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PLEASE NOTE:

We are sorry that this issue is late in reaching you. We regret that moving our office plus some minor surgery on the editor caused this delay.

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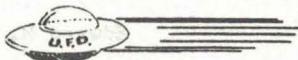
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COVER:

From July 31, 1966, Douglas Tibbets shows his car stuck in sand at Peninsula (Beach Six), Pennsylvania near Erie where a UFO supposedly touched down on the beach around 9:30 P.M., and where a "monster" was allegedly seen by the occupants of his car after he went for help. Bottom photo, Tibbets points to marks in the sand allegedly made by the UFO's tripod landing gear.

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EDITORIAL NOTES:

Effective with this issue, all subscribers of the NEWS BULLETIN will have an equal number of issues of UFO MAGAZINE substituted for the balance of their subscription. The editors feel that with the current lull in UFO investigation brought on by the Condon report and the cancellation of Blue Book, it would be wise to consolidate our efforts into one publication and to continue to report things as we see them. Now more than ever before the UFO field (what's left of it) needs a conservative voice that is devoid of sensational commercial drives.

We hope that those serious investigators reading this issue will join us in our "filter center" project described in detail on the next page. There are currently several hundred saucer investigators (as a serious scientific hobby) throughout the nation who could be called from a central location, to investigate a particular UFO report in their locality. All that would be required to set up such a worthwhile project would be a willingness to cooperate, and the outlay of no more than one dollar per case for a long distance telephone call. We have donated part of our recently opened Cleveland office for the project, and sincerely hope that others can donate a few moments of their time and can spare one dollar to further UFO investigation.

Please note the notice regarding the 1970 UFO Congress below, and please make plans to attend this annual important event. See you there!

R.R.H.

----- 1970 Congress of Scientific Ufologists

Columbus, Ohio June 26-28 1970. Housing at the Christopher Inn, 300 East Broad Street, telephone (614) 228-3541.

Local sponsor is the American Flying Saucer Investigations Committee, 1773 Lattimer Drive, Columbus, Ohio. Telephone (614) 861-2302.

Registration Friday June 26 at the Center of Sciences and Industries Building (one block from the Inn). Schedules for closed sessions Friday and Saturday to be announced. Open session Sunday afternoon.

See you at the Congress!

UFO WATCH FILTER CENTER

Edward M. Biebel

Over the years UFO organizations have tried to investigate cases that have occurred in their area. They have been hampered by limited resources and knowledge of such sighting. To alleviate these problems, CAPIC and UFO MAGAZINE propose a UFO WATCH FILTER CENTER to be operated by us in conjunction with Dr. J. Allen Hynek of Northwestern University, and with the approval of the Congress of Scientific Ufologists.

We propose that CAPIC and UFO MAGAZINE will act as a Filter Center where all UFO sightings can be called in as soon as they happen. We in the field suffer from a "communications gap" that often times makes it several weeks before a sighting is reported by a clipping service or by a UFO publication, and by that time it is too late to interview the sighter or do an on-the-spot investigation.

A scenario would run something like this: A sighting occurs in Long Island on date A; on date B, the sighting is published in the NY DAILY NEWS and a researcher sees it. He calls long distance to the Filter Center and informs us of his intent to investigate it; or there is no researcher who reads the article in the DAILY NEWS and on date C, the clipping arrives by clipping service to an organization. They notify the Filter Center by long distance telephone (the phone rates at night now are ridiculously low) and we in turn notify any researchers in the area of the sighting's occurrence. (Don't think that a sighting can't occur in a researcher's backyard without him hearing about it, because it happens every day.)

The Filter Center will keep track of all sightings and place them in file and also on a sighting map. If the Center thinks that a pattern is developing in an area, it will notify researchers in that area, or try (if the situation warrants) to outfit an investigating team.

UFO MAGAZINE will have a special section to include the location of sightings for a given period and will include as many of the final investigated reports as possible. If the Filter Center is okayed by the Congress of Scientific Ufologists this June in Columbus, the publication function will be turned over to the C.S.U.'s JOURNAL.

We hope that all member organizations and individuals of the Congress of Scientific Ufologists and others will participate by sending us their telephone numbers with their intent to participate in investigations. We are willing to invest a dollar every so often to inform others of sightings in their area that they might not know of. We hope that others will inform us of sightings so they can be passed on to be investigated.

