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00:00:02,760 --> 00:00:11,020  
foreign

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00:00:35,630 --> 00:00:16,310  
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3  
00:00:38,450 --> 00:00:35,640  
Robert Gribble in the National UFO

4  
00:00:40,670 --> 00:00:38,460  
Reporting Center by Charles Lear when

5  
00:00:43,010 --> 00:00:40,680  
the subject of UFO databases comes up

6  
00:00:45,170 --> 00:00:43,020  
the National UFO Reporting Center is

7  
00:00:47,209 --> 00:00:45,180  
usually mentioned along with the name of

8  
00:00:49,790 --> 00:00:47,219  
its seemingly tireless director Peter

9  
00:00:51,830 --> 00:00:49,800  
Davenport what many may not know is who

10  
00:00:53,990 --> 00:00:51,840  
it was that got it started Washington

11  
00:00:56,330 --> 00:00:54,000  
State move on director Maureen Morgan

12  
00:00:59,029 --> 00:00:56,340  
wrote an article titled the early years

13  
00:01:01,850 --> 00:00:59,039

of new Fork Bob Gribble and Wendy Connor

14  
00:01:04,789 --> 00:01:01,860  
which was published in the November 2021

15  
00:01:07,370 --> 00:01:04,799  
Washington mufon newsletter according to

16  
00:01:10,789 --> 00:01:07,380  
Morgan Bob Gribble a Seattle firefighter

17  
00:01:13,250 --> 00:01:10,799  
became fascinated by UFOs in 1954 when

18  
00:01:14,690 --> 00:01:13,260  
he read an article in true magazine this

19  
00:01:17,929 --> 00:01:14,700  
could have been the article in the May

20  
00:01:20,630 --> 00:01:17,939  
1954 issue titled what our Air Force

21  
00:01:22,730 --> 00:01:20,640  
found out about UFOs written by Edward J

22  
00:01:25,490 --> 00:01:22,740  
rupelt the first director of Project

23  
00:01:28,370 --> 00:01:25,500  
Blue Book according to Morgan Gribble

24  
00:01:30,830 --> 00:01:28,380  
ordered the 1954 book flying saucers on

25  
00:01:32,870 --> 00:01:30,840  
the attack by Harold Wilkins which was

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00:01:35,990 --> 00:01:32,880

advertised in the magazine and then

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00:01:38,749 --> 00:01:36,000

picked up Donald Kia's 1954 book flying

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00:01:41,149 --> 00:01:38,759

saucers are real he became believer in

29

00:01:43,190 --> 00:01:41,159

the Extraterrestrial hypothesis and set

30

00:01:46,010 --> 00:01:43,200

about starting a saucer Group which he

31

00:01:48,109 --> 00:01:46,020

named the space observers League he put

32

00:01:50,870 --> 00:01:48,119

out a report on interplanetary

33

00:01:53,210 --> 00:01:50,880

spacecraft called Flying Saucer review

34

00:01:55,730 --> 00:01:53,220

which is the same name as the British

35

00:01:57,889 --> 00:01:55,740

publication started that same year by

36

00:02:00,289 --> 00:01:57,899

former Royal Air Force pilot Derek

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00:02:02,569 --> 00:02:00,299

Dempster Gribble's Publications contain

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00:02:04,850 --> 00:02:02,579

articles some reprinted with permission

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00:02:07,850 --> 00:02:04,860

from magazines such as fake opinion

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00:02:10,130 --> 00:02:07,860

pieces and UFO related news there were

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00:02:12,710 --> 00:02:10,140

also sightings reports and Volume 1

42

00:02:14,990 --> 00:02:12,720

Number 9 has a report from a young Ray

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00:02:17,690 --> 00:02:15,000

Stanford official investigator and

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00:02:21,350 --> 00:02:17,700

reporter for Sol of the first sighting

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00:02:23,869 --> 00:02:21,360

he ever had on July 10 1954 Stanford

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00:02:26,510 --> 00:02:23,879

reported a flat circular disk flying

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00:02:29,750 --> 00:02:26,520

over his home in Corpus Christi Texas at

48

00:02:31,970 --> 00:02:29,760

an estimated 150 miles per hour he wrote

49

00:02:34,130 --> 00:02:31,980

that it was traveling west stopped and

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00:02:36,470 --> 00:02:34,140

hovered for a few minutes and then

51  
00:02:39,530 --> 00:02:36,480  
continued according to him there were 11

52  
00:02:41,509 --> 00:02:39,540  
Witnesses by DEC December of 1955

53  
00:02:43,610 --> 00:02:41,519  
Gribble changed the name of the

54  
00:02:45,890 --> 00:02:43,620  
organization to civilian saucer

55  
00:02:47,690 --> 00:02:45,900  
intelligence some readers may be aware

56  
00:02:51,050 --> 00:02:47,700  
that there is an active group at that

57  
00:02:53,449 --> 00:02:51,060  
time founded in 1954 called civilian

58  
00:02:55,070 --> 00:02:53,459  
saucer intelligence New York that would

59  
00:02:57,830 --> 00:02:55,080  
become renowned for the scientific

60  
00:03:00,710 --> 00:02:57,840  
approach to Flying Saucer research in

61  
00:03:03,170 --> 00:03:00,720  
1957 Gribble changed the name to the

62  
00:03:05,150 --> 00:03:03,180  
aerial phenomena research Group which is

63  
00:03:07,729 --> 00:03:05,160

quite similar to the aerial phenomena

64

00:03:11,330 --> 00:03:07,739

research organization a group founded in

65

00:03:15,949 --> 00:03:11,340

1952 by Jim and coral Lorenzen he put

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00:03:18,710 --> 00:03:15,959

