

"YOU ARE....A BOIL ON THE ASS OF UFOLOGY."

- John Keel, writing in the March 25th, 1977 issue of "Saucer Glues"

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**MISC. RAVINGS:**

Our glorious Fall 1981 UFO Party & Disorganized Get-Together will occur on the evening of Saturday, December 5th - as usual at our palacial Headquarters at 121 69th St., Guttenberg, N.J. Our phone is 201-869-8053.

Harry Lebelson has called our attention to what is probably the most interesting UFO story of the year - buried on Page 35 of the Oct. 26th issue of the New York Post. In a remote section of Yugoslavia, several young girls reported seeing "a golden-haired Madonna floating over a mountain meadow". (Shades of the "Miracle of Fatima"!) Details are not given, but the national Communist Party expelled 11 people and warned 48 others, apparently because they visited the site of the reported apparition. The government of Yugoslavia fenced off the site so that further visits would be impossible. We just wish we could get the whole story on this one!

The 9th annual "Fortfest" (or Fart Feast, as some might call it) took place near Washington, D.C. on the weekend of Oct. 17th & 18th, and once again your humble "Saucer Smear" editor was present.

This year a new low in poor planning was reached by the alleged organizers, in that they chose to put an arts & crafts fair into the same ballroom with the lectures - so that the audience was treated to such things as medieval flutes in the background while attempting to listen to the speeches. And, due to lack of publicity, less than 100 of the 500 seats were occupied at any time during the 2-day fiasco. Speakers who had come long distances at their own expense were understandably annoyed.

Nevertheless, there were some excellent presentations and only a few poor ones (due mainly to the fact that the microphone had to be carefully hand-held in order for the speaker to be properly heard!)

The lead-off speaker on Saturday was Jerry Clark of "Fate", giving a well-thought-out pitch for Forteans to tread the narrow path between credulity and disbelief. Non-subscriber Loren Coleman gave a run-down on sightings of kangeroos and alligators where they don't belong (like in U.S. city suburbs), plus lake monsters and even mysteriously disappearing clowns. Then came the legendary John Keel who, like a once-great but aging bullfighter, gave a disappointing performance - miraculously creating instant folklore as he rambled on.

Other speakers included Robert Stephanos, whose dubious thesis was that the ancient city of Jerusalem was actually on the site of the present city of Edinburgh, Scotland. Joseph Zarzynski gave an update on "Champ", the currently-popular monster in Lake Champlain (spelling???), together with a plea that the creature not be harmed. Non-subscriber Bob Jones

gave an update on the fascinating field work being done by "Vestigia" of New Jersey - the organization which has actually succeeded in photographing a legendary "ghost light" under scientifically-controlled conditions. Peter Jordan of "Vestigia" hit us with an excellent presentation on cattle mutilation; and Larry Arnold (a researcher previously unknown to us) gave a great but gory slide presentation on the rarest, weirdest off-beat phenomenon of all - Spontaneous Human Combustion (S.H.C., or "close encounters of the fatal kind".)

Other speakers included Ron Westrum, Alvin Holm, C.L. Ellenberger, and the guest of honor - author Robert Anton Wilson, who amused himself by rambling on aimlessly about the Intelligence Community and miscellaneous paranoia.

The high point of the convention should have been Saturday night, when there was a social event (rock music & laser light show) billed as a "Gala Masked Ball", which was supposed to have "Prizes for Best Costumes, Best Fortean Creature, Best Fortean Phenomena (sic), and Best Living Pun..." Your editor secretly expected to win the latter prize easily; but alas, the competition was called off - probably because only a handful of people showed up, except for the local young people involved in the abovementioned arts & crafts fair.

However, "dishonorable mention" was given to Dr. (real doctorate!) Bruce Maccabee, a well-known D.C. area ufologist. We had assumed Maccabee to be rather Dry - till we saw him arrive in his homemade "Trashfoot" costume - consisting mainly of a garbage bag over his head, with eye-slits, in the style of Elephant Man. "Saucer Smear" congratulates this good-natured scientist.

And so, as another Fort Fest sinks slowly into the West, our hearts fill with the forlorn hope that the disorganized organizers will do better next year.

