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NEWS BRIEFIES: Our annual non-UFO non-subscribers party will take place on Saturday Nov. 10th this year. Guest of Honor will be Dale Rettig of San Francisco, who sponsored the 1977 NUFOC. All non-subscribers are invited to the party, as usual. Our secret home address is: 121 69th St., Guttenberg, N.J. If in need of arrival instructions, call our top-secret phone number, 201-869-8053....We're pushing ahead re plans for the 1980 National UFO Conference (NUFOC) in New York City, but so far we have little progress to report. Hotel ballrooms have gone sky-high in price since the last time we attempted anything like this. Hopefully, in our next issue we'll be able to give you the name & location of the Con. hall plus a nearby hotel for out-of-town delegates....Former non-subscriber Ed Sanders has suddenly become an evangelist, according to his friend and fellow cattle mutilation enthusiast, Tom Adams. Sanders is the former editor of the classic "beat" poetry magazine of the 1960's, called (we kid you not!) - "Fuck You - A Magazine of the Arts"....

We've just received the latest issue of UFOCUS, with a cover depicting the co-editors in a flying saucer. This is a little-known zine which deserves more attention (especially by the FBI), in that it is the only UFO publication in existence that just might be funnier than ours, on occasion. The current issue is their greatest to date. Reflecting their propensity for calm understatement, the editors refer to the recent Cincinnati NUFOC as "an unorganized atrocity....a chaotic mess...." If you are a "Saucer Writ" fan, you'll love UFOCUS! Write to Jim Harris, Route 4, Lisa Lane, Mt. Carmel, Il. 62863. Say something nice in your letter, and the boys will send you the rag for nothing!....

Well, we were quite correct in "More Saucer Tit", in our prediction that the recent Minnesota UFO case involving a policeman would become one of the classics. Already the officer, named Val Johnson (any relation to Val Thor?) has appeared on a TV interview show with Al Hendry of CUFOS, who has called this "the most dramatic and exciting UFO experience ever reported to us from throughout the United States". Don't get us wrong; we're not knocking the case. We too are sincerely impressed! Anyhow, it's about time that those mysterious lights way up in the sky start coming down and doing something useful like zapping a police officer....

Ronald Spanbauer of the International UFO-Photo Exchange (P.O. Box 172, De Pere, Wi. 54115) has written us at great length, praising a new UFO book called "UFO - Contact from the Pleiades". He is extremely enthusiastic about the saucer photos therein, and believes them to be the clearest, best, and all-around most authentic such pictures ever taken. We are somewhat skeptical (as usual.) But what the hell - why not buy the book? If interested, contact Ron at the above-mentioned address.

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ART GATTI writes:

"What's all this bullshit about tit memory being dualistic? Has anyone ever tried to see past Mt. Everest whilst standing at its base? It's likely that, if tits were the archetype that helps us conjure up UFOs at particularly choleric moments, we would mostly see just one.

"A child at the breast sees just that: a breast - not two. A woman rarely bares both her breasts whilst nursing. Add to that the early stages of getting used to sight, when infants just barely sense the shape of the vehicle of their nourishment. It's some big tit male obsession that suggests we ought to see two instead of one...."

"And while we're on the trail of archetypal causes of UFO experiences - and not to beat a dead jackalope - what about that Easter Bunny everyone ought to see: I just spent six weeks in Mexico, where, in the west, the Huichol Indians and their fierce Cora neighbors see the selfsame Mr. Bunny! It's not just a matter of the yearly delegation of Huichol males trekking 1,000 miles to the Sonora al norte to return with knapsacks full of peyote, it's true! If you look at the full moon from Tepic, the capitol, or any other part of the state of Nayarit (or any other state thereabout, in fact), you don't see a man in the moon, but Bugs Bunny. I saw it from Manzanillo in the state of Colima, and I never touched a button of the stuff...."

Very Enlightening! - Editor.

UFO lecturer HAL STARR writes:

"Yes indeed, I'm aware of you. I'm surprised our paths have never crossed. Please do come to the 'UFO '79' conclave in San Diego. I'll be happy to see that you get into the meetings, and I'm sure you'll find them most enlightening. I wish I could tell you of a couple of real block-buster revelations scheduled, but it's all very hush-hush, so that nothing leaks before the big splash to the newspapers & networks!

"It looks like you and I started in this silly business at about the same time - and what has either of us got to show for it? I'm enclosing my lecture brochure for a good chuckle. It gets me bookings, though! I'm even impressed with me!"

