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A Shining Cross.

When the Picts & Scots were at war with the Saxon English, a legend tells that the night before a battle, the King of the Picts saw in his sleep a vision of St. Andrew, who promised him victory. The next day, as they advanced to the fight, the Picts saw shining in the sky above them a bright St. Andrew's Cross. Greatly encouraged, they charged, shouting "St. Andrew, our patron, be our guide," and won a great victory.

After this victory the Cross of St. Andrew became the Scottish ensign and was always borne before them into battle as a banner. Thus St. Andrew became the patron saint of Scotland.

Wim Wams. From a letter in Lincs. Life. June '68.

I don't recollect that anyone has come up with the meaning "A wim-wam to cobble dogs with," cobble meaning to throw something at. A wim-wam is a hobgoblin of minor order - something to cause fright. This dates back to the times when hobs of hobgoblins, boggarts & such were the mischievous or evil spirits said to lurk in woods & plantations to plague or frighten as the occasion demanded.

Mrs. F.M.Brader, Kirby Grindalyth, Malton,  
Yorks.

A Flying History. Patricia Barnes.

I am often asked when was the first balloon ascent, aircraft flight etc., so here are a few of the important dates.

June 4th. 1783. First balloon ascent, by Joseph & Etienne Montgolfier.

December 17th. 1903. Orville Wright made the first controlled flight by aeroplane.

April 1st. 1918. Formation of the R.A.F., previously the Royal Flying Corps.

June 14th.-15th. 1919, First flight across the Atlantic - by Alcock & Brown.

October 4th. 1957. First artificial earth satellite (Sputnik 1) launched by Russia.

April 12th. 1961. Major Yuri Gagarin became the first man to orbit the Earth.

July 10th. 1962. Launching of "Telstar" the first communications satellite.

July 21st. 1969. Man's first Moon landing. Neil Armstrong, first man on the Moon.

The Oldest Object. Peterborough Evening Telegraph. 31.1.73.

A New York scientist said that the meteorite that crashed to earth in 1968, just missing a Mexican village, had been dated back 4,600,000,000 years - the oldest object man has ever handled. Dr. Gerald Wasserman told the American Physical Society the meteorite was 60 million years older than anything else discovered on earth.

Spiritual Leader Says UFOs Are Astral Phenomena.

(This is from You & The Stars, Jan-Mar. '69. Paul Twitchell's article will appear next month in SLUFOSG Newsletter.)

The reason why the official government UFO project at the University of Colorado is bound to fail is because the mysterious flying objects are visitors from the Astral world according to Paul Twitchell, world famous authority on ECKANKA, the ancient science of Soul Travel. Twitchell wrote in an article recently published in the New Cosmic Star, a monthly newspaper printed in Los Angeles, that instead of being visitors from outer space they are only astral phenomena. This explains why some persons are able to see flying saucers and other types unidentified flying objects. A few people have an extra-sensory perception development while others do not. It means that the government project at Colorado University will need a few people who are gifted in clairvoyance in order to make any headway, Twitchell said. He explains this somewhat in his own book "The Tiger's Fang", that the unidentified flying objects so closely resemble physical objects that many who are able to see them believe that they are visitors from other planets.

Twitchell is reported to have the ability to be in many places at the same time. He is featured in three books by Brad Steiger, well known writer on mystic subjects. They are: "Beyond Unseen Boundaries," "We Have Lived Before," and "Strange Powers of Healing."

Jupiter, Sunday Express. 3.12.72.

America's unmanned spacecraft heading for Jupiter looks like surviving its worst hazard.

Controlled by radio from the earth it is now halfway through an avalanche of flying boulders, called asteroids, that orbit the sun out beyond Mars. Pioneer 20 is due to reach Jupiter on December 3, 1973. But no landing is intended. Instead she will transmit TV photographs back to earth.

How Did The Moon Get There? Sunday Express. 28.5.72.

One of the many hazards overcome by the first men to land on the Moon was caused by mysterious invisible features known as mascons.

The name is a portmanteau word for "mass concentrations" - strange areas of dense material embedded below the lunar surface rather like currants in a bun.

Fortunately the menace of these "currants" was known about before the first Apollo crew touched down safely in the dry Sea of Tranquillity. Thus they were able to compensate for the fact that mascons can suddenly exert a higher gravitational pull than surrounding areas. But what exactly are mascons and how did they come to be there in the first place?

The mystery has puzzled scientists since the first irregular gravity readings were received back from pathfinder satellites orbiting the Moon more than four years ago.

Now, however an ingenious explanation for the presence of mascons is

put forward by two American scientists in a new theory of the Earth-Moon system.

Mascons, they say, are actually mini-moons swallowed up by the Moon at the dawn of creation.

The theory is the outcome of research by Dr. Hannes Alfvén, physics professor at California University, who won a Nobel prize in 1970, and Dr. Gustav Arrhenius, professor of oceanography at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, San Diego.

They base it on the discovery from lunar rock samples that the moon was not (as formerly believed) torn from the earth or at least made of the same material, but was originally an independent body - a wanderer in space captured by our planet.

At that time, the scientists reckon, the earth may have had anything from five to ten tiny moonlets going round it.

But when the big moon came into orbit it either swept them up or "cannoned" them off into deep space.

The strongest evidence in support of the theory, say Alfvén and Arrhenius, is the existence of large dents or basins, 300 miles across, in the moon's surface where mascons occur.

At least half a dozen dents have been located which could have been caused long ago by collisions with orbiting moonlets.

Had the moon we see in our night sky not happened along, the scientists reckon, earth might have had a ring of smaller moons shining in its place.

It is even possible that it would have had a halo of light (caused by orbiting particles of matter) like the giant planet Saturn.

News On A Space Mystery, Peterborough Evening Telegraph, 30.1.73.

An American astronomer has exposed new and important facts about the

mysterious Quasars - immensely bright sources of light and radio waves in far-distant space.

His findings could prove a big step towards understanding the origins of the universe.

Quasars have baffled astronomers since their discovery ten years ago. Their brightness was a problem in understanding them, for they blotted out light from any surrounding material. So, they were treated as a separate class of object.

Now, Dr. Jerome Kristian, of the Hale Observatories in Pasadena, California, has located Quasars at the heart of six galaxies and suggests they may be a part of galactic evolution.

Although thousands of millions of miles wide, Quasars are tiny, compared with galaxies, but they are up to 1,000 times brighter than a normal galaxy.

"If the indications are that Quasars are part of the process of development of galaxies, then it could mean that they are the start of the galaxies," said Dr. Kristian.

The next step was to try to determine whether Quasars played a role in all of the millions of galaxies scattered throughout the universe.

Mercury the god of traders. Also known as Hermes, the messenger of the gods. Also conducted the dead to Hades.

Venus, goddess of beauty & love.

Mars the fierce god of war. Also god of agriculture, protector of flocks & herds. The wolf was sacred to him.

Jupiter The father of Heaven. God of justice & virtue, also guardian of the law.

Saturn god of sowing or seed corn.

Uranus 'Heaven' in Greek mythology, husband of Ge (Earth) & father of the Titans. Neptune god of water, god of the sea. Pluto 'giver of

wealth.'