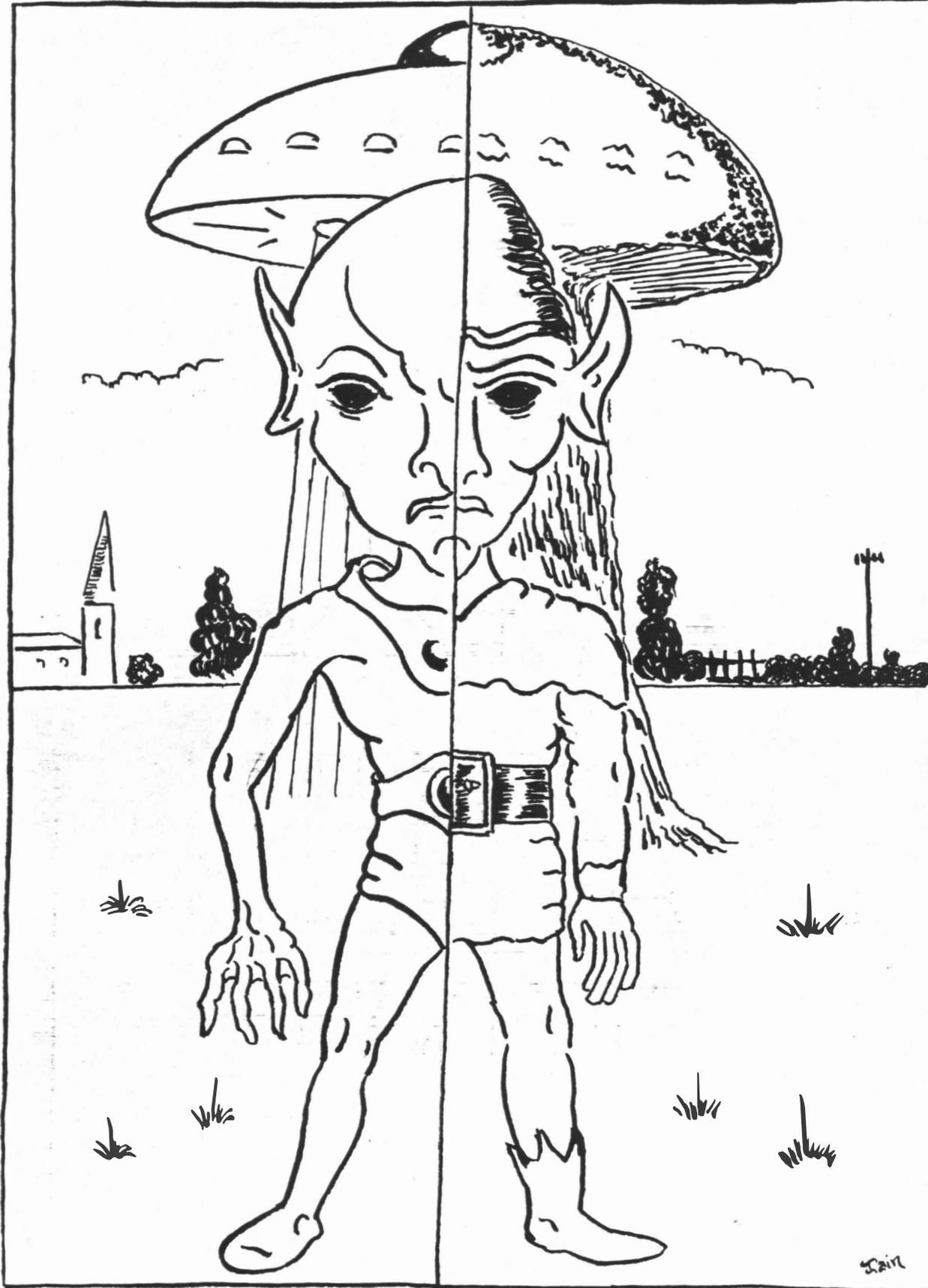


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Well, so far this year has started off much better than any of us in WYUFORG could have really hoped for. We are all grateful to the new members who responded so well to our ad in the local press, and if a similar correspondence occurs with a planned article in yet another newspaper, then God only knows how many more copies of this dreary newsletter will have to be copied and sent out!

Obviously one excellent side effect from the article in the press, is the onslaught of various types of UFO manifestations - none of which have previously been recorded, and again, we are most grateful to all who have helped us there. Future editions of this newsletter will publish some of the findings, some of which, on the surface at least, appear to be very interesting indeed. I imagine that readers will have noted the excess increased pagination: it is hoped that we will achieve a minimum of some fifteen pages per month from now on. I will remind our members however, that a necessity for such a continuation is an influx of articles, comments and reports from all of us whenever possible. Ending this editorial babbling I would like to wish all of our new readers a long and satisfying stay with us...

#### A Close Encounter of the Third Kind in Bradford

There are various arguments throughout the UFO world as to what species of event can be truly called a CE3. Ted Bloecher's categorisation of seven types has come under attack from many ufologists, and although I sympathise with the critical remarks, I do find that all seven types are relevant to the many branches of ufological and paranormal research. They are: Type A - an entity is observed inside the UFO only. Type B - entity is seen getting in or out of a UFO. Type C - entity is seen in the immediate vicinity of a UFO, but not seen entering or leaving it. Type D - no UFO is seen, only an entity, but general UFO activity is apparent in the area at the time. Type E - no UFO is seen, only an entity but general area is not undergoing a UFO flap. Type F - no entity is seen and sometimes no UFO, but the recipient experiences some form of intelligent communication (directly or psychically). Type G - an abduction case.

Allan Hendry is especially critical of types D, E, and F, and sees them as having a close relationship with schizophrenia. Specifically, he finds the inclusion of category F particularly mysterious, and although I would agree with his remarks that its inclusion with UFO-type phenomena is a little suspect, he is being somewhat narrow-minded by just subduing it to a type of psychological disturbance and leaving it for the psychiatrists for interpretation. Although we do not understand fully the mechanism of the schizophrenic, it is known that there are correlations between this particular field of study and specific forms of paranormal activity. Hendry's condemnation therefore, whilst being cautious, is none-the-less somewhat short-sighted. In a future edition of our newsletter, I will attempt to comment upon the nature of the third-type encounter phenomenon...

The event I am about to relate here, involves what Bloecher would categorise as a type A CE3 report. It occurred on Thursday, March 6, 1980, at Clayton, Bradford. The account also comes under that bizarre title of a "bedroom encounter" report ("BE" for short) - a side of the UFO Phenomenon which is unbelievably ignored by many UFO groups, due to the complexity of its nature...