#### NEWS BRIEFIES:

Tom Benson, editor of "The Sixth Quark Journal" & a rising young star in the UFO field, has suddenly announced that he is dropping out of Research. He has been a loyal non-subscriber, and we will miss him..... Non-subscriber David Fideler, a well-known Fortean researcher, was married on September 18th to one Elizabeth Weldon.....To balance the matrimonial scales, we must report that long-time ufologist Michael G. Mann of Brooklyn, N.Y. is currently divorcing his wife, Marcia. Way to go, Mike!.....Former non-subscriber Brad Sparks of California is informing close friends (if any) that he has reason to believe your humble "Saucer Smear" editor had a hand in the infamous Straith Letter hoax of the late 1950's. We cordially invite him to prove this in court!..... Non-subscriber Daniel Cohen continues to grind out supposedly objective books on UFOs and other offbeat topics. The latest is "The Great Airship Mystery", about the big 1897 flap, etc. Available for a mere \$9.95 from Dodd Mead, 79 Madison Ave., New York City 10016. Cohen's conclusion re the 1897 flap is, basically, that we'll never know for sure just what happened. (We agree!).....And, the great "sTARBABY" controversy grinds on (See Page 2 of our Sept. 10th issue), but it seems to be of interest mainly to the principals - Jerry Clark of "Fate", who was responsible for the publication of the article therein; Dennis Rawlins, author of the "Fate" article and former member of CSICOP; and our olde pal Philip J. Klass, who is vigorously investigating Rawlins' charges in behalf of CSICOP.....Incidentally, Klass' presence succeeded in driving Peter Gersten and Harry Lebelson of OMNI off a recent Bill Boggs network TV show. For some reason, the pair just didn't want to appear when they found out at the last minute that they would have to face Klass. Was it his breath??? Only Mrs. Klass knows for sure.

***New techniques loom as famed brothel changes hands***

LETTERS TO YE OLDE SUPREME COMMANDER:

Skeptically-inclined MICHAEL DENNETT writes:

"I have been following your 'missives from the masses' section with interest. What will John Timmerman do? As for the Clark/Schroth debate, I score it Schroth 4; Clark 0."

JOHN P. TIMMERMAN of CUFOS delights us with:

"Dear Jim,

"I am devastated. Your 'grand scale' contribution to our work at CUFOS will go down in the annals - - - Need I say more?

"I will submit my resignation as Treasurer of CUFOS at our October meeting. This job is a lot of work and it doesn't pay very well, either, as I believe you clearly understand. I hope the Board of Directors accepts it.

"It's a bit late, but enclosed find last year's Christmas Card from Dr. Hynek, which you complain about not having received...."

Gee, we hope John Timmerman doesn't really resign, because he's a good man. And - A good man nowadays is hard to find. You always seem to get the other kind. Just when you think that he's your pal, you find - etc., etc. - Editor.

ALLAN HENDRY, formerly of CUFOS (and now operating out of Stone Mountain, Georgia) writes:

"Dear Fellow UFOphile:

"The November, 1981 issue of OMNI magazine contains an editorially-rewritten version of an article I prepared on the Betty Hill UFO star map ('UFO Update - Antimatter', p. 111). It contains inaccurate and unwarranted statements that I neither authored nor approved. Most importantly, I did not write anything about the Hill case being 'reveal(ed)' as the 'most elaborate UFO hoax ever perpetrated.' This editorial insertion grossly misrepresents my outlook on the matter. The breakdown of the Fish interpretation of Mrs. Hill's alien star map returns the abduction claim to unsupported anecdotal testimony - but hardly a deliberate hoax.

"Other inaccuracies were introduced into my original text. I did not describe the Hills' UFO as 'starlike'; in fact, they claim they saw it with large angular size. Also, Mrs. Hill never expressed a 'belief' in which stars were the aliens' home. Finally, the sentiments of Terry Dickinson, precisely stated to me for OMNI, were not presented here. I regret that these errors seem attributed to me as the 'author'. I am taking steps to ensure that OMNI prints a suitable retraction for all of the above points, but I wanted to warn you and other important UFOlogists as quickly as possible. Most people knowledgeable of the Hill incident will conclude - falsely - that I have lost my marbles."

**Girl guerrillas train in U.S. for the day they'll take on Castro**

**Keel found guilty**

Now, Penthouse publisher Bob Guccione will be donated to charity, probably to the Metropolitan Opera.

The Times-Herald  
(Newport News Va.) 10 2 80

**By Steve McGonigle  
Staff Writer of The News**

J. RICHARD GREENWELL writes:

"Dear Supreme Commander:

"I haven't received the Dreaded 'X' yet, but no doubt it will come while I am in Africa looking for dinosaurs. So, I enclose some important items for your even more important 'Saucer Smear'.

"Ron Story and I are very happy with the reception given our new book 'UFOs and the Limits of Science'. The two extremes of Ufology, the debunkers and the believers, are mad at us; so we must be doing something right!

"Undoubtedly, as usual, 1982 promises to be the 'big year' for UFOs. I propose that all who believe that hold their breath for 1,000 seconds (yourself excluded, of course)."

