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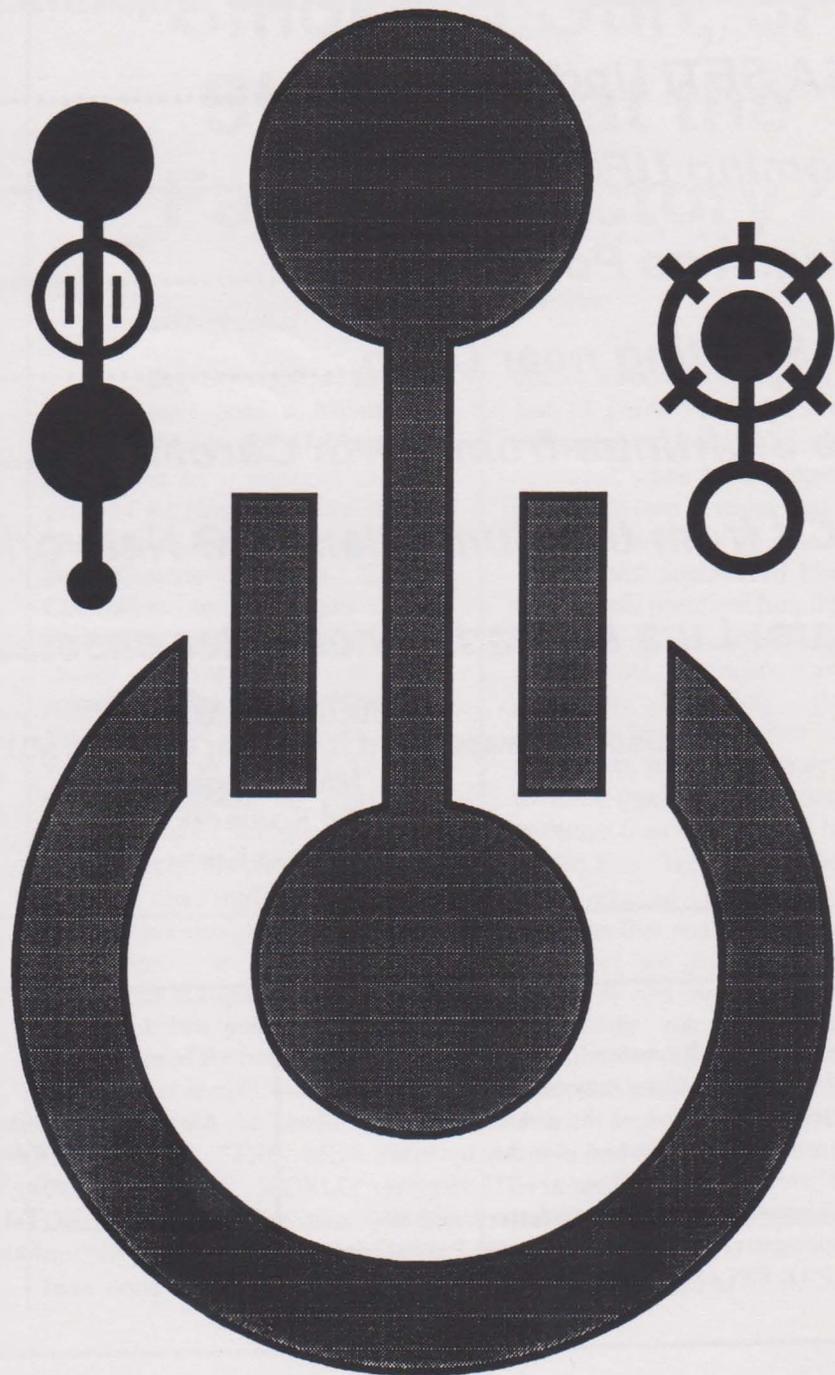


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AMONG THE
CROP
CIRCLES**

**BUDD
HOPKINS: THE
ROPER POLL**

**UFOLOGISTS
GO POLITICAL**

**MORE UFOS
SIGHTED IN
NORTH
CAROLINA**



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From the Editor:

I would like to give a special thanks to the investigators and organizations who have contributed information to be published in *UFO ENCOUNTERS*. Various researchers around the country are participating in exciting research, and *U.E.* will continue to cover the results of their discoveries.

Many of you have requested *U.E.* flyers to hand out at your UFO groups and meetings. Thanks for helping in getting the word out about our exciting publication. Anyone else who would like to help us by distributing flyers to groups and bookstores, just send us a postcard asking for some, and we will send them right out to you.

Numerous readers have written and expressed how much they enjoy the publication -- and the mail continues to come in. Anyone waiting for a response to a letter, hang in there. I always respond when possible. Although I read every letter, it takes a while to get back with people because I am busy researching the many cases currently unfolding around the world.

Speaking of mail, if you have a story, experience, photo, news tip, or anything else you may want to share, please write to the magazine at P.O. Box 1142, Norcross, GA 30091.

This month's issue reveals some exciting cases. Pay close attention to Mark Jaeger's article. It may very well become the most talked about controversy for quite a while. After reading it, you will understand why. Because this story grew to be much larger than what we first imagined, it will take up more space than originally planned. I feel the only way to publish the article is to cover the story in its entirety, which

includes the lengthy conversations of those involved. Because of the lengthiness of this revealing story, a few of the articles intended for this issue will be published next month. Because we are devoted to bringing the latest information as it unfolds, and because of the unpredictable nature of this phenomenon, it is sometimes difficult scheduling our

future articles. But, our readers will always be well informed.

After this article was prepared, I learned that there may be even more accusations of a cover-up. As of this editorial, I haven't been able to reach George Wingfield (the main source for information on this case) in

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Smoking Gun, or Shootout at the Fantasy Factory?

by Mark Jaeger

Allegations of a cover-up have been a mainstay of ufology for 45 years. Bits and pieces have emerged over the years of varying credibility such as The Roswell Incident, the letter from Dr. Condon of the Condon Committee to investigate UFOs saying "the trick is to focus on the mental competence of the witnesses," The MJ-12 documents, etc. The latest development in this vein comes to us from England. George Wingfield, the Director of Field Research for the Center for Crop Circle Studies (CCCS) has acquired an intriguing piece of information that depending on your orientation, is either another outrageous conspiracy theory, or an important data point to fill out our knowledge of the cover-up.

By now almost everyone in the world has seen the headlines along the lines of "THE MEN WHO CONNED THE WORLD" about Doug & Dave, the two (retired military) barflies that claimed to have done the majority of the crop

circles in southern England for the last 13 years. Pat Delgado was the researcher who was burned by that operation when he pronounced one of their crop circles to be the genuine article. The newspaper *Today*, had approached him ahead of time and promised him front page coverage if he would give his professional opinion on this particular formation. He was obviously less careful than he should have been, possibly because he was thinking more about the glory of the coverage than the trap that had been set for him. Researchers everywhere were amazed at the worldwide coverage that was given to the claim that these two guys could have done what they had claimed. Pat Delgado and other researchers began to question the differences between the Doug & Dave circle and the genuine articles, such as why the D&D crop circle had bruised crops flattened in a random fashion, but the others were bent but not broken, and braided in a spiral pattern. Colin Andrews wanted to know how they

could make the patterns accurate to within three centimeters in a pattern 800 feet across. Astronomer Gerald Hawkins wants to acknowledge them for their extreme cleverness in designing patterns that illustrate proofs of geometric theorems that have never been published in geometry textbooks, either modern or ancient. (Linda Howe and Michael Chorost have recently retracted their claims of finding short-lived radioactive nucleotides that heretofore had only been found in particle accelerators. They are now quietly gathering more soil samples in hopes of collecting more definitive data.)

At the news conference with Doug & Dave, when the researchers started asking detailed questions that they couldn't answer, the people from the media "panicked, ended the news conference, and whisked away Doug & Dave" (according to Colin Andrews). But, the damage had already been done. Pat Delgado had declared a fake crop circle to be genuine (with videotape running), and that was all they needed to tell the public -- that the whole mystery had been resolved in a comfortably mundane manner.