Rumor has it that the San Diego Con. will include an address by Major Donald Keyhoe, defending NICRAP against recent charges of CIA infiltration! In any case, your humble "Saucer Writ" editor will attend in the physical body. Dates are Nov. 16th to 19th. For reservations write the Royal Quality Inn, 4875 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, Ca., or phone 714-224-3621. - Editor.

BRAD STEIGER writes:

"Now you will understand why we moved to Arizona!...." (see below.)

Aliens Own Big Chunk Of Arizona

By JOHN L. CARPENTER
Gazette Reporter

Billions of dollars worth of Arizona land and property may be owned by aliens, federal records and other information suggest.

not required to report solely because they are foreigners.

Ninety foreign persons, corporations or holding companies have reported their agricultural ownings of more than 22,086 acres to the Mari-
of the U.S. Agricul-



GENE DUPLANTIER writes:

"By the way, I agree with one of your readers who says there is too much back-biting between some of your non-subscribers whose letters get published consistently in 'Saucer -----'. I think you know the culprits. Let's have some fresh material instead of the Zechel fueds and CIA nonsense, O.K.?....."

Gene generously sent us some of his own UFO-related cartoons, which we will be publishing from time to time. - Editor.

GEORGE STRICH writes:

"....I find all issues of 'Saucer -----' interesting and informative. Unfortunately, many letters contain nothing but dribble, and are really nonsensical in nature. While I do enjoy legitimate humor and realize that a little 'fooling around' has its place, particularly since your publication is not tied down to a serious approach, some letters are juvenile and there is nothing worthwhile in them.

"The last time I attended a convention was the one you initiated at the Hotel Commodore in New York many years ago. (1967 - Editor.) Your indication that we might have a future Con in New York is very welcome....."

The inevitable TOM BENSON, rank & file GSW member, writes:

"....As a loyal non-subscriber, I will be exceedingly happy to get back to the olde '3½ D' UFO theory days. I'm tired too of the irrational diatribes that exhibit and expose themselves in your increasingly trivialized zine. The political infighting, back-biting, toe-snipping, mud-slinging, titty-nipping, etc. is all potentially part of a grand scheme to get nobody capable of working with anybody in the UFO/ flying saucer field...."

"I find it keenly interesting that you dined with W. Tootsie Zechel recently in N.Y.C. at your expense. He really knows a 'sucker' when he sees one, doesn't he? But I guess we can all pass it off as a good CAUS.

"....Gene Steinberg's 'disgusted' comments (in 'More Saucer Tit') about the 16th National UFO Conference (NUFOC) were hypocritical, to say the least. Doomsdayer Steinberg stated that New York City may be NUFOC's last chance. Well, damn, he made the same sort of statement at the 12th NUFOC gathering (which he himself directed and MC'd) in King of Prussia, Pa. Having attended both confabs, I can sincerely state that Steinberg's show was the greater fiasco. Steinberg, being a long-time media freak among other things, is still hung up more on 'how' a person sounds, than whether or not the substance of what they say is worth anything. Steinberg takes the salesman approach to anything he does, regardless of the worth of the product. For example, Jerry Black's lecture at NUFOC's 16th confab, on the alleged Kentucky UFO abduction case (which he personally investigated), besides being one of the best-investigated CEIII cases, was presented in a professional manner and was most informative. So, Mr. Chairman, I say of Mr. Steinberg: 'Caveat emptor'...."

EARL JONES of OUFOIL writes:

"After reading 'More Saucer Tit', it is clear to me that very few ufologists understand that the problems between myself, Rick Hilberg, and Robert Easley, were settled before the NUFOC convention....."

"To Bill Retoff: He needn't worry, if ours were the letters he was referring to. We're just human, and subject to human mistakes...."

"To Dr. David Stuppel: My sincere thanks for his kind words. I'm glad he liked what there was of our Con. I wish it could have turned out better.

"To Denis Corey: I'm glad that someone could chuckle at my last printed letter, although it's not nice to laugh at stupidity. I am sincerely sorry that he got nothing out of the Con. Fortunately, a few people did. Maybe our next one (if there ever is a next one) will be more to everyone's liking...."

"To you, Mr. Moseley, go my sincerest apologies. I truly intended for the Con. to be a great success. Better luck next year, in New York."

