

"As all regular readers of (this) publication are surely aware, Moseley's sense of humor is almost legendary. One may perhaps label him 'The Voltaire of the UFO movement', in view of his perceptive and witty satires."

- ROBERT SHEAFFER, writing in his book "The UFO Verdict" (Page 153)

"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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HOT FLASH!

WENDELLE STEVENS DISAPPEARS UNMYSTERIOUSLY!

It is more in sorrow than in anger that we report a really Heavy "Saucer Smear" exclusive, regarding retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Wendelle Stevens of Tucson, Arizona. Readers will remember Stevens as the most vocal U.S. link to Billy Meier of Switzerland - the man who claims to have had frequent contacts over a period of years with Advanced Beings from the Pleiades. Stevens was a speaker at the National UFO Conference's 1981 convention in De Pere, Wisconsin, and was a delegate at our Tucson convention in May of this year.

From an anonymous source we have obtained actual copies of recent court documents in the state of Arizona regarding Stevens. Sixteen felony indictments were handed down, charging Stevens with: molestation of a child (female) under 15; furnishing obscene or harmful items to minors; and making films, photographs, or motion pictures of minors engaged in sexual conduct.

Through plea bargaining, Stevens had the charges reduced to three counts of molestation of a child. He pleaded guilty to these three charges. We have the names of the three children in question, all of whom are females under 15. The offenses in question took place in the summers of 1981 and 1982. The plea bargaining agreement was signed in March of this year, and Stevens began, on June 1st of this year, to serve three concurrent 7-year prison terms.

So, if you don't see or hear from Wendelle Stevens for awhile, you will know he's not in the Pleiades, but somewhere much closer to home!

We wish to make it very clear that: (1) We do not believe Stevens' sexual misconduct is directly relevant to his work in the UFO field, but we do think it bears upon the general character and personality of the man, and therefore is a legitimate matter to report. (2) We do not happen to agree with the severity of such laws as those Stevens was convicted on, in regard to voluntary sex acts, even with minors. (3) In our contacts with Stevens, we have found him to be a charming though obviously misguided (re the Pleiades) man, and we bear him no ill will. (4) We would not print this story if we did not have in our possession, as stated above, photostats of the actual court documents.



Update on Wendelle Stevens story: It appears that Stevens did not start serving his prison term on June 1st. We have interviewed over a dozen people by phone, and find that he is either (a) in South America; (b) traveling around the U.S.A. & unspecified other regions; (c) investigating contactee cases in South Africa (is he maybe really in the Pleiades??), or (d) he has very recently Turned Himself In. His daughter denies any knowledge of the case, and threatens to sue. His defense attorney did not return our call. We stick by our court documents! Stay tuned!

MISC. HOT FLASHES: If the "Dreaded X" appears on the envelope in which you received this issue, it means you will be thrown off our mailing list unless we hear from you shortly... "Our own" Erik (formerly Jon) Beckjord has Struck It Big on his recent trip to Loch Ness! See authentic newspaper article at the right. See also Page 6 for recent correspondence to us from Beckjord... Your "Smear" editor, together with a small coterie of Followers, attended the mid-August SBI (Scientific Bureau of Investigation) convention in Albany, N.Y. It was an interesting get-together, but you must breathlessly await details till our next glorious issue, due to lack of Space herein....

'Loch Ness Maybe' filmed

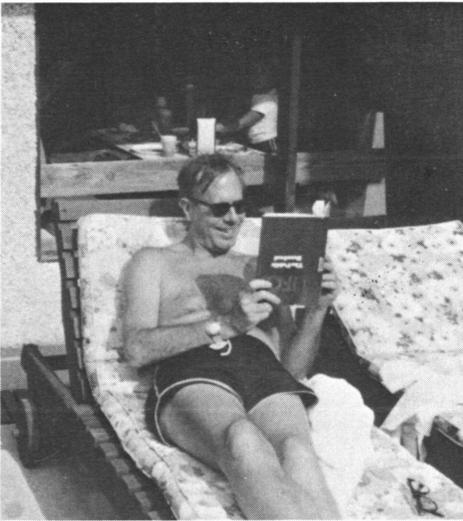
DRUMNADROCHIT, Scotland — American wildlife photographer Erik Beckjord, hunting the fabled Loch Ness Monster, said Saturday he filmed a long, black object seemingly swimming in the lake, but conceded the object may have been a freak wave.

