

EDITORIALS

BIG LITERARY CONTEST TO BE HELD BY SAUCER NEWS: The Editors of SAUCER NEWS hereby announce a literary contest, the winner of which will receive a \$50 cash prize and a lifetime subscription to our quarterly magazine and non-scheduled Confidential Newsletter. The second place winner will receive a \$10 cash prize. Rules of the contest are as follows:

1. To be eligible, articles must be submitted not later than February 15th, 1961.
2. Entries should be 2,500 words or less. They must be typed double-spaced on standard-sized typewriter paper, leaving a wide margin at the left for corrections.
3. Anyone is eligible to enter, except members of the SAUCER NEWS Staff and regular contributors such as Justin Case and Dr. Leon Davidson, who, though not members of the Staff, are closely associated with it.
4. Articles must have as their theme some phase of flying saucer research or a related topic. Entries will be judged in regard to the following criteria: (A) Factual content; (B) Reader interest; (C) Excellence of style.
5. The articles will be judged by the SAUCER NEWS Staff, consisting of James W. Moseley, Y. N. ibn A'haron, John Marana, Theodore Hunt, Fred Broman, Steve Levendakes, and Richard Cohen. The decision of the judges will be final.
6. The winners will be notified by mail, and the first prize article will be published in either the March or June 1961 issue of SAUCER NEWS.
7. No entries can be returned. All articles submitted become the property of the Saucer and Unexplained Celestial Events Research Society, and can be used in future issues of SAUCER NEWS if the Staff so desires.
8. As always, we reserve the right to cut and edit any articles that we publish.

ARE YOU ON OUR SPECIAL NEWSLETTER MAILING LIST? Since December, 1955, irregularly-issued Confidential Newsletters have been made available to SAUCER NEWS subscribers who want to be on the inside of the strange and baffling behind-the-scenes events in saucer research. These Newsletters usually contain material that we consider "too hot to handle" in the regularly-scheduled issues of our magazine. Any SAUCER NEWS subscriber in good standing can be placed on the special Newsletter mailing list for the price of \$1.00. - The latest Newsletter, Number Eleven, gives the inside story of the weird "psychic blood" incident at the 1960 Giant Rock Convention.

SIX THOUSAND SAUCER CLIPPINGS STILL FOR SALE: As we have mentioned before, your Editor wishes to sell a collection of well over 6,000 saucer clippings covering the years 1954 to 1960. If interested, please contact us.

THE FOLLOWING BACK ISSUES OF S. N. ARE STILL AVAILABLE: #1; 2; 3; 8 through 11; 13; 17 through 28; and 30 through 41. All are 3 for \$1.00 except #1 and #27 (the Special Adamski Expose Issue), which sell for \$1.00 each. - Also available are a very few copies of Air Force Project Blue Book Special Report #14, which is the 80-page official Air Force report on flying saucers, issued in 1957. The book contains a 10-page introduction by Dr. Leon Davidson.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORLetters Concerning the September Issue

It looks like Gray Barker pulled another publicity stunt at the Giant Rock Convention, with that "psychic blood" trick. I think I know how he pulled that one off and where he got the blood....

It is most peculiar about these confessions on the Long John Show from Howard Menger and now Mr. Lucchesi. What psychological reasons compel a man to confess his sins in public? It is rather odd that you now admit Mr. Lucchesi was the source of your information for the "radiation theory" article in the June-July 1956 SAUCER NEWS. You were not kind enough at the time to acknowledge your source, and presented the material as your own, giving no credit to Mr. Lucchesi. Now comes time to discredit Mr. Lucchesi. This is the sort of thing Mr. Palmer does. He first presented his polar theory without giving credit to Giannini, his source, and once Giannini was disproven, Palmer then acknowledged his source and pointed the guilty finger the other way.....You labeled your article "The Solution to the Flying Saucer Mystery," and now you admit it consisted only of the theories of Mr. Lucchesi rather than actual facts. Thus it must now be admitted that James W. Moseley doesn't really know the solution to the saucer mystery as implied and stated in that article. This is something I have long suspected. Thanks a lot for publishing Mr. Lucchesi's confession. You thought you would only be discrediting his reputation and forgot that at the same time you are also discrediting yourself....

RICHARD OGDEN

Seattle, Washington

(Editor's Note: Mr. Ogden also wrote us, just before the Democratic National Convention, saying that his beautiful lady scientist from the planet Neptune had changed her mind regarding the first of the 12 predictions in Ogden's article. Just in time, she corrected herself and stated that Kennedy rather than Stevenson would win the Democratic nomination for president. She also promised that there would be no further corrections regarding the other 11 predictions)

What have you heard concerning the unexplained Holdcroft air crash mystery? Do you know the outcome of the various investigations connected therewith? How can an airliner pancake perfectly through 50 to 75-foot-tall trees, with not a tree touched ten feet in front or back of it?.....Why don't you expound on these and other noteworthy items?

I wonder who you really are. I have a theory that I cannot prove. Anyone as skeptical about the origin of UFO's as you are, would not exhibit the keen interest in the subject that you show. This and other reasons have led me to believe that you came from "somewhere" to dispel certain beliefs of people who are close to the truth.....I don't really expect a reply from this letter.

AUDLEY H. WOODALL, Norfolk, Virginia

SAUCER NEWS is highly fascinating though somewhat controversial in its outlook, and it is my belief that it should be read by unbiased UFO researchers who are not afraid to have some of their pet ideas challenged. The U.S.A. is not the only country plagued with saucer hoaxsters and spiritualistic hypocrites. We have a good share of them here, and have come to the conclusion that their motives are nothing but mere exploitation. We need a magazine like SAUCER NEWS to expose such people in a fair and just way....

SUSANNE STEBBING (Secretary, London Unidentified Flying Object Research Organization)

London, England

Thanks for your September issue. It should be preserved in some sort of New Age preservative, as it will be for posterity an item of Americana. You reported about the crackpotish cynical saucerers at Giant Rock in a way which amused me greatly.

If I had not learned that the True Sight people had lowered themselves to attend such a free-for-all, I would have believed that they have something; in fact, I still do, for I have read about them for years....

