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THE I-BEAM REPLICA PROJECT

by Miller Johnson

The mysterious event that occurred northwest of Roswell, MM in July 1947, despite reputable research, remains a mystery. A key point to help unravel the mystery would be retrieval of the original I-Beam that Major Jesse Marcel recovered from the 1947 crash site. That would be a dream come true for all involved in research. The mysterious symbols could be identified as earthly or of unknown origin and the same holds true for the molecular physics of the I-Beam. En route to the base, Major Marcel made a stop at his residence. His wife and eleven-year-old son, Jesse Jr., were asked to take a look at the recovered debris. They both to this day remember the I-Beam and its hieroglyphic-type characters on the inner surface of one side.

In October 1994, I was at the Founding Member Plaque dedication at the UFO Museum in Roswell. I spoke with museum officers about my plan to create an I-Beam replica to display there. They liked the idea. The next step was to acquire accurate information. In mid-November, as fate would have it, Kent Jeffrey, author of the Roswell Declaration, contacted me. Our ideas were the same regarding the I-Beam. I needed information, and he needed creative talent. In early December, a three-way telephone conference between Dr. Jesse A. Marcel, Jr. in Helena, Kent Jeffrey in Atlanta and me in Albuquerque took place. A plan was formulated to create an I-Beam replica employing Dr. Marcel's memory and my visual design expertise.

I did a cross section drawing and got Dr. Marcel's approval. Kent Jeffrey took the drawing and responsibility to have four I-Beams fabricated from aluminum bar stock at a location near Atlanta.

In the meantime Dr. Marcel had faxed me rough drawings of his recall on the hieroglyphic type configurations displayed on the I-Beam. I cleaned them up and proceeded to create enough characters to fill the remaining blank space. Dr. Marcel's ten, plus sixty others were required. That's almost three times the letters in the English alphabet and requires handwriting skills unknown on the third planet. A copy of the final seventy-character designs were faxed to Dr. Marcel for approval. Not only did he approve, but also he conferred with and got his mother's endorsement on general appearance.

The final consideration, as you might guess, was color. I advised Dr. Marcel to visit his local printer and select a color number from the printer's color matching system for me. He did. The obscure violet or purplish description, as we are all familiar with, now has a finite color number diagnosis.

Color copies of my original black and white art were reproduced with an adhesive backing and applied individually to the inner surface of one side of each I-Beam. A tedious and time-consuming task, but it was well worth the efforts of all involved. Until the real I-Beam is retrieved, we now have a genuine replica to fill a visual void.

One I-Beam will be donated to the International UFO Museum and Research Center and will be on display there in the near future. Dr. Jesse A. Marcel, Jr. will be the recipient of the second, for without his help this project would never have materialized. Kent Jeffrey will retain possession of



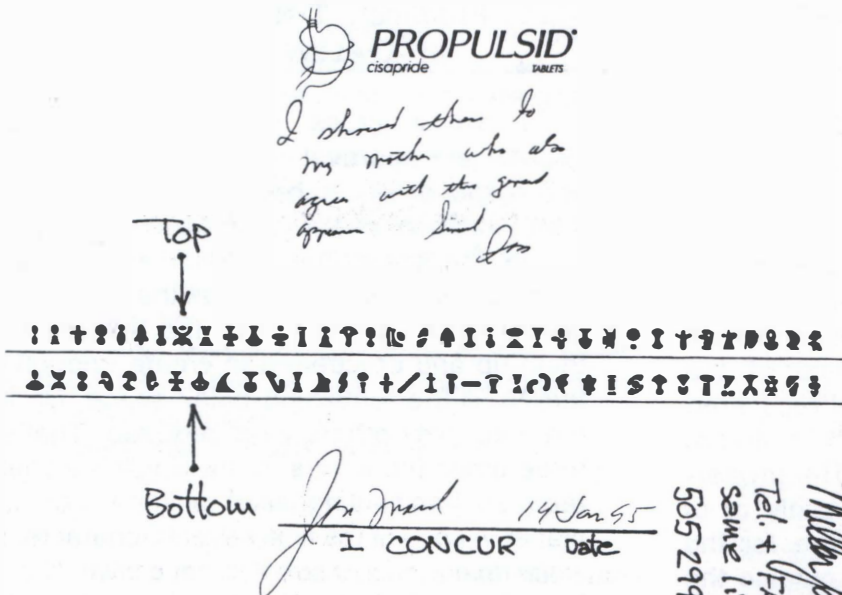
number three for possible TV appearances, etc. Number four will be retained under lock and key by yours truly.