Non-subscriber Greenwell isn't kidding; he really is in central Africa now, looking for a weird dinosaur-like creature - together with a party of other researchers. We (shudder!) wish them well. - Editor.

ROBERT GOERMAN writes:

"On Sept. 8th, 1981, Carlos Miguel Allende (aka Carl Allen) wrote me saying: 'I prefer the hillbilly way of dealing with oily, unctous, smooth-talking thievish con-men like you, & that way is with a 12-gauge shot-gun at a 5-foot range....As a big favor to all of humankind, I'd love to shoot you at first sight.'

"Then, two weeks later, Allen(de)'s father showed me a letter from Carl postmarked September 15th. On the back of the envelope was this interesting note about me: 'I do not like him and the only reason I have not shot him is - - - I have not got to him - - - yet.'

"One question, Jim - and that query is based on the postmark. How long will it take Allende to hitchhike to Brackenridge, Pa. from Las Cruces, New Mexico??? Just kidding! I think...."

That cool and ever-so-reasonable scientist, Carlos Allende, is apparently angry at non-subscriber Goerman because of an article Goerman recently wrote about him for "Fate". - Editor.

STEVE BARNETT, who recently visited our humble Headquarters all the way from Utah, writes:

"....I was quite excited by your photo of the pickled little man in the bottle (in the Sept. 10th 'Smear'). Can't the government afford better display cases for such rarities?...."

LORÉN COLEMAN writes:

"....I certainly am looking forward to your in-depth report on last weekend's infamous Fortfest which found you, John Keel, Timothy Green Beckley, Jerome Clark, Ron Westrum, and myself stuck in the worst eastern 'Best Western' inn. You should be especially complete when discussing the Saddleback Go-Go Bar that you talked all of us into venturing into on the first Friday night. It would not have been so bad, but as the only free table left was right next to the stage, I do recall many a ufological/fortean intellectual exchange being interrupted by the bouncing breasts of Lori's feats of wonder. Don't forget to further detail how John Keel almost fainted when you picked up the first tab.

"It was good seeing you again, although Lori's pushups were distracting, and I look forward to reading all of those quotes you were scribbling down...."

The above Data was mercifully omitted from our Fortfest review - elsewhere in this issue. - Editor.

## ELEPHANT DUNG IS COLOSSAL AS A FUEL

PORTLAND, ORE.—Animal manure may someday light your stove, heat your home, fuel your car, and keep rabbits and squirrels from eating up your garden.

Officials of the Western Solar Utilization Network recently demonstrated its usefulness at the Washington Park Zoo by broiling some hamburgers cooked with propane manufactured from "Zoo Doo."

Each of the zoo's elephants can produce up to a wheelbarrow full of Zoo Doo daily, which can be converted into fuel through a biomass digester.

# Agents round up aliens by copter

## Dead widow eaten by 10 pet cats

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"It's frightening. The country's actually being invaded and there's not a thing we can do about it."

— John Jennings

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Former Beat Poet GEORGE MONTGOMERY, former husband of non-subscriber ANNA GOLZ (MONTGOMERY), writes as follows:

"....I gave you a fine mention in my newspaper column, with your name and all included, so you should get some new subscribers; but I must admit that I am sorry I did that, after seeing your last newsletter with all those people eating each other out, etc. What da fuk duz that have to do with saucers?...."

"By the way, if you know any rich bastards who wish to hire me to do a Beatnik poetry reading at their party - I am for rent for ninety bux a night in the metro area. Did you ever get that hundred dollar contribution I sent you? I dare you to print this letter. Do you have blood? Guts?"

"Please - get off this kick you have with the 'dirty' pictures! You are going to lose many friends, etc. Do you have any friends?...."

"Get back on the ball, and lay off the vodka, gin, Scotch, etc.... Don't let all this go to your head. You used to be a kinda nice jerky kind of guy, but now you seem to be flipping! Don't let the world snow upon you too much!....Clean your sox!...."

It's nice to know George is helping us keep Filth out of the magazine!  
- Editor.

ROBERT (alias "Bob") SHEAFFER writes:

"Concerning that 'Air Force training manuel' (sic: a book, not a Mexican laborer): I'm surprised that you haven't heard about that one before. It's decidedly old hat. Enclosed is a seven-year-old tabloid blurb, with Bob Barry beating the drum for that one. Actually, it goes back to 1969. What it means is that someone in the Air Force academy was a UFO buff, and wrote up a chapter along the lines of Vallee, Keyhoe, Fuller, Edwards, Lorenzen, etc., who are all given credit at the end of the chapter. Even the 1897 Alexander Hamilton Liar's Club concoction is cited as authentic. Apparently the Air Force started to feel the heat from this pro-UFO section, and the chapter was rewritten in a somewhat more restrained form. But there was certainly nothing in the chapter that you don't find in the books of the above-mentioned authors.

