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Crazy COVID-19
conspiracy letter

Freeman on the land -
Shelley Stocken

The Skeptical Fairy
looking for a
replacement

TROVE
" Paranormal Research "

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00:00:13,940 --> 00:00:09,049
welcome to the skeptic Zone the podcast

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00:00:16,840 --> 00:00:13,950
from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:23,330 --> 00:00:16,850
[Applause]

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00:00:25,189 --> 00:00:23,340
[Music]

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00:00:26,830 --> 00:00:25,199
yes it's the skeptic Zone podcast

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00:00:31,669 --> 00:00:26,840
episode number

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00:00:34,729 --> 00:00:31,679
674 for the 5th of September 2021

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00:00:37,610 --> 00:00:34,739
Richard Saunders coming to you from

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00:00:38,869 --> 00:00:37,620
the continuing Saga of lockdown Sydney

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00:00:41,090 --> 00:00:38,879
Australia

11
00:00:43,369 --> 00:00:41,100
and we remember that of course other

12
00:00:45,110 --> 00:00:43,379
places are in lockdown and

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00:00:47,090 --> 00:00:45,120

unsurprisingly quite a bit of today's

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00:00:50,510 --> 00:00:47,100

show is devoted to

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00:00:53,270 --> 00:00:50,520

covert covert conspiracies Shenanigans

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00:00:55,130 --> 00:00:53,280

and whatever going on with covert and

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00:00:58,189 --> 00:00:55,140

right at the start let me

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00:00:59,869 --> 00:00:58,199

make an observation here the numbers of

19

00:01:02,470 --> 00:00:59,879

people well I know for the Sydney

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00:01:04,969 --> 00:01:02,480

statistics at least who are being

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00:01:07,730 --> 00:01:04,979

hospitalized is growing every day

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00:01:10,370 --> 00:01:07,740

because over the past four or five days

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00:01:12,050 --> 00:01:10,380

four days we've had over a thousand new

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00:01:14,870 --> 00:01:12,060

cases every day

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00:01:18,770 --> 00:01:14,880

yesterday as I record this uh yesterday

26
00:01:21,649 --> 00:01:18,780
was Saturday yesterday we had over 1 500

27
00:01:26,030 --> 00:01:21,659
new cases now of course with the nature

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00:01:28,730 --> 00:01:26,040
of covid-19 many of those people will be

29
00:01:31,910 --> 00:01:28,740
uh home quarantined

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00:01:34,069 --> 00:01:31,920
and maybe very ill

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00:01:35,810 --> 00:01:34,079
but they will recover at home and after

32
00:01:39,170 --> 00:01:35,820
14 days or so

33
00:01:41,210 --> 00:01:39,180
uh they will be deemed to be over it

34
00:01:43,910 --> 00:01:41,220
however of course there is a percentage

35
00:01:46,490 --> 00:01:43,920
of those people who cannot quarantine at

36
00:01:48,289 --> 00:01:46,500
home because they become very ill and

37
00:01:50,030 --> 00:01:48,299
they need hospitalization and a

38
00:01:53,030 --> 00:01:50,040

percentage of those people end up in

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00:01:55,310 --> 00:01:53,040

intensive care on ventilators

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00:01:57,469 --> 00:01:55,320

and of course every day now we're

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00:01:59,929 --> 00:01:57,479

hearing about people dying either in

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00:02:01,910 --> 00:01:59,939

hospital or at home now each day as

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00:02:06,109 --> 00:02:01,920

those numbers increase

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00:02:07,270 --> 00:02:06,119

the uh roll-on effect is of course the

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00:02:09,710 --> 00:02:07,280

number of people

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00:02:12,770 --> 00:02:09,720

needing intensive care or

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00:02:15,290 --> 00:02:12,780

hospitalization increases every day

48

00:02:17,630 --> 00:02:15,300

so now there is quite a strain on the

49

00:02:19,550 --> 00:02:17,640

Health Care system and I fear that's

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00:02:22,970 --> 00:02:19,560

only going to get worse

51
00:02:26,930 --> 00:02:22,980
so a big shout out a big shout out to

52
00:02:28,809 --> 00:02:26,940
the nurses and carers and doctors who

53
00:02:31,369 --> 00:02:28,819
work in hospitals because

54
00:02:34,490 --> 00:02:31,379
ambulance drivers or ambos as we call

55
00:02:35,930 --> 00:02:34,500
them here in Australia paramedics what a

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00:02:37,729 --> 00:02:35,940
strain they're under

57
00:02:40,009 --> 00:02:37,739
and

58
00:02:41,990 --> 00:02:40,019
we must remember they are risking their

59
00:02:43,309 --> 00:02:42,000
lives they work with infected people

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00:02:45,949 --> 00:02:43,319
every day

61
00:02:47,210 --> 00:02:45,959
they're risking their lives for our

62
00:02:48,890 --> 00:02:47,220
society

63
00:02:50,210 --> 00:02:48,900

and I guess this doesn't cross the mind

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00:02:54,110 --> 00:02:50,220
of the freedom marches and the

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00:02:56,690 --> 00:02:54,120
anti-vaxxers and so on and also remember

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00:02:59,270 --> 00:02:56,700
that people who need to go to hospital

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00:03:01,369 --> 00:02:59,280
for lots of other reasons heart attacks

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00:03:03,170 --> 00:03:01,379
broken legs whatever the case may be

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00:03:05,869 --> 00:03:03,180
surgery cancer

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00:03:07,670 --> 00:03:05,879
situations they're also feeling the

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00:03:10,250 --> 00:03:07,680
pinch of this because they can't always

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00:03:12,009 --> 00:03:10,260
get into the hospital now and also

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00:03:14,930 --> 00:03:12,019
things like elective surgery

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00:03:17,390 --> 00:03:14,940
non-critical surgery is being delayed so

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00:03:19,610 --> 00:03:17,400
the roll-on effect is quite profound

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00:03:22,729 --> 00:03:19,620

and all that brings us to our first

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00:03:24,830 --> 00:03:22,739

report today a letter being sent to GPS

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00:03:26,990 --> 00:03:24,840

this one happened to be sent to some GPS

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00:03:31,250 --> 00:03:27,000

in Queensland the state of Queensland

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00:03:34,490 --> 00:03:31,260

it's outrageous it's rambling it's

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00:03:38,570 --> 00:03:34,500

borderline gibberish it's a mishmash of

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00:03:41,390 --> 00:03:38,580

sovereign citizen arguments and

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00:03:43,369 --> 00:03:41,400

craziness and religion

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00:03:45,170 --> 00:03:43,379

but it's worth hearing

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00:03:47,449 --> 00:03:45,180

so at the top of the show I will read

86

00:03:50,270 --> 00:03:47,459

out one of these bizarre conspiracy

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00:03:52,610 --> 00:03:50,280

letters being sent here in Australia to

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00:03:53,809 --> 00:03:52,620

General Practitioners following on from

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00:03:54,949 --> 00:03:53,819

that and talking about Sovereign

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00:03:56,990 --> 00:03:54,959

citizens

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00:03:59,690 --> 00:03:57,000

another report from our dear late

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00:04:01,850 --> 00:03:59,700

reporter Shelly stockin and I think I'll

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00:04:03,589 --> 00:04:01,860

be doing this every now and then in

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00:04:04,490 --> 00:04:03,599

tribute to Shelley because she was such

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00:04:09,229 --> 00:04:04,500

a

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00:04:11,990 --> 00:04:09,239

miss her

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00:04:14,390 --> 00:04:12,000

a report surely did some years ago about

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00:04:16,789 --> 00:04:14,400

Freeman of the land Sovereign citizens

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00:04:18,710 --> 00:04:16,799

and it seems a movement that really

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00:04:21,469 --> 00:04:18,720

started in the United States

101
00:04:23,810 --> 00:04:21,479
is uh well it's certainly infected

102
00:04:26,629 --> 00:04:23,820
Australia so to speak following that we

103
00:04:29,330 --> 00:04:26,639
hear once again from the skeptical Fairy

104
00:04:32,270 --> 00:04:29,340
Godmother angel from the internet she is

105
00:04:34,129 --> 00:04:32,280
looking for a replacement find out more

106
00:04:35,990 --> 00:04:34,139
later on

107
00:04:38,689 --> 00:04:36,000
and around off the show it's back to the

108
00:04:41,510 --> 00:04:38,699
Trove archives and a bit of a change of

109
00:04:44,390 --> 00:04:41,520
pace we're going to be looking again at

110
00:04:46,810 --> 00:04:44,400
the Paranormal in the uh historical

111
00:04:49,969 --> 00:04:46,820
records of Australian newspapers

112
00:04:51,530 --> 00:04:49,979
paranormal and research and once again

113
00:04:53,749 --> 00:04:51,540

these uh

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00:04:56,810 --> 00:04:53,759

search criteria return all sorts of

115

00:04:58,510 --> 00:04:56,820

interesting results stay tuned at the

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00:05:01,249 --> 00:04:58,520

end of the episode for more

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00:05:03,830 --> 00:05:01,259

announcements from me including an

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00:05:05,570 --> 00:05:03,840

upcoming talk I'm giving

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00:05:08,650 --> 00:05:05,580

but now it's time for me to run

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00:05:12,170 --> 00:05:08,660

downstairs and have a slice of leftover

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00:05:15,950 --> 00:05:13,790

I'm one of these people who like things

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00:05:18,230 --> 00:05:15,960

like spinach and Brussels sprouts go

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00:05:26,410 --> 00:05:18,240

figure will I do that I hope you enjoy

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00:05:26,420 --> 00:05:30,490

[Applause]