RON SCHAFFNER of OUFUOIL writes:

"....Concerning the diminutive attendance at the 16th NUFUC in Cincinnati: Regardless of what some researchers claim, the delegate attendance was certainly encouraging. OUFUOIL has made several key contacts in the field. We were very impressed by the presence of aggressive and dedicated researchers. We at OUFUOIL would like to tip our hats to such persons.

"I would like to suggest that future NUFUC meetings be geared to delegates instead of the general public. In this way we can accomplish more for ufology than in the past...."

JAMES (former "Captain Jim") OBERG writes:

"I'll let your rag in on a national scoop story: The Cutty Sark whiskey UFO contest is over, and nobody entered the million pound competition (and nobody has taken up NASA's offer to use its laboratories to examine all of this 'hard UFO physical evidence' I hear so much about. Do your readers have any rationalizations?)."

"The Scientific Paper competition, however, has a winner: myself, at your service. For 1,000 pounds they buy all rights to my essay, 'The Failure of the "Science" of Ufology', which will appear in the October 11 issue of 'New Scientist'. My wife and I will travel to London to be wined and dined and feted by the distillary people and the scientists.

"Naturally, the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal is ecstatic. I won't venture to predict the feelings of other members of the UFO world.

"But the good guys don't always win. The National Enquirer is back to its old tricks of fictional quotations, viz. the 'UFOs and Apollo' abortion recently inflicted on the public. Schuessler and Stringfield are both quoted, but they vehemently deny the authenticity of the attributions.

"....Anyhow, I invite well-wishers to lift a glass of scotch (Cutty Sark or otherwise). Everybody else will probably want to get drunk or stoned. Well, that's life!"

Your editor is relatively unshaken by the above-mentioned catastrophe, but is nevertheless considering leaving the Field & taking a vow of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience to the great mythological god ZΘ. Let's drink to that! - Editor.

DR. THORNTON PAGE writes:

"Jim Oberg now makes more money out of UFOs than anyone but J. Allen Hynek! I don't drink Cutty Sark, but I'll bet that Jim did not write that whiskey drinking increases the number of UFO reports. (We must please our sponsors.)"

"Last week, Oberg and I tracked down what may be the only recovered flying jellyfish. We turned it in to NASA Johnson Space Center, where it is stored in a freezer. Preliminary analysis shows that it is not radioactive, is possibly man-made, consists of some jelly-like substance, and contains small pellets of lead. It is the size of a standard apple pie! If it is refuse tossed from a UFO, we have an Encounter of the Fourth kind!"

I'll drink to that, too! - Editor.

PHILIP J. KLASS writes:

"One can sympathize with Brad Sparks and his embarrassment at having been so credulous in accepting Todd Zechel's wild claims, and having rushed to defend Zechel a year ago, when I first revealed that he had never been 'employed by the National Security Agency', as Zechel repeatedly claimed. Rather than admit this serious error of judgment, and inform the UFO Movement about the real reasons why Sparks and Jerry Clark have broken with Zechel and forced him to resign from CAUS (an organization which Zechel created and directed), Sparks attacks me and tries to bamboozle your readers into thinking that the Defense Department is not a 'military agency'. (My dictionary defines 'military' as follows: 'Of, or pertaining to, the Army, armed forces, affairs of war....')

"More than a year ago I challenged Zechel's claim that he had been employed for 10 years by 'two civilian intelligence agencies', one of which Zechel claimed was 'the National Security Agency' (NSA). My investigation showed that NSA had no record of ever having employed Zechel. Further, it struck me as strange that Zechel would not know that NSA is a component of the Defense Department - if he really had been employed by NSA. (NSA does provide services to support civilian agencies, such as State Department, much as the Army Engineering Corps provides dam-building and similar services to civilian agencies - but this hardly makes the Army a 'civilian organization'.)

"A year ago (Aug. 13, 1978), Sparks wrote me claiming that 'NSA is not a military agency because it is "separately organized" from any of the legally authorized military services and it is under the "direction, authority and control of the Secretary of Defense" who is a civilian.'

"I responded on Aug. 21 to inform Sparks that there were nine (9) other Defense Agencies that met both of his criteria! Sparks replied by offering a new basis for his claim, saying NSA was not a military agency because it had originally been 'created by classified order of the President.' Now, a year later he offers still another justification, lifting out of context a 23-year-old statement by a former NSA official whom Sparks quotes as saying that NSA is 'within' the Defense Dept. but 'not a part of the Defense Dept.' Then Sparks asks me to explain what the official meant! Using similar language, I challenge Sparks to explain the following: Brad Sparks' brain is 'within' his body but is 'not a part of his body.'

