

MINNESOTA MUFON

Newsletter

From the State Director

The MUFON Symposium in Austin, TX on July 8 - 10 will be especially interesting for me. The theme is UFOLOGY: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE. Many of the speakers will reminisce about the way things were decades ago.

I devoured every book and magazine article I could find during the 50's and 60's and was a member of Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO) and National Investigations Committee (NICAP) beginning in the mid 60's. Most book rehashed and embellished old stories, and it wasn't until the Betty and Barney Hill episode was written up in *The Interrupted Journey* that Ufology took on a new direction. Many of the reported entities were described very differently from what we hear today. There were lots of openly hostile confrontations around the world. One wonders why that all ceased. The changing nature of the phenomenon has always been interesting to me. I'm hoping to hear more about this at the Symposium.

If you have not yet read *The Truth About the UFO Crash at Roswell* by Kevin Randle and Donald Schmitt, I would urge you to do so. No matter how much of this UFO business turns out to be pure baloney, the crash at Roswell

seems to be something we can all believe. Randle and Schmitt did an exemplary investigation, and their documentation leaves no room for doubt unless dozens of witnesses lied. At the end of chapter 11, there is a chilling remark, *"It is a circumstance that is unique in American history. It is the only time that men, women, and children had been threatened with physical violence by representatives of the American government. It is the only time that law enforcement officials have been told that family members would be in jeopardy if they spoke of the events."*

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A bit later they write that one witness had just recently been telephoned and told that *all the MPs involved had committed suicide*, which was *not true*. The result was that the witness would say no more

to Randle and Schmitt. During their investigation others had also "changed their minds" about talking. If the weather balloon story was true, why would any government agency still care? Randle and Schmitt were compelled to ask *"What is the real secret of Roswell?"*

An interesting thing is that the creatures were not bug-eyed gremlins we hear about today. Rather, they were short, had large heads, long upper arms, but not huge eyes. One lived for a while and was seen walking into a building with military men. It reminds me of Shirley Coyne's remark that the big eyes aren't really eyes, but rather goggles of some kind. Refer to the book's drawings if you haven't yet seen them.

We have the recent revelation that most, and maybe all, of the crop circles were hoaxed. More on that I August. We are hearing much more lately about the perils of using hypnosis as a means of obtaining abduction information, and the motives of some researchers have always been an issue. There will never be agreement on the Gulf Breeze story. Cattle mutilations seem to be corroborated by some witnesses, but who knows for sure? UFOs are a topic which is easy to believe too much, too easily. Writers and speakers can sound very convincing. Come to think of it, so can my students, especially when

they want me to believe something that they want to believe! You remember how it was — if you believed you deserved a higher grade, then you wanted the teacher to believe that also. You could quickly formulate a very convincing argument! And so it is with proponents of various UFO theories.

The Roswell story seems to me to be one of the really solid accounts, notwithstanding that technical difficulties in the craft don't square well with other alien abilities. And if there were other aliens around, why was there no rescue attempt or salvage operation on their part? There certainly was plenty of time.

I hope to bring back lots of new information from Austin. We will not only hear many good speakers, but there is much to be learned from little groups here and there as they discuss incidents that will never be published. That's what I'm really looking forward to hearing!

Dick Moss

AN ESTIMATE of the SITUATION

by William McNeff,
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In his excellent book, *The Report of Unidentified Flying Objects*, Edward J. Ruppelt, who was head of the Air Force's UFO investigations office, explained that at certain points in military campaigns, an "estimate of the situation" will be made. Such estimates are used as the basis for tactical and strategic decisions. He went on to generate his own

"estimate of the situations" with regard to UFOs. Following his example, I will attempt to do the same.

In the course of my investigation into UFO and possible UFO-related cases, I have received scores of reports of UFOs. I have also become acquainted to varying degrees with approximately 30 people who have reported close encounters with humanoid beings. In many of these cases, there is physical evidence of diverse kinds, chiefly consisting of various types of marks on the skin, but including in some cases, suspected "implants," one of which was apparently sneezed out of the subject's nose. (The latest I have heard about this was that it was being studied in several laboratories.) In the cases which lack hard evidence, I have become fairly well convinced of the sincerity of the witnesses. Absolute certainty cannot and should not be arrived at in these cases, simply because there is not enough evidence. Yet the internal consistency of the accounts given by these witnesses is enough to justify a recognition that there is most probably a substantial core of truth in the accounts.