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00:05:42,490 --> 00:05:32,330

laughs

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00:05:47,210 --> 00:05:44,990

pandemic has brought to light is the

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00:05:52,189 --> 00:05:47,220

number of people in our society

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00:05:54,710 --> 00:05:52,199

ready to jump on the bandwagon of any

129

00:05:58,370 --> 00:05:54,720

conspiracy that's going out there people

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00:06:00,830 --> 00:05:58,380

who Listen to Crazy internet memes if

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00:06:03,409 --> 00:06:00,840

you listen to a meme read a meme watch

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00:06:07,010 --> 00:06:03,419

internet conspiracy videos

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00:06:09,230 --> 00:06:07,020

and these are being fueled of course by

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00:06:11,510 --> 00:06:09,240

largely by the conspiracy theorists and

135

00:06:13,790 --> 00:06:11,520

the anti-vaxxers where we're seeing this

136

00:06:16,309 --> 00:06:13,800

in action is on the streets a lot of the

137

00:06:17,450 --> 00:06:16,319

time where people still with the Delta

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00:06:19,430 --> 00:06:17,460

variation

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00:06:21,469 --> 00:06:19,440

uh

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00:06:23,930 --> 00:06:21,479

at large in Sydney people are still

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00:06:25,730 --> 00:06:23,940

ready spurred on by these conspiracy

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00:06:27,650 --> 00:06:25,740

theories to march in the streets not

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00:06:30,490 --> 00:06:27,660

wearing masks and put themselves and

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00:06:34,430 --> 00:06:30,500

others in danger

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00:06:39,170 --> 00:06:34,440

other ways this manifests itself is

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00:06:40,070 --> 00:06:39,180

people feel compelled to send letters in

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00:06:42,710 --> 00:06:40,080

this case

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00:06:45,409 --> 00:06:42,720

to General Practitioners

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00:06:47,270 --> 00:06:45,419

and here's one that's come my way this

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00:06:50,089 --> 00:06:47,280

was a letter sent to a general

151
00:06:52,610 --> 00:06:50,099
practitioner in the state of Queensland

152
00:06:54,710 --> 00:06:52,620
and according to reports uh this letter

153
00:06:56,990 --> 00:06:54,720
has been widely circulated amongst other

154
00:06:58,249 --> 00:06:57,000
General Practitioners or sent to them I

155
00:07:01,249 --> 00:06:58,259
should say

156
00:07:04,070 --> 00:07:01,259
and this letter has also been referred

157
00:07:07,969 --> 00:07:05,990
now it's a form letter it's simply

158
00:07:10,790 --> 00:07:07,979
printed out probably downloaded from the

159
00:07:13,490 --> 00:07:10,800
internet it says at the top to the

160
00:07:16,249 --> 00:07:13,500
attention of doctor and then there's an

161
00:07:18,830 --> 00:07:16,259
underline so people can write in pen or

162
00:07:23,330 --> 00:07:18,840
pencil or crayon whatever doctor they

163
00:07:25,969 --> 00:07:23,340

want date in this case it is a blank

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00:07:28,730 --> 00:07:25,979

slash blank slash 2021 so again they can

165

00:07:31,730 --> 00:07:28,740

simply fill in the date this one happens

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00:07:33,129 --> 00:07:31,740

to be the 25th of last month

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00:07:36,469 --> 00:07:33,139

re

168

00:07:37,770 --> 00:07:36,479

cease and desist order on covid-19

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00:07:40,850 --> 00:07:37,780

measures

170

00:07:43,129 --> 00:07:40,860

[Music]

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00:07:46,790 --> 00:07:43,139

and it reads

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00:07:50,510 --> 00:07:46,800

we the people slash men and women of

173

00:07:53,749 --> 00:07:50,520

Australia order you to cease and desist

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00:07:57,290 --> 00:07:53,759

the use of experimental vaccines as they

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00:08:00,290 --> 00:07:57,300

constitute crimes against humanity under

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00:08:02,749 --> 00:08:00,300

natural law common law treaty law

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00:08:05,749 --> 00:08:02,759

article 6 and 7 of the United Nations

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00:08:08,089 --> 00:08:05,759

Criminal Court statute the Nuremberg

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00:08:10,189 --> 00:08:08,099

code the Geneva Convention the United

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00:08:12,290 --> 00:08:10,199

Nations convention the United Nations

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00:08:13,790 --> 00:08:12,300

Declaration on the rights of indigenous

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00:08:16,189 --> 00:08:13,800

peoples

183

00:08:19,850 --> 00:08:16,199

the United Nations Universal Declaration

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00:08:22,550 --> 00:08:19,860

on human rights the Magna Carta and the

185

00:08:24,529 --> 00:08:22,560

constitution of Australia

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00:08:27,650 --> 00:08:24,539

these crimes are being committed against

187

00:08:30,249 --> 00:08:27,660

innocent free-born men women and

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00:08:32,990 --> 00:08:30,259

children of the Australian Federation

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00:08:36,350 --> 00:08:33,000

all of whom stand under God's

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00:08:38,329 --> 00:08:36,360

jurisdiction and protection if you have

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00:08:42,290 --> 00:08:38,339

evidence that none of these rights exist

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00:08:45,050 --> 00:08:42,300

you are hereby commanded to provide all

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00:08:48,530 --> 00:08:45,060

and any such evidence within 72 hours of

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00:08:50,930 --> 00:08:48,540

receipt of this cease and desist order

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00:08:54,769 --> 00:08:50,940

we have seen no such evidence and

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00:08:56,389 --> 00:08:54,779

believe no such evidence to exist the

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00:08:58,550 --> 00:08:56,399

following actions constitute crimes

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00:09:01,670 --> 00:08:58,560

against humanity in Gross contravention

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00:09:03,590 --> 00:09:01,680

of every law and treaty ratified since

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00:09:06,230 --> 00:09:03,600

World War II

201
00:09:08,269 --> 00:09:06,240
and here is the list of what they

202
00:09:11,210 --> 00:09:08,279
consider to be the actions which

203
00:09:12,829 --> 00:09:11,220
constitute crimes one all

204
00:09:14,930 --> 00:09:12,839
experimentation of the covid-19

205
00:09:18,110 --> 00:09:14,940
treatment on unsuspecting innocent

206
00:09:19,870 --> 00:09:18,120
civilians thus constituting bio Warfare

207
00:09:23,630 --> 00:09:19,880
on the people

208
00:09:26,050 --> 00:09:23,640
2. all PCR testing which perpetuates the

209
00:09:29,449 --> 00:09:26,060
LIE of a deadly pandemic thereby

210
00:09:34,009 --> 00:09:29,459
constituting psychological warfare on

211
00:09:36,949 --> 00:09:34,019
the people if not a bio Warfare

212
00:09:39,889 --> 00:09:36,959
3. all demands to mask in places

213
00:09:42,590 --> 00:09:39,899

including but not limited to private

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00:09:45,350 --> 00:09:42,600

spaces public spaces on Transportation

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00:09:46,970 --> 00:09:45,360

by land air and Maritime this

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00:09:48,769 --> 00:09:46,980

constitutes a further psychological

217

00:09:51,889 --> 00:09:48,779

assault on the people

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00:09:54,110 --> 00:09:51,899

4 or lockdowns which constitute false

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00:09:56,750 --> 00:09:54,120

imprisonment and a continuance of

220

00:10:00,050 --> 00:09:56,760

psychological warfare against the people

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00:10:02,750 --> 00:10:00,060

5. all quarantines of healthy Australian

222

00:10:04,670 --> 00:10:02,760

citizens which furthers bio and

223

00:10:06,350 --> 00:10:04,680

psychological warfare against the

224

00:10:09,829 --> 00:10:06,360

Australian people

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00:10:11,930 --> 00:10:09,839

6. all closures of state and territorial

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00:10:14,210 --> 00:10:11,940

boundaries separating families and

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00:10:17,030 --> 00:10:14,220

bringing fundamental rules of freedom of

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00:10:20,210 --> 00:10:17,040

movement within the Federation if the

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00:10:23,810 --> 00:10:20,220

Federation has been dissolved you must

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00:10:26,030 --> 00:10:23,820

make the people aware for in such an

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00:10:29,750 --> 00:10:26,040

instance the federal body has no

232

00:10:33,410 --> 00:10:29,760

jurisdiction upon the people and any

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00:10:35,990 --> 00:10:33,420

hostile act such as those listed here in

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00:10:39,410 --> 00:10:36,000

shall be considered a declaration of

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00:10:42,110 --> 00:10:39,420

open War from a hostile agent against

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00:10:43,670 --> 00:10:42,120

the Free People of this land and the

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00:10:45,410 --> 00:10:43,680

people maintain the right to protect

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00:10:46,430 --> 00:10:45,420

their lives freedoms Liberties and

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00:10:50,210 --> 00:10:46,440

property

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00:10:52,670 --> 00:10:50,220

why do I think this has been

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00:10:53,530 --> 00:10:52,680

um more or less based on something an

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00:10:56,930 --> 00:10:53,540

American

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00:10:58,610 --> 00:10:56,940

Freeman of the land or Sovereign citizen

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00:11:01,730 --> 00:10:58,620

would write hmm

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00:11:05,930 --> 00:11:01,740

seven all closures of Australian borders

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00:11:08,509 --> 00:11:05,940

which constitutes a corrosive effort to

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00:11:11,449 --> 00:11:08,519

force the unsuspecting people of the

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00:11:14,810 --> 00:11:11,459

land into participating in a medical

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00:11:17,329 --> 00:11:14,820

experiment as well as functioning as

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00:11:19,069 --> 00:11:17,339

another arm of psychological warfare on

251
00:11:21,889 --> 00:11:19,079
the People by dividing families and

252
00:11:24,530 --> 00:11:21,899
keeping the entire country Hostage to

253
00:11:27,710 --> 00:11:24,540
the edicts of the World Health

254
00:11:30,230 --> 00:11:27,720
Organization a demonstrably corrupt

255
00:11:32,990 --> 00:11:30,240
institution and the officials of which

256
00:11:35,750 --> 00:11:33,000
are not elected by the Australian people

257
00:11:39,710 --> 00:11:35,760
the Australian Federation is to stand as

258
00:11:42,769 --> 00:11:39,720
a free country not a prison Island

259
00:11:45,530 --> 00:11:42,779
8. all state of emergencies which

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00:11:48,410 --> 00:11:45,540
constitute fraudulent excuses to

261
00:11:51,350 --> 00:11:48,420
continue this covert War upon the people

262
00:11:54,710 --> 00:11:51,360
in the shape of tyranny

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00:11:57,530 --> 00:11:54,720

9. all unlawful contact tracing of the

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00:12:00,470 --> 00:11:57,540

Australian people which constitutes a

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00:12:02,889 --> 00:12:00,480

gross invasion of privacy 10. all

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00:12:06,230 --> 00:12:02,899

determinations of quote

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00:12:08,629 --> 00:12:06,240

asymptomatic carriers and quote a

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00:12:10,850 --> 00:12:08,639

non-scientific term designed with the

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00:12:13,210 --> 00:12:10,860

only purpose of justifying the

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00:12:17,269 --> 00:12:13,220

mistreatment and abuse of healthy

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00:12:20,210 --> 00:12:17,279

free-born men and women in this covert

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00:12:23,150 --> 00:12:20,220