"I'm calling it 'The Loch Ness Maybe,'" he said in a telephone interview. "It was 15 to 20 feet long, shaped like an overturned boat and appeared to swim across the light swell on the lake, surfacing four times like a porpoise."

And now for an important Social Note: NASA engineer & "Smear" non-subscriber Dr. Thornton Page also turns out to be a Rhodes Scholar, and was recently in England for a reunion of same. He has sent us a photo of himself standing within ten feet of the Queen. Way to go, Thornton!....

Non-subscriber George Montgomery, a former Beat Poet of the 1950's, has written a new book of prose & poetry called "Kingston (N.Y.), A City", available from him for \$4 at: Box 40, Rosendale, N.Y. 12472.... And our old friend Loren Coleman, a hard-core Fortean, has a book coming out in November called "Mysterious America". The publisher is Faber & Faber, Inc; 39 Thompson St; Winchester, Ma. 01890.... Augie Roberts informs us that his friend Dr. Berthold Schwarz is coming out with a new book called "UFO Dynamics". It is sub-titled "psychiatric & psychic aspects of the UFO syndrome". Readers will recall that Dr. Schwarz was recently embarrassed by two fake psychics placed by arch-skeptic James Randi in a long series of psychic experiments Schwarz was conducting.... Speaking of this sort of thing - Gary Posner, also an M.D. but a very skeptical one - is of the opinion that Betty Hill passed her recent lie detector test only because she is "mentally ill". No, Doc, we don't agree. The contactee syndrome is a lot more complicated than that!....

Non-subscriber Larry Bryant of CAUS recently received nation-wide publicity by suing the Government to release whatever extraterrestrial beings, dead or alive, that may have been captured over the years in crashed flying saucers. A federal judge later dismissed the suit. Bad luck, Larry!.... Bruce Maccabee's Fund for UFO Research announces that a \$2,000 Lawson Award has been made jointly to John Schuessler for his work on the Cash/Landrum case, and to an obscure Italian UFO journal. The award is in the name of Dr. Alvin H. Lawson, a California professor who is the author of the dreaded "birth trauma" theory of contactee behavior.... The ufological "Unity" committee, born at the 1982 MUFON convention in Toronto, has blossomed into a super-organization now called the North American UFO Federation. All major U.S. saucer clubs except APRO, and most of the minor organizations, now at least give lip service to this umbrella group. We shall now see what progress, if any, can be made re working together jointly to solve the UFO mystery.

"SAUCER SMEAR" REVIEWS A KLAASSIC UFO BOOK

Remember when you were a kid and your English teacher spoiled your summer vacation by giving you a long, boring book to read and write a book report on? Your "Smear" editor, somewhat masochistically, did this to himself this past summer, when he decided to read Philip Klass's new 300-page book "UFOs: The Public Deceived" cover to cover, in preparation for writing this review. (See photo at left. In case our cheap-o reproduction method has lost the fine detail in the picture, we will tell you that in the photo, your editor is holding the Klass book upside down. It reads well upside down!)

Now, to read a book cover to cover is no great achievement, but for a Ufologist to read a Klass book cover to cover may be a unique historical event. Klass, as the most articulate of the Big Three Skeptics (Oberg and Sheaffer being the other two), has the distinction of being shunned and hated by nearly everyone in the field. According to Klass, even Hynek won't go on any talk shows with him; and whereas even Jim Oberg gets a kind word from Believers occasionally (see Antonio Huneus's interesting letter on Page 8 of this issue), Klass is indeed in a Class by himself. A strongly pro-UFO friend of ours claims to have read one page of "UFOs: The Public Deceived" before putting the book down in a rage!

