A SUCCESS!

Karen Linneballe, Secretary of Skandinavisk UFO Information (SUFOI), recently informed us that she had been very busy in the last few months. The reason for this being that SUFOI held a UFO Exhibition in Copenhagen Town Hall (Nov 24 - Dec 4, 1977). More than 4,000 people visited the Exhibition, she tells us: "We all inside SUFOI had a hard time preparing the material! The Exhibition was a hit, but the press as usual were very negative". Thank you Karen for the above information - Let's hope a similar event can be arranged in Britain soon.....

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CREWE HIGH STRANGEMESS CASES

by Mark A. Tyrrell

It is my intention, with this, my first article for 'MAPIT SKYWATCH', to present some cases from the files of Federation U.F.O. Research, which have a higher strangeness rating than the more mundane reports that organisation has investigated.

The first case concerns my two colleagues, Stephen Cleaver and Nigel Brown (Co-directors of FUFOR), and occurred before I knew of them and their organisation. At approximately 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 31st March, 1977, the pair were motoring on the outskirts of Crewe. Suddenly, Stephen, who was driving, saw a disc-shaped object that passed very close in front of the car. He then stopped the car and having a camera with him, took a photograph of the object when it was a speck in the distance. The photograph unfortunately failed to show anything and was subject to either double-exposure or the film being wound loose inside the camera. Despite the nearness of the UFO, from which Stephen could estimate its apparent size to be about 20/25 feet in diameter and that it had a cone-shaped cupola on top; Nigel DID NOT SEE THE OBJECT for the duration of the incident. Stephen assures me that the object came very close indeed and repeatedly pointed out its position to Nigel; in fact he says it would have been difficult not to see!

Our next incident concerns a Crew mother and her daughter, the latter being in her mid-teens. They allege that late at night upon the 3rd July, 1977, they saw an orange-coloured object through a window. This object purportedly have off a humming noise that apparently caused the daughter to SUFFER FROM EARACHE.

For the final case to be brought to your attention, I now go back eleven years to early September, 1966. It concerns Christopher Chesters, then aged twenty, and a girlfriend with whom he was walking in the rural village of Cholmondeston early one evening. This village is not far from the ancient market town of Nantwich. Upon turning a corner into another lane, the couple espied a large, perfect egg-shaped object, of a dull silver-lamé colouring, hovering at about 60 feet above the ground. As the astounded pair continued to watch, another, much smaller object, of the same shape and colouring, but shimmering, rose from behind a barn and MERGED into the larger UFO, which then itself began to shimmer. The larger object then rose rapidly and took off in a westerly direction. The estimates of size that Mr. Chesters has given to me and stuck to in subsequent interviews are as follows: he states that the larger object was FOUR TIMES THE SIZE of a famous tyre company's advertising blimp and that the smaller craft was HALF THE SIZE of the said blimp.

I have stressed what I consider to be the points of high strangeness in block letters. This has been done, taking into consideration that any genuine UFO incident rates as a high strangeness experience in the life of an involuntary UFO witness. I would now like to discuss these points in the concluding part of this article.

Looking back to Stephen and Nigel's incident, there occurs to me that there could be more than one explanation for Nigel's failure to see the object despite its apparent close vicinity. Nigel wears glasses and suffers very poor

vision without them; it could be that some optical deficiency might explain him not seeing the UFO. Yet, he wears the same glasses for driving, and remember how near Stephen said the object was. Two more explanations, both without any proof and very highly speculative, could also be said to be the reason, and when seen in the light of recent UFO trends, none the less probable. Might it be that someone (or something) did not wish Nigel to see their craft and exerted some form of external control to alter Nigel's vision accordingly. Such abilities have been reported time and time again to UFO investigators. Alternatively, it could be argued that perhaps Stephen was perhaps more able to see the object than Nigel, but not in an optical context. I know that Stephen has seen UFOs on a number of occasions and I suspect him to be a 'classic' example of a repeated witness. Perhaps he possesses an extra faculty than the rest of us; some ability through which he can see the passing of these objects. I wish I had that ability!

Let us now pass on to the sighting of the mother and her daughter. You will remember that the daughter claimed that a humming noise caused her to suffer an attack of earache - the noise apparently coming from the UFO they saw. The witnesses are of low reliability and are from a 'rough' background. This in itself does not preclude the authenticity of the report, but the facts of the case may not be quite as accurate as the UFO investigator could wish for. It is known that the daughter is a migraine sufferer and perhaps this was a prime factor for the cause of the attack. I can think of no other reason but would appreciate any comments from readers with a medical background. In layman's terms, preferably. As for the humming noise itself, another common UFO effect, perhaps it in some way reflects our own technology; you would, for instance, expect an electric motor to hum.

