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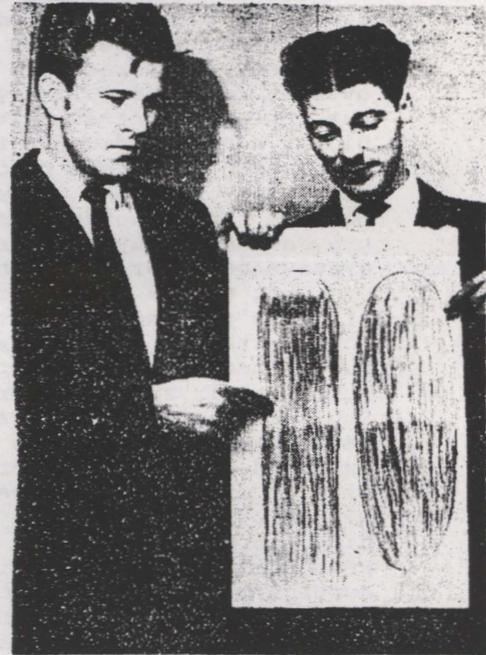
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De båda tefatsobservatorerna Hans Gustafsson t. v. och Stig Rydberg med en skiss som visar hur de båda observatorerna föreställer sig att två rymdmän anfallit dem i Domsten natten till den 20 december i fjol.

A Futurist Perspective; Out of Focus

The past few years has seen ufology inching it's way towards the threshold of science fiction. One only has to take a quick glimpse of an upcoming conference program or take a look at the so-called UFO best-seller, in the shop window, to see this downward trend. The general public has been inundated with "thrills" from the UFO community with such phrases as "A true story", "genuine documents", and "The best photos ever". Obviously for profit, sensationalism, or lust for the limelight a select few have been steering ufology away from scientific respectability. To further dump on the subject a new trend of thinking is now dominating the field and has pushed the "old way", i.e. objectivity, scrutiny, etc. next to the dinosaur. This new trend is called go-with-the-flow and don't question it. A good example of this can be found in the October issue of the MUFON Journal (p.10) "Unidentified Flying Objects: A Futurist Perspective", authored by MUFON Deputy Director John Schuessler. In his article Schuessler calls on the UFO community to practice an open mind and take a futurist viewpoint - definition: "people who appear to be open to all types of ideas; in fact they seem to be constantly searching for new information about the world and are never so happy as when they have found a genuinely exciting new idea...." He adds, "We futurists believe that the world will be shaped by human decisions and actions rather than divine fate. We use scientific means to study future possibilities rather than attempting to be fortune tellers or seers."

His article is mainly in defense of Moore and Lear. Schuessler cautions all to put aside criticisms. He also suggests, "to use the paradigms of Moore and Lear's work and extract the maximum value of their work."

Comment - With all respect to Schuessler, I find this comment extremely irrational. To suggest to someone to extract the maximum value of Moore's work is like telling someone to learn from Nixon about honest politics. Moore admitted at the 1989 MUFON symposium that he was knowingly recruited by government intelligence people to supply information on individuals within the UFO community, he spread disinformation and practiced deceptions. According to Moore, his prime source ex-OSI agent Doty, (code name Falcon) is a disinformant.

Schuessler adds, "Moore was treated disrespectfully at the conference" and further states, "some people feel Lear and Moore should be avoided". Comment - wasn't it Moore who refused to participate in the panel discussion? I find this behavior extremely disrespectful. After keeping an audience waiting for over an hour (most likely a theatrical stunt) to hear him bellow out the most controversial claims, charges and, allegations, he didn't have the decency to participate in the panel discussion. People paid good money to travel to the Las Vegas MUFON symposium and there was a total lack of consideration on Moore's part towards these people. Also, if his research is proven and worthy of extracting the maximum value, then why the evasive behavior? Does he have anything to hide?

Let's talk a bit more about being disrespectful. A copy of Moore's speech was not made available at Las Vegas. Instead Moore withheld his 18 page paper and sold it for ten dollars. MUFON then had to set a policy to require that future speakers submit their speech prior to the symposium. "William Moore Publications" were removed from the Arcturus Book service catalog in June 1989 due to exceedingly late and non-fulfilled paid orders. Furthermore, Moore has offered for sale a copy of a 20 minute video tape featuring Richard Doty explaining the 1980 Kirtland event, the video sold for \$29.95. CAUS member Rick Giordano borrowed a copy for viewing. On the third running of the tape it broke inside Giordano's VCR. A repair shop service man told Giordano the tape was the-bottom-of-the-barrel quality. A brochure Moore mailed out advertising the tape stated, "You can hear his voice and decide whether or not he is telling the truth. We know he is. See for yourself." In a nut-shell, Doty played a disinformation game with Linda Howe and fed her false information at a meeting she decribed in a sworn affidavit. This was admitted in Moore's Las Vegas speech where he boasted as to a "very effective deception it was." So Doty lied on Moore's tape, and Moore advertised it as the "truth" at \$29.95! (JUST CAUS - SPT. 89)

Lear on the other hand filtered into this subject the most hideous allegations and presented his "shock ufology" at public conferences, which included grammar schools. (we have this on video). Lear's tales ranged from 30 to 100 alien bodies being held at Wright-Patterson AFB, government UFO research is being financed by illegal drugs from Southeast Asia, to humans being mutilated by aliens. Yet, Schuessler states, "Some people feel that individuals like Lear and Moore should be avoided and ignored. They describe these outspoken men as crackpots and government agents. While this could be true, there is evidence to the contrary". Schuessler then, lists details of Lear's flight achievements and reminds all that Moore's a college graduate and spent 14 years teaching high school.

Comment: How can this be evidence to the contrary. Moore is bilking people within and outside the UFO community in a similar manner Jim Bakker took his followers at Hertiage Park. Is Schuessler saying it is o.k. to condone Moore's profit making tactics, because of his past occupations!

In reference to Lear, he has very impressive flight career, but again how is this evidence to the contrary! In fact, where is the evidence of Lear's claims? I have seen video's where Lear is passing off bogus documents as being related to authentic government research. Furthermore, Lear has leaned heavily on the Snowbird document which has not been proven to be related to UFOs at all.

Another futurist remark from Schuessler should concern a few people. Schuessler states, "UFO experts such as MUFON International Director Walter Andrus, Physicist Bruce Maccabee, Astronomer Peter Sturrock, Radiation Specialist Peter Rank,... have added another dimension to the search of alien life". Comment: To lump Sturrock and Rank into the category of Maccabee and Andrus is like lumping the Pope with the Jonestown cult. To state that Andrus and Maccabee have added another dimension to the search for extraterrestrial life is, with all respect, ludicrous! Andrus and Maccabee are both on record claiming extraterrestrials are visiting Gulf Breeze, FL. in grand fashion. In fact, Andrus is still pushing this claim with his recent trips to Europe and Great Britain. Furthermore, Maccabee is on record with allegations that the MJ-12 documents are authentic. When, on the contrary, it has been proven disinformation.