And, they won't let Klass talk at UFO conventions, either, though Klass errs badly on Page 273 of his tome when he states that the only "national (UFO) conference" he was ever invited to speak at was the Oct. 1975 one in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Surely Klass has not forgotten that the organization called The National UFO Conference, of which your humble "Smear" editor is Permanent Chairman, invited Klass to speak at our 1980 New York City convention. Klass accepted but could not make it time-wise because of arrangements regarding his marriage; so we invited Robert Sheaffer in his place, and Sheaffer received equal treatment there, together with five leading pro-UFO speakers. (Had Klass remembered this, he might have included your editor in the index of his book - whereas there are at present no references to your editor therein!)

Now, as to the substance of "UFOs: The Public Deceived": The author boldly takes on several of the best-publicized cases of recent years, and predictably finds all of them to be subject to prosaic explanations. He devotes six chapters to the Travis Walton case, reviewing every aspect of it in intricate detail. Klass is at his strongest here, for he was involved in the research almost from the beginning; and with his meticulous attention to detail (tape recordings of all phone conversations & carbons of all letters!), there is no doubt that he knows what he's talking about. We cannot quarrel with his conclusion that the case is a hoax, and that the APRO role in its investigation was neither scientific nor objective.

Klass is on shakier ground with, for example, the famed New Zealand UFO film, for here his main opponent is not APRO but a man of scientific training to match his own - namely Dr. Bruce Maccabee, a pro-UFO physicist employed by the U.S. Navy. The arguments pro and con are far too complicated to detail here; but Maccabee concludes that at least some of the lights seen were genuinely mysterious, whereas Klass concludes that the phenomena are explainable as false radar returns and a brightly-lit Japanese squidboat. Klass is a master of sarcastic humor. As a tease to the Believers, he concludes his New Zea-

land discussion with tongue firmly set in cheek: "One possible explanation is that the night of Dec. 31, 1978, was the first extraterrestrial squid-fishing expedition off New Zealand and just happened to coincide with the flight of a TV crew out on a 'UFO hunt'. Another possible explanation, of course, is that Safe Air crews may often have seen UFOs engaged in squid fishing, but previously mistook them for a Japanese squid-boat, which they so closely resemble."

Our "Smear" readers will be shocked and offended to learn that we happen to agree with Klass regarding the New Zealand UFOs, and we believe he is probably correct in his dissection of other "classic" cases which he has quite obviously made a thorough study of. However, on several other less-researched cases he is merely guessing, in our opinion - as when he calls the Deputy Sheriff Val Johnson case a hoax.

It all boils down to an interpretation of evidence, and Klass has as much right to interpret the evidence in a skeptical/logical manner, as do the Believers to interpret it in a pro-Weirdness manner. It is, unfortunately, a living fact that no UFO case has ever been proven to be weird beyond a reasonable doubt. If the opposite were true, ufology would be out of business and Klass would have to stick full-time to his prestigious job at "Aviation Week & Space Technology"!

Klass contends that the small percentage of so-far unexplainable UFOs would be solvable as prosaic items (fireballs, advertising planes, Venus, etc.) if all the facts were known. That is his belief. Ufologists believe, and quite obviously hope, that this is not the case. But as the years roll by without the arrival of any pro-UFO proof, the skeptics' position becomes stronger. How many worthy ufologists of yesteryear have eventually been driven to mysticism, skepticism, madness, or beyond?

Klass grates on the nerves of ufologists not only because of his self-admitted competence, but because of his heavy-handed humor (which we happen to enjoy); his liberal use of the ad hominem attack; his tendency to make big issues out of very small ones; and his irritating habit (in this book and elsewhere) of falling back, when all else fails, onto generalizations about the limitations & errors of human perception.

Nevertheless, ufologists surely owe it to themselves not to filter out the "negative", and reading Klass's book is guaranteed to be non-fatal to most people. We only wish Space allowed us to write a more thorough review.