MARY J. HYDE
Alexandria, Virginia

I received the September SAUCER NEWS today, and on the cover was a news item about the Giant Rock Convention. A Miss Daryle Nieman of Hollywood, California, mentioned that she once saw a space animal, a rabbit-cat called Mika. I also read in today's Sentinel about one such animal in Sanford, a town which is only about twenty miles from here. I am sending you the clipping, and thought you might be interested. Surely I don't believe in such a thing as a "space animal," but I thought it quite a co-incidence to read about it on the same day that I saw the article in SAUCER NEWS....

I enjoy reading your magazine very much, and always pass it on to my eighty-year-old mother, who is quite interested in saucers, and in all other news, political and otherwise.

MRS. MILLIE E. POPPE
Orlando, Florida

(Editor's Note: See Page 15, line 4, for the story of the Florida "space animal.")

I would like to introduce myself as the proud mother of Daryle Nieman....I wish to express my appreciation for the lovely article and picture you printed of my daughter in your September issue. She looks a little rumpled and dusty to pass for what the well-dressed model calls good grooming, but to be linked with this "Truth" publicity makes the picture secondary.

Although I can't imagine what it is like to sit on the fence, neither rejecting nor whole-heartedly accepting the "Truth" about saucers, I really must admit that I enjoy your light-hearted approach to the subject. A person is not able to ascertain whether or not....you are "a little bit hopeful" of being convinced that you can receive help outside the confines of this minute planet Earth. I really wish I could have the pleasure of an honest-to-goodness airing of our views and real "proofs" as to the pro and con of this "Truth." Somehow I feel it would be a really enjoyable discussion even if you couldn't accept what we know to be true. Your remarkable sense of humor would make it worthwhile, I'm sure!

You, like so many people of high intellect, remind me of a child that can only believe in the reality of a piece of candy if he can eat it!.... There is a parallel here concerning our trying to live our lives with only the limited knowledge of this world, in contrast to that enormous help offered us from those on more developed planets....You might appear to treat this subject a little too lightly to suit many of us, but I must say that in your own way, you are doing much to further the Cause. In a way, you are the link between the Believers and the Unbelievers. While people may read your slightly ridiculing remarks on the experiences of the very fortunate and all too few "contactees" and laugh with you, they are nevertheless hearing the truth. Thus you are offering the public a sugar-coated pill, if you care to compare wonderful help to a pill! The only way they resemble each other is the fact that they are both necessary for our welfare....

MRS. ELMOR NIEMAN, Hollywood, Calif.

I liked your reporting and pictures of the Giant Rock Convention very much.....but there was one item in your story that I take exception to, and which prompts me to write you this letter. I refer to your reporting of the Yada di Shi'ite lecture through the mediumship of Mark Probert, which was written in your customary style of skepticism and tongue-in-cheek attitude.

Those of us who have followed the fortunes of Mark and Irene Probert and their Inner Circle can testify to the high quality of the communications from members of the Inner Circle - among them such topics as Creation, Archetype of Plurality, the Importance of Emotional Control, the Science of Teaching, and many others, all showing a high degree of intelligence and knowledge of world problems ancient and modern.

There was a meeting in Los Angeles with about 300 in attendance, including several professors from Cal Tech, who bombarded the Yada with many questions concerning science, etc. They were amazed at the relevancy and knowledge of the subject revealed in his answers. A new book, a deluxe edition of the Magic Bag with lectures and portraits of members of the Inner Circle will be off the press this year; so I ask you in the event that you attend next year's Convention or have the opportunity to listen to the Yada again, listen a little more attentively, and if possible be a little more cheritable in your comments....

JOHN A. MORRILL
Gonzales, California

Thank you for your fearless reporting of the analysis of the blood spots appearing at the Van Tassel Convention.....It is never easy to tell the truth, especially if it is to be told in plainer language than others might choose....

LAURA MUNDO (MARKER)
Co-Founder, The Planetary Center
Dearborn, Michigan

(Editor's Note: The above letter refers to our Confidential Newsletter #11, issued in conjunction with the September issue of SAUCER NEWS, and available only to those on our special Newsletter mailing list.)

I haven't gotten around to buying Keyhoe's latest book, but I'm sure the explanation of his touchiness is not any real form of paranoia, but rather acute frustration due to the military run-around he has been getting for so many years....

FRANK REID
Chicago, Illinois

Your review of the new Keyhoe book was very good. I have read it and I agree with you that he has not brought out any new facts of any real importance. It seems that one reaches the point of diminishing returns in writing several books on the same subject, as he has done. In a mystery as frustrating as flying saucers, even a good writer like Major Keyhoe must find it necessary eventually to "gild the lilly" in order to keep public interest from passing on to other subjects....

Of course, you must admit that SAUCER NEWS is guilty of the same sort of thing, and your September issue is a good example of this. Why your sudden interest in the goings-on at the Giant Rock Convention? In previous years you barely mentioned the Convention, and now you devote several pages to it, perhaps in the hope of regaining the readership of the "lunatic fringe" saucerers who go in for such things.....Even so, SAUCER NEWS continues to be the most interesting and best written of the saucer magazines still being published, and I shall go on subscribing till "the last cup and saucer."

FRED S. BURBANK
New York, N.Y.

A NOTE ON THE EVOLUTION OF EXTRATERRESTRIALISM

- by Y. N. ibn A'haron, B.D., S.T.M. -

Last February 9th, a Soviet scientist, one Comrade M. A. Agrest, Master of Mathematical Sciences, received world-wide attention for his suggestion that "Sodom and Gomorrah might have been destroyed by a nuclear explosion set off by invaders from Outer Space." The article, under the by-line of staff writers Valentin and Cherenko, appeared in Moscow's famed Literary Gazette. An English translation was published in the May issue of England's Flying Saucer Review.

A close reading of the full text gives a far different picture of Kandidat Agrest's theories than is to be had from the various wire service stories. These stories excited a great furor among those who rule our world in the name of science, much as the God of Israel ruled his world in the name of Holiness. A few of these modern gods went so far as to say that Agrest was spoofing his public. Others circulated rumors to the effect that the article was contrary to official Soviet policy, and had been suppressed within hours after it went on sale in the Russian capital.

It will be our purpose here to explore these charges, and to evaluate the objective worth of Agrest's suggestions, both as they represent scientific thought in the Soviet Union today, and as they deal with the material which we have presented in SAUCER NEWS for the past four years.

