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THE FIREBALL INCIDENT IN NEW HAVEN, CONN.

On August 22, 1953, Mr. August C. Roberts, a member of the Department of Investigation of IFSB, paid a visit to a group of saucer people in New Haven known as S.P.A.C.E. From a Mr. Joseph Barbieri he learned that a strange explosion had occurred on August 20, 1953. The time was after 9:00 p.m. The ball of fire that was sighted left a gaping hole in a large Omelia signboard made of 20 gauge steel.

Mr. Barbieri and Mr. Roberts went out to have a look at the sign, and also see if any evidence could be found as to what caused the incident. They found a fairly large hole at least a foot square, and the metal was ripped and curled due to the terrific impact.

One local resident who lives about two hundred feet away, told them that she saw from her window, a streak of light go by, and almost immediately heard a loud explosion that shook the house, and at the same time, she said, the house lights dimmed.

When she and others went out to investigate they saw smoke pouring from a hole in the sign, and a smell like that of rotten eggs. Police and firemen arrived quickly, and a large crowd gathered.

It was learned that a man driving a car just about to pass the sign, saw a red ball of fire about six inches in diameter trailing a tail, leave the sign, and pass in front of his auto about thirty feet away. It tore thru the top of a large tree, just missing telephone and power lines, and disappeared at a very high speed in the direction of East Rock.

Upon examining the sign rather closely Mr. Roberts found no evidence of fire, nor were there any marks of powder burns. But, imbedded in the metal were foreign elements. With a pair of pliers Mr. Roberts took some pieces of the sign and

brought them to IFSB headquarters. They were sent for analysis by our Director, Mr. Bender.

LATE BULLETIN

A source, which the IFSB considers very reliable, has informed us that the investigation of the flying saucer mystery and solution is approaching its final stages.

This same source to whom we had referred data, which had come into our possession, suggested that it was not the proper method and time to publish this data in Space Review.

ANSWER TO NUMEROUS INQUIRIES

The IFSB is puzzled and somewhat surprised by the numerous inquiries it has received regarding the same subject. The writers all desire to know what information we had available on persons having actually been taken for a ride in flying saucers.

Since we cannot answer all the inquiries we received, we are giving our answer now: To the best of our knowledge no such incident has ever taken place.

AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER MAGAZINE

The IFSB fully recommends the magazine put out by the AFSB. It is one of the best in the field, and the information it contains is true and to the point.

STATEMENT OF IMPORTANCE

"The mystery of the flying saucers is no longer a mystery. The source is already known, but any information about this is being withheld by orders from a higher source. We would like to print the full story in Space Review, but because of the nature of the information we are sorry that we have been advised in the negative."

We advise those engaged in saucer work to please be very cautious.

EDITORIAL

When you read the newspaper today you very seldom see anything about Science on the front page. Usually science gets a small inconspicuous spot on the last page or thereabouts.

Yet such things as the number of Atom bombs Russia has in her stock pile and the number of H-Bombs United States has hidden away appear on the front page. The people of the world do not realize it, but just reading that little bit will make you wonder, just what will all this end up with and what lies ahead in the future. The powers of the world are building themselves up for the worst holocaust this Earth has ever seen, and the destruction that is wrought will be so great that men will be back where they started in the caves. As is said in the word of God, "fire and brimstone will be the end".

The building of stockpiles of such deadly weapons can lead to but one goal, and that is too horrible to even contemplate.

Sit down and figure all of the money that has been spent on these bombs, and you will find that it would add up into figures that you and I could not even write. If only all of this money had been put to a more intelligent use, we would today be on the moon and even on Mars. Our cities would be something out of a dream book, with modern and scientific devices that would make life something worthwhile. Cures for cancer, and the dreaded diseases would not be a mystery, but an actuality. Interplanetary travel would today be with us in all of its glory, while visits from other worlds would be an everyday occurrence. Scientists of today have the necessary knowledge to go ahead with space travel, but they lack the money to push such a project.

If only the peoples of the world would forget about self-destruction and concentrate on building a better world, there would be work for everyone and no time to think about harming our next door neighbor.

The men in the saucers are much wiser than we think, why should they destroy us, when we will no doubt do it ourselves.

