

"You are....a boil on the ass of ufology"

- JOHN KEEL, writing in the March 25th, 1977 issue of "Saucer Glues" (one of the former names of "Saucer Smear")

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Magician defamed scientist, jury rules

On June 4th, a U.S. District Court in Baltimore, Maryland, ruled that James ("The Amusing") Randi defamed parapsychologist Dr. Eldon Byrd by calling him a child molester. Specifically, Randi identified Byrd as "the shopping market molester", without being able to prove this allegation in any way.

Amazingly (or amusingly), the court did not award Byrd even one polite dollar in damages, because of testimony that Byrd had sexually molested and later married his sister-in-law. On the other hand, according to Norris West of the Baltimore Sun, the jurors listened to taped conversations of "teenaged boys who called the magician's home allegedly for sex". This, of course, is the infamous "blackmail tape", which we have discussed at length in previous issues of this magazine.

Various transcripts have been made from this "blackmail tape". We of "Smear" now have the tape plus three transcripts, all from different sources. Two of the transcripts are identical, while one is slightly different. One of our sources is clearly identified in the Letters section of this issue. There is a long and probably boring story here; but we will not be intimidated by Randi (who threatened last year to sue us), and in spite of legal complexities we still hope to make one of the transcripts available to our readers in the near future. Stay tuned!....

TIDBITS OF TRASH:

Back issues of "Saucer Smear" and its predecessors, going all the way back to 1954 and ending with 1990, are now being sold by UFO researcher/collector Tom Benson, P.O. Box 1174, Trenton, N.J. 08606. Back issues for 1991-1993 are still available from "Smear" Headquarters for one dollar each.

Also available from "Smear" is a beautifully bound matched set of ten volumes, 1954-1990, of all of our issues up to that point in time. An 11th volume will be added at the end of 1993. The minimum price we are asking for the present ten volumes is \$1,500. Any offers???....

MEANWHILE, for a mere five dollars, you can buy from us an amazing 14-page anonymous tract called "The Fund for CIA Research? or Who's Dis-

informing Whom?". The title refers to Dr. Bruce Maccabee's organization, properly called "The Fund for UFO Research" (FUROR), based in Washington, D.C. This tract alleges that Dr. Maccabee has ties with the CIA that are all too close; and that he may be pretending to believe (allegedly) invalid cases such as Gulf Breeze and the MJ-12 documents, in order to steer researchers away from more authentic information; and it goes on to severely criticize veteran saucerer Bill Moore, as well as Bob Oeschler and others.

One of the people behind this tract is the notorious Todd Zechel, who has caused needless confusion in ufology off & on for almost twenty years. The other authors are not revealing themselves, as yet. The document is well written and thought provoking, and we highly recommend it. However, we do not endorse the contents, some small parts of which appear to possibly be libelous to various individuals.

After some difficulty we reached Dr. Maccabee by phone for comment on this tract, which he claimed not to have seen. He made a statement to the effect that he will stand by the scientific worth of all the things he has published, and that none of his funding comes from anything other than what he earns. He apparently refers to his personal funding rather than to the Fund, which does openly accept donations....

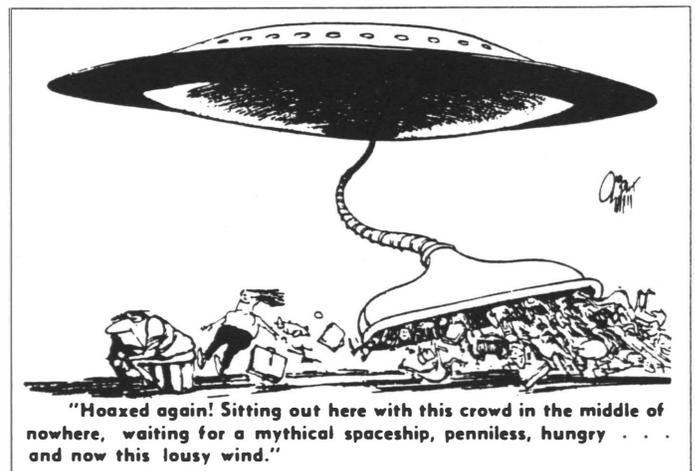
Crystal Sky Productions of California has completed a 13-hour documentary on the UFO mystery, which will be syndicated on television early next year. The title of the series is "Dare to Ask Why - the UFO Phenomenon", and it includes (of course) an interview with your editor, among many others. Russ Estes and his partner Dan Washburn attended several western UFO conferences to do their research, over a period of many months. At this point in time their personal conclusions about the UFO mystery sound very similar to our own. In other words, they are obviously very bright guys!..

