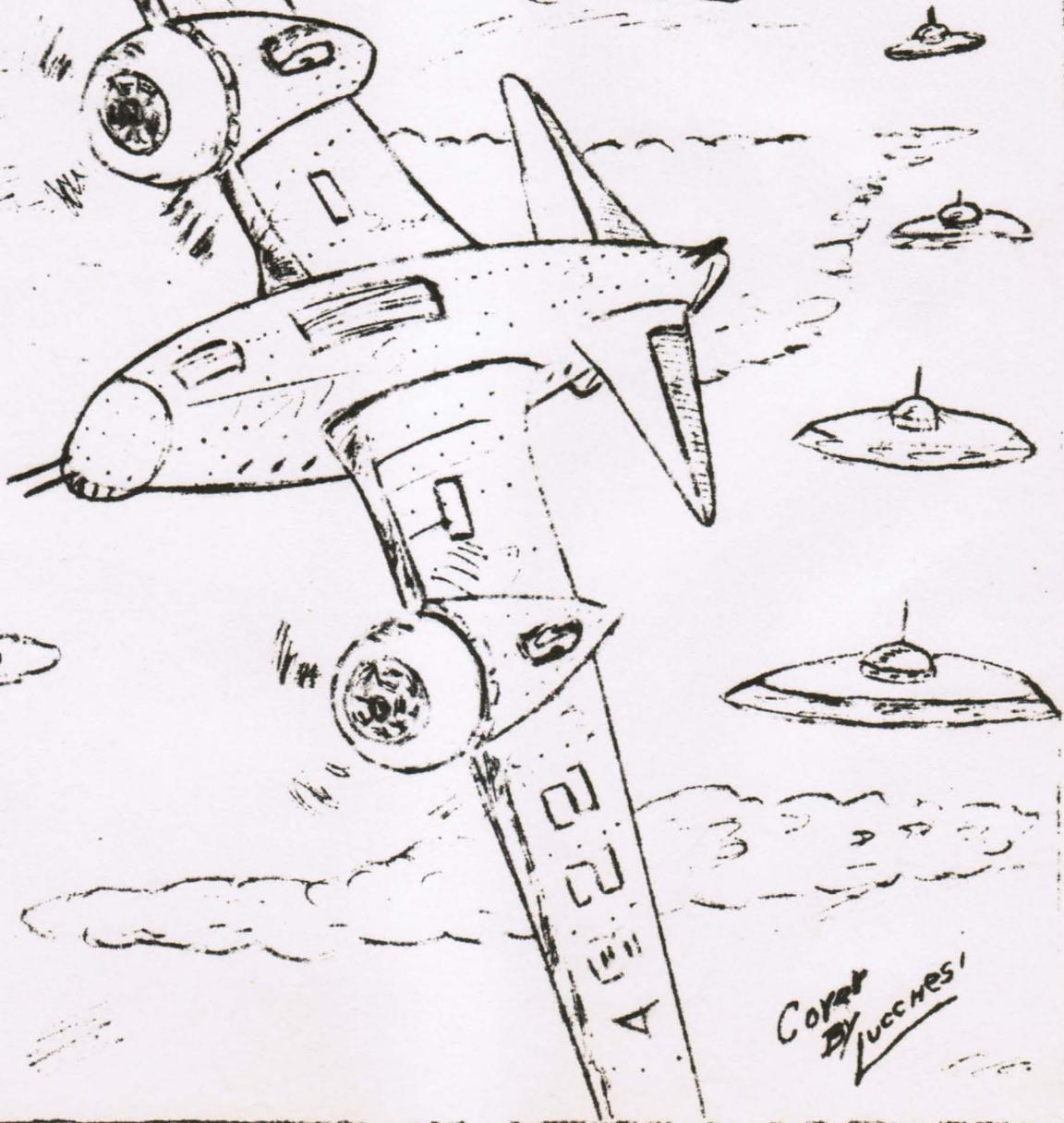


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GREETINGS FELLOW SAUCER FIENDS! Behold the first issue of a brand new Saucer Mag!