We can state the following hypotheses based on these accounts:

Earth is being visited by craft from somewhere else; some of these craft contain humanoids of a wide variety of races; their visits, among other things, involve surveillance of military bases and abductions of ordinary people for purposes unknown, but suspected of having alien-human hybrids.

Why produce hybrids? Perhaps it is simply meeting the scientific challenge — that is, to show that it

can be done. Or, perhaps hybrids are [intended] to serve as intermediaries between humans and aliens. Dr. John Salter, former head of the Department of Indian Studies at the University of North Dakota, pointed out the pivotal position that "half-breeds" have held in mediating between the races, and he specifically cited this in regards to the reports of alien-human hybrids.

There is no evidence that there is any danger to the human race as a whole. There is evidence that these visits go back into history, even ancient history, which indicates a long-standing interest in the human race on the part of these beings. There are suggestions from a number of accounts that these beings are concerned about our warlike natures and our treatment of the planet on which we live. (In *The Andreason Affair* by Raymond Fowler, an alien is quoted as saying "The human race cannot be allowed to continue on as it is doing.")

There is evidence that the U.S. government has been aware of the activities of these "aliens" and in fact, is in possession of the remains of crashed craft and the occupants. The crash or crashes of suspected alien craft near Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947 are supported by the accounts of literally hundreds of witnesses, some of whom witnessed the actual crash and saw the bodies of aliens. There are accounts (authenticity not proven) which state that the government established communication with aliens, and is in possession of alien craft which they are attempting to reverse-engineer.

While there is no evidence that there is danger to the human race

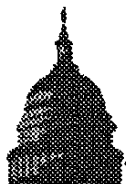
as a whole, a large number of people have been awed and frightened by close encounters with strange craft. A number of the so-called abductees have exhibited what has been called "post-traumatic stress syndrome," with symptoms similar to those of rape victims or war veterans. While hypnotherapy has been very helpful in alleviating these symptoms and allowing the witnesses to integrate these experiences into their psyches, I would like to point out that if the government had revealed what it appears to know about alien presence, it might have reduced the shock and fright that have occurred in so many cases. The government's failure to do this would seem to be unethical, undemocratic and unwise. The government's failure to provide this information can be explained as simply part of the effort to keep the wraps on what must surely be a super-technology, which would likely be capable of ensuring our military and economic security, but which must not be allowed to fall into the wrong hands.

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Or are there additional reasons? Is there some secret or secrets which the government feels cannot be revealed without threatening the entire fabric of our culture and civilization? Or have crimes been committed in the course of keeping the secrets, the perpetrators of which are still alive and in control, and are therefore keeping the lid on? There are persistent rumors

that John F. Kennedy's assassination was engineered by the keepers of the UFO secrets, precisely because he threatened to reveal all. Or is the problem that the government does not know what the alien's purposes are, and dares not tell the American people — and the world — "Aliens are here, but we do not know what their intentions are?"

Personally, I am optimistic. In the cases I have investigated, there is no evidence that the aliens are out to dominate the human race or invade the planet. Their activities could be interpreted as intended to preserve the genetic material of the human race in case we should meet some catastrophe that would wipe us out. At the same time, they may have encountered some reproductive or generic problem which threatens their own race and are "borrowing" humans in an attempt to solve it. The accounts of healings strongly suggest they are not evil beings. I suspect they have science and philosophy which could be helpful to us, and I hope that eventually they will consider the human race mature enough for them to make open contact with us. And a final personal note: I would like very much to learn if they have musical composers which are equal or superior to ours!



They came from outer space

A dozen U.S. senators have been exposed as space aliens, and many of them — tongues firmly planted in cheeks — have admitted it.

The news came from the June 7 edition of the Weekly World News supermarket tabloid.

"It's all true," it quotes Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, as saying. "We are space aliens. I'm amazed that it's taken you so long to find out."