To those who claim that Agrest was spoofing his public or running counter to official Soviet policy, I would like to note that his purpose in making the pronouncement is cogently explained in the next to last paragraph of the English translation: "The search for traces of a possible visit to our planet by envoys from other worlds is worthwhile. It is worthwhile not simply out of curiosity, and not merely because it would constitute yet a further blow struck against the religious interpretation of ancient documents. If traces left by the space travelers are in fact found, it will be visible confirmation of the old idea of the plurality of inhabited worlds, and will uphold the correctness of our conviction that neither time nor distance will prevent us from reaching the stars."

Is this against Soviet policy, and are the Russians joking when they attack religion and plan their travels among the stars? Here is still another instance in which American "experts" depended on the wire services for full and complete news coverage - and were disappointed in this expectation.

As for censorship, the Literary Gazette is never available for more than a few hours after it hits the streets, and it is possible that the particular issue containing the Valentin-Cherenko article sold out all the sooner on that account. I know for a fact, however, that this issue was on sale here in New York within five days of its appearance in Moscow. Had the hand of the censor fallen upon it, this could hardly have been the case.

Agrest's statements created a sensation not because of the man's scientific background, but because he claimed to have adduced new evidence bearing on the question. An examination of the full text of his article shows that this claim was unfounded. The worthy Kandidat has merely reiterated the usual arguments for extraterrestrial visitation as they have appeared in science-fiction magazines from time immemorial, and in the writings of H.P. Blavatsky. These arguments are about Baalbek, the Tektites, Sacsuhuaman, and the habits of the ancient priests. Agrest's emphasis on the Israelite priests as men of science, and his hypothesis about Sodom and Gomorrah, were borrowed directly from recent articles appearing under my name.

In the December 1958 issue of SAUCER NEWS, I spoke of "the nuclear destruction of the cities of Ssi-doma and Gam-orah." In another place, I

pointed out that in Hebrew, Lot's wife was turned into melakh, and that melakh might refer to a radioactive or chemical salt, not necessarily to table salt, as is often assumed. Even more to the point, however, is the article I published in the November 1959 edition of "Fantastic Universe Science Fiction," a publication which was received by many Soviet libraries through their New York subscription agencies. I called the article "The Sinister Flame," and in the course of it, I discussed in greater detail the immolation by fire of the sons of Aaron, while offering up sacrifices in the Sanctuary, and the episodes attendant on Y'hova's visits to Mt. Sinai. For example, I said: "The potential dangers of the situation, and the perilous toxicity of the Holy Fire are most explicitly outlined in the twentieth chapter of Exodus. The entire affair is somewhat reminiscent of a launching at one of the rocket testing sites.....A careful reading of this passage bears an interesting resemblance in its 'sanctifying' provisions to the precautionary measures and instructions distributed by the Office of the Director of Civil Defense Mobilization to meet the contingency of an atomic attack."

It seems to me that the lapse of time between the appearance of my article and the issuance of the Agrest statement is just about what modern trans-Atlantic postal service and Soviet editorial practice would necessitate - just about three months. I have pointed this out in a letter to Kandidat Agrest, but I have received no answer, and I do not expect one. Let me tell you why:

It's a long story and perhaps you won't want to read it all the way through, but it may be worth your while. What I am about to tell you, I have never told even to friends in private conversation. If it looks like conjecture, that will make me all the happier, because it will relieve me of the burden of absolute knowledge, and the responsibility of telling the authorities how I came to know of these things.

An American Semitic scholar, when scratched, will tell you of his secret admiration for the Russians. There is one journal, especially, that they seem to like very much. It is published at Tiflis in the Georgian SSR. As one might expect, the articles are in Georgian, the language of that Republic, which is a Japhetic dialect, related to no other Western tongue. At the end of each issue of this journal, there is a short resume of the article, in French. On the basis of this resume, the Western world claims to know what the author was talking about, how well he made his point, and how exhaustively he researched the question.

Inasmuch as Georgian has its own alphabet, I don't see how anyone could make much from the footnotes or the



"Edgar, must you stare at every woman who passes by?"

bibliography, except to see that they have a library in Tiflis, in which the books circulate with greater efficiency than seems to be the case in this country.

The United States has only two Oriental museums of real importance, one at Chicago and the other at Philadelphia. The one at Chicago is bed-ridden with Orthodox clergymen who refuse to allow ungodly men access to important collections, while the one at Philadelphia is a lot of show. It claims a monopoly of Sumerian relics, in the person of Samuel Noah Kramer, who claims to know what the ancients meant when they spoke of the Underworld. His translation of the epic of Enlil is, nevertheless, one of the most important documents in all the literature of extraterrestrialism. It appears in the Transactions of the American Philosophical Society for 1943. This book is strangely missing from most libraries, even those which have otherwise complete files of the Society's publications, dating from the time of Ben Franklin.

Two years ago, Dr. Kramer went to Russia to work over the Leningrad Museum. He later wrote a letter to the New York Times, saying how much he had enjoyed his trip. In Russia, over 70,000 tablets are available to anyone who can read Sumerian. In this country, the few crackpots who devote their time to this sort of thing, must depend on Dr. Kramer's highly questionable transcriptions. Kramer thinks that Sumerian is one of the earliest forms of writing used by man. He does not, therefore, admit that the strange characters which he renders as dots in the Yale Oriental editions, are, in reality, abbreviations and technical words, both of which are the unmistakable signs of a highly evolved system of writing.

Needless to say, the Soviet Union has a lot more Oriental research than the United States. One good reason for this is that, of the fifteen Soviet Republics, twelve of them speak a Semitic, Japhetic, or Ural-Altai language. This does not mean that the Russians are orientals, because these 12 republics are not Russian, and they are not heavily populated. The research activities of the USSR are governed by the political needs of the government, in much the same way that those of this country are restricted and directed to conform with religious taboos.

The Soviet Union includes within its borders the single most significant area of archaeological exploration on the face of the Earth - Central Asia. Right now the findings of the Soviet expeditions to this region are a closely kept secret, as far as the West is concerned. The secret is closely kept by our own news services and university presses. For those who can read Russian, there are several excellent journals in the field.