Perhaps it is best if we start right off by stating the policy that will be pursued by S.A.U.C.E.R.S. and by NEXUS, its official publication. We feel that flying saucers exist and are probably interplanetary, and we also feel that we are as serious-minded about the subject as anybody. However, we cannot pursue our interest in saucers with a continual dead-pan expression, and for that reason NEXUS is particularly slanted for those who, like us, can get a laugh out of a rather serious subject.

At times we will be poking fun at our fellow saucer-enthusiasts. Perhaps at times our humor will even be a little biting and sarcastic. However, it is not our intention to hurt anyone's feelings, and if we do so it will definitely not be on purpose.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Nexus will (we hope) be issued every month, and by simple arithmetic we therefore arrive at the conclusion that there should be twelve issues a year. For the privilege of receiving these twelve glorious issues, the cost to you will be only one dollar. (No stamps, foreign coins, or I.O.U.'s will be accepted; we are only interested in cold, hard cash). Furthermore, your dollar will entitle you to a lifetime membership in S.A.U.C.E.R.S., and a beautifully printed membership card (not yet available). If we think of any other fringe benefits later on, we will let you know. In the meanwhile, please send us your buck, huh? We don't want to have to keep sending you this lousy sheet for nothing.

CLUB OFFICIALS

Many high posts in S.A.U.C.E.R.S. are still open, such as regional directorships, area commanders, and what have you. (Any title you want, we've got). Please write directly to the Editor about this if you are interested. In each issue after this one, a list of new members and new club officers will be given.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If you are moved to comment on this Mag., either pro or con, please feel free to do so. Any tips, sightings, gossip, etc., will also be fully appreciated, and all personal mail will be answered promptly on genuine S.A.U.C.E.R.S. stationery. If and when you write, please indicate whether any portions of your letter may be reprinted in NEXUS, as we plan to start a Letters to the Editor column in the next issue. (If you indicate to us that your letter is not for public consumption, we guarantee that it will be kept in strictest confidence.) Our principal aim is to keep saucer news & rumors rolling in, so that we can rehash them and send them out again to all our subscribers. But the only way we can do this is through you, our loyal fans. So let's hear from you!

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GOSSIP COLUMN

From the Coast we hear that the June saucer convention, sponsored by the Saucer Research Foundation (a new one to us), was something of a flop. Featured was Dan Fry, one of the latest in a long line of individuals who claim personal contact with saucers. It seems he was billed to take a lie detector test in front of the public, but didn't. Hmmm. We wonder how many of these people with alleged contacts would do a fast fade if such tests became general..... Too bad about the Civilian Saucer Intelligence, the new research group in New York City that got off to such a fine start last spring. Now, staggered by the sudden withdrawal of their able president Eliot Rockmore, they are closing down for the summer. We are hoping that they'll be re-opening in the fall, but we wonder..... A new "hot lead" being tracked down by one of the leading saucer authors sounds a lot like an ugly hoax that yours truly ran down several months ago. It concerns a pilot, an airplane, and a monster from outer space who conveniently flew his saucer right up close to the plane so that everyone could get a good look at him.

Interesting if True Department: Latest wild rumor from the Coast is that five saucers landed voluntarily out there at an air base, and that the "little men" piloting them hung around long enough to be questioned by Top Brass. The story goes on that Ike made a secret visit to these gentlemen from space while supposedly vacationing at Palm Springs. - We can't say that we believe this one, but lots of rumors lately all point to the fact that the government does know a whole lot more about saucers than they're telling; more on this in later issues..... What two saucer authors (not Leslie and Adamski) can't even agree on their own book?..... Latest to be "hushed up" by mysterious visitors is one Reverend Daw of Washington D.C. - I hope that we're not next on somebody's Black List. In these days of McCarthyism one can never tell..... Unexplained lights in the belfry of a Catholic Church in Jersey City are still drawing curious spectators, but not anywhere near the huge throngs that watched them a few weeks ago.