By a vote of 15 to 4, with 4 abstentions, the MUFON Board of Directors has ejected Donald Ware from his lofty post of Eastern Regional Director of that esteemed organization. Ware's Sin was his strong interest in "chanelled" UFO information, and as in any religion, Sin is not tolerated. The unofficial MUFON position seems to be that even though there really is a psychic element to ufology, we mustn't tell the public about it, because then people would think we are crazier than they already believe us to be!

There has been a tremendous shake-up in an organization called INFO (The International Fortean Organization) due to the publication of "INFO Occasional Paper #2", entitled "Demons, Doctors, and Aliens", which we reviewed favorably in a recent "Smear". This "paper", concerning the alien abduction phenomenon, is written by someone named James Pontolillo, and is so powerful that it caused a mass resignation of INFO's Board of Directors. Says Dennis Stacy, editor of the MUFON Journal: "...I'm particularly dis-

Oct 15-17, 1993

The National UFO Conference is holding it's annual conference at the Days Inn in Bordentown New Jersey. this will be the 30th year the NUFOC has held Flying Saucer / New age conventions. Approximately 16 speakers are expected, of whom the following have already been booked: David Huggins, Bob Oechsler, Timothy Green Beckly ("Mr. UFO") , Dr. Frank Stranges, George Hansen, Tom Benson, Rick Hilburg, Jim Moseley, Pat Marcattilio and Alice Haggerty . For more Details contact: Pat Marcattilio, 138 Redfern St., Trenton, N.J. or call (609) 888-1358 (11AM to 2 PM only)



"Hoaxed again! Sitting out here with this crowd in the middle of nowhere, waiting for a mythical spaceship, penniless, hungry . . . and now this lousy wind."

turbed because it appears that freedom of expression, particularly the freedom of skeptical expression, is no longer a welcome commodity within the UFO and Fortean community..."

Don't let censorship prevail! Order your copy now from what's left of INFO, P.O. Box 367, Arlington, Va. 22210. Price: Ten bucks....

The July issue of OMNI Magazine devoted its "AntiMatter" column to an article written by "Smear" non-subscriber Sherry Baker on the subject of anti-Semitism in ufology. Your editor is extensively quoted therein....

John Ford of the Long Island (N.Y.) UFO Network reports that on the evening of Nov. 24th, 1992, a mysterious object crashed in the area of South Haven Park in Suffolk County, Long Island. He apparently has done an extensive investigation, and has even received anonymously a video tape which purports to show the removal of bodies which look (to him) like humanoid aliens. Can this be true?? As always, Time will Tell!...

Veteran UFO radio personality Bob Barry died very recently, and we wish to express our regrets. We met Bob two or three times in the late 1960s, when your editor was a guest on a talk show he was hosting on a small right-wing religious radio station in Media, Pa., which later lost its license for persistent violation of the FCC's guidelines re "equal time," "fairness", or whatever. After that we heard from Bob Barry a couple of times, but basically lost track of him.

IN WHICH
WE TRIP OUT TO "UFO EXPO WEST":

On June 11th, your fearless "Smear" editor jetted all the way to Los Angeles for the two-day third running of "UFO Expo West", a very professionally-produced event which occupied almost the entire banquet facilities of the huge Airport Hyatt Hotel for that weekend. Surpassing any UFO event we have yet attended, this was a four-ring circus, with four halls hosting simultaneous lectures and "workshops" all day Saturday and Sunday. At least 1,000 people attended, though there was no way to count all the people at one time.

There were nearly 30 speakers in all, and of course no way to hear all of them. Erik Beckjord was on the program, and spared no device to get attention. Having told his lecture audience that "80% of what you will hear at this convention is bullshit", he went on to show film of the faces of Ted Kennedy, Tammy Faye Baker, Elvis Presley & others on Mars, as well as the face of Jesus Christ on Venus. Beckjord claimed (privately) to have received a death threat letter from Harley Byrd, an "Expo West" speaker who claims (falsely, many say!) to have a doctorate and to be a nephew of the late polar explorer Admiral Richard Byrd. Byrd speaks, among other things, about the Inner Earth, which Beckjord takes to be nonsense - unlike the faces which Beckjord himself claims to see on nearby planets!