In the second paragraph Schuessler states, "futurists use scientific means to study future possibilities." At the conclusion of the article he says, "Try to resist impulse the next time you feel the need to criticize the work of another person." Comment: These two statements are in strong contrast with each other. First to be scientific is to test theories, find fault with them, debate them to see if they hold water. Not accept them at face value, and I'm sure Schuessler knows this.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek contributed most of his career to bring the subject of UFOs up to scientific respectability. He founded the Center for UFO research in 1972 and produced some of the most respectable papers in the field. Occasionally, when he was asked to define UFO phenomenon, Hynek often replied, "I define the UFO phenomenon as the continual flow of strange sightings and reports from all over the world. The patterns and contents of these reports constitute the UFO phenomenon. The phenomenon says nothing whatsoever about origin, nothing about little green men." (comment - Hynek might of used the term "little grey men" if he knew the downspin thinking that was going to overtake this subject shortly after his death) Now, comparing Hynek's definition of Ufology to "A Futurist Perspective" one can clearly distinguish the later, respectfully, can only hamper constructive progress towards scientific respectability. It promotes subjectivity when, on the contrary, UFO researchers/investigators must practice indiscriminate objectivity. Otherwise data may become diluted or altered through preconceived thoughts on the phenomenon. To conclude, Schuessler's article is a kind gesture in trying to place some harmony in a field that has currently gone awry. Unfortunately, "A Futurist Perspective" is one that is out of focus and can only lead ufology down the yellow-brick-road.

Communiques and Bits n' Pieces

Conference

The second symposium on Ball Lightningis to be held in Budapest, Hungary, on June 26-29 1990. The subjects of the four day conference will be:

- A. Properties of ball lightning, collection and evaluation of observations, case studies.
- B. Theoretical models, calculations.
- C. Experimental simulation.

There is a possibility to organize round-table discussions on subjects, suggested to the organizers. The final day of the conference will include a visit to sites where damage has been caused by ball lightning.

Approximate cost of participation is about \$200.00, including three meals a day, the excursion fee, and single room accomodation in the Hostel of the Technical University (optional). If you wish to present a paper or request more information, please inform Mr. George Eglely no later than 1 Dec. 1989 at Cent. Inst. for Physics, 1525 Budapest, P.O.B. 49 Hungary.

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Good Reading

Recently, I had a chance to catch up on some reading and, with a lot of the "zaniness" popping up on the bookshelves lately, it was refreshing to read a well compiled booklet entitled FIRE IN THE SKY - a 28 page case history two of the Buckinghamshire UFO movie film. This detailed piece of work by British UFO investigator/author Jenny Randles, takes the reader, step-by-step, through the investigative research process in search for an answer to the anomaly seen and filmed by amateur photographer Peter Day. Upon reading the several theories proposed by the investigators, i.e. aircraft fuel dump, F11 crash, astronomical, etc. and reading the scores of eyewitness accounts FIRE IN THE SKY leaves the reader to judge, for him/herself, what it was that was caught on film. Not only is this enjoyable reading, it could also serve as a reference tool in researching future photographic cases.

Price only \$5.00. Make checks payable to BUFORA, (c/o Jenny Randles) 37 Heathbank Rd., Cheadle Heath, Stockport Cheshire, SK3 OUP England.

Another book is on the market VISITATIONS? by Chris Rutkowski. Chris has studied the UFO phenomena for 15 years, and his writings on the subject have appeared in many books and magazines. In VISITATIONS?, he draws from the files of UFOROM (Ufology Research of Manitoba - over 700 UFO cases from Manitoba are on record) to describe the fascinating experiences of Manitobans. Includes:

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- Original sketches and photographs
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The Controversey Continues

It has come to my attention that the team of MJ-12 promoters, namely Moore and Friedman, have been receiving sympathy cards since the publishing of JUST CAUSE (Sept. 1989). The current issue of JUST CAUSE, through a careful-surgical dissection of Moore's suicide Las Vegas speech, proved MJ-12 a big lie, hence the death of MJ-12 and time to put it away. This quickly prompted a mailing of sympathy cards.

A response from Friedman on one such card dated 3 Oct. 89 is, "Reports on the death of MJ-12 and of my reputation seem to be premature to say the least. It is difficult to believe that an experienced investigator would be taken in by yet another silly argument by Phil Klass which I presume is the basis for your assumption of my demise. Based on his past ineptness as documented in my papers why would anybody blindly accept any of his arguments?? I realize that arm chair theorizing is a popular sport. But he has yet to even get on base, no less hit a homerun. I can't wait for the next strikeout...."

Ed. comment - Note how Friedman feels that investigators are being taken in by Klass. Who actually is doing the "Taking In"! Think about it.

From Bill Moore we hear, "Dear Mr. G., Thank you for the lovely card. Unfortunately, your sympathies are misplaced. Both MJ-12 and my credibility/reputation are alive and well. Perhaps you have allowed yourself to be led to a hasty conclusion based upon some of the false, inaccurate or misleading information that has been rampant in the UFO community lately...." (Ed.- my underline)

Moore also adds a P.S. on this 2 Oct. 89 letter, "I've had well over a hundred cards and letters come in since my presentation in Las Vegas. So far, the ratio has been eight-to-one in my favor."

Ed. comment - Do you think baseball great Pete Rose would touch those numbers?

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From the Letter Box!

On a more serious and sober note AAI founder Bob Boyd has been in touch. In a letter to this editor, earlier this past summer, Bob writes. "In 1988 I was instrumental in exposing the Gulf Breeze, Florida hoax. Shortly thereafter, I was excommunicated from MUFON because of their determination to collaborate with the perpetrator of the hoax. Subsequently, after much political maneuvering, the CUFOS organization succumbed to the GB-MUFON-FUFOR collaboration and failed to publicize verification of the hoax after promising me to do so, in writing.

By that time, at the end of 1988, my association with, what I now consider, UFO cult groups became non-existent. During the first six months of 1989, after much contemplation, I decided to continue with my studies of the actual phenomena independent of believer-based people and groups. I have no desire to be diverted by psychic hypnotists, artists of abduction dreams, extraterrestrial contactees and fictionalized "true story" entrepreneurs that commit fraud to steal money from the public.

These past one and one-half years have taught me as much about the state of "ufology" as I had learned during my previous thirteen and one-half years in the field. Enough to write a least one book. And that is exactly what I am doing. Currently, I am co-authoring a book with another associate. It is an understatement for me to relate that it will be like no book written on the subject before! In addition to the phenomenon, we will be taking a very detailed look at the "community", many influences in and on the field as well as the complete exposure of the Gulf Breeze Fraud.

Any offers of assistance towards obtaining a major house for publication would be greatly appreciated.

I wish to thank those of you that have written words of support and encouragement during these troubled times, both in confidence and openly. It has been a sobering experience to learn that others have had similar problems in that field of corruption."