These findings are not significant in themselves, but because they confirm all that the Aramaic books had to say about Central Asia. Many Aramaic manuscripts of extreme antiquity have been found in the libraries of Bokhara, Samarkand, and the Trans-caucasus. Jewish communities which still use Aramaic as their primary language have been found in these mountains. Since World War II, extensive philological exploration of South Russia has yielded an unexcelled reservoir of historical literature. An astute scholar would soon recognize that the startling assertions of the Aramaic historians were quite as reliable as the astronomical computations of the Maji, and as real as the Hittite Empire, about which they yielded so much information to European scholars of the 15th Century, when Troy was still a dream.

Agrest's hypothesis is a strong indication that there was such an academician, and that this man, whoever he was, convinced the Soviet government to give him the men and materials he needed for the project. Perhaps Agrest was a member of his staff. Using the Aramaic chronicles as their guidebook, they went to Central Asia, and uncovered incontrovertable evidence of Those Who from Another World Came.

This knowledge is highly relevant to the Soviet Union's drive toward space. It would be eccentric to suggest that they are using technical data taken from ancient literature, but the knowledge that others have been "up there" before us is, to say the least, reassuring of the success of our own efforts.

Kandidat Agrest agrees with this writer that Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed by a nuclear explosion. A letter of inquiry did not elicit a reply, but perhaps the worthy Kandidat is too busy building his Chaldean saucer to answer his mail.

PROOF BY IGNORANCE

- by Justin Case -

Proof by Ignorance, or PBI as I call it, should be of interest to all saucer students, for every book on that subject contains some PBI. The better books contain relatively little, and the poorer books contain much more. In fact, that is how you can tell the quality of a book on flying saucers. Let us cite some examples of PBI:

The Australian aborigine is about the most ignorant human being on our planet. Suppose he saw a jet aircraft streaking through the sky for the first time in his life. He never saw anything like it in his world before, so he believes it must come from some other world. He sees nothing wrong with his explanation, for what else could it be?

Desmond Leslie, co-author of "Flying Saucers Have Landed," says that a violin note can release some mysterious force that can break a wine glass. He claims that flying saucers were common in very ancient days and that they were propelled by some such mysterious force. Also, this same mysterious force must have been used to erect some very heavy ancient stonework. Leslie is ignorant of other possible means whereby a violin note can break a wine glass, or the ancient stonework erected, so he believes it was by means of that mysterious force. He sees nothing wrong with his explanation, for what else could it be?

Leonard Cramp, author of "Space, Gravity, and Flying Saucers" evidently believes that every unidentified object in the sky must be a flying saucer and that every UFO report is true. He notes that the UFO's can accelerate upward very rapidly and can execute sharp turns. He is ignorant of any other possible explanations for UFO's, and of the fact that most UFO reports are very unreliable. So he says that flying saucers neutralize gravity, for how else could they fly that way?

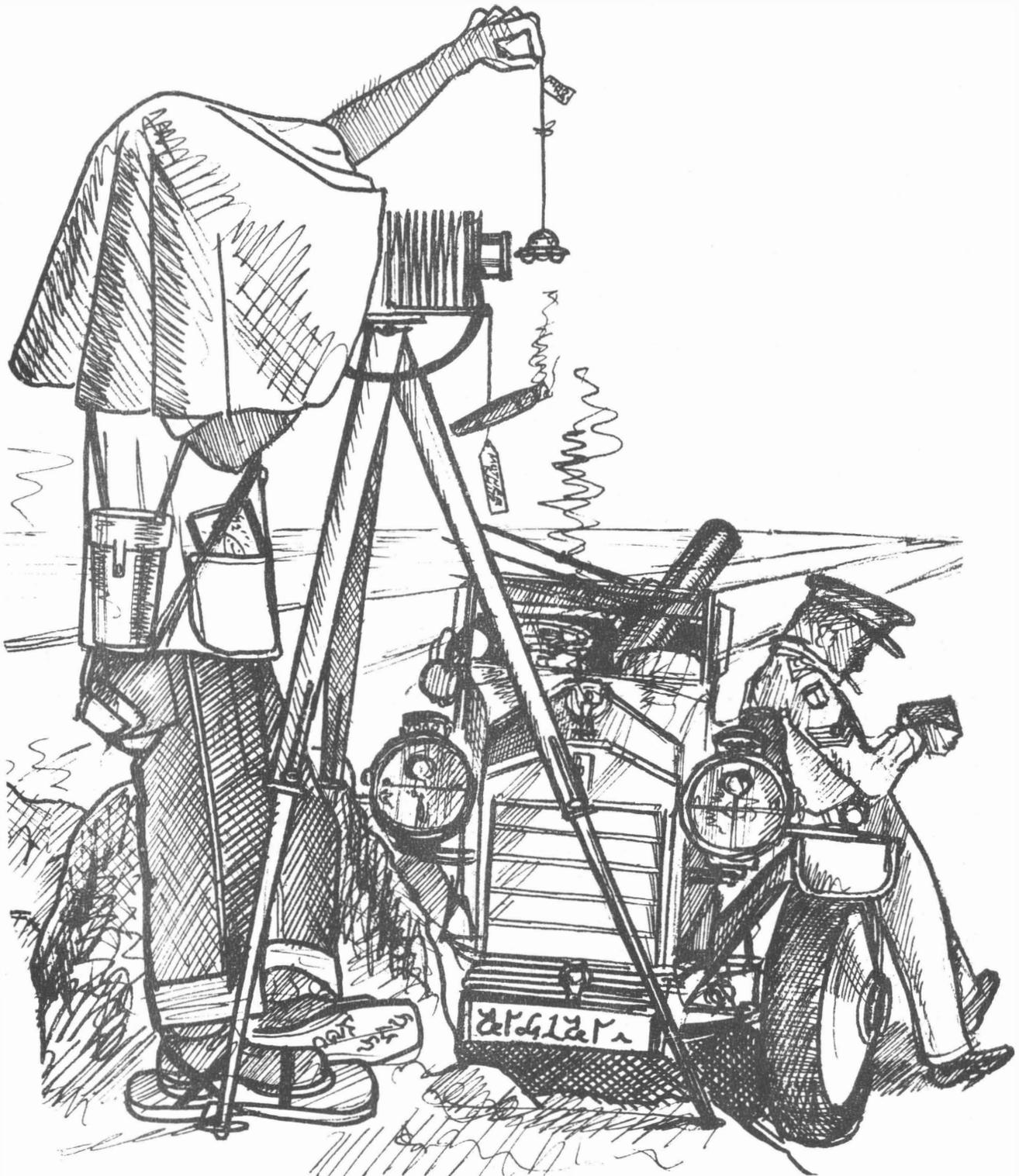
In each of the three cases just given, the conclusions were reached by PBI - Proof by Ignorance. In each case the person is ignorant of the truth, is unable or unwilling to ascertain the facts, and does not hesitate to jump to false conclusions. This method of reasoning places a premium on ignorance, for the more ignorant these people are, the more strange things they can prove to their own satisfaction and to those who cannot see the error of PBI.

