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## 25TH ANNUAL NUFOC CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 16TH AND 17TH!

It gives us much pleasure to announce that the United Aerial Phenomena Agency (UAPA) of Cleveland, Ohio has consented to sponsor the Silver Anniversary convention of the National UFO Conference (NUFOC), of which your humble "Smear" editor is Permanent Chairman.

Incidentally, UAPA has recently published the 100th issue of their quarterly magazine, further information about which may be obtained from the same address to which you should write for convention details, namely: P.O. Box 347032, Cleveland, Ohio 44134.

Featured speaker at the convention will be Antonio Huneus of New York City, who recently contributed our "Smear" article on the alleged inhabitants of the planet UMMO. Also scheduled are John Timmerman of CUFOS; Ed Biebel of MUFON; Bill Moore of MJ-12 fame; and a host of Ohio folk such as Rick Hilberg, Bob Easley, Al Manak, and Lawrence Blazey. Also present, inevitably, will be your above-mentioned humble "Smear" editor.

Another upcoming convention that well deserves our near-favorable comment is going to be hosted by New Jersey MUFON Director Tom Benson of Trenton - not in his official capacity, but as an independent activity. This event will take place on the weekend of October 30th and 31st (Hallowe'en), and is being held vaguely in conjunction with a celebration at nearby Grover's Mill, N.J., regarding the 50th anniversary of Orsen Welles' famous War of the Worlds radio broadcast. Details re motel reservations & convention schedule may be obtained by writing to our friend Tom at: P.O. Box 1174, Trenton, N.J. 08606. (Incidentally, Tom Benson also has UFO material for sale by mail, listed on a list he will send you if you ask for it.)

Two other 1988 conventions deserve brief mention here: One is the annual MUFON bash, to be held this year in Lincoln, Nebraska on June 24th-26th - details available from Maximum Leader Walt Andrus and/or ye olde MUFON Journal. Also, there is to be a MUFON-related con in Eureka Springs, Arkansas (of all places!) on March 25th & 26th. A very unusual group of speakers has been selected, including Curtis Fuller of FATE Magazine, and Major Dewey Fournet & Al Chop, of the olde Keyhoe/NICAP/Air Force conspiracy team. Room reservations can be made by phoning "The Inn of the Ozarks" at 501-253-9768. Would you believe that your editor has promised to attend only if Armand Laprade of "Would You Believe?" Magazine (whom we have never met) also attends!....

## MISCELLANEOUS RAVINGS, also known as TIDBITS OF TRASH:

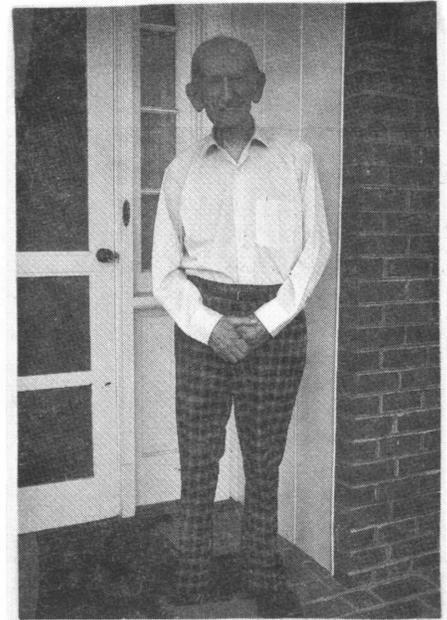
In our joyous Christmas 1987 issue, dated Dec. 15th of last year, we informed our little band of non-subscribers that we are now willing to sell back issues of "Smear" for \$1.00 per copy, or complete sets, going back to early 1976, for \$95 per set. There have been about 135 of these strange newsletters altogether, and though the quality and length of the earlier ones do not necessarily match the Deathless Prose in the more recent ones, the offer is a fair one, at least in our Humble Opinion.

Also on hand are a few copies of "The Wright Field Story", which your "Smear" editor allegedly wrote and had published in 1971. This tome, printed by Gray Barker's Saucerian Press, is now mercifully out of print. It purports to be a factual description of your editor's UFO investigations in the early 1950's, but is actually a "Purple Prose" special that was secretly "ghosted" by the aforementioned Gray Barker. The title story actually took place at Columbus AFB, Ohio, rather than Wright Field, and so we have privately dubbed it "The Wrong Field Story". In all honesty, we have never read the book all the way through, to this date! Nevertheless, we feel that this atrocious attack on human credulity can legitimately be considered a Collector's Item, in that it belongs in the folkloric history of the bizarre UFO movement. We are offering the book to our readers for a shameful \$16.00 per copy, pre-paid. Copies personally autographed to you by the alleged author will sell for \$15.00.