MAY I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY IN SAYING FAREWELL TO ALL MEMBERS AND OFFICERS. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE HELP AND KIND DEEDS YOU HAVE GIVEN IFSB.—*The Director.*

A SPECIAL REVIEW:

"THE FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED" by Desmond Leslie and George Adamski. Publication date, October 23, 1953. Price \$3.50. British Book Centre, 122 East 55th St., New York 22, N.Y., or at your local book stores. Illustrated.

"The Flying Saucers Have Landed" is in our estimation a fine book and we recommend it to all of our members and officers.

The first part of the book deals with sightings dating from 1290 A.D. and is an excellent record of pre-1947 sightings for all members to have in their files. Mr. Desmond Leslie has done the job that IFSB has long hoped someone would attempt. Having these sightings printed in book form saves the Saucer Organizations much time in searching through their files for data on a particular incident they may want information about.

The second part of the book by George Adamski is on the fantastic side, but it is for the readers to judge and make comment. Mr. Adamski claims to have made actual contact with a saucer-man, who used mental telepathy for communication. He also states that the man claimed he was from Venus and that all planets in our solar system are inhabited. There are actual photographs of the cigar shaped objects and also of the saucers themselves that Mr. Adamski took with his camera. There is a drawing of the creature he is supposed to have met.

FOOTNOTE TO FLYING SAUCERS

by Frank Scully—author of "Behind the Flying Saucers."

Three years ago I seemed to act as umpire between the Saucerians and the Pentagonians and published my findings in a book that has since gone around the world. At least it has been published in ten languages and may even have been published behind the Iron Curtain, for all I know.

My findings seemed to have poked holes in the Pentagonian position that believers in flying saucers were either (a) screwballs or (b) perpetrators of hoaxes. I left the Air Force with 34 sightings that had left them mystified.

I sat in on a briefing of Air Force Reserve officers the other day and found that the Air Force position had changed greatly since that 1949 report of their project saucer. They no longer think believers are victims of mass hysteria. They happen now to have 750 sightings which have them stumped and most of these were reported by their own technicians and were caught on their own radar scopes. In other words, they are a good deal nearer today the position I advanced in "Behind the Flying Saucers" in 1950.

Meanwhile the front-runners for the earlier Pentagonian line are left holding a fairly empty bag. Flying saucers remain a most controversial subject and those who ridicule what others see are well within their rights, but they must stick to the subject and not throw mud on the private character of those who believe that these objects are not light reflections, mirages, or automobile hub caps.

For myself, I believe that flying saucers, like girls, are here to stay. What they are doing may remain a mystery for a while but their presence in our atmosphere is longer open to doubt. I suspect that they are mapping our magnetic patterns and studying particularly our magnetic fault zones.

Our earlier position that these space ships were magnetically propelled has not been assailed. That some of their ships grounded (not crashed) and could not take off again, would certainly make them wary of landing again until they were quite sure that magnetic conditions would make those take-offs no longer subject to chance.

This requires a vast knowledge of the magnetic conditions of the universe. The visitors from space are in all probability several light years ahead of us in such knowledge and we are only getting an inkling of what such a force is and how it operates on this earth, which is, after all, nothing but a huge dynamo traveling in three directions at the same time, for it spins, follows an orbit, and wobbles all at once.

Before I complete my next book on this vast and mysterious subject, I hope to have the answers to much of this mystery. Meanwhile it is comforting to know that the Air Force has moved over much closer to our original position and that I need no longer feel grounded among the flying saucers, but can take off from where I left off. I hope I don't shock the critics as badly the second time as I did the first.

"THE SAUCERIAN"—Fact—Fiction—Philosophy about the Flying Saucers. Published bi-monthly at 35 cents per copy or 6 issues \$1.50. Edited and published by Gray Barker, Box 981, Clarksburg, West Virginia. A few copies of first issue containing West Virginia "Monster" Story are still available.

"Who Keeps His Head in the Stars and His Feet on the Ground"—Gray Barker.

THE MARS EXPLOSIONS AND THE FLYING SAUCERS

by Lonzo Dove, Chief Astronomer IFSB

Installment II

The fine book, "The Planet Mars", by G. deVaucouleurs, published in London in 1950, says that "Mars remains the only planet whose phenomena cannot be easily interpreted by the sole use of the physical and chemical laws applied to inorganic matter."