Plastic replicas of the replica are being considered.

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Miller has always been interested in design and art. He attended the prestigious Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles. During his career he

designed cars for Ford and Chrysler—and Hot Wheels for Mattel. He now lives in Albuquerque in what the Albuquerque Journal described as "A Do-It-Yourself Dream House". Miller has had a long-standing interest in the UFO phenomena, is a former member of NICAP, current MUFON member, and a founding member of the International UFO Museum and Research Center at Roswell. His 8'x12' mural depicting his concept of the Roswell Incident is on permanent display at the museum.



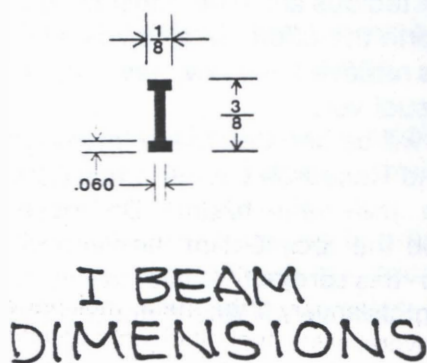
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Heart of Wierdness Myth and Mystery in the San Luis Valley

by David Perkins.

Part II

December 9th, 1992 Five witnesses observe "two laser-like ovals" streak in from the northeast and appear to land in a cottonwood grove in the Baca Ranch area.

December 21st, 1992 At 2:30 pm two Baca residents see "a bell-shaped object" against the mountains to the east. "It was silver in color and looked unreal."

February, 1993 A man at the Crestone campground has his car illuminated from above by spotlight beams that "try and get him out of the car." Two women see a "bell-shaped object" pass over their car near Mosca in the daytime.

March, 1993 Witnesses see two unidentified objects travelling down the western side of the San Luis Valley. Eight minutes later, military jets are seen tracing the objects' path.

April 28th, 1993 While interviewing Costilla County rancher, Emilio Lobatol concerning 17 mutilations he'd had since 1975, Chris O'Brien learns of a mutilated cow in Chama Canyon the previous night. O'Brien investigates and determines that the animal had been mutilated sometime between 2:30 am when the rancher had checked it (after it had given birth to a calf) and 5 am, when it was found. The incident occurred 130 feet from the ranch house. The rancher's "normally voracious" dogs were silent that evening.

In a subsequent interview with retired Costilla County Sheriff, Ernest Sandoval, O'Brien learns that the sheriff investigated unusual lights and helicopter reports in the vicinity of mutilations in the mid-70's. One report involved Chama residents being chased by low flying helicopters on the night of several mutilations in the area. Sandoval reveals that he and a deputy once saw a cow "floating in a beam of light" across the road in front of them. The Sheriff's assessment? "There has to be government involvement. Who else has the technology?"

November, 1993 - January, 1994 "The NORAD Event". On the evening of November 30th, multiple witnesses saw a "full-moon-sized object" streak into the valley from the northeast and appear to descend in the La Garita area on the Valley's west side. Two separate ex-military observers agreed that the object "changed shape direction, velocity, size and color" during its flight.

The following evening witnesses observed through infrared light vision equipment two formations of "apparent" helicopters combing the area where the object went down. The craft were seen shooting off flares as if signaling one another. An hour later the same witnesses shot a video showing what appears to be three helicopters escorting a large unblinking light moving at slow speeds over the area.