"UFOs: The Public Deceived" is available from the notorious Prometheus Books (700 E. Amherst St., Buffalo, N.Y. 14215), which in turn is in league with the even more notorious CSICOP (Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal), of which Klass is a founding member. No price can be found anywhere on the book. Perhaps it is indeed, as Klass would no doubt like us to believe, priceless!

gang rape isn't an alien event

Beetles' emotions bottled up

JEWEL beetles face extinction in Australia because males would rather mate with empty beer bottles than with females, an entomologist claims.

The erratic insects are attracted to discarded beer bottles, says Dr. David Rentz, because the bottles are bigger and shinier than the female beetles.

According to Rentz, the beetles are so turned on by the bottles that they often risk death from predators as they pursue their lust for empties, shunning the females and threatening the species with extinction.

Mosley cleared of assault charge, remains jailed

LETTERS TO YE OLDE SUPREME COMMANDER:

Veteran researcher & radio personality HAL STARR writes:

"Permit me to express my great appreciation for having been presented with the Ufologist of the Year award (at the Tucson convention.) I was flattered, pleased, humble, surprised, humble, astonished, humble, and grateful - though I knew all along that I deserved it. Since Dr. Hynek received the Ufologist of the Decade award, does that make me 10% as good as Allen?....

"(As you know,) I have volunteered to judge once and for all the legitimacy of the Billy Meier case. It had always been my understanding from all concerned with the investigation that Herr Meier was able to call these craft to him in Switzerland almost at will through some sort of mental rapport. It was because of this power that I suggested he do so for me while I would be in Switzerland this autumn, feeling that, since I was about the only person in Ufology who had not taken a firm posture pro or con on this case, I could be neutral. I proposed this in my paper and challenged Wendelle Stevens to set up the meeting, for me to take my own pictures with film sealed and bonded by Eastman Kodak. Also, I proposed to record the craft's sound with my own tape equipment. Then, I would announce that the case was either legitimate or a phony, and the latter category would apply if some sort of weaseling excuse were employed to prevent the investigation.

"Well, Wendelle informed me after the challenge that Billy Meier was no longer the darling of the Pleiadians and no longer had the ability to call them to him. In fact, (horrors!) I was informed that THEY had all they needed from Billy, and had discarded him like an old shoe (sob!). So, if I saw Herr Meier, I would just have to take my chances as to whether I would see a ship or not - and that I probably wouldn't. Ah, well, I tried!

"Need I express an opinion now on the Meier Case??...."

Dreadful Skeptic BOB SHEAFFER writes:

"So Hal Starr found a 'bug' in his hotel room just before his talk to the NUFOC? And it conveniently turned up while you (and possibly others) were there to see it? Fabulously fortuitous, I would say. Perhaps the CIA is secretly trying to increase the credibility of Mr. Starr by amateurishly placing a 'bug' when and where he is likely to find it - before his talk, not after it. Or perhaps Starr planted the 'bug' himself so that he could 'discover' it in the presence of witnesses. Either one is possible."

Yes, either one is possible! - Editor.

Budding author KEN BEHRENDT writes:

"....I noticed your comments in the last 'Smear' about APRO's hesitancy to cooperate with other UFO groups and activities such as the recent 20th National UFO Conference in their own headquarters city of Tucson, Az. This was not the first time I have heard these comments made about APRO and a few other civilian UFO groups. As you are well aware, Jim, there is now a big push being made in Ufology for a united approach to the investigation of cases and a complete sharing of all data collected on all cases. The recently formed North American UFO Federation has the potential to bring about these changes and to do so in a relatively short time.

"....Over thirty years of competition between UFO groups has not led to a solution of the UFO mystery. I really think it's time to try a cooperative approach!"