The facts in the final case under discussion may be somewhat clouded by the mists of time. Despite the gap of eleven years since the incident occurred, the witness is very definite about the size of the objects that he saw. On the fact of it, I would say the reported dimensions were an unintentional exaggeration of the facts. For something to hover at about 60 feet above ground and be of the size reported, is to me incredible. The comparison with the blimp is interesting because late in 1976 that self-same craft passed over Crewe; I even saw it myself. This would explain the use of the blimp to estimate the UFOs sizes. It could be that the witnesses were seeing what was 'meant' to be seen. Any other explanation, other than exaggeration, are beyond me. Of more than passing interest is the merging of the smaller craft into the large one; which is yet another oft reported ability. These craft can, it seems, become solid or jelly-like when the fancy takes them, and points at something more than mere technology.

The UFOs, as can be seen just from this article alone, are as different as the people who see them. Despite this, certain patterns emerge time and time again and it is my opinion that certain psychological factors may play a great part in a UFO incident. We might come nearer to the truth if these were given more consideration.

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CANADIAN UFO COVER-UP

by

Howard Gontovnick, Editor of UFO Researchers Journal (Canada)

Following the beginning of the modern era of UFOs, the Canadian government established a research team to examine the growing number of reports of unexplained objects in the sky. In 1950, Project Magnet was established by the Department of Transport, restricted to certain scientists and engineers within the telecommunications division.

Headed by Wilbert B. Smith (one of the fathers of Canadian UFO Research) the project aimed at collecting sighting reports, then systematically 'weighed' and catalogues, hoping to reach some sort of explanation.

In the fall of 1953, Smith assembled a vast amount of electronic devices, in a government building near Shirley Bay, Ontario. The purpose of the experiment was to see if these craft were interplanetary vehicles they might exhibit some sort of strange electromagnetic and gravitational properties.

The following year, this experiment was finally tested, when on the 8th August 1954, the alarms sounded (alerting Smith) - the instruments were picking up something. Smith told reporters that the instruments recorded readings that were much higher than when large aircraft passed overhead. He then ran outside to see if the object was visible. The sky was overcast, so whatever it may have been was concealed behind the clouds.

In May of 1955, a SPECIAL committee on Broadcasting, Wilbert Smith announced that no UFOs were ever detected at Shirley Bay. Could this have been a successful attempt by the government to silence Smith and cover up the Sighting?

The project came to a surprise end, when the government withdrew its support. Smith's conclusions were: "It appears, then, that we are faced with a substantial probability of the real existence of extraterrestrial vehicles, regardless of whether or not they fit into our scheme of things. Such vehicles of necessity must use a technology considerably in advance of what we have. It is therefore submitted that the next step in this investigation should be a substantial effort towards the acquisition of as much as possible of this technology, which would without a doubt be of great value to us".

Following these recommendations, in April of 1952 the Canadian government established a second study designated Project Second Story, which, according to the Condon Report, "reviewed the situation with respect to UFO reports, to determine whether the government should undertake a large scale investigation." The thing that puzzles me about this statement is - What was the purpose of Project Magnet's research?

I discovered the answer to my question when I came across an article in the April '76 edition of UFO REPORT. The article dealt with the UFO situation in Canada. While reading this section (by Timothy Green Beckley) dealing with Project Second Story, it finally dawned on me. According to the article, the project was established to concentrate on covering-up UFOs in Canadian skies, and also exposed the fact the committee's members knew in advance of their job of debunking UFOs.

No doubt the committee discouraged many pilots, scientists, and the average man on the street. In time, the committee was dissolved and public interest died down while the government carried on their underground research efforts.

In the section dealing with Second Story in the Condon report, the final committee's recommendations were that the situation did not warrant a large scale investigation.

This wasn't the end of the Canadian government's interest in UFOs. In a story published in Donald E. Keyhoe's book, ALIENS FROM SPACE, it tells of a secret project in 1954, in which the government of Canada established an area in Alberta, where RCAF pilots could try to force a UFO to land or, if by some luck, a UFO would land by itself. According to reports the plan failed and wasn't revealed until 1969.