"A tempest in a teapot. In the meantime, keep your eye off Wall Street and closer to the UFO scene, and you won't be caught again peddling old wine in new bottles."

We knew this was a vintage item when we printed it. - Editor.

A rare & exciting missive from former researcher TODD ZECHEL has recently crossed our desk. The non-libelous parts read as follows:

"It was interesting speaking to you by phone the other day. Being immersed in the splendor and depravity of Hollywood hasn't left me much time for Ufological activities. (You know how those orgies eat up one's time!)

"I wasn't surprised to hear 'Dr.' McIntyre was running around the country chasing Big Feet. I have some hints for him: (1) Look directly down and you'll see an incredible pair of Big Feet. (2) When encountering a Big Feet, don't say, 'Here, Boy; Here, Boy!' They tend to take umbrage with such indignity. Instead, use the jocular, 'Hey, Man, what's happening?'....

"....Isn't it just like those fucking UFOs to quit showing up as soon as everybody got interested in them again? Perhaps after studying Betty Hill, Travis Walton, and a host of other semi-literate goofballs, the aliens decided to pack it in and search for intelligent life elsewhere in the universe.

"You must be more than a little apprehensive about Reagannomics, what with the Market stumbling and the poor grumbling. Furthermore, being a slumlord surrounded by hostile Latinos, you must have considered the fact you'll be one of the first to be strung up when the Revolution starts. My advice is to hire several bodyguards and supply them with automatic weapons, or sell out and move to Costa Rica.

"Before parting, let me congratulate the skeptics on their incredible victory over Ufology. Oberg, in particular, is to be commended for his Cutty Sark coup and his OMNI parlay. I wouldn't have thought it possible, but Oberg proved with his column that one could reduce an exciting, fascinating subject (UFOs) to sheer boredom and tedium. It just goes to show what you can do with a Master's degree in Disinformation!

"Keep the Faith, my friends, for like MacArthur, I shall return....

"P.S: The reason why MUFON won't make you a chiefton and Ground Saucer Watch did: Andrus is more careful about what kind of crackpots he admits. He selects only the serious ones."

# CHICKEN HOLDS WIFE PRISONER

# Violent-crime report urges war on gangs

By Glen Elsasser  
Chicago Tribune Press Service

News and

WASHINGTON—A federal task force has urged the Reagan administration to wage an all-out war against street gangs which it blames for the murders and rapes of thousands of young men, women and juveniles.

# Mother of 4 Girls Weds Jailed Rapist

Proving that love is blind, a woman with four daughters has married a jailed rapist — and can't wait to get him home.

"It would be a dream come true. Carl living with me in our house with our daughters. We'll be as crazy with happiness as two waltzing mice," said Paula Fowler — new

## Shroud a hoax, he says

Chicago (UPI)—Walter C. McCrone, a member of the Shroud of Turin Research Project, said yesterday that the cloth believed to be the burial shroud of Jesus Christ is a hoax.

McCrone, a microscopist, said he found no evidence of blood on the centuries-old material and that he believes the images on the cloth were painted.

"I can't sit still while my findings are ignored—worse yet, said to be incorrect," said McCrone, head of the McCrone Research Institute. "The 30-to-40 scientists who worked on this relic have concluded it is genuine—that is, all except one. I can assure you I have compelling, rational and straightforward reasons for saying the Shroud of Turin was painted with a thin, watercolor paint by an artist."

DIANE ENION writes:

"....September has come and gone, and I still have not received my MARCEN (or whatever they are now calling it) Journal. As per your zine, I read that we were to have a brand new issue in our hands in September. But they did not say September of which year!

"If there are any other disgusted receivers (or alleged receivers) of this publication, and I am sure there are, let us get together and demand our Jcurnals. After all, this is what we were promised in return for our \$15. I have not received one in two years. If they cannot deliver as promised, then how about a nice refund! We have been patient enough with this alleged organization!...."

JOAN JEFFERS hits us with:

"Alas, I fear I shall not be brief enough, but there are a couple of things on which I would like to comment. The first is my dear friend Betty Hill's remarks about hypnosis. Her classifications of types of hypnosis are differences in quality and not in kind. 'Stage' hypnosis is a light to intermediate trance state. 'Medical' hypnosis would be a deep trance state. Amnesia of what transpired during the trance is possible in either. The subject is indeed able to lie while in deep trance - particularly if the subject is convinced that what he/she experienced is true or at least is as he/she has interpreted it to be. The subject may enlarge upon that experience to convince self and others that it happened as he thinks it did.