Beckjord has also gotten into a complex dispute with "Expo West" lecturer Gary Schultz, a man who has promoted a series of conspiracy lectures by various speakers in southern California. Beckjord claims that Schultz fails to pay his speakers; Schultz heatedly denies it. Apparently to show his great Psychic Power over Those Who Oppose Him, Beckjord sent Schultz a postcard in which he claims credit for the suicide, a few years ago, of Bigfoot researcher Tim Curry - though in reality Curry's suicide had nothing whatever to do with Beckjord, as far as we know! (Nothing in this paragraph was mentioned in Beckjord's pre-

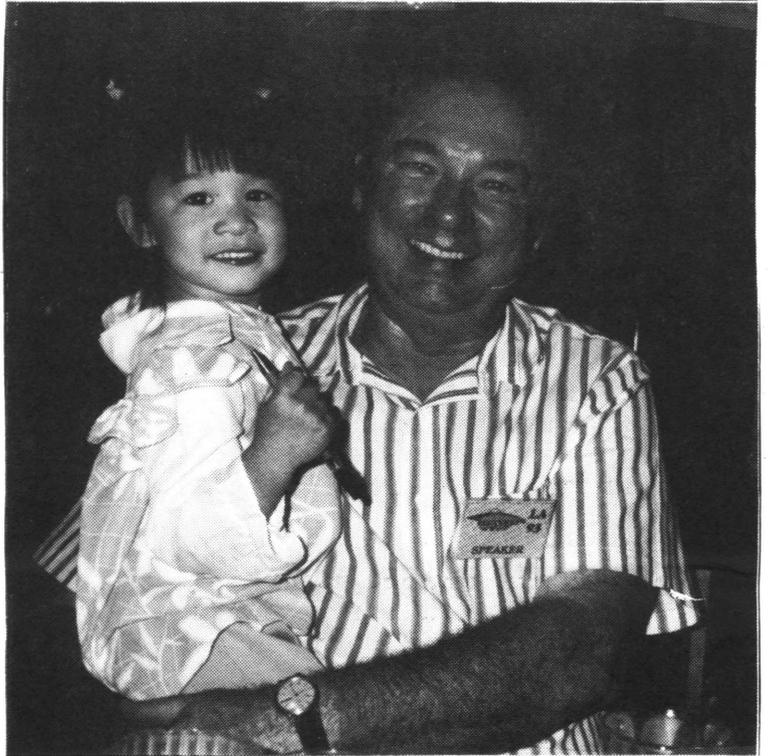


It Happens

Pig farmers in the Netherlands are marrying for manure. To circumvent a new law restricting the amount of waste their livestock can produce, thereby limiting the size of their farms, the farmers are persuading their fiancées to buy up dung rights from other farmers before their own weddings.

sentation, but merely in private conversations with your editor and others.)

As usual we enjoyed meeting and listening to the highly controversial Bill Cooper, whose "workshop" drew several hundred people at \$25 to \$30 per head. - The photo at the right shows Cooper in the hotel bar with his three year old daughter nicknamed "Pooh", the product of his recent marriage to an oriental lady named Annie.



Like a great politician, Cooper shifts his ground over a period of time without necessarily admitting it. He no longer insists on the absurd notion that John F. Kennedy was shot by his own driver. He now simply claims that the famed Zapruder film of the assassination has been tampered with, so that the driver's hands, and in other frames the front of Kennedy's head, cannot be seen. Wild, but less wild than Cooper's previous claim.

Similarly, it is now clear that those who believe Cooper to be anti-Semitic or a racist have not been listening carefully enough. As for the infamous "Protocols of Zion", which are reprinted in full in his book, Cooper now clearly states, "The Jews didn't write it, but they got blamed for it." For Cooper, the world-wide conspiracy does not come from any one race or religion, but from the so-called Mystery Schools, such as the Knights of Malta and the Freemasons in this country. Cooper is what we would label "right-wing"; (Says he: "Socialism sucks!") but those who see him as a Fascist are mistaken. In any case, he is always interesting!

