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Postbag—Your letters to the Editor

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THE fact that UFO's are in the news again prompts me to ask how many people remember the strange light which appeared over Cardiff towards the end of World War I—possibly during the winter of 1917.

Several of us children watched it from Cathays and I would guess it was about 5,000 feet up and quite stationary, seemingly above City Road.

At first it took the form of a long red glow changing very slowly into a cross and intensifying until it was white and clear. The brightness varied now and then and eventually, after half-an-hour, at least, it gently faded, only to reappear further south where it remained quite still, clearly visible for a further appreciable time.

The rumour was that a zeppelin had hovered over Cardiff with engines cut, and this was "substantiated" by the report that certain houses in Splott "had oil all over the roofs".

My memory of the light suggests that the UFO could have been, at a height of 5,000 feet, some 100 feet long or even more.

A. WINSTONE,
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Cardiff.

Tables turned

HOW the tables have now been turned in favour of all the people who live in leasehold property!

I'd like to thank Mr. George Thomas, M.P. for Cardiff West, and all the others in the Government who have made it possible for people to purchase their freeholds.

Everyone concerned should be very relieved and thankful. It's really something.

The Tories would never have sanctioned it and it goes to show which is really the people's government. Anyway, time will tell.

God bless all the M.P.s for the good work they've done.

M. DOWNES (Mrs.),
Pandy Road,
Bedwas.

Bad taste

I WAS deeply shocked when listening to Jack De Manio's radio programme when Brian Hoey was interviewing once more residents from Aberfan, to hear him ask a child survivor of the

Wartime UFO that puzzled Cardiff

disaster if she was still nervous about the tip slipping.

I am just wondering how much more of this "bad taste" interviewing we are going to be subjected to. If I were a resident of Aberfan at this time I would be deeply affronted by this sort of interview.

It's time, surely, that they were left alone.

D. M. DAVIES (Miss),
Edward Street,
Blackwood.

It's deplorable

TWO Postbag letters recently struck me as being the most truthful I have ever read.

One was sent in by Mr. D. J. Williams, who was answering all his critics, and the other by Mrs. Betti Mason.

It does seem deplorable that a murderer can roam free, very often only on probation, perhaps even to commit murder again, but a drunken driver can be imprisoned from one to 10 years if the judge so wishes.

I do not say that drunken drivers should be left alone, not by any means, but if a man does injure or kill someone while he is in fact drunk then, I agree, give him the maximum sentence every time.

But there are a great number of men who can drink a few more than two pints of beer and still be fully alert while driving.

As to Mrs. Mason's letter, I live in the Riverside area of Cardiff and the prostitutes are a menace beyond a doubt. A decent woman dare not walk out alone after dusk owing to the fact that every couple of yards men are pulling up alongside in cars

making a nuisance of themselves.

They seem to think that if you are walking in Riverside you must surely be a prostitute.

It is also true that the way the prostitutes shout late at night is beyond a joke. They don't shout only at their clients but at innocent men and their language isn't very choice most of the time.

If the gentleman who supports prostitution were to let his wife walk Riverside alone after 8.30 p.m. he wouldn't be so agreeable. In fact, these women bring notoriety to Riverside when few of them live in the area.

Why should residents be expected to put up with them sitting on their walls and gateways? The Government should either have legalised brothels or stamp out prostitution altogether.

P. PEARCE (Mrs.),
Neville Street,
Cardiff.

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MRS. Betti Mason takes me severely to task for defending the Riverside prostitutes.

Well, I had a wonderful example to follow. Was it not Jesus Christ who defended and protected a prostitute from the mob with these words:

"Stone her, but let him who is without sin cast the first stone."

Mrs. Mason should cultivate tolerance. Then she would not hear the shouts in the early hours. She would be sound asleep.

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