It wasn't until later that George Wingfield learned through a confidential source that the matter had been discussed in a high-level British government cabinet meeting including the Minister of Agriculture, and the conclusion was reached that measures had to be taken to reduce public interest in the phenomenon. They didn't want people asking awkward questions such as: Is it safe to eat the crops that are routinely harvested from crop circles? The truth is nobody knows! We've had little reason to think it unsafe other than the aforementioned possibility of short-lived radioactivity, but I would personally feel much better if my public servants were more zealous in

fighting potential public hazards, rather than public perceptions!

In the mean time the research continued. In the '92 season many more fake pictograms were turning up, and the ones that would otherwise be considered genuine were being trampled before the researchers could get to them. Often researchers would find bits of string or other discrediting evidence on the sites. Doug & Dave took a low profile and were basically inaccessible, but two other men in particular were showing up early in the morning where there were crop circles, either genuine or fake. They were Jim Schnabel and Robert Irving, and several researchers came to the conclusion that they couldn't be trusted.

The Plot Thickens

George had made the acquaintance of a man who claimed to have had experience in intelligence work. He went by many names, including Henry Ahzadehdel, but we'll call him Armen Victorian. He offered to find out what he could about the suspicious pair. Figuring the group would be most vulnerable to penetration when they were recruiting new members, he called posing as an African man, Kasaba Ntumba, an interested party sympathetic to the debunkers. He called Robert Irving first, and asked if he or his friend Schnabel, knew of any government interest in the circles. Irving hinted that he did, and that he and Schnabel were the manifestation of this government interest. Irving himself begins taping the call at this point, so the conversation is being taped from both sides! The following excerpt was printed recently in the MUFON Journal:

Victorian: Is it [to do with]

Intelligence? -- forgive me, it's my curiosity -- or maybe --

Irving: It does have intelligence, yeah.

V: But --

I: I think we're particularly intelligent people.

V: What? Well, yes, I see --

And so on in this vein. With Irving giving Azadehdel a mixture of insulting wordplay and deadpan hints about an international conspiracy, until he tired of the game and asked:

I: How's Wingfield by the way?

V: Who?

I: Wingfield.

V: Who is Wingfield?

I: I understand you know him.

V: I --

I: You're Henry Azadehdel.

V: No I'm not.

I: You're not?

V: Uh-uh.

I: Dr. Victorian?

V: No, I'm not.

I: You sound incredibly like him.

V: I've heard of this man

[Azadehdel] before. What do you make of him?

I: I think he's [comment deleted]

He obviously got nowhere with Irving, but then he called Jim Schnabel, an American grad student living in England, and a member of the CCCS. He then played one against the other, telling him what he wanted to hear and possibly keeping him off balance by speaking quickly, interrupting enthusiastically, and acting like he wasn't even listening, until he got this very interesting taped conversation:
Schnabel: Hello?

The Tape

Victorian: Mr. eh, Schnabel?

S: Yes.

V: This is Mr. Ntumba, I'm sorry to bother you at this time of the night. Now then, I was speaking to

"Well off the record, a number of agencies throughout the world have taken an interest in this. It is potentially a very explosive phenomenon."

your friend . . .

S: I'm sorry?

V: I was speaking to your friend a few hours ago, Mr. Robert Irving.

S: Oh yeah, Rob Irving, yeah.

V: And I understand that you won the 2nd prize in proving that these circles are not really what the others think are made by "seven-foot green men" and they are very much in an earth-bound situation.

S: Yes, yes. [then quickly] Uh, Well, I wasn't out to prove anything, I was uh . . .

V: My congratulations, you did a good job!

S: Thank you very much.

V: Yes you've done a very good -- Have you published anything?

S: Yes I have published a few things . . . just this past weekend in an independent magazine. It was a collaboration with . . .

V: Hey, you have an American accent!

S: Yes, that's true I'm from the States.

V: What part? . . .

S: Virginia.

V: Oh! A beautiful part of the country!

S: Yes.

V: Yes, a beautiful part of the country! One thing that Mr. Irving said that I was a bit puzzled [by]. He said that he worked with a group of intelligence, or something like that.

S: Oh he did?

V: He did!

S: Ha, Ha, He . . .

V: When?!

S: He sometimes says things he shouldn't say, but uh . . .

V: Did he work genuinely with intelligence in the past?!

S: Well, I couldn't really comment on anything like that, you would have to take that up with him.

V: Yes, what did he say to me -- it was something which mystified me to be perfectly honest with you. He said "It pays," that was exactly what he said -- it pays to be doing what he was doing -- and he worked with Western Intelligence he said to me, and that "man does not live on bread alone."

S: [Obviously uncomfortable] Yeah, well, yeah he eh, huh, uhm, I couldn't, I really, I couldn't comment on any, any of that. I mean He uh

V: Has he -- Do you know if that's the case -- that he is actually working for intelligence?!

S: Well, I wouldn't want to say anything on the record, obviously.

V: Yes - Ha ha ha! Well I can't blame you can I?

S: Yeah.

V: What I am trying to say is look -- you have handled this kind of case yourself. . . . Is he saying this kind of thing to create credence and mystery, because if that is the case then it backfires then doesn't it? It makes the man uh -- you know what I am trying to say.

S: No I'm not clear.

V: What I'm saying is that if that's not the case then the man doesn't work with -- then why is he making all these statements? You see what I am saying. It makes it look like a person who doesn't have



any credit in his opinion! Do you see what I am saying? [Both speaking at once]

S: Well I don't know --

V: It is like me saying I'm the king . . .

S: exactly what he has said.

V: It is like me claiming . . .

S: But he, I, can say he does have some, he does have some connections and I don't think that's something that either of us wants to talk about.

V: But you know there is a story . . .

S: I mean I don't know who you are, so I don't want to talk about it in too much detail.

V: You know I've been reading in some of these magazines by these UFO groups, and some of these "seven-foot green men" groups put out that there is some intelligence behind it, etc. etc., and now our Mr. Irving says that to me, and I was a little bit taken back. Is there any interest from the intelligence part in it as well?

S: Do you mean does Mr. Irving have an interest? I'm not sure what you're getting at.

V: It is my bad English, I am sorry.

S: Do you mean interest in MIS, or UFOs or what?

V: Anything, I mean any intelligence group . . .

S: I see, it's clear to me now, well off the record, a number of agencies throughout the world um, have taken an interest in this.

V: Well, that's what we've heard, haven't we?

S: It is potentially a very explosive phenomenon. [Victorian misunderstands explosive for exploitive]

V: Exploitive -- how can they exploit the phenomenon?

S: I think some of us are concerned that the phenomenon may -- It's difficult to explain,

V: Well, Try me!

S: We believe there is something

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Atlanta Discovery Expo: Budd Hopkins and the Roper Poll

by Michael Norris

In October, Budd Hopkins spoke in downtown Atlanta, Georgia, at the Atlanta Discovery Expo. It was good to hear Hopkins speak again; the last time I sat in on one of his presentations was last July at the '92 MUFON Symposium in Albuquerque (see Sep. 92).

Hopkins began by giving results of a nationwide poll done by the Roper Organization -- one of the country's more well-respected and independent polling institutions.

The goal of the poll was to determine what percentage of Americans have had experiences that would classify them as potential abductees. Close to six-thousand people were interviewed with an eleven-item questionnaire. The questionnaire was given to a wide spectrum of Americans between the months of July and September 1991.

Results of the poll were published in 1992, in a 64 page booklet titled *Unusual Personal Experiences* -- known also as the *Roper Report*. The booklet was written by Budd Hopkins, Dr. David Jacobs, and Dr. Ron Westrum. One-hundred-thousand free copies were distributed to mental health professionals around the country.

"This whole sample was broken down into every possible demographic split you could imagine -- men to women, blacks to whites, rural to country to city to suburban,

education levels, levels of income, political outlooks and so forth," Hopkins said.

The five key indicator questions from the poll that determined if a person may have had an abduction experience were as follows:

Have you ever experienced a period of an hour or more in which you were apparently lost, and you have no idea how it happened, where you were, or why it happened?

Have you ever woken up paralyzed with a sense of a strange figure or presence in the room?

Have you ever seen unusual lights or balls of light in a room without knowing what was causing them?

Have you ever felt you were actually flying through the air and had no way of knowing how or why you were flying? Not a flying dream, but really sensed you were flying.