Ufologist John Lear, speaking to a mere handful of people at his "workshop", stated in an aside to your editor, "I'm not as popular as I used to be." Budd Hopkins, addressing a large audience, told of common-sense psychological ways he obtains information from small children about their alleged abductions. He barely mentioned the Linda Napolitano case at all. Prof. David Jacobs, an enthusiastic follower of Hopkins, displayed a good sense of humor in his talk; but speaking seriously, he tried to explain that reproduction is the main motive behind alien abductions, even though they have no genitals. Many rather absurd possibilities come to mind here!

Other "Expo West" speakers with whom your editor is familiar included MUFONite Ann Druffel; Las Vegas newsman George Knapp, an expert on possible alien-related conspiracies; Cope Schellhorn, a cattle mutilation researcher; photo expert Jim Dilettoso; time traveler Al Bielek; Roswell researcher Don Schmitt; and abduction expert Yvonne Smith, who was certainly the prettiest of the assembled Authorities. Unfortunately, we were not able to attend her lecture.

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In early July, your "Smear" editor attended the annual MUFON Convention in Richmond, Virginia, and also the "Operation Right to Know" mass invasion of Washington, D.C. The whole story of this and MORE will appear in our glorious next issue!

Silent Teamster gets cruel punishment: Lawyer

MISSIVES FROM THE MASSES:

Anti-CSICOP skeptic TOM McIVER writes:

"I'm disappointed that you missed the point about Klass's 'mail fraud' accusation, even though I explained it to you more than once. The point was that Klass made a criminal accusation in a letter written to federal authorities, and that he sends his accusations about me (including this 'joke') to other people - some of whom may not realize it is a 'joke'. The point is that the Postal Inspector considered Klass's alleged 'joke' a possible case of criminal mail fraud even though it was Klass who accused me of mail fraud, not vice-versa (I merely forwarded Klass's letter to the addressee). The point is also that although Klass (and only when confronted) claimed he did not send it to the addressee, Klass is untruthful and I cannot trust his word. The point is that such accusations are not 'jokes', as the Postal Inspector agreed. The point is that Klass has several times denounced critics to federal security agencies and then denied doing so..."

Yes, now we do get the point! - Editor.

And, PHIL KLASS himself writes:

"Re Ed Komarek's info that Thomas P. Deuley, MUFON's Corporate Secretary, has a background in the National Security Agency (NSA):

"If you had attended the 1987 MUFON conference in Washington, you could have heard Deuley present a paper titled: 'Four Years at NSA - No UFOs'. - Deuley discussed the 156 Comint records - secretly intercepted and decoded messages from Soviet Bloc countries in which UFOs are mentioned and which the agency refused to release, which Stanton Friedman loves to cite in his lectures and TV appearances.

"Deuley said that as an NSA employee whose interest in UFOs he had earlier made known to the Agency, 'I believe I saw or held copies of the large majority of the documents withheld in the FOIA suit. Though there may have been exceptions among the documents that I did not see, none of the documents I was aware of had any information that was of scientific value.' Deuley added that during the four years he spent at NSA, 'I did not see any indication of official NSA interest in the subject.'"

SHEILA FRANKLIN writes as follows:

"Your Holy Supremeness:

"Your last issue of 'Smear' makes me wonder - Phil Klass's name was mentioned all over it! When he shuffles off this mortal coil, what will happen to ufology and your zine without him!? Who or what will replace him? Do you think that the debunkers, the G-men or the M.I.B.s have cloned him? Do you think that there is some kind of android or robot that is waiting in a closet somewhere for the opportune moment!? Without Phil Klass, my God, my God! Just wondering!"

Here at "Smear", we think that a world without Klass is unthinkable! - Editor.

BOB HIERONIMUS of Hieronimus & Co., "21st Century Media Source" writes:

"I thought you would be interested in the enclosed article, in case you were not already aware of the Randi vs. Byrd trial outcome (Randi lost.) We will be receiving the 30-page transcript of an explosive tape that was played during the trial, and will forward you a copy when we get it....The tape is the one mentioned in a 6/5/93 article, re conversations between Randi and teenaged boys soliciting sex. We've been told it's quite explicit, but that Randi claims it was done as part of a 'sting' operation with the telephone company in an attempt to catch the perpetrators of the 'harrassing' phone calls....We can't wait to read it, either."

This transcript was duly sent to us shortly thereafter. - Editor.

DR. BERTHOLD SCHWARZ, one of the parapsychological investigators who has been attacked by James Randi in the past, writes:

"...The news on 'The Amazing' could just be the opening up of a frightfully neglected area, something that the media has apparently ignored. Indeed, he who seems to love publicity should now be entitled to a full measure of light. What a TV documentary! Perhaps as you hint, your hands will be untied, and then - unless you are in a comical frame of mind - you can become wealthy by selling to porno magazines the famous audiotape.