The wire services are now being "discouraged" from carrying saucer news, according to several reliable reports we have received..... Whatever happened to APRO and SPACE? We don't hear nearly as much about these clubs as we used to. Have they too been "hushed up" or are they, like old soldiers, merely fading away?..... Among the more interesting recent items from our press clipping service: South African schoolboy photographs a saucer; Saucer dives at an Australian native; Also, a group of six men in Arkansas had a saucer chase them, nearly hitting one of the men. - It seems that the saucers are still around, but just not making headlines the way they used to..... Is it true that civilian pilots have been instructed not to talk publicly about their sightings any more?..... New monster stories coming out of West Virginia; this time with fangs, yet!..... Desverges' "scorched earth" story is getting better as time goes by. Now he's telling about the part in which a number of creatures from the saucer tried to pull him aboard. After a terrific struggle (too horrible to describe) he freed himself from their powerful little grasps, but in the meanwhile he had been carried over 300 yards aboard the saucer. Wow!

We hear that some tough questions from a sceptical audience sent George Adamski hurrying for the nearest exit after a recent East Coast lecture..... George Williamson and Truman Betherum are reported headed east for some lectures in this area. Also, Desmond Leslie is due to invade New York City any day now via the Queen Mary..... We think we know the name of at least one Air Force general who believes that the saucers are interplanetary. We'd like to give you his name, but it's no use getting closed down after only one issue, is it?..... Notice to all subscribers living on the West Coast: The lowlands of California are going to be

under water before long, due to unforeseen natural disturbances. So head for the hills, boys! (Editor's note: We are a little dubious about this bit of information, as our informant is from southern California, and to the best of our knowledge he is still hacking out his dire predictions from a headquarters right on the Coast)..... The flying saucer photographed by Ralph Mayher, and featured in the May issue of Pic Magazine, was described to us by a leading saucer author (you know who!) as a reflection on a cobweb. This, despite the fact that the saucer was seen from several different angles by several different people, and also despite the fact that a Miami University professor computed the speed of the object to be in the thousands. Now, who's kidding whom?.....All for now. We'll be back next month with more juicy items, if no one has smashed our press by then. In the meanwhile, keep your eyes and ears open for saucer gossip!

WHY DON'T THE SAUCERS LAND?

by Joseph C. Ghoul

By using the above title for this article, I realize that I have already lost the approval of at least half my readers. "What do you mean by this?" they ask indignantly. "Flying saucers have landed, in California, in Germany, in West Virginia -" etc.

However, my position is this: Whereas the existence of flying saucers has been proved beyond a reasonable doubt by now, the accounts of actual landings are too few and too questionable to convince me that creatures from another planet have as yet been seen walking on this Earth. Of course I may be wrong in this opinion, but let us for the moment assume that there have been no landings to date, and examine the reasons that tend to support this view.

In the first place, almost every alleged landing has involved space-creatures that are said to look a great deal like we do. "Orthodox" science currently agrees that millions of stars probably have solar systems, and that there must be many, many planets in the universe capable of supporting intelligent life. But as to what this intelligent life looks like, scientists will not even hazard a guess. However, the few saucer-minded scientists I have talked to agree with me that the chances against creatures from another planet looking much like we do, are "a million to one".

This conclusion should be obvious when we consider the great physical differences that exist even among earthlings. Minor differences in climate and environment have created the races of this Earth. On another planet with temperature, pressure, and chemical composition similar to our own, life might develop in a manner similar to life here, but unless conditions on that planet were nearly identical to ours, there could not be much chance of finding people there even as much like us as "little men"; And even on an identical planet, evolution might fool us and take an entirely different course than it did here.

Furthermore, who can say what planet or what type of planet the saucers come from? Until we know the answer to that question, it is reasonable to assume that they come from one or more of the many planets extremely unlike our own, rather than from one of the comparatively few that might be very much like ours. If we say that our Visitors must come from Mars or Venus, the chances of their being at all like us are even less, since the chances of two planets in the same solar system having nearly identical conditions are very slim indeed.

It follows that it is downright fantastic to believe that "little men" could actually land here and walk around on our Earth without benefit of space-suits or the equivalent thereof. I am quite sure that even if our Visitors are of the "little men" variety, they would quickly die if they stepped out of their space ships without some sort of gadget to make up for the differences in temperature, pressure, etc., that they find here.

