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MISC. RAVINGS:

We take typewriter in hand to say a few words, mainly of praise, about the latest UFO encyclopedia, called "International Who's Who in Ufology Directory", edited by UFO researcher Robert Boyd of Alabama. Two previous encyclopedias, by Margaret Sachs and Ronald Story, failed to catch our attention to the same degree (though we are listed in both), mainly because they included many entries about the UFO phenomenon itself, rather than sticking to personalities.

Boyd has assembled 284 entries from all over the world, and including many people we have not heard of previously - especially the foreigners. Modestly we must admit that your editor is indeed one of these mere 284 entries.

Boyd explains that over 500 people were contacted, mainly on the recommendation of a small group helping him with the task. Those who did not reply did not get into the book. Leading American ufologists who did not make it include Jerry Clark (ha!), Major Donald Keyhoe, Leonard Stringfield, Budd Hopkins, Dennis Stacy of MUFON, George Earley, Jim Oberg, August C. Roberts, and many others.

Boyd tells us that the book is primarily a tool for the people in the field to get to know each other. Addresses and phone numbers are provided when possible.

Although in general the dead are not included, there are tributes to the late Jim Lorenzen (Coral's husband); Jim McDonald (though he died back in 1971); and Dr. J. Allen Hynek. On the touching side, part of the tribute to Jim Lorenzen is written by his only daughter, who has since died. On the absurd side, there is a photo of Dr. Hynek in a silly-looking arctic outfit, holding up a copy of one of his own books to the camera, and looking like a raving crackpot!

A "statement of position" is included with most entries. We were surprised at the relatively few who stick by the extraterrestrial hypothesis. According to Boyd's count, 18 of the 284 are "opposed", i.e., skeptics or debunkers; 89 are "positive"; 59 express no position; and 118 are "questionable", i.e., ambiguous, contradictory, etc., in their remarks. Your editor lists himself as a ufological agnostic.

This book is a worthy effort, and definitely worth the modest price of \$8.95, which includes postage and handling. Boyd can be reached at P.O. Box 66404, Mobile, Alabama 36606, U.S.A., Earth!....

By co-incidence, we have another item concerning the same Robert Boyd, who works with both CUFOS and MUFON. A story in the current "CUFOS Bulletin", co-authored by Boyd and Mark Rodeghier, casts serious doubts on the notorious "Mr. Ed" contactee case of Gulf Breeze, Florida.

The opinion of the authors is that "the Gulf Breeze photographs taken by 'Mr. Ed' are most probably a hoax". This is said to be the opinion

also of Willy Smith of the UNICAT Project and Robert Nathan of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California. Further points: Negative information about "Mr. Ed" is neither sought nor desired by the MUFON investigators (Donald Ware, Budd Hopkins, etc.) who are involved; "Mr. Ed" is allegedly known locally as a joker and prankster. (He supposedly told teen-aged friends he was going to pull "The Ultimate Prank"); "Mr. Ed" claims to have been visited by two "Men in Black" types who demanded his already-published photographs; and finally, the ultimate put-down for any UFO sighter: The National Enquirer declined to publish his pictures!



All we can say is that if Gulf Breeze does turn out to be a hoax, the MUFON hierarchy is going to look pretty silly! Your editor, of course, is a mere small cog in the vast MUFON wheel, and will remain as loyal to his superiors as did former Attorney General John Mitchell, who, when confronted with the irreversible Watergate scandal, uttered the classic line: "When the going gets tough, the tough get going."....

The latest hype concerning MJ-12 is in regard to a study of the various documents made by a linguistics professor named Roger Wescott. In a carefully-worded statement quoted in the latest "International UFO Reporter", Dr. Wescott says: "In my opinion, there is no compelling reason to regard any of these communications as fraudulent or to believe that any of them were written by anyone other than Hillenkoetter himself..." To us, it seems odd indeed that the briefing document, even if genuine, would have been written solely by Admiral Hillenkoetter without any input from staff, secretaries, or who-have-you. However, the Wescott statement is the best that the MJ-12 proponents have to offer, after all these months!..

UFO conventions are fast becoming more common than UFO sightings! We missed the Eureka Springs, Arkansas convention in March (as did Armand Laprade!), but we hear that Walt Andrus of MUFON was on hand to give a two hour lecture in support of the Gulf Breeze case. We hope to have a more detailed report on this by Antonio Huneeus, in our next issue.