out the aprg reporter until 1969. at the

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00:03:20,869 --> 00:03:18,720

same time he was busy with aprg he

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00:03:23,270 --> 00:03:20,879

formed another group that he named the

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00:03:25,729 --> 00:03:23,280

national investigations Commission on

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00:03:29,990 --> 00:03:25,739

aerial phenomena and put out the nycap

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00:03:32,149 --> 00:03:30,000

reporter in 1962 and 1963 the fact that

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00:03:34,610 --> 00:03:32,159

Gribble's group had the same acronym as

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00:03:36,770 --> 00:03:34,620

that of Donald keos significantly more

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00:03:39,470 --> 00:03:36,780

famous group The National investigations

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00:03:41,809 --> 00:03:39,480

committee on area phenomena did not

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00:03:43,729 --> 00:03:41,819

Escape Kehoe's attention and the very

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00:03:45,890 --> 00:03:43,739

first issue of the nycap reporter

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00:03:48,170 --> 00:03:45,900

Gribble goes on the defensive regarding

79

00:03:50,869 --> 00:03:48,180

an article headlined erroneous use of

80

00:03:53,089 --> 00:03:50,879

nycap name in the August September issue

81

00:03:55,610 --> 00:03:53,099

of the UFO investigator put out by

82

00:03:57,890 --> 00:03:55,620

Kehoe's group it is reported in the

83

00:03:59,869 --> 00:03:57,900

investigator that Gribble issued a press

84

00:04:02,350 --> 00:03:59,879

release erroneously announcing himself

85

00:04:05,330 --> 00:04:02,360

as the Director of the nycap Washington

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00:04:08,330 --> 00:04:05,340

subcommittee in the reporter Gribble

87

00:04:10,670 --> 00:04:08,340

calls Kehoe a prevaricator criticizes

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00:04:12,830 --> 00:04:10,680

the accuracy of his reporting questions

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00:04:14,750 --> 00:04:12,840

the accuracy of kehoe's books and

90

00:04:16,370 --> 00:04:14,760

magazine articles and offers one

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00:04:18,830 --> 00:04:16,380