Next, let us consider just why our Visitors would want to leave their saucers. The research of Charles Fort and Desmond Leslie seems to prove that the saucers have been around for hundreds and perhaps thousands of years. After all these many years of watching us from the skies, why should they now decide to land and communicate with us? Furthermore, what could they possibly gain by such close contact with humans? Their civilization is obviously so far advanced that they could learn nothing from us. A real landing by a flying saucer would quickly show us earthlings up as the barbarians we really are. Those people who didn't try to tear the space-visitors to pieces would try to pry out of them the secrets of their advanced science. Apparently our Visitors are very much interested in us (as is shown by their many years of observation), but they have no desire to interfere in human affairs in any way. If they landed, they would probably have to wipe out at least a few of us in self-defense with some sort of Buck Rogers-type death-ray; And if they allowed us to learn anything of their science they would be doing us the greatest possible disservice, since we would surely use our new knowledge only to build bigger and better weapons to destroy each other - and them!

I believe that our Visitors are peaceful as well as highly intelligent. It is precisely for this reason that they don't try to contact us. However, if they are not totally indifferent to human affairs, they may communicate with us in a few thousand years, after we have learned to live with each other. But I am quite sure that for the time being they will continue to watch us from a safe distance.

Since we are trying to consider all possibilities, there is one final possible reason why the flying saucers don't land. The interplanetary hypothesis is supported by an ever-increasing mountain of evidence but it is still unproven. No one has yet explained how the saucers, if solid, can violate well-established physical laws with such ease and frequency. So perhaps the saucers are, after all, only some strange natural phenomenon which we do not at present understand. If this proves to be so, we had all better stop looking for landings and send our apologies to poor old Dr. Menzel. Let me quickly point out that as the evidence now stands I am quite convinced that the flying saucers are from some other planet. But I do not agree with those people who say saucers have to be interplanetary any more than I agree with those who say that they can't be.

In conclusion, let me state that in my opinion the two most important things for a saucer researcher to do are (1) avoid jumping to conclusions; and (2) keep an open mind. No saucer story is worthy of belief till it has been examined very carefully, no matter how tempted we may be to believe it on faith. On the other hand, no theory should be discarded entirely, no matter how wild it may appear at present. For if and when the saucer mystery is solved, the answer may as easily turn out to be fantastically simple, or just plain fantastic!

ENTITIES FROM LAMURIA?

by Dominic Lucchesi

Since the publicizing of what has become known as the saucer mystery, many theories have been propounded regarding their origin. Some of these theories have seemed fantastic to people who have not lived in the world of imagination created by many noted writers of science fiction; The names of H.G. Wells, Jules Verne, and H. Rider Haggard are well known to most of us. Much of the fiction of yester-year has become in fact reality.

Among the theories that have been advanced as to the origin of flying saucers are that they are from outer space or that they are a secret development of a worldly government. Others have propounded the idea that observers have been subject to hallucinatory and mental disorder.

After much deliberation and research it is natural to arrive at the conclusion that there is more than one answer to the problem. That there has been an intermixture and confusion is evident. There have been hallucinations; there has been mass hypnosis; and also experimental aircraft and space ships have been seen.

We now arrive at this pertinent question: DOES A SPACE SHIP HAVE TO ORIGINATE IN ANOTHER WORLD? Not necessarily; it could originate here. We ask again, DOES IT HAVE TO ORIGINATE AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME AND ERA? Most people would say, "of course! Science has only now approached the probability of space flight." But they have forgotten to consider the previous eras of civilization, eras when cultures had attained undreamed of powers, both mental and physical, a time when there was a complete knowledge of the cosmic forces. It is gradually coming to light that the earth is much older than was previously claimed, and that man existed on it at that time. It is only natural for tremendous cataclysms to destroy most traces of these previous civilizations, but the fact remains that actual traces HAVE BEEN FOUND and that descendants of these civilizations are still secretly existing on the earth today, retaining all their previous knowledge.