Other upcoming UFO conferences include: "PSI Symposium", May 6th - 7th, at the Best Western Hotel in Waltham, Mass., featuring Raymond Fowler & others; the giant annual MUFON convention, June 24th-26th, at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln; the Ninth Rocky Mountain Conference on UFO Investigations, July 1st-2nd, at the University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming, featuring Whitley Strieber & others; "The UFO Experience" conference, October 8th-9th, at the Ramada Inn, North Haven, Conn., featuring Budd Hopkins & others; and LAST BUT NOT LEAST, our own 25th annual National UFO Conference (NUFOC) convention, to take place September 16th & 17th in Cleveland, Ohio, featuring your humble "Smear" editor, among others. For details, please write to UAPA, P.O. Box 347032, Cleveland, Ohio 44134.....

Phil Klass, James Randi, and other CSICOP luminaries recently made a trip to China at the expense of the Chinese government, to help stamp out superstition and False Beliefs in that ancient land. Way to go, CSICOP!...

FLASH! (LAST-MINUTE TRASH!)

We have been informed that Lt. Col. Wendelle Stevens of Pleiades fame has been released from prison and is, as of this writing, in a "half way house" in Arizona. Long-time "Smear" readers will recall that Col. Stevens spent approximately five years in prison as a result of pleading guilty to charges of sexual misconduct with female minors. "Smear" featured this story in our August 25th, 1983 issue. It turned out that no other zine was

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BOB MARSLAND of APRO (Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, Inc.) writes as follows:

"Congratulations on your being the oldest living UFO investigative agency afloat. It really is a feat to take pride in, considering how many others have come and gone in the interim.

"Regarding Coral (Lorenzen): I never really appreciated just how much time and labor were required just to maintain the files and answer letters, until I fell heir to the task myself. And to think that for years Coral did it all alone, and edited a very credible newsletter in the bargain.... Also, I have seen her dog tired after a long night of answering telephone calls, because no one could be sure of reaching her in the daytime, and rates were lower at night. You might also consider that a goodly fraction of these calls were irritants, cranks, etc., calling just to annoy.

"Referring to your past failure to receive credit for material supplied, perhaps you can forgive her now. She has tried for so long to answer each letter and give credit where due. There were no doubt times when the common courtesies were overlooked, but not from deliberate intent.

"I have just received a call from her son in Phoenix, that Coral died this afternoon (April 12th). It is really a blessing, as she has spent the last two weeks with her mouth taped shut, breathing at the whim of a machine, and too weak to hold the pen or write on the slate.

"Success to all of your ventures, fella, and say a prayer for those of us who have made mistakes in life. We will one day have to correct them"

A very touching letter. - Editor.

JEAN MISNER writes:

"Congratulations to the oldest UFO paper on the block. You finally made it to the top! That goes to show that perseverance pays off. I can't imagine the 'saucer world' without your breezy, funny, tongue-in-cheek, enlightening, noble newsletter. What a dead, dull world this would be. Thank God for your effervescent humor. Believe me, it is so greatly appreciated.

"....Don't you think it's time to follow up in your newsletter somewhat seriously the idea for a permanent location for a person's UFO collection of everything, when they leave this world? So many families just do not want the stuff, and I'm sure a lot of precious materials have been put out with the trash, and forever lost to the world....As you mentioned in your last newsletter, what about Coral's important files?...."

Those on our mailing list may have been surprised recently to receive a rather strange but enlightening 8-page UFO tract from Jean Misner, entitled "Let's Pack Our Bags and Visit the Stars". Well yes, why not? - Ed.

Long-time UFO researcher & photographer AUGUST C. ROBERTS writes:

"It does have a sadness about it, that all of the older groups have gone by the wayside....Now that your 'Saucer Smear' publication is the oldest, with the folding of APRO, it will be even sadder when it also 'shall pass away', leaving an empty hole for truth and knowledge, in the search for 'possible truth' regarding the existence of flying saucers...."

"I'm sorry to learn that Coral Lorenzen has died. Her search for truth in this UFO mystery may be ended, but her work can live on in history...."

ROBERT ACHZEHNER writes as follows:

"....Your write-up about Coral in the April 25th 'Smear' was very ac-

curate. I am (was) a close personal friend of both Jim and Coral since 1960, and became a field investigator for APRO in 1962. We had many private talks about the metaphysical possibilities of UFOs, but Coral kept the Bulletin free of these ideas because of the large group of PhD's she had as consultants. She was sure that some of them would split if she went beyond a physical premise.

"My last personal visit with Coral was in September of 1987, at her Grape Street address outside of Tucson. In our discussions some inroads were made toward her acceptance of the Billy Meier and Paul Villa photos, and I feel that if she would have lived, she would have eventually considered them worthy of investigation....