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A BRIEF GUIDE TO UFO AND PSYCHIC-RELATED PHOTOGRAPHY

Allen H. Greenfield

"....It was not an intentional ghost photo, but rather was aimed at the side of the illuminated church...."¹

If we are to accept accounts of the matter, both UFO and psychic photography have been around for a long time. According to a book by Harriet A. Boswell, as I understand it a psychic photo was allegedly taken by a person named Mumler in Boston in 1862!² UFO photography may date from as early as 1883, Zacatecas, Mexico.³

The possibilities of fraud and mistake are widespread in both UFO and psychic photographic cases. However, this may be very much true in the case of non-photographically related cases in these fields as well. It may be true that the type of photos that have been circulated in connection with the UFO field have contributed to a negative atmosphere with regard to the subject. However, it may also be true that a well-checked photo, such as the McMinnville, Oregon case,⁴ provides an impressive item of evidence.

Some examples of "psychic" photos may be found in A PICTORIAL HISTORY OF MAGIC AND THE SUPERNATURAL, by Maurice Bessy (Spring Books), on pages 227-229. It is interesting, perhaps, to note the similarity between some of these photos (numbered 731, 736, 738 and 739), and photos of UFOs and reports of UFOs. The two are not necessarily totally distinct phenomena.

In addition to actual photographs of UFO or psychic manifestations, on-the-scene research may be enhanced to a considerable degree by photographing witnesses and their environmental circumstances.⁵ I have, myself, done a considerable amount of this kind of work, and I have published some of this, including photo stories on contactees Ralph Lael (Brown Mountain, North Carolina) and John Reeves (Brooksville, Florida). As some readers may be aware, I have also had some experience with unusual phenomena manifesting on photos I have taken. I don't place any enormous store by these, but they are of interest.

Two categories of UFO and psychic photographs are these: (1) When a manifestation is seen and photographed; (2) When a manifestation shows up on a photograph that was not seen at the time the photo was taken. The latter may further be divided into casually taken photos of conventional objects that, upon development, revealed something unusual in the picture, and unusual manifestations that show up upon development in photos that, to one degree or another, were aimed at producing such manifestations.⁶

We shall deal with the case of (1) momentarily. In the second part of case (2), however, interested persons might make reference to Chapter 13 of Harriet A. Boswell's MASTER GUIDE TO PSYCHISM, Parker Publishing Company, pages 177-189, for information on psychic photography (not to say that this has no implications for UFOs), and perhaps THEY LIVE IN

THE SKY by Trevor James, Saucerian Books, for UFO photography (not to say that this has no implication for psychic manifestations).

As to the case of more "conventional" phenomena, that is, things that can be seen at the same time they are photographed, I have had a considerable amount of non-experience in this area. For example, I recall one evening in the area of Brown Mountain, North Carolina. This is an area which allegedly has a long history of "light" manifestations. Standing at or near a place called "Wiseman's View" or the like, I attempted to photograph an unusual-seeming light manifestation. The fact that this manifestation is quite likely to have been a conventional phenomena doesn't change the importance of my apparent failure to pick up this phenomena on film, though it isn't impossible that I did pick up something that remains on an undeveloped negative...or unnoticed on a developed one. In whatever event, I am doubtful about the likelihood of getting a photo under those circumstances. I am no expert photographer, but I have, I think, developed a certain amount of knowledge of the subject over the years.

If the reader is interested in giving it a try, you might try it this way: First, load yourself down with as much gear as you can. You might try a 35mm camera with Kodak's Tri-X Pan film. Make sure you have a tripod and, if possible, the largest telephoto lens you can get. Pick a good location. You might inquire of any of the UFO organizations or psychic groups (whatever your preference) as to where best to try. Don't go alone. If you're not at least somewhat experienced in this kind of research yourself, take along someone who is. Enjoy your outing...but...take it seriously too. Wherever you're going, please get necessary permission from owners, custodians, etc. Whoever. Even in open-to-the-public areas that are freely open at all hours, if you are planning a night venture, particularly a late-night venture, you might find it wise to check in with the local police, telling them what you are going to do. Otherwise you may risk being mistaken for a prowler. Or the location you have picked may turn out to be dangerous at night for one cause or another.

If you are out to photograph a UFO, you might establish a base at some likely viewpoint, setting up your camera and tripod, with telephoto lens attached. You might well have a second camera loaded and unmounted for quick-action in the event you have to move suddenly. At night, especially for a weak light-source, a time-exposure may be necessary. If you're not at least fairly knowledgeable of photographic technique, you might want to consult an expert before going into action as to just what to do to give you the best chance of picking up your subject on film. Otherwise, you might end up "kicking yourself" after seeing something spectacular, only to have a blank roll of film for your trouble.

notes

- 1) ALTERNATE HORIZONS NEWSLETTER, Volume 3, Number 1.
- 2) MASTER GUIDE TO PSYCHISM by Harriet A. Boswell, Parker Publishing Company, page 177.
- 3) THE INFO JOURNAL, Fall, 1969, cover and pages 10-13.
- 4) SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS, Edited by Daniel S. Gillmor, Bantam Books, pages 396-407; also see plates 23, 24, 25 and 26.
- 5) A GUIDE FOR FIELD WORKERS IN FOLKLORE by Kenneth S. Goldstein, Folklore Associates, pages 124-125.
- 6) THE WORLD OF TED SERIOS by Julie Eisenbud, M.D., Pocket Books, page 13, etc.; also see THEY LIVE IN THE SKY by Trevor James, Saucerian Books, page 217.