Mrs Lynn Harrison was fast asleep in bed, when "for no apparent reason" she awoke and felt the urge to get up and gaze out of the bedroom window. Perplexed by the strange feeling she was experiencing, she tried to wake her husband, who "just wouldn't move at all," she said. So, out of bed she clambered and she drew open the curtains.

She said, "As I did so, I heard a strange humming noise... It didn't sound like an aeroplane. Then suddenly I noticed a red object hovering over some of the houses a few hundred yards ahead of me." She goes on to describe that the object was quite large and "a bit like a saucer-shape." It remained hovering above the houses and the persistent humming noise was apparent all through the sighting. The red saucer then slightly edged its way towards Lynn's position, until it was less than a hundred yards away and still at rooftop level. It was here, she said, that a weird thing happened. "This saucer-shaped thing tilted over a bit and I could see a glowing white rim all round the edge of it and I could see a light coming from inside the object." Then she states that as it tilted a little more, three clearly-outlined humanoid figures could be seen through a type of "window" near the base rim of the object. The "people," as she called them, appeared to

be looking towards her, and she claimed not to be unnerved by the experience. Mrs Harrison is unable to relate exactly how long she was looking at this magnificent sight, but she said it seemed to be a considerable length of time. (2)

...Then all of a sudden the red object appeared to make a slight wobble in its stand and promptly disappeared before her eyes. Simultaneously, the humming sound abruptly terminated its rumble through her ears and she found herself simply staring out of the window, into a darkened 2am sky. She clambered back into bed, wondered a little, and fell back into mysterious world of sleep.

The entities which Lynn described in this case appeared to be about six feet tall and seemed to be dressed in darkened one-piece uniforms. No head gear was described. In no way did the three presences appear ominous to the witness; indeed, she got the distinct impression that they were quite friendly. Their faces were described as being very human-like. They had shoulder-length dark hair. Lynn said that the creatures made very little movement while she was watching them (a note of probable relevance to this particular point, was that Lynn's stance was directly sympathetic with that of the three entities - Keel freaks, take note!), and when the object suddenly disappeared she felt a little lost! Such reactions have appeared regularly to UFO witnesses who I have talked to down the years, and it appears that this "lost" feeling or expression, is somehow related to the energy which we know interacts with archetypal centres of emotion, from the UFO manifestation itself. But I won't meander into that field of study at the moment! Sorry...

### Bedtime Gestures from JASON77

(For the newcomers to this group, I must firstly point out exactly what the bloody title means! The term "JASON77" - or alternatively, 77JASON, depending on how you feel - comes from a UFO flap which completely emmersed the West Yorkshire area during the middle of the year 1977. The word "JASON" is made up from the first letter of the following five months of the year: July (J), August (A), September (S), October (O), November (N)...and hence, JASON. Simple! Dependant upon the year, these five particular months appear to be the most consistently high for peak UFO activity. We found that JASON flaps occurred around the Bradford area in 1967, 1968, 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1981; with the years 67, 77 and 81 being the three peak years for sightings. I hope that I have made myself clear!)

On Wednesday, 12 October, 1977, a Mr Jatinda Singh, of Wrose, ShipLEY, was fast asleep in bed at approximately 5am in the morning - or rather, he should have been! For Jatinda was awakened at about this time by what he described as "sounds of laughter." Still dazed and very tired, he looked around the dimly-lit room until he saw, of all things, the face of a male person - nothing more! - floating in circles around his room in a clockwise manner! With nothing but utter amazement running through Jatinda's mind, he simply looked up at the face and smiled a reluctant gesture at it. In return, the floating face repaid the look by smiling back at him: this expression remained all through the vision. The face initially hovered under the bedroom light until it moved across beneath the ceiling to the edges of the walls. Here it stopped at first and then began moving around the perimeter of the room, just below ceiling level. Jatinda, by now, was nothing short of amazed at what he was seeing; but after what may have been only a minute or so of this clockwise-floating-face, the little head simply disappeared with a "pop" sound!

Strangely enough, four days later on Sunday, 16 October, 1977, an anonymous middle-aged man from Clayton, Bradford, claimed that he too awakened in the early hours with a similar manifestation in his room. This time however, the noise to which the witness awoke to, was a loud, deep grunting sound. Looking around him, he was eventually amazed to see, "a small black pig, flying (anticlockwise) around the bedroom!" This apparition was also following the walls around the bedroom, and it too was heard, quite distinctly, to disappear with a "pop!" Whatever next, we might ask ourselves...!?

### More WYUFORG Reading Material - Compilation by Martin Daglass

In addition to the extensive library provided by our resident hippy, we have a number of other publications available on loan, specifically magazines; some of which are related to other UFO groups, some just general "mystic" mags. Available are the following: Bufora Bulletin; Flying Saucer Review; Fortean Times; the Ley Hunter; NUFOR News; MUFOB magazine; Awareness; Quest; the UFO Register; IGAP's UFO Contact; Alpha; Fate; Man, Myth and Magic; Ad Astra; OSEAP Night Observation Manual; etc, etc. These magazines are available from both myself and from that scruffy hippy!!

The following publications, listed below, are some of our Case History reports, and are again accessible to any of our members.

1. "Return Sighting at Addingham" July 19, 1983. Grey disc, single witness.
2. "Revolving UFO Over Bradford" May 26, 1983. Orange-white oval and two small

spheres, single witness.

3. "Journalist Sees UFO!" August 30, 1983. Silver-black sphere-disc, single witness
4. "Revolving UFO Over ShipLEY" August, 1983. Pulsating light, single witness
5. "Children see UFO at Steeton" September 28, 1983. White domed, disc-shaped object, 3 witnesses.
6. "UFO Over Hospital" December 12, 1983. LITS, 2 witnesses
7. "East BierLEY Landing" July, 1977. Grey domed disc-shaped object, single witness
8. "Sowerby Bridge Ball of Light" August 22, 1982. Glowing ball, multiple witness
9. "CE1 in Scholes" Winter, 1942 or '43. Orange ball, single witness
10. "Chain of Circles Over Settle" July or August, 1960. Gold-yellow chain of lights, many witnesses
11. "Time Lapse Case in Wakefield" March, 1979. White object, green mist emitted, single witness
12. "Baildon Moor UFO" February, 1981. Gold-yellow rugby ball + windows, single witness
13. "Cross of Lights Over FarnLEY, Leeds" early 1982. Crucifix of lights, single witness
14. "CE3 in Wakefield" May or June, 1979. Metallic domed object, entities, multiple witnesses
15. "Saltfleet Close Encounter" April 22, 1984. Disc + coloured lights, multiple witnesses
16. "Appletreewick Photographic Anomaly" May 30, 1983. Photographic sphere anomaly, no witnesses!!!
17. "Cracoe Fell UFO" March, 1981. Photographic case - news clippings only

Also available: BUFORA Investigation Techniques. Large, thick manual full of investigation methods; as well as equations to calculate UFO sizes, distances, mass, etc. We also have document-copies relating to the Rendlesham Forest landing case. Also accessible to members are cases first completed by Nigel Mortimer (who!?!...?) from 1980 onwards, including the amazing "Woodside JASON81" flap. There are also numerous other reports, far too many to mention, compiled by Nigel and that scruffy hairy toerag who edits this silly little mag! Should anyone care to borrow any of the aforementioned cases, then please inform me at any of the meetings and I will get them to you later on.

