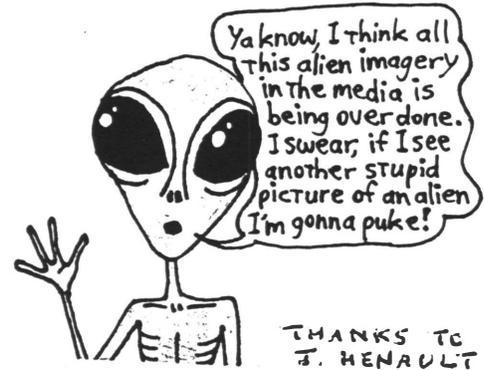


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THE FINAL DEATH BLOW TO THE ROSWELL INCIDENT, ONCE MORE, ALL OVER AGAIN:

From one of our Secret Informants we have just received the following: On March 17th and 18th, 1948, there was a conference at the Pentagon of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board. According to the minutes of this meeting, Colonel McCoy, Chief of the Intelligence Department, Air Materiel Command, had this to say, among many other things:

"We have a new project - Project SIGN - which may surprise you, as a development from the so-called mass hysteria of the past Summer, when we had all the unidentified flying objects or discs. This can't be laughed off. We have over 300 reports which haven't been publicized in the papers, from very competent personnel...We are running down every report. I CAN'T EVEN TELL YOU HOW MUCH WE WOULD GIVE TO HAVE ONE OF THESE CRASH IN AN AREA SO THAT WE COULD RECOVER WHATEVER THEY ARE." (Emphasis added.)

We will have more details about this in our next issue.

SHAMEFUL GOVERNMENT CONDUCT AT "AREA 51":

Whether or not there is really any interplanetary technology at Nevada's famous Area 51, some disgraceful conduct by the U.S. government is definitely going on there!

According to the lead front page article in the February 8th Wall Street Journal, two widows and four former civilian workers at Area 51 are suing the Defense Department in a citizens' lawsuit. These people contend that the government violated federal hazardous-waste laws by repeatedly burning ordinary chemicals as well as highly toxic classified materials at open pits at the supposedly non-existent base, located about 125 miles northwest of Las Vegas, Nevada.

The workers, who say their exposure to toxic fumes throughout the 1980s caused cancer and other diseases, are seeking classified information to facilitate medical treatment and help with medical bills. The government is asking the U.S. District Court judge in Las Vegas to dismiss the lawsuit on the grounds that almost any disclosure about Area 51 could pose a "serious risk" to national security. This strategy is startling, according to the Wall Street Journal, because the government apparently has never before invoked the national-security privilege in a case in which the effect is to shield itself from criminal liability! The case may ultimately go to the Supreme Court.

Says a lawyer for the plaintiffs, "The government claims that reveal-

ing any information about Area 51 would jeopardize American lives. But the only American lives lost so far are those of their own workers! These workers contend that when they asked the Air Force for protective gear, they were told that they could either buy their own masks or else just quit their jobs if they were dissatisfied!

As published previously in "Smear", President Clinton himself has helped the government's "stonewalling" effort by signing an Executive Order exempting the government from making public a recent environmental report on Area 51. Clinton's memo said that keeping the report secret was in the nation's "paramount interest".

On a lighter note, a 92-mile stretch of desolate Nevada state route 375 has been officially renamed the Extraterrestrial Highway. This is the road nearest to the base, and it runs through the tiny town of Rachel, Nevada, home of the Lil'Alien Inn. Obviously, tourism is the motive here - as is the case with the town of Roswell, New Mexico.

MISCELLANEOUS RAVINGS:

We don't usually print sightings of anything, but we have an unusually good crop circle story from Arlington, Iowa. The incident occurred in August of last year, but is written up in the Feb. 6th, 1996 issue of the Oelwein, Iowa Daily Register. The anomaly was found in a field of corn, and was an almost perfectly-formed circle about 55 feet in diameter. Mercifully, there were no complex geometric figures involved - just one circle. The news got out gradually, and a number of people visited the site, including people who sent samples to laboratories which found a number of significant differences between corn and soil from the center of the circle, versus "control" samples from outside it. The article concludes by stating that "a hoax has been ruled out". Egads! (Our thanks to Rex Salisbury for this one.)