Might we add that Barker also published "Jim Moseley's Book of Saucer News", circa 1967, which was a legitimate anthology of articles printed 1954 to about 1966 in our original paid-subscription magazine, SAUCER NEWS. Unfortunately, we do not have any copies of this book for sale, and we do not know where copies can be obtained....

Who, you might ask, is the strange-looking little man in the photograph to everyone's extreme right?? It is none other than Major Donald E. Keyhoe, U.S. Marine Corps, long Retired), supposedly on the occasion of his 90th birthday. (The picture was sent to us by a Fan, without the accompanying magazine story.)

Old-time UFO buffs will remember Keyhoe as the guiding force behind NICAP during the 1950's and 1960's, until he was gently eased out as the head of that organization. Keyhoe was not the founder of NICAP, but he headed it during the years that it was a Force in the Field. NICAP, like Keyhoe, is now fully Retired. (Your editor was kicked out of NICAP many years ago, and waged an unsuccessful campaign for reinstatement)....



When your editor was appointed MUFON Section Director (or whatever) for Monroe County, Florida, he promised faithfully to keep his sector clear of all UFO sightings and other disturbing events. Unfortunately, our control does not extend beyond the Key West area, and thus it happens that an unusually interesting group of sightings has taken place in Gulf Breeze, Fl., near Tallahassee, in the far northern portion of the state.

These events occurred around Nov. 11th of last year, but we did not hear of them until we read a Jan. 29th UPI story on the front page of our local Key West newspaper, telling how Walt Andrus of MUFON had come in the Physical Body to investigate the Gulf Breeze events.

There are photos showing portholes, and even a videotape, but the name of the main witness, nicknamed "Mr. Ed" (like the horse!) is known only to a small coterie in the MUFON hierarchy. Through our secret sources we have learned, however, that "Mr. Ed" takes his pictures through fore-knowledge of UFO events; that he plans to write a book; and that the case is being described by MUFON insiders as "another Billy Meier case".

We also know that a Doctrinal Dispute is brewing here, which may shake the venerable MUFON organization to its very foundation! The Meier case is in disrepute among ufological conservatives, and at least one MUFON

state director, who shall remain nameless here, expressed extreme uneasiness over the fact that the National Director is taking a Meier-like case so seriously. (You know who you are, Hal!)

And, we also received a phone call from Dennis Stacy, editor of the MUFON Journal, who feels that the case is a hoax, possibly set up by arch-skeptic James ("The Amusing") Randi, to embarrass the UFO field. The only scientific evidence for this theory, however, is that Randi now lives in Florida!

Stay tuned for the possibly-forthcoming motion picture version of this startling Florida case: "Little Men" were also seen, by the way, but not photographed (yet).....

Ufologist Ed Biebel, one of the nine members of the governing board of our National UFO Conference (NUFOC), has abruptly resigned his position as Assistant to the President of the Foundation for UFO Research, of which Allen Benz of Tucson, Arizona is President. This because of bungling in regard to a planned public function of the Foundation that was to have taken place in Tucson last February 6th. Long story here, but in essence we have always felt that this Foundation was merely a pale imitation of the Fund for UFO Research, headed by Dr. Bruce Maccabee of Silver Spring, Md. Benz will now presumably carry on with the Foundation virtually alone....

Below is one of several advertisements that got Larry Bryant, a CAUS enthusiast & civilian employee of the U.S. Army, in Big Trouble with the Government. The ad was placed last September in the classified section of the weekly newspaper of Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland. Bryant filed suit against the Government for alleged harrassment, and in a complex series of maneuvers and counter-maneuvers, he continues his fight for ufological freedom. He is, in fact, currently in the process of taking his case to the U.S. Supreme Court. Way to go, Larry!...