On December 13th, a Crestone resident reported a "glowing white orb" falling to the ground near Hooper. The following day a bull was found mutilated in Costilla County. O'Brien, who investigated the report, noted that the animal was missing its rectum and testicles and that the cuts appeared "cauterized." Broken tree branches were observed above where the animal lay. Hair and a small amount of blood were found on the tips of the branches. The same night, a rancher in Eagle, Colorado, (170 miles north) found a cow dead and missing the hide off the left side of its face and an "8-inch plug out of the brisket."

After a flurry of giant fireball sightings, mysterious booms and "phantom forest fires" during late December and early January, the "NORAD event" culminated on January 12 1994. At 3:40 pm a NORAD Official contacted the Rio Grande Sheriff's office and reported "a significant explosion" logged at 2:55 pm in the Greenie Mountain/Rock Creek Canyon area by a NORAD scope operator in Cheyenne Mountain. A satellite designed to detect missile launches had picked up "an intense heat source." The Sheriff's Department launched a two-day search of the area by land and air. They found nothing.

At 4:55 pm the afternoon of the NORAD call Lt. Col. (Ret.) Jimmy Lloyd, a 30-year veteran fighter pilot reported seeing "a battle-ship sized group of 6 or 7 glowing green objects in close formation streak over him near Florence and appear to go down in the San Luis Valley. According to Lloyd, the objects were definitely not meteors or any type of conventional craft.

Undersheriff Brian Norton, who coordinated the search, reported that multiple witnesses had seen "a soft green light falling out of the sky" in the same area on the evening of January 13th. On January 16th, a man saw three B-52 bombers flying low over the area. The next night sheriff's deputies again visited the site to investigate reports of "blue flares." Again they found nothing.

On the evening of January 18th, Deputy Mike James saw three helicopters flying low over the area. The following night deputies investigated reports of loud explosions" in the area and could not determine their origin.

O'Brien speculates that Major McCouch, the FEMA supervisor of the NORAD scope operator, gave the Sheriff's Department "what may have been mis-directions" to search a rugged area almost 25 miles away from where the event probably occurred. Meanwhile, could the military have spent four days searching and/or attending to the real "situation" on Greenie Mountain?

Veteran UFO and mutilation researcher Tom Adams, of Paris, Texas points out the eerie similarities between the "NORAD event" and the "Gallup incident" which occurred *exactly* eleven years earlier.

On the evening of January 12th, 1983, multiple witnesses observed several green fireball objects appear to go down in an area near Gallup, N.M. Sonic booms and explosion-like noises were heard as far away as Durango. The police in Durango were told by FAA officials in Grand Junction, Colorado that the noise was

created by "classified military aircraft" and would not answer any further questions.

Unusual military activity was reported in the vicinity soon after the incident. Again, there is strong evidence to suggest that local law enforcement officials were deliberately misled and/or diverted while the real "retrieval operation?" was carried on elsewhere (possibly somewhere near Chaco Canyon). According to rumors in the military community that were passed on to Adams; "Something" (be it terrestrial or otherwise) was removed from the side of the canyon or ravine into which it crashed... and was transported by air to Kirtland Air Force Base.

In 1991, Tom Adams published a revised edition of his book "The Choppers - and the Choppers" which details over 200 cases of helicopter/mutilation correlations. A frequent visitor to the San Luis Valley since 1970, Adams and his fellow Texan and investigative partner, Gary Massey, agree that "the valley ranks way up there on the high strangeness scale."

As Massey puts it "We're not going to give up on this, but we'll probably all go to our graves and never know the answers to these questions." Adams states: "It would not be wise to rule out the extraterrestrial hypothesis, nor to rule it in. An open mind is essential in this business." Massey goes on to add: "Like my Daddy taught me: if it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck... then it's probably a duck."