"You are to be complimented for your courage in giving all sides a fair shake. Need more be said?...."

ROBERT ANTON WILSON writes as follows:

"Another excellent issue of 'Smear'! I especially enjoyed your comments on the IUR's inability to distinguish the Brooklyn Bridge from the George Washington Bridge. I wonder if they can tell a hoot-owl from a hippopotamus? (However, I don't agree with your description of Monty Cantsin's letter as only 'semi-amusing'. I found it absolutely hilarious.)

"Incidentally, I find even more hilarity in the outcome of the Byrd-Randi libel case, where both sides won - Byrd winning only in court, but Randi winning in the matter of quick press releases. I guess you just can't beat a professional magician when it comes to misdirection!..."

GEORGE EBERHART, Director of Publications for CUFOS (which publishes IUR), writes:

"Apparently you and George Hansen will not overlook a single opportunity to sling mud at either Budd Hopkins or Jerry Clark without bothering to ascertain the facts. I'm surprised CSICOP hasn't sent you membership applications yet.

"I accept full responsibility for the error on the cover of the March/April 1993 issue of IUR, which has the Brooklyn Bridge connecting to New Jersey. At my urging, Budd sent us a photo at the very last minute before going to press. It had no caption associated with it, so I hurriedly made one up - literally minutes before taking it to the printer. Although I live in the Midwest I am familiar with New York's geography, and had there been time for either a) mature geographical reflection or b) someone else to proofread it, the error would not have occurred.

"So cancel the jokes about Budd's research methods and Jerry's Minnesotan remoteness - neither of them knew anything about this beforehand..."

Researcher BILL HOWARD writes as follows:

"...Is there a group that I can join - a group for people with faulty memory? I've always believed that when I left Manhattan on the Brooklyn Bridge, I would get off the bridge in Brooklyn, N.Y. Now I find out that I actually went to New Jersey! What is the world coming to!? There goes another cherished belief!..."

DENNIS STILLINGS of the Archaeus Project (new address: P.O. Box 7079, Kameula, Hi. 7079) writes a letter to be found at the top of the next page:

October 9-10 — The UFO Experience, Holiday Inn, North Haven, Connecticut. For information contact John White, Omega Communications, P. O. Box 2051, Cheshire, CT 06410. ↙

October 15, 16 & 17 — National UFO Conference, Days Inn at Bordentown, New Jersey, just off Exit #7 of the New Jersey Turnpike. For further information write to Pat Marcattilio at 138 Redfern St., Trenton, NJ 08610.

October 22-24 — Gulf Breeze UFO Conference, Clarion Suites Convention Center, Pensacola Beach, Florida. INFO: Call Vicki Lyons at (904) 432-8888 or write P. O. Box 730, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32562.

**I HAVE ABANDONED
MY SEARCH FOR TRUTH,
and am now looking
for a good fantasy**

"...I congratulate you on your straight-forward attack on the preposterous fairytales of Hopkins, Jacobs, Clark, et al. All of this alien abductionism is just stale baloney & it is past time that people with sense just say so and have done with it."

Fellow MUFONite & abduction researcher DR. RICHARD NEAL writes as follows:

"Dear Supreme Commander:

"I would like to contribute my two cents to the Linda Napolitano case. Has any of the MUFON physicians, or those that participated in the M.I.T. Conference, actually challenged the authenticity of the alleged nasal implant in this individual? Has John Mack, M.D. seen this particular X-ray, and what was his opinion? Who initially recommended the X-ray and what were the indications? Was she referred by an ENT specialist or neurosurgeon? Why were we shown only one view of an alleged implant? Were there different angles taken of this object?

"What physician (radiologist) viewed the film? If so, what was his/her final report? I think it would really be nice if we had a copy of the original X-ray, to get a second opinion."

Yes, it would really be nice! - Editor.

ROBERT DOUGLASS of Occidental, California, writes as follows:

"Reading Christa Tilton's comments in the last 'Smear' started me thinking, always a painful process. The 'experiences' of Tilton and other alien fetus producers are curiously similar to those of another fringe group that has surfaced recently, the female alleged victims of Satanic cult abuse. They also frequently claim to have been forced to become unwilling fetus-breeders for an evil conspiracy existing undetected by the general population. Their produce is ostensibly used for sacrifice to Satan, rather than to alien biotechnology, but the parallels are worth noting...."