With what few facts we have presented so far, what can be concluded? First we must look at fact number one - how the Canadian government immediately put together a team of scientists "restricted to certain", to study the phenomena. Then when some hardcore data was on the verge of being released, the project director is silenced. (Evidence of a cover-up, read on!)

Later on, a committee to study UFOs, made up of government officials, was formed. According to a report in a UFO magazine, "the committee knew in advance their job to debunk UFOs in Canada".

Because of this government committee, many people began to forget about UFOs, which was just what the government wanted. From then on, UFOs were passed off as nothing by many people.

Then came the incident of the secret project to capture a UFO by the Royal Canadian Air Force, which began in 1954 and wasn't revealed until 1969. (I guess they were behind in their press releases, by 15 years).

I'm sure there were many more such incidents, which in time will be uncovered, along with the answer to the baffling mystery of the flying saucers.

(Our thanks to to Bryan Hartley for the above item. Bryan is the Overseas liason officer for BUFORA and NUFON, and an official of the group FAPRG).

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SOME THOUGHTS ON UFO INVESTIGATIONS.

Preamble

I have been asked by Mr. Rees to write an article for S.W. giving guidelines on UFO investigation techniques. As many of you must already be aware, there is much to be done in this field in terms of retrieving accurate data from what is, predominantly, eye-witness accounts. Now I am certainly not going to teach my grandmother how to suck eggs, as I am sure that many of your investigators have gained good practical experience in the field and do not require "an upstart from BUFORA to tell them what to do!" However, I will refer to some techniques which I have adopted when interviewing UFO witnesses and mention also the "UFO Appearance Recognition and Identification Test Procedure" as developed by Dr. Haines in America.

Interviewing UFO-Witnesses

Most ordinary persons tend to be shy by nature and a few reticent to relate their experiences; therefore I do not employ a tape-recorder when conducting the interview (at least, not in the initial stages), but merely

take notes. If one uses a questionnaire, then the standard bits of data will be recorded on this: I refer of course, to the non-subjective items such as: date, time orientation, elevation, location, duration and names of corroborative witnesses, etc. Now if the witness is absolutely sure of his/her facts, then the task of the investigator is a great deal easier, but if there is uncertainty, one has to try to prompt the witness without leading him/her. If I am faced with this sort of problem, I resort to what is sometimes known as "ASsociation of Ideas", which, in short, means that the memory can be jogged by reference to such things as: numbers, important dates, familiar objects, time slots and daily procedures, etc.

If the witness is unsure of basic facts, then I apply the association of ideas to the following items:

- 1) Date: did the UFO experience occur on or near an important event, say, something of socio/political nature, or anniversary, etc.
- 2) Time: was the witness listening to a particular programme on the radio, or withing a particular mealtime slot, etc.
- 3) Location: short of taking the witness along his/her route, mention certain familiar landmarks.
- 4) Shape of object perceived: please refer to the paper by Dr.R.F.Haines. Such bits of information as: elevation, orientation and duration can be estimated quite accurately by such instruments as a theodolite, compass and stop watch respectively, but again, if these are not available, resort to A.O.I.

If, in the unlikely event the witness still cannot provide the accurate date you require: give up!

Another important factor I try to ascertain is the witness bias. Ask Him/Her what sort of literature they have previously read on the subject, particularly those books which hold firm views.

What does the witness think the object he/she saw was? The answer to this question will give you an indication as to how much the witness is "colouring" his/her report. Always remember that when the human mind is confronted with a strange empirical situation, it will tend to make reference to past familiar experiences.

Conclusion

Having gone through the procedure outlined, I generally find that I have enough information with which to consult the usual references such as: almanacs, planispheres, satellite timetables and A.T.Cs etc. If identification fails within this bracket, then some reasonable speculation must be included in the report.

For more in-depth reading on the subject of investigations, I would advise one to read BUFORAs "Field Investigators' Handbook", obtainable from Jenny Randles.

Ken Phillips, Regional Investigations Co-Ordinator - BUFORA.

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GROUP AND GENERAL NEWS!!!!

Those of you who agreed with my article in SW 26 entitled "YOUFOHS", will be pleased to hear of a new national magazine now available called "SPACEQUEST" This magazine will include the latest UFO sighting info from around the world. Items on Astronomy, Spaceflight and much more. Single issues are 75p inc.P & P. Write for Sub rates to Space Centerprises, PO Box 400, Kings Langley, Herts.