Have you ever found unusual scars or marks on your body and been unable to determine their origin?

To qualify as a potential abductee, a person had to answer yes

to four out of five of these target questions.

Hopkins also threw in an extra question to catch those who answer yes to anything. "We also had a trick question in there," Hopkins said. "The question was: 'Does the word *Trondant* have any unusual personal significance for you?' That was our way of trying to eliminate people who would just say yes automatically."

Only 1 percent of those that were polled, actually said "yes" to the Trondant question, which according to experts is normal, Hopkins said. Ask the American people any question in the world, and you will get at least 1 percent of them saying yes to it, the pollsters had explained.

The outcome

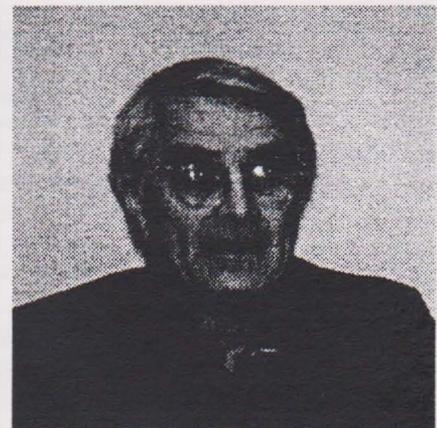
Hopkins told the results of the poll that listed the percentages for each question that Americans answered yes to:

Experienced a period of missing time -- 13%

Have woken up paralyzed -- 18%

Seen unusual lights indoors -- 8%

Felt as though flying -- 10%



Budd Hopkins

Found unusual scars -- 8%

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Of those polled, 2 percent answered yes to at least four of these five target questions. This, Hopkins said, equals about 3.7 million of the American *adult* population, or five million of the total population "by this very conservative judgment."

Other questions in the poll were: Have you ever seen a ghost? -- 11%; had vivid dreams about UFOs? -- 5%. "Only 7% of people in our poll said they have once seen a UFO, which is a low percentage, much fewer than those who said they woke up paralyzed with a strange figure in the room, or had experienced a period of missing time."

Interestingly, there were no differences among the polled groups in the way they answered the questions percentage wise -- except for one.

"There is only one group in the country that had very different percentages -- and that is what they called social/political activists," Hopkins said.

"What the Roper Poll has done over the years is they have asked all these people -- that they were asking zillions of [different] questions to on all sorts of subjects -- they asked certain questions about their personal life having to do with other things than education, money, and all that.

"The questions had to do with: 'Have you written an article to a newspaper or magazine? Have you

run for political office? Have you run for office in some local organization?' Etc., Etc.

"They [the pollers] said anybody who said yes to any of those questions they regarded as social/political activists. Those people they have studied and have found to be the elite of the country. These are the people who are the intellectual leaders of the country. These are the people who pay more attention to their children, read more books, and were generally better educated, more affluent and so forth."

The political/social activists' group "had many more UFO experiences than the average person." On the first two target questions, they rated as follows:

Experienced a period of missing time -- 18%

Have woken up paralyzed -- 28%

"We have no way of knowing why socially/politically aware and active people seem to have a higher percentage of abduction experiences," Hopkins stated. "It was a total surprise and shock to everybody."

As I sat and listened to Hopkins reveal that social/political activists had higher percentages on the poll's target questions, three possible answers as to why came to mind.

Perhaps since these people are more in tune with things, they are just more apt to remember these experiences than are others. Or, maybe because of abduction experiences they may have had, they are being influenced to become more involved in their society. My final thought was, possibly because these people are the types to take more of an interest in their surroundings, and an active role in political/social

issues, they are considered the mental elite among us and therefore attract the interest from other forms of beings who want to study them.

Update: The "Linda Cortile" case

During Hopkins' presentation, he talked about the most important abduction case he has encountered, which he is still working on -- the "Linda Cortile" case (see *U.E.* Sep. 92). *The following segment elaborates on aspects of this case that Hopkins covered at the EXPO. These were not reported in the September issue of U.E.*

Linda originally came to Hopkins after reading his book *Intruders*, which she mistook as a mystery story. Linda had read up to the point where a scar was found in the nostril of Kathie Davis in the book. This triggered a memory of Linda's.

When Linda was pregnant with her son, she remembers looking in the mirror and seeing a little bulge on the side of her nose. Though it was faint, she felt the bulge was very significant.

At a later time, a doctor looked at her nose and asked what sort of nasal surgery did she have. She explained to him that she never had nasal surgery. Another doctor persuaded her to have an x-ray, to see if anything was in her nose. After the x-ray was taken (two days later) and before the results could be seen, she woke up one night with blood pouring out of her right nostril.

A few more days passed, and the results of the x-ray came in. Astonishingly, the x-ray showed a curly-shaped implant. "The first x-ray of an alien artifact inserted into a human being," Hopkins claimed.

Linda later remembered under hypnosis the process in which the

Panic overwhelmed her after hitting the entity with the pillow. She thought to herself, "Oh my God! I shouldn't have done that."

object was placed in her nose. But, she had said, the object lacked the curly-shaped form that had showed up on the x-ray. (Possibly indicating a very advanced device that could change form and drill its way in to secure itself.) *An interesting note: The skeptics have been attempting to pick this case apart for many different reasons. But as of yet, I have not heard anyone challenging the validity of this x-ray, which Hopkins has a picture of, and is showing to people during his slide presentations at his seminars.*

Following Linda's strange nosebleed, she had another x-ray taken that showed no device present. Which probably means it was removed the same night that she had her nosebleed -- although Linda still has a buildup of cartilage and a mark where the implant had been. Hopkins mentioned that whenever an implant is detected, it disappears.

One night in November of 1989, when one of her abductions took place in front of multiple witnesses, she remembers a wave of paralysis that moved over her body. She later told Hopkins that it was very frightening, but the experience was familiar to her. Linda then felt a presence in the room, and looked over and saw one of the grays moving toward her. *Hopkins stressed that this is a conscious memory of Linda's.*

Not completely paralyzed, Linda then recalls throwing a pillow at the creature in her room. When the pillow left her hand, her arms froze. Panic overwhelmed her after hitting the entity with the pillow. She

thought to herself, "Oh my God! I shouldn't have done that," fearing the entity might harm her children.

Linda recalled from the experience that there was a white fabric that came to her face, and then went away. On the night of her abduction, Hopkins said, Linda was wearing a long-white night gown. Witnesses below her twelve-story apartment described seeing Linda, along with four aliens, passing through her closed window into midair. The witnesses said they were all balled up in fetal positions. Most likely, Hopkins explained, that's why Linda remembers a white fabric coming toward her face. *I would like to make a clarification from the September article: Witnesses say Linda and the four creatures came out of the building in a fetal position, and then unrolled, before ascending in a bluish-white beam of light into a brightly-lit UFO hovering above the building.*

One nearby witness, a woman on the Brooklyn Bridge, said she thought someone was making a movie when she saw the event. After she realized what she had seen, it terrified her, and she has not been back to Manhattan since, and says she never will.

The woman later told Hopkins that she had felt a static-like sensation, and her hair had risen. But, she explained, that didn't happen until after her car died along with a few other cars traveling on the bridge that night.

Another very interesting point to this case is that the woman, who was on the bridge, said her watched stopped at 3:16 a.m. -- the same time the event occurred. The security men, who were escorting a noted politician on the street below, said both of their watches stopped then as well.

Later, the woman eyewitness brought up an intriguing question:

"How did the aliens get into the building? I only saw them come out." Hopkins told the audience what he believes: "This was done deliberately so that the man [a United Nations politician] in the car [that had died below] could see what was happening. It was staged." He expressed this was "a display of alien power and alien ability." It wasn't necessary, Hopkins believes, for the beings to be noticed going into the building, only coming out taking Linda.

"Apparently, the UFO occupants are now trying to make their presence known to us -- or allowing their presence to be known." However, Hopkins said, "We don't know where that is going to lead us."

The Skeptics are out

This latest case of Hopkins is drawing fire from all sides. There are two sides developing because of this event -- those who say this abduction is the most important event of this century, and those who say this case represents nothing more than a hoax. The two leaders among the skeptics are Joseph Stefula and Rich Butler of New York.