We know that jet aircraft are man-made, but the Australian aborigine does not know it, and has no way of finding out even if he wanted to. So he creates his own explanation which is simple and suits him, even though it is wrong.

People with some knowledge of science know that the force which breaks a wine glass by means of a violin note comes from the hand of the violinist. There is nothing mysterious about it. But the violin note must have

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This cartoon was drawn for us several years ago by John Pitt, a leading British saucer researcher who used to be a frequent contributor to SAUCER NEWS. Here we have the artist's conception of George Adamski photographing saucers in the Arizona desert, while his chauffeur-driven limousine waits nearby. Note the hieroglyphics on Adamski's shoes and the Army insignia on the chauffeur's coat. Pitt calls this cartoon "November 19th, 1952 - the day before the landing."



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exactly the same vibration frequency as the wine glass. When this happens the two are in tune or in "resonance." If they are not in resonance, no amount of force by the violinist will break the glass.

An engineer can easily show how the heavy ancient stonework could have been erected with the aid of nothing more mysterious than some tree trunks, vine ropes, lots of manpower, time and patience, and some trial and error. Thor Heyerdahl gives examples of such methods in Chapter 6 of his book "Kon-Tiki."

But Desmond Leslie did not bother to seek out any sensible explanation for the broken wine glass or the erection of ancient stonework. His FBI mysterious force explanation was easier and more exciting. Also it sold more books. Similarly, Cramp didn't bother to investigate or ask someone who knew. He chose the easier and more exciting FBI explanation of neutralization of gravity.

These examples show the fallacy of FBI. It is an easy, pleasant, quick way of becoming a wizard. No hard work, no long and weary years of study, no experimentation, no investigation, and no money are needed. Simply sit back in easy comfort and "reason" things out. Amaze and impress your friends; become the life of the party! You might even start a cult and live off the donations of your followers. It's easy. No matter how loony your logic, you will find a following, at least in southern California, if nowhere else.

One of the foremost exponents of FBI is George Adamski. In 1949 he wrote a book entitled "Pioneers of Space" - by Professor George Adamski, published in Los Angeles. Professor Adamski begins by saying, "The purpose of this book is to clear up logically some of the misconceptions that people have regarding our neighbors in space, using nothing but common sense analysis on the basis of constructive law." Here are three examples of the Professor's "common sense analysis," which you should easily recognize as FBI.

1. We are told that the dark side of the moon is very cold, and the bright side is very hot. Therefore there must be a temperate zone on the moon where the dark side and the bright side meet, which would make it possible for humans to live there.

2. Nothing can be held together in the total absence of moisture. Even metals sweat. So there must be air or moisture of some kind on the moon.

3. Fish exist in the ocean at all pressures, from the surface to the bottom. Space is like the ocean. Planets within it are under different pressures, but human beings and all forms of life can exist on these planets at these different pressures.

We will not weary you with more examples except to say that the Professor has more incorrect statements and conclusions on one page of his book than can be corrected in ten pages.

Then the Professor says, "Upon these facts, known laws and common sense logic we base what you are about to read. While this is at present in the field of fiction, it will not be long before all this will become a reality."

The Professor then describes a voyage to the moon with a navigator named George in charge, and sure enough he finds his temperate zone, and plenty of air and water; and he meets some of the inhabitants, who are remarkably like ourselves. The rest of the book is about trips to Mars and Venus. That is Adamski's 1949 book.

Most school children know that the moon turns on its axis just like our Earth does, only much more slowly. There are no permanently bright and dark sides, for dawn and dusk move around the moon just like they do around

the Earth. Therefore there is no stationary temperate zone between the bright and dark sides as Adamski claims. Adamski is still further confused, for while in his temperate zone, he describes a day during which the sun rises and sets. How could it do so if there are permanently light and dark sides on the moon?

Even housewives know that the sweat that forms on metals such as water pipes, and on glass window panes, does not come from within these materials. It condenses from the air when the air is humid and the metal or glass is colder than the air. So Adamski's claim that everything must have moisture in it, and that there is air and water on the moon, is "all wet"!

There are many reasons why the moon has no air or moisture, and all scientific observations and measurements prove this to be true. So again the Professor's "known law and common sense logic" are all wrong.

It would take too much space to disprove the Professor's FBI claim about life and atmospheres on other planets, but you can rest assured there is no more truth there than in any of his other claims mentioned above.

You can see why Desmond Leslie and George Adamski are a team. They are both birds of the same feather. Although one is presumably a college graduate and the other has had very little education, they both have the same stock-in-trade, Proof by Ignorance.

But then, so do many other writers of saucer books. So if you are seeking the truth about flying saucers, be on your guard against FBI.

RECENT NEWS STORIES

CLOSE SIGHTING BY CALIFORNIA POLICEMEN: A huge object said to be at least the size of an airplane, emitting an extremely red beam of light ten feet or more across, was reported flying at low levels east of Corning, California, on the night of August 13th. The UFO was first spotted by two highway patrolmen, who saw what appeared to be a huge airliner dropping from the sky as if it were about to crash. They stopped their car and jumped out in order to get a better look. The policemen heard no noise at all, but they still assumed it was an aircraft with its engines off.

Then, when the object was within 100 to 200 feet of the ground, it suddenly reversed its direction, and rapidly gained altitude until it was at approximately 500 feet. The strange craft was surrounded with a glow causing it to appear oblong. There were red lights at each end and on the sides, and at times white lights could be seen between the red ones. The startled police called the nearest sheriff's office, and also reported the sighting to the county radar base. According to the patrolmen, officials at the base said they were tracking an unidentified object on radar, but newspaper reporters were unable to confirm this.