(Also available are other booklists from Paul, dealing with all aspects of the paranormal. These lists are split into each independent subject matter, e.g. ESP, ghosts, earth mysteries, UFOs, occultism, ancient astronauts, etc, etc.)

Article written by Martin Daglass.

### "An Army of Lights" Near Harrogate in 1812

The following account, dug out from one of the many archive local history books down at Bradford Central Library, is taken word for word from the "Yorkshire Folklore Journal, Volume 1" and written by J. Horsfall Turner in 1888. The article describes a brilliant red and white procession of lights travelling through the sky near Harrogate (exact location is not specified), and although the description interprets the vision in terms of an "army of men," we find ourselves reading nothing short of a spectacular UFO account seen more than 170 years ago.

"A meteoric phenomenon...was seen near Harrogate, on Sunday, June 28th, 1812, between seven and eight o'clock in the evening, by Anthony Jackson, aged 45 years, and Martin Turner, a young man, and son of a farmer in the neighbourhood. When looking after the cattle they were suddenly surprised to see at some distance what appeared to them a large body of armed men, in white military uniforms, in the centre of which was a person of a commanding aspect...in scarlet. After performing various (aerial) evolutions the whole body began to move forward in perfect order towards the summit of a hill, passing the spectators at the distance of about one hundred yards. No sooner had this body, which extended four deep over an enclosure of thirty acres (gigantic proportions indeed!) attained the hill, then (sic) a second body, far more numerous than the former, dressed in a dark, coloured uniform, appeared, and marched after the first to the top of the hill where they both joined and passed down the opposite side of the hill and disappeared, when a column of thick smoke spread over the plain. The time for the first appearance of this strange phenomenon to the clearing up of the smoke...was no more than five minutes."

Another historical UFO account of a local nature will appear in the next newsletter.

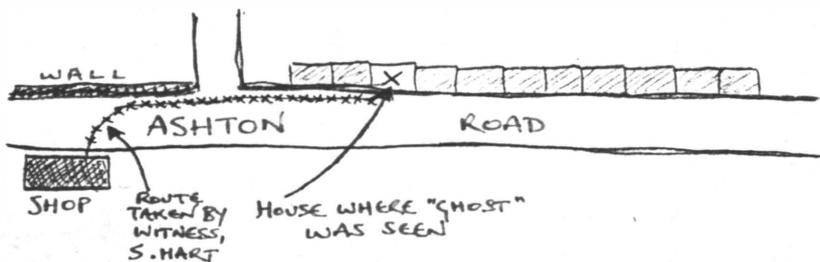
### A Personal Paranormal Experience - by Stephen Hart

At approximately 3.45pm on the afternoon of Saturday, 19 January, 1985, I had a very unusual experience.

On that day, I visited a close friend of mine, Martin Steer, who lives on Ashton Road, Harehills, Leeds. As Martin had not yet returned to his house, I stood and waited for him outside. I was hungry, so I visited the local off-license shop which was just a little distance away along the road (about 150-200 yards). After purchasing some food, I walked back towards Martin's house. On the side of Ashton Road which I was walking along there stands a large and long wall (belonging to the D. Joseph & Son building). As I neared the edge of the wall, I looked in the direction of Martin's house and saw at the bottom of the steps leading up to Martin's house front door, an elderly woman. I had little reason to think her odd or in any way strange. At the time, the old woman appeared quite solid and of flesh and blood. Indeed, she could have in no way been confused with any other old biddy! The woman looked as though she was attempting to climb Martin's steps (I believe she placed a hand on the steps' railings). However, she did not climb the steps. Instead, she went down the cellar steps of the house and hence was lost from my viewpoint. At this point I hurried along because I was concerned about two bags containing personal possessions which I had left down those steps (I didn't want this rampaging old granny nicking off with the porno mags which I had stashed in one of the bags! They could have completely baffled her!).

Hence, I wandered through Martin's gate and gazed down the steps which led to the cellar. To my amazement, there was no human presence to be seen, and there was certainly no conceivable way for an old granny to have escaped (!) without me not have seen her. It was quite bizarre! At that moment, the experience seemed to be very unreal and it seemed just as if my conscious awareness had somehow attained a different state - an altered state of consciousness, so to speak. I felt quite excited at this, as paranormal experiences are, for me, occasional, not regular.

Sceptics may argue that I had mistaken another house for Martin's house, and that the elderly owner of the house in question had let herself in through the cellar door. To the sceptics, I should point out that the back to back houses either side of Martin's house do not have accessible cellar steps! Also, from the position I was viewing my friend's house, there was no conceivable way I would have mistaken the house for another.



So, what did I see? My mind is quite open for suggestions. Was it an hallucinatory experience? Or, did I see the "spirit" of the previous owner? Maybe what I witnessed was some sort of "tape recording" - an event which is now a part of history and which was replayed due to whatever conditions may have been needed

and I perceived it? Or, did I go through a timeslip? Is it possible, if not more likely, that I perceived a different sort of reality? I mean, what is reality after all...? S.H.

Steve's experience is typical of the many thousands of what people term "ghost" reports. Unfortunately, I cannot comment upon any possible relevance to this report with other encounters - ufological or otherwise - in the area, as I have no recordings of any manifestations of this type in any of my works or references. My attitude as to what the apparition could have been, would complement the idea of a "tape recording," as suggested by Steve. I am quite sure that the pioneering genius of the paranormal, Thomas C. Lethbridge, would be eager to hear of the weather conditions of the day in question. Or, if possible, could we ascertain the presence of any water lines, aquastats or - if we want to take it to the extreme - any black streams under the very spot where the vision was perceived? (Should any member care to read any of the nine major works of T.C. Lethbridge, ask the hippy!) Ed.