The debate has become so heated that researchers from both sides recently met at Hopkins home for a crossfire match. Stefula and Butler hold that Linda is using family and friends to orchestrate a hoax. Hopkins in response says that she would need at least twelve people who would be willing to do that if it were a hoax.

At this point, Hopkins has gathered about eighty pages of letters between the two security men and the United Nations official, who were eyewitnesses to the event. "There has been extensive communication," Hopkins explained. What some skeptics are

this case that Hopkins is not ready to reveal yet, in the hope that he can get the U.N. official, who is supposedly a major figure, to come forward with what he saw.

I spoke with Walt Andrus (International Director for MUFON) about this case. He was present at the meeting which took place at Hopkins' home. He explains that this case could blow things wide open if Hopkins can get the political figure to come forward publicly with what he saw. What the skeptics are doing, Andrus told me, is trying to make names for themselves, while at the same time ruining the chance for the

high official to come forward with his testimony. When asked if they would give Hopkins six months to work on getting these officials to come forward they refused, Andrus said.

So far, Hopkins has only publicized about 10% of the case, and promises to release more information when the time is right. He also said there is some physical evidence that he hasn't even revealed yet. In his final words about the case, Hopkins stated very clearly, "This incident happened."

tainly be more advanced than our own.

If the project turns up nothing, "then we have calibrated the rarity and greatness of intelligence," Sagan added.

At 3:00 p.m. in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, Jill Tarter (project scientist) gave the go ahead for the command file to be loaded to begin the targeted search. The search began with its first targeted star -- Gliese 615.1A.

Frank Drake was present to address the smaller crowd, one third of which were media, in Puerto Rico. He gave a speech in which he summarized the history (dates back, he says, to 3000 B.C.) of the belief/idea that other intelligent life may exist in the Universe.

The long awaited project was launched from both locations without delay, and will continue, NASA says, until a signal is found and is verified as being of intelligent origin.

n interesting note since the last article

NASA SETI Update

by Michael Norris

In October, *U.E.* covered NASA's plan to search the Galaxy for signals of extraterrestrial origin. Named the NASA Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI), the project was scheduled to be launched on October 12 -- the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America. The project was designed in two parts. One part is a targeted search of selected stars similar to our sun within relatively close distance. The second part of the project, is the Sky Survey. This survey is scheduled to search entire sections of the sky while scanning millions of potential frequencies simultaneously for signals of unnatural origin.

The two projects combined are part of the latest technology NASA has to offer -- in a projected \$100 million, ten-year program.

On October 12, around 500 guests gathered for the scheduled inauguration of the Sky Survey at the

Goldstone Complex of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Deep Space Network -- a site in California's Mojave desert. Around noon Pacific time, the search from the California desert began.

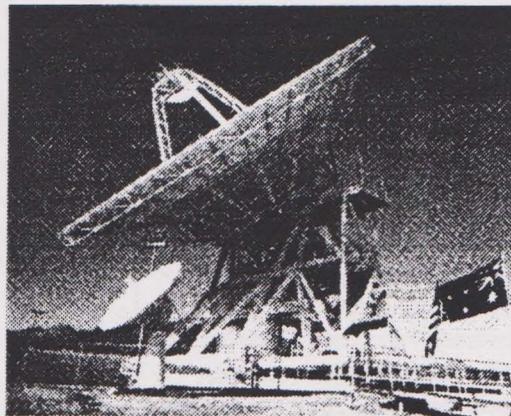
One speaker who addressed the group gathered at Goldstone was Carl Sagan. He told the audience, "It's the most natural thought in the world, [that there should] be an enormous number of other populated planets . . . I think you have to be made of wood not to be interested in this topic."

Commenting on the possibility that the project may be successful, Sagan said, "It will tell us it is possible to pass through the stage of technological adolescence we are in without destroying ourselves," noting that any civilization discovered would most cer-

"Extraterrestrial" avoided

A (Oct. Vol. 1 #2), is that the project has changed names. It was once called the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) Microwave Observing Project. It is now called the NASA High Resolution Microwave Survey (HRMS).

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34 meter dish at Goldstone, California

very sinister about what is going on. I don't know whether you're a Christian man or not.

V: Yes, I am a Christian -- of course I am -- a Catholic in fact!

S: Yes, and so am I, and some of us feel concerned that uh . . .

[Victorian leads the witness]

V: Some arms of the government are doing something? Psychotronic warfare, or psychotronic weaponry or something?

S: We feel that sometimes a little bit of intrigue is necessary in cases as serious as this, and measures sometimes have to be taken, but I think that the phenomenon is something that will disappear very shortly.

V: How, H-H-H-How, I'm sorry, I'm just curious. It's mind-boggling what you are saying, how do you know?

S: We just think that people will just no longer take notice of it. It may continue, but uh, . . .

S: Now when you say phenomenon, but you prospect that this is manmade -- how can it be a phenomenon? Or am I in the dark, or I have missed something somewhere!?

S: Well I think that some of them are definitely manmade . . .

V: So you are suggesting too, that there is a part that is genuine?

S: I think that there is definitely a part which is entirely sinister, and I'm not sure how genuine it is or whether it is made by people but it is something very sinister, and I think it is . . .

V: Are we talking about magic? Dark powers? . . . [at the same time]

S: We all have to . . . Possibly, yes, and I think we have to . . .

V: Now, I'm getting a little bit . . . it's intriguing, are we talking about Satan?

S: Absolutely!

V: I see . . . so there isn't any sort of military implications or the tests of weapons that would be sinister.

S: I wouldn't say -- I think it's a very complex issue,

V: Are we talking the part of the military under the brainwashing or whatever of the sinister forces are

"The German government, and the American government, and the Vatican has some involvement as well. "

doing this, making it a bit more complex?

S: It's very difficult to explain to you without explaining to you the structure of some of these organizations.

V: Give me an example.

S: Well I couldn't -- I couldn't go into detail, but uh it's basically concerning people worldwide, and various organizations have pooled their resources worldwide.

V: How about the British Government?

S: Yes and the German government, and the American government, and the Vatican has some involvement as well.

V: How about Robert, does Robert have any of them to help him along with it?

S: I wouldn't want to comment on any of this on the record.

V: Of course not!

S: But as you're, you seem to be sympathetic . . .

V: Of course! What you are saying makes me worried!

S: He is . . .

V: On the good side!

S: Yes, he is one of our best people.

V: And he is working with the government to determine which faction is doing this message up? [?]

S: It's very extremely sensitive work, as you can probably imagine.

V: Are we talking about military,

or are we talking about intelligence? Are we talking about the negative side?

S: [Deep breath] It's not a military thing, but there are elements of the military that have loaned resources.

V: Ah! We're talking about people that have developed some kind of weaponry and this is a testing ground.

S: Oh no -- I wouldn't go into that, it's much more of a spiritual warfare type of angle.

V: And they are trying to exploit the populous? I mean what are they trying to achieve?

S: I think people are trying to bring about changes in world consciousness and uh for evil, uh, not for good, and there are some of us who are concerned about this, and would like to see this trend stopped.

V: Is there any part of the government that is providing support for Robert or anybody else working for this?

S: We have support, yes. We have support at the highest levels.

V: That's marvelous! Is it British government? Forgive me, I'm not trying to be a "nosy parker" [?]

S: It involves several countries.

V: Is it NATO?

S: It's not on a NATO level, but it involves Germany, and this country [England] and the United States, and the Vatican as well.

V: I see.

S: It involves a super-national organization which I will not name.

V: Super-national! Ooh good God, this is above my head!

S: It has ties to these other countries and organizations.

V: Are we talking Trilateral, that sort of thing?

S: I wouldn't want to go into any specifics.

V: Do you have information?

S: It's something that's very dangerous to talk about, and I hope you will . . .

V: Of course, I appreciate it. Is it a

mission that you have volunteered, or do you actually commission?

S: It's, It's, I, We're quite committed to it. Put it that way. It's a sense of duty, but it's also . . .

V: How about the other religions? Do they come into it? Or is it only Christians committed to it?

Buddhism, or Islam?

S: I don't have a high enough overview of the whole situation to know that, but there might be some other involvement . . .

V: And the information that you gather is passed on to the higher areas in order to be filtered out on deductions on what ought to be done obviously, because that ought to be the case.