A STARRY ENCOUNTER

We hear from the MI MUFON Newsletter (Oct. 1989) that MUFON State Director for Arizona, Hal Starr, had an encounter with an alien baby! According to Shirley Coyne (MI MUFON State Director), at an April meeting, Gordon Kellander told those in attendance how, on a recent trip to the western U.S., he stopped to visit Hal Starr and was told a "mind-boggling story". Starr's experience took place at the Santa Barbara Airport, just after Jim Mosely's National UFO Conference in CA. ParaNet member Jim Speiser and Hal Starr were waiting for a flight back to Phoenix when Speiser had to make a trip to the airport's lavatory. Starr stood in the airport lobby waiting for Speiser. A short woman, who appeared to be of Mexican-American descent, walked past him. The woman carried a baby wrapped, head to toe, in a blanket and passed just a few feet from Starr. At that moment the blanket slipped off the baby's head revealing the baby's face. Starr found himself confronted with an alien visage, containing large black oval eyes, no nose, and a tiny slit for a mouth. The baby\*turned it's head and stared at Starr who stood transfixed. The woman disappeared into the crowded airport. He did not try to follow her and a couple of minutes later Speiser returned from the lavatory. The incident had completely fled from Starr's memory until two weeks later. Starr states, "I call them the mind benders!" The Arizona State Director for MUFON related this incident to Shirley Coyne and John Dingley at the Las Vegas MUFON Symposium.

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RADIO T.V. LOG

- September 20 - Whitley Strieber appeared on NBC Unsolved  
8 P.M. Mysteries.
- September 20 - Whitley Strieber was a guest on CNN Larry  
King Show.
- September 21 - Whitley Strieber was a guest on ABC Good Morning  
7 A.M. America.
- September 21 - Whitley Strieber was a guest on CNN Sonya Live.
- October 10 - Mike Luckman (NYCUFOR) and Larry Bryant (CAUS)  
were guests on PBS, A Current Affair.
- October 11 - The Soviet CE-3 reports were carried on the  
following programs: NBC Today show with Tom  
Brokaw, ABC with Peter Jennings, FOX T.V. on  
A Current Affair. Also, CNN carried the reports  
throughout their daily programing.
- October 15 - CH. #38, aired a documentary on the 1917 Fatima  
event.
- October 25 - NBC, Unsolved Mysteries aired a segment on the  
8 P.M. Marfa Lights.

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RIDDLE

Q: What kind of tunes do aliens like listening to?  
A: Neptunes

"Hoax Exposed After Thirty Years"

Swedish APRO case never occurred

One of Sweden's internationally most well known UFO cases has been revealed, 30 years later, as a hoax. On Dec. 31, 1958, Stig Rydberg and Hans Gustafsson reported in Helsingborgs Dagblad, a south-Swedish newspaper, that they had witnessed a luminous, landed saucer and some very strange little creatures, near Domsten (1). The case immediately caught the attention of major Swedish newspapers, as well as the Swedish radio.

This, in 1959 quite unusual, contact story soon spread to international arenas, with reports in APRO Bulletin (2), Fate (3), Saucerian Bulletin (4), Flying Saucer Review (5) and UFO-Nachrichten (6).

But the global fame came through Coral Lorenens books "The Great Flying Saucer Hoax" (1962) and its revised paperback edition in 1966 (7). The story is detailed in numerous current books and magazines. Unfortunately, these authors contributed the case to BUFORA's recent "Phenomena" book (8) as an example of Swedish lore, before we learned it was a hoax.

The hoax was exposed after an 18 months investigation by Clas Svahn, who applied journalistic investigative techniques. He used the phone to interview a large number of participants, and made several trips to southern Sweden. Background details from newspapers, archives and correspondence files were collected as work proceeded.

The final results were published in April 1989, in a heavily documented report from AFU (9). This article is but a short English summary of that 88 pages long report.

The Story

Interested readers are referred to the Lorenzen books, and other sources mentioned in the notes, for more detailed versions of what allegedly happened. Let's just give a short summary, to jog your memory:

Stig Rydberg and Hans Gustafsson, claimed they had been driving from Hoganäs to Helsingborg, on the costal road near Öresund (the water between Sweden and Denmark). It was 3.00 a.m. on a December morning, a foggy night. They decided to stop for relief. In a glade to the right of the road they saw a strange light. The approached. The light had the shape of a saucer, on a tripod. Nearby, three or four loaf-shaped, 130 cm tall, lead gray creatures were moving about.

As they approached, Stig and Hans were caught by the creatures who tried to pull them towards the saucer. The beings were quick in their responses to Stig's and Hans's attempts to escape. They communicated with buzzing sounds, were soft to the touch, but still very strong.

Finally, Stig managed to get loose and back to the car. The beings concentrated their efforts on Hans, by now hanging in a horizontal position desperately clinging to a pole. Stig sounded the horn. As this happened the creatures loosened their grip of Hans (who fell to the ground) and ran into their saucer. The saucer took off with a whistling sound, towards Denmark.

Terrified the two young men sat, crying, in the car for about 15 minutes, before continuing. In the morning they told the story to close family members, who generally would not believe them. Finally, on Dec. 30, they decided to report to the local newspaper, Helsingborgs Dagblad.

Media Interest

Journalist Kjell Lusch took down their story and brought a photographer to the glade near Domsten. The two men claimed

that a shallow impression in the sand was a trace left by the saucer.

Journalist Lusch got a generally good impression from the two, and so, after a conference with his editor-in-chief, he decided to publish the story -- but with many reservations. At that moment, strange as it may seem, Stig and Hans had not told Lusch about their fight with the entities, and the incident was only vaguely dated to "a fortnight ago" (i.e. about Dec. 16-17).

On the new year of 1958/59, the story made headlines all over Sweden. On New Year's Eve, Stig and Hans were interviewed on the national radio's news. In the January 2 edition of Helsingborgs Dagblad, the fight and abduction attempt were mentioned for the very first time. Why delay their reporting of such an important phase in such a horrible story, asked skeptics.

Many tried to find rational explanations for what the two young men allegedly had seen. Explanations ranged from marsh gas and a flock of sheep to a whirlwind phenomena.

The Polish vessel Morska Wola had grounded in bad weather near Domsten on the morning of Dec. 15, and had been on the rocks until noon on Dec. 18. Bright lights from the vessel were visible from the shores. Had the young men mistaken lights from the ship?

When Stig and Hans learned about this theory in the newspapers, they gave - for the first time - a more precise dating: December 20. Was the date just a rationalization?

#### Controversy

Stig and Hans became the center of an open controversy, in the media, for about a month. A local doctor, Ingeborg Kjellin, vouched for the young men's mental sanity.

On Jan. 7, Sven Schalin, representative for NICAP in Sweden, taped an interview with them. He believed in the case, showed Stig and Hans some of the recent books on the subject and related some of the classical cases involving EM effects. At the end of the interview Stig hinted that his wish was to make a tour in space with "the good ones", not the creatures from Domsten. As time would show, his wishes would "come true"...

Schalins long report to NICAP was never published. NICAP had no interest in "little men stories".

The story was by now a national fame and military UFO investigators at the Defence Staff's Air Defence department were pressed for answers. Was there some kind of espionage involved? A combined military/police investigation took place in Helsingborg on Jan. 9, 1959.

Three military investigators came from Stockholm: Captain Lennart Bunke, psychologist Michael Wachter, and tele communications expert Sture Risberg. The team was aided by interrogation specialists from local branches of the security police. The incident site was visited two times during a 12 hour long investigation. The tapes resulted in a 14 pages long report. The security police, SAPO, released the report in 1987.