But sometimes things aren't always what they seem. What are we to make of this curious mix of conventional and highly unconventional aircraft in the San Luis Valley? Currently, the Colorado Air National Guard is pushing a proposal to expand the existing La Veta Military Operations Area (just east of the valley) further west into the San Luis Valley. This would mean a substantial increase in the military presence in the area.

According to Chris O'Brien: "It seems highly coincidental that the military wants to expand its permanent operations into the corridor where most of these anomalies take place. I'd be very, very surprised if there was no direct connection." O'Brien is perplexed by the military's current involvement: "Sometimes they seem to anticipate these strange events and other times they seem to be investigating them afterward."

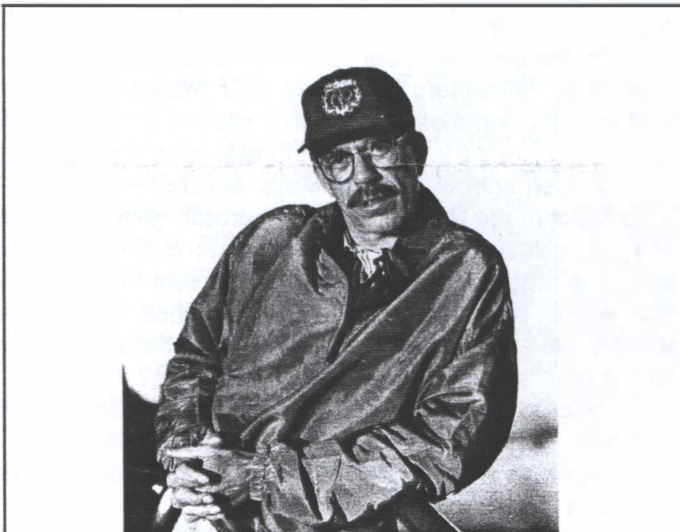
Just when O'Brien thought he had all the weirdness he could handle, another unexplained phenomenon was brought to his attention. During a seven-day period during the end of December, 1993 and January, 1994, he investigated several reports of Bigfoot activity in a seven square mile of the New Mexico portion of the valley. These include a large, hairy creature spotted by a trucker near the highway, a white Bigfoot, a Bigfoot stalking a herd of elk, and a large creature that ran by a ranch house and supposedly threw a dog over a six-foot fence. Video tape was taken of tracks discovered on December 31st. These two sets of tracks (one 21" in length and the other 18") descended through the snow for several hundred yards down a steep path. Reports of Bigfoot creatures have been reported in several other areas of the U.S. during mutilation/UFO flaps.

Just to make things more interesting, scientists are currently investigating an unexplained sound known as the "Taos Hum." Since the Spring of 1991, hundreds of Taos area residents have complained about the low-frequency humming sound. It has been described as "a low, throbbing, grinding sound, accompanied by pulses and high static ringing." New Mexico Senator Bill Richardson notified the Secretary of Defense: "I have reason to believe the Dept. of Defense may be responsible for a mystery sound plaguing the residents of Taos." Both the DOD and the Air Force have denied any involvement.

Scientists have isolated the sound as hovering around the 17-hertz range. Human hearing tends to range between 20 and 20,000 hertz. It is not commonly known that some San Luis Valley residents as far north as the Dunes claim to still hear the annoying sound.

Clearly, we are left with many more questions than answers in the unfolding story of the Mysterious Valley. Why, for instance, would a helicopter gunship hover over a 1990 Native American ceremony for the blessing of the sacred Mt. Blanca (the first such gathering in nearly 30 years)?

If the recent weirdness has instilled a sense of fear and dread in many valley inhabitants, others regard such events with a mixture of awe and joy. Indeed, UFO watching has become something of a spectator sport. Mark Hunter, of the *Alamosa Valley Courier* describes a whimsical scene in which cars were lined up along Highway 285 observing a UFO display. Meanwhile Undersheriff Brian Norton raced back and forth chasing "a fast-moving, brilliant white strobe light flying, low to the ground" on the nights of May 7th and 8th, 1994. The object seemed to mirror Norton's actions: "I would chase it north and it would head south. I would stop and it would stop." The following morning Norton saw a dark



David Perkins has been researching cattle mutilations, UFOs, crop circles, and other unexplained phenomena for the last 20 years. He currently divides his time between Santa Fe and Libre, Colorado.

unmarked helicopter buzzing the area where the chase had taken place.