S: Yes, actually we're not just feeding information, but we're taking active measures.

V: I hope that they pay for what you are doing, and the time and all that you are putting into it.

S: It's only natural that one should be reimbursed.

V: That goes without saying.

S: One has to live.

V: How many are there?! Is there a way that I can get involved?

S: Well I'll tell you if you can give us some information, I understand that you would want to do it on a very confidential level. I could have someone visit you.

V: Who? Would it be Mr. Irving?

S: Oh no, it would not be Mr. Irving. It would possibly be . . .

V: Are you sure your telephone is not tapped?

S: My telephone! No, No! [Laughs] My telephone would not be tapped. My telephone is a secure phone.

V: Give me your address.

S: You can reach me. . . I'll have to give you a safe box, I don't actually live here. But it's care of Lincoln College, Oxford, to Jim Schnabel, that's all you need to do.

V: And I would be briefed as to how I can start, etc. etc.

S: Yes, . . .

[tape runs out before the end of the first conversation]

[Second conversation:]

S: Hello

V: This Mr. Ntumba speaking, I put something in the post to you today.

S: Oh good, good.

V: Hopefully it will reach you by Tuesday. . . . Now I remember when Rose Mary Guiley came here, you said she was a very good source. [Recapping the prior conversation when the tape ran out. Rose Mary Guiley is the North American Director of the Center for Crop Circle Studies!]

S: Just a minute let me go to the other room so I can have some privacy.

V: Of course. [Long pause]

S: Yes, Ok now.

V: You said that Rose Mary Guiley had been a very good source for the cause.

S: Yes,

V: I remember that when she came here she also had an American person with her. Do you know who he was?

S: His name was Dan Smith.

V: Ahhhh! He was very quiet. Is he also working for . . .

"It would be not only gathering data, but also taking active measures. Possibly conducting disinformation campaigns, and other measures. "

S: I wouldn't want to speak about further things, it's very, it's extremely sensitive. I really shouldn't have told you all that I told you already.

V: I wouldn't . . .

S: and unfortunately at the moment I'm quite busy with some

things, but uh, do send some material, and . . . when you send the material to Lincoln College, send some indication of how you can be reached, and when you are contacted it won't be me, it will be a much more senior person in the organization. And then subsequently if things work out then more information can be shared with you.

V: The reason that I mention that gentleman is that he was talking along much the same lines in many ways.

S: I really couldn't comment further on him, I wouldn't want to compromise his position.

V: I see! Well I hope that the mission will be accomplished after all this time.

S: We have no doubt of success.

V: Well I'm delighted to hear that! Now about the payment. How do you go about claiming for your expenses? How do we go about this usually?

S: That will be arranged and explained to you if in fact you are found to be suitable, but it is extremely generous, don't worry about that.

V: OK, because there is a great deal of going forwards and backwards as you are involved in this.

S: You will be expected to travel internationally.

V: Oh! That's fascinating! What sort of data would they be expecting from my side to be gathered?

S: Well it would be not only gathering data, but also taking active measures. Possibly conducting disinformation campaigns, and other measures.

V: In order to safeguard to the ultimate goal?

S: Yes it's extremely complex. You touched upon it last night when you mentioned the weapons systems . . .

V: [interrupting] I was very much impressed!

S: testing, and the 2nd element --

to use the circles phenomenon to discredit the New Age movement, and other such movements.

V: I see!

S: And more will be explained if it's appropriate at a further time.

V: Of course!

S: Don't worry about payment, it's very generous.

V: No, that's not my worry

S: It's extremely strenuous work, and

V: I can well imagine it!

S: the station realizes that sometimes people become burned out after a few years, but usually people have made enough money that they're able to retire after a few years anyway.

V: That is fascinating!

S: It's very generous.

V: The person who would be meeting me . . . would he or she be an American, or what nationality?

S: I'm not sure yet which person in the organization would be used, it's not my decision.

V: I see.

S: It could be someone from almost any nationality.

V: But what is the organization that I would be dealing with?

S: Well I think that will be all explained to you.

V: I see. If and when I am taken in. How is Rose Mary Guiley now? Is she still carrying on, is she still in England, or what?

S: At the moment I believe she is -- well her whereabouts at the moment are classified. I couldn't talk about that, but she's based in the United States.

V: She is quite a nice lady! How about the Colin Andrews' group? Do you also have someone in Colin Andrews' group or not?

S: We have people in every group.

V: Fascinating! That is fascinating to hear. Well the material is already in the post, so the best thing is for me to wait to hear.

S: Yes OK good.

V: Thank you very much for your time again.

S: Yes, God Bless You.

V: Yes, God Bless You too, bye-bye.

What do we make of it?

The picture that emerges here is not one of an evil conspiracy maliciously trying to deceive the public, but rather well-meaning zealots working out of a sense of duty. They're trying to guide the public away from what they consider a dangerous interest, precisely the way a parent might guide his child away from an interest in witchcraft that the parent perceived as Satanism.

I think the problem with a belief in good and evil is the temptation to perceive yourself as good and anyone unlike yourself, or with different beliefs, as *sinister*. Then it becomes all too easy to rationalize that the end justifies the means.

In a late night conversation, George confided in me his reservations about making this tape public. He was on a speaking tour of North America, and was planning to stay in the homes of the two people implicated in the tape. He had allowed Rose Mary Guiley to stay in his own home while he was away traveling. Considering them both personal friends, he was reluctant to promote accusations that were so difficult to defend against -- but he felt professionally constrained to make it public and let the chips fall where they may.

Now that the ruse is up, Schnabel and company are vigorously denying their own admissions in every avenue available to them. Their strategy? Ridicule and personal attack. They point out that Armen Victorian is a criminal (he smuggled orchids into

Britain), and claim that they were on to him from the beginning. They were only fooling him, and they reeled him in hook, line, and sinker. Jim has published a four and a half page article in the MUFON Journal, focusing mainly on the Irving tape, and ridiculing the idea of a conspiracy. He says that Irving called him immediately after Victorian had called, and he played Irving the tape. Both found it hilarious that Victorian could believe such a thing. Schnabel claims they decided to fool Victorian by stonewalling at first, and then Jim would gradually let him into his confidence.

Now, it seems to me that this is a subject that is poorly suited for jokes. It's like convincing someone you're gay. Once you've done it, it's difficult to convince them otherwise, and impossible to prove otherwise. Many people jokingly use an effeminate voice and mannerisms briefly for a laugh, but no one I know holds half-hour phone conversations about how they came to accept that they were gay, coming out of the closet, along with their favorite gay bars, without being deadly serious about it. If you falsely convince someone you're either gay, or a secret agent, then who's the joke on anyway? I would not want to be in Jim Schnabel's shoes right now.

It's ironic that good church folk used to make similarly indefensible accusations against pagan women up until about 200 years ago. In order to find the truth, they were thrown into the water, and if they drowned, then they weren't really witches after all, but if they didn't, then they were burned at the stake!

Now Colin Andrews is on a speaking tour, promoting the ideas of primitive peoples that the crop circles are "the Mother Earth Goddess crying out" because of modern man's mistreatment of her. I would be surprised if the church

DIDN'T sit up and take notice!

Jim Schnabel responds

In an attempt to be fair, I called Jim Schnabel to get his side of the story, and the only thing I can say for sure is that the man is a good actor. Whether the acting was for me or Victorian or both, I couldn't say. He says he was raised Catholic, but hasn't been to Mass in over a decade, and has leaned toward agnosticism if anything lately. He doesn't come across as a "Bible-Thumper," and says he doesn't know where Wingfield got the idea that he was some sort of "mad monk debunker." He actually has a really good sense of humor. He says he has a genuine interest in crop circles, and was quite involved in CCCS a year-and-a-half ago.

While speaking about crop circles and UFOs, he said, "I really think there's something to this that deserves study." His enthusiasm began to die when he saw how many groups of people visit the area. "For these kids, Quincunxes and Celtic Crosses are a part of their culture." (Implying that the circles were a form of literate graffiti.) He has published two stories in newspapers about a group who made circles in an attempt to make contact with UFOs. He has registered for a doctoral program in "Sociology of Scientific Thought," which, he explained, is the study of the social process by which ideas get accepted or rejected as scientific fact. Depending on your orientation, it's just the sort of background that would lead you to be interested in the crop circle milieu, or, just the background you would need if you were taking "active measures" to discredit the phenomenon.