THE QUESTION OF WORLD-WIDE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT UFOs

Robert S. Easley

It has been generally accepted throughout the field of ufology that UFOs-or flying saucers- are a world-wide phenomenon. It is also accepted that a vast majority of the people in other countries knew,or have heard something,about UFOs. I now find the latter "accepted" knowledge hard to accept.

UFOs are indeed a world-wide problem. This I do accept. We have received,and are still receiving,many excellent sightings from very reputable people in such countries as Germany,Russia,China,Japan,Australia,etc. What we have not received,however,is substantial evidence that the knowledge of UFOs is world-wide!

As a member of the U.S. Navy I have had the opportunity to travel to various countries in the Western Pacific portion of the world. Coming into numerous ports for R & R (Rest and Relaxation) I have made it a point to take a poll of 100 persons in each port who could speak English fairly well,and ask them all the same simple question: "Have you ever heard or read anything about flying saucers?"

The persons I asked were all native to that respective country. They ranged from construction workers,bartenders,housewives,merchants,prostitutes,barbers,policemen,soldiers and hotel operators.

I was not interested in their age,sex,education,or such. I only asked them the single question mentioned above. This may make it an impartial, or even impractical survey,but time did not allow me to go into any great detail.

The break down of the survey is as follows;with the percentage being that number of people out of 100 who had heard about flying saucers:

Olongapo City,Philippines	12%
Taipei,Taiwan	15%
Kaohsiung,Taiwan	11%
Hong Kong	10%
Sasebo,Japan	8%
Saigon,South Viet Nam	3%

As you can see,the result is very low indeed. The highest percentage, 15%,was in Taipei,the capital city of Taiwan. The lowest percentage,3%, was in Saigon,South Viet Nam despite the large number of Americans in the city.

Gray Barker,noted saucer researcher and Editor of SAUCER NEWS,explains this lack of knowledge as follows: " I think that a lot of the reason that so many people here (United States-R.E.) know of UFOs is that they all read and take newspapers,see tv,etc. In underdeveloped nations many people are illiterate or semi-illiterate and would tend not to know everything that was going on. They probably wouldn't think much of it if they saw a weird light in the sky."

If Mr. Barker's assertion is correct then perhaps some form of education system should be set-up in these countries. This would take much time, money and effort, but the rewards would be well worth it if we could come up with significant UFO sightings that would throw some light on the present UFO mystery.

Robert S. Easley
Hong Kong
15 December 1969

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AROUND AND ABOUT THE SAUCER WORLD by Rick Hilberg

Just how much has the civilian Ufologist accomplished in the past twenty-three years? Thousands of articles have been written, an equal number of UFO cases have been investigated, hundreds of appearances have been made on radio and television. All of this was to show the public and the scientific community that a real and serious UFO problem did indeed exist, and that a serious impartial investigation should be implemented. However, as can be seen from the following editorial from the Los Angeles HERALD EXAMINER, the work done by the "Ufologists" was so much ineffective hot air:

"After 21 years of fruitless effort, the Air Force has officially called off its investigation of flying saucers and the timing couldn't have been more justified. With men now walking on the moon, fantastic reality has finally caught up with flights of fantasy about travelers in space.

"The Air Force declared that since 1948 it has probed more than 7000 reports of saucer sightings without finding evidence of danger to national security or any firm proof that the alleged whatnots even exist. Thus its program 'no longer can be justified either on the ground of national security or in the interest of science.'

"In a way we are sorry to see this door close. Mysterious things that some people see in the skies, like things that go bump in the night, have been a source of fascinating speculation for man's imagination since time immemorial.

"There still are, and no doubt there will continue to be sightings of saucers and sky-borne whatnots in the future. But not too many people are going to get worked up about the possibility of their being real anymore.

"When Neil Armstrong put his foot on the moon, the world realized the event was the most incredible news story in 2000 years. It simultaneously realized, if only subconsciously, that the story that could top it would be a landing on earth by strangers from outer space.

"So the improbability is now seen in perspective. And if it ever happens, the flying saucer and its crew are going to have to land with television coverage to be believed."