Warfare against the people

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00:12:25,370 --> 00:12:23,160

this letter serves as a lawful notice to

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00:12:27,829 --> 00:12:25,380

cease and desist effective immediately

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00:12:30,410 --> 00:12:27,839

we consider these actions to be a

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00:12:33,530 --> 00:12:30,420

cowardly declaration of war upon the

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00:12:37,069 --> 00:12:33,540

people you have been entrusted to

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00:12:40,670 --> 00:12:37,079

medically protect and

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00:12:46,009 --> 00:12:42,710

and who's

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00:12:48,530 --> 00:12:46,019

have been paid to serve failure to cease

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00:12:52,970 --> 00:12:48,540

synthesis will be considered an act of

282

00:12:54,949 --> 00:12:52,980

treason against all free-born men women

283

00:12:56,389 --> 00:12:54,959

and children of the Australian

284

00:12:58,430 --> 00:12:56,399

Federation

285

00:13:00,970 --> 00:12:58,440

honestly I keep thinking this has just

286

00:13:04,250 --> 00:13:00,980

been mashed up from some American

287

00:13:05,990 --> 00:13:04,260

American document anyway

288

00:13:09,530 --> 00:13:06,000

we have not

289

00:13:11,750 --> 00:13:09,540

seen nor do we believe there exists

290

00:13:15,470 --> 00:13:11,760

sufficient evidence to support the

291

00:13:17,990 --> 00:13:15,480

assertion that a deadly pandemic exists

292

00:13:20,930 --> 00:13:18,000

and warrants a nationwide Perpetual

293

00:13:22,910 --> 00:13:20,940

state of emergency that suspends the

294

00:13:25,730 --> 00:13:22,920

lawful freedoms of the Australian people

295

00:13:28,629 --> 00:13:25,740

a detailed examination of case law

296

00:13:31,190 --> 00:13:28,639

federal law and constitutional law

297

00:13:33,949 --> 00:13:31,200

categorically outlines the actions of

298

00:13:36,829 --> 00:13:33,959

our federal government and the state and

299

00:13:38,870 --> 00:13:36,839

territory governments as criminal common

300

00:13:41,689 --> 00:13:38,880

law states that if you as a doctor

301
00:13:45,410 --> 00:13:41,699
remain silent failing to speak up about

302
00:13:48,889 --> 00:13:45,420
the unsafe nature of covert vaccines

303
00:13:51,410 --> 00:13:48,899
your position in law is that you Ascent

304
00:13:54,949 --> 00:13:51,420
to the administration of the vaccines

305
00:13:58,189 --> 00:13:54,959
now as such and being directed to cease

306
00:14:00,769 --> 00:13:58,199
and desist you should continue in

307
00:14:03,590 --> 00:14:00,779
silence or otherwise to administer said

308
00:14:07,129 --> 00:14:03,600
vaccines there can be no excuse on the

309
00:14:09,710 --> 00:14:07,139
law for your action no Indemnity can

310
00:14:12,769 --> 00:14:09,720
exist you will have committed a crime

311
00:14:16,370 --> 00:14:12,779
which in due course will be investigated

312
00:14:18,470 --> 00:14:16,380
and you may expect to be punished to the

313
00:14:20,629 --> 00:14:18,480

full extent of the law

314

00:14:23,629 --> 00:14:20,639

the requirements and demands of the

315

00:14:26,329 --> 00:14:23,639

Australian law are not here to be

316

00:14:28,490 --> 00:14:26,339

suspended in times of Crisis they may

317

00:14:31,069 --> 00:14:28,500

only be changed by the people and they

318

00:14:32,629 --> 00:14:31,079

have not been changed they are here to

319

00:14:34,550 --> 00:14:32,639

protect the people from the tyrannical

320

00:14:37,670 --> 00:14:34,560

and corruptable tendencies of

321

00:14:39,949 --> 00:14:37,680

governments and those in office it is

322

00:14:42,350 --> 00:14:39,959

during times of crisis when such laws

323

00:14:46,610 --> 00:14:42,360

are needed the most to protect the

324

00:14:50,389 --> 00:14:46,620

people we forth with declare that all

325

00:14:52,189 --> 00:14:50,399

named herein have overstepped and

326

00:14:55,009 --> 00:14:52,199

severely violated the boundaries of

327

00:14:57,350 --> 00:14:55,019

their office and failed to consider and

328

00:15:00,769 --> 00:14:57,360

protect the lawful interests of the

329

00:15:02,329 --> 00:15:00,779

Australian people in every conceivable

330

00:15:05,030 --> 00:15:02,339

way

331

00:15:09,769 --> 00:15:05,040

we take this opportunity to remind you

332

00:15:14,170 --> 00:15:09,779

of the following the one true almighty

333

00:15:17,269 --> 00:15:14,180

God stands as our one and only master

334

00:15:20,389 --> 00:15:17,279

all Freeborn men women and children Upon

335

00:15:23,689 --> 00:15:20,399

This land and indeed the world is a vice

336

00:15:26,509 --> 00:15:23,699

region of God placed upon this Earth by

337

00:15:29,569 --> 00:15:26,519

God's will alone government was

338

00:15:32,569 --> 00:15:29,579

established under the almighty God by

339

00:15:35,210 --> 00:15:32,579

Freeborn men and women and was entrusted

340

00:15:38,269 --> 00:15:35,220

to run our Affairs and act in our best

341

00:15:42,290 --> 00:15:38,279

interest the government serves the

342

00:15:45,110 --> 00:15:42,300

people under God thus all named herein

343

00:15:48,550 --> 00:15:45,120

are a fiduciary duty to the people of

344

00:15:52,129 --> 00:15:48,560

Australia and our public servants only

345

00:15:54,110 --> 00:15:52,139

directly answerable to we the Free

346

00:15:56,870 --> 00:15:54,120

People of this land

347

00:15:59,030 --> 00:15:56,880

by default and by association with this

348

00:16:00,470 --> 00:15:59,040

government in accordance with the rules

349

00:16:03,710 --> 00:16:00,480

of equity

350

00:16:06,590 --> 00:16:03,720

you have 72 hours from receipt of this

351

00:16:10,970 --> 00:16:06,600

letter to provide us with all and any

352

00:16:13,730 --> 00:16:10,980

proof to a country assertion should you

353

00:16:17,150 --> 00:16:13,740

fail to answer this order it is taken

354

00:16:20,090 --> 00:16:17,160

that your silence is an admission that

355

00:16:22,069 --> 00:16:20,100

no such evidence exists should you

356

00:16:26,090 --> 00:16:22,079

continue any of the actions enumerated

357

00:16:28,189 --> 00:16:26,100

herein and be found guilty of treason or

358

00:16:30,170 --> 00:16:28,199

of conspiracy to cause harm loss or

359

00:16:33,110 --> 00:16:30,180

injury to the people of the Australian

360

00:16:36,170 --> 00:16:33,120

Federation or of breaching your

361

00:16:38,509 --> 00:16:36,180

fiduciary duty as a medical doctor to

362

00:16:42,170 --> 00:16:38,519

the Australian people you will be

363

00:16:45,829 --> 00:16:42,180

stripped of your office and credentials

364

00:16:47,749 --> 00:16:45,839

tried before God and the jury of the

365

00:16:52,129 --> 00:16:47,759

people and punished according to the

366

00:16:55,189 --> 00:16:52,139

will of God and the people who stand as

367

00:16:57,530 --> 00:16:55,199

his vice Regent

368

00:16:59,689 --> 00:16:57,540

we direct you to govern yourself

369

00:17:02,569 --> 00:16:59,699

accordingly

370

00:17:04,010 --> 00:17:02,579

signed and in this case it's just a

371

00:17:07,490 --> 00:17:04,020

squiggle

372

00:17:10,010 --> 00:17:07,500

and underneath it says concerned citizen

373

00:17:14,390 --> 00:17:10,020

and right at the end we have a PO Box

374

00:17:21,410 --> 00:17:14,400

address PO Box 4320

375

00:17:26,049 --> 00:17:22,929

[Music]

376

00:17:29,090 --> 00:17:26,059

I wonder if some sort of

377

00:17:32,210 --> 00:17:29,100

artificial intelligence bot wrote that

378

00:17:34,610 --> 00:17:32,220

just grabbing word salad of

379

00:17:35,750 --> 00:17:34,620

Sovereign citizens and mashing them all

380

00:17:37,669 --> 00:17:35,760

together

381

00:17:41,029 --> 00:17:37,679

if not a couple of things are quite

382

00:17:44,330 --> 00:17:41,039

plain from this letter at least and I

383

00:17:45,830 --> 00:17:44,340

guess the base assertion is that covert

384

00:17:48,770 --> 00:17:45,840

is a hoax

385

00:17:50,390 --> 00:17:48,780

and I'm still surprised and I'm

386

00:17:52,130 --> 00:17:50,400

surprised that I'm surprised but I am

387

00:17:53,870 --> 00:17:52,140

still surprised that so many people in

388

00:17:56,690 --> 00:17:53,880

our society

389

00:17:58,909 --> 00:17:56,700

still considered covert to be a hoax but

390

00:18:01,669 --> 00:17:58,919

it's not real and this again is spurred

391

00:18:03,650 --> 00:18:01,679

on by various conspiracy mongers out

392

00:18:06,710 --> 00:18:03,660

there who tell their

393

00:18:07,430 --> 00:18:06,720

may I use the word sheeple I guess I

394

00:18:09,710 --> 00:18:07,440

should

395

00:18:12,110 --> 00:18:09,720

tell their flock their sheeple that

396

00:18:13,669 --> 00:18:12,120

covert is a hoax and this is all part of

397

00:18:15,590 --> 00:18:13,679

the giant one world conspiracy and

398

00:18:19,190 --> 00:18:15,600

you've heard it all before

399

00:18:21,529 --> 00:18:19,200

that is just one example of the crazy

400

00:18:23,080 --> 00:18:21,539

letters being circulated in our society

401
00:18:34,850 --> 00:18:23,090
and probably around the world

402
00:18:34,860 --> 00:18:37,570
foreign

403
00:18:41,870 --> 00:18:39,710
did you know that you can listen to the

404
00:18:48,230 --> 00:18:41,880
skeptic Zone on YouTube yes I know

405
00:18:53,270 --> 00:18:50,870
also you can hear 40 logical fallacies

406
00:18:54,830 --> 00:18:53,280
with Michelle bigasma and funny sketches

407
00:18:57,830 --> 00:18:54,840
with Richard Saunders and a host of

408
00:19:06,529 --> 00:18:59,810
just click on the YouTube links on the

409
00:19:06,539 --> 00:19:16,150
foreign

410
00:19:27,100 --> 00:19:18,710
Stockton and today I'm going to talk

411
00:19:32,870 --> 00:19:29,270
[Music]