There is no love lost between Wingfield on one hand, and Schnabel and Irving on the other.

Irving, has taken pictures of crop circles while being hoaxed, and at one point called Wingfield up requesting his opinion of a circle Wingfield suspected was faked. Irving is offended that Wingfield accuses him of attempting to entrap him, but after Delgado's fiasco one can't blame Wingfield for being jumpy. (And we know Irving records his phone calls.)

To give a sense of the siege mentality setting in at CCCS, I'll include this excerpt of a letter to George Wingfield from another investigator:

". . . during the course of his hoax investigations, he had come into contact with a number of 'nasty characters' who were planning a summer campaign designed to 'catch out' the circles experts -- they were going to ridicule and expose them. He stressed that these characters were not to be dismissed lightly -- they were definitely not a very nice bunch of people. I asked him to elaborate, but all he would say was that Dr. Meaden's camp were somehow involved with them, and that by the end of the summer, the likes of Colin Andrews, Pat Delgado and our own CCCS experts were going to regret ever having got involved in crop circles. The whole thing he said, was going to be blown wide open."

The story is suppressed

This was before the Schnabel tape. After the tape, Wingfield felt he had to meet them head on, so he prepared an article for The Circular (CCCS's magazine) with the transcript of the tape. But while he was on a speaking tour in America, there were developments. Schnabel and Irving contacted the board. Depending on your perspective (once again), either they convinced

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Mar 17-21: RESEARCHING THE ANOMALOUS - TREAT V - Santa Fe, New Mexico. Contact Center for Treatment and Research of Experienced Anomalous Trauma, P.O. Box 728, Ardsley, NY 10502

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the board that the whole thing was a ridiculous ruse, or according to Wingfield, they threatened some embarrassing revelations about one of the CCCS's leader's past, if the article ran. One could even speculate about an inside job. ("We have people in every group") The denouement is best captured by Wingfield's resignation letter: ". . . I will now formally submit my resignation as editor of the magazine. . . . The impounding of the magazine . . . the removal of Michael Green's original leader and my article on the Schnabel Tape from it, the substitution of other material, and the sending out of a censored magazine, with my name still on it as editor, is a disgraceful action which no editor could possibly accept."

Meanwhile a voice-stress analysis has been done on the tape, and it reportedly comes out truthful except when giving the address of Lincoln College and possibly when speaking of Rose Mary Guiley. Schnabel is registered but not actively enrolled at Lincoln College and claims to be taking a break from academics, and is now a journalist.

Final Thoughts

So there you have it as it stands now. Dennis Stacy, the editor of the MUFON Journal has promised space to people on all sides of the controversy. *U.E. will be keeping readers informed on all new developments from these events -- Michael Norris.*

Perhaps a word about reputations would be in order here. Dennis Stacy, as the editor of the MUFON Journal has developed a sense of careful skepticism over the years. On Wingfield, he says, "He stayed at my house while on his speaking tour, and I liked him, but he doesn't have a critical bone in his body."

George Wingfield is a former

IBM systems engineer and physicist. Up until last year he was skeptical about UFOs. When I asked him about the connection between UFOs and crop circles, he said, "By UFOs do you mean lights in the sky?" Then this spring, he saw a disc shaped craft hovering silently over Washington, D.C., and his attitude has shifted somewhat. He is still skeptical about the abduction phenomenon, but seems more accepting of channeling. I'll leave it to the reader to decide if he's a gullible fool.

Jim Schnabel is a grad student on sabbatical, and a self-described journalist, with no visible means of support other than publishing two stories on crop circles. Yet he has the means to make a two-hour transcontinental phone call to Linda Howe (according to Wingfield). He has the spare time to participate in the Cereologist's Circle-making Competition this summer, and take 2nd place. Described as the "Master of Grapeshot" he did not deny having previous circle-making experience.

Robert Irving is an alleged professional photographer, (with an emphasis on faked crop circles) who is openly contemptuous of CCCS. He has referred to Project Argus (an attempt to capture a crop circle forming on film by 24-hour monitoring of the fields,) as "this ridiculous so-called scientific exercise."

No one seems fond of Azadehdel/Victorian/Ntumba, who is generally regarded as an unsavory character. He is associated with Quest International, which broke the story of a saucer shot down in South Africa with US military men inside and a GE logo on it's side. MUFON regards the story as a hoax, but Quest has not retracted the story.

It's regrettable that we in community have to rely on such sneaky techniques of dubious characters such as Dr. Armen Victorian. But, we have indisputable evidence of a government interest in, and cover-up of the UFO subject, in the form of blacked-out Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) documents. It leaves the door open for some rather outlandish stories, and compared to some that I've seen, this one sounds downright grounded! Secrecy also leaves the door open for budgetary abuses, and violations of church-state separation as well. (But there's no such thing in England.) It would be nice if the government could trust the people to participate in their own government by being informed on the issues. In this case the truth really would set us free.

Ufologists go political

by Ed Komarek

A new political movement is building within the general UFO community. This movement, with far-reaching consequences, centers around a new, rapidly-forming political organization called *Operation Right to Know*. This organization was formed in the spring of '92 with a UFO demonstration in front of the White House. This new organization is rapidly building membership toward an immediate goal of holding a large UFO demonstration in front of the White House on July 5, 1993.

The members of *Operation Right to Know* believe there is a UFO/ET cover-up by world governments at the highest level. We also believe there may be a public acclimation program in progress that seeks to educate the public slowly on UFO/ET matters. We believe the cover-up and acclimation

program represent a secret, deceptive, failed policy that is incompatible with democracy. In our opinion, what is needed now is a full and open accounting of UFO/ET matters in the halls of Congress.

It now appears that serious errors in judgment may have been made by world leaders operating in secret and without democratic and constitutional control. There is talk within the UFO community of secret treaties and alliances as evidenced by Timothy Good's books *Alien Liaison* and *Above Top Secret*. There is much discussion about whether such alliances with certain alien races are in the best interest of the people of the earth. Advanced races of beings may have been rebuffed by hostile military actions leaving us to fight it out with less-evolved beings.

We firmly believe that new leadership is needed to cope with the difficult times ahead that will result from full and open disclosure of UFO/ET secrets. *Operation Right to Know* hopes to be on the leading edge of things to come.

For more information on *Operation Right to Know* send a stamp for a free copy of our newsletter, the *Right to Know Forum*. Contact Ed Komarek at Rt. 3 Box 1076, Thomasville, GA 31792.

UFO Sighting near Cairo

by Ed Komarek

A triangular shaped UFO was sighted by Mary Ann Meadows and her mother Ester Johnson about six miles northwest of Cairo, Georgia, off highway 188. The sighting took place on September 15, 1992. Duration of

the sighting lasted approximately from 9:30 to 9:45 p.m. The weather that night was good with only a few clouds in the night sky.

The UFO first appeared from the northeast of Mary Ann's house thirty degrees up from the horizon. It moved from the northeast to the southwest near the Cairo airport that is about a couple of miles away. The object then turned back crossing a field heading toward the south of their house. Mary Ann and Ester got into their truck and drove one and a half miles to highway 188. What they considered a craft then followed them out to the highway. They stopped the truck, and got out to see what was following them. The two women said they could easily see a triangular-shaped outline against the night sky. It continued traveling until it was overhead of them. Ester began getting fairly upset. The craft made a circle and then the lights went out--or it disappeared.

It appeared again shortly afterwards with all of its lights--disappeared--and then popped up on

the east side of highway 188. They lost sight of the object, and so they got back into the truck and went to Old Thomisville Road. There they briefly spotted it again low on the horizon before they lost sight of it for good.

When the UFO was first seen, all that the witnesses noticed were its lights. The object had one huge-blue light, which was located in the center of the craft. There were also two red lights that were large, but not as large as the blue one. The red lights were on the two ends of the triangular shaped object. As they watched the craft, one of the red lights went out. Every time it would make a turn, the craft would create a bow-wave of reddish light.