On February 27th, the TV show NOVA had a documentary called "Kidnapped by UFOs", devoted mainly to the abduction research that has been done by artist Budd Hopkins and Harvard psychiatrist John Mack. According to the Feb. 24th Boston Globe (Page 66), the volitile Mr. Hopkins was displeased with an advance viewing of the program, and as stated in the "Names and Faces" column in that newspaper, "A seething Hopkins has ripped off a letter accusing the producers of 'mangling the truth', 'tampering with evidence', and sensationalizing the results to score rating points." John Mack made his own separate rebuttal to the program.

We saw the NOVA show, and it didn't look all that biased to us. The majority of time in the hour-long program was devoted to pro-abduction material, but Carl Sagan was there too, in short negative statements, and worst of all for the True Believers, Donna Bassett recounted her story (as told in Time Magazine awhile back) of having convinced John Mack that she was aboard a flying saucer with John Kennedy and Nikita Khrushchev during the Cuban missile crisis in 1962.

The low point of the NOVA program was a scene of Hopkins showing a drawing of an alien to a four-year-old boy, apparently hoping to make something positive out of the child's ambiguous response. Hopkins claims this scene was unfairly portrayed, and he may well be right.

Our only complaint against the abduction researchers is their apparent belief that a science show should blindly accept their alien abduction hypothesis, without at least mentioning that there are alternative explanations that make sense. By over-stating their case, Hopkins and Mack alienate the fence-sitters!...

On a more positive note, we have an undated Scripps Howard News Service story about alleged alien implants removed recently from the bodies of two people who claim to have been (separately) abducted. The doctor who performed these operations insists on remaining anonymous, for fear of rid-

icule, etc. According to the article, the objects removed from these people consisted of tiny, highly magnetic pieces of a shiny black metal. Various scientific tests are now being conducted in Houston, Texas, apparently under the direction of John Schuessler, a medical doctor who has been a Deputy Director of MUFON for many years. We will let our readers know if we hear anything further about this...

According to a report from KCRA-TV in Sacramento, California, a Superior Court judge has ruled that UFO abduction researcher Dr. Richard Boylan will never get back his license to practice psychology. Boylan lost his license last August on seven counts of gross misconduct. The judge said that Boylan's conduct was outrageous, but that his UFO story was simply irrelevant.

Boylan, however, still has a lot to say in his own defense. In a recent press release, he claims that "an out-of-town remote viewer passed on to him information that the judge had received various telephone calls from Intelligence (Cover-Up) officials in Washington, D.C., hostile to his Appeal". With hard evidence like this, Boylan may finally prevail!...

Research by Roswell investigator Stanton Friedman (with much help from others) seems to show that neither of the two men suspected of being the American alien autopsy cameraman back in 1947, could actually have been the one (if there was one). Men named Jack S. Barnett and Jack D. Barnett were the suspects, but neither of these fills the bill.

However, as long as Friedman continues to endorse the notorious MJ-12 presidential briefing documents (which are to be the subject of his next book), we cannot take his research as seriously as we would like to. An anonymous semi-humorous document now circulating in the UFO field, beginning "Attention Nuclear Physicists - real and imagined", seems to have Friedman in mind; but since "Smear" is a family magazine, we won't quote further from it....