The possibility exists that this race, having foreseen the coming cataclysm, had gone in part to another universe or found a planet in our own that would foster their kind, leaving behind a number of their people on earth to watch over and guide struggling humanity as it arose from the fateful chaos created by the turmoil of the cataclysm. Perhaps the time has now arrived when they feel that they should take a hand in matters and stop humanity from self-destruction or take over and rule with the power in their possession. It is no more fantastic to assume that the BEINGS FROM OUTER SPACE ORIGINATE ON THE PLANET EARTH THAN TO ASSUME THEIR ORIGIN AS BEING ON ANOTHER PLANET.

A race cannot reach the pinnacle of science and reasoning in one cycle between ice ages. There has to be an escape to refuge in between these periods, or the race would revert to the savage form. Another ice age is impending; the moon is slowing down year by year; it is a race between the moon approaching the earth, creating earthquakes and tidal waves, or the polar caps building up to the danger point, and the thought of course that some day a super-atomic explosion will do the job just as well. Perhaps such an explosion has already poisoned the very atmosphere we breathe.

Where is refuge? Not on earth, but on another planet somewhere in the vast regions of the multitudinous universe. Another question arises:

Would we return? It is reasonable to assume that a race that had attained space flight would after a few centuries return periodically to investigate the results and conditions on their mother planet. It is possible that this may explain the many sightings which for hundreds of years have puzzled mankind. Also possible is the fact that certain radiations which exist in space and/or other universes where different gravitational forces prevail, affect matter as we know it to the extent that it is no longer visible on visual wavelengths. This in no way affects the reality of the phenomenon.

At this very moment you may be under the surveillance of an unknown entity. We do not believe that these invisible forms are inimical to mankind; but then we don't know, do we?

News Item:

SIX IN CAR POOL REPORT BALL OF LIGHT CIRCLED HOUSE, FOLLOWED THEIR AUTO

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., April 23 (AP) - Six workmen, who had gathered late last night at a rural home near here to ride to work, told a reporter they watched a mysterious, glowing ball hover over the house for twenty minutes.

One of the men, Les Roetherford, said the ball once dived toward him, and that he had to duck to avoid being hit.

"If I hadn't ducked it would have hit me sure," said Roetherford.

The men, all employees of the Reynolds Metal Co. aluminum plant, said they met nightly at the house near the town of Percy to ride to work together.

They described the white ball of light as about 10 feet in diameter. They said it circled the house slowly, stopping for a moment at irregular intervals.

One of the witnesses said the ball followed the men when they left in a station wagon, and drove toward Percy.

"We tried to put a spotlight on it," said one of the men, "but every time it would dodge the beam."

The men agreed that the ball suddenly disappeared as they reached Percy.

Besides Roetherford, those who saw the object were Harley and Fred Skeets, Tom and Dayton Henderson, and John Vaughn.

BLUES OF A SAUCER ADDICT or WHAT SAUCERS HAVE DONE FOR ME by August C. Roberts

Being one of the workers in the "flying saucer" mystery for quite a number of years now, I feel it my duty to pass along any important information I may have found out. I'm sure that those who will follow in my footsteps will find this information most helpful:

My life before I became interested in the saucers was I would say normal, and the same as that of any other fellow of my age. Mainly these interests consisted of going out with girls, baseball, going out with girls, archery, going out with girls, swimming, going out with girls, etc., etc. I was happy and

was enjoying life. To me a saucer was merely something you put a cup in. THEN - without a word of warning it happened! SAUCERS CAME INTO MY LIFE!

With them came new ideas, along with all types of new friends, many of them acting (and looking) very queer. Also with them came work, in fact so much work that I had to change my whole way of living. My room, which used to be a homey type of room, now looks like an office, with maps all over the walls, etc. The motto of these new-found friends from the very first was this: Keep him busy, don't let that saucer worker get away!

Before saucers came into my life, no one used to call me on the phone; now the darn thing never stops ringing. I now get calls from all over the country. I have gotten quite a number of phone calls in the wee hours of the morning, and my calls have been recorded so many times on phone-tapping tape recorders that I sometimes feel like a radio star.