"Is this fetus production Thing one more indication of the interrelationship of the various 'bizarre phenomena', be they mental, psychic, or physical? One more strained thought: It seems to me that popular culture is becoming increasingly fetus-obsessed - the abortion wars, fetal research wars, surrogate motherhood, brain-dead moms kept alive to save fetuses, home pregnancy test kit commercials on TV, etc. ad nauseum. Fetus frenzy!..."

And, the above-mentioned CHRISTA TILTON writes:

"Frankly, I found Monty Cantsin's remarks in 'Smear' once again unfounded and idiotic! David Huggins' drawings of his alleged alien contacts are fascinating and believable - only because I have had similar contacts with alien beings. If Cantsin were so familiar with my experiences, he would have known I have already been shown one of my hybrid children in a previous abduction years ago. And yes, I do become quite nasty when those damn aliens decide to perform artificial insemination on me! My aliens have no imagination and certainly do not know anything about satisfying a woman! I prefer hybrid to hybrid sex with the orgasms that accompany this type of mating. I just thank GOD I have not been propositioned by one of those preying mantis aliens! They are nothing but sadistic voyeurs. And by the way, are you sure Monty Cantsin isn't really one of my ex-husbands??...."

'Generation of swine'

"We are being herded into the '90s, which looks like it is going to be a truer generation of swine, a decade run by cops and wardens — a generation without humor, without mercy; dead heroes and diminished expectations, a decade that will go down in history as the Gray Area.

"At the end of this decade no one will be sure of anything except that you must obey the rules, sex will kill you, politicians lie, rain is poison. ... These are terrible things to have to know in your life, even if you're rich."

— Hunter S. Thompson, in Spin.

Sterilization Solves Problems For Pets, Owners

DONALD WARE, former Eastern Regional Director of MUFON, writes:

"In your 10 June '93 'Smear', Monty Cantsin said, 'If Huggins is just a normal fellow, why do all the alien chicks want to have their babies with him?...'"

"Please tell him that if he has the fortitude to read OHASPE he might get some hint to the answer."

Skeptic MICHAEL DENNETT writes as follows:

"...On Page 3 of your June 10th issue is a picture by David Huggins. You state that he is a 'commercial artist'. Is it just me or do other non-subscribers think the quality of the painting stinks? Are you sure Huggins is a 'successful' artist?"

No. - Editor.

Famed British UFO author TIMOTHY GOOD writes:

"...Your readers may be interested to know that the American edition of my book 'Alien Liason: The Ultimate Secret' (first published in London in 1991), was published in the U.S. last month by William Morrow, with the title 'Alien Contact: Top-Secret UFO Files Revealed'. This is a considerably revised edition of the British version, containing some important new material, particularly in the last three chapters.

"My best wishes always, and thanks for 'Saucer Smear', which I still devour from cover to cover as soon as it arrives."

"Investigations Analyst" (whatever that is) BOB OECHSLER writes:

"...Your non-subscribers may be delighted to learn that we've just finished counting the ballots from last year's contest, re: How many ufologists does it take to screw in a light bulb? Winning Entry: Ufologists don't screw; they just fumble in the dark!..."

Poet JOHN BRIDGMAN writes as follows:

"Have you noticed the increasing strangeness of the UFO phenomenon? From simple sightings to kidnappings, matings, lizards and helicopters? Do you ever wonder who or what is responsible? Well, my friend, I'll tell you. I'm a little embarrassed to say it, but it's actually my fault. It started off as a high school graduation prank about twenty years ago and jeeze, I guess it got a little out of hand. Sorry."

MONTY CANTSIN (alias ART WAND) writes:

"Howdy Commander:

"Dr. John Miller wonders (in 'Smear') why aliens never mention the over-population problem. Miller obviously doesn't hang around New Age types. About one in four of my associates claims extraterrestrial origin, and they may just be the ones who talk too much. How many more are here incognito, as Walk-Ins, closet channels, Pleidean spies, etc. 'Close Encounters' special effects whiz Douglas Trumbull suggests our planet is the Miami Beach of the galaxy. We may also be the center of intrigue.

"Any E.T. who brings up the population problem risks this reply: 'Hey, it'll be one less if you go home!'"

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