The group found weak points in the story, but no definitive answers. Could the weak pole support a man hanging horizontally, as the men had claimed? Stig claimed that the object "did not light up the surroundings". In that case, how could he see Hans hang from a pole as he came back to the car? When a reconstruction took place, late in the evening, Stig was caught with a contradiction and made a rather strange change to his story.

This made the investigators suspicious. On the other hand, the young men stubbornly kept to the main line of the story. During a pause in the interrogation a tape recorder was,

unknowingly to the men, recording their conversation while alone. The tape revealed no negative things that could break the story.

#### Hypnosis?

On Jan. 11, the case was investigated by a private team of two Helsingborg doctors, Lars-Erik Essen (a skin disease doctor) and William Hellsten (an orthopaedist), using hypnosis. This is probably the first time use of hypnosis in UFO investigations. Much has been made of this, despite the well known fact that hypnosis is no "truth serum".

In fact, the type of hypnosis employed in this case, "hypno analysis", is only a very light form of hypnosis. A kind of relaxation technique. Dr. Essen was against hypnosis where, contrary to hyno analysis, the subject has no free will of his own. During hypno analysis a strong mind could decide for himself what to say, so the method was no guarantee at all against untruthful stories.

In their reports to the press, the two doctors vouched for the case in general - but not for the creatures observed. They were probably misidentifications, they theorized. In a letter Essen stated that he had no faith in any stories about contacts with extraterrestrials.

Privately, the three doctors Essen, Hellsten, and Kjellin all had side interests in flying saucers and the occult. Essen was a member of the board of the Parthenon book company, and had, about one month before the Domsten affair, written a letter of recommendation, for the Parthenon group, to George Adamski. The good doctors could hardly be called impartial in this case.

On January 16, the Defence staff released its report. The verdict was negative, based mainly on the psychologists investigation of the two men's background. Stig was relieved from military service due to agoraphobia. The detailed findings of the military were published in Lorenzen's books, so we won't repeat them here.

#### Other Weak Points

Several other weak points were found in the police/military investigation, as well as during our follow-ups in 1987-89. For instance:

1. The two men gave conflicting versions on thr incidents prior to the saucer sighting, particularly in their time estimates.
2. Stig and Hans claimed they had been in the company of two young girls in the evening before the incident. Strangely, they could not identify these girls. Probably, they never existed.
3. Hans told the police that, prior to the incident, they had been to "Vengatan", a street-name in Hoganäs that never existed.
4. A check of the weather situation for the early hours of Dec. 20 shows that there could have been no fog. Instead there was a drizzling rain during the morning hours. The choice of Dec. 20 as the date was bad luck. Weather journals from three surrounding stations show a definite pattern: There was fog on the mornings of Dec. 18, Dec. 19, and Dec. 21 - but none at all on Dec. 20.
5. Stig is too precise in his estimates of the distances between the tripod legs of the saucer: 2.0 - 2.5 - 1.70 meters. Only one impression was found in the sand. Then, how could he reasonably know the exact distances between the other legs...?

What happened after the initial weeks does not strengthen the story. Immediately, Stig and Hans started a tour of heavy drinking, on nightly trips on the oresund ferries.

After publication of the story, they actively sought ways to get attention - and money. They toured south Sweden, visiting Lund, Malmo, Landskrona, and Stockholm to appear before audiences. Rydberg to a newspaper, "One cannot deny that there is a certain fascination to have experienced something so out of the ordinary". In another newspaper he claimed they had received some 5-6000 letters during the first two weeks, a rather too obvious exaggeration. There is also a tendency for embellishment of the story, for example with EM effects, when they were told such effects had occurred in other cases.

In Stockholm they met ufologist K. Gosta Rehn on five different occasions. Rehn was APRO representative for Sweden. He had reported the case to Coral Lorenzen in a letter as early as January 1, 1959. Rehn wrote a series of personal reports to Coral Lorenzen and APRO.

Rehn describes, in one of his letters, how on January 23, he to have Stig and Hans "talk" by feeding them liquor. Obviously they are more used to spirits than Rehn, they resist this crude attempt to get to the truth. "Apparently they could stand an awful lot", Rehn wrote.

Late in January, Stig and Hans made friends with a priest, Algot Engleson, a prominent local ufologist with a preference for the philosophical contactee stories. They spent an afternoon with Engleson's family and received, as a gift, the three newly published contactee books. Engleson was another board member of the Parthenon book company.

#### New Contact

It seems as no coincidence, then, when a few weeks later Stig and Hans, appear before a Copenhagen audience with a new, completely different contact story; Driving around in Helsingborg one day (no date given) they allegedly met a mysterious man who took them for a tour on the oresund in a small boat. A saucer came down and took them for a ride into space, where they chatted with nice-looking people dressed in "ski suits".

The story was obviously a Swedish variant of Adamski's contact. Noone believed in it (except, perhaps, Engleson?). In Copenhagen, Rehn questioned Stig and Hans separately, and got completely different versions of what had happened while in space.

Rehn faithfully reported the new "contact" in his letters to Lorenzen, who promised a note of this new turn of events in her Bulletin. The note never appeared.

In spite of the very strong indications of the fantasy-prone minds of the two young men, Rehn still preferred to view the first Domsten incident as genuine. Rehn's faith was not even rocked by Rydberg's attempt, in June 1959, to "sell" him a set of UFO photos. Rehn didn't buy the story, but reported it to Lorenzen.

Despite these - and other - strong indications of fraud, Rehn and Lorenzen held on to the first story and used it (with no comments on the aftermath) in two Swedish books (by Rehn) and two English books (by Lorenzen).

#### Alcoholism

Today, both Rydberg and Gustafson are dead - due to alcoholism. The Domsten affair took it's toll on both of them. "They both became very nervous and irritated", says Han's brother Bengt. In the end, before Hans untimely death, Stig and Hans became enemies.

When Clas Svahn investigated their backgrounds he found that both had shattered private life. Stig divorced his wife in May 1958. Hans divorced his wife in February 1960, but love had ended long before the Domsten affair.

Hans Gustafsson died in 1960. In his short lifetime of only 26 years he had lived in more than twenty places. On Nov 12, 1960, he shared a litre of snaps with friends, before making a ferry tour on the Oresund. More spirits were consumed and Hans climbed to the upper deck, where he fell off and disappeared, with no witnesses.

Stig Rydberg died in 1984. He was a drinker from early years, and resumed alcoholism after his divorce and the Domsten affair. Rydberg was found dead, age 56, in his apartment on March 4, 1984. He had been beaten up and left lying in the cold of a street, where he caught severe pneumonia that finally ended his life.

#### The Confessions

In the summer of 1960, shortly before his death, Hans Gustafsson met his brother Artur. Hans then confessed that the story had been a hoax. Hans was very regretful over the affair.

The ground impressions were made with a bottle. Hans planned to tell the story to a newspaper, but died shortly afterwards.