It's an ill wind that blows no man good, as they say. O'Brien recently uncovered an interesting legend among the local Hispanic population. According to the story, residents become greatly excited when a UFO is spotted and hope that it will hover. Supposedly, at least two buried treasures have been discovered by digging under the spot where the UFO had paused.

So who are the mutilators and what exactly is it they're doing? Linda Moulton Howe, author of two books and producer of two documentary films on the subject, states: "After thirty years of case studies in the human abduction syndrome and worldwide animal mutilations, one clear pattern is the alien preoccupation with reproductive organs, sperm and ova. In an odd symbiosis, perhaps another life form needs us for its existence and wants us to survive." Howe has been a frequent critic of the government's handling of these matters: "If there is one truth that humans have a right to share, it is that *something* is tampering with this planet physically, psychologically and spiritually. Humanity deserves the truth, especially if that truth requires a revolutionary new perspective about our own history and our future."

"I love a mystery," says Chris O'Brien, "and this has to be the greatest unsolved serial crime spree of the century." O'Brien continues: "The skeptics may be correct in saying that a large percentage of the mutilations are actually due to unusual scavenger action. As for the classic cases, I think multiple agendas may be involved. This is a blood-based phenomenon and I get a real sense of ritual magic about it."

O'Brien also notes that: "The phenomenon is something that's couching itself in the technology just ahead of our time. There's a sort of transformative or mythological aura surrounding it that seems to be pulling us forward in an evolutionary sense. Maybe the mutilators are us in the future coming back and harvesting cattle parts from an animal that may be banned then because of its damage to the ecosystem. Maybe they're super-sophisticated chefs and food acquisition teams coming back for delicacies: that makes as much sense to me as little grey beings from Zeta Reticulae. The bottom line is: I don't even pretend to know who or what is behind this."

Meanwhile, the residents of the Mysterious Valley can only wait, watch and wonder.

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February 23: NM MUFON Meeting. Richard Sauder, Ph.D., will speak on "**Underground Bases and Tunnels--What Is The Government Trying To Hide?**" Richard has also written a book, now in its second edition, which he will discuss. See you there!

March 2: New Age Connection at 6:30 pm at JB's (on Lomas and Eubank) in Albuquerque. Richard Rowlette will speak on **Earth Changes** and how to prevent to them, reality creation and evidence for the "new humans".

March 23: NM MUFON Meeting. Our speaker will be Gabe Valdez, formerly of Dulce, NM. He investigated many mutilation cases and other strange occurrences in the 1980s. We are certainly looking forward to his talk--don't miss it!

April 7-9: The Seventh Annual Ozark UFO Conference, at the Inn of the Ozarks in Eureka Springs, AR. Speakers will include Dr. Bruce Cornet, Dr. Karla Turner, Linda Howe, and Antonio Huneus. Registration is \$35/person through April 1; at the door, \$40. For more information call (501)354-2558 or write to Rt. 1, Box 220, Plumerville, AR 72127-9737.

April 27-30: TREAT VII--Consciousness at the Edge: Shifting Scientific and Personal Paradigms. Location: San Rafael, CA. Write program chair Bonnie Greenwald, Ph.D., 22345 Rolling Hills Rd., Saratoga, CA 95070, (408)257-6241. Keynote speaker: Karl H. Pribram, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dan DeMar, NM MUFON State Director, will be in Egypt from February 28-March 10. He is participating in an **archeological tour** sponsored by The Association for Research and Enlightenment. The group will have three days of exclusive access to the inside of the Great Pyramid. Have fun, Dan!