Thanks to out to MAPIT member Jeff Thomas! Jeff has been busy in 1977, writing all around the world on behalf of the group and SKYWATCH. He has found us many new foreign contacts and for this I would like to say "thankyou" and I hope you can continue in 1978. Jeff is one of our more active members!

Did you see the series of Lectures in January given by Carl Sagan under the title "Planets" on BBC2 TV? If you did and found them interesting, you may like to read his book, "The Cosmic Connection".

BUFORA Conference 1978: is this year being held in Nottingham. The dates to note are the 15/16 April (Weekend). For further details send a 9" x 4 1/2" (dl.Size) SAE to: Charles Lockwood (Conf), 5, The Ridge Way, Farnsfield, Newark, Nottinghamshire.

Watch out for details for the forthcoming Spring '78 NUFON Conference to be held in the South Humberside, North Lincolnshire area (around April/May). Also MUFORA hold their final UFO Lecture at the Mitre Hotel, near M/cr Cathedral in Central Manchester on Tuesday March 7th - starting time: 8.0 p.m. (The above date was correct at the time of going to press).....

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.....CONTACTEE CASES.....

by R. MARKWICK

Most "Contactees" cannot help but show extreme fear of their ordeal, and I've never heard of anyone having these same experiences whilst asleep in bed, observable is the fact that dreams are completely distorted, and "contactees" have a far more detailed account than anyone having had a bad dream, and some UFO experiences are of an exceedingly longer duration than any dream. The longer the duration of a "contactees" experience, the easier it should come to fault them is they are not telling the truth. A good liar would require more than a good memory if in the hands of an experienced investigator. So often than not, contactees have no axe to grind; they simply state to their interrogators and sceptics: "take my story or leave it". No brass bands for them. Final acceptance of UFO's will be via contactees. The Antonio Villas-Boas (AVB) case of Brazil, as reported by the late Dr.Olavo Fontes (Prof. of Medicine) is a classic contactee case - a typical of what I have been stating. AVB did not wish to go aboard a UFO; he used his fists against his assailants; he could have beat any one at a time, but was overwhelmed by numbers, and like many contactees was taken into a UFO against his will. And his account lasted 4 hours or more at the hands of his captors. Later, he had telltale marks on his body, constituting medical "backup" evidence. Several times he vomitted, and he even cried in his sleep as a result of an after-effect, and one can hardly put him in the wishful thinking category of cohtactees. Dr.Fontes, who carried out the medical examination, took particular note of the strange marks from where AVB said the entities took bloodsamples. The doctor thought of special interest was the purple-coloured Hyperchromic area surrounding lesions and scars. There was no answer to this. Although only one contactee is involved with this particular case, and no radar, electronic sensing/detecting devices, etc. were not available, as another source of evidence in the area and considering the medical findings afterwards, I rate the acceptability of AVB's account as extremely high. This case is nearly 20 years old and 4 years later (Sept 19/20 1961) was the contactee case of the Hill's. There has been thousands of contactee cases around the World, and they will increase because the persistence is unlike fashions, fads and fancies which change and disappear completely. I wonder how many such incidents must occur before the masses and the establishment in particular, accept just a solitary one? There have been several cases where two or more persons travelling in a vehicle find that a UFO seemed to bring their vehicle to a halt, upon which only one human jumped out, apparently against their normal desires, and ran toward a UFO not listening to the calls from the remaining occupants of the vehicle. Once again, it seems UFOs can be selective as to who or what they can affect. A particular case in Britain comes to mind some years ago, in which one of three persons in a car, jumped out and ran into a field past bushes and trees, after which, he came back and collapsed on the road in front of the car, and was admitted to a hospital, where he exclaimed he'd confronted some monstrous entity with glowing red eyes. The Bible mentions several accounts of humans who faced entitles with eyes like lamps of fire. One such account is Daniel