TOMMY R. BLANN writes:

"Just a short note to let you know that I have not been carried off by the dreadful Men in Black, as Blaine Hamrick would have one believe (in the current 'Smear'). The reason for my 'clamming up' is that I am involved in a scientific project that may be of some value to Ufology at a future point in time, and I do not want to jeopardize my research because of a bunch of ding-a-lings!"

Researcher GARY BUELL writes:

"I am writing to you to plead for more information on Richard Greenwell's expedition to the South Pacific in search of mermaids. The tabloid 'Globe' printed an article on the subject in its July 5 edition, complete with a sighting report by an anthropologist, if the 'Globe' can be believed. Those interested in mermaids should also be sure to read the June 'Smithsonian', which has a cover article on the subject. I hope you will keep your readers posted as to the progress of this historic expedition."

There is also a fascinating article in the August 1983 FATE, entitled "The Ri - Mermen and Mermaids?", written by one Roy Wagner of the International Society of Cryptozoology. - Editor.

ARMAND LAPRADE writes:

"Thank you for your letter and the wonderful 'Smear' sheets, which I always look forward to. More refreshing than all else being published these days, including my own magazine!..."

Armand publishes a UFO zine called "Would You Believe?". Address: Route 4, Box 156; Marshall, Arkansas 72650. - Editor.

The somewhat mysterious RICHARD C. HENRY (Dept. of Physics, The Johns Hopkins University) writes as follows:

"....Your $3\frac{1}{2}$ dimension joke turns out not to be a joke. Apparently fractional dimensions are definable mathematically. I am told that an example is the scalloped shore of a bay: smaller and smaller bays within bays, without limit. The shoreline is then not one-dimensional, as you would think, but somewhere between one and two dimensional."

We'll take your word for it! - Editor.

KRIS BJORK hits us with:

"....I've got a way (sure fire) to contact UFOs. Go out at night and yell at the top of your lungs, addressing the Space People - in your case, most likely - women. Yell 'I'm ready for sex! I'm ready for sex!' It might take a few days or a week, but something surely will happen. (We oughta tell this one to Phil Klass. He'd choke on his own sputum at that!)...."

Globe-trotting jet-setter ERIK BECKJORD (formerly JON BECKJORD) - currently en route to Loch Ness - writes as follows:

"A pox on Larry Peters with his TURPOLUCIDIUM. It is driving me crazy enough trying to challenge Ye Olde Moseley to accompany me on a visit to said worthy in Baltimore, and go with him to see his red-eyed monster in person, when I return from Loch Ness in early August. Together, or separately, I expect to find that the beast will evaporate when we go out there, armed with night viewer, but will reappear the minute we get

in our car and go elsewhere. But the question is: Will intrepid Jim go along with me down from New Jersey to Baltimore for this???....

"I'd like the UFO-minded folks out there to know that there is a previously unreported UFO crash that has occurred in Papua New Guinea, long after the time of Father Gill. While on a recent expedition there sponsored by the National Cryptozoological Society (which now includes Congo-dinosaur hunter Herman Regusters) I was told by the hotel manager of the Namatanai Hotel, New Ireland, PNG, named Bernie Gash, that he witnessed in 1981 a huge fireball flying low and fast over town, that then crashed on a nearby ridge, in a large ball of flame that tossed up palm trees to a considerable height. I flew over this ridge on my way home, but the jungle has claimed its own, just as it has with many Japanese planes. But who knows - maybe a determined ufologist could go there and hack out whatever is left, and crack the UFO mystery!..."

LARRY PETERS of "Center Force" writes:

"I actually believe there is some mellowing going on. The comments made by your readers are not as harsh as they used to be.

"There should be a standing 'clap' for Jon Beckjord (re his letter in the June 25th 'Smear'), who finally after all these years was in the right place at the right time. Hurray! Now maybe he won't think I am all that crazy. What I want to know is why he didn't stand up and run headlong through the darkness until he met the creature! Perhaps when I write to Jon, he will tell me himself....

"My creature is still here, or at least the young one. Four weeks ago we spotted it peeking out around a tree. Then it ran...."