### Ley Lines Again!

"(Alfred) Watkins pays no regard to the period of the markers along his leys, arguing that if a modern church lies on the line, it is proof that the church was built on the site of a prehistoric marking point. Furthermore, he sets no criteria for what is on a line or not, and is quite willing to allow "near misses" as well as permitting leys to pass along the boundaries of enclosures, or through their centres, whichever looks the better. With rules as flexible as these, it is not difficult to find alignments in any part of the country, using nothing more than a large scale map and a long ruler."

Very reasonable criticism if ever I heard it. The writer, astroarchaeologist John Edwin Wood, followers of the ideas of Alexander Thom and compatriot researchers, also comments however, "Some of the alignments cited by Alfred Watkins are of course genuine,

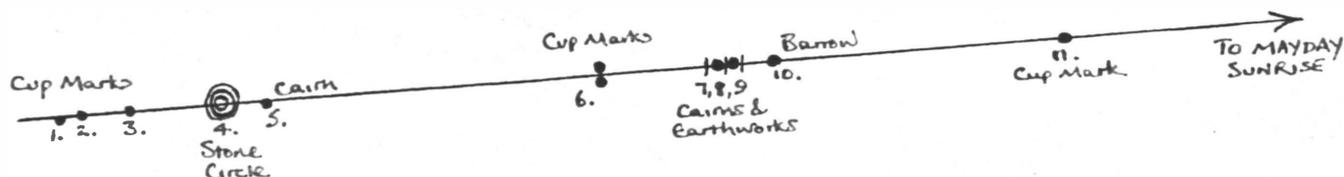
and we assume intentional...and some of his astronomical alignments have been substantiated by later work." Wood follows up with a down-to-earth heavy criticism however, "But," he says, "This is no confirmation that his basic theory is correct."

Hmm... Long-term ley researchers would probably disagree with his final remark and I will also echo their disagreements. With relation to the other remarks however, I find them critically justifiable. One of the most irritating finds in my ley ramblings is the fact that many of the sites marked as ley points are actually missed - agreeably, only by a few metres in some cases, but this is an aspect which cannot be overlooked. Any rational, unbiased critic examining the ley enigma would be understandably appalled by such "hopeful" alignments portrayed by many alleged "experts," hiding under their true guise of "tit head!"

The short material forthcoming in this article, is to my knowledge, the manner in which ley researchers would be better to position themselves. John Michell's excellent study of leys in his "The Old Stones of Land's End," uses the very same principal attitude...

Firstly, we find ourselves upon the very ancient terrain of Baildon Moor: a site of countless UFO manifestations down the years, and home - so the ancients would have told us - of the Pagan God, Baal. Also found up here at times are groups of silly-looking people who sit upon the hilltop and gaze into the freezing night air, with the hope of catching a glimpse of a little flying saucer, joyfully cavorting and frobbling in the heavens with the planet Venus. Such bizarre people are known as certain members of the West Yorkshire UFO Research Group - a strange bunch of freaks if ever I heard of any! But regardless of these asylum cases being up there, we also find many tens of old stone sites, some of which are illustrated in the works of this author, and yet <sup>which</sup> were only looked at in terms of their specific nature. Whilst I was conducting this work a few years ago, one possible alignment which I initially guessed at, was one which could be seen from the undiscovered stone circle north of Brackenhall Circle, and appeared indicative of a May Day sunrise lining. However, when I wrote the work postulating such an astroarchaeological connection, my study was in no way connected with leys at the time. Now, after the situation has been looked at, we find the seemingly conclusive alignment which we are about to examine. (The map we need for this alignment is the OS, SE14SW - 1:10000 scale)

Some  $\frac{1}{2}$  km north of the Soldier's Trench, or Brackenhall Stone Circle, at ShipLEY Glen, Baildon, we come to a disused quarry, on the ~~quarry~~ eastern rim of which, three cup and ring stones are to be found. Two of them are aligned perfectly to the megalithic circle 170 metres,  $12^{\circ}$ NE, away. (Coordinates of three carvings, 13044009, 13084010, 13174012)



This particular circle does not cross the exact centre of the alignment...this is due to the fact that the megalithic complex is at least 150 feet in diameter, and consists of three, possibly four, concentric rings of old stone, and the direct alignment seems to touch the lower rim of the first circle and then continues onwards. Before reaching the circle however, a third cup marking is crossed, and just beyond the circle, a remnant of a cairn is recorded (this was, to my knowledge, last recorded in 1911 and is now almost entirely overgrown). Travelling up the slope towards Hope Hill, cup markings seemingly bisect the ley, two of them lying just a few feet either side of the line. And then as we cross the flat grass and reedland, the archaeological remnants first recorded in 1845 by J.M.N. Colls are found on the Low Plain, just north of Dobrudden. Here, another overgrown cairn and indistinct traces of earthworks and barrows are crossed. Eventually, after travelling about 1.98km from the first cup marking, we end up at the small cliffs of Eaves Crag and another cup marking. Amazingly, within this very short distance, we seemingly cross at least nine old sites perfectly, all of which predate 1800BC. Numerically this overrides the "alignment by chance" factor by some nine to one. Impressive statistics, however - and whoever - one may look at it!

As yet I have not continued the alignment any further either east or west in an attempt to discover/determine any further mark sites. If anyone cares to do the work for me and achieves credible results, please let me know!

It was about 8.30pm on Sunday, July 17, 1977, when Christopher Duckett was in his bedroom. In the distance it was raining and a fairly thin rainbow could be seen. To the lower left of the spectral arc, Chris said that he noticed a strange white light in the shape of a flattened oval. Initially the object was just to the lower outside left of the rainbow (Chris was looking in a northerly direction, towards the far side of IlkLEY Moor), but moved into the centre of the colourful rays and seemed to actually hover in its middle for some four to five minutes.

Chris described the edges of the object as "unstable and seemed to be continually flickering." After the object had been in view for the possible five minutes, the rainbow began to fade away, although only very slowly; it was at about this point that the UFO just disappeared, as if it had "just switched itself off."

The object was much brighter than the background of the sky and its visible external structure appeared metallic and very bright. This sighting was, as some of you will know, coincidental with a massive flap of sightings in the West Yorkshire region.

#### Faeries Still Live at the Bottom of the Garden, CottingLEY

Within the last twelve months, photographers of the CottingLEY faerie pikkies admitted publicly that their 1920's story and subsequent illustrations were indeed fabrications. Their photos, apparently uncovered by computer techniques to be fakes with very suspect lengths of string holding them in place, were finally conceded by Mrs Elsie Hill to be fakes. However, when questioned as to whether or not they had indeed seen the little people, she claimed she had. In a letter I sent to her a few years ago, she gave various explanations as to their nature (which I will not go into in this particular article), and reinforced her statement by admitting that she had seen elemental beings.