AFU's report on the case was reviewed in an article by Helsingborgs Dagblad on April 15, 1989. Two days later, Christian Johansen confirmed that he, too, knew the story was a hoax. Both Christian, and his mother, had been told the truth, but sworn to secrecy. As they read that the two men were dead, and that the hoax had been exposed, they finally felt free to disclose the facts.

Christian was only 14 years old when he sold tickets for lectures by the Domsten men; "The flying saucer was good business. I remember that they collected good money for their participation in a radio program. These guys had acting talents. Especially one of them. He could dupe anyone."

#### The Background

That this hoax occurred at this particular time and place is no wonder. Inspiration was available in the newspapers and magazines, in the book stores and on the radio. Other hoax stories (particularly two "photo cases" each of which involved two young men) occurred in Sweden and Denmark immediately after the Domsten affair.

The space age was born not more than one year before, when Sputnik was sent to the heavens on Oct. 4, 1957. This released a global interest in everything seen in the sky.

At the same time the Parthenon book company was founded in Helsingborg, where Stig and Hans lived. Parthenon published the Swedish edition of Leslie/Adamski's "Flying Saucers Have Landed" in 1957, and Adamski's "Inside the Space Ships", in 1958. The last weeks of 1958 also saw Daniel Fry's "The White Sands Incident" to complete a trio of "educational books". The books were reviewed and advertised in many of the south-Swedish newspapers.

In October 1958 the German saucer enthusiast Karl Veit visited Helsingborg on invitation by the Parthenon group. Karl Veit, publisher of UFO-Nachrichten, told his lecture audiences, in no unsure words, that friendly visitors from other planets were worried over nuclear bombs. The lectures were advertised and reported in south-Swedish media. Maybe Stig or Hans sat in the audience?

#### Inspirations for the Story

On Oct. 3, 1958, Helsingborg's Dagblad published a local

ghost story. A "ghost light" was reportedly seen, near a windmill a few kms from Domsten by two motorist, late on a foggy night. The readers were encouraged to go to the windmill to see the light for themselves. Maybe Stig and Hans did, and continued to spin on that yarn...

Another interesting piece for the Domsten hoax scenario was found in a "Tom Trick" science fiction cartoon series published in the Oct./Nov. issues (1958) of a wellknown Swedish weekly magazine:

Tom Trick and Pamela Parker land on a distant planet. Pamela is kidnapped (floating in a horizontal position) by a semi-transparent, greyish figure, seemingly made of rubber. The creature has quick reactions. Tom Trick returns to his spaceship (resting on a tripod like the Domsten saucer) where four similar creatures wait for him. They communicate with snorting sounds. As Tom reaches for one of them his arm is soft, like a sponge. The probably have no skeletons, Tom thinks.

Then, a most revealing parallell to the Domsten affair; Tom presses a device and a high-pitched whistling sound is heard. The sound scares the creatures. They tumble out of Tom's spaceship, holding their sensitive ears.

#### Conclusion

The hoax status of this Swedish "UFO case" has been proven, beyond any doubt. Although the two "witnesses" are dead, we have three people who attested that the main "percipients" had confessed the case as a hoax.

By checking different versions of the story against each other, and against known facts (such as the weather) we spotted many, very grave, indications of a hoax.

The Domsten story has implications for future ufology, not only in Sweden. It tells us that we cannot be sure of even a case that (seemingly) received a very detailed investigation, from many different parties.

The essential thing is evident to check on the personalities of main witnesses. Are they known as jokers, unreliable or alcoholics by their friends and neighbors? The story's never better than the man who tells it.

The Domsten affair implicates that we have a need to go through most of ufology's "basic" cases to see if they still stand up to our expectations. How many of ufology's dearest cases would still be valid after a detailed analysis such as the one performed in this case?

Ed. comment - Anders Liljegren and Clas Svahn, of Arkivet for UFO-forskning (AFU), are credited for the above article. Currently "AFU" is soliciting ghost rocket/RPV/cruise missile type reports. This past summer several new reports came to the attention of AFU, one of them from county Vasterbotten where the "ghost flier" wave started in 1933. A small three-foot missile with tiny wings was seen three times, flying along a valley over a long-stretched lake.

Anders Liljegren informed me, by letter (9-25-89), that "The sightings are hot potatoes for our defence staff. Local staff people now have orders to shut up on this phenomena. My colleague in this research was recently recommended by the Stockholm staff press spokesman to stay away from the subject. Of course, this makes us even more curious."

AFU welcomes comparison data from the US, any information on ghost-rocket/cruise type missile reports may be mailed to: Arkivet for UFO-forskning (AFU) box #11027, 600 11 Norrkoping 11 Sweden.

THE CROP CIRCLES: A "BREAKTHROUGH" FOR UFOLOGY?

By: Hilary Evans

Those of us who tend to be skeptical that there exists 'a' UFO phenomena have always expected that the most useful insights would come from 'outside' the subject - insofar as a phenomenon whose nature and even whose existence is disputed can be said to have an 'inside' and an 'outside'!

Hence, for example, the interest taken by Persinger, Devereux, Clarke and others in terrestrial phenomena which seem to correlate with sightings; hence, for another example, the interest others of us take in BOLs (Ball-of-light-phenomena) of all kinds.

So, no one should be too surprised if, in the course of seeking a solution to a problem which at first sight seems to have no connection with UFOs, findings should turn up which do bear on our subject.

Which is precisely what seems to have happened. The problem in question is that posed by the mysterious circles of flattened crops which appear during the summer months in the English countryside, for the most part in the south-western counties of Wiltshire and Gloucestershire.

Had it been a question of circles simple, single, and round, as should be any respectable circle, probably no one would have seen in them anything more than an anomalous meteorological happening of some sort. But the circles were frequently complex, and sophisticated in design, so much so that it seemed logical to look for an intelligent cause. From that thought to the idea that UFOs might be responsible, was just one step for those who are apt to blame the UFOs for anything that happens out of the ordinary (and there seem to be quite a few such people around!) So in no time there was a school of thought which was saying, frequently and to eager listeners, that the circles were caused by UFOs.

Which explains how BUFORA, somewhat against its will, became involved.

Against its will, because none of us in BUFORA believed UFOs were responsible. On the other hand, I can remember sitting around the table at a council meeting, insisting there was no chance that the circles could be natural in origin.

It seemed to me inconceivable that the circles could have been created without the deployment of intelligence in some form.

Well I was wrong. For Dr. Terence Meaden - a professional meteorologist - has shown, to my entire satisfaction and that of most members of BUFORA, that a natural explanation is available.

However, to say 'natural' is not to say 'known'. For what Meaden offers us is something altogether new to our knowledge of what nature can do. New, too, not only to laymen like me, but to his professional colleagues, many of whom still refuse to accept his explanation, on the grounds that it runs counter to received knowledge of atmospheric phenomena.

But that's only the start of it, so far as ufologists are concerned. This summer he gave us the long-awaited situation report on his researches, in the form of a book which is undoubtedly not a UFO-book. Yet which none the less is perhaps the most important contribution to UFO research to have been published in many years.