Chap 10 - verses 4 to 11. The entity here had a face as the appearance of lightning, and eyes as the lamps of fire, and Daniel said there remained no strength in him. Just as today's contactees state their energy as being drained from them. These types of visitors seem to me to be inorganic - a type of tuned plasma bodies whose feet do not touch the ground. (See future articles regarding types of entities). UFOlogists for some time have been puzzled by humans who run forward toward a UFO, who appear to be under the influence of a form of hypnosis at a distance, and this is nothing new with UFOs; it's been occurring for many years. I have, for some considerable time now, been writing and lecturing that in such instances a command to come forward has been achieved by space entities, by a type of frequency appehation of special significance to only one person. If the programming frequency had varied slightly, another person might well have gone forward instead. Now, only recently released, information from the Americans state that the Russians are now using in the USSR and Eastern Europe, Microwave techniques, which gives commands to persons at a distance. As with our contactees whose health receives a staggering blow, so do persons subjected to the microwave frequency treatment being dished out by the Russians. Where contactees have been seen frozen to the spot, obviously a frequency is applied and the nervous system (the nervous system controls our bodily functions) has received attention by a paralysing effect, the contactee is aware of what is happening around him, but cannot do anything about it. (See future articles concerning UFO flashing lights and associated affects/effects).

Some Physiological Effects upon Contactees. There exists numerous examples where one, or two at a time, but seldom more, humans appeared shattered and rather more than infer they were abducted by space-entities, androids, ciborgs programmed-sophisticated-computerised robots, tuned plasmoids and etc. tested by them. Our medical men verify by examination that the contactees have been left with all or some of the common type cymptoms:- radiation sickness, diarrhoea, incoherent speech, (temporary) amnesia; more information may be gained when the victim is more physically and mentally re-adjusted after a time lapse vollowing amnesia. Noted also, are skin radiation burns, temporary or partial blindness, loss of appetite, personality change, severe headaches, the unfortunate victim yearns for more sleep than normal and is generally of the distributed variety. A psychological reason for increased demand for sleep may well be due to the fact that they are attempting to conceal their conscious re-call of their traumatic experience. From the physical point of view, it could be due to extraction of p hysical information from the body. By their anti-social tendencies, and other effects, it appears that the victim has become so disorientated as not to disclose, or be believed by anyone with regards to his contact with superior beings. It becomes somewhat more apparent from his medical findings that more than just the nervous system has been dealt a blow, an experienced effects are down to more than mere frequency application and what is more, of a far more revealing (and of a considerably more rigorous and painful nature) than realised by medical science. Prior to our contactees manhandling (?), medical history proved them to be AI, yet after being in the hands of our aliens, we find them to be little better than mental/physical wrecks. Our knowledge has us recollecting how sometimes one may fall into ill health without warning, but seemingly appears coincidental when two contactees are smitten at the same time. Even more coincidental, it happens simultaneously with numerous other contactees who were once medically AI. Many are in a state of terror, near collapse, have tingling and numbness, buzzing in the head and etc. Aliens in such cases may be taking a 100% extraction recording content from the brain cells and information thus obtained, could be played back at any time after departure, from which they could learn the whims, fancies, strange beliefs, religion and even attitudes toward UFOs and occupants, etc., from that particular contactee. The forementioned tests could quite easily account for the contactees feeling of being mentally and bodily drained. Patients having undergone several exhaustive tests in hospital (which can often be more painful than the original complaint), would have some idea of such a washed-out feeling but nothing like our sad contactee. It appears that some of our visitants are more sympathetic toward their captures, whilst others show contempt, much as man in his experiments with the lower life forms on Earth. There have been well known men in UFOlogy who should have know better, who after studying contact

and witnesses involved were unwilling to accept the testimony of witnesses on the ground, but allowed conclusions to be deduced on the final analysis of the contactee only who went missing in a UFO on a space trip - a hoax was their answer. Surely it should be the human, having been in the hands of alien beings to be the most apprehensive about? His captors may have brain-washed him in a subtle way to make it appear as a hoax, and would likely be as deceptive and elusive as the UFOs themselves. The supposed experts who say UFOs do not exist, I've always found to be the least deceptive and elusive, continuously they prove their ignorance pertaining to their specialised fields of study. And if one is to believe their statements then one must surely believe in impossibilities for they break every established basic law of science to which they contradictly say they believe and were taught by. I accept only the established facts of science, such as we talk through our mouths rather than through our ears, although there are exceptions to the rule, whereby too many members of the establishment and science, apparently have holes out the back of their necks through which they talk. (See future article - "A Character Analysis of the Establishment" - or "Comedy of Errors"). I am not so suspicious of an after-account of contactees, as with the answers furnished by the establishment. The establishment laughs at UFOlogists but the last laugh is on them, for never have so many been so wrong for so long, with their reference to UFOs and religion. Yet again, the establishment will be the last to learn of another phenomena - UFOs. Our thanks go out to all contactees, the genuine, and the hoaxers (it is they who keep us on our toes, even though they waste much of our time). At least our contactees have the courage of their convictions, often against much ridicule as any investigator would endorse. I have learned much from contactees - the scientists have learned nothing, and slowly the patterns emerge, consequently answers to space entities rest with the contactees and not with the scientists. Non-conformity with scientific thinking is the fact that whether one believes those descending from the sky in the Bible, to the Gods/Angels or space beings from another system (a case of mistaken identity of the entities?), not one contactee was ever met with: "take me to your leader", and not one of our lot today either. Generally, they were approached in the wilderness/sparsely-populated areas. Herod and Hitler as leaders, were the most unlikely to ever expect space entities to be "led to them". To those sceptics who insist that no one has seen UFOs or experienced any mental/physical sensations in spite of overwhelming evidence, it would be a more accurate statement in relativistic terms to say the sceptic does not exist. This was the attitude taken by the American motorists towards the USAF, cars displayed stickers stating: The American Air Force does not exist - UFOs do! Whenever the general public are best by a new phenomena they turn to the scientists for an answer, as surely does the USAF, so it seems somewhat unfair toward the USAF, that in playing the game of passing the buck, they ended up with no one else to pass the buck to.