Mary Ann and her mother said they heard two different noises that the strange craft would make--a humming sound, and a noise similar to an idling engine. The craft, they said, was eighteen to twenty feet across and about seven to eight feet thick.

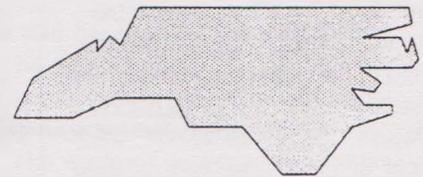
More Sightings from North Carolina

UFO Sightings Reported from Fourteen Towns and Cities in North Carolina

... flurry of UFO reports recorded in May and September

UFO sightings were reported from fourteen different towns and cities in North Carolina during 1992, an official from the Mutual UFO Network of North Carolina, Inc. revealed in December. The largest number of encounters was reported during May and September.

George D. Fawcett, 63, who serves as Public Relations director of MUFON-NC Inc. and has been a



civilian UFO investigator and researcher for the past 49 years, released his annual UFO report for the Tar Heel state.

According to the Mount Airy native and Lincolnton resident, Fawcett stated that such incidents came from Hardin, Raleigh, Gastonia, Charlotte, Mooresville, Raeford, Stanley, Huntersville, High Point, Maxton, Havelock,

Lincolnton, Greensboro and Sparta.

All the '92 UFO reports were nighttime and early morning sightings. Disc, cigar and saucer shapes were the more frequent descriptions attributed to the large number of eyewitnesses from a wide area. The most common reported colors were blue, red, yellow and orange. Some sightings included combinations of different colors. In some cases animal reactions, electromagnetic effects, humming sounds and landing marks were documented.

Five different eyewitness reports came on September 30, from Stanley, Mooresville, Gastonia, Charlotte, and Raeford between 8:30 and 9:15 p.m. Reports were of a large cigar-shaped object that was seen moving slowly through the sky. Some witnesses also said they saw small satellite objects traveling in front and behind the strange craft.

The UFO was first reported by Delta and U.S. Air pilots who watched it move from Knoxville, Tennessee, to Charlotte. As the UFO continued moving slowly above North Carolina, eyewitnesses said the huge object was surrounded by a blue corona and was the *size of a battleship to two football fields in length*.

This sighting is not to be confused with the large meteor that crossed the Tar Heel skies from South to North from Mobile, Alabama. That story grabbed the headlines in the East-Coast newspapers. Some observers were fortunate to have seen both objects in the night sky when they maneuvered overhead.

A witness at Stanley reported a "bright-yellow, cone-shaped object" moving northeast across the sky. Hugh S. Craig of Gastonia described the "mystery object" as *thirty times the size of the moon*. At Raeford, a former Army employee described the UFO as hexagon-shaped with twenty

bluish-oval shapes on it or following it.

On May 21 and May 22, at 10:15 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. respectively, four persons reported white and bluish-white disc-shaped objects flying overhead at Huntersville and Stanley. Witnesses say that craft hovered and then moved away swiftly. A former security guard from the McGuire Nuclear Plant watched the UFO pulsate, emitting a bluish-green color. The Stanley sighters described their object as about 25 feet in diameter, and at one time, only 100 to 200 feet above the ground.

Perhaps the most spectacular incident occurred at Raeford on June 27 at 12:30 a.m. when Diane Messing and her mother Jackie Riskogel heard a "roaring freight train-like sound" that vibrated their double-wide trailer home. They had looked outside to see a round UFO, with "reddish-orange windows," hovering or landing on the ground about 450 feet away. The two witnesses noticed that their dust to dawn lights that were outside, along with their neighbor's lights, had gone out.

Their cats, whom normally sleep on the front porch, were nowhere to be seen. In the early morning they noticed that evidently, the UFO left the area.

Diane and Jackie notified the sheriff department and Fort Bragg to see if they had anything in the area that night. Fort Bragg responded with a no, since all of their aircraft were grounded that evening due to bad weather.

The next day the witnesses went to where they saw the craft in the field. There they found a 15-foot diameter area of swirled grass and two three-by-six-inch-bare spots in the circle. A smaller three-foot circle was also found in the center of the landing site.

The silent object glided toward their house when it broke into three pieces. The yellow lights drifted across the town, and the red lights, flying faster, went north.

On a Tuesday night of March 3, at Greensboro, Robert Benson and his girl friend Cathy Kenny, along with another friend, Melvin Ferguson, spotted an object encircled with strobe-like lights, flying low and slow. The craft, they said, was making a humming sound. "It looked about the size of a DC-9," Benson said. When the UFO approached Kenny's mobile home, Cathy's cat was mesmerized and couldn't move a muscle. Cathy grabbed the cat and threw her under the trailer. The UFO moved down the road and finally left the area. This UFO experience started around 8:40 p.m. -- with the appearance of the circular object off Randleman Road.

In the middle of January 1992, a large group of eyewitnesses watched several white-round objects maneuvering in the skies for ten minutes somewhere between the times of 10 and 11 p.m. The UFOs were "bright white," smaller than the moon, and made no sound as they traveled area skies above Sparta. Bill Sidden, one of the witnesses, described the UFOs as "the size of 25 basketballs." The sightings occurred in Sparta.

On March 6, in Lincolnton around 11:00 p.m., Will and Elsie McAlister watched a circular UFO that had "seven-round-white lights on it" and was surrounded by a crimson color around its edge. It moved in the skies for five to ten

minutes near the Old Lake Celery Road.

On March 24, at Havelock, a woman went outside at 7:30 p.m. to take her laundry off the clothesline. Her fourteen-year-old son joined her, and while outside they observed a 90 foot-long UFO that appeared. The UFO had four bright lights on one end, and a red light on the other. Between these lights, the body was gray. The silent object glided toward their house when it broke into three pieces. The yellow lights drifted across the town, and the red lights, flying faster, went north. Four other family members joined the two original eyewitnesses to view the UFO. Fifteen minutes later, a group of boys (as independent eyewitnesses) saw the yellow lights. (Names kept confidential)

On April 19, between Pembroke and Maxton, at 1:15 a.m., Ian Dial was alerted to the presence of a visiting UFO by a phone call from his neighbors, Delilah Locklear, Cricket Locklear and another female friend, who were already viewing the strange object in the sky. The UFO was circular in shape, and emitted a humming sound. It had a red and white light on its top that rotated in a "circular fashion" and its outskirts had lots of white lights. Dogs in the neighborhood alerted other observers with their barking frenzy. The Lumberton Municipal Airport officials said the wind was too fast and unstable for blimps to be flying in the area -- an explanation offered by others, who had not

viewed the UFO themselves.

On May 5 at High Point, Vicky Foster, an area cosmetologist, viewed a cigar-shaped UFO that she said was dark in color and had "red, green, blue and white lights on its bottom" as it moved overhead from North to northeast around 11:15 p.m. The UFO, described as "the size of a small house," moved very slowly when seen overhead. Two more eyewitnesses viewed the UFO with Foster as it flew over Oak Hollow Lake.

The final report received for the year of '92 occurred on December 1, at 8:15 p.m. in Hardin, where Shawn Mathis encountered a triangle-shaped object flying overhead while driving his truck home from work. The UFO had three, large-white-circular lights on each of its inside edges. The mystery object finally disappeared as it moved out of sight silently and slowly in the distant sky.

Fawcett concluded his report by asking that others whom might have had sighted UFOs in the North Carolina skies, and/or on the ground, to report them to him confidentially or otherwise to 602 Battleground Road, Lincolnton, NC 28092. Or phone him (no collect calls accepted) at (704) 735-5725. Normally, only 10% of UFO sightings are reported throughout the year, due to ridicule, censorship, or lack of knowledge as to whom and where witnesses can make reports to.

result.

These type of things happened to a 50-year-old woman living in Mezobereny. For the first time, she was visited by an unwanted visitor on January 24, 1992.

The woman was with her husband in the kitchen of their home when a dull, black (100-120 cm. in height), egg-shaped and rippling "something" went across their kitchen to another room. While it moved, a strong snorting noise or voice was made. It was noticed that the upper part of this being became a bluish-gray, and a

Walking outside, she noticed an egg-shaped, cabin-like object that stood in the garden. Entering the object, she found no one, but felt someone was there.

vibrating orange vertical stripe was visible too. Next to the stripe, the woman noticed a wonderful-looking female who was staring at her; however, the woman said she was unable to converse with her husband, even though she didn't feel abnormal in any way.