In the wake of the MJ-12 revelations, the UFO field is being swamped by a multitude of peculiar documents, not the least of which is a 4-page tract dated Dec. 4th, 1987 and entitled: "Request For an Executive Order; J.M.P./ Letter to President Ronald Reagan". This purports to be a complaint by anonymous military men about the allegedly illegal and immoral way that the Government, and the CIA in particular, have handled the UFO Mystery. The tract is long on repetition and short on specifics, however. It was mailed originally to many leading ufologists, but (shockingly!) not to your "Smear" editor. We did manage to obtain a copy, however, in our own secret manner. (Thanks, Len!)....



**WANTED:  
INFORMATION  
LEADING TO  
DISCOVERY OF  
THIS ENTITY**



How many servicemembers or their relatives have undergone what's known as the Alien Contact Phenomenon? ACP ranges from momentary, innocuous, unannounced visitation by humanoid entities to the more ominous, longer-term encounters involving the subject's compelled submission to physical examination and prolonged monitoring? If you, or someone you know, can help us answer questions raised by this growing body of evidence, write to: Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS), 3518 Martha Custis Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302; or call Larry W. Bryant, (703) 931-3341. Whatever you choose to share with us may help unlock a puzzle so profound that even government authorities seem powerless, or unwilling, to solve.

Our friend Phil Klass has blossomed forth with a new anti-UFO book called "Abductions: A Dangerous Game", available from Prometheus Books (the CSICOP in-house publisher) for a mere \$18.95. The book is certainly worth all that we paid for it, and our copy comes inscribed with a nice personal message from the author: "To Jim Moseley, who would have been MJ-13 if Van-nevar (Bush) had not been so superstitious!" Nevertheless a careful reading of the index fails to reveal even one reference to

Jim Moseley or "Saucer Smear". How, then, could Klass's research be considered thorough? Others will find more mundane reasons to fault Klass's research, but we are in no position to agree or disagree, not yet having had time to actually read the book. (If we can't read our own "Wright Field Story", how can we read this one?)



We do like Klass's modest remark in his postscript (which we did read), to the effect that, as an antidote to "Communion" and "Missing Time", the reader can protect himself from possible UFO abduction by (guess what??) reading Klass's own earlier book, "UFO's: The Public Deceived". The battle of the literary giants rages onward!...

Another book we haven't read yet, because it isn't out yet, is by Bob Girard of Arcturus Book Service (P.O. Box 831383, Stone Mountain, Ga. 30083.) His is a weird pro-UFO but anti-ET treatise called "Phenomena Conspiracy/Conspiracy Phenomena", or some such title. We hope that this brief mention will earn us a free review copy. Can Arcturus Book Service allow itself to be out-Klassed?

LETTERS TO YE OLDE EDITOR:

JOHN LEAR, who as Nevada State Director will host next year's MUFON convention, writes as follows:

"Dear Commander:

"Never have I been so honored as to open my current issue of 'Saucer Smear' and find myself not only on page one but the lead story as well. I immediately showed it to my wife and then started calling all my friends, both of them. I didn't even take exception to the fact that you may have doubted Ashtar's and my word about all this. However, I can tell you it was well worth the stab in the back to read the nice things you said about me. And I would certainly prefer it the way you wrote it than the other way round, like f'instance, 'He's probably right, but he's still an asshole'...."

BILL MOORE, of Roswell and MJ-12 fame, writes:

"...I have looked over John Lear's curious epistle. I think John himself sums up the situation in his first paragraph. This is his 'current hypothesis' formed after talking to a number of people over a two-week period. (God alone knows what his 'current hypothesis' will be two weeks from now.)

"John seems to have tried to write a scenario based upon dischordant (did I spell that right?) stories told to him by a number of people. Instead of trying to apply some standard of verification to any of these, it appears he has simply accepted as true virtually everything he heard. He even throws in material from the long-discredited 'Blue Book Report 13' document - an admitted hoax by Bill English and Jerry Schultz which some people apparently still believe in.

"All I can say is that if his level of accuracy throughout is on a par with that demonstrated in his reporting of material attributed to me, then he has a serious problem. My position on cattle mutes, for example, is nowhere near what Lear claims it to be. Nor were my comments on the A.F. Academy volume anything approaching his account of it. Rather, it seems that John heard only what he wanted to hear and ignored everything else.

"In short, his letter is a hopeless mish-mash of fact, fantasy, innuendo, hearsay and horseshit all boiled into a ball. I suppose it makes a nice story if you happen to enjoy paranoid literature, but quite frankly I'm dismayed...."