That is my opinion, but I am by no means alone. For example, when I sent a copy of Meaden's book to Dennis Stillings in St. Paul, his comment was as follows:

You are quite right. This book is the most important "UFO" book of the decade, and probably the most important book with regard to issues of physical evidence. The UFO game begins anew....

As you surely know, the director of the Archaeus Project isn't apt to scatter his praise around lightly, so his opinion should carry some weight. But, you may be wondering, how does Meaden's research into a meteorological mystery bear on UFO research?

Well, to summarise his findings with reckless

over-simplification, he found that the vortices which create the circles are frequently associated with luminous plasma, basically spherical in shape, but which can be elongated by air currents into cigar shapes, or flattened into discs.... Normally, moreover, these plasma have a 'metallic' appearance, and in addition, they have a lifetime of up to a half-hour....

It goes without saying that if such a phenomenon exists, it would be capable of explaining a part, and perhaps a large part, of those 'UFO' sightings which until now have defied explanation, whether on their own - as honestly-reported sightings of lights-in-the-sky - or as stimuli to more extravagant descriptions by suggestible witnesses who graft what they expect to see onto what they do see.

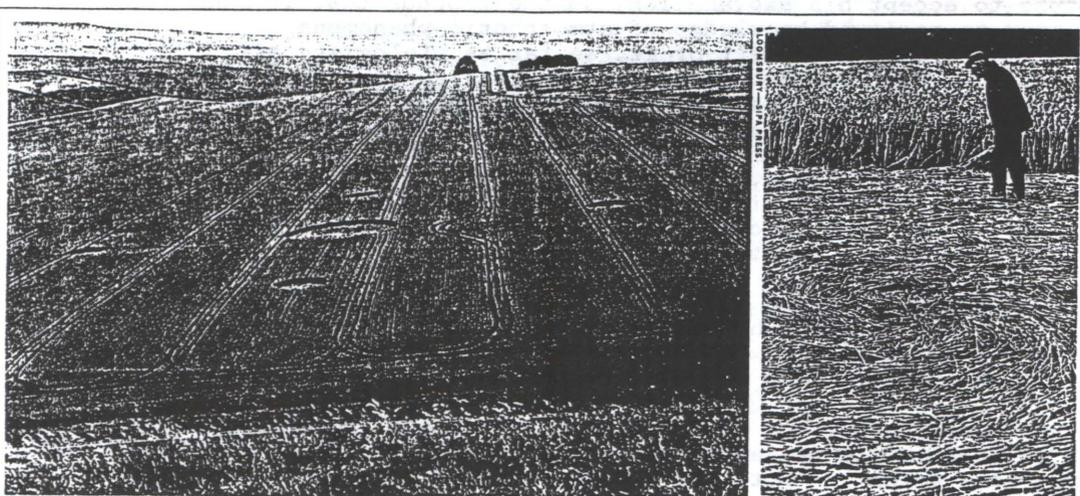
Do Dr. Meadon's plasma exist? Clearly, more research is urgently needed: but it is certain that the circles exist, and equally certain that something is causing them to exist. And Meadon's hypothesis is the front runner by several lengths.

Although he has yet given us no more than his provisional findings, such as they are, it is clear that they open out to us an important new avenue of approach to that elusive phenomenon to which we are accustomed, for want of a better name, to give that of UFO. As MJ-12 crumbles into powder of deceit and doubletalk; as the extravagances of Strieber and Hopkins force us to realise that abductions are a problem for the psychologist rather than the ufologist; as the much-vaunted 'Gulf Breeze' case reveals - perhaps once and for all - the pitfalls into which sincere and honest researchers can fall if they allow their enthusiasm to get the better of their prudence; at a time when ufology is in a ferment of re-evaluation and stock-talking, what is needed is something which manifestly exists independently of the testimony of witnesses; which offers potential for truly scientific investigation; and which offers to explain a substantial proportion of what has hitherto defied explanation. It seems that this is just what, thanks to those mysterious circles in the English cornfields, Terence Meadon is offering us.

\* Meadon, George Terence, *The Circle Effect and its Mysteries*, 1989. Price \$9.95. Can be purchased direct from: Artetech, 54 Frome Road, Bradford-on-Avon, BA15 1LD Great Britain: FAX 02216 5601.

Also of interest: Paul Fuller and Jenny Randles, *Controversy of the Circles*, puts the phenomenon into the UFO context and tells the history of the phenomenon as it has affected the UFO community. Published by BUFORA. (Publications officer: Mike Wootten, 103 Hove Avenue, Walthamstow, London E17 7NG, Great Britain.

Time: 9-18-89



An endless phantasmagoria: a complex formation near Andover in southern England

Examining the gentle swirling pattern

FIREBALL REPORTS

Australia - 12 November, 1639 GMT  
(13 November, 0039 local time  
Observer: Capt. J.B. Christie  
Location: 320 km NW of Derby  
(15.25° S, 121.40° E) on Qantas  
flight QFA 6, Singapore-Sidney  
1st sighting: Azim. 57°, alt. 15°  
End sighting: Azim. 57°, alt. 5°  
Duration: 5 seconds  
Brightness: Dazzling  
Color: Bright green  
Shape: Round  
Trail: Greenish, lasting 1-3  
seconds

Hawaii, USA - 11 November, 1121  
GMT (0121 HST)  
Observers: Michael Morrow &  
Phyllis Eide  
Location: Ewa Beach (21. 33° N,  
158. 05° W)  
1st sighting: Azim. 80°, alt. 12°  
End sighting: Azim. 75°, alt. 8°  
Duration: 1 second  
Apparent velocity: Fast  
Magnitude: -8 to -10  
Color: Yellow with orange tint  
Termination: Flared brightly  
and vanished  
above the horizon

Massachusetts, USA - 24 October,  
0250 GMT  
(23 October, 2250 EDT)  
Observers: Betty Lautner  
Location: Marblehead  
(42.51° N, 70.86° W)  
1st sighting: Azim. 65°, alt. 15°  
End sighting: Azim. 25°, alt. 10°  
Duration: 5 seconds  
Apparent Velocity: Slow  
Color: Blue  
Trail: Luminous, blue,  
lasted 5 seconds  
Sounds: Whistling  
Termination: Vanished above  
the horizon

Oregon, USA - 1 November 0139 GMT  
(31 October, 1739 PST)  
Observers: several  
1st sighting: Azim. 280°, alt. 45°  
End sighting: Azim. 260°, alt. 20°  
Duration: 2-3 seconds  
Magnitude: As bright as the full moon  
Color: Blue-green  
Shape: Teardrop  
Trail: Green-white with sparks  
Termination: Passed behind clouds

Texas, USA - 30 October, 0100 GMT  
(29 October, 1900 CST)  
Observers: Dan and Kathy Cook  
Location: El Paso (31.70° N,  
106.48° W)  
1st sighting: about alt. 30°  
End sighting: about alt. 20°  
Path: Moving NW-SE, fown at a 45° angle  
Duration: 3-4 seconds  
Magnitude: Brighter than the full moon  
Color: Bright white  
Trail: Short, smoky, lasting  
2-3 seconds  
Termination: Vanished above horizon