Others named are Senators. **Dennis DeConcini**, D-AZ.; **Jay Rockefeller**, D-W.VA.; **Bennett Johnston**, D-LA.; **Howell Heflin**, D-AL.; **Christopher Dodd**, D-CN.; **William Cohen**, R-ME.; **John Glenn**, D-OH.; **Orrin Hatch**, R-UT.; **Nancy Kassebaum**, R-KS.; **Sam Nunn**, D-GA.; and **Alan Simpson**, R-WY.

Asked where in the universe Gramm is from, Gramm's press secretary said "It's Remulak in our case. I don't know where the other guys are from!"

*Credit: Minneapolis Star Tribune
May 25, 1994*

CRASH!

Look — in the sky! Is it a rocket? Is it a plane? No! It's Shoemaker-Levy! What the heck is that, you ask? Shoemaker-Levy is the name given to the comet which will collide with the planet Jupiter this July 20th. And this won't be a little nudge — we're told the crash will unleash energy equivalent to 200 million megatons of TNT!

UFO ENCOUNTERS reports that Jupiter had a near miss with the comet back in 1992 which, because of the gravitational field, broke the comet into several huge chunks. Most of the chunks are about a half-mile in diameter. Scientists say that these large pieces, upon impact, will produce flashes of light that will be brighter than the brightest star in the night sky.

Even though we won't be able to actually see the collision (it will

happen on the side of Jupiter that does not face us), the Galileo space probe should be able to photograph the event. Telescopes on earth will be able to see the extraordinary turbulence when the impacted areas rotate into view.

Did you know: This never-before-witnessed celestial event will take place on the 25th anniversary of the first manned lunar landing! (And just to be on the safe side, if you hear a big **BOOM!** on July 20th, *duck...*)



News, Out and About

Bill Knell is mad as hell and this time is wrath is aimed at "Control Freaks!" In his Special Memorial Day Issue of his newsletter, Bill takes to task the slow, steady death of America as the proud nation it once was and the people "control freaks who want to rewrite history, the constitution of the U.S. and have as much control on the daily lives of its citizenry as possible!" He believes (don't we all) that the government has control of certain aspects of the media and, he says, "they want people at each other's throats!" He goes on to say:

"They have made us a schismatic, issue-oriented people that live and die by the words of both Conservative and Liberal Media Moguls! Consider these quotes:

'UFOs and such are for people who have nothing better to do with their time.' —Rush Limbaugh, Conservative.

'People write to me all the time worried about whether little green

men are real, or if we're keeping them locked up in the basement of the Pentagon... meanwhile, we have over a quarter million possible homeless people in this nation and the number is growing each day! *This shows me people are not responsible enough to fully control everything in their lives.* Freedom means responsibility and that can only be achieved when a concerned Government makes sure the priorities of its citizens are responsible priorities that allow for everyone to prosper in this land." —The late "Tip" O'Neal, Liberal"

Knell was provided some interesting information from John Frick, Director of Alien Spacecraft Data, in Melbourne, Florida. He wrote:

"Received your inquiry this date concerning the 'Interplanetary Phenomena Unit' file which was instituted and titled by General MacArthur, I believe, in 1945 during WWII. This information had a high priority, for reports were mailed weekly to Washington, DC. Many of these reports came from MacArthur's Southwestern Pacific Command... MacArthur had a good knowledge involving the alien spacecraft, for again, it is my opinion, that he had a close encounter somewhere near Clark Field in the Philippines in 1944-45 and that there was no doubt in his mind as to who they were, and where from."

Are 'Macro-Beings' Arriving via UFOs?

Carlos Vilchez, one of Costa Rica's leading UFO investigators, has come up with a new name for visitors from the beyond. We may call them "angels" or "aliens," but he calls them *macrobes*. As in the

opposite of microbes, the tiny squiggles under a microscope that puzzled 18th century scientists for so long.

Vilchez says they are macro-beings because of the development of their brain power, which is far superior to our own.

"I'm not talking in terms of good being or bad beings, but a state of consciousness that is much more developed, that lets them dominate space-time," he says.