CHARLES WILHELM of OUFOIL writes:

"....This issue of 'Smear' had some interesting material in it,... especially the letter from Larry Peters. You questioned what 'Center Force' was, which Peters belongs to. First of all, it's not 'Center Force' but 'Center Farce'. We'll excuse the misspelling. Secondly, 'Center Farce' is the new name for MARCEN. This organization deals in fraudulent phenomenon. After all, anyone who feeds sardines to an imaginarius creatura is telling you something!

"Searching through my MARCEN file, I found the definition for Peters' word that he asked help on - TURPOLUCIDIUM. This is a mind game developed by 'Dr.' Williard McIntyre, involving Bigfoot hieroglyphic rocks and PSE analysis of Bigfoot sounds, which was carried out by his associates Pilichis and Peters. However, this game never really developed as hoped by McIntyre. It was put out of production by Hominid Research and OUFOIL. A complete expose of this game will be given in a forthcoming book later this year...."

Killjoy JAMES OBERG writes as follows:

"Re possible 'pseudo-UFOs': Regarding South American UFOs caused by Soviet space activities (see FATE, Jan. 1983), another Soviet early warning satellite has been launched at a time appropriate for viewing from Chile and possibly Argentina. 'Cosmos-1481' blasted off from Plesetsk on July 8th at about 0925 GMT. It was over South America about 1030 GMT (7:30 a.m. Argentine time, 6:30 a.m. Chilean time, on that Friday morning). In the past, such launchings have conducted four stage burns & propellant dumps at this point, creating a large circular cloud moving fast across the sky. When such events occur at dawn or dusk, the cloud is sunlit while the sky is dark - and eyewitnesses can see a 'UFO' in the western sky...."

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Houston, June 12, 1983

Dear Editor:

It is with some hesitation that I decided to break my long-standing silence with Saucer Smear. What I have to say may surprise and even infuriate some non-subscribers, but I think its necessary for my own journalistic sake. Let me state right away that it has to do with a 'faux pas' on my part, and that basically I want to recant from it here, in this open forum for ufologists of all persuasions. Perhaps some of you might learn from my mistake.

The first phase started about three years ago when I was invited to the Detroit area by a good friend of mine, who introduced me to Don Wilson, author of two books on the moon in which he postulates the theory that the moon is a "spaceship" artificially hollowed-out by an alien civilization. This, in turn, is where the UFOs are supposed to come from, all of which is allegedly known and covered-up by NASA. When our astronauts were "buzzed" and otherwise molested by the shenanigans from the moon's interior, so the story goes, the superpowers were spooked enough to stop abruptly all future lunar programs. I also read George Leonard's complementary book, Somebody Else is on the Moon, as part of my "education" on this subject, in which he sees all kinds of artificial "alien" activities going on in a bunch of NASA photographs he analyzed painstakingly.

Being at the time quite ignorant about the Apollo Program, I was easily dazzled by the authors' skillfull use of NASA documents and photos, and the way they weaved this information to build their theories. My willingness to believe 'apriori' in a massive government UFO cover-up also contributed to my favorable reception of the books and an interview I had with Wilson, all of which I put in a glowing article originally intended for Ideal's UFO Magazine. As this and other similar magazines went out of circulation, the article was buried in my files and I forgot about it for a while.

The second phase occurred in late 1982 when I was writing a weekly article for the UFO Supplement of The News World, now also defunct, under the pseudonym of A. Hovni. I don't remember the exact circumstances, but at some point or another I found myself without a story for the coming week, and I decided to bring from the dead the old moon article. I had some misgivings because I had tried to maintain a good journalistic standard in my column and I knew instinctively that the astronauts' UFO sightings and the hollow moon theory were a muddy business, to say the least. But on the other hand, I was then very dependent on the weekly income from the UFO Supplement, so I thought to myself: "What the heck! The moon article is already written, I did put a lot of work on it for which I was never paid, and besides, I am using a pseudonym!" So the article was published in a three-part series, I got my "silver pieces" and hoped it would all be forgotten quickly. It wasn't.