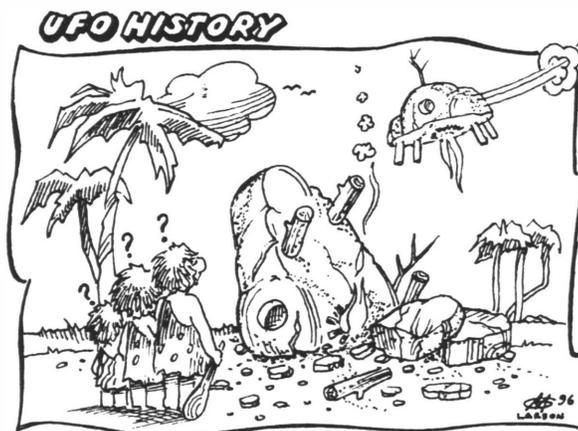
Apparently Philip Mantle, Director of Investigations for BUFORA (a British UFO organization) has had a change of heart regarding his previous endorsement of the famed alien autopsy film. Now he is quoted as saying, "New data suggests that the bodies in that film were definitely human. I understand these were connected with germ warfare and that the bodies were humans who died following experiments."

Mantle was one of the chief organizers of the BUFORA conference in England last August 19th, where a sold-out house was assured by the fact that the autopsy film would have its first public showing there. At that time cynics said that Mantle's favorable attitude toward the film was influenced by the deal he made with Ray Santilli, who was the one who gave permission for the showing....

The infamous "blackmail tape" which James ("The Amusing") Randi has

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fought so hard to suppress, has been brought up again in print, in a very complicated context. In the February 11th column by one Michele Landsberg, the prestigious Toronto (Canada) Star states: "The colorful Randi has been involved in a number of lawsuits. Part of the evidence brought against Randi was a tape of his telephone conversations, of explicit sexual content, with teenaged boys. Randi has at different times claimed that the tape was a hoax made by his enemies to blackmail him, that he made the tape himself, and that the police asked him to make it..."

Randi has threatened to sue the Toronto Star....

We have finally obtained a copy of the documentary film, "Whispers from Space", that came out last year about the late, great ufologist Gray Barker. As we have mentioned previously, your "Smear" editor has a long interview in said documentary, broken up into short segments throughout the film. Our agreement with the producer, Ralph Coon, is that we are not to sell or distribute the video tape in any way. We intend to eventually give it to the Clarksburg (West Virginia) Library, which has a whole room devoted to Gray Barker's UFO correspondence files and other material from his life. Barker died in 1984...

"SCREW-UPS" IN THE LAST ISSUE:

In the March 20th "Smear", we incorrectly stated that Roy Craig, author of "UFOs: An Insider's View of the Official Quest for Evidence" was an investigator for the 1953 Robertson Panel. The correct answer is that he was an investigator for the Condon Committee in the late 1960s.

Also, we misspelled the country Uruguay, even though we looked it up in the dictionary at the time!

But our worst mistake was not keeping track of our source for the quote from Henry Kissinger at the bottom of Page 3. Quite reasonably, several readers have asked for our source. We think it was a special issue of "Steamshovel Press", the conspiracy magazine, but we are not sure. If any of our fans have better information on this, we would appreciate hearing about it.

"'Screw-Ups' in the Last Issue" will probably become a regular feature in this magazine, unfortunately.

BOOK BAG:

Mia Adams (alias Shiela Franklin) is still pushing her autobiographical book "Excyles" (see her paid ad, below); and we of "Smear" should remind you that our own book "UFO Crash Secrets at Wright/Patterson Air Force Base" is still available from us for a mere ten dollars. (Not to mention the fact that "Smear" back issues are also available from our Headquarters for one dollar each!)...

We have two companion volumes here, the first entitled "Unidentified Flying Objects Briefing Document - The Best Available Evidence" (169 pages), and the second much shorter volume entitled "Executive Summary" of same. Both are written by FUFOR's Don Berliner, with Marie Galbraith and Antonio Huneeus. Both are presented as a joint venture of "The UFO Research Coalition", consisting of CUFOS, FUFOR and MUFON, and both are financed by

multimillionaire Laurence Rockefeller. We obtained these books mysteriously, and have learned that they are not available for sale. The present limited edition of 1,000 copies will be sent free to "decision makers" and other supposedly important people thought to be sympathetic to the UFO Cause. (We are somewhat reminded of the old days of NICAP's "UFO Investigator", which went free to supporters, but suspected enemies could not buy it!)...