"If the Defense Dept. is not a 'military' agency or organization because it is headed by a civilian Secretary of Defense, then using Sparks' logic, the Army, Navy and Air Force are not 'military' agencies either, because they too are headed by a civilian secretary....

"Several months ago, I suggested to Sparks that if he still was convinced that NSA was a 'civilian' intelligence agency and not part of the Defense Dept., he ought to write to the director of NSA to point out that the agency was guilty of misleading the public by using the official seal of the Defense Dept. on its letters. If NSA's director is convinced by Sparks' reasoning, I hereby agree to publicly admit that I am wrong when NSA drops the official Defense Dept. seal from all of its letters.

"But instead of presenting the evidence to NSA's director, Sparks chooses to issue a vituperative blast against me in your Sept. 10 newsletter. Is he unwilling, or afraid, to present his evidence to NSA?...."

J. RICHARD GREENWELL writes:

"I would like to become a non-subscriber to your incredibly trashy newsletter. I have been trying to obtain three letters of recommendation for you, but they may be a few months - maybe a year - in coming. I hope this does not hold up my non-subscription, because I have excellent credentials: (1) I know absolutely nothing about UFOs, and (2) In spite of

this, I have reluctantly come to the conclusion that I understand the UFO problem better than anybody else in the entire country.

"At this point in time, I have no garbage to contribute, other than to comment on the Big NSA Controversy. NSA was established in 1952 'within' the Department of Defense (DOD), and reports directly to the Secretary of Defense. The Controversy relates to whether NSA (or DOD) is a 'military' or 'civilian' agency. It's like asking whether kangaroos are marsupials or mammals: They are both! The DOD is headed up by civilians, but its function is a military one. Thus its agencies, such as the Defense Supply Agency, Defense Nuclear Agency, and the National Security Agency, could be considered 'military' agencies. The fact that the director of NSA (traditionally a general) reports to the civilian Secretary of Defense does not make NSA a civilian agency - even if many of its employees are civilians. The U.S. Air Force, for example, reports to a civilian Secretary of the Air Force, but even in one's wildest imagination, the Air Force could hardly be categorized as 'civilian'.

"So, whatever crimes Phil Klass may have committed against humanity, this does not appear to have been one of them. We are one giant step closer to solving the UFO problem now that the Great NSA Controversy has been resolved!...."

After typing all of this, I have suddenly realized that I for one no longer care (if I ever did care!) whether NSA is a "military" or "civilian" agency. This topic is therefore banned from future issues of this newsletter! - Editor.

BILL RETOFF writes:

"Thanks for sending along 'More Tit'. The letters this time around seemed decidedly more reasonable and sane and understandable to a new non-subscriber like me.

"I appreciated your capsule summary of this year's Fort Feast - or is it Fart-Fest; or is it - - - And, yeh, I wouldn't be surprised in the least little bit if that Minnesota fuzz becomes saucerdom's next heralded victim - whether he wants to be or not.

"August Robert's letter was, to me, particularly thought-provoking. But when he concludes with 'the last piece of the unreachable puzzle', I don't know. Sometimes I think that 'the answer' to the F.S. mystery will never be found, or more to the point, doesn't exist. Sometimes I get the feeling that if a UFO landed on the White House lawn, or at halftime at the Super Bowl, or at Studio 54 or some other 'indisputable' point on Earth, it wouldn't matter a whole lot to some areas of ufology. People would still cling to their own beliefs, their own theories, and their own distrust of the obvious. (Some folks still don't believe we've actually been to the Moon; some people don't believe we're in a recession right now, or that there's a 'true' gas shortage.) Maybe I'm wrong on this, but it seems that often we are more interested in preserving myths than establishing some sort of truth based on facts or knowledge....An excellent example can be found in the headline of a certain tabloid, dated 9/11/79, and I quote: 'U.S. & Russian Scientists Reveal Astronauts Saw...Aliens On Moon When We Landed.'...."

Our olde friend LAMA ROBERT DICKHOFF writes:

"On my latest astral Trip (9/3/79, 1:30 a.m.), the sky lit up, and a brilliant space shuttle hurtled towards an elevated platform. I knew they were coming for me. I climbed the steps to get to the celestial object, made from a bronze-like metal, decorated with many weird symbols.I had barely gotten in, when the energy ship took off with me, towards the mother ship, and to a destination unknown to me...."

Far Out!!! - Editor.