"I want to add the following about BSRA: Through this organization, I first read about and then met Mark Probert. Through Mark's channeling, the Yada di Shi'ite told about the coming of the Saucers several years before Kenneth Arnold's sighting.

"Some of the old timers may remember Mark and Irene (Probert) and/or have some material about them. A book is being written about Mark's life and experiences - by Mr. Ray Reynolds, 7159 Crowley Court, San Diego, California 92119. Any information about Mark would be welcomed by Mr. Reynolds. Especially wanted is information and/or photos about Mark's activity as a tap dancing double for Fred Astaire in Hollywood. This was in the late '30s and early 40s.

"Thanks for listening...."

KLAUS WEBNER, a skeptic of sorts from West Germany, writes:

"....APRO is and was for me a saucer fiction club with no serious insights. Many years ago I had correspondence with Mr. or Mrs. Lorenzen. It was written to me that several APRO-promoted saucer photos are hoaxes. The Lorenzens were not willing to give me further information about the background of these photos.

"Years later I unmasked an APRO photo story as a hoax. The photo was of a hub cap thrown up into the air. I sent the evidence to APRO, but I never received an answer, nor have I read any denial by them of the hoax story...."

KEN BEHRENDT of AURA writes as follows:

"....I was very saddened to hear of the passing of Coral Lorenzen. Her books on the subject were some of the first 'serious' literature on UFOs that I encountered when I got interested in them almost twenty years ago. If APRO does not continue as an active organization, hopefully their many filing cabinets of UFO cases will not be lost to researchers.

"My own journal, AURA, is doing fairly well, and the May issue will soon be released, and will contain a mind-boggling article on flying humanoids!...."

The esteemed JOHN LEAR, soon-to-be host of the 1989 MUFON convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, writes as follows:

"...Bill Moore is a very experienced researcher, and certainly much more knowledgeable than I am about UFOs and related matters. I would advise anyone interested to carefully check the facts before discounting anything Moore had to say.

"However, with all due respect to Bill's integrity and ability to research, I still stand behind my hopeless mishmash of fact, fantasy, innuendo, hearsay, and horseshit all boiled into a ball!...."

LEW TERY, also of Nevada, writes:

"...In the last issue of 'Smear', mention was made of information brought forth by John Lear, that the UFO 'grays' (the little guys) shit through their skin!

"This may explain why no one has caught one of these slippery little guys - or would want to!

"I propose a world-wide TV telethon to raise funds for giving rectal orifice operations to UFO grays, upon demand. This surgical procedure (a Klassectomy?) should promote good will between our outer space visitors and earthlings, not to mention allowing the grays to experience the fun of eating such earth foods as beans, hard boiled eggs, and sauerkraut!..."

LARRY PETERS of Bigfoot fame writes:

"Could you pass it along to George Earley that I am 'Dirty Harry' in my business, and I go where people don't want me, and I get evidence that others miss. As a private investigator I secure evidence and I win large cases. The last one a month ago was 200 million dollars. I will be the Dirty Harry of Forteana if Earley wants. Also tell him I would gladly have changed places with him or anyone else, that fateful night in Rome, Ohio. It was so profound that I still cannot fully describe it in writing!

"If you are in contact with Williard McIntyre (or whoever he is this year), tell him I have been approached by a group with lasers and a lot of fire power, who plan an expedition into the mountains to kill a man-beast. Whether we are successful or not, remains to be seen...."

Famed author TIMOTHY GOOD of England writes:

"Many thanks for continuing to send 'Smear', which I always thoroughly enjoy.

"You will have heard about Dr. Roger Westcott's statement recently, in which he endorses the authenticity of Hillenkoetter's style in the MJ-12 document. More work needs to be done, of course.

"My book 'Above Top Secret' in the U.S. edition (William Morrow, \$19) has been delayed. Publication date is now June 27th...."

DEAN ZEVCHEK writes as follows:

"Congratulations on getting your appellation mentioned in the 'Anti-Matter UFO Update' section of the May OMNI magazine! How did you manage to dupe the publisher into mentioning 'Saucer Smear' as well?

"That OMNI story got me thinking - You know with all those reports about 'Men in Black' driving around in gigantic black Cadillacs, I wonder what percentage of those beings are actually pimps! Have there ever been sightings of dark skinned alien entities? Just think, intergalactic black men in black. You never know!

"I haven't been compelled to write in lately because there's not that many stupid letters published anymore! (i.e., Nobody for me to scoff at!) Perhaps you should recruit some of Phil Klass' buddies (if any) as

Moore fails to convince doubters



guest non-subscribers, in hopes that they write in voicing their Weltanschauung on M.I.B.'s and other ufological matters. That way your real non-subscribing vultures could have a field day picking the meat off their feeble bones!..."