Almost everyone who calls or visits me has a top "Q" secret to tell me, and I have so many top "Q" secrets in my files that I feel like an agent of some type or other. If any one would have told me that in a few short years all of this would have happened to me, I would have told them they were nuts. But it was fate, I was told; it had to happen.

My name is now listed on the police blotter as the only saucerlunatic in this fair city. I have been investigated so many times that they know all about what I am planning to do next week before I think of doing it. Why was I investigated? Well, if you were called some of the names I was called, you too would be investigated. I have had the honor of being called a damn fool by some of the nicest people you would ever want to meet.

Before I became a saucerlunatic I used to be so busy that I never had time to read the local newspapers, but now I have a book shelf loaded with some of the top nuttier-than-a-fruiteake writers in the country. A few of the books, I must confess are normal, but they are dry reading and I would not recommend them to anyone. Some though are very exciting and above all truthful. They tell of unknown planets in space and of the people who are on them. You may ask the question "are these planets really unknown?", and you will perhaps want to check on this with some of the top scientists of the country. They will I am sure tell you, as they told me, that even though they have use of all the most modern equipment known to man, they have never heard of them. Isn't that proof enough that these are really unknown planets?

One thing about the saucers is that they will broaden your reading and living habits. Nearly everyone you meet will explain to you where the saucers come from. If you were never interested in Yoga, Spiritualism, mental telepathy, Astral Projection, hypnotism, etc., besides a score of normal subjects, like rocket ships, astronomy, tape recording letters, etc., then you don't know what you are missing. Some of the above subjects will drive you almost nuts, and my advice to you is this: don't be an addict like I am; get out while the getting is good and while the subject of saucers hasn't gotten too much of a hold on you. But if you must, read on:

You might think that investigating saucers does not cost you any of your hard-earned cash. If you think it doesn't, you are going to learn the hard way. As an example, if you want to write a letter to someone, you most surely do not want to write it in longhand. If you do not own a typewriter, it will cost you some cash to buy a fairly good used one. If you do not type, it will also cost a little to learn how to do so. Unless you receive your stamps for nothing,

it will cost a fair amount each month for stamps, letter paper, etc. You will most certainly want all the books you can get on the subject. They will, I assure you, cost you top prices. Not only will you have to purchase books on the subject of saucers, but also on ideas that mankind has today regarding the moon, Mars, space platforms, etc. If you really want to get deeply into saucer-ism, you will want to put out a small booklet each month. The cost of printing is high, so you will have to buy yourself a mime machine, plus stencils, envelopes, printing fluids, etc. Just to get the feeling of spending money, go to the window and throw a ten dollar bill away; the feelings are somewhat the same.

I could go on and on for hours, but I'm sure I would bore you. However, if you really want to get into the saucer field, I think you will find that with all its drawbacks it nevertheless has its compensations. The friends you meet will be pleasant company - a little odd maybe, but fun sometimes. And then again, who knows, it may be your little bit of work in the saucerian field that will break the mystery wide open. Some one most likely will do it someday, and who knows, it could be you!

(Editor's note: Our apologies to Mr. Gray Barker, editor of the SAUCERIAN, for mentioning the name of his publication in the above article without his permission.)

News Item:

PILOTED FLYING SAUCER FLEW TEST IN 1945

London, May 2nd - A claim that Germany had developed a piloted flying saucer during the war is made by Herr George Klein, an engineer who was formerly attached to the German Ministry of Munitions.

In a statement to a Bonn newspaper he said he saw the first test flight in Prague in February, 1945.

The aircraft, he added, reached a height of 40,680 feet within three minutes and a maximum speed of 1366 miles an hour.

The Prague test, Herr Klein added, was the result of experiments which began in 1941 and which cost millions of marks.

The flying saucer and other machines that were being built, and constructional plans, were all destroyed just before the Russians marched into Prague.

A model designed by Meithe, the constructor of V weapons, and also the closest of his assistants fell however into the hands of the Russians at Breslau.

Since the Russians entered Prague there has been no trace of the assistant.

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Well, that about winds up issue number one. We'll be back again in another thirty days or so with more news & views, including a Very Important Announcement.