At the time the 1920s tale first hit the headlines, many of the local farmers were especially upset due to the publicity attracting tourists, wandering in search of the tiny folks. They claimed that the elementals would disappear if their lands were disturbed...and indeed they were right. Reports of faeries completely disappeared to my knowledge, up until 1966. Forester Ronald Bennett (now deceased), was tending to the trees one afternoon, when something a few feet away caught his eye. Looking up, he gazed towards the oaks and saw a tiny man, dressed in red, stood at the edge of the sacred tree looking at him. Bennett was utterly amazed, but in no way worried by what he was looking at. The little being made no gesticulations of attraction to the forester, but seemed to simply be troubling himself with the tree he was stood next to. The baffled witness stood and gazed in awe at the figure for what may have been a minute or two, before it stepped behind something and was never seen again.

After that initial encounter, Bennett claimed that the little folk occasionally helped him look after the forest (although he never specified exactly what the little people did). Indeed, in 1967 and 1968, there were one or two outsiders who allegedly saw the little people. It is interesting to note that those two years were high UFO flap years around the surrounding region. And when the great UFO flap of 1977 descended upon the area, once again there were rumours of faeries. Two reports got to my big ears: one of them is a little suspect, but the other sounds undoubtedly genuine.

It was sometime near the end of August, 1977. Nineteen year old Anne Freeman of Bingley was walking through CottingLEY Woods. As she got to the top of the mass flora, she sat herself down on the stile and looked out over the fields ahead of her. It was a wonderful sunny day and a cool breeze swept gently across the grasslands and treetops behind her. Just a few feet in front of her stood a clump of large rocks, moss-covered and aged in its feeling, and surprisingly between a cleft, two tiny people barely ten inches in height! The little folk were dressed in what Anne described as medieval peasant dress, with small green pointed hats on. The colour of their clothes was red. The elf-looking figures didn't seem aware of Anne's presence and seemed to be talking in a strange garbling manner which she could make neither head nor tail of. Eventually, after maybe a minute of looking at the little people, they both stepped back into the rock opening and that was the last Anne saw of them. Gone!

A possible UFO relevance pronounces itself here. Again, during late August, 1977, Anne Dickinson of Bingley Grammar School saw what she could only describe as a "UFO." Sat on a wall with one of her friends, she looked across the daylight skies above CottingLEY Woods and noticed a small "cluster of red lights coming towards us." Not knowing what it was, Anne gazed at the object(s) until it had travelled over the opposing horizon. Anne wasn't too sure as to whether the object she saw was singular with lights around its body, or a cluster of smaller lights flying in formation.

UFO sightings are not rarities around the CottingLEY region. Down the years a few dozen have been seen near and above the immediate area of Faerie Land! ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Iain Haggis Johnston and Stephen Trendy Hart have uncovered a lot of recent apparition and poltergeist phenomena in the Kirkstall area of Leeds (an area of considerable para-normal repute). Two pubs, a brewery and the infamous Abbey, have played hosts to the recent spooky activities. More details of these alcoholic spooks from Cuckooland are to appear in the next newsletter, courtesy of Iain and Steve.

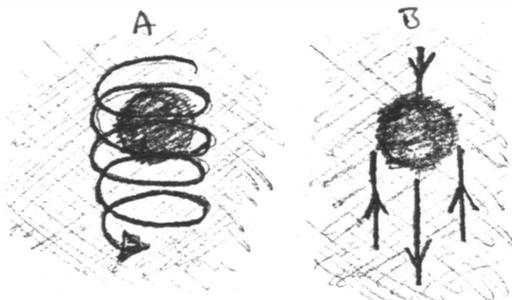
The Cosmic Merriment of an Idle Saucerer!

Jon Tilleard and Robert Hopkins, 21 and 20 years respectively, of Wrose ShipLEY, claimed to have had various bizarre encounters with the unknown down the years (undoubtedly, the future editions of this newsletter will forward the accounts), but the events which occurred on either Monday, 12, or Tuesday, 13, September, 1983, will pronounce themselves in their minds, due to their encounter with what they described as a UFO which seemed to be laughing at them!

On the night of one of the above two dates, Jon and Robert - and Robert's brother, Richard - were walking across Idle Moor, heading towards home, when almost simultaneously they all saw a "very bright white object, spinning and spiralling" in the south-western skies. The object which they were all looking at, was only a few hundred yards distant from them. For gazing in the direction specified, at the point they all were on Idle Moor, is an old abandoned chimney on the south side of the small moorland - it was just above this that the object appeared to be. They all three described the unusual-looking thing as manoeuvring in very fast spirals initially; then it would stop for a few seconds, and then bobble up and down just above the old chimney site. This would occasionally be followed by the object throwing off a beam, like a torchlight, onto the whole chimney and lighting entire sides of the structure up as if into daylight! This bizarre movement and energy emission went on "for a few minutes," according to the three witnesses, and all this while, the position of the object remained relatively fixed.

Then the brilliant white object suddenly stopped everything, as if to wonder what on earth it was going to do next...and it soon decided! In a very fast movement it sped to another area and the highest point on the moorland itself - Idle Hill Reservoir. This site, as some of our members will know, has had very many strange manifestations about its structure down the years; ranging from several sightings of nine-foot-tall black humanoid entities, to brilliant glowing red and green cigar-shaped objects hovering at its northern edge. But I imagine such facts were far from the thoughts of our three percipients as they gazed at this active little ball of energy!

Here the UFO once again began its rapid antics of jumping up and down in the sky in a quite vigorous manner. Jon described the action: "It looked, from its movements, as if the UFO was laughing at us!" But after what they described as a few more minutes of this cosmic merriment, the object left Idle Hill and zoomed off, high into the distant night sky and out of sight.



THE TWO MANOEUVRES OF THE OBJECT SEEN ON 12 OR 13/9/83. EACH MOVEMENT WAS DONE VERY RAPIDLY INDEED: ONE SPIRALLING, THE OTHER JUMPING UP AND DOWN.

Disembodied Voice or Able-Bodied Hoax? - Article by Stephen Hart

The following article by Steve, is a particularly strange tale as it involves what some parapsychologists would entitle "disembodied voice phenomenon" - the exact nature of which however, is considered quite puzzling indeed. I have only minimal knowledge on the true mechanics of this side of para-research and so will refrain from making any comments of the case. However, should anyone care to look deeper into this side of the subject, I have two detailed works on just this type of phenomenon. On with the article though...