"Meanwhile, we continue to work at our project here, and expect to release more MJ-12 information in the very near future...."

The above letter is dated Jan. 6th. - Editor.

MARCELLO TRUZZI of the Center for Scientific Anomalies Research (CSAR), writes:

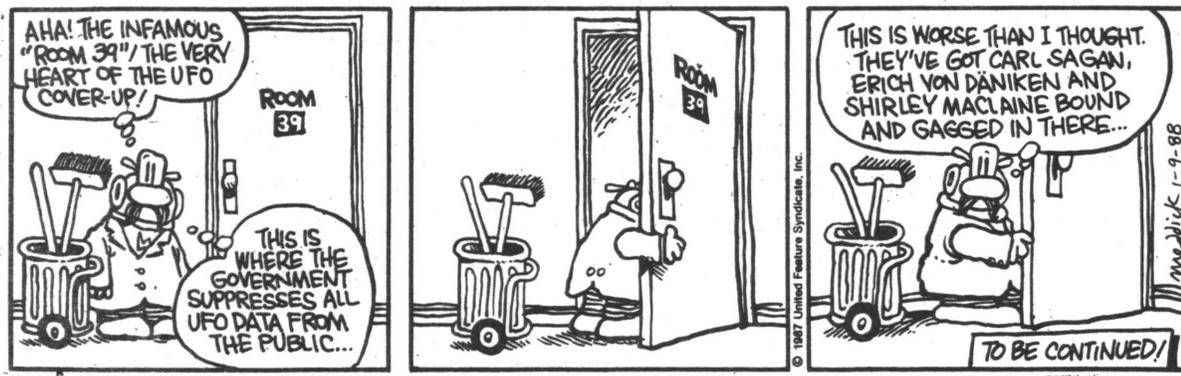
"In the last 'Smear', Bob Sheaffer called your readers' attention to Rogo and Bayless's retelling the tale of a 'mysterious' phone call to Jerry Clark. Sheaffer states that this was an odd event 'causing Jerry to conclude' it was somehow paranormal and refers us to the place in the book. Being curious, I checked with the book and then with Jerry. It looks like pseudo-debunker Sheaffer strikes again!

"In the first place, Rogo and Bayless are the ones who claim the phone call was paranormal. I challenge Sheaffer to show us where in that text Rogo and Bayless tell us Jerry concluded the call was paranormal. Since I found it difficult to believe Jerry would leap to the same conclusion as the authors of this silly book, I called him. He asserted to me not only that he did not conclude the odd call was much of a mystery, but also that he had earlier corresponded with Sheaffer on this same matter and explicitly wrote Sheaffer his view that this episode most likely was merely odd but normal. It looks like Sheaffer is going well beyond mere 'guilt by association' in thus misrepresenting Jerry Clark's views. One naturally wonders if this misrepresentation was unintentional...."

"Perhaps your readers can help me trace down the rumor of an alleged extraordinary event. Another mysterious phone call message has been received, allegedly from a 'D. Menzel', claiming the existence of a startling but perhaps valid scientific anomaly. He reportedly asserted that careful historical examination of all back issues of 'The Skeptical Inquirer' would reveal the presence of an actual negative (i.e., mostly critical) book review in that journal of one of the many books they have reviewed published by Prometheus Books (owned by Paul Kurtz of CSICOP). Since such a possibility boggles the mind, and extraordinary claims require extraordinary proof, perhaps 'Smear' readers can help track down this piece of purported Fortean. We skeptics wouldn't want to leap to any conclusions!"

Jerry Clark asks us to print a one-word comment concerning Bob Sheaffer's aforementioned "Smear" letter, and the one word is "YAWN". - Editor.

## Robotman



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RON SCHAFFNER of OUFOIL writes:

"...I was extremely delighted with the comments set forth in 'Smear' by Peter Gersten. As you know, OUFOIL has been on this same line of thinking for some time now. If you recall my Roswell scenario, it was quite probable that an aerial device crashed there, but of terrestrial origin - a minor setback in the series of 'Project Blossom' tests.

"Is it just a coincidence that many of the earlier UFO sightings occurred near restricted military bases and airfields, such as White Sands, Muroc (Edwards), Langley, etc? When you consider the amount of unconventional aircraft in our skies at that time, it is no wonder that people reported UFOs, especially in the southwest United States. The military was involved with the Flying Wing, the Flying 'Flapjack', the Flying 'Platform', V-2, etc. Later would come the SR-71, the Blackhawk, RPV's, drone aircraft, and various tests of space modules.