The View From Hermit's Peak is a monthly newsletter written and edited by Richard Rowlette and Carolyn Duce-Ashe. This newsletter presents advanced research on the UFO enigma. Subscriptions are \$18 per year. Send to Richmar Earthgate Group, PO Box 14956, Albuquerque, NM 87191.

For a copy of Karl Pflock's *Roswell In Perspective* inscribed to the buyer or whoever you wish send \$25 (which includes shipping and is \$3 less than the Fund price) to Karl Pflock, PO Box, 93338, Albuquerque, NM 87199-3338.

Blue Eagle Book Shoppe in Albuquerque has moved to a new, larger location at 8334 Lomas NE.

Jose Escamilla of Midway, NM spoke in Ft. Collins, CO on February 10-11. For information, write Wings, PO Box 272352, Ft. Collins, CO 80527.

Does it seem like the Millenium is here already? Wick Allison, former publisher of *National Review*, says Jesus was born in 6 B.C., making 1995 really the year 2000. Biblical and historical evidence support the idea that the year for Jesus' birth was between 4 and 8 B.C. Allison makes these claims in his newly published book *That's In The Bible?*.

Skeptics UFO Newsletter, by Phil Klass, is a bi-monthly publication worth checking out. Subscription are \$15/ year. Make check payable to Phillip J. Klass and send to 404 "N" St. SW, Washington, DC 20024.

In *NuCity*, Albuquerque's free weekly newspaper of January 18-24, printed the well-written "How Now Mutilated Cow," written by Michael Henningsen. For a copy of this issue send \$2 to NuCity, 2118 Central Ave. SE, Suite 151, Albuquerque, 87106.

The Groom Lake Desert Rat is an amusing and informative newsletter on Area 51 and "countless other ephemeral entities." Subscriptions are \$15 for 10 issues. Write to Glenn Campbell, HCR, Box 28, Rachel, NV 89001. Also available, a catalogue of UFO-related books. Write to the above address c/o Secrecy Oversight Council.

The work of **artist** Carolyn Duce-Ashe, your Editor, can be seen at the Museum of Modern Art Rental Gallery in San Francisco and at the Occasions! Gallery in Albuquerque. She recently donated a mixed-media piece to the "Art For Heart's Sake", a fundraiser at Occasions! which benefitted All Faiths Receiving Home, an Albuquerque children's shelter.

Subscribe to the *CE Chronicles*, journal of the Close Encounters Research Network. Write to C.E.R.N., 10878 Westheimer, Suite 293, Houston, TX 77042.

The Albuquerque Chapter of the National Space Society holds monthly meetings and produces a newsletter. For information call Ken Newman (505) 898-7796.

The January 27 program on *Sightings* featured a segment on New Mexico mutilations. Researchers Gail Staehlin and Chris O'Brien were interviewed. On the same program was also another segment with Jose Escamilla and his Midway videotapes. New Mexico is big in the news nowadays!

In Vol.2 No.4 issue of *UFO Encounters* is an article by Michael Norris, "Latest Cattle Mutilations," with a photo by Gail Staehlin. This 32-page bi-monthly magazine is available for \$19.95/yr from Aztec Publishing, Box 1142, Norcross, GA 30091-1142.

International UFO Library Magazine has subscriptions for \$19.95 (one year-6 issues). Write to them at 11684 Ventura Blvd., Suite 708, Studio City, CA 91604.



Due to the rising prices of postage and printing, the *NM MUFON News* is forced to announce its first price increase since its inception. The April issue will be \$1.50 and subscriptions will rise on March 31 to \$1.50 per issue (or ten issues for \$15). You may wish to subscribe or renew before then. Thanks for your support! - CDA & DS

FROM THE STATE DIRECTOR

by Dan DeMar

For the past few months we have been gathering information and prices for the purpose of obtaining a grant to assist our resident cattle mutilation investigators, but our proposal did not seem to coincide with the views of the committee that reviewed all proposals. As it turns out, these first monies awarded to MUFON will most probably be spent on getting all our own data bases in order, before any scientific proposals can be considered.