The clouds on Mars, their correspondence with astronomical aspects and space travel plans between Mars and Earth, are shown to be artificial from every angle of reasoning, and not caused by non-biological natural events on a planet like Mars. The saucer activities on Earth explain the synchronous Explosions on Mars, while the Mars events explain the origin of the flying saucers. The evidences thus accumulating cannot be ignored much longer.

Of all the scientific thinkers, students of astronomy with its inherent mind-expanding quality of the vastness of space and time and numbers of world evolutionary possibilities, should be the last to suffer the blighting effect of commercializing which brands as unprofitable the adventurous love of science for the sake of pure science itself.

It is not at all in the scientific spirit for organized groups of scientists to adopt the obscurantist policies of bigotry which held back science during the dark ages, and to dictate against free discussion of observations, just because it may be contrary to popular belief and may irritate some prejudice.

How in the name of science can a "noted" scientist publish that there is "zero chance" for space ships to be coming from a neighbor planet? Or after admitting to uncertainty and ignorance about radar detection, then to declare dogmatically that "in the opinion of experts it cannot and does not see flying saucers". How can they know this, since this is the very point of admitted uncertainty? This is on a par with another self-contradiction, "invisible clouds that reflect light", posed as the "cause of flying saucers". (Science Service releases: Science News Letter of August 30, 16, and 9, 1952).

Forgetful of the astro-physical fact that any intelligence on Mars arose a billion years ago at the peak of evolutions on that less-massive planet, and would have used their intelligence to invent artificial means of survival through the withering of their planet to the present day, and could be coming across space in the amazing flying disks.

From the way some professors of science go out of their way to explain away the saucer phenomena, we might conclude that they have something to hide. The trouble is, we the people do the observing of evidences, while those who never have seen a flying saucer make a show by denying the existence of such things. How stupid do they think we are?

Let us not thus discredit the names of "science" by immature statements of more emphasis and less sense than the fanaticism of religion. Let us not conduct a scientific laboratory determination upon observations by declaring beforehand what the answer must not be. True science seeks the truth ~~whatever~~ and wherever it may be.

SPEAKING OF FLYING SAUCERS

by Judith L. Gee, News Reporter, London

I know nothing at all about "flying saucers"! I only know what I read in the papers, which is precious little. But ignorance has never yet stopped any human from talking, or speculating, and in this manner we reveal our lack of knowledge, our pig-headedness, or our desire to be enlightened.

I accept that the flying saucers are not spots before the eyes, hoaxes, reflections, etc.

They may be visitors from space. Having spoken about the man from Mars for so long, we may have conjured him out of nowhere into here! Wonders will never cease, so why not this too?

If flying saucers come from beyond the earth's sphere, it is possible that they operate in a different octave of sense to us. Our bodies and minds impose definite limits upon our vision, hearing, speech, touch and taste. Imagine the difficulty of communicating with an entity who has another octave of sense impressions. Time may have a different meaning. The day-night sequence of our earth may seem year long to them, or flash by in a second. (I use time terms as relative to our conception and usage).

Yet sages, throughout history, have tried to impress upon us how very narrow and limited our time range is. Reports speak constantly of the immense speed and swift appearance of flying saucers, and the ability to make abrupt turns which would disrupt an earth machine and black-out a human pilot.

This suggests that "they" have different bodies than ourselves, and it is possible that "they" operate on a different frequency of vibration. On a higher pitch, as it were.

This suggests that they may not be visible to us! Invisible men from Mars suggests a new terror from Earth beings! All I want to point out is, that when we do see them, they may flicker in our sight and come and go in our vision in a manner we are not prepared for, from our own solidflesh.

Their dimensions of height, breadth, depth and duration, may be different from ours. We may have to alter all our conceptions of time-space continuum, which we accept as life on Earth. Such a revolution of mind is going to shake us more than wars, earthquakes and conversion to a new religion.

The very notion of it brings science and the armed services howling down the wind on our tracks. But, this is literally beyond us all. We are all here on the same Earth and liable to the same influences. If some of us get cold feet, the rest of us will maintain stout hearts.

Personally, I think this the most thrilling thing to happen in any generation, and I'm devoutly thankful to be alive, here and now, to participate in the brave new world we shall have to meet and greet.

I would like to end on the note that Charles Fort in his books prophesied that men would venture on lands beyond the skies, within our century. All flying saucer devotees will find much to think about in his books. We are living perpetually on the edge of mystery, and hug the delusions that we know it all. When, as truth claims, we know nothing at all.