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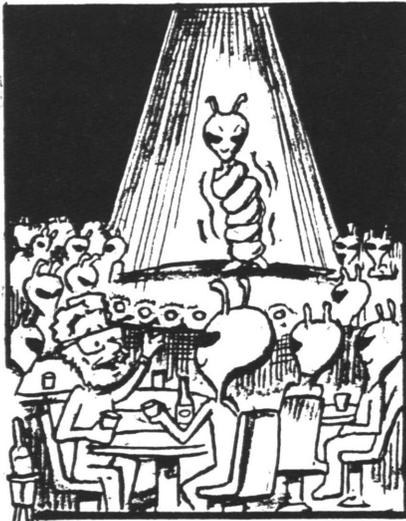
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Next, on a much more modest scale, we have "UFO Chronology Map", which is not a book but a map of the United States. It comes together with an "Index Guide Book" giving short descriptions of 74 UFO cases from 1947 through 1995, the exact locations of which can be found by referring to the map. It is not clear whether these are supposed to be the best UFO cases that can be found for those years, or whether some other criterion was used. The price is also unclear, but seems to be \$9.95. Available from UAPA, P.O. Box 347032, Cleveland, Ohio 44134....

Next we have "Strange Encounters - UFOs, Aliens & Monsters Among Us", written by our good friend Curt Sutherly and published by Llewellyn, the publishers of Fate Magazine. This 272 page tome won't be out till around June, but is now available on a pre-publication discount offer. Rumor has it that your "Smear" editor is in the index, so you can be sure we are really looking forward to our free review copy!...

Finally, we have another puzzling volume, "Between the Lines - The Miami Herald Coverage of the 'Flying Saucer' Wave of 1952 With Edward J. Ruppelt, Chief of the United States Air Force's Project Blue Book". This book consists of about 80 unnumbered pages, mostly of 1952 newspaper photostats, intermingled with quotes from the late Edward Ruppelt. We do not know if these quotes are from Ruppelt's UFO book, or whether he cooperated on this book. The editor of the volume is Hank Worbetz of Miami, Florida - though his name does not appear anywhere until the bottom of the last page. Publisher (if any) and price unknown...

There are a couple of other books in the Bag, but no more Space till next time!

PRESS-TIME RAVINGS:

Robert Todd's "Cowflop Quarterly" #4, again about the Roswell Incident, is now out and available only through "Just Cause", P.O. Box 176, Stoneham, Ma. 02180....Matt Graeber, our ace "Smear" cartoonist, is working on a saucer book which we will have more to say about in the next issue....We have just returned from the Project Awareness 4th Annual Gulf Breeze UFO Conference, and will discuss it further in the above-mentioned next issue of "Smear".

MISSIVES FROM THE MASSES:

Revered Roswell Researcher (R.R.R.) KARL PFLLOCK writes as follows:

"...Sadly, the trend of reaction to the published results of Robert Todd's in-depth research into the senior Jesse Marcel's real accomplishments versus Marcel's Mittyized version of them suggests that Jerry Lucci is almost correct in his view that 'ufology' (ugh!) cannot give up Roswell because, without Roswell, 'it's back to Lights in the Sky and other assorted oddities'.

"I say 'almost', because I think it goes deeper than that. First, ufolo- gy...is a matter of theology. Faith, rather than science and just plain hard-headed investigation, is the rule for far too many people in the field. Second, without Roswell and the Great Cover-Up for which it is at the very least the cornerstone, the field would have to go back to (horrors!) THINK- ING, doing real science and real investigation. Third, as Lucci alluded to when he noted how many of the field's leading lights have literally dedicat- ed their lives to the UFO mystery, there's a lot of ego at stake!..."

PAUL JOHNSON, Pennsylvania MUFON State Director, writes:

"Thank you for continuing my non-subscription for the past 18 years. I look forward to another 18 years of your marvelous zine.