thousand dollars to anyone who can

92

00:04:21,349 --> 00:04:18,840

produce an article where he directly or

93

00:04:24,530 --> 00:04:21,359

indirectly identified himself in the way

94

00:04:26,749 --> 00:04:24,540

described in the investigator by 1969

95

00:04:28,790 --> 00:04:26,759

Gribble seems to have burned himself out

96

00:04:30,830 --> 00:04:28,800

according to Morgan in her article

97

00:04:32,990 --> 00:04:30,840

Gribble had been a full-time member of

98

00:04:34,790 --> 00:04:33,000

the Seattle Fire Department and had a

99

00:04:38,689 --> 00:04:34,800

wife and five children during his time

100

00:04:41,330 --> 00:04:38,699

as a sorcerer in 1969 he got out

101  
00:04:44,270 --> 00:04:41,340  
allergy slash ufology and dumped all of

102  
00:04:47,870 --> 00:04:44,280  
his related archives into a landfill his

103  
00:04:49,969 --> 00:04:47,880  
retirement wouldn't last long in 1969

104  
00:04:53,330 --> 00:04:49,979  
the U.S Air Force terminated Project

105  
00:04:55,550 --> 00:04:53,340  
Blue Book in 1973 there was a flap in

106  
00:04:57,170 --> 00:04:55,560  
the United States and Gribble saw a need

107  
00:05:00,469 --> 00:04:57,180  
for a place where people could report

108  
00:05:02,510 --> 00:05:00,479  
their Encounters in 1974 he set up what

109  
00:05:04,969 --> 00:05:02,520  
he called the National UFO Reporting

110  
00:05:06,350 --> 00:05:04,979  
Center and called Sheriff's offices and

111  
00:05:08,749 --> 00:05:06,360  
let them know they could give out his

112  
00:05:10,670 --> 00:05:08,759  
phone number to Witnesses word spread

113  
00:05:12,650 --> 00:05:10,680

and soon as number was at the ready of

114

00:05:15,650 --> 00:05:12,660

police station's military bases and

115

00:05:18,050 --> 00:05:15,660

airports according to Morgan the FAA

116

00:05:20,570 --> 00:05:18,060

told Pilots to call new Fork if they

117

00:05:22,610 --> 00:05:20,580

wanted to report a UFO encounter Gribble

118

00:05:24,529 --> 00:05:22,620

got others to work with him and all of

119

00:05:26,810 --> 00:05:24,539

the reports over the phone were recorded

120

00:05:29,029 --> 00:05:26,820

on tape if Gribble and his associates

121

00:05:31,790 --> 00:05:29,039

thought a case warranted it they would

122

00:05:34,249 --> 00:05:31,800

do an on-site investigation Gribble and

123

00:05:36,710 --> 00:05:34,259

his operation are described in the 1986

124

00:05:38,629 --> 00:05:36,720

Associated Press article according to

125

00:05:41,029 --> 00:05:38,639

the article newfork was run out of

126

00:05:43,070 --> 00:05:41,039

gribbles cramped but tidy office in his

127

00:05:45,290 --> 00:05:43,080

home he spent twelve hundred dollars per

128

00:05:47,689 --> 00:05:45,300

year to keep it running and received an

129

00:05:50,090 --> 00:05:47,699

average of six calls per day even though

130

00:05:52,070 --> 00:05:50,100

he'd never seen a UFO himself he told

131

00:05:54,110 --> 00:05:52,080

the reporter there's not the slightest

132

00:05:56,270 --> 00:05:54,120

doubt that they're there according to

133

00:05:59,270 --> 00:05:56,280

Morgan Gribble retired from active

134

00:06:03,110 --> 00:05:59,280

research in 1994 and turned new Fork

135

00:06:05,510 --> 00:06:03,120

over to Peter Davenport by 2004 he was

136

00:06:07,730 --> 00:06:05,520

drowning in tapes and archived materials

137

00:06:10,010 --> 00:06:07,740

he was ready to pay another visit to the

138

00:06:12,170 --> 00:06:10,020

dump but he got the idea instead to

139

00:06:15,110 --> 00:06:12,180

donate his materials to Albuquerque new

140

00:06:17,510 --> 00:06:15,120

mexico-based UFO historian Wendy Connors

141

00:06:19,610 --> 00:06:17,520

Connors was the perfect person to take

142

00:06:22,550 --> 00:06:19,620

care of and preserve Gribble's materials

143

00:06:24,830 --> 00:06:22,560

particularly his tapes according to

144

00:06:26,689 --> 00:06:24,840

Morgan Connors spent several years in

145

00:06:30,050 --> 00:06:26,699

the Air Force working in Communications

146

00:06:32,270 --> 00:06:30,060

was interested in UFOs and specialized

147

00:06:34,490 --> 00:06:32,280

in the preservation of early historic

148

00:06:38,930 --> 00:06:34,500

recordings and photographs dealing with

149

00:06:41,450 --> 00:06:38,940

the UFO phenomena from 1947 to 1973

150

00:06:43,490 --> 00:06:41,460

Connors collected UFO related audio

151

00:06:46,189 --> 00:06:43,500

clips and compiled them into a

152

00:06:47,950 --> 00:06:46,199

collection she called faded discs The

153

00:06:50,749 --> 00:06:47,960

Collection can be accessed at

154

00:06:52,730 --> 00:06:50,759

archive.org Connors took the best of the

155

00:06:56,270 --> 00:06:52,740

new Fork recordings and compiled them

156

00:06:58,330 --> 00:06:56,280

into a 44-hour collection of 252 tracks

157

00:07:00,590 --> 00:06:58,340

these can also be accessed at

158

00:07:02,870 --> 00:07:00,600

archive.org or in a more easily

159

00:07:05,570 --> 00:07:02,880

negotiated format with tracks of

160

00:07:08,050 --> 00:07:05,580

Interest labeled at the Northern Ontario

161

00:07:11,090 --> 00:07:08,060

UFO research Society website

162

00:07:12,770 --> 00:07:11,100

knowuphores.com standout tracks include

163

00:07:15,050 --> 00:07:12,780

eight tracks having to do with the

164

00:07:16,969 --> 00:07:15,060

Travis Walton case including Travis

165

00:07:18,830 --> 00:07:16,979

Walton's brother calling to report on

166

00:07:20,930 --> 00:07:18,840

the encounter by Travis and his

167

00:07:23,450 --> 00:07:20,940

co-workers while Travis was still

168

00:07:25,730 --> 00:07:23,460

missing new Fort continues today with

169

00:07:28,129 --> 00:07:25,740

Peter Davenport at the helm and with the

170

00:07:30,170 --> 00:07:28,139

rise of the internet came easy access to

171

00:07:32,930 --> 00:07:30,180

all for a comprehensive no-nonsense

172

00:07:35,150 --> 00:07:32,940

database fortunately for historians and

173

00:07:37,129 --> 00:07:35,160

researchers Gribble took a moment to

174

00:07:39,650 --> 00:07:37,139

pause before impulsively heading for the

175

00:07:41,570 --> 00:07:39,660

dump and took a moment to come up with

176

00:07:42,830 --> 00:07:41,580

an original and Lasting name for his

177

00:07:45,529 --> 00:07:42,840

organization

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00:07:48,110 --> 00:07:45,539

Charles Lear is the author of The Flying

179

00:08:00,790 --> 00:07:48,120

Saucer investigators available at

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00:08:13,370 --> 00:08:06,080

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