"The government and military are masters of disinformation. If one wishes not to believe it, they certainly do not understand the Intelligence community. The extraterrestrial theory is a created belief system. Hollywood also helped create this belief with an array of 1950's science fiction movies. With the advent of faked and questionable documents, more 'Invaders from Mars' movies, contactees, pro-ufologists preaching the same old cases, it tells us the same story: Somebody out there wants us to believe in UFOs and that they are extraterrestrial!..."

Very good point! - Editor.

Everyone has a slightly different opinion about MJ-12. The latest comment comes from JOHN DRESSLER, who writes:

"...Regarding the MJ-12 documents, the possibility exists that they may be legitimate. However, they do have problems. Many of the documents have incorrect security markings and classifications. Also, the type used on the cover of the Project Aquarius report is normally only used for automatically transmitted messages such as Autodin.

"Now the main problems: If these documents were properly released, why don't they have the proper declassification markings on each page, with the initials of the reviewing official? If they were leaked out, why were the documents sanitized? If the documents were a plant by the government, wouldn't they have been properly formatted and classified to make them appear legitimate? Most importantly, why did Moore sanitize the documents himself and then release more information slowly? This type of tactic makes him appear to be the perpetrator behind the documents.

"My current feelings from reviewing all the available material concerning these documents, gives me the impression that the MJ-12 documents were fabricated. However, from information concerning these incidents released in the past, I feel some of the information in the documents is valid. Proving this would be another thing entirely. But, the most damning thing so far concerning the whole incident was Moore's playing with the documents before they were released with various information edited out. If you or anyone else out there knows the answer to this question, please come forward!..."

The one & only PHIL KLASS writes:

"Until recently I had always considered your newsletter to be fair and balanced. Seemingly you have radically changed this policy starting with the Jan. 25th issue.

"I refer to the fact that there are no sharp, bitter attacks on me personally, or CSICOP. I cannot believe that your pro-UFO non-subscribers have been completely drained of their venom. Clearly it must be censorship

by the editor-in-chief!

"I will give you no more than 50 years to clean up your act or I will become a non-subscriber to FATE Magazine.

"As for when Moore-Friedman-Shandera will release new data to confirm the authenticity of the MJ-12 papers, my own prediction is that this momentous event will not occur until after a flying saucer crashes on the back lawn of the White House while attempting to abduct Nancy Reagan while she and Gary Hart are conducting a liaison under a cherry tree - no pun intended...."

MIKE LINDNER of New York City writes as follows:

"...The more I study Erik Beckjord's Loch Ness photo, the more I'm convinced it's the most important in the history of Fortean/psychic photography. So far I've spotted John Belushi, Elvis, JFK, Marilyn Monroe, and this kid I used to know at P.S. 122. C'mon, Erik! Your photo makes Richard Shaver's 'rock pictures' look like state-of-the-art Hasselblad work, for Christ's sake....Way to go, Erik!..."

MICHAEL McKOWN of Pacific Grove, Ca., writes as follows:

"I received your postal card. Just how confidential can a postal card be? Of course, I can remember having to send secret documents in the mail by certified mail, because the government thought it was cheaper than using a courier. The government changed their mind when only about a third of the documents got through!

"On the 'Burning Question of the Reality (or Near-Reality) of Extraterrestrial Spaceships', it leads to another question of 'How do you prove it?'. If you accept the statement that all the elements found on the earth are found throughout the universe, it becomes difficult to prove that any found items of physical hardware from UFOs are not from the earth. You do have the carbonaceous chondrite, which is a meteorite that contains some organic material. The amino acids found on and in such meteorites are identical to amino acids found on the earth. With this type of information you can speculate in either direction, but you still can't prove anything.

"I still prefer to deal with UFOs as folklore where all possibilities exist, but are impossible to prove. It is like trying to approach a mirage and it stays just out of reach!..."

Homespun philosopher BARRY HOFFMAN writes:

"...Prosaic explanations suffice to stifle our enthusiasm for further study of UFOs. The unexplained cases can be written off using Oberg's Zero Residue Fallacy and Sheaffer's Jealous Animal Hypothesis. Therefore, skepticism must be maintained in the face of such irrationalisms and reductio ad absurdumbios.