"I read with interest your 'Saucer Smear' theory on UFO crashes. Although I would not readily adopt your premise that the government faked 'little men' landings for disinformation purposes, I must admit that it would explain why there are so many Roswell witnesses crawling out of the proverbial woodwork. Ragsdale and Truelove simply observed one of the staged retrievals north of Roswell; the mysterious archaeologists came upon one on another date; and Barney Barnett and other archaeologists saw one that the government faked on the Plains.

"I hope you are not offended, but I have enclosed a bribe for continuing my non-subscription."

No offence taken! - Editor.

JERRY CLARK, editor of "The International UFO Reporter", writes:

"...You're quite right: Only in-the-hand physical evidence will end the Roswell controversy, and I'm sure neither of us is holding his breath in anticipation of that prospect. I do think, however, that your 'man on the street' is far more convinced of Roswell (and UFOs generally) than the elite types who would tell the rest of us what to believe. Where UFOs are concerned, the battle for public opinion was won long ago. It's establishment science which continues to resist and to which the evidence must be addressed..."

Non-subscriber JEFFREY KING writes as follows:

"I must agree with you that Jerome Clark's point of view toward Todd's report of Jesse Marcel's exaggerations in 'The KowPflo Quarterly' is weird. Didn't the Todd Zechel and Don Schmitt episodes teach Clark that a person who exaggerates his personal accomplishments so much has a tendency to exaggerate, or lie about, other matters as well? Todd should be congratulated, rather than condemned, for making the facts about Marcel available to the public, so that we can all make our own judgment about the truthfulness of one of the most important Roswell witnesses. What should shake Clark to his toenails is that other Roswell researchers have either not bothered to verify Marcel's various statements, or they did the research and just never bothered to report Marcel's problems with distinguishing fact from fiction!..."

That extinguished philosopher MONTY CANTSIN writes:

"...Jerry Clark obviously hated you when his latest encyclopedia was written. He felt he had to mention you once, but he didn't want to mention you more than once. Now he is trying to communicate with you again, and you immediately call his opinions, which are admittedly rather confusedly expressed, 'a weird point of view'. Of course, most CIA agents hate each other, and they use this hostility as a cover. Still, it doesn't make for a well-oiled organization, does it?

"The 'stay high' cartoon in 'Smear' is good. It's nice to see that, like William Buckley, you have come out in favor of marijuana. Of course it's healthier than alcoholism...."

Try both at once! - Editor.



That extremely mysterious British researcher, ARMEN VICTORIAN, writes as follows:

"...MUFON is a big organization with a mouthful name, that to date has delivered nothing of significance, other than empty promises and tons of pulp.Pulp full of gullibility, and 'images' of ufology, which are just that - IMAGES!

"I endorse Robert Todd's findings on Jesse Marcel, after having read Marcel's file. Jerry Clark's comments add up to nothing more than a group of words, knitted nicely in lines...rendering no meaningful stance for an individual with a taste for collecting and reprinting ufological regurgitated pulp at handsome prices..."

Researcher DON WEBB writes:

"I'm writing for three reasons:

"(1) My 'Love Offering' for 'Smear'.

"(2) If you've the space, please mention my website. Here my weekly column, "Letters to the Fringe", appears covering everything from local SF fandom to magick to current Coptic studies to Noam Chomsky to sex. My URL is: <http://www.fringeware.com/tazmedia/dwebb/>. Please tell your friends.

"(3) I am wondering if it is true that on the side of a Spiritualist Church in Bardo, Arizona, the unmistakable face of James Randi has appeared in the cracking adobe. I suspect it might be a media hoax and hope your readers can confirm or deny the story..."

Arch debunker GARY POSNER, M.D., writes as follows:

"While I am honored by your mention of my Tampa Bay (Florida) Skeptics Report (on page 3 of the Feb. 20th issue of your own pale imitation), I must say that your comments regarding Randi's challenge indicate an utter lack of understanding of its nature. I am thus enclosing a generic copy from Randi's 'The Faith Healers' for your edification (not for your defecation - stick with newspaper for that)....