As the patrolmen continued to watch the object, it came directly toward their car on two occasions, each time sweeping the area with a huge red light. As the UFO came within a mile of the officers, they turned on the flashing red light of the patrol car, and it immediately went away from them. The officers said that the UFO used its red light to sweep the area six or seven different times. The object then started moving slowly toward the east, and the police followed it in their car for several miles, until reaching a fire station, at which time they saw a similar object approach the first one from the south. The second UFO moved close to the first,



WHAT WILL THEY CALL US TODAY, AN HALLUCINATION OR AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT?

and the two remained stationary for a short time.

After watching various aerial maneuvers for more than two hours, the men returned to the sheriff's office at Red Bluff, from whence they had started out. The policemen stated that they experienced static and radio interference every time the UFO came close to their patrol vehicle.

NEWS BRIEFS: A mysterious aerial object was seen by several residents of Bermuda on the night of June 24th. It was bright in the center, like a star, and carried an aura of light around it. It also seemed to have lights like searchlights pointed toward the ground. The UFO was traveling very fast, "like a bomb," but made no sound....The Loch Ness Monster is back in the news again, - but this time there are five of them! A group of scientists spent several weeks scanning the lake with an echo-sounder, and came to the conclusion that five of the unknown animals live therein. Three of the scientists saw one monster surfacing a half mile from shore one evening. A 10-foot-long hump rose to about 18 inches above the water, and traveled north at about 20 miles per hour. On another occasion a huge moving shape appeared on the echo-sounder short of their launch. At first it was only 20 feet below the surface, but it then suddenly shot down 600 feet at a steep angle to the loch bed. No known animal could have done that, according to the scientists....

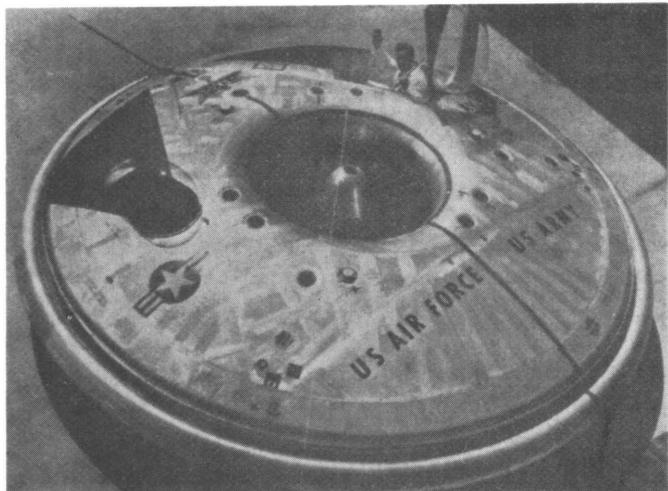
On July 10th a UFO was reported to have crashed in a mountain area near Troy, New York. The object was spotted by several people shortly before it crashed. They described it as circular in shape, and red and white in color. The UFO descended slowly to the ground at some distance from the viewers, who were watching through high power field glasses. Fire appeared to be coming out of the bottom of the object as it settled to the ground. A search by local authorities failed to locate the exact site of the crash....The unidentified lights at Sheep Rock Mountain, near Coeburn, Virginia, were back in the news again this past July. Last year, local authorities and hundreds of citizens joined in a search for the source of the persistently-appearing objects, but uncovered nothing. This time the sighters were Hiram Adkins and his son, who said they saw a light on each of two successive nights. Each was traveling in a northerly direction about 500 feet above the hills near their home. The first time, the light seemed to go into the side of Sheep Rock Mountain, and the second one disappeared from view before it reached the mountain....In July there were two reports of a sea serpent near the Massachusetts fishing port of Gloucester. It was first seen by two local fishermen, and later by a charter-boat skipper, two of his passengers, and a mate. The monster was black and white, with two bulging eyes, and at least 15 feet long....A huge red ball streaked across the skies of Columbus, Ohio, on the night of July 24th, and was seen by several local residents. The ball had a brilliant white tail, traveled from east to west, and was visible for only a few seconds. Local authorities were unable to come up with an explanation.

EVIDENCE OF SAUCER LANDING IN TENNESSEE: In a case somewhat similar to several others in the past few years, a circle appeared mysteriously on the ground overnight - this time in the front yard of a home in Martin, Tennessee. Miss Josephine Damron, who lives with her mother and brother near Martin, told reporters that on the morning of June 30th she noticed what she first believed to be mole workings in her yard. Upon closer examination, she saw that it was a perfect circle with its circumference a black, greasy substance about six to eight inches in diameter. It looked a bit like oil, but when touched felt like car grease. However, after drying out in the sun, the substance had a "charred, beady effect," according to the witnesses. The circle was measured and found to be almost exactly fifteen feet in diameter. - Since that time,

two other such circles have appeared elsewhere in the vicinity of Martin, and none have been explained.

EVIDENCE OF SAUCER LANDING IN ENGLAND: Shortly before press time, an incident nearly identical to the one above was brought to our attention, by the London Unidentified Flying Object Research Organization, of London, England. A farmer named Bill Edwards was walking through his pasture fields one day early last June, when he came across imprints in the ground which formed two concentric circles - the outer one approximately 23 feet in diameter, and the inner one 16 feet across. The width of the imprints was 4 inches, and the grass at the edge of them showed indications of having been burned. The depth of the imprints was about one inch, leading to the almost inescapable conclusion that they were caused by some large heavy circular object which had landed recently in the field. The ground was very hard, as there had been no rain recently, and this fact added to the evidence that the object which landed must have been very heavy indeed. The field in question is about a half mile from the nearest road, and no vehicle could have reached the spot without there being some sign of its approach through other fields - but there were no such signs. Edwards had been to the same spot only two days previously, and according to him there were definitely no circles visible then. The day previous to the discovery of the mysterious circles, Edwards and some helpers were working in a nearby field. They noticed nothing unusual that day, nor did any other local resident report anything unusual. Thus, this case is definitely one of the strangest on record.