She followed the being into the room, but couldn't find anyone there. She told her husband what happened, but he didn't believe her. (In another event, a woman observed a similar being near Satoral Jaujhely.)

The weekend passed with no more trouble. On Monday, she felt very fatigued, so she retired for the evening around 6:30 p.m. Her husband watched T.V. in the same room.

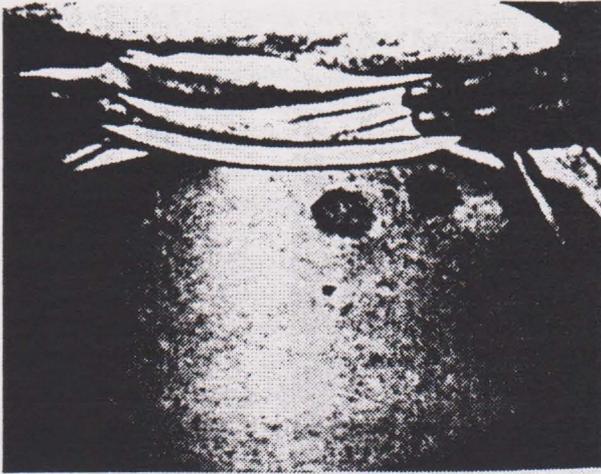
Later, she heard a woman's voice who asked her: "Lift your arm!" When she did that, she felt a strong twinge of pain at the bend of her elbow. She then felt a desire to go outside to her garden, even in sleeping dress and without slippers.

Report from the Hungarian UFO Network (HUFON)

Unusual Injuries Caused by Strangers

Often, for people who experience a close encounter, multiple encounters

may take place, or other unusual things may happen to them. It is also frequent that visible and/or psychological changes or injuries may



Large red marks that appeared on the woman.

egg-shaped, cabin-like object that stood in the garden. Entering the object, she found no one, but felt someone might be there. The next thing she remembers was being in a wide, gray and clear room with a door visible at the end.

here were many people inside. Ten

She was not alone

To fifteen children ten to thirteen years old, were at the right side of the room, and 8-10 women about 50 years of age, were at the left side. Everybody was nude, and she herself was too. She forgot when her dress was removed.

While inside, she saw another woman who looked familiar. They looked at each other for some time. Unfortunately, she couldn't recall who this woman was. (A similar event happened to a girl at Kiskunfelegyhaza. She recognized a classmate among the other children that were taken. Both girls have one wound at the same location on their bodies.)

The woman walked along the center of the room to the door, but when she reached it, she couldn't see anything. The next thing she remembers was regaining consciousness, laying in her bed dressed, and sensing pain in her ab-

domen. It was about 9:30 p.m., and her husband was still watching T.V. He never perceived anything.

The next morning, the woman still felt a slight pain and a little pressure in the upper part of her stomach. All that day she worked, and that evening she went to bed early. The previously described encounter, repeated itself on the following Tuesday

and Wednesday.

On Thursday and Friday, large red marks appeared between the upper part of her stomach and the lower part of her breasts (see photo). However, she didn't feel any pain or itching. These marks were also not sensitive to cold or even warm pressure.

On her arms near her elbows, wounds were visible, each apparently from some sort of pricking. These wounds were sensitive for three weeks, and pressure caused a burning sensation.

After the encounters, the woman breathed hard and noisily. Her strong snorting was surprising even to her family.

One week after the bizarre events, she went to a doctor and gave an account of what happened and showed him the wounds. The chief medical officer said he had never seen a case like it, and so sent her to a special dermatologist. But, a prescribed medical creme that was given to her was of no use.

The woman's general health after her experiences changed for the better. Her ability to work increased, and now she can work very hard without tiring. Varicose veins that were in her legs are better, and she can again hear in her left ear.

Source: Report given to American researchers from Laszlo Kiss of the Hungarian UFO Network.

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England to verify this. When I hear from Wingfield, I will pass the information along. So stay tuned, *U.E.* will keep readers informed with all the updates.

Recently, myself and two other investigators (Derek Sikes; *U.E.* associate editor, and Steve Varnum), have begun a new abduction research team for the Atlanta Metropolitan area. We have recruited a professionally-trained hypnotherapist, to conduct the hypnotic regression sessions, and are presently looking for more trained professionals who are interested in getting involved. Steve Varnum, who worked with Budd Hopkins for two years, is spearheading the project.

The research team will be responsible for coordinating interviews and hypnosis sessions for those who believe they may have had an abduction experience. The pace of the research will be determined by the individuals themselves, and hypnosis will only be done after they are warned of the pros and cons of digging for memories. During this process, the team will also be responsible for guiding individuals to a private abduction-support group, which will operate as its own entity. The support group will incorporate the buddy system, and will hold regular meetings so people can share their experiences with other abductees. People who attend, will be welcome to participate with the group for as long as they wish. Hopefully, this will give people in the Atlanta-metropolitan area a place to go to learn as much truth about their experiences as possible -- and a place to help heal mental wounds as well.

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to help heal mental wounds as well.

While Budd Hopkins was in Atlanta recently, I had the opportunity to discuss more about the UFO abduction phenomenon with him over dinner. Since then, he has been sending cases to us that he receives from our area. Anyone else who receives cases from our area that needs investigating, I would be appreciative if you will contact me. Or, if anyone in the Atlanta-metropolitan area reading this feels they may have had an abduction experience and wants to speak with an investigator, please write to me and someone will contact you.

Michael Norris

Final Notes:

As of press time, we haven't received a letter from Steven Greer and his group concerning their CE-5 case in England. Look for that story next month.

Anyone who wishes to send sensitive material to UFO ENCOUNTERS, contact the editor and special arrangements will be made.

Note to Investigators: If you would be interested in writing an article for the publication, contact the editor with your idea, we are always looking for good stories to publish.

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NASA says one reason for the change is: "The use of the word 'extraterrestrial' has sometimes caused the perception that SETI is a less than rigorous scientific endeavor. The project is in fact serious science and is widely endorsed by the scientific community. In the future it will therefore be described by its technically accurate acronym, 'HRMS.'"

Update: The Luis Delgado Encounter by Fearon Hicks

Another interesting aspect about the Haines City case (see Vol. 1#1), although not in the original article, is a personal question that I asked officer Delgado: Did you at anytime during your encounter start to reach for your service revolver? He said, "No, I didn't feel threatened." Delgado said he was more curious about the object, wondering what it was.

In the last week of August, I went to Haines city twice to talk to Delgado. I knew he was on the midnight shift, but I didn't know what section of town he would be working. I arrived in Haines City at 3:20 a.m., and cruised the streets looking for him.

Although I saw policemen and police cars, I was unable to locate Delgado, so after about 30 minutes of cruising, I went out to 30th Street and parked in the same spot that Officer Delgado was found after his sighting on March 19. No more than five minutes passed, when Delgado pulled up behind my car. I got out and walked to him. He looked somewhat surprised and said, "Hicks what are you doing here? I thought I found a stolen car." We exchanged small talk while doing battle with the mosquitoes. He said that he now comes out on 30th Street and sits sometimes waiting for them to return. We then drove back into town where

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we parked at a convenience store and talked for more than two hours about sightings and other UFO related topics.

Officer Delgado was full of questions as to whom, what, when, where, why, and how? We covered his experience again and he never wavered from his original statements that he gave on the investigative report. Delgado was still awe struck about what he had encountered and said that some of the guys kidded him about his encounter, but others were truly curious and wanted to know more details. While talking, Officer Delgado asked me, "What did they [the UFO] want?" I suggested that maybe they were attempting to get him to stop. I said, "Haven't you ever had a motorist flash his lights, or blow his horn at you to get your attention?" He paused for a second, reflecting on what I had said. Then, with almost a look and sound of disappointment, he said, "I wish I hadn't used the radio, I wish I had pulled over and stopped the first time the object hovered in front of my car! I want to know what they wanted." I told him, don't worry, the next time they want your attention they will find you. Officer Delgado smiled and said, "You're probably right."

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or videotapes?**

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