Therefore, if we are to continue investigating any mutilations, it appears that we must depend on our expert and talented volunteer force of investigators. Because we are all volunteers, maybe this is a good time for us to get our house in order, too! Perhaps we could do more to acquaint ourselves with all the other interested volunteers throughout our state.

Of the 33 counties in New Mexico, we currently have directors for 13, and this includes 5 counties represented only recently. Perhaps we could hold our own state seminar, with talks by the many experts in our own area. Perhaps we could take a small group of speakers to our represented counties and have open-discussion nights.

Please think about this and share your ideas about what we can do in the upcoming year.

The New Mexico State Section Directors are:

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FROM OUT OF THE BLUE!

January 26, 1995

Dear Duce-Ashe:

To set the record straight, I have never endorsed the idea that a Project Mogul balloon caused the debris field found by Mac Brazel in July 1947. I did, however, send Karl Pflock a note upon the publication of his report that congratulated him on the completion of that work. I did say that his report did lead to his conclusions. I didn't say, though I thought it, that I found Pflock's report to be

biased, unobjective, and lacking in any supporting documentation. I didn't say that I found his interviews with the witnesses to be misrepresented, his research flawed, and that his conclusions ridiculous. I recognized all those problems but said nothing about them in the note.

As a writer myself, I realize that the last thing an author wants on the completion of a large, long work, is a list of criticisms. I sent a note of congratulations from one colleague to another. Now that note is being wholly misrepresented. It is being circulated inside the UFO community without my permission. It proves that no good deed goes unpublished.

Again, for the record, Pflock rests his conclusions on the testimony of three main witnesses including Bessie Brazel Schreiber, Jason Kellahin and a man Pflock identifies only as "Reluctant."

Bessie Brazel said that she was at the ranch, helped retrieve material that resembles a balloon, and that she accompanied her father into Roswell, disappearing from the story at that point. What isn't reported is that Loretta Proctor, Marian Strickland and Bill Brazel say that Bessie wasn't at the ranch at that time. What Bessie Brazel has yet to explain is where she went after her father went to Roswell. No testimony from anyone has ever suggested that Mac was accompanied by any of his kids.

Jason Kellahin claims that he drove to the Brazel ranch on July 8, found Mac who took him to the field where there was balloon wreckage. Kellahin clearly says that he saw a balloon and that a photographer with him took pictures of Brazel with the debris. However, no one has ever produced those pictures, and the best evidence is that by the time Kellahin could have arrived at the Brazel ranch, Mac was already in Roswell in the custody of the military. If there had been a photograph of Brazel on the debris field near the balloon, it would have been printed by someone at some point. It was not.

Reluctant has been interviewed by all researchers since Bill Moore and Stanton Friedman began their work in the late 1970s. His story was given to Moore and reported in *The Roswell Incident*. Compared to that story, his testimony given to Pflock has been radically altered. Instead of seeing an empty field that reflected the military clean up efforts, now Reluctant saw a debris-filled pasture. He picked up some of the material that resembled the parts of a balloon, but has failed to produce it.

What we have been treated to are Pflock's opinions about what fell on the Brazel ranch. He offers no proof. He offers no documentation. Instead he provides unsupported speculation using the dubious testimony of his three main witnesses, overlooking or ridiculing the statements of many solid citizens. If the testimony doesn't support his conclusions, he rejects it, taking cheap shots at the reputations of those witnesses.

There is, however, a large body of evidence suggesting that Project Mogul isn't the culprit. I could provide more comparisons between what witnesses said and what a Mogul balloon looks like. That will prove little, other than dozens of witnesses don't agree that what they saw was a balloon.

I can point out that Dr. Charles Moore, one of the Project Mogul scientists, told me he doesn't believe that a Mogul balloon was responsible for the debris found by Brazel. What he is saying is that he doesn't believe it was one of the polyethylene balloons, first used in July 1947. That means that culprit, balloon launch no. 9, is not responsible.