JIM LEMING of something called I.A.P.R.I. (Independent Aerial Phenomenon Research & Investigation) writes as follows:

"....To those readers who feel slighted when Klass et al. receive no digs, let them take heart at a pure and simple case of completion: Everything that can be said about Klass et al. has been said. Variations still abound, but basics are basics!..."

And, BARRY HOFFMAN writes:

"I received the latest monthly edition of your non-scheduled newsletter.

"Page 6 was, perhaps, the best; However, good comments could be made for the disinformation contained on the other pages. I enjoyed Jim Oberg's revelation about sub-atomic particles. When I was in school, no one ever told me about the existence of 'fartons'. Back then, the smallest known particles were thought to be 'pimples'. Happily, skeptic Oberg has revealed to all yet another secret of nature!

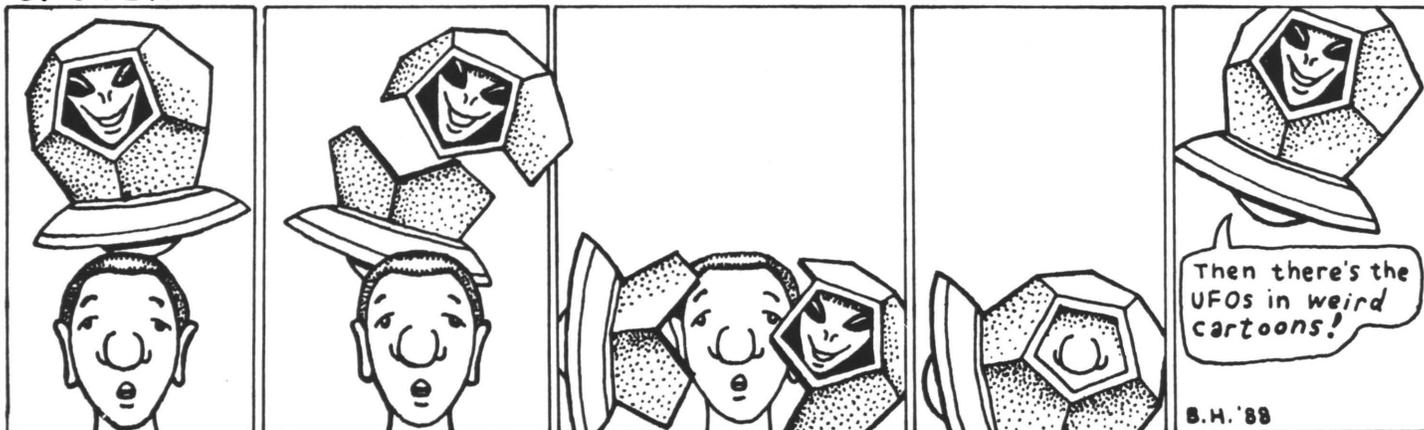
"Professor Kottmeyer deserves some measure of positive commentary for his unique solution to the flying saucer enigma. Flying saucers were, indeed, a journalistic error. When flying saucers became UFOs, they became respectable journalistic errors. When UFOs became responsible for kidnapping Earth People, they became mythological rationalizations for unknown causative factors. When they became myths, they became dogma. Everyone must realize that you can't touch dogma with a ten-foot pole. And that's the simple reason why no one can catch a flying saucer, except on film or some other artistic medium.

"Speaking of artistic media, I am enclosing a Work of Art for your publication (see below)...."

GREG LONG of Portland, Oregon wades in with:

"....The greatest form of evidence is self evidence. People believe what they want to believe. Which applies nicely to the 'science' of UFOs -

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UFOs simply do not exist.

Certain UFOs turn out to be squidboat lights.

One astronaut mistook his own Titan booster for a UFO.

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which isn't a science at all but a religion. Why it took me so long to figure this out is beyond me. But I finally did. There isn't one shred of good evidence for UFO reality...."

ARMAND LAPRADE, editor of "Would You Believe?" Magazine, writes:

"The latest 'Smear' was very informative with the exception of two people - Martin Kottmeyer and Bob Renaud. Ray Palmer's magazine 'Flying Saucers' published the full account of Kenneth Arnold's sighting and stated that the term 'flying saucers' was penned by a newspaper man! Is Kottmeyer a newcomer in the ufology field?? As for Bob Renaud, he is an expert when it comes to horse shit. He slung it by the ton in the 1960's. He made reports of communication with space people via TV and ham radio, but he could not oblige me when I visited him in Washington, Massachusetts...."