On the evening of Wednesday, February 6, 1985, Andrew Riley aged fifteen (pseudonym is used), of Grove Lane, Headingley, Leeds, was listening to some music on his tape recorder, whilst just pottering around his bedroom doing nothing in particular. There was nobody else present in the house at the time, except for a somewhat non-communicative pet cat! Andrew stopped his tape recorder and then proceeded to wipe clean the remaining

half of the TDK C90 tape, side A. The tape recorder which was being used has a built-in microphone and therefore was able to pick up on tape, any sounds immediately around it, eg, Andrew moving about.

As the tape was being wiped clean, Andrew decided to try and get some sleep (it was between 10.30 and 11pm), but was eventually awakened with the sudden click of the tape switching itself off.

The next evening, Andrew listened to the same tape as he was doing some artwork in his bedroom. He allowed the tape to run on to where he had began erasing the evidently crappy music which he had done the previous night, and to his surprise heard something which should not have been there - a voice! The muffled utterance appears to say, "This is... (muffle)... Julian, this is a bloody silly thing."

Andrew, who is a friend of mine, informed me about the tape and I now have the tape in my possession. Andrew may well be hoaxing me, but the voice is quite unlike Andrew's voice (Andrew's voice is rather high pitched and the poor sod has been confused as a girl many a time!). Andrew does have a friend called Julian, but he claims that he has not seen him since before Christmas.

So...what actually is this voice? Anybody got any suggestions?

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#### UFO Report from Horton Bank, Bradford

The dark evening was beautifully star-clad on Wednesday, 16 November, 1983. And at about 5.45pm, a Mr Malcolm Mattock of Queensbury was outside...occasionally glancing into the darkened firmament above him. It was a still evening and the atmosphere was almost poetic. It seemed as if the night had been set for a wondrous event.

Mr Mattock looked into the low skies over Horton Bank Top and saw a bizarre-looking effigy moving silently eastwards over the distant rooftops.

"I'd never really believed in these flying saucers," he said. "But this was amazing. I've no idea what it might have been...it was very bright - about as bright as a car headlight and about as big as the Moon... There was no noise coming from it." The strange oval-shaped object moved slowly, passing behind some distant houses before re-appearing to the witness. Just a second or so after that, "the thing just vanished!" Mr Mattock said, "It looked like it'd just turned itself off!"

The outlined edges of the object were typically etheric, although the intense magnitude of the object may have been responsible for a blurring effect. The interesting point is the direction of the object's travel, as it headed close to where the majority of the JASON81 manifestations were recorded. In fact, over the years, numerous unidentified phantasms of reality have been reported from around Queensbury, Horton and Wyke... more so than in any other areas of Bradford. UFO encounters from these areas will appear in later editions of this newsletter.

#### Who was the Freak of Grafton Street...Springheel Jack...?

The little people of CottingLEY Woods certainly seemed to be all the rage around the West Yorkshire region during the years of 1917 and 1920. It wasn't only the two teenage girls who had watched their fancy flights across the streams and flora of those magical woods - other people reportedly saw them as well. But all of that is well known history. Just a few years later, the city of Bradford became host to an equally bizarre strangeling from Absurdia: it paraded around the darkened streets of the region, banging on people's doors and bouncing down the cobbled roads as if it were on springs!

The affair all started in the city in early September, 1926, and the manifestation concentrated most of its activity around Grafton Street, Fitzgerald Street and Earl Street near Manchester Road. Every single night for a week, a very tall figure, dressed in a one-piece white uniform, was seen walking through the streets after dark and staring into people's house windows, terrifying many of the witnesses. Apparently the entity showed supreme contempt for the groups of men who roamed the streets trying to find the figure, by suddenly appearing on house rooftops.

One occasion a young woman was on her way to work early one morning, when suddenly out of nowhere the huge white figure sprang out in front of her. The poor woman screamed out in horror, ran back down the street and suddenly fell unconscious! The entity was seen by witnesses to this encounter, to run at terrific speed down the street and out of sight. Several men actually chased after the figure but its pace was far too much for them.

Eventually, after many reports had surfaced, the police were called in to investigate the strange case. Their need for assistance was reinforced one night, when at 2am a man ran to them and took them to where he thought he had seen the strangeling. Six

coppers rushed to the scene with the witness, only to see the figure stand at the end of the street and disappear before their very eyes!

By now, the local district was quite aware of the weird being and most of the neighbourhood locked their doors and wouldn't answer to anybody after dark. Some of the more hefty males however, would wander the cobbled area in search of the freak! When this activity occurred by the locals, the manifestations ceased...and so after a while, everybody assumed the thing had wandered back into the realm it had come from. It came back though...!

One evening in the middle of September, a Mr Harold Fishwick of Grafton Street heard a knock at his door. Thinking nothing of the manifestation which <sup>had</sup> plagued the district in the weeks before, he walked down the hall and calmly opened his door. Stood there was a tall figure, clad all in white, staring down at him. Mr Fishwick was quite frightened by this mysterious figure, but oddly enough the creature did very little - other than suddenly make a great leap in front of him and bound down the road as if he had springs on his feet!

At about 1.30am, an identical encounter took place very close by. Again the figure just stood and stared at the perplexed witness who had opened his door to the creature, but this time the witness retaliated and chased the figure down the street. Amazingly however, the being made huge bounding leaps as it was pursued, and was again described as "jumping along with springs on its feet!" Yet again, the ghostly freako was allowed to get away.

By the end of September the creature shifted its environment and the next thing we knew, it was reported ~~wavorting~~ around BingLEY. An old woman who allegedly saw the thing jumping onto rooftops, almost died of fright! And another sighting at BingLEY, found the entity stood at the side of a railway track. In this account, we are told that as a train approached the creature, it held out its arms, seemingly as if to catch the onrushing vehicle, yet just as the train should have hit the figure, it vanished... And, so we are told, little more was seen of the spring-heeled phantasm of Grafton Street.

#### Watch Out, Watch Out - There's a Vicar About!

Bradford members of the West Yorkshire UFO Research should certainly be on the look-out for any vicars who come knocking at your door in search of your soul...especially if you have ever encountered a spook or a poltergeist. Brian Hughes and myself were sat in our flat the other day, when we were suddenly intruded by a knock at the door. In wandered a gently-looking vicar who seemed quite harmless - until all of a sudden he suddenly began telling us both that if we ever tried telepathy, we were becoming possessed by Old Nick himself! Both of us were obviously quite worried by this possibility, so we asked as to what else we should lay aside in our studies. ESP of all forms, ghosts and every aspect of the paranormal, we were informed! Goodness gracious, we both thought! So, out came our crucifixes (Pagan symbols, I should remind you!), the holy water and a copy of the Bible...and found ourselves fortunate enough to be saved before the Devil got a hold of our mind and body...Phheewww...!