412
00:19:34,909 --> 00:19:32,880
yeah okay I'll get you to say full name

413
00:19:36,350 --> 00:19:34,919

um corporations have names I don't oh

414

00:19:38,510 --> 00:19:36,360

there's a name on your license so what's

415

00:19:39,710 --> 00:19:38,520

the one on that uh that's a corporate

416

00:19:41,390 --> 00:19:39,720

entity all right so how would you like

417

00:19:44,510 --> 00:19:41,400

me to refer to you

418

00:19:45,470 --> 00:19:44,520

um as a polite Community that's what I'm

419

00:19:47,330 --> 00:19:45,480

doing so that's why I've asked you

420

00:19:48,770 --> 00:19:47,340

nicely just for your name now it's under

421

00:19:49,750 --> 00:19:48,780

the road rule so I'm allowed to issue an

422

00:19:51,710 --> 00:19:49,760

Impressions

423

00:19:53,450 --> 00:19:51,720

that's why I'm allowed to you're driving

424

00:19:54,770 --> 00:19:53,460

a motor vehicle on that Highway and

425

00:19:56,210 --> 00:19:54,780

you're using your mobile phone which is

426
00:19:58,190 --> 00:19:56,220
an offense under the road rules if you

427
00:20:00,650 --> 00:19:58,200
do carry out this fraud

428
00:20:03,529 --> 00:20:00,660
um under maritime law 1912 Hall of

429
00:20:05,570 --> 00:20:03,539
passes will be visible under Jose's

430
00:20:07,970 --> 00:20:05,580
Corpus and you will owe me you will be

431
00:20:10,970 --> 00:20:07,980
in debt to three billion or three pots

432
00:20:12,830 --> 00:20:10,980
of gold that was taken from Channel 7's

433
00:20:14,870 --> 00:20:12,840
Highway Patrol program

434
00:20:17,270 --> 00:20:14,880
in which Police pull over a man for

435
00:20:20,029 --> 00:20:17,280
using his phone while driving and the

436
00:20:22,669 --> 00:20:20,039
man provides a very unusual response

437
00:20:24,409 --> 00:20:22,679
at least it's an unusual response if

438
00:20:27,470 --> 00:20:24,419

you're unfamiliar with the Freeman on

439

00:20:29,630 --> 00:20:27,480

the land movement how can I describe the

440

00:20:31,490 --> 00:20:29,640

Freeman on the land movement

441

00:20:34,210 --> 00:20:31,500

let me start by asking you a question

442

00:20:36,649 --> 00:20:34,220

have you ever wanted to be two people

443

00:20:38,210 --> 00:20:36,659

one version of you could be the sensible

444

00:20:40,669 --> 00:20:38,220

law-abiding one

445

00:20:42,590 --> 00:20:40,679

the one that works hard pays tax and

446

00:20:44,870 --> 00:20:42,600

takes responsibility for your actions

447

00:20:46,669 --> 00:20:44,880

the other version of you could be free

448

00:20:49,130 --> 00:20:46,679

to run naked around the countryside

449

00:20:50,810 --> 00:20:49,140

thumbing your nose at convention making

450

00:20:52,730 --> 00:20:50,820

your own laws and having a great time

451
00:20:54,529 --> 00:20:52,740
uninhibited by the constraints of

452
00:20:57,409 --> 00:20:54,539
organized Society

453
00:20:59,270 --> 00:20:57,419
it sounds like a fantasy but if you're a

454
00:21:01,310 --> 00:20:59,280
Freeman on the land it's real the

455
00:21:04,970 --> 00:21:01,320
Freeman on the land movement otherwise

456
00:21:07,610 --> 00:21:04,980
known as foTL or simply futile has been

457
00:21:09,890 --> 00:21:07,620
around for a decade or so and stems from

458
00:21:12,049 --> 00:21:09,900
similar pseudo-legal movements that aim

459
00:21:13,970 --> 00:21:12,059
to avoid paying tax or obeying the laws

460
00:21:15,470 --> 00:21:13,980
of a particular jurisdiction

461
00:21:17,570 --> 00:21:15,480
it's not the first movement of

462
00:21:19,909 --> 00:21:17,580
disaffected angry people to try and

463
00:21:22,370 --> 00:21:19,919

avoid the powers of the state but it is

464

00:21:23,690 --> 00:21:22,380

my favorite and it is arguably the most

465

00:21:26,270 --> 00:21:23,700

ridiculous

466

00:21:28,549 --> 00:21:26,280

that's my opinion let's take a look at

467

00:21:30,529 --> 00:21:28,559

what the fertile movement is what

468

00:21:31,610 --> 00:21:30,539

Freeman believe and how their beliefs

469

00:21:33,049 --> 00:21:31,620

have been applied in the

470

00:21:34,730 --> 00:21:33,059

English-speaking countries where the

471

00:21:38,630 --> 00:21:34,740

movement seeks to thrive

472

00:21:39,890 --> 00:21:38,640

my first futile fact the government is a

473

00:21:41,390 --> 00:21:39,900

corporation

474

00:21:43,010 --> 00:21:41,400

Freeman believed that because

475

00:21:45,169 --> 00:21:43,020

governments undertake Financial

476

00:21:48,350 --> 00:21:45,179

transactions and have credit ratings

477

00:21:51,110 --> 00:21:48,360

they are therefore corporations my

478

00:21:52,789 --> 00:21:51,120

second futile fact laws aren't laws

479

00:21:54,710 --> 00:21:52,799

without a contract

480

00:21:57,110 --> 00:21:54,720

so because the government is a

481

00:21:58,850 --> 00:21:57,120

corporation Freeman believed that it

482

00:22:01,070 --> 00:21:58,860

doesn't have the power or right to

483

00:22:03,289 --> 00:22:01,080

govern people or make laws unless it has

484

00:22:06,169 --> 00:22:03,299

a contract with each person in other

485

00:22:09,049 --> 00:22:06,179

words you have to agree to a law a tax

486

00:22:11,810 --> 00:22:09,059

or a fine in a contract before that law

487

00:22:13,909 --> 00:22:11,820

tax or fine applies to you

488

00:22:15,710 --> 00:22:13,919

so you're fine because you never made a

489

00:22:17,390 --> 00:22:15,720

contract with the government right

490

00:22:19,510 --> 00:22:17,400

wrong

491

00:22:22,669 --> 00:22:19,520

that brings us to my third fertile fact

492

00:22:25,669 --> 00:22:22,679

your birth certificate is a contract

493

00:22:27,350 --> 00:22:25,679

when a person's birth is registered that

494

00:22:29,750 --> 00:22:27,360

person is automatically bound to the

495

00:22:31,430 --> 00:22:29,760

government contractually also Freeman

496

00:22:33,230 --> 00:22:31,440

believe

497

00:22:35,990 --> 00:22:33,240

a birth certificate is a document of

498

00:22:38,390 --> 00:22:36,000

ownership signifying the named party's

499

00:22:40,970 --> 00:22:38,400

enslavement to the corporation

500

00:22:43,430 --> 00:22:40,980

it looks like a nicely laid out record

501
00:22:46,070 --> 00:22:43,440
of your entry into the world but it is

502
00:22:47,270 --> 00:22:46,080
in fact a contract that says you are now

503
00:22:49,730 --> 00:22:47,280
an employee of the government

504
00:22:51,289 --> 00:22:49,740
corporation and have agreed to abide by

505
00:22:52,970 --> 00:22:51,299
its laws

506
00:22:56,029 --> 00:22:52,980
but don't lose hope

507
00:22:57,770 --> 00:22:56,039
my fourth fertile fact you can get out

508
00:22:59,930 --> 00:22:57,780
of your contract

509
00:23:01,250 --> 00:22:59,940
Freeman proposed a method for breaking

510
00:23:04,789 --> 00:23:01,260
the shackles of your corporate

511
00:23:08,810 --> 00:23:04,799
enslavement in short you write a letter

512
00:23:11,390 --> 00:23:08,820
to important people and tell them to get

513
00:23:14,210 --> 00:23:11,400

stuffed the letter is known as a notice

514

00:23:16,549 --> 00:23:14,220

of understanding and claim of right

515

00:23:19,669 --> 00:23:16,559

its function is to declare your freedom

516

00:23:21,590 --> 00:23:19,679

and explain your own version of the law

517

00:23:24,110 --> 00:23:21,600

there are many examples of these letters

518

00:23:26,690 --> 00:23:24,120

online with variations tailored to the

519

00:23:28,549 --> 00:23:26,700

particular Freeman writing it usually

520

00:23:31,970 --> 00:23:28,559

the letters include a list of

521

00:23:33,470 --> 00:23:31,980

understandings for example it is my

522

00:23:35,450 --> 00:23:33,480

understanding that the Commonwealth of

523

00:23:38,930 --> 00:23:35,460

Australia is a common law jurisdiction

524

00:23:40,970 --> 00:23:38,940

where the people have sovereignty or it

525

00:23:42,710 --> 00:23:40,980

is my understanding that all law hangs

526
00:23:46,250 --> 00:23:42,720
on loving God and loving one's neighbor

527
00:23:48,769 --> 00:23:46,260
as oneself or it is my understanding

528
00:23:51,769 --> 00:23:48,779
corporations are legal fictions

529
00:23:54,110 --> 00:23:51,779
this so-called understandings can sound

530
00:23:55,610 --> 00:23:54,120
pretty convincing if you ignore the fact

531
00:23:57,769 --> 00:23:55,620
that they're highly subjective

532
00:24:00,110 --> 00:23:57,779
assumptions with only a tenuous link to

533
00:24:02,510 --> 00:24:00,120
Legal reality once the Freeman's

534
00:24:04,549 --> 00:24:02,520
understandings are laid out the letter

535
00:24:06,710 --> 00:24:04,559
goes on to claim a series of rights

536
00:24:08,450 --> 00:24:06,720
based on those understandings that the

537
00:24:10,010 --> 00:24:08,460
Freeman is entitled to

538
00:24:12,169 --> 00:24:10,020

some of the examples that I've found

539

00:24:14,090 --> 00:24:12,179

online include the right to drive

540

00:24:16,250 --> 00:24:14,100

anywhere you want in an unregistered

541

00:24:18,289 --> 00:24:16,260

vehicle without a driver's license the

542

00:24:20,390 --> 00:24:18,299

right to charge hourly fees for being

543

00:24:22,010 --> 00:24:20,400

questioned detained transported or

544

00:24:23,269 --> 00:24:22,020

incarcerated by police or other

545

00:24:25,669 --> 00:24:23,279

authorities

546

00:24:28,490 --> 00:24:25,679

and the right to copyright your own name

547

00:24:30,289 --> 00:24:28,500

and charge fees for unauthorized use

548

00:24:32,330 --> 00:24:30,299

once you've sent this letter to the

549

00:24:34,190 --> 00:24:32,340

Queen the Prime Minister and the police

550

00:24:36,490 --> 00:24:34,200

published it somewhere and carry it

551
00:24:38,450 --> 00:24:36,500
around with you you're officially free

552
00:24:40,730 --> 00:24:38,460
this brings us back to the little

553
00:24:42,350 --> 00:24:40,740
fantasy we had going earlier and to my

554
00:24:44,570 --> 00:24:42,360
fifth futile fact

555
00:24:47,090 --> 00:24:44,580
there are two versions of you

556
00:24:49,970 --> 00:24:47,100
congratulations you are two separate

557
00:24:52,070 --> 00:24:49,980
entities the first is your enslaved

558
00:24:54,169 --> 00:24:52,080
legal person who now exists only in

559
00:24:56,210 --> 00:24:54,179
writing the writing on your birth

560
00:24:58,490 --> 00:24:56,220
certificate on your electricity bill and

561
00:25:01,370 --> 00:24:58,500
your driver's license the second entity

562
00:25:03,649 --> 00:25:01,380
is the real you the actual Flesh and

563
00:25:06,169 --> 00:25:03,659

Blood person who eats and sleeps and

564

00:25:08,750 --> 00:25:06,179

listens to podcasts the one I like to

565

00:25:11,090 --> 00:25:08,760

call the meat person this is the one at

566

00:25:13,310 --> 00:25:11,100

Liberty to roam Wild and Free across the

567

00:25:16,610 --> 00:25:13,320

wide expanse of Nature and probably

568

00:25:20,390 --> 00:25:16,620

through a few red lights my sixth futile

569

00:25:22,610 --> 00:25:20,400

fact is your name is not your name now

570

00:25:24,470 --> 00:25:22,620

that you are two people it's important

571

00:25:27,289 --> 00:25:24,480

to differentiate between your legal

572

00:25:28,789 --> 00:25:27,299

person and your meat person your legal

573

00:25:31,490 --> 00:25:28,799

person is usually expressed in the

574

00:25:33,830 --> 00:25:31,500

traditional way Richard Saunders for

575

00:25:35,510 --> 00:25:33,840

example this is the you that exists on

576

00:25:36,830 --> 00:25:35,520

official documents usually in capital

577

00:25:39,470 --> 00:25:36,840

letters

578

00:25:41,149 --> 00:25:39,480

so for the purpose of a podcast Richard

579

00:25:43,070 --> 00:25:41,159

Saunders

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00:25:45,769 --> 00:25:43,080