HOWARD KAUFMAN writes as follows:

"Your last four or five issues were written like in the old days, when we had lots of UFO stories to report. Happy you have not lost your writing skills. Keep a pencil in one ear and paper in your pocket; I think we may have the busiest UFO year in a long time...."

"Armand Laprade is a real fine gentleman with a darn good sense of humor. Hope someday I will be able to meet him, and you too!...."

Reagan voices some thoughts on space aliens (AGAIN!)

Herald Washington Bureau

CHICAGO — There were raised eyebrows when President Reagan started talking Wednesday about a threat from "another planet ... in outer space."

What with the revelations that the Reagans sometimes rely on astrology to set their schedules, some wondered if the president knew something they didn't about the alien hordes.

False alarm. He was merely trying to make a point about international relations.

"I've often wondered what if all of us in the world discovered that we were threatened by ... a power from outer space, from another planet," Reagan said in response to a question after his luncheon speech.

Despite global differences, Reagan concluded, the nations of the world would "come together to fight that particular threat." 5/5/99

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fearless enough to publish this rather touchy story. We would not have done so, either, had we not been sent actual copies of the court documents involved.

Now we are told that there will be a "coming out" party for Stevens in Tucson, Arizona, on June 4th. We phoned his daughter, "C.C." (?) Stevens, to learn the time and place; but understandably, she is still upset with us about our story five years ago. We had a long talk with her on the phone, in which she claimed that her father is innocent of the charges but was induced to plead guilty by selfish friends who felt that a public trial would be bad publicity for them. Apparently Ms. Stevens refers to the Arizona group that has printed and promoted the Billy Meier/Pleiades books, which feature Meier's beautiful full-color UFO photographs.

In any case, we have nothing against Stevens personally, as stated in our original "Smear" article, and we wish him well in his future ufological activities....

James ("The Amusing") Randi is quoted in an interview in the June issue of Rod Serling's "Twilight Zone" Magazine, as saying in regard to one of his arch-enemies: "Eldon Boyd was the one - along with (Uri) Geller - who launched a blackmail campaign against me and accused me of being a child molester. Byrd is now in prison in Washington, D.C. - for child molesting - and is going to be there for the next six years...." Problem: Apparently Byrd is not now in prison. So, is this libel?? Stay tuned....

Wish we had more Space! See you-all next ish!

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April 25, 1988

Dear Capt. Jim Moseley:

The recent death of Coral Lorenzen, reminded me of a comment by CSICOP chairman Dr. Paul Kurtz during our recent trip to China: "Phil you aren't getting any younger. We've got to find a successor for you." He's right. Although I've passed the 68-year mark, and still manage to ski down from 11,500 ft. high mountains, the Grim Reaper Cannot Be Denied.

Regretably, CSICOP UFO Subcommittee vice chairman Robert Sheaffer is focusing his attention on his career and other subjects (as reported in the last issue of Smear). And vice-chairman Jim Oberg, is back to his first-love, writing books on space, including the Soviet space program and Soviet disaster coverups.

Thus it now appears that my successor may well have to be recruited from the ranks of "UFO-believers". While this might seem to be an unlikely source, once they learn that the CIA pays me \$100,000,000 per year (and CSICOP kicks in another \$1.99) for my UFO-debunking efforts, I'm hopeful that one or more "UFO-believers" just might "become available."

My successor must have a long background in UFOlogy, but more important, he/she must be an extremely obnoxious SOB who pro-UFOlogists will love to hate. (CIA long ago decided that if pro-UFOlogists are preoccupied venting their fury at me they will be too busy to investigate and discover the "truth" about UFOs.)

Naturally, Jerry Clark fully meets these qualifications, but his recent appointment as FATE magazine's chief editor now makes him an unlikely candidate. S. Terry Friedman is another potential successor, and I have no doubt that he would "convert" for \$100,000,000/year. However, he is so accustomed to giving his "canned" lecture (Flying Saucers ARE REAL!) on the junior-college circuit I'm afraid he would occasionally forget he had switched sides--with great embarrassment for CSICOP.

Bill Moore has the necessary UFOlogical credentials, but as the MJ-12 episode has demonstrated, nothing he could possibly do would make UFOlogists despise him. Of course it goes without saying that you are not a candidate for the same reason.

Meanwhile, "Time Marches On," and the Grim Reaper is waiting somewhere in the wings. Please publish this in Smear in the hope that we can find some volunteers. Otherwise, CSICOP might have to resort to "abduction" and "brainwashing" to find a suitable successor for me.