"What about UFOs though?" we asked with some concern. "Oh them," he said, "They're alright. They don't exist!" Thank the Lord for that, we both thought, or our souls would have certainly been in for the melting pot! So...be warned...!

#### New Books for the WYUFORG Library

Every monthly edition of our magazine from now on, will include listings of any more books which become available for the readers of WYUFORG. These books will not necessarily be always on the UFO phenomenon (as I've got virtually all there is to buy!), but will cover varieties of topics which are relevant to psychical or ufological research.

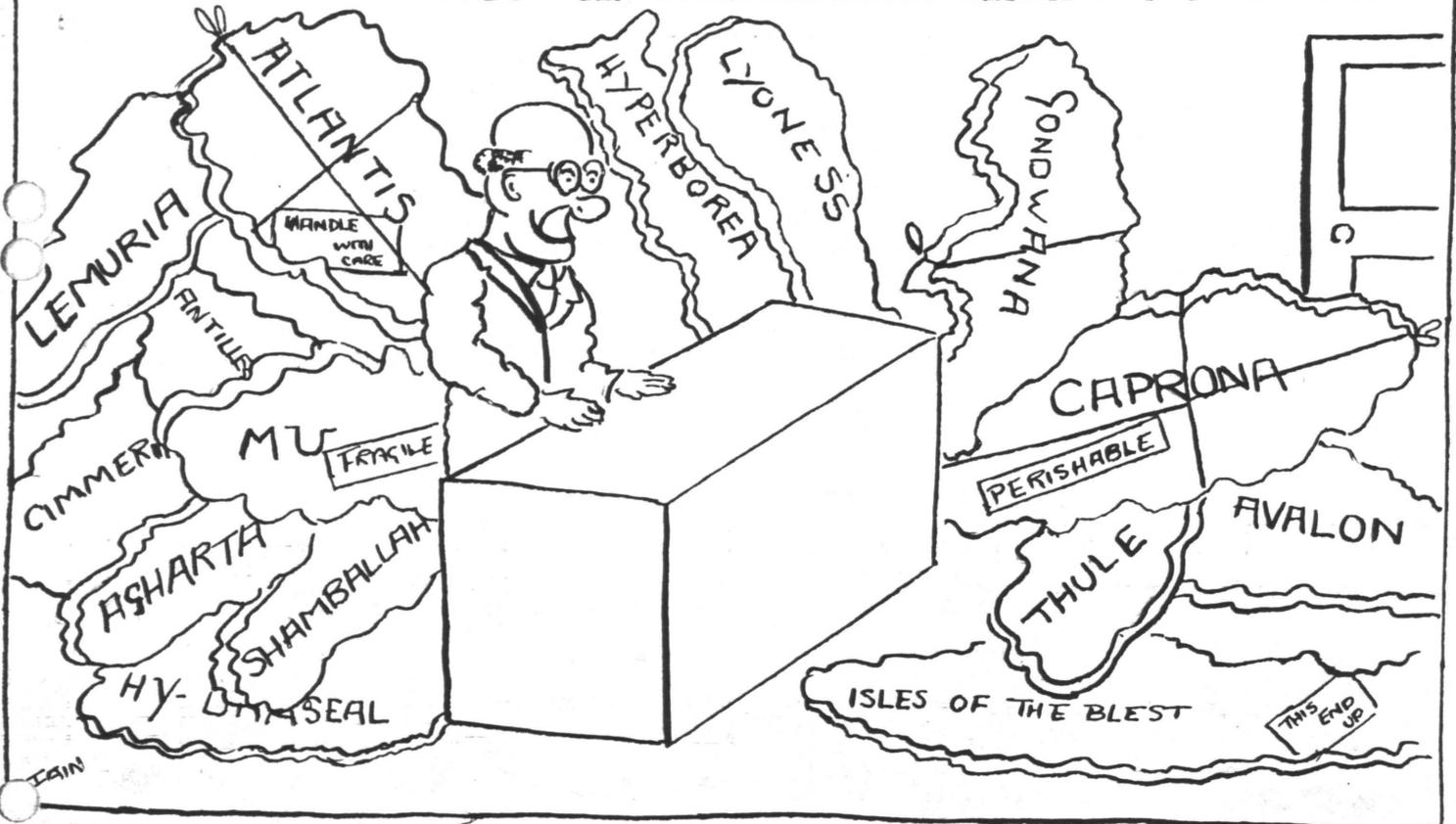
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Well, that's it, more new books next time round!



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Some Weird Wild West Sightings - article by Iain Johnston

It seems that even the Old West had its share of monsters and UFOs, years before they suddenly turned up as spacecraft and extraterrestrials. Here are a few of them I have recently uncovered:

1873 - Fort Riley, Kansas. Cavalry horses bolted when a shining object roared above the parade ground.

1873 - Bonham, Texas. A shining object was witnessed zooming and counter-zooming over a party of field workers. One man was killed in the panic that followed the event!

1897 - Benton, Texas. A searchlight beam was reportedly seen coming out of a saucer-shaped object.

1897 - Kansas City, Kansas; and Missouri. A disc-shaped object was seen by numerous people, bearing multi-coloured lights.

1899 - El Paso, Texas. An illuminated disc was seen at a great height.

1899 - Prescott, Arizona. Another bright, illuminated disc-shaped object was ~~witnessed~~ <sup>observed</sup> by witnesses, travelling at a great height.

California - a gigantic creature of immense size, similar to a whale, but possessed three pairs of legs and membranous wings! The creature was reportedly seen at sea, on land and in the sky! It made its home at Lake Elizabeth from about 1830 (first reported sighting), until its disappearance in the 1880s.

Pacific Seaboard - giant apemen known as Sasquatch seen. Reported to have been about 7 feet tall, and weighed up to half a ton! A young male was allegedly captured about 1884 and put on show. This specimen only weighed 140 pounds.

Arizona - monstrous flying reptile sighted by two waddies in the spring of 1890. This creature had a twenty-five foot wingspan, leathery skin, eyes the size of dinner plates (no colour specified, unfortunately!), and had legs like those of an elephant. The waddies actually shot and hit the creature, but their bullets appeared to make no impression whatsoever. A report of the sighting was given a big spread in the Tombstone, "Epitaph."