James W. Moseley
EDITOR

We had planned to end this issue with the page you have just finished reading, but at the last minute we decided to include a book review. So here it is:

BOOK REVIEW:

"THE SAUCERS SPEAK" by Bailey and Williamson

"The Saucers Speak" is a must for the library of every saucer addict, because it gives the first account in book form of alleged contact by radio between humans and creatures from other worlds. A fascinating topic such as this is most certainly something that we all want to know about, and if the messages given in this book are really from space, the public now has its first real insight into the thinking of our friends from neighboring worlds.

However, we cannot say that we were overly impressed with "The Saucers Speak" either in regard to form or content. Granting that the facts presented are true, we still feel that they could have been brought out in a much more interesting manner. Only the first chapter is really entertaining; it recounts the story of a ham, identified only as "Mike", who claims to have received messages from space over a period of years. We suspect that the literary merit of this chapter may be due solely to the fact that most of it was lifted from an article that first appeared in the official organ of the American Radio Relay League. After chapter one, when Messrs. Bailey & Williamson are on their own, they fail to continue to hold the reader's interest. The psychic and radio messages they received are presented one after another, with little attempt to break up the monotony and repetition that soon becomes apparent; and finally the book is terminated by a series of post scripts and epilogues which show, to say the least, that the book was poorly organized.

In regard to content, we cannot help observing that the messages received by the authors are very strange indeed if we are to assume, as they do, that our space visitors are highly intelligent. Often a message begins with trivial remarks, quickly switches to some fundamental scientific or philosophical point, and then veers off again onto another tangent. It seems that the space men share the authors' inability to organize material well. In spite of the fact that the book is supposedly mainly about radio contacts, the vast majority of the messages given were received psychically rather than by radio. Though we feel that the latter means of communication is far more reliable than the former, we were nevertheless happy that the radio messages were kept down to a minimum, as they are sprinkled with meaningless words and letters which in some cases make them almost unintelligible. It is quite obvious that our space visitors have a lot to learn about the art of radio telegraphy, or else that "Mr. R." (the mysteriously anonymous radio ham) has a lot to learn about said art.

Further, we have met Mr. Bailey and Mr. Williamson and were not overly impressed with the objectivity of either man. We suspect that the rather odd scientific and philosophical statements attributed in "Saucers Speak" to the space-men only confirm beliefs that these two gentlemen held long before any contact with space creatures was ever made by them. We can hardly believe that life exists throughout the universe in human form, that evolution must be rejected in favor of divine creation, that the sun is a cold body rather than a hot one, that the Earth is scheduled to undergo great disasters in the near future, and so forth. Also we wonder why these space creatures, if kindly disposed toward us, do not convey these important and vital truths to the heads of governments rather than to obscure hams. Surely it is not inconceivable that radio contact with space-men can be made or has been made; but we are in hopes that whatever genuine messages may have been received

by mankind have been more sensible than these. If the messages received by Messrs. Bailey and Williamson were really from outer space, then we are indeed confronted with an extremely peculiar breed of life on our neighboring planets, and I for one am not in the least interested in meeting or speaking to these odd-thinking creatures.

Finally, we have also met "Mr. R.", and we are disturbed that he insists on remaining anonymous, particularly as we are not certain as to the real reason for his attitude. It seems to us that if these messages are genuine and if there was nothing illegal about the receipt of them, "Mr. R." should be proud and happy to be associated with the book he helped make possible. We are well aware of "Mr. R's" true identity but will not embarrass him by making public his name at this time. However, we are hoping that in due time "Mr. R." will change his mind and come forward voluntarily, to take his rightful place beside Mr. Bailey and Mr. Williamson, for we believe that whatever credit is due to these gentlemen should be shared equally by all three.

In conclusion, we reiterate that "The Saucers Speak" is a worthwhile book to read, if for no other reason because of the startling and sensational nature of its revelations. Not having been present at the time these messages were received, we cannot deny the possibility that they are valid, and if by chance they are, the authors of this book will assuredly go down in history as pioneers in the "New Age" of communication between planets.

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NEXT MONTH we will review the new book by Wilkins, called "Flying Saucers on the Attack."

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