Vilchez believes these beings have been visiting Earth for years and people interpreted them as angels, ghosts and even demons.

Now, he adds, our reasoning powers have advanced to a stage where we can begin to understand. We can see through the crack of a door that has just opened.

"What I see is that we need to change the terminology in the study of phenomenon," he said.

He believes the beings are merely doing what their nature tells them to do. "Our consciousness says that we raise a cow, fatten it, care for it, then kill it. We believe that's our right. Other beings believe they have rights over us."

Currently our understanding is linear, from past to present, he explains, but as our consciousness expands, we'll understand more and more. The beings, he asserts, have a multidirectional awareness that allow them to speak without words, transport themselves through space and matter and build ships that travel to other worlds.

Vilchez believes human beings are capable of the same things as the macro-beings. Humans now use a maximum 7 percent of their brains, he says. "Imagine what we can do using 20 percent!"

TICO TIMES, San Jose
Credit: J. Timmerman

From the South Dakota MUFON...

The following is an excerpt from a talk given by Al Fast Thunder given at the South Dakota MUFON meeting in April.

"My name is Al Fast Thunder and for those of you who don't know me, I will give some of my background. I was a Captain in the United States Air Force. I served from 1969 to 1973. I was assigned to the tactical fighter squadron, the 'triple nickel', the 555th Tactical Fighter Squadron out of Udorn Air Force Base, Thailand. We flew 115 missions over Hanoi. I have two Purple Hearts, the Air Cross, the Air Medal of Valor, and we were the most decorated Air Wing in the Vietnam air campaign. So what we were privy to and, unfortunately seen and photographed, is information that, we the people, have a right to be told. They threatened to court martial us, with the penalty being death, if we revealed what had been photographed during this incident, which took place May 10, 1972.

We were just north of the Ashua Valley, heading for North Vietnam. We were accompanied by an IAC (Identified Alien Craft.) The craft was 10,000 feet above us, keeping the same air speed that we were flying, which was approximately 600 miles per hour. It was going in the same direction that we were flying. As we were filming it, our MIGCAP (which is air cover) was also flying and photographing it. As we were watching it, it accelerated and left our atmosphere and when it did so, it caused 33 jets in our element to be sucked upwards — some as much as 10,000 feet — in a vortex of the vacuum that was created. Types of aircraft involved were F-40s and Wild Weasels. Calculated speed of that craft leaving the atmosphere was a little over 19,000 miles per hour. So when we got back to Udorn Air Force Base, we were anxious to get the films developed so that we could see and determine what it was that we photographed. We all had an idea what it was, but we wanted to make sure by seeing what was developed on the film. The National Security Agency (NSA) and the CIA met us on the hard-stands and we were placed under detention while they cleared the hard-stands. All the film canisters were removed from the turrets. *We were ordered, that under court martial with the penalty being death, not to talk about what we did not see and what we did not film.*"

An Astronaut Speaks Candidly...

Back in April of 1974, guests on the NBC TODAY show spoke to host Edmund Newman about UFOs. Participating were Congressman J. Edward Roush, Authors Ralph and Judy Blum, and Astronaut/Brigadier General Jamea A. McDevitt. Ralph Blum talked about the fall 1973 UFO flap and how Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, GA, military police were buzzed by a UFO; how state troopers in Tupelo, MS, saw a huge object directly overhead, and introduced the Hickson/Parker Pascagoula, MS abduction case. General McDevitt said he had talked with Charles Hickson and believed Hickson was telling the truth. When asked if there was any proof that the event actually happened, McDevitt said "I guess there's

Charles Hickson." Congressman Roush discussed the 1968 Congressional hearings on UFOs. Judy Blum then related how British Air Marshall Borton, a family friend, had said "The British Air Ministry's files on UFOs were quite phenomenal." She told about how Robert Gallee, the French Minister of Defense, went on television and spoke about "police and military evidence which indicates that flying saucers are real, solid object." Later, Edwin Newman questioned General McDevitt:

NEWMAN: Ralph Blum said he thought we would never have any contact with extraterrestrial life, people from other planets. You didn't agree, Jim.