Zimbabwe - 7 may, 2145 GMT  
2345 South African standard  
Time)  
Observer: G.M. Calvert  
Location: Bulawayo (20. 23° S,  
28.31° E)  
Path: In the NNW sky, moving  
E-N at a 10° downward angle,  
ending about 2.5° below  
Arcturus  
Duration: < 1 second  
Apparent velocity: Fast  
Magnitude: Brighter than  
Venus  
Color: White-green  
Trail: Luminous, white  
Termination: Flared brightly  
and terminated above horizon

West Germany - 25 Oct. 2035  
GMT (2135 Mid-European Time  
Observers: Capt. and F/O of  
Lufthansa flight #991  
Location: Over Frankfurt (50.  
10° N, 8.69° E)  
1st sighting: Azim. 290°, alt  
25°  
End sighting: Azim. 295°, alt  
5°  
Duration: 3 seconds  
Magnitude: Brighter than the  
full moon  
Color: Purple and white  
Termination: Fragmented and  
vanished above the horizon

Colorado, USA - 28 OCT. 1845  
GMT (1145 MST)  
Observer: Kirk Schneider  
Location: Longmont (40.23° N,  
105.41° W)  
Path: In WNW sky, moving  
vertically down to horizon  
Duration: 1-2 seconds  
Magnitude: -8  
Color: Flame-red  
Trail: Smoky  
Termination: Passed behind  
mountain while still bright,  
sparks

Illinois, USA - 3 NOV. 0215  
GMT (2 NOV., 2015 CST)  
Observers: Bob & Beth  
Jorgensen  
Location: Pekin (40.42° N,  
89.34° W)  
Path: In the SSE sky, moving  
E-W, N of Delphinus  
Duration: 3 seconds  
Apparent Velocity: Medium  
Magnitude: As bright as the  
full moon  
Color: Yellow-white  
Termination: Flared brightly  
and vanished above the  
horizon

## UFOs and cancer?

A rather unusual theory has been proposed regarding the biologic effects of electromagnetic fields.<sup>1</sup> It has been suggested that individuals living in areas where underground rock strain generates electromagnetic radiation may be prone to increased carcinogenic effects.<sup>2</sup> Several geographic locations with associated observed luminosities, including at least one Canadian site, have been denoted.<sup>3</sup>

This so-called tectonic strain theory attempts to correlate luminous atmospheric phenomena with a variety of neuropsychiatric, psychologic and neurobiologic effects. Although it has been suggested that magnetic fields may be associated with a higher incidence of brain tumours, other studies have found that this relationship is not well established.<sup>4,5</sup>

Proponents of this theory, including a Canadian neurophysiologist, attempt to provide support for their hypothesis by linking several remotely related but generally unproven concepts: that luminous atmospheric phenomena are associated with tectonic activity; that tectonic activity is associated with the emission of electromagnetic radiation; and that there can be electromagnetic induction of brain tumours. The unfounded conclusion is that luminous atmospheric phenomena are associated temporally and geographically with an increased incidence of brain tumours and neurobiologic disturbances. Although there is some evidence to support elements of these effects (e.g., the inconsistent and poorly understood detection of emitted electromagnetic energy during some seismic events<sup>6</sup>), the actual physical mechanism that might drive the effects has not been established.<sup>7</sup>

Our concern is that a theory that implies a novel environmental carcinogenic effect should be supported by a substantial body of scientific evidence before being formally announced. The tectonic strain theory uses circumstantial evidence and statistical correlations rather than empirical data to imply a relation between seismic events and physiologic effects. And as for the observed luminous objects, many of the incidents used as data in the statistical studies have been shown to have more mundane optical and physiological explanations.<sup>8,9</sup>

Proponents of the tectonic strain theory tend to respond to criticism by offering more correlations of questionable data and by claiming that their theory is

an example of a broad, interdisciplinary phenomenon that is difficult to comprehend.<sup>9</sup> However, it is precisely for this reason that extreme caution should be used in the presentation of the theory, especially when statements are made about health implications for the general populace, which is already nervous and ill-informed about many aspects of environmental hazards. Far-reaching statements should be preceded by quantitative and empirical studies, not circumstantial inference.

We feel that before it can be suggested that luminous aerial phenomena are evidence that seismic radiation will raise the incidence of cancer in the geographic vicinity of the phenomena the physical mechanism to produce such effects should be at least partially understood. Despite the large number of papers describing the tectonic strain theory the evidence that it reflects a real phenomenon is not convincing. Both geophysicists and medical researchers should be aware of the tenuous nature of the theory's foundation.

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### A MAJOR DISCOVERY

Researchers have been aware of the existence of strange and exotic aerial phenomena for centuries. Journals like "Nature," "Scientific American," etc., have contributed reports of such things as "beard" lightning and "ball" lightning, for example.

We can now announce a major scientific discovery after decades of research and experimentation with oodles of technical equipment. It appears that two new forces of nature exist:

#### "Beard" Lightning and "Bald" Lightning!!!

These two little-understood but often-seen forces have delighted witnesses with spectacular explosive displays for the twenty years since they were first recorded. Usually described as very colorful, the displays can be seen over long distances and last from minutes to several hours. Recording instruments have determined only that "Beard" lightning possesses a strong positive charge, while "Bald" lightning has an extremely negative charge. Psychological effects on witnesses have ranged from frustration and depression to anger, laughter and euphoria. Headaches and stomach distress, along with an uncontrollable dribbling at the mouth, are common reports from witnesses of these displays.

WARNING: Close proximity of these two forces to each other can produce a blast in the megaton range. Advise dark clothing and hat, and sunglasses when observing.

Til next time! BG

\*\* THE NIPPON T.V. INTERVIEW \*\*(conclusion)

CL: Charles Lee (Interviewer)-Nippon T.V.), BG: Barry Greenwood  
LF: Larry Fawcett.

BG: Well, I first wrote about MJ-12 in 1985 when I heard rumors from a researcher out in California that something was afoot as far as new documents were being released. He gave me some basic information and reported that he had seen a document that a government official had shown him, where he worked. He told me what he could about it and I did some research into names and dates that he passed on and the story made sense, originally. I found biographies about some very highly placed government officials who are mentioned as being members of a panel brought together in the forties to analyze a crashed UFO. And it created a sensation at the time but the story had quieted down until 1987 when some new documents were discovered, including the one my original contact had seen. Those were publicly released for the first time ever and the story broke in London, England. I was called by a newspaper and they had asked me questions about it. I did receive some information about the documents just prior to the phone call which cast a bit of doubt on them. So I told the reporter that while I'm aware of the story and we were looking into it I'm having a few problems with it. Some of the documents didn't look real. So that was reported worldwide and shortly after that I was contacted by the researchers involved in the story and they questioned me about my doubts. I had a debate with them over the phone echoing my problems with it. Well over that summer, that was 1987, I had done quite a bit of research along with several other researchers into whether the documents were real or whether they were manufactured. I had come to the conclusion that the documents were not genuine government documents. I could not trace an official source for any of them except one. That one is called the Cutler Twining memo, it reported the existence of the group, MJ-12, which operated throughout the forties and fifties and, according to the stories, even exists now. When I asked the archivist at the National Archives, where the document was discovered, about this report he related difficulties in tracing the document. It was found in an official box, in an official file folder from Air Force Intelligence, but it had traces that the document was planted there instead of being sent there by the Air Force. Someone could have come in, put the document in a folder while doing other research, and then left it there for someone else to discover. The government would have no way of tell whether or not that document was real unless they did a lot of research. Originally they concluded that it was real but later they issued a press release saying yes we're aware that there are problems with it.