NEWS BRIEFS: The U. S. Government finally admits that it is developing a real flying saucer, as shown in photo at right. This is a joint Army and Air Force project. It has no connection with the AVRO saucer in Canada, which has been under development for several years and has received much publicity from time to time.....On August 21st, several people in Rogersville, Pa. informed the State Police about a circular object which they had seen hovering 300 feet or so above the ground near a local high school. The object was flat on the bottom with a protuberance on the top. There were red, green, and white lights around the circumference of the saucer, and a flashing red light on top. The UFO finally flew off with a sound that resembled that of an electric motor.....The Space Science Board of the National Academy of Sciences has recently issued a report entitled, "The Biological Sciences and Space Research." This document discusses the possibility of finding or even communicating with life on other planets, and also the possibility that in the near future we on this planet will be able to create life artificially...A flying saucer was seen by five people near Port Washington, Wisconsin on August 12th. The sighting was relayed to Edward Halbach, director of the Milwaukee Astronomical Observatory, who withheld comment. The UFO was describ-



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Power-packed disk, shown in first official picture, is being developed for Army and Air Force. The ship can take off vertically, hover near the ground or fly like winged plane.

ed as a ball of white light encircled by two reddish rings. It moved rapidly from north to south, then hovered, veered off at a 90-degree angle, and then sped west. It moved much faster than a jet, and was in sight for a half hour.

.....A strange freak animal has been discovered in Sanford, Florida, and has a whole neighborhood puzzled. The animal is a white furry creature which seems to be a cross between a cat and a rabbit. It has the face of a cat, and meows and purrs like a cat; but every step it takes is a hop powered by long rabbit-like haunches. A rabbit-like tail rounds out its solid white body. Neighborhood cats are afraid of it. The animal is friendly but will not touch any food that is prepared for it. When frightened, it hops off into the nearby woods much quicker than a cat could travel.....An unidentified object, possibly an earth satellite of unknown origin, has been seen by Robert I. Johnson, director of the Adler Planetarium in Chicago. It was first seen on August 26th when the Planetarium staff was waiting for the U. S. satellite Echo I to make its first pass of the night over the area. The saucer was traveling in the opposite direction of Echo I, and at twice its speed. Its course does not correspond with any of the 31 known earth satellites. The same object has been seen by astronomers at Georgetown University and by many other observers with varying degrees of astronomical experience....

Further efforts are now being made to track down the elusive Abominable Snowman of the Himalayas. Sir Edmund Hillary, conqueror of Mt. Everest, has organized a new expedition to Nepal, in which he will be accompanied by Dr. R. L. Fleming, director of the Chicago Natural History Museum. Another member of the expedition is Martin Perkins, director of Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo. If any Snowmen are captured, the permission of the King of Nepal will have to be obtained before they can be taken out of the country.....During the early morning hours of July 2nd, Dave Darnell and three other occupants of his automobile had an extremely frightening experience while driving through Illinois. Suddenly the whole sky lit up with a blue light, and according to the witnesses, it became almost as bright as day. Then an object like a ball of flame came out of the south and passed right over their car. It had a tail like a streak of blue lightning behind it. The atmosphere grew so hot that the people in the car could hardly breathe. Then gradually the light faded, and the UFO disappeared toward the north...Another mysterious incident in Illinois concerns a 218-pound rock which farmer Charley Wisell found in his cornfield, which is located in the general area toward which the above-mentioned ball of fire seemed to be heading. The rock was found on July 14th, though it landed in an isolated section and might have been there for several days previously. About half of its 30-inch thickness was imbedded in the ground, and the topsoil was compressed beneath it, indicating it had hit with considerable force. Dr. Gerard Kuiper of the Yerkes Observatory was contacted, and went to the farm for a personal examination. He sent the rock to the University of Chicago to be analyzed. Although the rock showed no characteristics of being a meteorite, there is little choice but to believe it fell onto the field, and if it did, it must have fallen from about 200 feet up, according to Dr. Kuiper, who admitted being completely perplexed by the incident.

NEAR-LANDING IN FRANCE: One of the closest sightings in a long time occurred last August 5th between the towns of Mouille and Lille in France. A man named Daniel Huot and his wife were driving home from a visit with relatives, when a very bright round object suddenly blocked the highway in front of them. It was "the color of the setting sun," and was only about 10 feet above the ground when first seen. The UFO then moved to one side of the highway and let the car pass, but it continued to follow Huot and his frightened wife for half a mile, at a distance of about 100 feet from the car. The object

made no noise and gave off no smoke. It was about 15 feet high and 10 feet wide, and brightly lighted on the bottom, whereas the upper part was darker and somewhat indistinct. Mrs. Huot claimed to have seen a human form within the strange machine, but she was able to give no details. - The incident occurred late at night, and there were no other witnesses.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN A COLORADO CANYON: On August 12th a Boulder, Colorado truck driver named Ray Hawks reported a strange experience he had had the previous afternoon: While operating a tractor alone in a canyon a few miles from Boulder, he heard what sounded like an explosion in the air. A UFO then dropped out of a cloud to a point about 400 or 500 feet from the ground, and 600 yards away from him. It hovered in one place for 15 minutes. Hawks said that the craft was 45 to 50 feet in diameter and 10 to 15 feet thick. It had no markings. There was a sort of velvety appearance to it, with a silver sheen; yet it did not shine like aluminum. About two feet from the outer edge were five observable metal plates, one of which was sending out bluish smoke of some kind. There was an all-pervading noise, like the thrumming of a generator out of phase. While the craft was hovering nearby, the starter and other electrical equipment on the tractor would not work. After the UFO finally rose and disappeared into the clouds, the tractor again operated as usual.

SAUCER "FLAP" IN CALIFORNIA: The incident described on Page 12 seems to have been the beginning of one of the most interesting waves of UFO sightings in recent years. Four days after the original sighting on August 13th by two highway patrolmen, at least 20 people saw a similar object in the sky over Mineral. Mineral is on the west side of Lassen National Park, and 30 miles east of the first sighting. The August 17th incident was observed by three Tehama County deputy sheriffs at a road block. One of the lawmen, named Bill Gonzales, said that there were six UFOs flying high in a loose formation, and glowing a brilliant red and white. They were dipping and diving at a "simply unbelievable speed," and made no noise. The objects were in view for almost a half hour, but were too far away for any detail to be observed.