MCDIVITT: No, I think that they're really around, and I hope that someday — maybe not in this decade, or

maybe not even in this century or the next — but someday, I hope that we can communicate. We're not very smart as a group of people, you know. We've only been around a few thousand years; earth is a few billion years old, so we've got a long way to go.

NEWMAN: What did you see, or what do you think you saw, when you were in — was it Gemini 4?

MCDIVITT: Yes. Well, I didn't see anything that looked like a spacecraft. It looked more like a — something like an upper stage of a rocket or something. It was a long, cylindrical object with a long pole sticking out. But it was a very precise object. It wasn't a...

NEWMAN: Could it have been the upper stage of a rocket that we put up there?

MCDIVITT: I thought it was when I first saw it, but it turned out when we looked at the records, that there weren't any upper stages or rockets anywhere near me. So, no, it could not have been. It wasn't a Russian one (said emphatically). It wasn't any other country's because we know where they all are.

NEWMAN: Have you thought much about this — what this could be? I mean, you talk about life on other planets.

MCDIVITT: I didn't much at the time, but since then I've had an opportunity to philosophize a little more, and I really think that it would be naive for us to think that we're the only intelligent beings in the entire universe, when you take time to think how big the universe really is. So I think there are other intelligent beings someplace."

NEWMAN: And from what you know of, among other things, the space program, General McDivitt, do you think, if these other forms of life exist, then we will, within any predictable period, get into contact with them?

MCDIVITT: Not predictable, but I hope that eventually it will happen.

Following that exchange, Edwin Newman went back to talking to Congressman Roush again, but Ralph Blum was anxious to say something more. Newman asked Blum if he wanted to say something.

Ralph Blum said, "I wanted to back up and correct myself. I didn't say, or mean, that we'd never have contact. I say we may never have physical evidence, because I think we're having experience already — we're already having contact."

Judy Blum then talked about there being several types of flying saucers and posed a question about the possibility of much advanced propulsion systems. General McDivitt then said: "Sure. Fantastic types of propulsion systems, and other things. I don't think we're really smart enough in the 1970s to really understand what's going to happen in 2300, or some other time like that, and these people could be way ahead of us."

*By John F. Schuessler,
Houston, TX
Credit: Tom Adams*

Vegas beat...

Included in his latest issue of *The Groom Lake Desert Rat*, Glenn Campbell sent the following excerpt from the local news.

Lincoln County authorities declined to say whose complaint prompted a search warrant used to seize \$65,000 in video equipment from a television news team even though the court didn't seal an affidavit that was supposed to accompany the warrant. ... The Lincoln County sheriff's deputy who signed the affidavit, said he has been ordered by District Attorney jThomas Dill not to release information from it even though, there's "nothing in it that has to be sealed. Nothing top secret."

The deputy requested the search warrant after someone complained that an ABC news team on assignment near the secret Groom Lake AF base was possibly violating national security regulations that prohibit photographing certain military installations.

Named in the search warrant were an ABC correspondent, sound man, camera man, executive producer and, two other men, one of whom was Glenn Campbell!

The equipment was returned to the parties, without a case being filed for prosecution. Campbell, who received a copy of the search warrant, said the equipment had been tampered with.

The sheriff's deputy said that he was ordered by the District Attorney not to say whose complaint prompted the action, or what was the probably cause.

Supposedly, the case is "still under investigation."

Campbell runs the Secrecy Oversight Council, a private research and publishing company in Rachel.

And...

Michigan source Chuck Miller reports that while one of his employees was in Las Vegas recently, he was treated to an unusual sight. He'd asked directions for a particular location which would take him to an "off the beaten track" area near Nellis AFB. While driving out there, he happened to glimpse something out of the corner of his eye. He turned, looked up and saw a couple of brilliant, shining, *spinning* objects in the sky. Moments later a few jets came into view, obviously investigating. The UFOs didn't stick around — in an instant, they were gone! He started the car and continued toward his destination when again, something caught his eye... this time, it was a weather balloon gently making its way across the sky! (...A clever military tactic called "CYA")

See? All the bright lights in Vegas aren't on the strip...

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Theosophical Society

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