CL: That MJ-12 document, that's faked or hoaxed, whoever prepared such document must have much knowledge of what was actually going on ?

LF: Well, we traced some of the participants, one of the participants you might say and maybe two of his allies. Some of the MJ-12 material that was presented to our attorney, back in 1982 Peter Gesten, by an agent within OSI Richard Doty. Back in 1982 he was telling our attorney the same information that's in the MJ-12 papers.

BG: This was before the documents were released.

CL: Explain who is Richard Doty ?

LF: He used to be in the U.S. Air Force he worked for OSI, Air Force OSI.

CL: What's OSI ?

BG: Office of Special Investigation. It's concerned mainly with investigating drugs, it's very much like an Air Force FBI.

LF: We found that Richard Doty has involvement in UFO's prior to that also. There was another document that surfaced years ago that involved something that happened at Ellsworth AFB, that we found he's involved with. This document also turned out to be a hoax.

BG: When we first heard of Richard Doty in 1983 when we had some material released from Kirtland AFB, New Mexico, he had signed a sighting report involving a number of landings at Kirtland in August of 1980. We didn't know much about him at the time but as time went along we found out he had connections to

two previous document releases both of which were very very suspicious. One in 1977 at Ellsworth AFB and then an anonymous letter allegedly sent by U.S. Air Force airmen discussing a very spectacular sighting report and the consequences. And Doty's name was mentioned in that anonymous letter.

CL: So he has a working knowledge of the phenomena. Plus his father was involved.

BG: His father was an investigator for Project Blue Book in the 60's. So we knew he had a background in the subject.

CL: So maybe it's a theory, Richard Doty could be the one who prepared the Majestic 12 document.

BG: We feel it's more than a theory. We're convinced that he was behind much of the story.

CL: Richard Doty, is he still alive ?

BG: Oh yes, he's still around.

CL: If we ask for an interview do you think he will answer alright ?

LF: Give it a try. You got to remember, those people that are touting the MJ-12 documents, when you talk to them, they are going to tell you that this is not the Richard Doty we got the information from. There are two Richard Doty's they're going to tell you.

BG: I'll give you his address.

CL: O.K. that's fine.

CL: So you two believe that the MJ-12 memo is not authentic ?

BG: Right. We're convinced that it's not legitimate government documentation.

CL: You do have supporting evidence ?

BG: Right. We did a twenty two page report in September of 1987 giving our reasons why the documents were false and there has also been a number of other papers by other researchers raising very serious questions about the story.

LF: There's a lot of problems with the documents in this country today. A lot of the researchers are now agreeing with us, if you will. There are definitely bad problems.

CL: This Richard Doty, can he any chance be involved with JMP ?

BG: We have know way of knowing.

LF: We don't know who JMP is.

BG: The only thing we received was just one press release, an unsigned letter, discussing JMP. It was post marked Van Nuys California but the inside letter said it was from San Antonio. There was no address so we couldn't contact them, they used our group as a reference at the end and we know nothing about them. So we don't endorse them and we've seen nothing since. So we have no idea where they came from.

CL: So we're not sure that if the JMP group exists or not ?

BG: It exists but we don't know who is behind it.

CL: So it could be an individual or it could be a group ?

BG: Right.

LF: We had said to them if you have evidence come to us and we haven't heard anything.

CL: Let me ask you a few questions on your book Clear Intent that you both worked on together. I have read the Japanese version. In that book you talk about the Roswell case in 1947. How did you proceed in the investigation of this ?

BG: Well we weren't the prime investigators of that story. We were recording results by two other investigators, William Moore and Stanton Friedman, who had concluded that there was certainly something to the story. And there were a small number of government releases on the Roswell incident which say that something happened, something crashed. But we feel that there is not enough evidence to say it was an alien spaceship. They would dispute that, they feel they have hard evidence on it. But we try to base most of our conclusions on released information, documents, and whatever else might be behind the scenes. We've seen enough to show that an incident occurred but

what it is we just can't say right now.

CL: Can you explain to us, briefly, what your book covers ?

LF: Our book covers a span of twenty years or thirty years of government involvement into the phenomena. From the early days of the investigations all the way up to the involvement by the Central Intelligence Agency, the FBI, NSA, and right up to the present time when the book was published.

CL: Is there any new case that you are working on, any new documents that came up recently that you would like to share with us ?

LF: We are working on a couple of things that we haven't got yet from the government. We're waiting for a fifty-one page release from the Department of Energy. We don't even know if we're going to get anything in it.

CL: What does this Department of Energy document concern ?

LF: It dealt with a document that was found, incidentally in the same file as the Cutler Twining memo, and it had been pulled out due to national security, I think, but now they're going to release it to us so I can't really say what is in it because I haven't seen it yet.

BG: There was a suggestion that it related to UFOs somehow but we're still waiting for it to be released.

CL: Is there any case you are working on particularly ?

BG: At the present time no although over the last year we had a number of stories come from the U.S. Coast Guard which related some very interesting incidents. Some were off the Atlantic coast, some around the Great Lakes near Ohio, and we found those incidents to be very intriguing but the Coast Guard is not considered, again like the FBI, to be a very high security agency. We are very lucky to get material from them and it seems to be from time to time we do get casework referred to us from that direction.

CL: I would like to ask your profession ?

LF: I'm a police lieutenant here in this town in Coventry CT. I've been a police officer for twenty years.

CL: Have you seen an Unidentified Flying Object ?

LF: Yes I have.

CL: How many times ?

LF: Once.

CL: Where at ?

LF: In 1965 over Manchester CT.

CL: Did that raise your interest ?

LF: Yes, prior to the 65 incident I had no interest in UFOs whatsoever. I believed what the government was telling the public and I believe what I read in the papers. But after that sighting which was very close, it was only 250 yards away in broad daylight, and I watched an object come down and stop over an electrical sub-station and tap the electricity from the sub-station and subsequently the lights in the town of Manchester went out. From that incident I reported that to Pease Air Force Base, to the desk sergeant up there, and I was told at the time, back in 1965, that I would be visited by somebody from Wright-Patterson AFB or contacted by somebody from Wright-Patterson AFB. That was 1965, it's now 1989 and I'm still waiting for them chaps to call me. So it showed me the kind of interest that they would do in a very good sighting. What I call good was there was multiple witnesses to that event.

CL: How about you Barry ?

BG: I've been working for the U.S. Postal Service for the last nineteen years and I've been involved in mail processing and financial work. It has nothing to do with UFOs, it gives me the money to do my research.

CL: Any UFO sightings in the past ?

BG: No. nothing to speak of. I've seen unexplained lights in the sky but nothing detailed.

CL: Thank You so much.