The Electrical Connection. Any car without an electrical source input, would be immobilised, but other inputs are necessary, food, water, air etc. so an output energy can be obtained. Likewise as with a car, the human body possesses electrical energy/impulses and even whilst sleeping there are electrical activities present in the tissues of the brain. A waveform pattern of the brain's output may be examined by an oscilloscope, but if only we knew how to reapply such an output as an input to the brain, we would possess yet another method of programming a command to a human. One day, perhaps, we shall wire up the electrode to the scalp of a person and reproduce the thoughts or past experiences (a new form of EEG-type hypnosis), direct to a TV screen and be viewed in picture form, rather than by the frequency/waveform method. There are other processes of commanding the Brain in a subtle way, e.g: sublimation a means by which an unconscious process directs repressed energy of sexual impulses towards other directions of activity, and of messages inserted into occasional film frames per second, unknown to the consciousness of the victim later asks "Why did I do it?". Understandingly acceptable is the fact that if certain parts or the complete electrical system of the car's energy O/P may be interfered with or completely nullified by a UFO, at a distance, then so may some, or all of the human body's electrical functioning. Henceforth partial or complete control is obtained over both. This is obviously caused by electromagnetic affect - a common characteristic of UFOs. During extreme intervention

by UFOs some contactees have fallen in unconsciousness, whilst others have died in the vicinity of a UFOs powerburst, emitted during a hasty "get-away". Through the pages of this publication I hope to enlighten the reader in as near to layman's terms as possible, why for so many years I've realised UFOs exist and increasing valuable information only goes to reiterate my original findings. Repeatedly I've wondered why all the fuss from the establishment with regard to their terms of UFO-acceptability.....they should know better, considering they have the financial backing, easy access to information, the time and the brains (?). Wake up! 20th Century Science!

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SULPHURIC ACID RAIN ON VENUS

The Voeikov Main Geophysical Observatory in Leningrad has been modelling the Venus atmosphere according to data received from the Soviet Venus automatic probes. The Venus cloud, says Kirill Kondratyev, space meteorology specialist, has been studied to calculate the degree of light polarisation it reflects, and this formed the basis for calculations which showed that the Venus clouds were formed of uniform spherical particles, one thousandth of a millimetre in size. Their refraction in the visible part of the spectrum more or less corresponds with an 80 per cent sulphuric acid solution. The clouds rather resemble fog on Earth and there would be a visibility of one to three kilometers in them. According to data from the Venus 3 satellite, the lower boundary of the clouds is at about 35 kilometres altitude where the air temperature is 125°C (on the planet's surface it is 500°C) and in these conditions the vapours evaporate and the concentration of sulphuric acid rain is at 98 per cent. A similar conclusion was drawn by Leonid Ksanfomalti after analysing the optical properties of the Venus clouds. He believes, however, that layers of sulphuric acid particles also exist in the earth's atmosphere at an altitude of some 30 kilometres. This would explain the deterioration in the transparency of the Earth's atmosphere which is sometimes observed. (Credit to Novosti Press Agency, Press Release N. 7887, 22th January, 1978, p 4 : 3 Rosary Gardens, London, SW7 4NW).