Ironically, the third phase came out of my control. I had previously authorized Pete Mazzola, Director of the SBI--of which I am a member--to publish in The SBI Report any of my copyrighted stories from the UFO Supplement he wanted. Since I was happy with the great majority of these stories, it didn't occurred to me that the dubious moon business would surface again. But it did, and even worse, as previously agrged with Pete, the A.

Hovni byline was changed to my real name. So here I found myself with a story written in 1980 republished in 1983 and endorsing all sort of weird moon scenarios and NASA cover-ups. I wasn't happy with it. For the record, the 37th issue of The SBI Report published the second of my three-part series, which deals mostly with the claims of George Leonard. Amidst all the spurious information, there were a couple of valid documents--a Sept. 1, 1977 letter from the Air Force to NASA, and a Nov. 9, 1978 letter from astronaut Gordon Cooper to the Mission of Grenada at the United Nations.

The last straw came when I read Jim Oberg's latest book, UFOs & Outer Space Mysteries, in which he devotes two long chapters to dissect the astronaut UFO sightings, the hollow moon theory and Leonard's claims of alien activities therein. My embarrassment was growing by now to a real discomfort. I don't care what many of you think about Oberg. I don't agree with everything he says, but the general feeling I got from the book was a sobering one for ufologists. Oberg is also at his best when dealing with NASA and the Soviet UFO cases, both of which subjects he knows very well indeed. He shows all the inaccuracies and phallacies behind the Apollo phantoms and after you are finished with it, Wilson and Leonard don't stand a chance. Yet there was one more thing that made me feel guilty, and it was his comment on the perpetuation of these myths by hack writers and careless publishers. Yeap! That included me! Although the article was originally written more out of ignorance than bad faith, I can't say the same thing now or wish it never happened, because it did and has my name on it.

I am also now light years ahead in my knowledge of how NASA works and what they've done in the past, having visited the Johnson Space Center several times, read a lot of "real" NASA literature, and established contact with several NASA people (including big Jim O., who is by the way a very nice fellow and not the sinister "government agent" portrayed in some quarters). So that's where I stand at this moment. I solemnly beat my chest three times with a 'Moa Culpa,' promising to be more careful in my research the next time. I have not become a UFO debunker. I still disagree with Jim, for instance, in his rather light treatment of UFO abductions, but I am reasonably convinced that things like the astronaut sightings, the Leonard photo-analyses, and the hollow moon stuff are no longer valid. In my mind, that whole deck of cards has become useless and therefore, I am exposing my dirty laundry on this matter so I can turn the page and look elsewhere for more substantial UFO evidence.

Quotes of The Week

"People often ask what I intend to do for the sick, the senile and the elderly. Well, that's easy. I plan to introduce legislation to see that members of Congress serve only one term."

— Ronald Reagan

Gun Fires Chickens at Planes

LANGLEY, Va., June 8 (UPI)— Officials at Langley Air Force Base said today that a cannon that hurls dead chickens at airplanes at 700 miles an hour is helping to reduce accidents caused by jets hitting birds. Maj. Dennis Funnemark said the device, called a chicken gun, was a converted 20-foot cannon that shoots 4-pound chickens into engines, windshields and landing gear to determine how much damage such collisions can cause.

Addict sues pusher for selling bad dope

A drug addict stunned police when she filed a lawsuit claiming her pusher sold her poor quality heroin.

The woman, who filed suit in Cadiz, Spain, said her rights were violated because the pusher sold her diluted heroin for \$22, took her watch as payment and demanded \$66 to return it.

Authorities said they were "naturally surprised by the suit."

"This is a first for us," said a police spokesman.

No doubt about him: a crooked politician

Olympia, Wash. —AP— When Kerry Dean Pinard filed for the 5th District US House seat, he listed his address as P.O. Box 520, Walla Walla, Wash.

That's the Washington State Penitentiary, where Pinard is serving a five-year sentence for car theft.