Freeman distinguished their meat person

581

00:25:48,529 --> 00:25:45,779

from their legal person by expressing

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00:25:52,549 --> 00:25:48,539

their name as first name of the family

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00:25:55,370 --> 00:25:52,559

last name for example Richard of the

584

00:25:59,510 --> 00:25:55,380

family Saunders as opposed to Richard's

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00:26:02,210 --> 00:25:59,520

honors my final futile fact is this

586

00:26:04,430 --> 00:26:02,220

some laws are okay Freeman might be

587

00:26:06,830 --> 00:26:04,440

misguided Fringe dwellers with legally

588

00:26:08,810 --> 00:26:06,840

interesting delusions but they're not

589

00:26:12,110 --> 00:26:08,820

completely devoid of Standards most

590

00:26:13,490 --> 00:26:12,120

follow what they call common law which

591

00:26:15,110 --> 00:26:13,500

basically states that you can do

592

00:26:17,930 --> 00:26:15,120

anything you want as long as you don't

593

00:26:19,070 --> 00:26:17,940

cause harm or loss to anyone and you try

594

00:26:22,070 --> 00:26:19,080

to be honest

595

00:26:24,110 --> 00:26:22,080

so I guess driving blindfolded is okay

596

00:26:26,210 --> 00:26:24,120

as long as you don't hit anything

597

00:26:28,250 --> 00:26:26,220

so that's a very brief summary of what

598

00:26:29,269 --> 00:26:28,260

Freeman on the land movement is all

599

00:26:31,610 --> 00:26:29,279

about

600

00:26:34,010 --> 00:26:31,620

I guess the only question left to answer

601
00:26:36,110 --> 00:26:34,020
is does it work

602
00:26:40,549 --> 00:26:36,120
well let's take a quick look at some

603
00:26:45,529 --> 00:26:43,310
and we're done there are no successful

604
00:26:47,289 --> 00:26:45,539
Freeman on the land cases the whole

605
00:26:49,130 --> 00:26:47,299
movement is based on outdated

606
00:26:51,289 --> 00:26:49,140
pseudo-legal Concepts and good

607
00:26:54,289 --> 00:26:51,299
old-fashioned wrongness

608
00:26:56,149 --> 00:26:54,299
the best of Freeman can hope for is a

609
00:26:57,049 --> 00:26:56,159
judge throwing out their fallacy-filled

610
00:26:58,789 --> 00:26:57,059
case

611
00:27:01,370 --> 00:26:58,799
out of frustration

612
00:27:03,169 --> 00:27:01,380
in reality many Freeman have turned a

613
00:27:05,269 --> 00:27:03,179

minor offense into a jail sentence

614

00:27:07,789 --> 00:27:05,279

simply by refusing to engage in the

615

00:27:09,769 --> 00:27:07,799

legal process in my opinion the best

616

00:27:11,630 --> 00:27:09,779

thing the foramen on the land movement

617

00:27:12,470 --> 00:27:11,640

has going for it is its entertainment

618

00:27:14,149 --> 00:27:12,480

value

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00:27:15,950 --> 00:27:14,159

if you can find the time to look up some

620

00:27:17,510 --> 00:27:15,960

Freeman videos on YouTube I highly

621

00:27:19,909 --> 00:27:17,520

recommend it

622

00:27:21,580 --> 00:27:19,919

you've been listening to Shelley of the

623

00:27:25,610 --> 00:27:21,590

family stocking

624

00:27:25,620 --> 00:27:29,690

foreign

625

00:27:42,710 --> 00:27:39,730

[Music]

626

00:27:45,169 --> 00:27:42,720

godmother angel from the internet kept a

627

00:27:46,970 --> 00:27:45,179

watchful eye on the world ready to

628

00:27:49,789 --> 00:27:46,980

appear out of thin air in a puff of

629

00:27:51,950 --> 00:27:49,799

smoke to offer advice and save people

630

00:27:54,350 --> 00:27:51,960

from committing logical fallacies and

631

00:27:55,490 --> 00:27:54,360

buying well frankly substandard maple

632

00:27:58,490 --> 00:27:55,500

syrup

633

00:28:00,710 --> 00:27:58,500

but in 2021 she's decided to take some

634

00:28:02,710 --> 00:28:00,720

time off to watch the Australian and New

635

00:28:05,990 --> 00:28:02,720

Zealand Skeptics convention in November

636

00:28:10,190 --> 00:28:06,000

hmm fancy her task now is to find a

637

00:28:15,169 --> 00:28:12,350

let us take you now to that magical

638

00:28:18,289 --> 00:28:15,179

realm of dreams that lies Beyond time

639

00:28:22,620 --> 00:28:18,299

and space the home office of the

640

00:28:22,630 --> 00:28:28,730

[Music]

641

00:28:28,740 --> 00:28:33,909

hello everyone hello

642

00:28:41,149 --> 00:28:37,310

thank you all for applying for the job

643

00:28:44,450 --> 00:28:41,159

one of you will replace me but I need to

644

00:28:47,269 --> 00:28:44,460

be sure to pick the right candidate yes

645

00:28:48,230 --> 00:28:47,279

sure sounds good okay sounds okay good

646

00:28:55,010 --> 00:28:48,240

yes

647

00:29:02,029 --> 00:28:59,149

all right then candidate number one

648

00:29:04,370 --> 00:29:02,039

that's me it says here on your

649

00:29:07,070 --> 00:29:04,380

application that you have studied

650

00:29:10,370 --> 00:29:07,080

logical fallacies by listening to the

651
00:29:12,070 --> 00:29:10,380
skeptical Zone podcast oh yes skeptical

652
00:29:15,889 --> 00:29:12,080
Fairy Godmother angel from the internet

653
00:29:18,470 --> 00:29:15,899
I never miss a show in fact if I get the

654
00:29:21,590 --> 00:29:18,480
job I will fly to the producer and tell

655
00:29:24,830 --> 00:29:21,600
him about a new logical fallacy oh

656
00:29:28,430 --> 00:29:24,840
really which one is that the logical

657
00:29:30,350 --> 00:29:28,440
fallacy of the sticky situation the

658
00:29:33,289 --> 00:29:30,360
sticky situation

659
00:29:37,070 --> 00:29:33,299
does this have anything to do with maple

660
00:29:40,549 --> 00:29:37,080
syrup yes how did you know just a wild

661
00:29:43,549 --> 00:29:40,559
guess okay then

662
00:29:46,130 --> 00:29:43,559
um candidate number two

663
00:29:49,310 --> 00:29:46,140

what makes you think you are qualified

664

00:29:51,529 --> 00:29:49,320

to fill in for me well skeptical Fairy

665

00:29:53,510 --> 00:29:51,539

Godmother angel from the internet I'm

666

00:29:56,450 --> 00:29:53,520

working on your Wikipedia page and I

667

00:30:00,049 --> 00:29:56,460

needed extra inside information and what

668

00:30:02,029 --> 00:30:00,059

better way than to borrow your wings but

669

00:30:06,049 --> 00:30:02,039

you know you'd have to give them back

670

00:30:08,450 --> 00:30:06,059

right hmm yes

671

00:30:15,470 --> 00:30:08,460

right

672

00:30:17,090 --> 00:30:15,480

um sorry what was that narrator saying

673

00:30:20,149 --> 00:30:17,100

about the Australian and New Zealand

674

00:30:23,510 --> 00:30:20,159

Skeptics convention oh I want to watch

675

00:30:25,850 --> 00:30:23,520

it live so that's why I need a fill-in

676

00:30:27,169 --> 00:30:25,860

really I thought I was applying to be

677

00:30:29,149 --> 00:30:27,179

the tooth fairy

678

00:30:29,750 --> 00:30:29,159

what's so special about this convention

679

00:30:31,610 --> 00:30:29,760

anyway

680

00:30:37,090 --> 00:30:31,620

[Music]

681

00:30:45,350 --> 00:30:41,810

wow hang on how did I get here

682

00:30:47,930 --> 00:30:45,360

um magic Minot can you tell Kelly about

683

00:30:50,029 --> 00:30:47,940

the convention okay then

684

00:30:51,830 --> 00:30:50,039

this year on the 20th and 21st of

685

00:30:53,389 --> 00:30:51,840

November the Australian to New Zealand

686

00:30:55,970 --> 00:30:53,399

Skeptics are pulling together their

687

00:30:57,889 --> 00:30:55,980

resources and holding a combined annual

688

00:30:59,990 --> 00:30:57,899

convention

689

00:31:01,669 --> 00:31:00,000

you can join in to see a great lineup of

690

00:31:04,310 --> 00:31:01,679

speakers from both countries and some

691

00:31:06,950 --> 00:31:04,320

International guests too and they're not

692

00:31:09,649 --> 00:31:06,960

going to let covid-19 spoil the party oh

693

00:31:12,289 --> 00:31:09,659

no the show will go on via the Internet

694

00:31:14,330 --> 00:31:12,299

regardless that's right you can watch it

695

00:31:18,850 --> 00:31:14,340

live from the four corners of the Flat

696

00:31:22,870 --> 00:31:18,860

Earth Register your interest now at

697

00:31:31,970 --> 00:31:28,130

www.skepticon.org dot a u a u wow sounds

698

00:31:34,610 --> 00:31:31,980

good can I go now in that case skeptical

699

00:31:37,190 --> 00:31:34,620

Fairy Godmother angel from the internet

700

00:31:40,490 --> 00:31:37,200

I might change my minds I think I'll

701
00:31:42,529 --> 00:31:40,500
sign up for the convention yeah you know

702
00:31:44,570 --> 00:31:42,539
I think I will too

703
00:31:45,510 --> 00:31:44,580
well don't look at me I don't want to

704
00:31:47,990 --> 00:31:45,520
miss the convention

705
00:31:54,110 --> 00:31:48,000
[Music]