"As you can see, Randi and the claimant structure each challenge in advance, such that success or failure is so self-evident that 'no judging procedure is required'. Therefore, your proposed 'panel of...prominent scientists, carefully chosen for their objectivity' is unnecessary.

"For example, either the straight portion of the stem of the mutually agreed-upon spoon bends while Uri Geller merely strokes it with his fingertip, or it doesn't. An engineering degree from MIT, or a reputation as an international mediator, is not a requirement for determining success!"

Our good buddy CHRISTOPHER ALLAN from England writes:

"...Concerning Roy Craig, he was not part of the Robertson Committee but was a physical chemist on the Condon Committee who delved into the UFO matter in the late 1960s. He had a role in looking into reported cases of 'physical evidence'. One of his cases was the 3,000 pounds of metallic slag found on the St. Lawrence River banks back in 1960. This was the junk that Wilbert Smith tried to claim was of likely extraterrestrial origin. This is the same Mr. Smith who wrote that (in)famous memo (self styled 'top secret') in November 1950 that was to be the inspiration for the MJ-12 forgery several decades later.

"Smith was merely a crackpot scientist, and was in fact an early contactee, but you won't get Stanton Friedman and others to admit this, when they bring up Smith as a 'top Canadian scientist'. Some of his writings in 'Flying Saucer Review' were dotty in the extreme....

"And the 3,000 pounds of metal? Just ordinary foundry waste!"

Worker sentenced to restroom duty

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — A man who was videotaped urinating into a company coffee pot has received an appropriately unpleasant sentence: cleaning bathrooms.

Milton Ross, 41, pleaded guilty Friday to third-degree assault. He was placed on two years' probation and ordered to spend 100 hours cleaning public restrooms.

"I made a stupid choice," said Ross, who was fired from his job after the incident.

A covert camera set up by a co-worker caught Ross urinating into a coffee pot at Wire Rope Corp. of America in July.

Editor's Note re Christopher Allan's letter: Wilbert Smith is not to be confused with Dr. Willy Smith, a present-day American scientist and UFO researcher, whose behavior occasionally borders on the crackpot.

JOHN WHITE, UFO researcher, literary agent, etc., writes:

"You'll be interested to know that Marlowe & Co., the publisher of Travis Walton's 'Fire in the Sky', will publish two other UFO books this year. They are Stanton Friedman's 'TOP SECRET/MAJIC' (yes, all caps is correct - as if it were actually the rubber stamp used on documents), and a paperback edition of Jacques Vallee's 'Forbidden Science'. But you should note for your readers that the head of the company told me that Marlowe is not a house for UFO books and doesn't want to become one, so authors should not inundate the company. It was kind of a fluke that brought these three UFO titles to Marlowe in one year.

"Vallee also has a UFO novel, 'Fast-walker', coming out from North Atlantic this year. (The title is the Air Force code term for UFO.) He told me that he felt free in the book, because it is fiction, to say things about the UFO experience which could not be broached in his nonfiction works"

Hard-core researcher CHRIS ROTH writes as follows:

"...I'm a bit miffed at the veiled mudslinging in the Jan. 10th 'Smear' in the wake of Frank Stranges winning of the NUFOC Ufologist of the Year Award. In my opinion, Frank in his own inimitable way epitomizes ufology, and that should be recognized. Nothing makes me more nostalgic for the Golden Age of the Contactees than the Tin-Foil Age of the Abductees in which we now live..."



ABOVE LEFT: Dr. John Mack, the Harvard Medical School psychiatrist whose recent book "Human Encounters with Aliens - ABDUCTION" has propelled him to the forefront of ufological controversy. He is seen here shortly after his lecture at the recent Project Awareness convention near Gulf Breeze, Florida. ABOVE RIGHT: Mia Adams (alias Shiela Franklin), who did not lecture at the convention, but is seen here hawking her autobiographical book, "The Excyles" at an outdoor table. (Photos by "Smear" staff photographer OISEAU.)