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SIGHTING SCENE

Date: October, 1966 or 67.  
Time: 17.45 hrs.  
Location: Over Henderson Avenue School, Scunthorpe, Humberside.  
Witness(s): Jennifer Shannon, a housewife and Carol Barrill, married name not known

As the witnesses were leaving work, they took a short cut through the footpath along side of Henderson Avenue School. Over the school palying field they saw this object hovering. It was disc-shaped with flashing lights around its rim; it was grey in colour and gave off a humming sound. They stood observing the object for about one minute to see if they could recognise what it was. Realising what they had seen, they ran through the footpath at the end of the field-- they turned round and the object was still hovering above the field at a height of 50 ft. When Jennifer arrived home she told her family what she had seen - they replied that she was "daft". She told her brother and he believed her, as he studied the subject. Jennifer concluded - "Nobody will tell me that I didn't see this object, because I know I did". It is unfortunate that this case is ten years old, thus making a follow-up investigation very difficult. The whereabouts of Carol Barrill, since married, is not known. All we can do is put on record this sighting.

Date: March, a Wednesday, 1977.  
Time: 20.30 hrs.  
Location: Bankey Fields, Congleton, Cheshire.  
Witness: Mr.G.Hagston, a Printer.

This sighting concerns the viewing of an oval white light moving slowly through the sky from the South-West to the North-East. It was observed on several

occasions during the evening. It was seen first coming over the houses making no noise; it zigzagged for a matter of 20 seconds before coming to a halt and remaining completely stationary for about 30 minutes. This light was observed from Mr. Hagston's home window. The last time he looked out of the window was at approximately 21.00 hrs., and the light had vanished. The witnesses also saw this Oval light and thinks that it was a Satellite. The position of this sighting is very close to the Radio Telescope at Jodrell Bank.

Through the pages of SKYWATCH in the coming year, will be included sightings from Jersey. All these reports have been investigated by the UFOJA (UFOs over Jersey Association), and prepared for MAPIT by Dean Preston and A Chilvers of UFOJA.

**UFO FORMATION: Case Summary.**

Date: July 1975 - Time: 11.45 p.m - Location: St.Clements, Jersey - Witnesses: Mrs.Bruton, an elderly woman appeared to be very reliable, her story remaining consistent throughout. She stated that when she was in Guernsey many years back, she had another UFO experience which appeared as a large red star. The other witnesses were her grandson, nephew and two other friends. Unfortunately we cannot locate any of them because three of them are in the Army and the other is working somewhere on the Continent.

**THE EVENT:** It was about 11.45 p.m. in July 1975, when Mrs.Bruton, who lives in Maupertus Lane, St.Clements, was getting her washing off the line at the back of the house. In an interview she gave us she said, "Something compelled me to look up into the sky. Then all of a sudden from the right appeared this formation of very bright stars (about 50 or more), which went from my right to left and circled the area above my house. As the first formation was circulating around my house, a second formation of about 25 came across the sky from left to right. By this time, David, my grandson had come out and he, too, saw them. The other three boys came out and watched them, but soon went back inside because they were so scared. A third formation was then sighted, again about 25, but this formation went direct to a larger (circular) ship and as they approached it the 25 or so objects-lights went out all of a sudden as though they had emerged into it. Immediately after the third formation had disappeared the second formation did the same. After they had emerged into it, the large ship (other ship) started to move away towards Corbiere and the first formation followed behind it, until they disappeared out of sight". There was no sound, the object's colour was Silver and duration of sighting lasted over 1 hour. (THERE WILL BE ANOTHER JERSEY UFO CASE IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF SKYWATCH).

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UFOs and E - M EFFECTS  
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As members of the general public and the scientific community become more interested in UFOs and related phenomena it becomes increasingly important to define any patterns which are seen to occur in the reports, a study of which may help to explain the true nature of the phenomenon. It is often stated that no two UFO reports are alike, and that repeatability is an essential factor for scientific study. To those familiar with the subject there are in fact many similarities and patterns worldwide both in object characteristics and in the effects reported. The following cases are representative of a particular type of effect known as E - M or electro-magnetic effects, which have been reported in many cases of close proximity UFO sightings and which are at present the subject of a B'FORA project (British UFO Research Association). The reports cover sea and air incidents as well as the more typical vehicle interference cases.

1. 8/11/54 LA TESSOUALLE, NEAR CHOLET, FRANCE.