SAUCERS IN THE NEWS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BRUSH CREEK, CALIF.—June 20, 1953—

On June 20, 1953, two titanium miners, John Q. Black and John Van Allen claimed that a flying saucer landed in their mining camp on two separate occasions, and that a little man got out and scooped up a bucket of water, which he handed to someone inside the ship. They reported this to the local sheriff's office and asked if they might fire upon the little man. They were told not to do so, but to try and capture it alive. Since the saucer was supposed to have landed on May 20 and June 20, many speculated that it would land again on July 20, so newspaper men, photographers and the like gathered on that day for the return visit of the little men, but they were all disappointed in the fact that the little men did not show up. The little town received nationwide fame from this little incident and from all reports they sold more soda pop that day, than any day known.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—July 15, 1953—Reports from Middletown, Conn., state that what some people may be calling saucers is a new type of aerial flare invented for our airplanes.

SAN CLEMENTE, CALIF.—July 31, 1953—A skipper of a fishing boat claims that two oblong, silvery objects buzzed by his fishing craft, and for a while hovered over his boat.

MOSCOW, IDAHO — Aug. 10, 1953 — A mysterious "bright, flat object perhaps 200 feet in diameter", darted overhead. Jets were sent up and searched for 45 minutes with no results.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS—Aug. 27, 1953—A ball of fire the size of a watermelon, round, glowing, exploded sending spark flying above the heads of several children. It was called ball lightning by the weather bureau.

CHESTER, NEW JERSEY—Sept. 18, 1953—A strange object sighted over this town. Tipped on end, long, slightly curved tail.

SEQUOIA-KINGS CANYON, NAT. PARK, CALIF.—July 29, 1953—Weird flashes of bright light, witnessed four times in five days along the middle fork of the Kaweah River, baffled park officials and visitors. At one time a big yellow ball about 1000 feet in diameter rose from that point.

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—July 1, 1953—A red ball of fire sighted in the sky between 10:45 and 11 p.m., it remained in sight for about five minutes and then exploded and disappeared from view.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL HONORARY MEMBERS OF IFSB

All honorary members are hereby suspended until further notice. If the present honorary members wish to remain on our new mailing list they should notify us as soon as possible.

SAUCER CONVENTION IN LOS ANGELES

Mr. Max B. Miller, Pres. of Flying Saucers International, reported that the recent Flying Saucer Convention held in Los Angeles on August 16, 17, and 18 was well received. Many noted speakers were there including Frank Scully, Jeron Criswell, Truman Bethurum. Approximate attendance was estimated at 1500. Two thousand were turned away on Monday night when Criswell spoke. Rep. from major radio and TV networks came, as well as delegates from Chicago and London.

NEW GROUP FORMED: Spheres, Inc., 8054 Laurel Grove Ave., North Hollywood, Calif.

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A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

by IFSB

At a meeting held on September 9, 1953 at Bridgeport, Conn., the five members of the executive staff agreed upon publishing the following statement in the October 1953 issue of Space Review:

"After serious consideration of all aspects involved in the operation of the International Flying Saucer Bureau, it has been decided to completely reorganize.

"Effective January 1, 1954, we will no longer be known as the International Flying Saucer Bureau, which specialized only in the mystery of the Flying Saucers.

"All subscription to Space Review end with this issue. Provisions regarding refunds due subscribers will be found elsewhere in this issue."

COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE STATEMENT

On January 1, 1954, a new organization will come into existence with Mr. Albert K. Bender and Mr. Max Kregel as directors.

This organization, comprised of individuals, each a specialist in his or her particular field, will confine itself to matters pertaining to the universe in general and will be mostly technical in nature.

There will be no paid memberships in this group available. Memberships will be restricted to the specialists aforementioned.

There will be printed news-letters issued by this organization, though the format and frequency of publication, is still under consideration. The name Space Review will be retained.

Present officers of the IFSB will eventually receive a letter regarding our new organization and its policies, as soon as all details are worked out.

We wish to thank one and all for their courtesy and cooperation and interest in making the IFSB a success. We wish every success to the other groups organized to solve the saucer mystery.

We sincerely hope that the interest shown IFSB will be shown to our new organization.

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