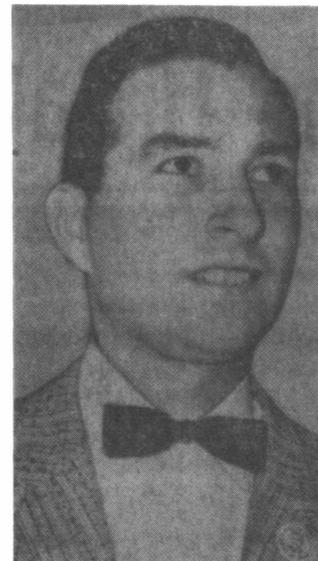
At least a dozen other reports were made by individuals and groups throughout that section of California. In some of the closer sightings, the saucer was reported to be football-shaped and as long as an airliner, with rows of white lights and flashing red lights, one of which sweeps the ground like a searchlight beam. - One sighter was Mrs. Corrine Bay of Redlands, who glanced out her window at 1-45 a.m. on August 18th and saw an oblong object with a line of red lights along its side, which was hanging almost motionless over the street. As she watched, it tilted toward her and she could see a dome molded onto the upper portion of it. - Another sighter was Mrs. Lucille Elmore of Concord, California. She and seven other people in her neighborhood watched a spinning circular-shaped UFO with flashing red and blue lights hovering low over Concord near midnight on August 16th. She reported the object to officials at Hamilton Air Force Base at San Rafael, who in turn dispatched an F-102 jet interceptor to the area. The Air Force pilot reported seeing only a cargo plane, - a plane which flew right under the UFO for awhile, according to Mrs. Elmore. She and her neighbors asserted that the lights on the saucer seemed to dim when the cargo plane approached, and that later a visible puff of smoke rose from the mysterious spinning craft. The UFO disappeared from view a few minutes later.

SAUCER BRIEFS: According to a recent article in England's "Flying Saucer Review," George Adamski claims to have been invited to the United States Senate and to the United Nations, presumably to give briefings on his inter-



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planetary travels. The same article states: "The Air Force has admitted to having proof that Adamski had at least three of his claimed rides inside spaceships. The others they don't know about, but under the circumstances it really doesn't make much difference, (as) several government scientists have had similar rides."....Gabriel Greene, president of the Amalgamated Flying Saucer Clubs of America, officially launched his campaign for the presidency of the United States at a press conference at the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel, last August 9th. Although Greene is not on the ballot even in California, he is likely to pick up



CANDIDATE — Gabriel Green, 35, flying saucer candidate for President.

a few write-in votes from saucerers and others who are not satisfied with the candidates of the two major parties. Among Greene's most loyal campaign workers is Miss Daryle Neiman, the attractive contactee whom we featured on the cover of our September issue. The key to Greene's political platform is his system of "prior choice economics," which he explains as follows: "Everything is, or should be, the sum total of all that has gone before." The candidate also offers "progress instead of prattle, principles instead of personalities, peace instead of pieces, issues instead of smears, sneers, and jeers; and a better tomorrow instead of no tomorrow." For further information about these cryptic promises, write to Greene at 2004 N. Hoover St., Los Angeles....

Otis T. Carr is in trouble again, this time in the state of New York. The charge is the same one that brought him a \$5,000 fine in 1959 for selling stock in his flying saucer company without a license. Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz has obtained a New York State Supreme Court order requiring Carr and several employees of his firm to appear for questioning on September 26th. As of this writing, it remains to be seen whether or not the ingenious Mr. Carr will decide to remain away from the Empire State until the heat is off...The wildest saucer story to date is reported by Riley Crabb in the July-August issue of "The Journal of Borderland Research." The story concerns a Brazilian farmer whose tractor was stopped by the nearby landing of a flying saucer. The flabbergasted yokel was dragged aboard by little men, then drugged and forced to have sexual intercourse with a fairly attractive space woman. Immediately thereafter he was given the bum's rush from the craft, and it took off into the wild blue yonder without him. This tale was supposedly told to Crabb personally by Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen, of A.P.R.O. The organization calls this "one of their more puzzling cases."....NICAP is again in financial difficulties, according to a long editorial in the July-August issue of the "Investigator." In spite of an income of over \$11,000 in 1959, the group was not able to make ends meet. The magazine also reports that the latest Keyhoe book "Flying Saucers: Top Secret" (reviewed in our last issue) is not selling well....

Dr. George Marlo, the gentleman behind the saucer ride to Brazil that fizzled out last winter, is still active, apparently. He claims to have a regular radio and T. V. show in his home town, and he has sent us a membership

card in a group called the UFO World Organization, of which he is International Director....The First Annual Private Picnic of the New York Saucer Information Bureau was held in a fascinating 180-year-old farmhouse near Poughkeepsie N.Y. on August 27th. (A private picnic differs from a convention in that at the former, "negative thinkers" can be kept away.) Present were Hans Santesen, director of the organization; Lee Munsick, formerly of the North Jersey UFO Group; Gray Barker, editor of the "Saucerian Bulletin"; and a gathering of about 50 other saucer fans including yours truly. High points of the entertainment were the showing of saucer slides by Munsick, and a series of spirit messages received by an elderly lady fan who specializes in automatic writing. Attempts to contact a ghost who inhabits one room of the house were negative in their results....

It seems there is no end to the ever-growing list of "contactees" and no limit to the wildness of their tales. A new one to us was that told by Chief Frank Buckshot Standing Horse, an Ottawa Indian from Oklahoma, who attended a saucer convention in Berkeley, Calif., late last August. (See photo below.) The Chief has been to the planet Orion (wherever that is), as well as to Mars, Venus, and Clarion. Clarion is the planet which is directly behind the Moon, and therefore never seen from Earth. Till now, it had been regarded as the exclusive property of contactee Truman Betherum, as he is the only one who claimed to know anything about it. But the Chief is not to be outdone by anyone. At the convention he told how he had been visited at his Oklahoma home by three persons- a Frenchman, a Mexican, and a Venusian - who escorted him aboard an immense flying saucer. One of his fellow passengers, a beautiful woman from Orion, looked to be about 29, but turned out to be 417 years old..... Major Lawrence J. Tacker has just published a book called "Flying Saucers and the U.S. Air Force." Major Tacker is the official Air Force spokesman on this subject. The book allegedly refutes the charge that the Air Force has suppressed UFO information.



CHIEF FRANK BUCKSHOT STANDING HORSE
He critically examined a model flying saucer at the convention