"Another possibility for a lie under hypnosis is in the control of the operator, who may tell the subject to view the scene in a detached manner, as looking at a television program. Since a TV show had a beginning, a middle, and an end, the subject may feel obliged to fill in the details so that his 'program' is a coherent whole. Other possibilities include the subjects with borderline psychosis, who present their delusions as reality. Hypnosis is not the great revealer of truth we would like to think it to be. There are dangers in its use, and we should be very particular to have as operator a psychologist or psychiatrist experienced in the field of hypnosis. These techniques have been used by law enforcement agencies to gain details from eyewitnesses; but there are serious questions about its use to identify criminals when it comes to using this evidence in court.

"....Re Bigfoot: If the 'eastern' variety were a vegetarian, then I suppose it would take some doing to cram in 10,000 calories from greenery in a day (multiplied by any number of creatures). However, from following the trail of Bigfoot, we have discovered that the Big Hairy Monster (BHM) also eats birds and small animals. Analyses done on stool samples (Yes, witnesses have pointed out where they have seen BHMs defecating), we have learned that the creature is omniverous. This seems contrary to evidence from the west, but them's the breaks! Since BHMs have been reported in Pennsylvania for centuries and figure prominently in Indian legends from this area, it seems more likely that Bigfoot has migrated from Pennsylvania to Ohio, than from Mt. St. Helens!

"I have a friend who was camped in the deep woods very near Mt. Hood when St. Helens erupted. He was there specifically to encounter Bigfoot. Alas, he saw none on that trip, though he was more successful the year before...."

## ***Giant Panda Gives Birth to Baby Boy***

| Lexington (Ky.) Herald 8/13/80

## **Unnecessary Mutilation Cited**

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## Nuke alert set by squirrels?

## Terrified residents flee the Torridge Road kamikaze owl

KAL K. KORFF (new address: Box 631, Union City, Ca. 94587) honors us with the following open letter to former Captain Jim Oberg:

"....In case you suffer from memory lapse, let me repeat the question: You (Oberg) stated in a phone conversation with me, and in a letter to me as well, that there were and are several 'prosaic' explanations to the Roswell Incident. Once again I tell you that I would be most interested in finding out what they are, and so would the 40,000+ people who purchased copies of the book, I think, not to mention the authors - Moore and Berlitz.

"As far as your opinion is concerned, as to my lack of knowledge about the publishing business, rest assured that I am well aware of the rules and regulations governing same. Under the new copyright laws (which you seem not to have read) - since I own the copyright to my Meier expose (a fact you should have noted had you read the little blurb at the top of the first page of the excerpt I sent you) - I was not in error by trying to sell my piece to OMNI. Ever hear of first or serialization rights? Apparently not. This is all irrelevant, though, since OMNI knew that 'UFO Report' was going to publish my expose on Meier. It has since appeared in five other UFO zines.

"I find your remark rather ironic, especially in view of the fact that you, Sir, continue to this day to recycle your astronaut sightings 'explanations' to any pulp credulous enough to accept them in their entirety at face value. If you really thought this subject was as 'kaput' as you told Beckley, you wouldn't continue to try to drag more mileage out of it....

"Getting back to OMNI - yes they have indeed scrapped their UFO column. I suggest, Sir, that you carefully examine the reason why. When I checked with OMNI, Harry Lebelson told me it was in part because of the stink your writings caused that they had decided to do so - and justifiably so! After all, no UFO column is better than one that is fiction presented under the guise of fact...."

And finally, we have this open letter to non-subscribers from GENE DUPLANTIER (17 Shetland St., Willowdale, Ont., Canada):

"We are presently researching a 'hum' that is being heard by certain people in different parts of the world. If you hear a strange hum, one that pulsates but always using the same tone, continues night and day without ever stopping, we would like to hear of your experience. If you can identify the sound by way of what musical note on a piano or other musical instrument it corresponds to, it would be a great help toward identifying its reality and maybe its source.

"Another thing we're researching is the business of a ufologist, for instance, who has found he is the object of impersonation by someone unknown. The imposter could be visiting a city for a UFO convention, giving a lecture and even using your own name when checking into a hotel, while the ufologist himself may be at home at the time. Even physical features and voice are duplicated. If this has happened to you or you know of someone who is a UFO buff who has experienced a similar situation at some time or other, we would very much like to hear from you with the details.

"If enough evidence is gathered on these two subjects, they could be the basis for a booklet, and you would be credited accordingly for any information received."