706
00:31:56,389 --> 00:31:54,120
all right well thanks for coming then

707
00:31:59,149 --> 00:31:56,399
um Minot

708
00:32:01,970 --> 00:31:59,159
are you interested in becoming a

709
00:32:04,850 --> 00:32:01,980
skeptical Fairy Godmother angel from the

710
00:32:06,470 --> 00:32:04,860
internet for a few days oh yeah baby you

711
00:32:08,930 --> 00:32:06,480
should see how much maple syrup I've got

712
00:32:12,649 --> 00:32:08,940
at home I've dreamed of this day yeah

713
00:32:15,350 --> 00:32:12,659

maple syrup hallelujah hallelujah maple

714

00:32:17,090 --> 00:32:15,360

syrup will I get to meet Maple I love

715

00:32:26,730 --> 00:32:17,100

Canada I can remember when they won the

716

00:32:39,950 --> 00:32:31,789

[Music]

717

00:32:42,549 --> 00:32:39,960

once again to visit those online

718

00:32:46,370 --> 00:32:42,559

archives at Trove

719

00:32:48,830 --> 00:32:46,380

trove.nla.gov dot a u those digitized

720

00:32:51,580 --> 00:32:48,840

vaults of newspapers and magazines

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00:32:53,450 --> 00:32:51,590

clippings journals and so on

722

00:32:55,070 --> 00:32:53,460

[Music]

723

00:32:56,690 --> 00:32:55,080

and if you've been following this

724

00:32:59,330 --> 00:32:56,700

segment for some time you know the

725

00:33:02,350 --> 00:32:59,340

general theme is looking up the

726

00:33:06,110 --> 00:33:02,360

Paranormal the supernatural

727

00:33:08,509 --> 00:33:06,120

Associated topics in The Archives of

728

00:33:11,649 --> 00:33:08,519

Australian history

729

00:33:15,649 --> 00:33:11,659

as reported in various newspapers

730

00:33:19,070 --> 00:33:15,659

and this week my search criteria was

731

00:33:21,710 --> 00:33:19,080

paranormal research and as it turns out

732

00:33:22,730 --> 00:33:21,720

that returns quite a broad spectrum of

733

00:33:25,149 --> 00:33:22,740

results

734

00:33:30,470 --> 00:33:25,159

but let's begin this time in the year

735

00:33:31,970 --> 00:33:30,480

1953 on the 29th of July as reported in

736

00:33:33,830 --> 00:33:31,980

The Courier mail from Brisbane

737

00:33:35,810 --> 00:33:33,840

Queensland

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00:33:40,140 --> 00:33:35,820

do you believe in ghosts

739

00:33:43,389 --> 00:33:40,150

Joyce Sterling is left wondering

740

00:33:48,669 --> 00:33:46,070

when one of your friends tells you a

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00:33:51,350 --> 00:33:48,679

ghost story you enjoy the temporary

742

00:33:54,470 --> 00:33:51,360

prickling of the scalp that accompanies

743

00:33:57,590 --> 00:33:54,480

it then forget all about it

744

00:34:00,769 --> 00:33:57,600

but when a distinguished doctor of

745

00:34:03,169 --> 00:34:00,779

science writes a 400-page book crammed

746

00:34:05,149 --> 00:34:03,179

with fascinating illustrations of

747

00:34:07,549 --> 00:34:05,159

psychic phenomena

748

00:34:10,129 --> 00:34:07,559

you don't forget about it on the

749

00:34:11,869 --> 00:34:10,139

contrary you might possibly mull over it

750

00:34:14,930 --> 00:34:11,879

indefinitely

751
00:34:18,349 --> 00:34:14,940
Dr Rayna C Johnson is a master of Queens

752
00:34:21,409 --> 00:34:18,359
College University of Melbourne he has

753
00:34:25,250 --> 00:34:21,419
called his book quote the imprisoned

754
00:34:28,669 --> 00:34:25,260
Splendor end quote and the imprisoned

755
00:34:31,669 --> 00:34:28,679
Splendor is that certain something

756
00:34:34,310 --> 00:34:31,679
within us which some people call a soul

757
00:34:37,849 --> 00:34:34,320
and whose adventurings past present and

758
00:34:39,829 --> 00:34:37,859
future he has spent endless thought and

759
00:34:42,889 --> 00:34:39,839
Research In following

760
00:34:44,990 --> 00:34:42,899
don't make any mistake this is not a

761
00:34:48,829 --> 00:34:45,000
collection of Sensational Supernatural

762
00:34:51,349 --> 00:34:48,839
experiences it is a scientific and

763
00:34:54,050 --> 00:34:51,359

objective probe by a brilliant and

764

00:34:58,310 --> 00:34:54,060

sensitive mind into what is known as

765

00:35:01,510 --> 00:34:58,320

quote paranormal phenomena end quote

766

00:35:04,030 --> 00:35:01,520

it takes in telepathy Clairvoyance

767

00:35:07,670 --> 00:35:04,040

Poltergeist phenomena

768

00:35:10,930 --> 00:35:07,680

apparitions and the work of mediums

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00:35:13,490 --> 00:35:10,940

there is a chapter on reincarnation

770

00:35:15,950 --> 00:35:13,500

which to many are questioning and

771

00:35:18,170 --> 00:35:15,960

Confused mind will offer the greatest

772

00:35:21,370 --> 00:35:18,180

possible comfort

773

00:35:25,310 --> 00:35:21,380

and it sifts evidence for those strange

774

00:35:27,730 --> 00:35:25,320

exalterations of the spirit known as

775

00:35:31,010 --> 00:35:27,740

quote mystical

776

00:35:32,690 --> 00:35:31,020

experiences end quote with reassuring

777

00:35:36,290 --> 00:35:32,700

thoughtfulness

778

00:35:39,650 --> 00:35:36,300

it is not an easy book

779

00:35:41,390 --> 00:35:39,660

in fact Dr Johnson himself says that if

780

00:35:44,510 --> 00:35:41,400

the reader finds one chapter too

781

00:35:46,790 --> 00:35:44,520

difficult then he should move on to the

782

00:35:49,250 --> 00:35:46,800

next and come back later with a clearer

783

00:35:52,670 --> 00:35:49,260

mind in one way this is a Pity because

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00:35:55,550 --> 00:35:52,680

it might discourage the casual or lazy

785

00:35:58,730 --> 00:35:55,560

reader in another way it is exciting

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00:36:01,370 --> 00:35:58,740

because it is obvious that this man

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00:36:05,329 --> 00:36:01,380

wants you to arrive at your conclusions

788

00:36:08,770 --> 00:36:05,339

as he did along the path of close

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00:36:10,490 --> 00:36:08,780

scientific scrutiny

790

00:36:13,069 --> 00:36:10,500

apparitions

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00:36:15,770 --> 00:36:13,079

some of the data Dr Johnson has

792

00:36:19,609 --> 00:36:15,780

collected in the course of his research

793

00:36:22,609 --> 00:36:19,619

makes astounding reading in one chapter

794

00:36:25,790 --> 00:36:22,619

on apparitions the startling story he

795

00:36:28,310 --> 00:36:25,800

tells of a certain Lord Broham a young

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00:36:29,810 --> 00:36:28,320

Englishman traveling in Sweden is

797

00:36:33,170 --> 00:36:29,820

typical

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00:36:36,410 --> 00:36:33,180

in his Salad Days Lord Broome took a vow

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00:36:39,230 --> 00:36:36,420

with a friend that whoever died first

800

00:36:41,630 --> 00:36:39,240

would come back and visit the other

801

00:36:45,170 --> 00:36:41,640

so that they could settle any doubts

802

00:36:46,250 --> 00:36:45,180

they might have with regard to a future

803

00:36:48,710 --> 00:36:46,260

life

804

00:36:52,130 --> 00:36:48,720

at the town of Gothenburg and Sweden

805

00:36:55,790 --> 00:36:52,140

Lord Broome took a bath at a local hotel

806

00:36:58,069 --> 00:36:55,800

an odd place one feels in which to have

807

00:37:01,370 --> 00:36:58,079

a psychical experience

808

00:37:04,370 --> 00:37:01,380

in a letter to a friend Lord Broome

809

00:37:07,370 --> 00:37:04,380

writes while lying in the warm bath

810

00:37:09,050 --> 00:37:07,380

enjoying the comfort of the heat I

811

00:37:11,270 --> 00:37:09,060

turned my head around looking towards

812

00:37:13,910 --> 00:37:11,280

the chair on which I had deposited my

813

00:37:17,210 --> 00:37:13,920

clothes on the chair that the friend

814

00:37:21,109 --> 00:37:17,220

with whom I had taken the vow looking at

815

00:37:24,650 --> 00:37:21,119

me calmly how I got out of the bath I

816

00:37:28,010 --> 00:37:24,660

know not but on recovering my senses I

817

00:37:31,370 --> 00:37:28,020

found myself sprawled on the floor The

818

00:37:33,650 --> 00:37:31,380

Apparition had disappeared

819

00:37:36,170 --> 00:37:33,660

so strong was the impression made upon

820

00:37:38,290 --> 00:37:36,180

me that I wrote down the details of my

821

00:37:40,849 --> 00:37:38,300

experience together with the date

822

00:37:43,490 --> 00:37:40,859

December 19.

823

00:37:45,710 --> 00:37:43,500

soon after my return to Edinburgh there

824

00:37:47,630 --> 00:37:45,720

arrived a letter from India announcing

825

00:37:52,870 --> 00:37:47,640

my friend's death

826

00:37:56,089 --> 00:37:52,880

he had died on December 19.