"SQUIDBOATS!..."

Olde-Time Researcher GEORGE EARLEY writes as follows:

"There is a certain naive element within the UFO community that persists in the belief that it is possible to move intact UFOs over long distances without public knowledge....Let me quote the latest announcement on the moving of oversized objects (Aviation Week & Space Technology, 8/10/87): '33 (space) station elements with an effective diameter of 15 ft. have been identified to date as a transportation requirement for the program...The 15-ft.-dia. payloads in their 17-ft.-high shipping containers exceed the capacity of existing air and land transportation systems, while water transportation is slow, hazardous, and may not be available, according to the study.'"

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Dear Jim:

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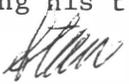
The spelling of Air Materiel Command isn't the only foolish mistake made by Phil Klass is his frenzy of massive misrepresentation about MJ-12. All his other "Hard Evidence" along with the complaints of CAUS and Peter Gersten also fall flat upon careful scrutiny. For example, Klass tried to complain that the MJ-12 Briefing document was a fraud because it used a "wrong" date format (18 September, 1952--- 06 December), "erroneously" referred to R.H. Hillenkoetter as Roscoe, and the Truman-Forrestal "letter" was unlike genuine Truman Letters. The facts are that the "wrong" date format not only was used by many others besides Bill Moore including Hillenkoetter himself, and was standard with NATO and even specified in an early version of JANAP 146. RHH's name was indeed Roscoe and his full name is noted on President Truman's appointment book. The Truman-Forrestal item is plainly called MEMORANDUM and of course is unlike other "letters" especially in not including the recipient's address. Klass flat out lied about an FBI age test of the Cutler memo

It is almost ludicrous for Klass to postulate what Ike did or did not know in July of 1947 and therefore how Hillenkoetter would have phrased a briefing 5 years later. After all CSICOP has also bitterly attacked psychic phenomena and here is PK being psychic.

The CAUS complaints, which reek of sour grapes, are equally without foundation though quite worthy as compared with the Klass Komplaints. Gersten's notion that what happened at Roswell and most 1947-1952 sightings are connected with Earth based technology derived from the Horten Brothers flying wing technology is frankly absurd. If any government (the US, USSR, or anybody else) had the saucer technology capable of supersonic highly maneuverable flight without noise, visible engines, etc and made of extraordinarily strong and light weight material in 1947 and was able to find enough midgets to operate a fleet of such vehicles in 1947, than why have the primary protagonists still built Mig-21, 23, and 25 and F-16, 17, 18 and Mirage 3 etc etc aircraft with conventional jet engines, loads of noise and no superstrong lightweight skin?? The Northrop Flying Wing Aircraft was indeed a fine plane. But it was NOT a flying saucer. Jack Northrop personally told me of a sighting by an FW pilot of a flying saucer. Jack was convinced that some UFOs were indeed of alien origin.

No, Jim, despite the hue and cry, no evidence yet put forth gives any indication that the MJ-12 Briefing and the Cutler-Twining and Truman-Forrestal Memoranda are fraudulent. Quite the contrary. One is tempted to conclude that if the arguments made to date with all all the frantic scurrying about are the best that can be made, that clearly the documents must be genuine!! One must, of course, take into account such strong and surprising findings as Donald Menzel's activities on highly classified matters, that the dates of both the Truman-Forrestal Memorandum and Ike-Briefing are indeed of special significance, that the wording of the Cutler-Twining memo echoes that of other obscure memos from that time frame, etc, etc. Hopefully all the critics will read my overview article in IUR, and then at least do more homework before rushing to judgment or blind acceptance of proper sounding objections not backed up by solid research. It is almost funny that Klass's source of the wrong spelling of Materiel was a letter in the Condon report (retyped, not Xeroxed), when there are three correct spellings, at least, in the same volume!

I would suggest that the critics start doing some real research rather than jumping blindly to conclusions derived from wishful thinking and apparently fear of reality. Lord knows there is still plenty of work to do such as unearthing who all was at the Ike Briefing on November 18, 1952, and what Bush and Forrestal discussed at their Sept. 24, 1947, meeting just prior to their only meeting with Truman in late 1947, and what Donald Menzel did during his trips to New Mexico in 1947 and 1948.

Hastily,  Stan

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