There is, however, additional documentation. When that is reviewed it shows that balloon launch no. 9 is *NOT* responsible for the debris. Let me stress that. Documentation, now available, leads directly to the conclusion that launch no. 9 was not responsible.

One last point. Those suggesting that I ever endorsed the Project Mogul explanation are grossly misrepresenting my position on the subject. In fact, on June 27, almost ten days before I sent my note to Pflock, I wrote Dick Hall saying, "We are fully aware of Mogul, and I will say that it will answer nothing." About a month later I sent Hall another letter saying, "I am suggesting that Mogul was not responsible for the debris and when the documentation for Mogul Balloon launch No. 9 is located, it will prove that no Mogul balloons were found that could explain what was discovered by Brazel." Since October of 1994 my position has been made very clear. As this argument degenerates, remember one thing. I know what I was trying to say in the note. I structured it very carefully. When they argue against me, they can only wildly speculate, but I know. In this rather minor controversy, that should be the bottom line.

Sincerely yours, Kevin D. Randle, Marion, IA

January 21, 1995

To the editor:

In #21 of New Mexico MUFON News, a letter of mine was printed wherein I described Karl T. Pflock's *Roswell in Perspective* as "shoddy" and his investigative approach as "possibly unethical." While I disagree with Mr. Pflock's thesis, it was unfair of me to characterize his prodigious efforts in such unsavory terms.

Subsequent correspondence with Mr. Pflock has convinced me that he is an impassioned researcher who is sincerely convinced that his interpretation of the so-called Roswell Incident is accurate. I wish him the best of luck in his on-going researches.

Terry Endres, Editor, UFO Update Newsletter
239 East State Road, Cleves, OH 45002

February 9, 1995

Editor,

Kevin Randle to the contrary notwithstanding (*NM MUFON News*, #21), the Roswell-case testimony of Bessie Brazel Schreiber, Mac Brazel's daughter, is not the least "flawed." She told me she thought "we all went into town with him [her father], but I am not certain about

this, as he made two or three trips to Roswell about that time, and we did not go on all of them" (see my *Roswell in Perspective*, Appendix H, Schreiber affidavit).

This is certainly not unusual for memories nearly a half-century old. Neither is it out of line with the possibility Mac Brazel dropped Bessie and her younger brother Vernon off at the family home in Tularosa before driving on to Roswell to report his find. This was the recollection of her older brother Bill in 1979, during one of the earliest interviews he granted to a Roswell-case researcher (see Charles Berlitz and William L. Moore, *The Roswell Incident*, Berkley edition, pp. 85-87, text confirmed and authorized for publication by Bill Brazel in a written statement dated June 4, 1980). As we "locals" know, such detours were and remain part of everyday life in New Mexico.

It is my considered opinion Mrs. Schreiber's recollection that she and her younger brother Vernon were at the ranch when their father discovered the debris is correct, rather than her brother Bill's *current* recollection that they were not. Bessie is reporting what she says were her firsthand experiences. Bill is and always has been reporting recollections of after-the-fact secondhand information; he was in Albuquerque at the time of the events in question.

Sincerely, Karl T. Pflock, Placitas, NM

Dear Carolyn,

I want to thank you for sending me the "NM Mufon News" and to congratulate you for being the Editor. In that sphere of action your paper is treating, I am most sure that there is life somewhere else considering all what is above our heads. Whatever, anyhow might be discovered one day on another Planet, will certainly be discovered by United States. I would then very much like to come back on Earth to know about it, otherwise, I would rather stay where I may be, supposing I am

somewhere. I must say I was most amused to see part of my last letter amidst such serious questions.

Madeleine Dutourt-Gauzé, Anglet, France

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I hear often of cattle mutilation
But I fear it has no utilization,
for I examined about
found no plumbing to grout,
and flew off with my rationalization.

-Jim Ashe, Corrales, NM

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