A driver found that his vehicle engine and lights failed as a flying blue disc-like object approached. The driver was surrounded by an intense blue light and found himself paralysed for several minutes, with a prickling feeling in his hands in spite of gloves. The light went out and the driver was then able to move and start his engine. The light reappeared, now described as cone-shaped and about five metres in diameter. It rose vertically and flew away with a soft whistling sound.

2. 1/11.68 D430 LOS MONEGROS, SPAIN.

Five witnesses reported that their car engine stopped, the lights failed and watches stopped as a large orange disc-shaped object appeared to land nearby. A few minutes later the object rose silently and moved away. Vehicle engine, lights and watches then worked normally again.

3. -/-/53 LAKE OF THE OZARKS, MISSOURI, USA.

Two men were starting on a morning fishing trip on the lake when their outboard motor failed. A heavy humming sound was heard in the fog. When the fog parted briefly a shining disc-shaped object was seen about five feet above the water. The object was oscillating slowly and both men noticed that directly beneath the object the water was dancing in tiny sharp-pointed waves. The remainder of the lake was calm. The fog closed in again and the men paddled their boat back to the shore.

4. -/-/55 NEAR NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, USA.

The motor vessel "Atlantic City" was approaching Newport News on a warm calm morning with the ship on automatic steering. It was suddenly realised that the ship was steering in a circle and at the same time "a ball of fire" was seen in the sky approaching fast on what appeared to be a collision course. The ball of fire passed silently overhead. After it had gone a strange turbulence was noticed on the sea. The ship's gyro-compass was now dead and the binnacle compass was "dancing in its bowl". The gyro and electrical gear had to be repaired later in port.

5. -/8/57 20.55 SANTA CATARINA, BRAZIL

The pilot and four crew of a VARIG C-47 cargo aircraft observed a luminous object which crossed the path of the aircraft during a flight between Port Alegre and Rio De Janeiro. The object stopped for a moment then dived into the cloud bank below. The crew stated that when the object crossed to the right side of

the aircraft the engines began missing while the cabin lights dimmed and almost went out. When the object dived into the clouds everything returned to normal.

6. 29/9/67. UKRAINE, USSR.

An Ilyushin - 14 aircraft was flying between ZAPAROWI AND VOLGOGRAD and was over the Ukraine, when an Unidentified Object was suddenly seen overhead. The Aircraft's engines cut out and it descended to within 800 metres off the ground. At this point the object disappeared and the aircraft's engines restarted. The remainder of the journey was uneventful.

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NOTES AND QUOTES

8 o'clock Auckland Star - July 30th 1977. Flying Visit?: British Flying Saucer Inventor John Searl has offered to bring his revolutionary electro-magnetic motor to New Zealand. Searl is now showing his inventions to Canadian Scientists in Ottawa. "They're very impressed with his motor generator and his theories on new energy", says Mrs. Vera Comer, spokeswoman for Searl's supporters in NZ.

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If a film of the history of the earth were made, scaled down to last 24 hours, man would first appear 6 seconds from the end.....

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How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth.

Sherlock Holmes: The sign of the Four.

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A NEW BRITISH UFO BOOK TO APPEAR! Latest news from Peter Hill, Secretary of the Edinburgh Branch of BUFORA, concerns the publishing, hopefully this year, of his book. His intention is to "get away from the purely anecdotal book on UFOs, of which there are already plenty on the market, and write one concentrating on the analysis of the phenomenon". Chapters included are: The UFO in History; Analysis of 500 British Isles Reports; UFOs and the Paranormal and The Way Forward, amongst many others.

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CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND: Some up to date news on this US film, supplied to us by Jenny Randles: "The film was released in the States on a sporadic basis. It is due out here next March (1978) - no doubt with massive publicity, I have pieced together the story, largely thanks to Charles Bowen and John Keel, since Columbia have been very wary indeed to release information on it. Anyway Keel has seen it and so his opinions on it are worth noting. Charles Bowen also had the chance to discuss it with Allen Hynek when he was last in Britain. The basic plot is that a power worker goes in search of reasons for massive power failures and encounters a UFO on the road. His car is subject to EM effects, etc., then poltergeist phenomena begins around the house where he lives and the children in the family have a contact. Intrepid UFO investigations.....including a French one (probably Vallee....though it isn't really him), and Allen Hynek (playing...himself!) enter the scene. The adults overlook the clues, the children don't, with the tension mounting much as a Hitchcock thriller does. The finale shows the Scientists (including Hynek!!)