827

00:37:58,490 --> 00:37:56,099

telepathy we all know what telepathy

828

00:38:01,130 --> 00:37:58,500

means that curious ability of the mind

829

00:38:04,430 --> 00:38:01,140

to pick up the thoughts of another mind

830

00:38:07,910 --> 00:38:04,440

you walk into a lift with a tune in your

831

00:38:09,910 --> 00:38:07,920

head someone immediately starts to

832

00:38:13,130 --> 00:38:09,920

whistle the same tune

833

00:38:15,589 --> 00:38:13,140

coincidence you won't think so after you

834

00:38:18,410 --> 00:38:15,599

have read Dr Johnson's chapter on

835

00:38:22,210 --> 00:38:18,420

telepathy nor can you doubt for one

836

00:38:25,310 --> 00:38:22,220

moment the authenticity of many cases of

837

00:38:27,589 --> 00:38:25,320

precognition he quotes that sudden

838

00:38:29,510 --> 00:38:27,599

intuition that sends one hurrying to the

839

00:38:33,050 --> 00:38:29,520

side of a dear one because they know

840

00:38:35,810 --> 00:38:33,060

there is something the matter

841

00:38:39,050 --> 00:38:35,820

by the time you are well immersed in

842

00:38:41,329 --> 00:38:39,060

this book you will become convinced that

843

00:38:44,870 --> 00:38:41,339

no paranormal experience is too

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00:38:47,810 --> 00:38:44,880

fantastic to be believed especially as

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00:38:50,630 --> 00:38:47,820

your conviction is quickly supported by

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00:38:53,990 --> 00:38:50,640

the author himself with such mundane

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00:38:57,770 --> 00:38:54,000

things as geometrical diagrams together

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00:39:01,010 --> 00:38:57,780

with his own calm commentary you may or

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00:39:03,170 --> 00:39:01,020

may not know of the division of the body

850

00:39:06,109 --> 00:39:03,180

and soul known as

851

00:39:09,410 --> 00:39:06,119

projection a state in which the spirit

852

00:39:10,990 --> 00:39:09,420

leaves the body and quite literally goes

853

00:39:12,829 --> 00:39:11,000

visiting

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00:39:15,349 --> 00:39:12,839

visitations

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00:39:19,670 --> 00:39:15,359

one is inclined to Envy the experiences

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00:39:22,450 --> 00:39:19,680

of Miss Marguerite Bassett who during an

857

00:39:26,510 --> 00:39:22,460

experiment under guidance of an expert

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00:39:29,390 --> 00:39:26,520

quote set forth on visitations to other

859

00:39:32,870 --> 00:39:29,400

parts of the globe end quote

860

00:39:36,530 --> 00:39:32,880

Miss Bessette says that quote projecting

861

00:39:40,130 --> 00:39:36,540

herself into space and quote she was

862

00:39:42,790 --> 00:39:40,140

quote deeply interested to find herself

863

00:39:45,530 --> 00:39:42,800

in bright Sunshine over the

864

00:39:49,370 --> 00:39:45,540

Mediterranean end quote

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00:39:52,730 --> 00:39:49,380

on another occasion she quote visited

866

00:39:55,670 --> 00:39:52,740

main quote Tibet and had her detailed

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00:39:58,430 --> 00:39:55,680

memories of the place confirmed by

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00:40:01,670 --> 00:39:58,440

people who had really been there

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00:40:05,270 --> 00:40:01,680

Miss Bassett says she experienced a

870

00:40:09,050 --> 00:40:05,280

sense of quote Great Adventure end quote

871

00:40:12,710 --> 00:40:09,060

during these unorthodox tours who

872

00:40:16,190 --> 00:40:12,720

wouldn't with not even a vaccination

873

00:40:17,990 --> 00:40:16,200

Mark to spoil them then I'll just pause

874

00:40:21,470 --> 00:40:18,000

there to say that's ironic isn't it

875

00:40:23,809 --> 00:40:21,480

that's that's interesting even I if I

876
00:40:24,710 --> 00:40:23,819
look at my arm now I have a vaccination

877
00:40:28,370 --> 00:40:24,720
mark

878
00:40:29,809 --> 00:40:28,380
from my childhood and I don't think that

879
00:40:31,370 --> 00:40:29,819
spoils my arm

880
00:40:34,550 --> 00:40:31,380
at all

881
00:40:38,030 --> 00:40:34,560
but we read on in a more Macabre vein

882
00:40:39,890 --> 00:40:38,040
there are experiences of people who at

883
00:40:43,630 --> 00:40:39,900
times of Crisis or physical accident

884
00:40:46,250 --> 00:40:43,640
have been aware of their spiritual self

885
00:40:50,990 --> 00:40:46,260
dispassionately observing from above

886
00:40:53,210 --> 00:40:51,000
their broken and pain-ridden bodies

887
00:40:55,550 --> 00:40:53,220
and so to the concluding chapter on

888
00:40:58,609 --> 00:40:55,560

reincarnation in which Dr Johnson

889

00:41:01,690 --> 00:40:58,619

touches on such popular pointers to a

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00:41:06,170 --> 00:41:01,700

previous existence as the child prodigy

891

00:41:09,770 --> 00:41:06,180

and that feeling of quote I have been

892

00:41:11,950 --> 00:41:09,780

here before and quote which most of us

893

00:41:14,530 --> 00:41:11,960

know so well

894

00:41:17,870 --> 00:41:14,540

endless way

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00:41:20,050 --> 00:41:17,880

and where does all this lead we have

896

00:41:23,390 --> 00:41:20,060

looked in this book had many questions

897

00:41:26,450 --> 00:41:23,400

says the writer and found perhaps

898

00:41:28,670 --> 00:41:26,460

satisfying answers to none but even to

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00:41:31,370 --> 00:41:28,680

look fearlessly is to be strangely

900

00:41:34,250 --> 00:41:31,380

comforted we live in a universe more

901
00:41:36,230 --> 00:41:34,260
wonderful than all our dreams that at

902
00:41:39,349 --> 00:41:36,240
least seems clear

903
00:41:41,569 --> 00:41:39,359
to sum up we have enough trustworthy

904
00:41:44,750 --> 00:41:41,579
evidence to anticipate our survival of

905
00:41:48,230 --> 00:41:44,760
the change called death for myself birth

906
00:41:52,069 --> 00:41:48,240
and death seem to be respectively the

907
00:41:54,770 --> 00:41:52,079
great Exile and the great returning home

908
00:41:57,170 --> 00:41:54,780
I expect when the immediate shock of the

909
00:42:00,230 --> 00:41:57,180
change is over to find myself in a body

910
00:42:02,270 --> 00:42:00,240
familiar to me because it has always

911
00:42:04,430 --> 00:42:02,280
been a possession without my realizing

912
00:42:07,790 --> 00:42:04,440
it in a country from which come

913
00:42:10,609 --> 00:42:07,800

thronging back to me welcoming Echoes of

914

00:42:12,970 --> 00:42:10,619

my old familiarity

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00:42:16,910 --> 00:42:12,980

it will still be a world of appearance

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00:42:19,910 --> 00:42:16,920

but since one Veil will then have fallen

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00:42:23,329 --> 00:42:19,920

from the face of truth I shall expect to

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00:42:26,390 --> 00:42:23,339

find myself more responsive to her

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00:42:29,690 --> 00:42:26,400

Eternal Beauty as I set out again a

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00:42:32,870 --> 00:42:29,700

pilgrim on the endless way

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00:42:36,230 --> 00:42:32,880

oh and that is some book review and that

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00:42:38,569 --> 00:42:36,240

book was called again the imprisoned

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00:42:41,030 --> 00:42:38,579

splendor

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00:42:45,050 --> 00:42:41,040

let's look that up

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00:42:48,470 --> 00:42:45,060

and here we go and uh return brings us

926
00:42:51,589 --> 00:42:48,480
to goodreads.com the imprisoned Splendor

927
00:42:54,650 --> 00:42:51,599
by Reina C Johnson

928
00:42:56,390 --> 00:42:54,660
and there's quite a lengthy overview of

929
00:43:00,069 --> 00:42:56,400
the book

930
00:43:02,690 --> 00:43:00,079
in this book physicists Rayna Johnson

931
00:43:06,109 --> 00:43:02,700
explores Natural Science psychical

932
00:43:07,790 --> 00:43:06,119
research and mystical experience the

933
00:43:10,370 --> 00:43:07,800
book is valuable for the serious and

934
00:43:12,650 --> 00:43:10,380
Casual reader alike or anyone wishing to

935
00:43:15,050 --> 00:43:12,660
explore the mystical world of paranormal

936
00:43:16,970 --> 00:43:15,060
phenomena telepathy Clairvoyance

937
00:43:18,829 --> 00:43:16,980
clairaudience telekinesis Poltergeist

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00:43:20,690 --> 00:43:18,839

phenomena Phantoms of the living and the

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00:43:23,630 --> 00:43:20,700

dead trans phenomena automatic writing

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00:43:26,750 --> 00:43:23,640

and the evidence for the etheric body

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00:43:29,270 --> 00:43:26,760

are all discussed Johnson the scientist

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00:43:32,030 --> 00:43:29,280

is clearly a Mystic at heart and makes

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00:43:34,910 --> 00:43:32,040

for fascinating reading no stone is left

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00:43:37,910 --> 00:43:34,920

untuned and Theological Dogma is cast

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00:43:38,809 --> 00:43:37,920

aside pre-existence is discussed in

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00:43:41,270 --> 00:43:38,819

depth

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00:43:43,970 --> 00:43:41,280

there is more there and it concludes the

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00:43:46,370 --> 00:43:43,980

imprisoned Splendor is deeply impressive

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00:43:49,250 --> 00:43:46,380

and now considered a classic of

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00:43:52,250 --> 00:43:49,260

psychical research literature

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00:43:56,089 --> 00:43:52,260

oh and it can be yours on Kindle for

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00:43:59,569 --> 00:43:56,099

only 5.99 well over at Amazon there is a

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00:44:02,329 --> 00:43:59,579

review somebody has given it uh five

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00:44:04,970 --> 00:44:02,339

stars this was written in 2001

955

00:44:05,750 --> 00:44:04,980

provokes more Wonder than the Discovery

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00:44:09,770 --> 00:44:05,760

Channel

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00:44:12,109 --> 00:44:09,780

and the review is in all caps so um

958

00:44:15,050 --> 00:44:12,119

a great book to read for insight about

959

00:44:16,970 --> 00:44:15,060

reality in all sides of life when it

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00:44:19,550 --> 00:44:16,980

goes on waxing lyrical

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00:44:22,790 --> 00:44:19,560

and it goes on I recommend this book to

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00:44:25,550 --> 00:44:22,800

anyone who is a curious and open-minded

963

00:44:28,490 --> 00:44:25,560

individual I enjoyed the book immensely

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00:44:30,589 --> 00:44:28,500

yes I I think you did now the next

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00:44:34,870 --> 00:44:30,599

return we find comes from the Canberra

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00:44:36,589 --> 00:44:34,880

times dated the 30th of November

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00:44:41,470 --> 00:44:36,599

1995

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00:44:45,530 --> 00:44:41,480

scientific study quote proves and quote

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00:44:47,569 --> 00:44:45,540

ESP works for some and I'll just say

970

00:44:51,190 --> 00:44:47,579

we've mentioned before in the Trove

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00:44:54,950 --> 00:44:51,200

archives how out of date the term ESP

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00:44:57,829 --> 00:44:54,960

has become when I was younger in the 70s

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00:44:59,390 --> 00:44:57,839

and the 80s the term was frequent was uh

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00:45:03,109 --> 00:44:59,400

ubiquitous

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00:45:06,410 --> 00:45:03,119

Washington Wednesday some people might

976
00:45:08,510 --> 00:45:06,420
have a paranormal ability to visualize

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00:45:12,890 --> 00:45:08,520
hidden or distant objects without

978
00:45:17,809 --> 00:45:12,900
actually seeing them a CIA commissioned

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00:45:20,750 --> 00:45:17,819
study made public yesterday as reported

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00:45:23,930 --> 00:45:20,760
the study by the American Institute for

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00:45:27,190 --> 00:45:23,940
research a private Washington social

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00:45:30,410 --> 00:45:27,200
science research firm said quote

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00:45:32,750 --> 00:45:30,420
statistically significant and quote

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00:45:35,750 --> 00:45:32,760
results have been observed in laboratory

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00:45:39,530 --> 00:45:35,760
experiments to test extra sensory

