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Billy Meier's Buddhist Teacher Is Dead

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During his stay in Samdach Bhante's Indian ashram, Meier claims to have had UFO sightings and a close encounter with a female from the Dal universe, all witnessed by several people.

Stig

Saturday, July 3, 1999

Obituaries

Samdach Bhante; Monk Advised Sihanouk, Nehru

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Samdach Vira Bhante, 110, a Cambodian monk who advised leaders of Cambodia and India. The Most Venerable Dharmawara Mahathera, known simply as Bhante to his family and friends, served as spiritual advisor to Cambodia's King Norodom Sihanouk and kept watch at the deathbed of India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. The son of an upper-class family in Phnom Penh, Bhante was a lawyer, judge and provincial governor in Cambodia with a wife and young daughter when, at the age of 40, he walked into the forest to follow the teachings of Buddha. Educated in French schools and fluent in several languages, Bhante lived in huts and subsisted on raw fruits and vegetables and handouts from peasant farmers before moving to India, where he spent 45 years teaching and building a monastery. He gave up his possessions, cigarettes and alcohol, saying, "You are what you think. You are what you eat and drink." Bhante came to California for what he thought would be a quiet life of meditation with his relatives, refugees from the Cambodian war. But he was soon asked to build a temple for Stockton's approximately 16,000 Cambodians, and served as head abbot for many years. His ashes will be divided between shrines in Cambodia and India. On June 26 in Stockton.

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