Nevada - reports of a massive marine creature, wallowing in the waters of Lake Walker, have been reported ever since man first went there to search for gold. This specimen is allegedly still seen today, so may be the Syndicate has it under contract as a tourist attraction!

California & Arizona - remains of humans topping the twelve foot mark, were found in California in 1833. And a mummy of similar proportions was dug up in Arizona in 1891. Also, the discovery of a human heel-print more than a foot across! If this being had had a build similar to modern man, his foot would have measured four feet in length! The height of the creature's body has been estimated to stand at more than twenty five feet! There were indeed, giants in the Earth in those days...!

Source of information for this article, D. McLoughlin's, "Encyclopaedia of the Old West". (Other works of connected relevance to this sort of material: Grumley, Michael, "There are Giants in the Earth"; Keel, John, "Strange Creatures from Time and Space"; Clark, Jerome & Coleman, Loren, "Creatures of the Outer Edge." Plus about another forty books of those sorts of matters! Ed.)

More Local UFO Sightings



On the eve of September 7, JASON77, the Bradford area was bombarded by a number of independent reports of strange-looking lights cavorting across the heavens. In no way did the night attain the astonishing peak rate we recorded on the 23 July, 1984 - probably due to the fact that there wasn't a miner's strike at the time! But, there were five separate reports which I heard of...  
TEE-HEE...

At approximately 7.15pm, Ian Fielding and Michael Bennett, two teenagers from Wyke, reported to the local press that they could see a large white object hovering straight above the town centre. It was stood, as they watched it, for about five minutes, in the bright, clear evening air, until eventually they said that the thing appeared to begin a slight "wobble," and this was followed by the object dropping, very rapidly, a few hundred feet until it was below the level of the distant horizon. Here, the bright sphere stopped, and just a fraction of a second later it disappeared.

Then, at 8.05pm, a Mrs Glenda Smith of Laisterdyke, Bradford, claimed that she had watched a bright white ball of light, again hovering almost directly over the town centre. Here it stood for a minute or so after she had first noticed it, when suddenly it began falling very slowly, "like a leaf falls to the ground." The object did this for some ten or fifteen seconds and suddenly stopped. By now, the thing had fallen a considerable distance from its initial standing point, but the witness claims the ball of light was still at a very high altitude and here it was to stand for another minute. After that minute, the white sphere made a slight "wobble" and then suddenly began to move slowly

and silently in a straight line towards the moorlands of Baildon and IlkLEY. Here it became too faint to see as it faded out of sight.

Two more sightings were made, one at 9.05pm and one at about 11.55pm. The latter of these involved witnesses Mr and Mrs Chris Murray of Bradford. The couple were about to retire to bed, so Mrs Murray wandered over to close the bedroom curtains. But in the sky directly ahead of her stood a bright white ball of energy, simply hovering right above the city centre again. Just a few seconds after she had noticed the thing, it rapidly fell until it was below the distant horizon above Bradford. Not knowing what on earth she was looking at, Mrs Murray became very worried indeed and admitted that, although the object was a considerable distance away, she was quite frightened by what she was looking at! It was at this point that she called for her husband to come and look.

As the two of them stood watching the object, it hovered for several minutes, before it made a slight wobble in its stance in the beautiful, crisp, clear night. Almost immediately after, the bright light began to make a slow but gradual ascent, as it travelled towards IlkLEY Moor. As it was heading that way, "the UFO dropped a very bright spark from its underside," said Chris Murray. Strangely, his wife claimed that she saw nothing of this "spark" which Chris described, yet both of them continued watching the object together until it eventually travelled out of sight above the moorlands.

Mr Frank Shuttlewood, also of Bradford, saw a repetition of this curious phenomenon on the same night, although his sighting didn't occur until between 8.15 and 8.20pm. He too described watching a bright "unnatural light hovering over the city centre." It too was observed to fall from an originally higher altitude, and come to rest a few hundred feet further down. Here, the white object again stood fixed, seemingly disguising itself as one of the night stars. Realising that it wasn't doing too much of a good impersonation of the heavenly bodies, it decided to try and exhibit its talents elsewhere in the skies, and so meandered carefully over the moorland's darkened firmament at IlkLEY, and vanished from sight!

There was another independent report that night, and one which mirrored the Chris Murray report. It was observed at about 11.45pm, and was again seen to hover over Bradford, before making its way slowly towards IlkLEY Moor and out of sight. A report of this final sighting is available to anyone who cares to ask for it!

In relation to this flap night of September 7, 1977, I have found no records of any seismic tremors in this area, either on the night in question, or on the days preceding and following the events. There were however, a considerable number of other UFO reports which were being seen all across the West Yorkshire region in the days either side of September 7, but the only relevance in that point is hidden in the nature of the overall flap which these particular sightings were caught up in. There is slight evidence that the flight path taken by the UFO/s that night was along a ley energy vein, but this can in no way be positively affirmed due to <sup>the</sup>obvious difficulties involved! There were no recorded ghost or poltergeist events either side of the day which may have been of some relevance to the reports.

Of the many formations of lights which were reported throughout the 77JASON flap of this area, the daytime sighting reported to me by a Miss Jelica Gracilovic, particularly stands out. It was July, 1977, and the time would be about 6pm. As Miss Gracilovic was out walking near her home in ShipLEY, she noticed a curious collection of strange lights in the sky above Hirst Woods. Three objects, stood side by side just a few hundred feet up above the trees. All three were elongated cigar-shaped luminous objects, which simply hovered in the clear sky. The objects never actually moved, but eventually performed a curious action, with all three lights amalgamating... The three initial objects seemed "to actually merge into the background of the sky," said Jelica, with their edges being very blurred indeed. Of the three lights, the centre one was most prominent - its main colour being red, but having a brilliant green luminous outline all around it. The other two smaller objects which stood on opposite sides of the larger mass, were yellow. But after watching these curious objects for a few minutes, the gradual change occurred. All three objects began to merge into one another and attained a spherical guise, white in colour; and then, a curious "seperation" took place, with the outer edge of the ball of light displacing the central mass, until a bright white ring was formed around the central object. The edges of this bizarre spectacle also merged into the background of the sky.

The perplexed witness stood in sheer amazement watching all of this for a few more minutes, when it began to fade. The manifestation slowly but surely got fainter and fainter, merging more and more into the very sky itself, until eventually - gone! There was nothing left!

Next edition: A spectacular CE3 report from 1984; another historical UFO account; more ley research; spook activity; a humanoid bedroom encounter; plus yet more UFO accounts, and anything which any of our members can send to me...all articles from you are not only welcome, but needed! So...get writing...and this mag will see you all in a months time!