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00:45:41,809 --> 00:45:39,540
perception which it called quote

987
00:45:42,890 --> 00:45:41,819
remote viewing

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00:45:45,230 --> 00:45:42,900

quote

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00:45:47,870 --> 00:45:45,240

the Central Intelligence Agency

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00:45:50,809 --> 00:45:47,880

commissioned the study at the request of

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00:45:52,849 --> 00:45:50,819

the Senate Appropriations Committee Keen

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00:45:55,430 --> 00:45:52,859

to know whether more Government research

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00:45:59,390 --> 00:45:55,440

into parapsychology was warranted to

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00:46:01,309 --> 00:45:59,400

give U.S spy agencies an extra arrow in

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00:46:04,450 --> 00:46:01,319

their quiver the findings were made

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00:46:09,050 --> 00:46:04,460

public after they were cited by ABC News

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David Christian a CIA spokesman declined

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00:46:15,770 --> 00:46:11,760

to discuss examples of CIA use of

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00:46:19,089 --> 00:46:15,780

so-called psychic spying but said most

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00:46:22,010 --> 00:46:19,099

of its research in the 1970s was quote

1001
00:46:24,410 --> 00:46:22,020
experimental end quote the defense

1002
00:46:26,150 --> 00:46:24,420
intelligence agency which coordinates

1003
00:46:28,130 --> 00:46:26,160
military intelligence

1004
00:46:31,370 --> 00:46:28,140
had no comment

1005
00:46:33,530 --> 00:46:31,380
not surprising as statistics Professor

1006
00:46:36,950 --> 00:46:33,540
from the University of California Davis

1007
00:46:39,550 --> 00:46:36,960
Jessica OOTS who worked on the study and

1008
00:46:42,349 --> 00:46:39,560
specializes in evaluating

1009
00:46:44,630 --> 00:46:42,359
parapsychological research said the data

1010
00:46:46,910 --> 00:46:44,640
she viewed for the CIA study had

1011
00:46:49,430 --> 00:46:46,920
produced the most credible evidence to

1012
00:46:53,329 --> 00:46:49,440
date that humans were capable of

1013
00:46:55,130 --> 00:46:53,339

paranormal psychic Feats at this stage

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00:46:57,349 --> 00:46:55,140

using the standards applied to any other

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00:46:59,450 --> 00:46:57,359

area of science the case for psychic

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00:47:02,510 --> 00:46:59,460

functioning has been scientifically

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00:47:07,309 --> 00:47:02,520

proven she said

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00:47:10,130 --> 00:47:07,319

and when was that again it was 1995.

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00:47:12,470 --> 00:47:10,140

so in her opinion the case for psychic

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00:47:15,589 --> 00:47:12,480

functioning was proven

1021

00:47:18,710 --> 00:47:15,599

a very long time ago hmm

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00:47:20,870 --> 00:47:18,720

I wonder how that worked out

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00:47:21,670 --> 00:47:20,880

and finally we find ourselves in the

1024

00:47:25,309 --> 00:47:21,680

year

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00:47:30,349 --> 00:47:25,319

1938 Monday the 18th of April from the

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00:47:33,950 --> 00:47:30,359

Newcastle Sun friends of Spooks former

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00:47:37,630 --> 00:47:33,960

Club the ghost Club seemed last during

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00:47:40,130 --> 00:47:37,640

November 1936 is to reappear in London

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00:47:43,609 --> 00:47:40,140

in spite of its name the club will not

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00:47:45,109 --> 00:47:43,619

meet at midnight but at the more prosaic

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00:47:48,530 --> 00:47:45,119

hour of 8 pm

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00:47:52,609 --> 00:47:48,540

Mr Harry price the new chairman told a

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00:47:55,370 --> 00:47:52,619

representative of the Observer why this

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00:47:58,490 --> 00:47:55,380

once most guarded of London societies is

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00:48:01,069 --> 00:47:58,500

to return under its old name and with a

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00:48:03,770 --> 00:48:01,079

new constitution to discuss psychic

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00:48:06,890 --> 00:48:03,780

topics listen to personal experiences of

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00:48:11,210 --> 00:48:06,900

quote the alleged paranormal end quote

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00:48:15,890 --> 00:48:11,220

and visit haunted houses the club was

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00:48:18,410 --> 00:48:15,900

founded in 1862 he said to inquire into

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00:48:20,510 --> 00:48:18,420

the doing of those celebrated charlatans

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00:48:23,990 --> 00:48:20,520

the Davenport brothers and to

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00:48:26,390 --> 00:48:24,000

investigate the table turning Mania in

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00:48:29,329 --> 00:48:26,400

the United States George Crookshank the

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00:48:31,790 --> 00:48:29,339

artist paroled the club's activities in

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00:48:34,430 --> 00:48:31,800

a small Illustrated volume called a

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00:48:36,470 --> 00:48:34,440

discovery concerning ghosts with a wrap

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00:48:38,750 --> 00:48:36,480

at rappers presently the club

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00:48:41,829 --> 00:48:38,760

disappeared but persons with an interest

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00:48:44,210 --> 00:48:41,839

in the occult revived it at Cambridge in

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00:48:47,329 --> 00:48:44,220

1881. during its early days it was

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00:48:50,150 --> 00:48:47,339

supported by such men as Stanton Moses

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00:48:53,210 --> 00:48:50,160

the medium Lawrence Oliphant the author

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00:48:55,970 --> 00:48:53,220

Sir William Crooks Sir William Barrett

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00:48:58,670 --> 00:48:55,980

t-shirt and Collins and others by

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00:49:01,309 --> 00:48:58,680

November 1936 when the end came the

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00:49:04,370 --> 00:49:01,319

ghost Club had met on nearly 500

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00:49:07,670 --> 00:49:04,380

occasions it had much ritual of its own

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00:49:10,670 --> 00:49:07,680

the members known as ghosts were

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00:49:12,349 --> 00:49:10,680

convinced spiritualists at meeting after

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00:49:14,930 --> 00:49:12,359

meeting the secretary would read the

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00:49:17,569 --> 00:49:14,940

role naming all ghosts since the

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00:49:20,030 --> 00:49:17,579

Inception of the club and to the names

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00:49:24,230 --> 00:49:20,040

of the deceased members the president

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00:49:27,290 --> 00:49:24,240

would reply passed on later the brothers

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00:49:30,109 --> 00:49:27,300

Still incarnate as they were styled

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00:49:33,290 --> 00:49:30,119

would answer to their own names no women

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00:49:35,329 --> 00:49:33,300

were admitted to the club and no

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00:49:37,809 --> 00:49:35,339

proceedings were ever published the

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00:49:39,950 --> 00:49:37,819

ghost kept secret archives

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00:49:42,589 --> 00:49:39,960

men and women

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00:49:45,349 --> 00:49:42,599

the club in its last years had lost

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00:49:48,650 --> 00:49:45,359

touch with modern thought and its value

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00:49:51,650 --> 00:49:48,660

had dwindled now it is to be revived

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00:49:53,930 --> 00:49:51,660

with both men and women admitted to

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00:49:56,690 --> 00:49:53,940

membership this will be by invitation

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00:49:59,270 --> 00:49:56,700

only those known to be interested in

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00:50:02,030 --> 00:49:59,280

psychical research and Allied subjects

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00:50:04,370 --> 00:50:02,040

will be eligible and we propose to limit

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00:50:07,609 --> 00:50:04,380

the number to 100.

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00:50:10,549 --> 00:50:07,619

briefly we intend to meet over a social

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00:50:14,270 --> 00:50:10,559

evening meal at intervals of six weeks

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00:50:16,490 --> 00:50:14,280

and discuss psychic matters oddly enough

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00:50:19,609 --> 00:50:16,500

we are starting at the Royal societies

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00:50:23,329 --> 00:50:19,619

club with a discussion on quote extra

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00:50:26,030 --> 00:50:23,339

sensory perception end quote a craze

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00:50:28,750 --> 00:50:26,040

which is sweeping America much as table

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00:50:31,730 --> 00:50:28,760

turning swept it in the days of the

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00:50:33,240 --> 00:50:31,740

davenport's when the ghost Club was

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00:50:36,650 --> 00:50:33,250

founded

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00:50:42,589 --> 00:50:40,130

there we are some accounts of the term

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00:50:45,130 --> 00:50:42,599

psychic research or paranormal research

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00:50:49,190 --> 00:50:45,140

in the annals of

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archived Australian newspapers and I

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00:50:53,750 --> 00:50:50,760

have to wonder about that ghost Club

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00:51:00,069 --> 00:50:53,760

whether it was more a social opportunity

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00:51:04,910 --> 00:51:03,109

but you too can find the ghostly things

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00:51:08,030 --> 00:51:04,920

and other things book reviews and what

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have you by searching the Treasure Trove

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at Trove

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trove.nla.gov dot a u

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00:51:21,710 --> 00:51:16,819
type in your search criteria and like me

1103
00:51:21,720 --> 00:51:35,589
foreign

1104
00:51:39,890 --> 00:51:37,790
thank you for listening to the skeptic

1105
00:51:44,390 --> 00:51:39,900
Zone podcast now coming up

1106
00:51:47,690 --> 00:51:44,400
on Thursday the 9th of September and

1107
00:51:50,569 --> 00:51:47,700
that's West Coast USA time so

1108
00:51:52,910 --> 00:51:50,579
San Francisco Los Angeles time

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00:51:54,349 --> 00:51:52,920
I will be giving a talk for the Bay Area

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00:51:58,250 --> 00:51:54,359
Skeptics

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00:52:00,049 --> 00:51:58,260
and the talk is called Que Sera Sera is

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00:52:01,970 --> 00:52:00,059
the future ours to see The Great

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00:52:04,190 --> 00:52:01,980

Australian psychic prediction project

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and this will be an update on the

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00:52:08,329 --> 00:52:06,540

project and probably one of the last

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times I'll get to speak about it before

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the official publication of the report

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of the project now Thursday the 9th of

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00:52:21,470 --> 00:52:16,140

September will

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be Friday here in Australia but the best

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thing to do would be to go to be a

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to all those people who continue to

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as is the case for many other people let

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me say in the entertainment industry

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00:52:48,710 --> 00:52:44,460

which broadly

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00:52:51,349 --> 00:52:48,720

I guess I put myself in that category

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00:52:54,950 --> 00:52:51,359

lots of workers dried up gone away as

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having a quarantine from covert

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work for entertainers is certainly being

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quarantined at the moment so all my

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00:53:02,210 --> 00:53:01,260

other sources of income have stopped at

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the moment

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looking forward to better days when

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we're all fully vaxed and Society can

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get back to something resembling normal

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and I can perform again but at the

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moment that's not happening

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so you can imagine

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how important your subscriptions are

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next week on the skeptic Zone the Trove

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segment is going to look at paranormal

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and Spoon

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yes spoon

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and you'll be surprised at some of the

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results it's not all about a certain

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00:53:42,829 --> 00:53:40,740
spoon Bender no but for this week this

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is Richard Saunders signing off from

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